

OCTOBER MEETING – UPPER HUNTER BRANCH OF THE ULYSSES CLUB.

HELD AT THE ALBION HOTEL ON SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2009.

MEETING OPENED 6.07pm. In the absence of the President the meeting was chaired by Garry Knight.

ATTENDANCE. As per the attendance sheet.

APPOLOGIES. President Jim and Colleen Simpson, Wayne Smith, Dave and Kerry Moffitt, Max and Lyn Cherrie, Bruce Black.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS AND GUESTS. There were no new members or guests present.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING. The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Moved Barbara Williams, Seconded Ted Burley, that the minutes as read be accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING. There were no matters arising from the minutes for discussion.

CORRESPONDENCE IN.

1. A copy of the Tamworth Branch Newsletter.
2. A letter from the Denmark Chamber of Commerce, containing information on the Denmark region of WA for visitors to the 2010 AGM.
3. An email from Keith Smith about ride days and members work shifts.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT. Nil.

TREASURERS REPORT. The treasurer reported that the balance brought forward was \$2,738.76, plus credits \$47.00, less debits \$20.00 giving a closing balance of \$2765.76, (copy of report attached to minutes). Moved George Robinson, Seconded Keith Smith that the Treasures report be accepted.

WELFARE OFFICERS REPORT. There are no members currently on the sick list, although Wayne Smith had been hospitalised for a few days in September on return from USA. It was opined that his malaise was a delayed reaction to the excitement of his visit to Hooters Santa Monica.

NEWSLETTER. Wayne Smith had advised that he was receiving good reports but needed more photos to give the newsletter interest. Donna McIntyre received a vote of thanks for her effort in producing her USA ride report.

RIDE CALENDAR. Keith Smith discussed his email to Jim Simpson and Jims reply, regarding a survey among members to see if our rides were relevant and met their need in particular those who work a seven day roster. After some discussion it was decided that the current ride calendar probably met most members needs, but all members are encouraged to email or write to Keith to give their views or suggestions on how the ride calendar can be improved.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

1. Sids for Kids. Jim Simpson and Tony Hernando had approached a number of bike shops and related businesses for support for the Kids for Kids ride. Both Newcastle Police and Council have been made aware of the event and its objectives.

2. 'Cookie' the President of the Lake Macquarie Branch has sent an all addresses email to members advising of a prize less poker run to be conducted on the 18th October starting from Edgeworth MacDonald's at 0830 am. Members are encouraged to attend.
3. Dorrigo. There are still a number of rooms left at the motel for anyone wishing to attend on the November 14/15 ride and Xmas party.
4. Alroy Hostel Visit. Members are reminded that the visit is on 11th October, meeting at Acacia Ct, (Allan Bull Reserve) at 0945, for a 1000 visit. Bikes to be shiny!
5. Donations. Kerry Solman raised the subject of donations and the previous discussions were reviewed. It was decided to make the \$500.00 donation to Arthritis Research forthwith and the Treasurer drew the necessary cheque.

CLOSE. There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.45 pm.

Garry Knight

Acting Chairman.

Bill Tindale

Secretary