

THE UPPER HUNTER GROUP OF THE ULYSSES CLUB INC.

MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD

AT THE AGRICULTURAL HOTEL MUNRO ST.

SINGLETON.

The meeting was declared open at: 6:05 p.m. On the 2nd of February 2008

Present: As per the attendance book.

Apologies: Robbie & Jenny Merrick, Lyn Cherrie.

Welcome to new members & Guests. Nil

Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 03/11/07 were read and accepted.

Moved by: John Williams Seconded by: Keith Smith.
CARRIED.

Business arising: The letter of congratulations [Coffs Harbour tourism award] to Natcom is yet to be written. John & Gai McGee's accommodation swap request for Townsville has received no response, status quo remains. The two brunch rides to Hamilton proved to be very successful, we will look at continuing same.

Correspondence In:

1. Quartermaster ramblings from natcom. 2. Procedure for attending 2008 AGM on the 30/05/08 at 1:00 p.m. sharp. 3. 2008 AGM volunteer enrolment form. 4. Natcom minutes Nov. 2007. 5. Poker run flyer for 24/02/08. 6. Invitation from d'Albora Marina to set up a display. 7. Ride for Daniel flyer. 8. Invitation from Nepean branch to attend a meet & greet on 16-17/02/08. 9. New member Tony Hernando details received via e-mail. 10. From natcom letter explaining GST on donations. 11. Tamworth branch newsletter. 12. Bitch N' Bitumen book received.

Correspondence out:

1. E-mail from Jim to D'albora Marina asking what they expect us to do if we take up their offer.

Treasurer's report: Was read and accepted as correct for meeting held on 30/11/07
Moved by: Max Cherrie. Seconded by Wayne Smith.
CARRIED.

Welfare Officer's report: E-mailed to Jim from Robbie, Sylvia's knee replacement is progressing well, & Keith is still unable to throw the leg over, hence the look of frustration on his face. Robbie also advised that he will not be seeking re-election at our AGM.

Ride Calendar: Jim requested that we try and have a good ride up at Newcastle Lower Hunter's poker run on the 24/02/08. Leave MM @ 0715 Singo Macca's @ 0800. There were only a couple of rooms still left for Donna's & Bear's mystery ride, and names had to be in by the end of this meeting.

The subject of group bookings was raised when going for weekends away. Keith advised that it is up to the individual to book their own accommodation. Jim stated that when doing so, mention that you are from our branch, and ask how many others have already booked. Some institutions also give group discounts.

General Business: 1. Graeme asked that if we bulk buy the 25th anniversary commemorative Ulysses shirt, does the purchase involve GST. There would only be a GST component if we on sold the shirts at a profit.

The subject of appointing a quartermaster was raised, a number of obstacles were discussed and as a result, this idea was shelved.

2. Members were given a number of raffle tickets for our Easter raffle, this will be drawn on the 1st of March at our AGM. Members are required to donate raffle prizes to Cherrie's electronics, well in advance of the next meeting please.

3. The branch has a number of first aid kits which are stored at George & Sandi's place. Most members have their own first aid kit which they carry on their bike. If for some reason you use something out of your first aid kit, see Sandi and she will replenish your kit for you.

4. As Townsville AGM is drawing nearer there was much discussion about accommodation, the trip up and groups making their way home via different routes. Graeme mentioned that there are still some rooms available if anyone has changed their mind and would like to come home down the centre. Keith has a 4 day itinerary trip planned for those who are coming home directly after the AGM. Jim, Colleen, John, and Barbara are continuing on to Cairns after the AGM for a week, if anyone else would like to join them they are more than welcome. For those who have not booked any accommodation in Townsville, there is still plenty available, just get on the Ulysses web site and follow the links.

5. Nominations were called for positions at our AGM next month. The nominees who have agreed to except these positions are. President – Jim Simpson. Secretary – Graeme Lothringer. Treasurer – Kerry Solman. Ride Calendar – Keith Smith. Welfare/Welcoming Officer – Gary Knight. Newsletter Editor – Wayne Smith. Web Site Co-ordinator – Mark Walmsley.

The position of Archivist was discussed and it was agreed that this position is no longer required. All that needs to be done is when on rides if you take photos, e-mail them to Mark and he will put them on our web site. We do have in our possession a number of photo albums, they are currently held by Keith Smith, we need to discuss at the AGM what to do with them, who should hang on to them, and if there is someone who is prepared to scan certain photos, and send to Mark to put on the web site. [A big job]

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 7:05 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on the 01/03/08 at 6:00 p.m. at the Agricultural Hotel Munro Street Singleton.

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Jim Simpson [President]

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Lyn Cherrie [Secretary]

