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A group of 15 people, mostly men in leather motorcycle jackets, posing for a group photo on a street. A McDonald's restaurant is visible in the background.

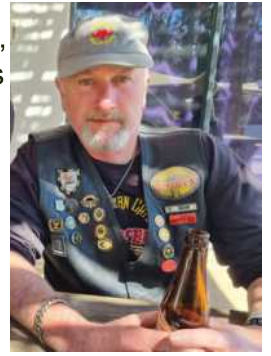
80
WHOLE YEARS
OF BEING
AWESOME



Greetings fellow Odysseus members and to those who I haven't already seen and said this to, compliments of the season and may 2025 treat us all wonderfully and may it be a prosperous and healthy year for all our members.

January is almost behind us and we have had our first meeting of the year, as well as our annual AGM.

Thank you to those who attended. It was a bit of a struggle getting new HC members to "stand up and be counted" and I'll honestly say that I was a bit concerned about the future of our club, but at the last minute we thankfully had a few kind folks step forward. At this point, I would like to say a big thank you to our HC member who have now stood down, for all your efforts in 2024. These include Lord Heefy, who was an "acting" ride coordinator for much of the year (although his official position was that of IT Boff/Nerd keeping our website and various sites up and running). Although he will no longer be arranging and leading rides, he has kindly agreed to keep our website maintained and looking pretty and also deal with any other IT requirements – Fanks Heefy.



Also, to Iain and Steve who were official ride coordinators, thanks a mil. Iain has in fact stepped down from being "Chief", but has kindly agreed to stay on as a ride coordinator. Out with the old and in with the new...

Peter Cowman bravely agreed to take on Iain's position as Head (Chief) ride coordinator. Peter has done this before and has the experience, so I am sure we can look forward to many great rides and good venues (expect a few wine farms thrown in the mix no doubt). In addition to Peter we have co-opted Dave Roux and Phillip Kaplan to organize a few rides from time to time when they can, so thanks to you guys as well.

Susan, Therese and I remain in our current positions on the Handlebar Committee as Treasurer, Secretary and Spokesman respectively.

Well, with 2025 rolling on and our new committee in place, we can only but move forward and moving forward is what we are doing. We have already had both our annual Sunset Run and Memorial Run. Both were well attended and a great success (IMHO). Peter has arranged the next ride for the 9th of Feb, which will be going to Eight Feet Village. For those who haven't been, it's a lovely venue up in the pass overlooking the valley down into Riebeeck Kasteel. I am busy arranging something a bit different for our next run which will be on the 23rd Feb., as I would like to do a few more unusual things this year, so watch this space.

Well, that's it from me and as we charge headlong in 2025, let's hope we have a less "eventful" year this year when it comes to accidents, injuries and illnesses.

Keep the shiny side up.

Devlin

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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What to expect

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**Sport-Touring: 2025 Kawasaki
Ninja 1100SX SE**



General MEETING

HELD ON
23 January 2025
AT PBC @ 19H30

Invitees: All members

Welcome : Spokesperson welcomed all.

Apologies: Apologies received on WhatsApp poll - 19: Steven Bentley, Brian Botes, Hannelie Gilbert, Heath & Melissa Coleman, Dick de Kroon, Freda Dodd, Basil Forbes, Peter Holder, John Makepeace, Bruce & Joy Noy, Colin Pike, Delva Rossouw, Julie Thompset, Huey Walker, Craig & Rina Wilson, Derek Wrangmore

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes: None

Previous Minutes Acceptance: Accepted by Dave Roux; Seconded by Anne Bareham

Correspondence: Email received from Adrian Knight on 15.12.2024, tendering his & Patricia's resignation from the Club - Secretary responded, accepting resignation & wishing them well.
Email sent to all members on 27.12.2024, being Formal Notice of AGM, together with Committee Nomination form
Email sent to all members from the Treasurer on 14.01.2025, reminding them that annual subs are due.

Membership: Susan asked Rodney to update our Membership list.

The Odysseian: January issue in the pipeline. Basil waiting for final Club rides reports & Minutes of this meeting & AGM

Lucky draw: 3 Cards were sold: Card 1 winner - Rob Todd; Card 2 winner - Lizl Todd; Card 3 winner - Devin Corney. Congratulations, all!

Social Responsibility: We are committed to supporting Lilly Rose for 3 years, so this is our final year. Spokesperson invited any suggestions for other charities to please let us know via email.

Regalia: We need to reduce the outdated regalia in our cupboard & will be holding a sale at our next General meeting where prices will be marked down & sale goods on display.

Birthdays:

January & February 2025:

RINA WILSON 12Jan

CHAVONNE ARMSTRONG 21 Jan

KETTLETY LYN 27Jan

HUEY WALKER 20 Jan

COLE JOCK 25 Jan

HAASBROEK LEN 9 Feb

KUHNERT RALPH 13 Feb

BENTLEY PENNY 17 Feb

COLE BEATRICE 11 Feb

YOUNG ROBERT 13 Feb

WRANKMORE DEREK 18 Feb

General MEETING

HELD ON
23 January 2025
AT PBC @ 19H30

Official Rides:

Past rides: 11.01.2025 - *Sunset Run*: Bossa in Milnerton - this year the service was much better than our previous ride to the same venue. Food was really good and the sunset was spectacular. Thank you Heath for booking the venue.

Future Rides: 26.01.2025 - *Memorial Run*: Antonio's, Harbour Island, Strand / Gordon's Bay - Memorial ceremony to take place on the beach upon arrival at the venue, then brunch at Antonios. Table will be booked from 11:00.

Past Events: 07.12.2024 - *Annual End-of-Year dance & prize-giving*: Successful event & trophy winners were read out.

See AGM minutes for full list.

Future Events: A calendar will be set up as soon as we have new Ride Co-ordinators. Please keep the last Sunday of every month as an official ride & the second Sunday of the month can be an unofficial run - details to be confirmed. General Meetings will remain on the Thursday before the last Sunday of the month.

General: *Committee Nominations* - The Spokesperson advised that we have had 3 more resignations from the Committee, leaving only 3 members left on HC. Despite his email urgently requesting people to step forward to keep the Club running, no nomination forms had been received up to that point. Devin warned that without participation from new members, we might possibly be looking at dissolving the Club. The AGM which is to follow directly after this meeting will decide the fate of the Club going forward.

General Meeting closed at: 20:20

Next General meeting : Thursday, 20 February 2025



AGM MEETING

Notice of AGM: Sent out on 27 December 2024

Acceptance of previous AGM minutes - Accepted by Graham Aldis; Seconded by Paul Schuter

Matters arising from previous AGM minutes - None

Correspondence - Formal Notice of AGM sent to members on 27 December 2024, together with nomination form & special message from Spokesperson sent on 16 January 2025, together with Agenda

Spokesperson's report for the year 2024 - Attached

Financial Reports for the year 2024 - Attached

Chief Ride Coordinators Report for the year 2024 - Attached

The Odysseian Editors report for the year 2024 - Attached

Election of new officers to serve on the 2025 HBC committee: Volunteers required. Nomination forms sent out with Formal Notice of AGM on 27 December 2024

After much debate, Peter Cowman stepped forward and made himself available as Chief Ride Co-ordinator. Dave Roux also stepped up, and Phil Kaplan stated that he would assist in an unofficial capacity. Susan received a message from Basil Forbes, stating he would assist remotely, where possible - this in addition to his co-opted position of Editor. Iain has indicated that he would stay on, but would be stepping down as Chief Ride co-ordinator. Rob Todd also approached Therese, indicating that he would be willing to assist with Events Co-ordination in an unofficial capacity.

Therefore, our New Committee:

Devin Corney - Spokesman

Susan James - Finacial

Therese Doidge - Secretary & Events (with Rob Todd assisting unofficially)

Peter Cowman - Chief Ride Coordinator

Dave Roux - Ride Coordinator (with Phil assisting unofficially)

Iain Fergusson - Ride Coordinator

Basil Forbes (remotely) Editor

Thank you for stepping forward & helping our amazing Club to thrive in 2025!

2024 Club awards as voted by members - presented at YEF 07/12/2024

Clubman: Devin Corney

Penelope: Therese Doidge

Good Samaritan: Robbie Doidge

Club awards taken from statistics:

Male Rider of the Year: Devin Corney (94% of rides)

Female Rider of the Year: Susan James (94% of rides)

Pillion Rider of the Year: Jacqui Cowman (72% of rides)

AGM concluded at: 21:25



OUR COMMITTEE



Devin Corney
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SPOKESPERSON



SECRETARY
EVENTS COORDINATOR
THERESE DOIDGE
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Chief Ride Coordinator
Peter Cowman
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Ride Coordinator
Peter Cowman
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TREASURER
SUSAN JAMES
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RIDE COORDINATOR
IAIN FERGUSON
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Editor
Basil Forbes
084 513 2730

MONEY MATTERS FINANCIAL REPORT

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

February BIRTHDAYS

Birthdays:

HAASBROEK LEN 9 Feb
KUHNERT RALPH 13 Feb
BENTLEY PENNY 17 Feb

COLE BEATRICE 11 Feb
YOUNG ROBERT 13 Feb
WRANKMORE DEREK 18 Feb

Diary 2025

Rides Planned

General Meetings:

20 Feb 2025
27 March 2025
22 May 2025
26 June 2025
22 July 2025
28 August 2025
25 September 2025
23 October 2025
27 Nov 2025

Year End:
13 Dec 2025

Brass Monkey TBC



16 March - Tears -
Susan James/Courney

EVENTS

STIEK YT RALLY

31 JAN - 2 FEB 2025
KLEINMOND, PALMIET CARAVAN PARK

STANDARD PACKAGE

Tested Accommodation
2.5m X 2.5m Dome Tent
2x Deluxe Stretches
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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KLEINMOND, PALMIET CARAVAN PARK

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JOIN THE Cancervive Biker Community (CBC) for an unforgettable breakfast ride as we celebrate **WORLD CANCER DAY**, promoting awareness, solidarity and striving towards a cancer-conscious world!

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Departure at 09:30

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Hopefield

Belinda 082 324 0740

Breakfast at your own cost

2 FEB 2025

CANCERVIVE
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Charity Bike Ride

DEEP SOUTH LIONS

2025

R50-00 PER PERSON ENTRY INCLUDES BADGE

RIDE FOR tears™
ANIMAL RESCUE

LEKKERWATER ROAD
FAERIE KNOWE
OFF KOMMETJIE RD
16th MARCH 2025

Meeting Place Blue Route Mall Tokai Parking Lot 10h00
Each Rider and Pillion to bring a Tin of Dog/Cat food or a Blanket which will be donated to Tears
After ride get together at FISHERMANS Kommetjie all those who are interested please contact me 0834537673 Rory Stier DEEP SOUTH LIONS
If you do not have a bike come in your car

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7-9 FEB 2025

Fun for the entire family

41st rally

Pre-Entry: R220 (31 Jan '25)
Entry: R300 pp
13 - 17yrs: R200
Children 12 yrs and younger: FREE
Day entries R120 (Not eligible for a draw ticket)
Car entry: R100 (Parking onsite)

Kids entertainment area: 6-12yrs: R60 (enter onsite)

Entry forms available at:
'Freedom Road Rally 2025' Facebook page
email entries to: cma.capetown@gmail.com

GENERAL ENQUIRIES Stanley Paton - 083 285 6449

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SAVE THE DATE

8th June 2025

4th Annual Poker Run!

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EVENTS



THE SYNDICATE MC OVERBERG
PRESENTS

2ND BEACH BASH

Rally 2025

Child friendly
U/18 Free - Only SATURDAY

FRIDAY NIGHT - ADULT ENTERTAINMENT
NO CHILDREN

FRIDAY 14 FEB - SUNDAY 16 FEB 2025
DOORS OPEN 12AM

VENUE: UILENKRAALSMOND, GANSBAAL, 7220

OLD OWLS PUB

Saturday
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Entertainment

FOOD STALL
BIKERS BAR
MUSIC

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LUCKY DRAW
GAMES
CHALETS OPTIONAL CAN BE BOOKED
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While stocks last

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WHILE STOCKS LAST

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THE SYNDICATE, OVERBERG



2ND BEACH BASH

VILLENKRAALSMOND, GANSBAAI

14 - 16 FEBRUARY 2025

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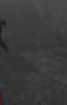







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EVENTS

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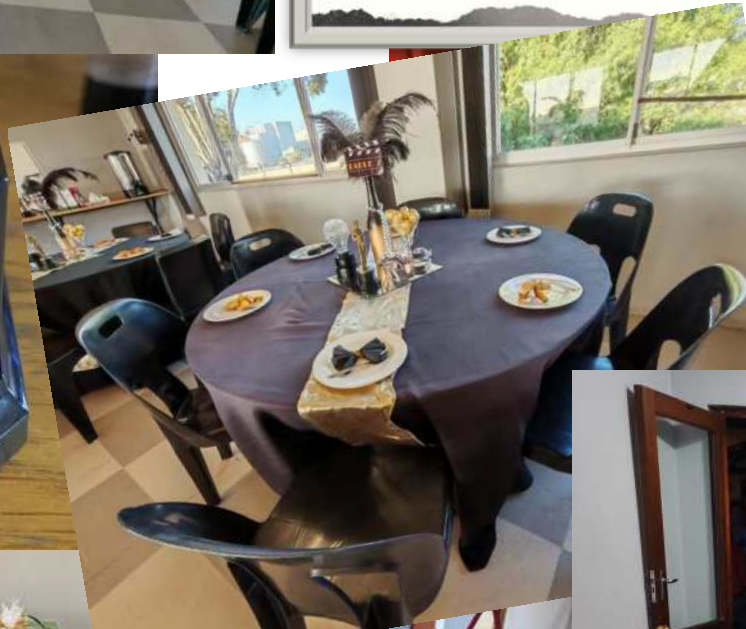
GREMLIN RALLY

12 - 14 SEPTEMBER 2025





Our annual end-of-year dance & prize giving took place at Killarney Racetrack Boma 2 on Saturday, 7 December 2024. There were 46 tickets sold and the venue was just the right size for our needs. The catering & bar staff were ever so friendly & helpful. We will definitely use this venue again.





Our 2-man band, Rumours, had us rocking all evening & a good time was had by all. Glen & Phil are both also members of the well-known band Late Final.



The prize-giving ran smoothly, with the beautiful floating trophies (made by our treasured long-distance member, Basil Forbes) being handed out to the various category winners – well done to all! Thank you to Devin & Susan for all your hard work behind the scenes (finances, announcements, speeches, prizes & presentations) – we really appreciate all you do for us!



SAY BYE TO 2024



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Our members pulled out all the stops & most dressed for the occasion. It was so difficult to decide on the best-dressed winners, so we eventually had to ask the Band for assistance.

Also a huge thanks to Rob & Liz! Todd for supplying our Raffle ticket 1st prize – I'm sure Hector will enjoy the spoils. Huge thanks to Devin for securing the rest of the prizes, which went down a treat.

Last, but not least, I'd like to thank Robbie for all his assistance – you were a rock!

The event would never have been done on time without your help ... thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Here's looking forward to our next great Odysseus get-together!

Take care, you all

Therese

2024 FLOATING TROPHIES AND PRIZE WINNERS

1. The Penelope Floating Trophy - awarded to a female Club member who has done something special for the Club – over and above what is expected.
Therese Doidge - for stepping up to fill the Secretary position without hesitation. Also, for organising fantastic events and always volunteering for Club duties
2. The Samaritan of the Year Award Floating Trophy – awarded to any Club member who has gone out of his or her way this year to be helpful in assisting other Club members and/or the Club without being asked.
Robbie Doidge - for his willingness to always help other Club members in need, Hector when he was incapacitated by his accident, Brian Botes in his time of need and making frequent trips to Lily Rose to donate goods which he personally collected from friends and Family. Also, Robbie's willingness to take members luggage to rallies, visiting ill members and volunteering for Club duties.
3. The Pillion rider of the year Floating Trophy - awarded to the pillion rider who has attended the most rides this year.
Jacqui Cowman who has done 72% of the rides.
4. The Lady Rider of the year Floating Trophy – awarded to the female rider who has attended the most rides this year.
Susan James who has attended 94% of the rides.
5. The Male Rider of the year Floating Trophy – awarded to the male rider who has attended the most rides this year.
Devin Corney who has attended 94% of the rides.
6. The Clubman of the Year Floating Trophy – awarded to a male club member who has done so much for the Club – over and above what is expected.
Devin Corney - for always putting the Club's progress at the forefront of his mind and for all he does for the club. Also he is always willing to volunteer for Club duties.
7. The most Regular Club Guest of the Year Floating Trophy – awarded the to guest/s who have attended the most rides.
John Powell and Cheryl Nieuwoudt.

YEF PRIZE WINNERS 2024:

1. Best dressed couple – Steven Bentley & Penny Randall/Bentley.
2. Best dressed man – Peter Cowman.
3. Best Dressed Lady – Jayde Nienaber.
4. Hamper Raffle won by – Hector Groves.
5. 2nd raffle prize won by - Keith Reeves

BOSSA SUNSET RIDE 2025



Devin and I arrived at Bossa at 17h30 and it was great to see some other members already there.

We were seated outside under the awning where a few tables had been reserved for Odysseus.

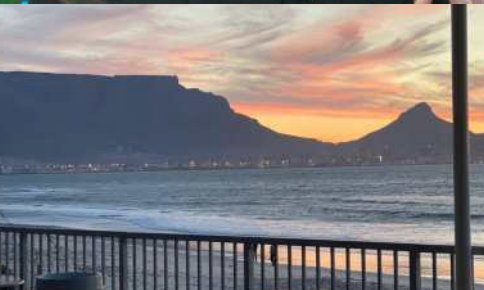
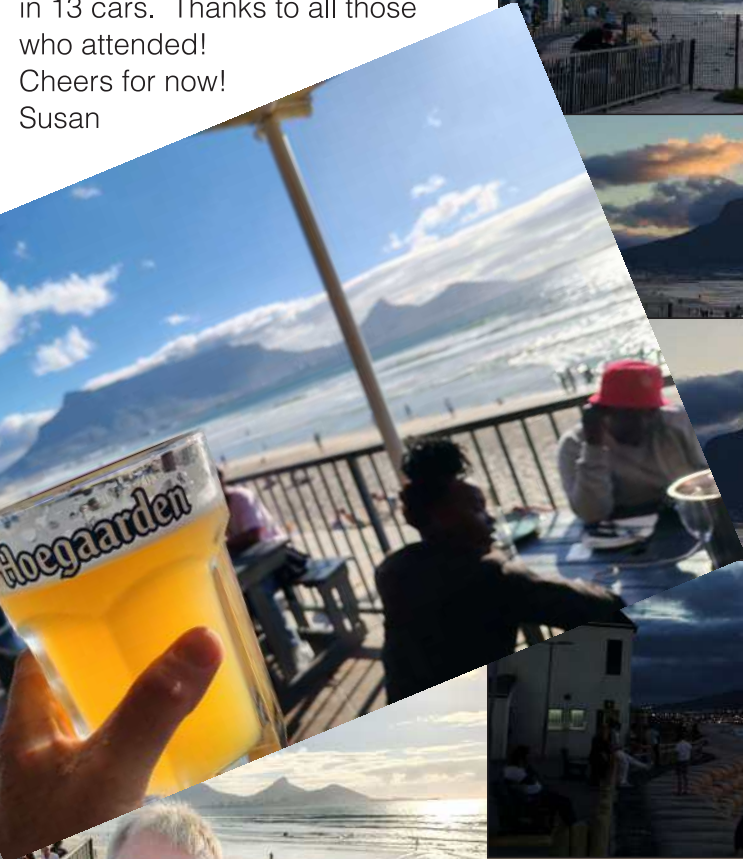
We ordered our drinks and sat back to admire the spectacular view of Cape Town and Table Mountain!



As more members and visitors arrived we put in our food orders. We were pleasantly surprised by the service our waiter provided to our table and the food did not take too long to arrive.

BOSSA SUNSET RIDE 2025

The food was scrumptious and prices not too bad. As the sun set it was pleasant chatting to everyone and catching up on all the news. All in all it was a lovely Odysseus evening and a big thanks to Heath for organizing! In attendance were 21 members, 6 visitors arriving on 2 bikes and in 13 cars. Thanks to all those who attended! Cheers for now! Susan



FALLEN RIDERS MEMORIAL RUN

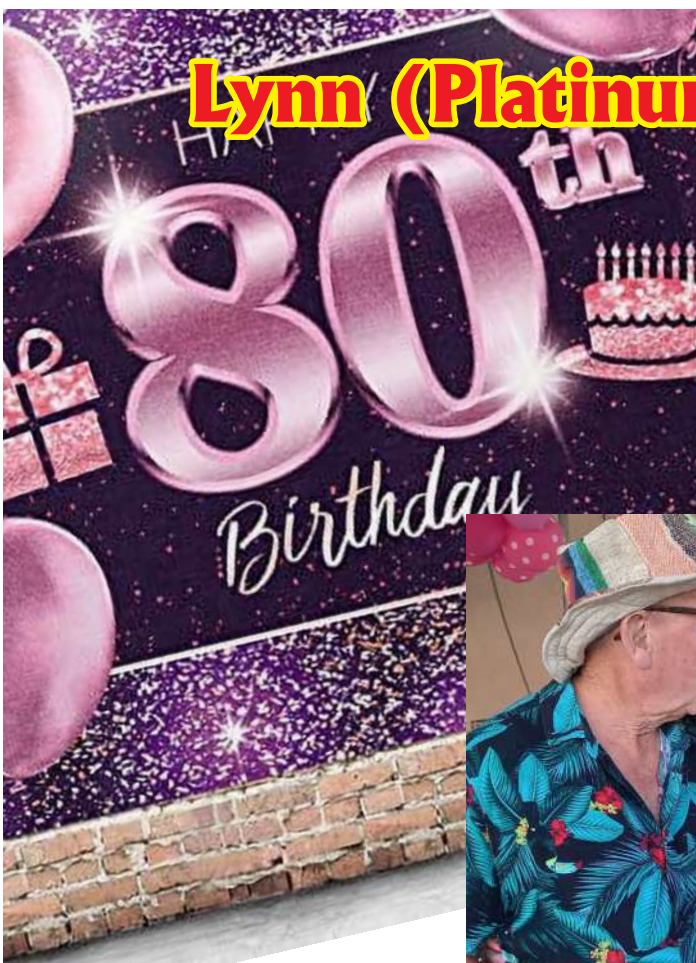
Every year our club has our annual memorial run to pay respect to and remember our fallen brothers and sisters, family members and friends who are no longer with us. Today was that day. We had a nice turnout and went to Gordon's Bay Harbour Island to have our "service" and then to Antonio's for brunch. Nice turnout from our club, so thanks to those who attended.



Lynn (Platinum member) Kettlety

CONTRIBUTION

BY RINA



Thought I would share for the Odysseian.



Steven and Lynn (Platinum member) Kettlety moved out of Cape Town to Noll (80km outside Oudtshoorn) over 11 years ago.

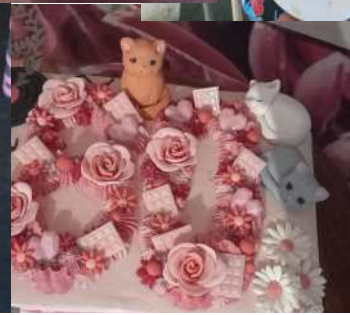
They moved back into the same house that Lynn was raised in. Her nephew and 2 cousins also live in Noll. Lynn celebrated her 80th birthday weekend of 25th on a farm in Noll with all her family and friends.

As we are camping in Mosselbay we joined for the celebration and Robbie and Therese drove up from Cape Town.

It was a wonderful weekend, eating lamb and freshly picked fruit with lots of laughter, and great company.

Cheers Lynn to a healthy happy 2025.

Love Craig and Rina





THE GOOD
THE BAD AND
THE UGLY

Yamaha XSR900



GSX-R1000/R



2025 Aprilia RSV4



2024 Honda Mn14



Sport-Touring: 2025 Kawasaki Ninja 1100SX SE



By all rights the elegantly rendered V100 Mandello should occupy this slot, but since we already picked a Guzzi model earlier in the list and the Mandello appeared here last year, we'll default to the Kawasaki Ninja 1100SX ABS, a true sport-tourer if there ever was one.

Sure, the lines may lean into that slightly generic spaceship stance most all Japanese sport-tourers possess of late, but if you ask us, it's better-looking than any of KTM's garish angry-insect designs (or the new Tracer, for that matter). Plus, the Ninja is supremely competent; it's fast (thanks to the new 1,099cc inline-four engine), comfortable (courtesy of an upgraded chassis on the SE), and easy to ride, and yes, reasonably priced, which may not turn heads on the street but sure looks good to your wallet.

The Kawasaki Ninja 1100SX comes with a 1099cc, liquid-cooled, inline-4 engine that makes 136PS at 9,000rpm and 113Nm at 7,600rpm, paired with a six-speed gearbox and a slip-and-assist clutch. Whereas, the Ninja 1000SX had a 1,043cc engine making 140PS and 111Nm, which is 4PS more and 2Nm less

than the Ninja 1100SX. But, Kawasaki says that the peak power and torque are now available earlier in the rev range and the bike also gets a longer 5th and 6th gear as well which should help with highway riding. In terms of features, the Ninja 1100SX features a 4.3-inch TFT instrument console with smartphone connectivity via the Rideology app.



The console also has 2 display modes. The Ninja 1100SX also gets an updated bi-directional quickshifter, which could be smoother than the one on the Ninja 1000SX. Kawasaki says that the changes will increase low-end performance and provide better mileage as well. The Ninja 1100SX also comes with three-level traction control, full and low power modes, electronic cruise control and four ride modes: Sport, Road, Rain or Rider. It also has a type C charging port as standard. The Kawasaki Ninja 1100SX gets a twin-tube aluminium frame. It has a 41mm inverted fork with compression and rebound damping and preload adjustability (120mm wheel travel) and a gas-charged monoshock with rebound damping, and preload adjustability (141mm wheel travel). The braking setup consists of 300mm dual front discs and a 260mm rear disc, with dual-channel ABS as standard. The bike has 17-inch wheels on both ends, wrapped with 120-section front and 190-section rear tubeless tyres. The Ninja 1100SX has a 19-litre fuel tank, 820mm seat height, 135mm ground clearance and a kerb weight of 238kg.

2025 Africa Ubuntu Bikers Breakfast Run.



By Donovan Fourie -
The Mzansi Harley-Davidson dealership in Fourways was the start of a very unique motorcycle event.

Actually, this is one of the start venues of many all over South Africa, all over Africa and more so all over the world of a unique motorcycle event. This is the Africa Ubuntu Bikers Breakfast Run. The ninth Ubuntu Bikers Breakfast Run. Like all events, it started small with a few bikes but has grown over the years. Not only has the Joburg event grown, but it has sprouted more events with Africa Ubuntu Bikers Breakfast Runs happening on the last Sunday in January in every province in South Africa. That's impressive but it gets better, because not only has it grown in South Africa but all over Africa with eleven African countries taking

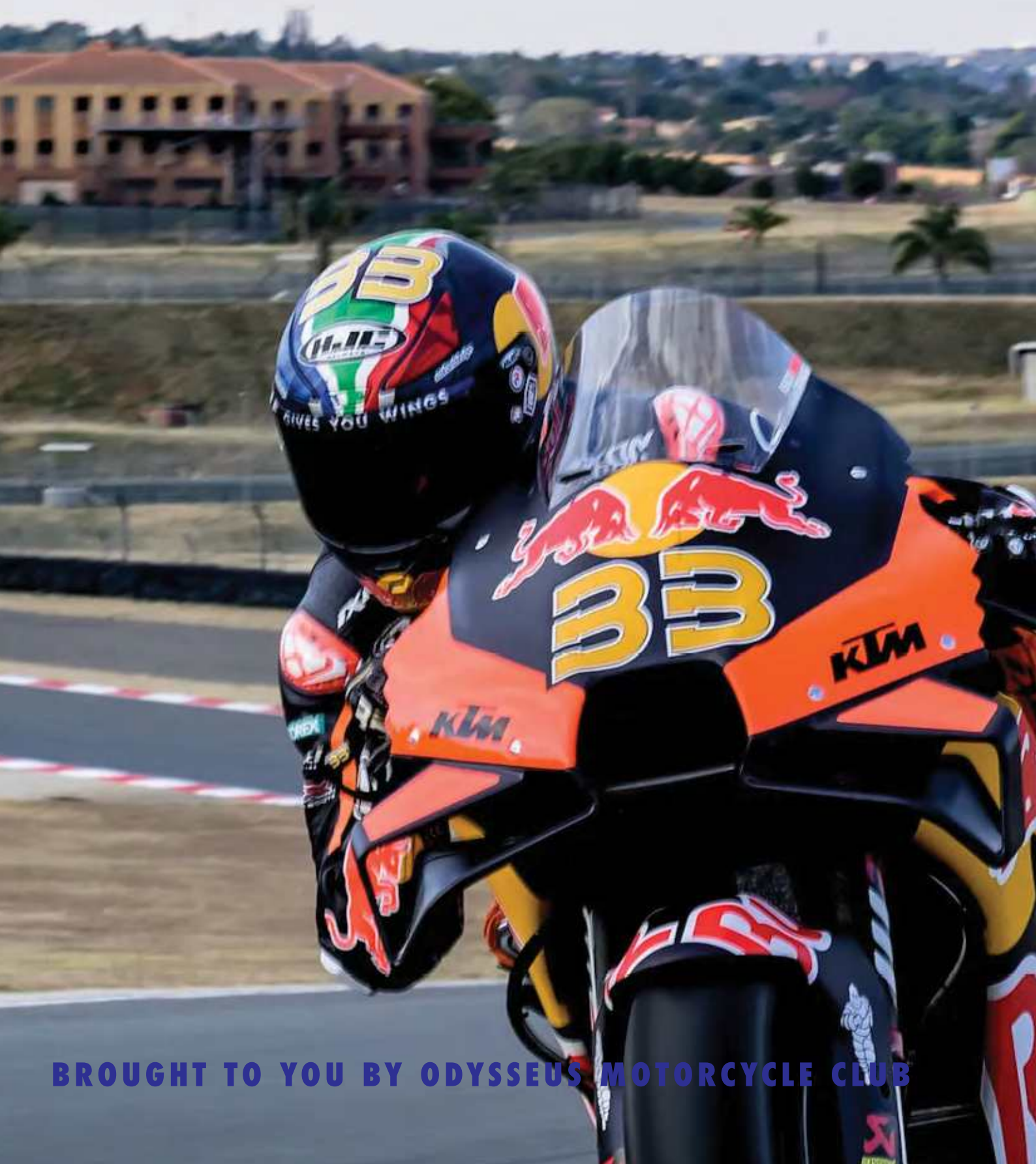
part right from South Africa to Egypt. And it gets yet better because, for the past two years, Portugal in Europe has hosted an Africa Ubuntu Bikers Breakfast Run too. And it will get even better because there are talks about places in the USA also soon hosting Ubuntu Bikers Breakfast Runs.

The word “ubuntu” is present in various African languages and is roughly translated as “humanity”, although it is considered more of a philosophy regarding the interconnectedness of individuals in humanity, so is a jolly apt word to describe this event where bikers from all walks of life get together and celebrate a love of biking.



Eventually, though, it was time for the ride to set off, with police motorcycles aptly on standby to keep traffic at bay. The start venue changes every year with a different hosting bike shop serving as the set-off venue. This is to spread the love, so to speak. The end venue is also different every year going to different places of culture including, once, the Voortrekker monument. Each year is a different experience. This year headed to an end venue in Westonaria with a McDonald's Restaurant having to make a couple of thousand burgers to feed the crowds.

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