

**THE UPPER HUNTER GROUP OF THE ULYSSES CLUB INC.**  
**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD**  
**AT THE ALBION HOTEL JOHN ST.**  
**SINGLETON.**

The meeting was declared open at 6:05pm on the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2008.

**Present:-** Graeme Lothringer, Lucy Drew, Frank & Royalie Sciani, John & Barbara Williams, Joan & Bill Tindale, Garry & Carole Knight, Maurice & Sue Kramer, Dave Convery & Gaye Pike, Tony & Leanne Hernando, Beth & Mick Mantle, Max & Lyn Cherrie + Addison, Ray Addison, Bear, Ron Thomson, Jill Gollan, Sandra & George Robinson, Ken & Sylvia Smith, Barry Fong, Neil & Janet Jacobs, David & Kerry Moffitt, Donna McIntyre, Mark Cook, Gerry & Andrea Winter

**Apologies:-** David Stibbard, Kevin & Wendy George, Ros & Albert Oosterveen, Trevor Harrison.

**Welcome to new members & Guests.** Nil

**Minutes of the previous meeting** held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August were read and accepted.

Moved by: Bear

Seconded by: Ray Addison

Carried: unanimously

**Business arising:**

1. .Nil

**Correspondence In:**

- Change of email address for Neil Jacobs
- Email address for Ray Addison
- Cheque for \$100 from Vic & Leanne Barnett for Penrith AGM (but sadly no bra).
- Email from Tony Hernando updating the Bikers for SIDS Run in November. The ride will be on the 9<sup>th</sup> November starting at the Newcastle foreshore at 10:30 going to Rathmines Park. There will be a Show and Shine at the end. He would love to see heaps of Ulyssians there and more details will be emailed out as they are available.
- Newsletter from the Tamworth Branch including notification of their Christmas Party on 6<sup>th</sup> December. If you want more details please go to <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~ulysses/> .
- Newsletter from Upper Lachlan Tourist Association giving an update on the Tablelands Way. If you are interested in attending the opening (9 Ulysses groups have already nominated their attendance) go to [www.tablelandsway.com.au](http://www.tablelandsway.com.au).
- From NATCOM:-
  - Minutes of the Extended NATCOM meeting held after this year's AGM.
  - Minutes of the 2008 AGM in Townsville on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2008.
  - Minutes of the NATCOM Committee Meeting held 28<sup>th</sup> June 2008.

- Notice to branch secretaries requesting an update of branch contact details for inclusion in Riding On, the web site etc.
- Notice to branch treasurers on how cheques to the club are to be made out.
- Notice from 2009 AGM volunteer co-ordinator (Robyn Cullen) seeking volunteers. If you are interested contact her [getabouts@optusnet.com.au](mailto:getabouts@optusnet.com.au) or 02 4573 1319.
- “Quartermasters Ramblings” offering a special price for winter stock

**Correspondence out:**

2. .Nil

**Treasurer’s report:**

Opening balance (end July)	\$2,605.59
Money in	\$1,768.10
Money out	\$22.50
Un-presented cheques	\$2,300.00
Closing balance	\$1051.19

Was read and accepted as correct

Moved by: John Williams

Seconded by Tony Hernando

Carried: unanimously

**Welfare Officer’s report:**

- Kevin & Wendy George came off their bike on the way back from Gloucester. Wendy suffered a broken rib. There will be more attention paid in the future to ensure riding “buddies” especially on the ride leg close to home when the groups tend to split.
- Bear’s recovering leg gave way at work. Bear was slightly bruised but otherwise OK.

**General Business:**

1. The collection of bras for BRAMAN has begun. Joan Tindale will be collecting until the end of October. The matter got good coverage in the Hunter Valley News.
2. The motion was put that in the future club meetings be held at the Albion Hotel. The motion was moved by Graeme Lothringer, seconded by Barry Fong and passed unanimously. A letter of thanks and certificate of appreciation to be sent to the Agricultural Hotel.
3. Congratulations to Kerry Solman on becoming a grandfather.
4. Some riders from Scone who want to start a local group contacted Simmo. Simmo indicated that the Upper Hunter Branch would offer no objection as long as it did not interfere with the Upper Hunter Branch or affect its logo.
5. There was a good turnout to the Elizabeth Gates Village for the village visit and the presentation of the \$500 donation to the Singleton Cancer Appeal Foundation.
6. Anyone interested in doing the Route 66 ride in August 2009 to contact Bear or Donna.

7. A request was made to get a good turnout at next weeks Memorial Ride (see Ride Calendar).

### **Future Meetings –**

In the future the “meeting” that commences at 6:00pm will be a social meeting. At this meeting only items of general interest to club members (ride calendar, welfare report, general business) will be raised by the committee. It will also be a forum for members to raise issues they want discussed in the future.

The committee will meet one hour before hand to discuss a range of issues such as outcomes from NATCOM meetings, treasurer’s report etc that are currently not properly covered. A full set of minutes will be sent to all members.

**Newsletter:** Wayne Smith was at work and unable to present a report.

### **Ride Calendar:**

- 7<sup>th</sup> September – Ride to Gulgong. Attendance will be affected by the weather.
- 14<sup>th</sup> September – Memorial Ride to Maitland Park. Ride will leave Singleton MacDonald’s at 8:00am and ride to Hexham MacDonald’s to meet up with Port Stephens, Lower Hunter and Lake Macquarie groups before proceeding to Maitland Park. BE THERE!
- 18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> September – 4 day ride to the Snowy Mountains.
- 18<sup>th</sup> October – Pink Ribbon Ride which coincides with the Port Macquarie Ride.
- 9<sup>th</sup> November – SIDS + Kids ride being organised by Tony Hernando. The ride will start at the Newcastle foreshore and proceed to Rathmines Park where there will be a Show and Shine. Entry is \$20 per motorbike, so BE THERE as well! More information will be sent out shortly.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 6:40p.m..

The next meeting will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at the Albion Hotel, 2 John Street, Singleton. The committee will meet in the board room of Cherrie’s Electronics at 5:00pm.

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Jim Simpson  
President.

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Graeme Lothringer  
Secretary