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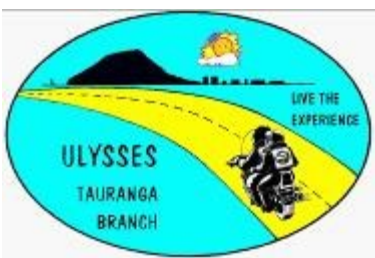
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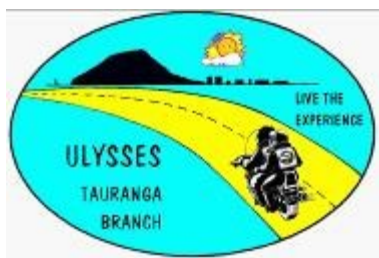
NEXT CLUB NIGHT

Our next club night is on the
17th June 2025 at the Tauranga Citz Club
7.30 pm or 1930 hrs

Even better come for dinner / Light snack
before the meeting

And you can even have a drink.

Just remember Don't drink and Drive



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TAURANGA BRANCH OF THE ULYSSES CLUB NZ INC.

AGENDA OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING

10/06/2025 @ 7.00pm

PRESENT: Mel, Barb, Lee, Robyn, Kerry

Visitors: Paul

APOLOGIES: JT

PREVIOUS MINUTES: As in the newsletter

MATTERS ARISING: Nil

Moved Mel seconded Lee

CORRESPONDENCE:

INWARDS: Rider Down Course

Rev - Respect - Ride (MAM)

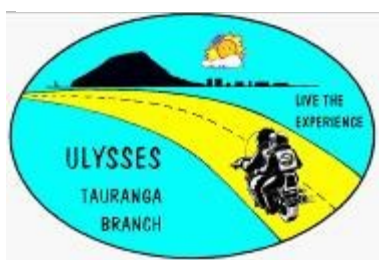
PAW Justice Charity Lottery

OUTWARDS: Rider Down Course

FINANCIAL REPORT: As supplied.

Moved lee

Seconded barb



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CO-ORDINATORS REPORT:

Firstly, my condolences to Lee in the recent loss of a family member. The committee was happy to postpone our monthly meeting to the following week.

Its been a bit quieter with the cooling, rainy weather but the hardcore are still riding while other enjoy their chat and Latte.

I have designed a quick and easy survey which is included, to find out where we as a branch stand with our members. This to provide a guide to work out how best to cater for your wants/needs/activities etc with the club. Please just take a few minutes (three or less) to fill it out and return. Thanks

The next branch meeting (Tuesday 17th June) will be something to look forward to with our Himalayan explorer (JT) talking about his motorcycling travels. Also, there will be some badge presentation for those who have become 'long term' members.

The Waihi Beach rally has rolled over and in the black. Thanks again to the hard workers. I've been in to Bayride to personally thank them for the generous donations to the rally raffles. We can start to look forward to the 2026 rally...more on that later.

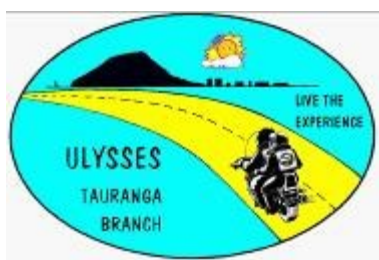
Our next branch event is September and is for all members, riders and drivers. Watch this space.

Keep your eyes open in the Ulyssean for information on the next National AGM 2026 in Nelson.

Any questions feel free to contact me. A neighbour knocked on my front door a couple of mornings ago at 3.00 AM. 3.00 AM !!! Luckily, I was already up, practicing on my bagpipes.

Nga mihi Mel T (#7873)

Coordinator Tauranga



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WELFARE MATTERS: Lee got his welfare bag

A few people still recovering from the bug that was given away at the Waihi Rally.

RUNS UPDATE: Been a quiet month.

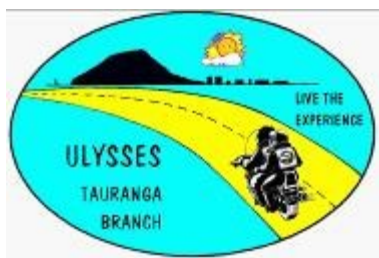
NEWSLETTER / SOCIAL MEDIA: I will print out copies of the newsletter for each club night.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Waihi Rally Final Financials
September Rescue service Ride
Rider Down Course

It was discussed by the committee that a Gratuity be given to Paul & Robyn Carson for all the hours cooking, collecting the food & Liquor etc for the Waihi Rally.

2026 Rally 1st May \$85.00 per person. We will also have a Waihi Beach rally badge run. These will be pre paid with the registration.

Finished 8.14



**ULYSSES TAURANGA BRANCH
FINANCIALS**

Financial Report from 2nd May 2025 to 30th May 2025

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Opening balance as per bank statement 02/05/2025			\$4,246.15
Deposits			
Interest		\$2.12	
Meat Raffle		\$32.00	
Fines		\$14.00	
Rally Income		\$1,129.00	
Left over Rally Alcohol		\$204.80	
Total Deposits		\$1,381.92	
Expenditure			
Meat Packs (Raffle)	\$25.00		
Club Night Tea & Coffee	\$30.00		
Super Saver transfer	\$20.00		
Total Expenditure	\$75.00		
Total Income			\$1,381.92
Less Expenditure			\$75.00
Balance as at 30/05/2025			\$5,553.07
Bank statement # 00236			\$5,553.07

Savings Account

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Opening Balance as per Bank Statement 02/05/25			\$2,632.27
Gross Credit Interest Paid		\$5.54	
Transfer from Main Account		\$20.00	
Balance as per bank statement 30/05/2025 # 00311			\$2,657.81

Term Deposit: ANZ \$10,000.00

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WAIHI RALLY BREAKDOWN

Income: \$3280 = 41 persons

\$219.00 Raffles

\$62.00 Toasted Sandwiches

\$848.00 Alcohol sales

\$204.75 After Rally Alcohol sales

\$461375

Expenses: \$2000.00 Venue

\$803.67 Food

\$63.25 Liquor license

\$34.07 Raffle

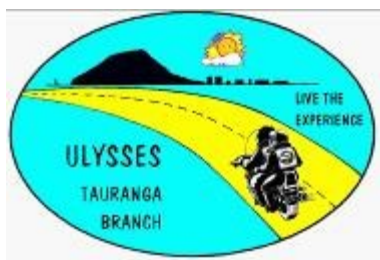
\$5.00 Wrist Bands

\$8.00 Certificate frame (Bayride)

\$797.08 Alcohol

\$3711.07

Profit from Rally \$902.68 + Alcohol to be sold \$60.40 = \$963.08



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Editors Mumblings

I would like to thank the members of the branch for their messages with the recent passing of my sister.

I was totally shocked by the Idiot car drivers while I was returning from Taihape. While travelling along the desert ride in torrential rain, Gale force winds and flooding; we were in a-line of traffic following a truck unit at 60—70 kms hour ; and some total idiots overtook us when we couldn't even see past my bonnet. These people were so lucky they didn't kill themselves or some innocent family.

The rider down course has only 4 more spots left. The course costs \$130.00 but NATCOM subsidises the course by \$70.00 ; so it only costs \$60.00 and you get a free first aid kit valued at \$80.00. Contact me if you wish to participate. You don't have to be a bike rider; Great to know what to do if you ever come across a car accident while your driving your Tin Top.

Keep the sunny side up.

Lee White

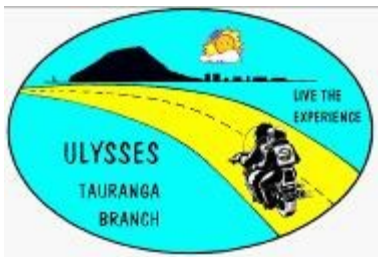
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Secretary / Social Media

We have some alcohol left over from the Waihi Rally:

1. Corona x 18 bottles \$37.50
- 3.Heinekin x 10 bottles \$22.90

Contact Paul Carson 027 5862121



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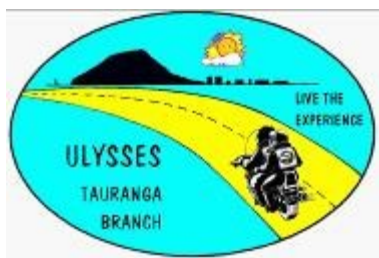
June 1

Hi all

Had 3 riders on today's ride. It was reasonably warm out & the wind had dropped off, so it was very good riding conditions. Stopped for a coffee at Matata & then through Taneatua Waimana gorge & onto Opotiki. Nice Sunny spot for lunch. Back via inner Ohiwa harbour rd. & then onto Ohope. Whakatane; Matata for the Compulsory ice-cream & home.

about 320 kms Nice day out

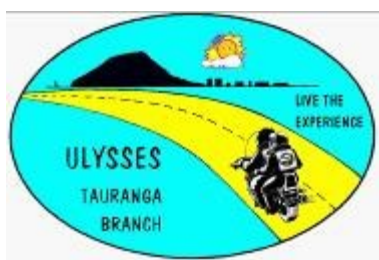
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SUNDAY MORNING BREAKFAST AT COLUMBUS COFFEE SHOP BETHLEHEM TOWN CENTRE



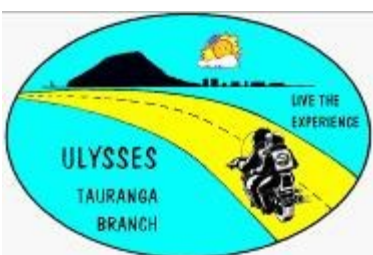
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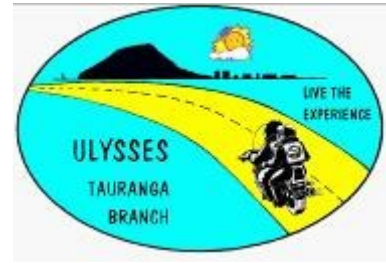


I've just solved America's problems;
Vote Ken for president.
Its suits him behind the desk.

**Me & my mate were sat in a
cafe this morning, the
waitress came over and
said you can't eat
your own sandwiches in
here! So we swapped**

**Paddy's struggling
down the road with
a wardrobe.
A friend says,
"Hey paddy, why
don't ya get mick to
help?"
Paddy says,
"He's inside, carrying
the clothes"**





Rider Down Course

To be held at the Tauranga RSA July 20th 2025

Starts at 9.30am until 2.30pm.

Cost is \$60.00

A small fee for lunch and the Bar will be open for a drink after the course.

Attendees will get a free compact 1st Aid kit valued at \$80.

The Workshop is limited to a maximum of 30 riders, so please register early so you don't miss out.

You can register here: leew.lynnco@xtra.co.nz

PLEASE NOTE: I need Confirmed numbers by the end of May.

Payment not required until number are reached.

This interactive, targeted, rider training will be a mix of theory and practical to inform and train participants on what to do when they are in a Rider Down situation.

The main themes include -

Causes of crashes

Scene safety

Getting help

Patient assessment*

Breathing*

Bleeding*

Bones

Helmet removal*

Positioning*

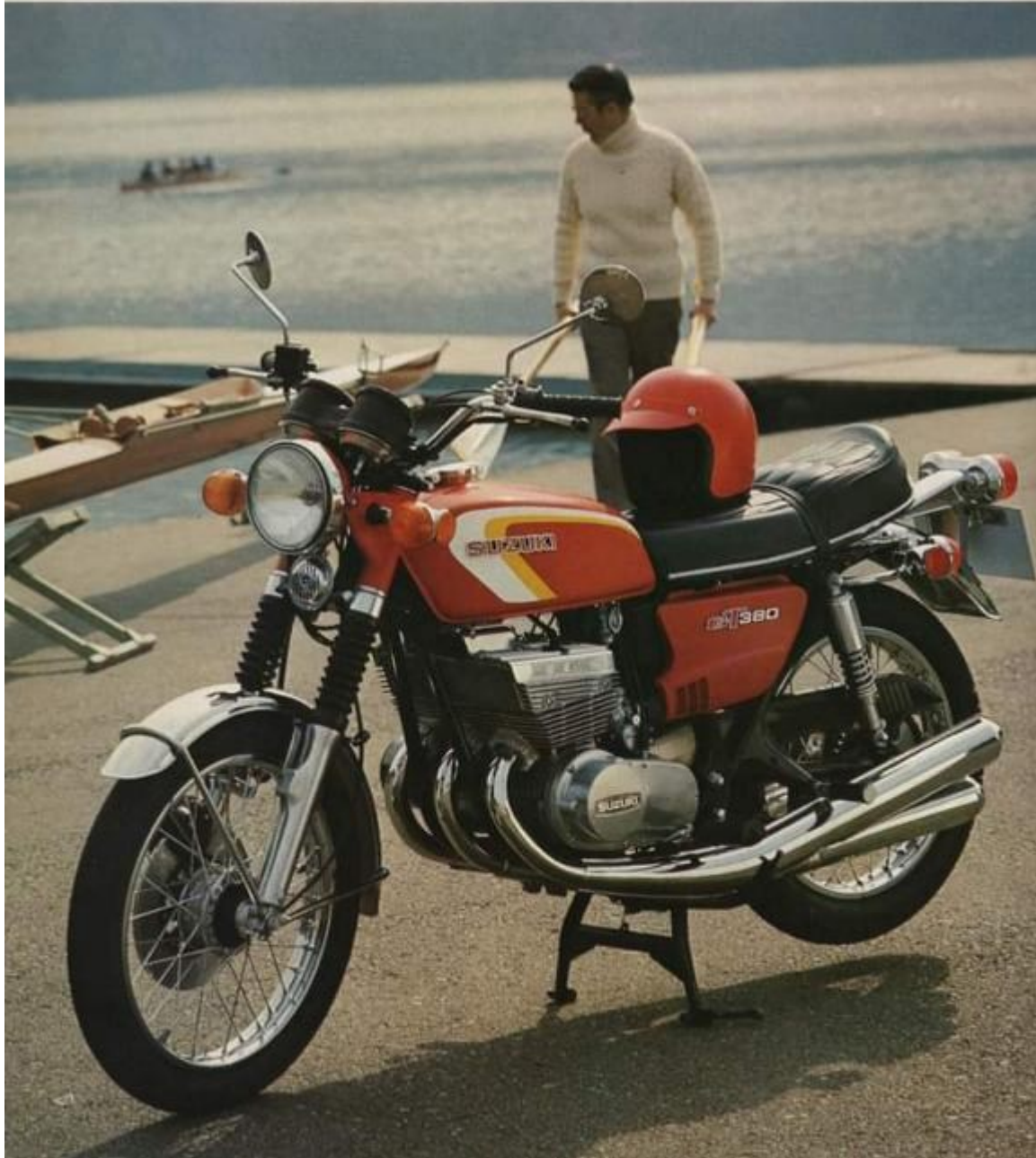
CPR*

Other participants questions/needs...

Suzuki GT380: with guts enough to outdistance all the others in its class.

No matter how long you ride it or how hard you push it, the Suzuki GT380 will deliver smooth, unflagging performance hour after hour. You've got six speeds forward. Used properly, they mean a 13.8 quarter-mile time, 38 horses, 110 mph top speed.

If you also expect your motorcycle to give you the ultimate combination of nimble handling, strength, design detailing, comfort, and maintenance, you should take the GT380 for a test ride soon. It is probably your kind of motorcycle.

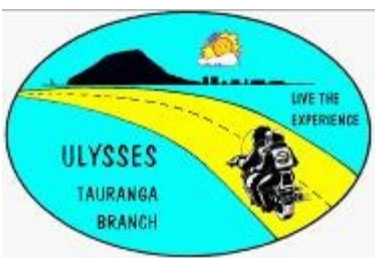


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2025 Service Badges

15 year	Lucy Lawson # 8076
	Dave Lawson # 8075
20 year	John Salisbury # 6313 (JT)
25 year	Doug Cook #4833
	Julie Cufflin # 4743
	Jim Salvidge # 4967
30 year	Paul Greaves # 3325
	Graeme Horne #3372
	Peter Remetis # 3203
35 Year	Robyn Carson # 1167

CONGRADULATIONS EVERYONE



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Member Discounts

Butt Buffer

info@buttbuffer.co.nz 15%

Bluebridge Ferry

Ulysses10 10% Valid to 31/10/2025

Ezibed NZ

www.ezibed.com

Interislander

XULYSSES1 10% Valid to 15/12/2025

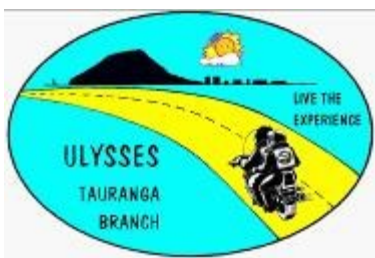
Kiwi Fuelcards

Ulysses Sign up online

Kiwi Motorcycle Rentals

info@kiwimotorcyclere rentals.co.nz 10%

All relevant information is on the Ulysses NZ website.



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NORTH ISLAND *Remembrance Service*

**Saturday 16 August 2025, 2:00 pm at Great Lake Centre, Taupo
(Tongariro North Domain, Story Place, Taupō)**

YES, ONE WEEK LATER THAN USUAL, this year 3rd Saturday of August, 2025

Ulysses Auckland branch, in association with Ulysses Taupō branch, invite all Ulyssians to come together at our annual Remembrance Service and remember members who have passed away.

If you intend staying in Taupō, please make your own accommodation arrangements.

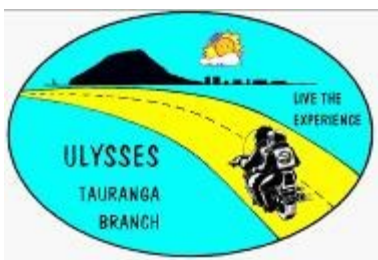
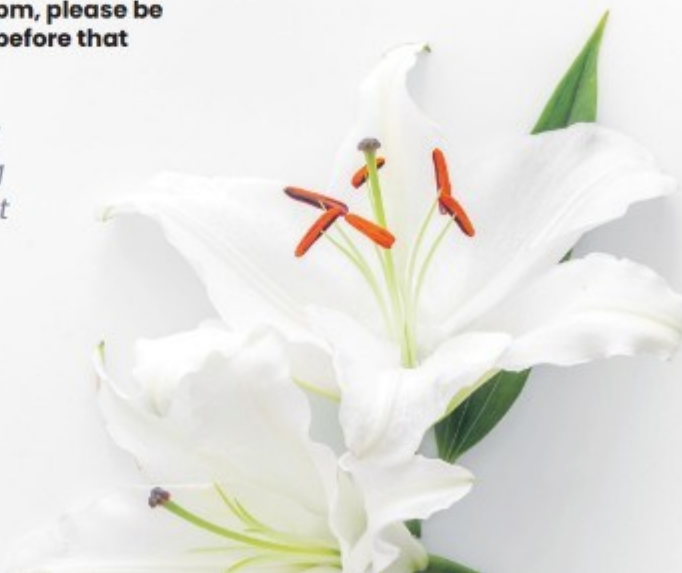
An organized social event is intended for the Saturday evening. Once planning is finalised, details will be available on the Auckland Ulysses website.

Badges and embroidered cloth badges will be sold on the day, both at the morning organised Taupō ride and at the venue. Hot drinks and biscuits will be available in the main foyer on your arrival in the afternoon. A donation will be appreciated.

The Remembrance Service starts at 2pm, please be early so you can be seated in the hall before that time.

A group ride on Friday 15 August from Auckland to Taupō is being planned. A formal ride of respect through Taupō will be held on the day of the service. All ride details will be available in the branch newsletters and websites closer to the event.

Any questions, please contact:
Auckland branch president,
or Peggy O'Neal at
remembrance@ulysses.org.nz.



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PUT A SMILE ON YOUR DIAL

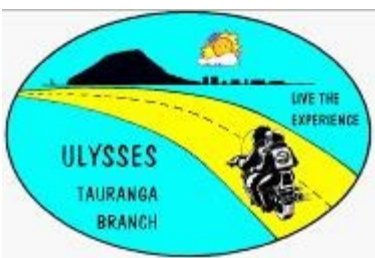
Behind every angry woman..



...stands a man who has absolutely no idea what he did wrong

BACK IN MY DAY WE DIDN'T WEAR HELMETS.

WE'D JUST LIE THERE UNCONSCIOUS UNTIL SOMEONE CAME TO GET US FOR DINNER.



Ulysses Club of NZ Inc.

Love bikes? Over 40?
Cafe stops, day trips, overnight stays

Ride bikes, have fun,
look out for each other
tauranga@ulysses.org.nz

If you can still get your leg over
GROW OLD DISGRACEFULLY

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TAURANGA BRANCH RUNS LIST WHAT WE ARE DOING AND WHEN WE ARE DOING IT

17th June — Branch club night with JT trip talk & Service badge presentation

22nd June — Refinery cafe

13th July — In & Around Ride

16th August — Remembrance Service Taupo

September — Rescue services Fun Runs

Any Sunday rides not listed will be a DOD ride.

Remember at any time if there is a location you would like to ride too or you have planned a ride you would like to do please let us know.

Meeting Place: Columbus Coffee Shop Bethlehem Town Centre
Please be ready to ride at 10 am with your bike all gassed up
Having a coffee or breakfast before your ride please come early

Rides Co-Ordinator

JT

021 263 5618

