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WESTERN CAPE ODYSSEUS MOTORCYCLE CLUB

Night at the Oscars

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FOOD, DRINKS AND
LIVE BAND - RUMOURS

DRESS FOR THE OSCARS

DECEMBER **7** SATURDAY

19:00PM

Members: R150 p/h Boma 2, Kilarney Raceway, Table View Non Members: R180 p/h



Hello fellow clubbies!!!

Well, this will be my final chairman's report for 2024 (I think...). I can't believe how 2024 has flown by and it's almost the "silly season" again.

Some of the events that we have all been looking forward to have come and gone and the year is truly winding down now. We had a really good day at the recent Power Series at Killarney International Raceway. It was a wonderful prize (as I mentioned in last month's edition) and it was a full day out at the track. It was so nice to see so many in attendances.



There was a really great vibe watching the racing and around the braai. Most recently, many of us attended the annual Toy Run, which (in my opinion) turned out to be a roaring success this year. Thank you so much to all the Odysseus members who volunteered to work at this very worthy event. You do us proud.

The only thing still left on our calendar for 2024 is our year-end function on the 7th of December. Therese and her team are putting in a lot of hard work and it promises to be a grand evening. There are still tickets available, so don't miss out. Contact Therese for details.

We have had some fun times this year and I sincerely hope that you have all enjoyed the rides and events that your hard working committee have put together. I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thanks to my fellow committee members and to all the club members who support us. We couldn't do it without you all.

Sharing warm and joyous wishes to each of you this Christmas.

Stay safe and hopefully see you on the 7th.

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OUR OBJECTIVES AS A STRONG CLUB

**To help aging bikers to stay active, alive and well.
To encourage others who look like they could be getting old to stop it and to do things to enjoy life, preferably on bikes. To encourage members to keep on biking or to enjoy biking activities. To foster an interest in motorcycles and to promote unity amongst bikers. To encourage and support all forms of road and off-road biking activities. To enhance relationships between bikers and those less fortunate.
To organize social biking events**

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www.youtube.com/@OdysseusMC-WesternCape-kz9gb
6 subscribers - 18 videos (many more to come) - 33 views

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General MEETING

HELD ON
22 October 2024
AT PBC @ 19H30

Invitees: All members

Welcome : The Spokesperson welcomed all present, which amounted to 23 Members and 2 visitors. We had 2 members join our meeting on-line.

Apologies: Apologies received from Anne Bareham, Craig & Rina Wilson, Keith Reeves and Dave & Jenny Sumner

Unwell members: All members recovering well from their injuries and health issues. The Spokesperson welcomed Dave Roux back into the fold after his recovery. Only Brian Botes is sadly not doing well.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes: None

Previous Minutes Acceptance: Rob Bareham & seconded by Heath Coleman

Correspondence: Email received from Steve Bentley, stating his intention to resign from the Handlebar Committee as Ride Coordinator from January 2025, due to health concerns. He has indicated that he would still facilitate rides from the floor.

Membership: Cyril Somerville was officially welcomed into the Club & presented with his Club Colours. He had completed the necessary amount of rides & Club Meetings to qualify. Welcome, Cyril!!

The Odysseian: The October issue was distributed to the Club on 14 November - thanks again for a bumper edition, Basil! Please let the Secretary know if you haven't received yours to check whether your email is correct. As usual, we call on ALL members to submit your articles, news or jokes (Dick de Kroon?) to Basil Forbes.

Lucky draw: Card no 1 was won by Steve Bentley & card no 2 was won by Errol Murtagh (again!) Congratulations, guys!

Social Responsibility: We have concluded our Social Responsibility for the year.

Birthdays:

Holder Gail	7
Armstrong Wayne	9
Sumner Dave	11
Murtagh Errol	14
Green-Liddle Gillian	26

Regalia: Nothing to report

General MEETING

HELD ON
26 SEPTEMBER 2024
AT PBC @ 19H30

Official Rides:

Past rides: 26.10.2024 - **Cannon Ride:** Iain reported that it was a great event, with 4 members of the Club participating (as well as Cyril before he got his colours). The event was well-organised by the MOTHS in perfect weather. The cannons were situated in Camps Bay, Hout Bay & Simon's Town at Just Nuisance's statue. The final destination at the Shell Hole in Bergvliet was a great event with an amazing band & a really good atmosphere. Highly recommend members to join next year - well worth it!

10.11.2024 - **The Orchard in Elgin Grabouw:** 5 Bikes and a few cars attended, with some rain experienced en route. Route taken: N1, R300, N2. The food was good, but service was a bit lacking.

Future Rides: 24.11.2024 - **Toy Run:** Steven Bentley to lead riders from McDonald's to Athlone Stadium to join one of the Odysseus-led pods in the Mass Ride to Killarney. Poll to be put up to see how many will be joining him.

Past Events: 16.11.2024 - **Raceday at Killarney:** It was a perfect day with over 30 people attending. The braai & salads went down well, with great camaraderie among the attendees. Our Club did a Parade Lap around the track during the lunch break which was a highlight. Rob Todd's suggestion of following the bikes by car with the Odysseus feathers protruding was a great idea - thanks, Rob!

Future Events: 07.12.2024 - **Annual End-of-Year dance & prize-giving:** The Award Nomination forms need to be calibrated, so please let us have your suggestions ... So far only 7 forms have been received. There were printed forms available on the Committee table. **Please help us make popular choices - as voted by you!** Contact the Secretary for any further info needed about the Dance..

24.11.2024 - **Toy Run:** Volunteers to attend a briefing at Killarney on Saturday, 23 November @ 15:00. It was suggested that when we buy toys, please concentrate on the 14 - 18 year old age group as well, as we cannot give them teddy bears. This year the Toy Run has received over 16 000 requests for toys ... last year they were only able to provide 12 000. Let's make this year a huge success!!

General: We need Handlebar Committee members, with 1 stepping down & 3 resigning due to health-related issues, so please either come forward or nominate someone..

Meeting closed at: 20:20

Next meeting : Annual General Meeting in January 2025 - date to be advised.



We would like to welcome Cyril Somerville to the Odysseus family , who became a fully patched member last night. Wishing Cyril many happy and safe years with Odysseus Motorcycle Club - Western Cape

OUR COMMITTEE 2024



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MONEY MATTERS FINANCIAL REPORT

CLUB BANKING DETAILS: BANK:ABSA, ACC Name: Odysseus Western Cape Savings Account Account: 9263536308 Branch Code: 632005

Funds Paid Out

Bank Charges R133.45
Killarney Braai wood, salads, rolls R745
Deposit on venue for YEF R2045

Funds received

YEF Tickets sold R3360.
Sanlam Cape Town Marathon R6375. We
paid 3 non-members R1920, so total earned
from CT Marathon was R4455.
Lucky Tickets income from Oct meeting R50
Interest on Savings Account R0.83
Interest on Investment Account R622.12.

Account Balances as of 22 Nov 2024

Investment R98287.67
Savings R25854.73.
Petty Cash R2366.67
Current Total R127309.07

December BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays:

Holder Gail	7	Armstrong Wayne	9
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Diary 2024

Year end Function -
7 Dec 2024

Jan AGM - Date TBC

Rides Planned

None for Dec



UNKNOWN MC
17th Birthday Bash

7 DECEMBER 2024
TIME: 14:00 TILL LATE

VENUE: BOSS PUB MONTAGUE GARDENS

ENTRY: R 80.00 INCL METAL BADGE

CASH PRIZES
DJ ENTERTAINMENT

TOPLESS SHOOTER GIRLS




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MYSTERY RUN

18 JANUARY 2025

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INCLUDES BADGE
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- FAMILY FRIENDLY
- PRE-ENTRY ONLY
- ONLY MOTORCYCLE



STIEK YT RALLY

31 JAN - 2 FEB 2025
KLEINMOND, PALMIET CARAVAN PARK



STANDARD PACKAGE

Tented Accommodation

- 2.5m X 2.5m Dome Tent
- 2x Deluxe Stretchers
- 2x Mattresses with Fitted Sheets
- 2x Pillows with Comforters
- 2x Chairs
- 1x Battery Light & Groundsheet
- Bring Your Own Extra Blankets

***Rally Fees not included



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DELUXE PACKAGE

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- 2x Mattresses with Fitted Sheets
- 2x Pillows with Duvets
- 2x Director Chairs
- 1x Battery Light & Groundsheet
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EVENTS

Sun Dec 1, 2024

[8am Syndicate Salvation Army Charity Run](#)

Where: Elto-Towers Shopping Centre, 2 Van Riebeeck Rd, Kuils River, Cape Town, 7580, South Africa

Fri Dec 6, 2024

[All day 31st Lion Rally](#)

Where: Nxuba Show Grounds, 1 Aloe St, Nxuba, 5880, South Africa

[All day 25th Poison Rally](#)

Where: Rustenburg Kloof Resort Sat Dec 7, 2024

[Mari White Biking](#)

[1pm Bravehearts MCC](#)

Sat Dec 14, 2024

[1:30pm Regulators Burnout](#)

Sun Dec 15, 2024

[9:30pm The Highlanders Midnight Run - Save the date](#)

Where: Location and time TBC

Sat Jan 18, 2025

[8:30am Devoted Lobos MYSTERY RUN 2025](#)

Sat Jan 25, 2025

[8:30am Skuimpens Liplichters CPT - Charity Run - Sleepover Save The Date](#)

Where: End Venue Touwsrivier

Fri Jan 31, 2025

[All day Pure Venom - Stiek Yt Rally](#)

Where: Palmiet Caravan Park Kleinmond, 1 Harbour Rd, Kleinmond, 7195, South Africa

[All day NOBS MCC Gargoyle Rally](#)

Where: Kleinplasie Worcester, Robertson Rd, Worcester, 6850, South Africa



STIEK YT RALLY
Pure Venom.MCC

31st Jan - 02nd Feb 2025

Pre entry R250
CLOSES 15th DEC
Late entry R300
Cars R150
Campervan R200

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Cheap bikers bar
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Concourse
Food Stalls
Stalls

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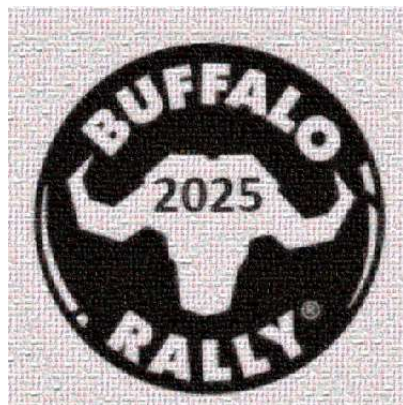
The BUFFALO RALLY is again being held at the ATKV Resort, Hartenbos, Mossel Bay

The Rally officially opens at 08h00 on Friday, 11th of April and closes on Sunday, 13th of April 2025.

Entrants must vacate the Resort by 10h00 on Sunday the 13th of April 2025. Please note:

Entry to F Block Campsite will only be permitted as from Thursday the 10th of April 2025, at an

additional fee of TBC per person for the Thursday. The payment for Thursday can be included with the Entry fee. On offer the weekend is a beautiful campsite, with excellent Ablution facilities. Great music with live Bands throughout the weekend. There will also be a variety of great Food and Trinket Stalls, Drinks provided by the Mossel Bay Round Table at reasonable prices, Big Screen TVs, as well as, lots of prizes to be won, with a lucky draw for the following huge prizes on Saturday night.





LOBSTER RALLY

2-4 MAY 2025

JOIN US AT MALKOPPAN, LAMBERTS BAY

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- 2x Deluxe Stretchers
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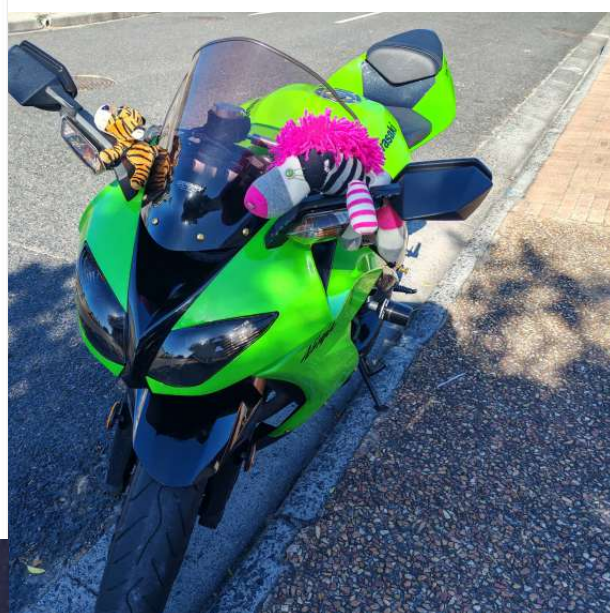
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TOY RUN[®] 2024

SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER

HOSTED BY
KILARNEY
INTERNATIONAL RACEWAY
Home of motorsport in the Western Cape



Firstly, I ask everyone to take a minute and remember our Friend and biking brother Mark Walker, who tragically lost his life at the Toy Run 2023. May his soul forever ride the silver highways.

The Toy Run, now in its 42nd year, is a staple of the biking community's calendar.



And this year didn't disappoint. This year saw the Toy Run returning to the big spectacular it was many years ago pre-COVID. Steven Bentley met at Mc Donald's to rally up the troops that were not working that day (Penny, Peter Holder, Phillip and Tiaan) and rode them through to Athlone Stadium where the Odysseus marshals were working.

There were many more riders this year at the Athlone Stadium - Possibly double the amount from last year. Alderman JP Smith was meant to ride with the first pod this year but had trouble getting his bike going (it was a Honda if you are wondering). The big fire truck arrived and our usual cruiser loaded with bears arrived and all the bikes with toys on made the heart swell with pride.

We set off to do the mass ride to Kilarney with everyone riding well and in a well behaved manner. Marshalls were marshalling and the pace was good. The weather was fantastic, and if you shut your eyes for a second and listened to the roar of the bikes around you with the sun beating down on you, you might get a glimpse of what heaven would look like.



Arriving at Killarney, many bikers had arrived on their own and all the volunteers were already hard at work, so many stalls to browse through and plenty of food and "beverage" vendors.



The truckers were there to give their donations. The fire department also stepped up, with their trucks loaded with toys. As the day progressed our friendly toy collectors (Mel, Magda, Shannon, her friend and the Coleman boys) were hard at work collecting the toys and boy was there a lot of them...

The band started playing and Mark Haze really got the party started. What an amazing talent!! Odysseus got a memorable mention for their contributions (amongst all the other clubs who also contributed). By this time the toy truck was at almost 85% full. Next up was Warpigs, who always get the party started (and their biggest fan boy "Sparkles" standing front and centre of the stage)... Their unique blend of classic hard rock and metal definitely soothes the soul.





Half way through the set, the first toy truck was full - a site I haven't seen in many years. The backup truck was brought in (by this time it was already half full) and the toy truck was sent off to be unloaded. By this time people had started leaving. All our club members home safely.

The amount of clubs and the camaraderie of everyone there was awe inspiring.



When we have our helmets on, no matter who or what we are, we are all bikers and we all stand together as one for this great cause.
Tell next time, keep the rubber on the road.
Heefy

Our New 'Lifestyle & Outdoors' Section

3 Epic roads you need to ride in South Africa

South Africa is a land of exquisite beauty and offers tantalising riding that'll leave you wanting more. The country is brimming with rich culture, friendly locals, mind-blowing landscapes and fascinating wildlife. And most importantly, it's home to some fabulously curvaceous roads and mountain passes that'll leave your throttle hand twitching and your heart pumping with adrenaline. Sounds like a bit of alright doesn't it?

1. Bain's Kloof Pass, Western Cape

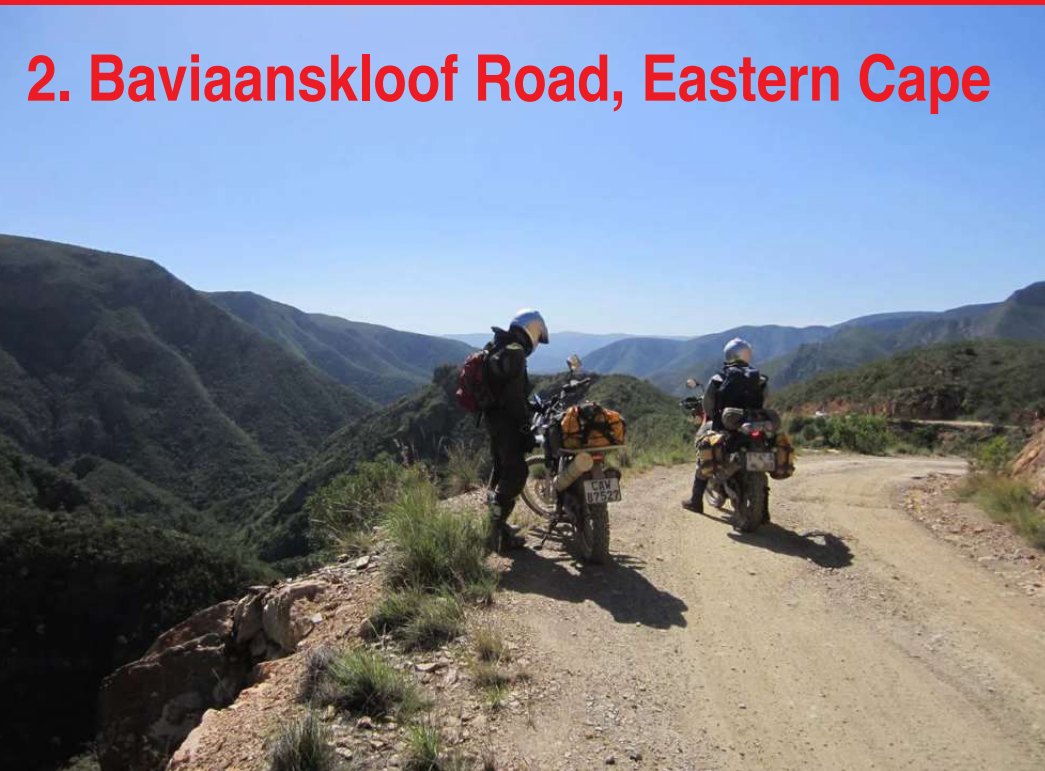
Situated on the R301, between Wellington and Ceres, this 17-mile beauty boasts outstanding views and challenging twisties which hug the side of the rugged Western Cape mountains. The landscape is out of this world, and as you ride you'll struggle to keep your eyes on the road (but please do!). The pass's surface can be a little rough in places, so you're best off tackling it with an adventure bike rather than a sports model.

The Bain's Kloof Pass (R301) provided a more direct route from the town of Wellington to the more northern towns of Ceres and Worcester, in the Western Cape. It was a much loved route by the wagoneers who appreciated the gentle gradients that the oxwagons could manage. It remained the main road to the north for almost a hundred years, before the Du Toits Kloof Pass was constructed from 1940 till 1946. It is 26,8 km in length from the bridge over the Breede River to the outskirts of Wellington. Built circa 1849 by Andrew Geddes Bain, this pass was a tough nut to crack, working with convicts and raw, rough materials and methods. As always seemed to be the case with Bain, he oversaw a marvellous job of the pass which, having stood the test of time, is now a national monument. The more dramatic, northern section of the pass roughly follows the course of the Witte River, a raging torrent during the wet winter season. There are many points of interest along the pass including the two toll points (Eerste & Tweede Tol), Dacre's Pulpit, Bell Rocks, Pilkington bridge, Borchard's bridge, Gawie se Water, Bain's Ruins and Bain's Tunnel.



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2. Baviaanskloof Road, Eastern Cape



This 120-mile road stretches between Patensie and Willowmore and offers some thrillingly challenging bends and knee-tickling curves for you to really get stuck into. The road is not tarred, so you'll want to take care if you plan to tackle this one. The surrounding mountainous landscape is breath-taking and the views are sure to leave an everlasting imprint on your memory.



90% Dirt Route Info: Baviaanskloof Wilderness area is considered the number ONE Adventure Motorcycle route in Southern Africa. Since the R332 upgrade the route is now easily doable for most level of riders - the gorge is 175km from gate to gate and loose gravel, steep passes and several river crossings give the route its sort-of character. We suggest you do it over 3 days and explore the area to its full potential from the Patensie side to the Makadaat Caves and Nuwekloof Pass on the Willowmore side. Set in the Karoo Midlands, the Baviaans area features majestic mountains rising from rolling plains, with lush green valleys providing stark contrast. With stunning sunsets and clear, starry nights, the Baviaans offers a taste of life at its unspoilt best. The area encompasses the World Heritage Site of Baviaanskloof and the Karoo towns of Steytlerville, Willowmore, Rietbron, and Groot Rivier and is located in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa. Known for small stock farming and for the richness of its endemic plant species, its interesting cultural heritage and its abundance of bird and animal life, the Baviaans area holds ample opportunity for outdoor recreation for both the adventurous and the less adventurous tourist. While the areas' natural splendour attracts nature lovers from around the globe, this is not all it has to offer as artists and entrepreneurs flourish under the Karoo sun and create points of interest well-worth the journey off the beaten track. Offering a number of different routes, the area is the perfect destination for both short and long breaks from the city. The Baviaans is the ultimate destination to experience the best nature has to offer in its purest form and life as it was intended to be lived. Due to its rugged nature, the Baviaanskloof, Rietbron, Steytlerville, Willowmore and Grootrivier areas cater for both the adventurous and the less adventurous tourist. Visit our "what to do page" to read more.



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3. Sani Pass, KwaZulu-Natal



Sani Pass is considered one of South Africa's most iconic mountain passes and is notorious for being one of the most difficult too. Once you've ridden it, you'll understand why. This incredible pass was built in the 1950s and has never been tarred, so it's beautifully rugged. The road is laced with exciting twists and treacherous curves that require your full attention, but it will reward you with heart-racing thrills and sublime views that creep out of every bend. The pass starts at an elevation of 1,544m and reaches the summit of 2,876m, so make sure you stop off for some photos at the top.

Sani Pass is a mountain pass located in the West of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa on the road between Himeville, KwaZulu-Natal and Mokhotlong, Lesotho. The pass traverses the Great Escarpment of southern Africa in its highest region, the Drakensberg Mountains, which reach an elevation of over 3,000 meters.

Prior to being called the Sani Pass, the route was used by the San people and later the Bantu to cross the mountain range. In 1922, the Basutoland government constructed a 2-metre track to connect Mokhotlong with civilisation but was only accessible by pack animals. From 1949, David Alexander, from Natal, set up a transport business using jeeps to move supplies and people between Himeville and Mokhotlong and return. From 1956, tourists started adventure drives up the pass. In 1958, the pass was further improved but was still dangerous and accessible only by four-wheel drive vehicles. When Alexander's business ended, the Mokhotlong Mountain Transport Company continued the route. In 1966, The Star newspaper sponsored the first Roof of Africa Rally climb over the pass, organised by the Sports Car Club





After the club donated generously to the Toy Run, Odysseus was included in a lucky draw, of which we won first the first prize - A day at the races during the Kilarny Power Series.

This included a track side Boma and free entry tickets for members of the club and guests.

Many of the members arrived early to watch the qualifying laps and to help setup, with the Odysseus feathers flying trackside and in front of the Boma. With the roar of the engines in the background members started to roll in, fires were lit, and everyone started catching up.





The racing was good, with many racers testing the marshal's reflexes, making for some exciting viewing.



The one that filled my heart with pleasure was a Kawa and Suzuki racing neck to neck with the Kawa going off the track, the Suzuki rider came around made sure the rider was ok and loaded the rider on back of his bike and made sure his fellow rider got to greet the crowds and "finish" his race. This is what riding is about - we ride hard, we play hard and hell we will even make fun of your bike, but we leave no man behind.

During the lunch break, Odysseus took to the track with Rob Todd / John Powell in tow in Rob's car and the Coleman twins hanging out of the window with the Odysseus feathers flying proudly to do a few parade laps around the circuit to promote our club and have a little low speed fun. We were also joined by Cyril's (our newest member) grandson on his CBR 125 . The VW/GTI club joined us on track for a fan walk right in front of our Boma. It was great to see so many club members together and a great day was had by all. Tell next time, keep the rubber on the road. Heefy

Great Gift Ideas for Motorcycle Lovers

Whether you're looking for something for a nephew who loves MotoGP™ or as special gift for your motorcycle ma girlfriend, we've got it covered!



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Various Branded T-Shirts
from
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Bike Parker Total Solution
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undergirded with Kevlar lining
from the knee to the waist and
CE rated Knee armours

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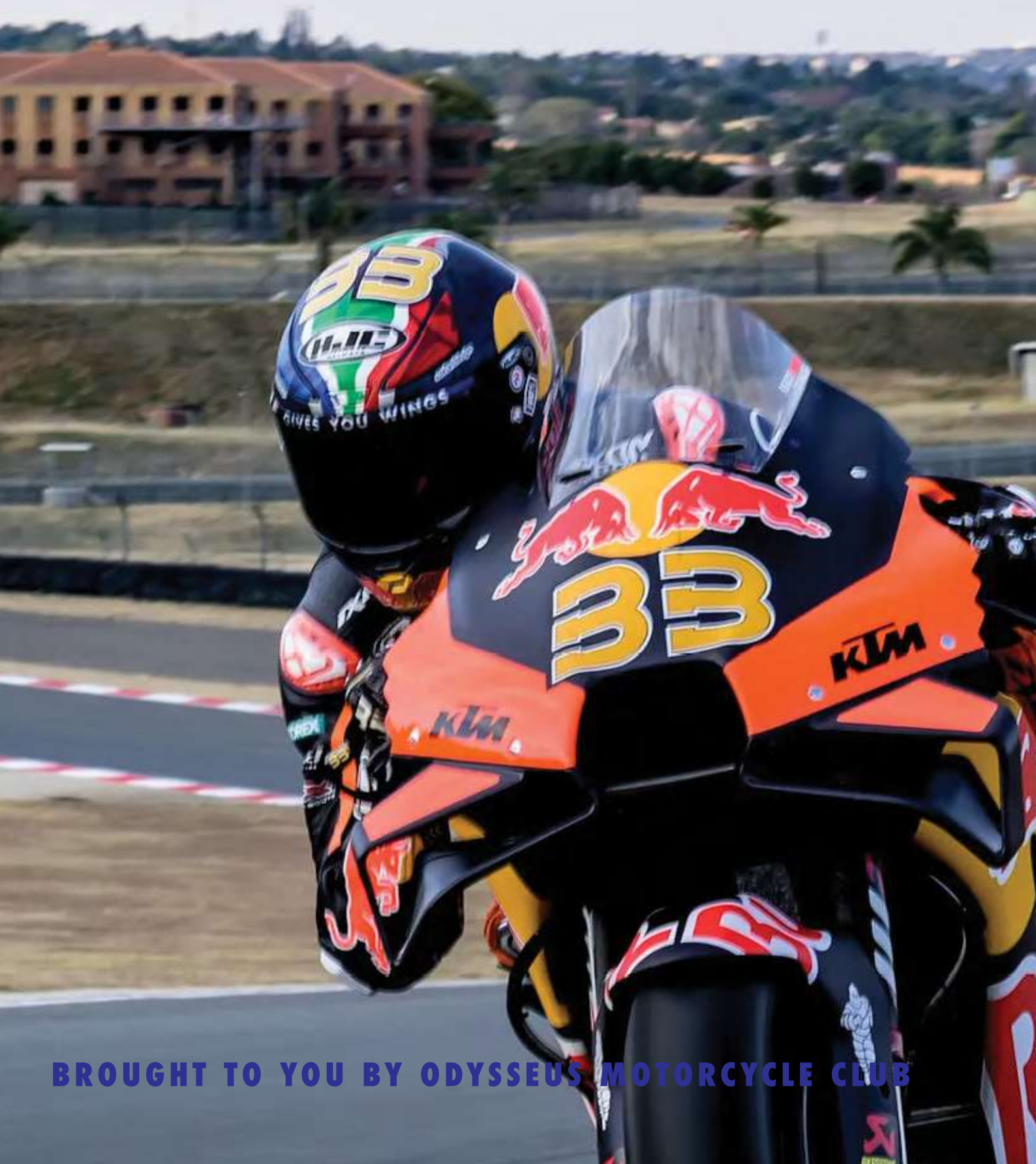


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