



ODYSSEUS ON BUSHRADIO



Fabio Quartararo's emotional outpouring at the British MotoGP was so poignant

Enea Bastianini "worst race" of his MotoGP career at British GP



BRASS MONKEY
Nuy Valley Guesthouse
25th to 27th July 2025



NEW

PUZZLE

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WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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Check out our NEW Puzzle page



Greetings and salutations,

As the year moves on, we draw ever closer to our annual Poker Run and it's truly just around the corner now. We have all been running around and doing our bit, so things are falling nicely into place and we're on the final stretch. On that note, I must say a big thank you to all involved, as we could not do this without you. To date, we have had around 40 entries, but fear not. You know what bikers are like - they'll wait until the 11th hour until deciding to join the run. It has been pretty much the same in previous years.



We also had a rather successful (I feel) radio interview on The Biker Sow on Bush Radio the other day to promote our event. Thank you to Susan, Iain, Dave, Eleanor, Peter Holder and Philip for coming along. I hope you all had the opportunity to listen to us making fools of ourselves in front of thousands of listeners. No, I actually think it went down rather well and the feedback I have received thus far seems to support this view. If you did not/could not tune in, they have sent me a recording of the show, which I can make a plan to get to you if needed. Also, Basil (our ever hard working member from up north) has done a summarised transcript of most of the show which is in this issue. Thanks Bas (I seem to say that a lot to him). Also, we have secured even more prizes - it's getting to a point where we actually might have more prizes than we have entrants. Oh well, to steal a phrase from Oprah Winfrey - "Everybody gets a..."

Another couple of runs under the belt too - one was to The Palms, which was unfortunately another bad experience as far as customer service goes and then last Sunday's run to The Dunes in Hout Bay. This one was very nice. We couldn't have asked for better weather, a nicer ride, or better company. To top all of that, the food and service were excellent for a change. Win some, lose some I suppose. And thanks to our newest member, Peter Hayes and his lovely wife, Gail for the invite back to their lovely home in Hout Bay. A wonderful time was had by all who joined. So much so, that we ended up riding home in the dark.

Another event on our heels is the upcoming Brass Monkey, so we have lots to look forward to as we enter the cold months of the year. And (again), thanks to all the organisers, helpers and planners for our runs and events. It's y'all that make Odysseus Motorcycle Club what it is - a lekker place to be.

See you at the next swing of the door.

Devin

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**



Channel details

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

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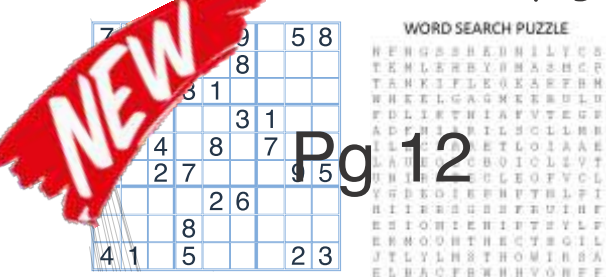


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LAST MONTHS RIDES

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BRASS MONKEY
Nuy Valley Guesthouse
25th to 27th July 2025

"Brass monkey" can refer to a few different things, including a colloquialism for extremely cold weather

General MEETING

**HELD ON
27 MARCH 2025
AT PBC @ 19H30**

INVITES:

All Members

WELCOME:

Devin welcomed all attending.

APOLOGIES:

Gavin & Freda Dodd, Colin Pike, Heath & Melissa Coleman, Graham Aldis (recovering from hospitalization with pneumonia), Errol Murtagh, Michelle Davis, Rodney & Annette Comacho, Anne Bareham and Linda & Hector Groves (Linda suffering from partial finger amputation).

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

None.

PREVIOUS MINUTES ACCEPTANCE:

Dave Roux and Phillip Kaplan.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) 'The Bike Show' on Bush Radio invited club to talk about upcoming Poker Run- Devin Corney, Susan James, Iain Fergusson, Peter Holder, Dave & Ellanore Roux going to studio to take part, on Monday 26th May, 7.30 for 8pm.
- 2) Quinton from Viper Lounge invited members for free lasagna and salad supper on Tuesday 27th May 6.30 for 7pm.
Colours to be worn. Attending so far- Devin & Susan, Rob & Lizl, Gavin & Freda, Cyril and Phillip.

MEMBERSHIP:

Sandra Hayes has applied for membership. Currently 82 members.
PE chapter has expressed interest in closer connection with Cape Town chapter.

Financial Report:

THE ODYSSEIAN:

Basil on target for next publication, awaiting write-ups etc.

LUCKY DRAW:

Rob Bareham and Devin Corney.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

Fallen Angels animal charity Melkbostrand selected, relocating soon due to proximity of Koeberg.
2025 Charity fund currently stands at R1260, with money to come from a portion of the Cycle Tour income.
Ride will be Sunday 12th October. Blankets and food to be collected by members.

REGALIA:

Assorted items available; bandanas, caps, socks etc.

BIRTHDAYS:

May 3rd, Des Clarke, 7th Anne Bareham & Devin Corney, 12th Rob Bareham, 17th Susan James, 18th Pauline Goch, 24th Gavin Dodd, 29th Jenny Sumner, 30th Dave Hair.



General MEETING

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PAST RIDES:

27.04.2025 - Hillcrest Berry Farm - (Iain) great venue and location but poor service. Need to keep tables separate, order and pay by table to speed up service.

11.05.2025 - The Palms - (Peter) 20 people, 11 bike s and 3 cars. Good food. Staff apologized for poor/slow service.

As Mother's Day, club sponsored chocolates for the ladies, and white wine per table donated from club to encourage future participation. (Members who put their names down for rides will benefit from special offers.)



PAST EVENTS:

None.

FUTURE RIDES:

25.05.2025 - (Peter) - The Dunes Restaurant, Hout Bay, 17 names so far, weather looks good. Route via Kloof Nek with short stop in Llandudno. Invitation from Peter Hayes afterwards with beer and wine on offer.

29.06.2025 - (Iain) - Franschoek Station Pub.

13.07.2025- TBA- open to suggestion.

31.08.2025- (Peter) - That Greek Place, Yzerfontein.

10.08.2025- (Dave) - Bell, Wellington or Simonstown Golf/Yacht Club.

12.10.2025 - (Peter) - Charity Ride to Fallen Angels.

FUTURE EVENTS:

08.06.2025 - Poker Run - (Led by Peter Cowman) - 36 entries so far. Numerous prizes; Jackets (Rob & Lizl Todd), Helmets, Wine (Cyril Somerville), Whiskey +R250 cash(Basil Forbes), Meal vouchers (Viper Lounge), Vouchers (Trac Mac), Regalia (SAB), 3x cans stainless steel cleaner, Gas bottle opener (Michele Davis).

Card dealers:

1) Viper lounge- Keith Reeves, Devin and Shannon Corney. Yoco machine available for payment for entry.

2) Rob/Lizl Todd & Steven Bentley/Penny Randall at Die Werf.

3) Rob/Anne Bareham & Errol Murtagh at Potbelly Pantry.

4) Michele/Richard Davis & Francois Bothma at Lyndoch Garage.

Cyril & Garth Somerville as ride marshals en route.

GENERAL:

Basil would like stats double-checked.

NEXT MEETING:

26th June 2025.



Quinton from Viper Lounge invited members for free lasagna and salad supper on Tuesday 27th May 6.30 for 7pm.

We had a great evening at the Viper Lounge this evening. Thanks for the invite Quinton and Elaine Giani. Really good food (and drinks) and great company. Much appreciated.

OUR COMMITTEE



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MONEY MATTERS FINANCIAL REPORT

CLUB BANKING DETAILS: BANK:ABSA, ACC Name: Odysseus Western Cape

Odysseus Financial Report @ 22 May2025

Savings Account Account: 9263536308 Branch Code: 632005

June

BIRTHDAYS

May 3rd, Des Clarke, 7th Anne Bareham & Devin Corney, 12th Rob Bareham, 17th Susan James, 18th Pauline Goch, 24th Gavin Dodd, 29th Jenny Sumner, 30th Dave Hair.

Diary 2025

Rides Planned

General Meetings:

26 June 2025
22 July 2025
28 August 2025
25 September 2025
23 October 2025
27 Nov 2025

Year End:
6 Dec 2025

Brass Monkey 25-27 July



29 /06/25 Station Pub - Ian

13 July 2025 - TBC
10 August 2025 - Bell - Wellington or Simonstown Golf Club
12 October - Peter - Charity Run - Fallen Angels



31 August 2025 - that Greek Rest
Yzerfontein

EVENTS

WESTERN CAPE 4th ANNUAL ODYSSEUS POKER RUN
8 June 2025

R95.00 per entry included a metal badge R25.00 for extra cards
 This is not a race, but a fun ride & event. Join us for our annual Poker Ride

Start: Viper Lounge 9 am
 Stands up @ 10 am
 Casino & Drinks on Sat for R25
 then 3 Additional stops - TBC

End: MOTHS Red Barn
 Shell Hole
 39 Tramore Rd.
 Plumstead

Live Band: War Pigs

WIN PRIZES

scan me to register

For more details please contact: Devin - 083 311 2485 or www.odysseusmc.co.za
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Bar available, Food Stall

Saints & Sinners
NIGHT JOL
25 JULY 2025

Venue: Killarney Race Track - Main Club House
 Entry Fee: R80 including Badge
 entry into Lucky Draw - Adult entertainment
 & free shooter on entry

1st Prize R10 000 Cash

Dancing on tables.. Drinking ponchos
 & smiling at the cameras
 will be compulsory!!!

18:30

For more information contact Roger 082 578 59 10
 For food stalls contact Miles 072 260 50 56

THE SYNDICATE MC
IRON ELEPHANT RALLY
23 - 25 MAY 2025 THORNHILL HOTEL, PE

FRIDAY NIGHT:
 LIVE DJ - PARTY TILL' LATE
 ADULT ENTERTAINMENT
 • CAMPING FACILITIES
 • 2 BIKER BARS
 • TATOOS

SATURDAY:
 LIVE BAND (FROM 12PM)
 LIVE DJ ALL DAY LONG
 • ABLUTIONS AVAILABLE
 • FOOD STALLS
 • PRIZES

R100 BIKER ENTRY R50 CAR FEE

TENTED ACCOMMODATION:
 SLEEPS 2 PEOPLE
 FULL WEEKEND - R1450
 PRE-BOOK ONLY
 CONTACT - 082 441 1555

SALVATION ARMY DONATION
 ANY OLD CLOTHES OR
 TINNED FOOD WOULD
 BE APPRECIATED!

JEFF (PRES) - 082 894 1264
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If you know
 of any events
 place add
 here

Date: 28 - 30 November
Venue: Cango Mountain Resort, Oudtshoorn

Pre-entries @ R350pp
 Before 31 July =
 3 lucky draw tickets

Before 30 Sept =
 2 lucky draw tickets

From 1 October entry
 fee is R350pp =
 1 ticket

R150 pp for day visitors
 Kids under 12 yrs = FREE
 Kids 13 - 17 yrs @ R150pp for the weekend

Main prizes
3 motorbikes

All clubs and individuals welcome

For more info contact
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SWARTLAND SLEEPOVER
2 August 2025

Moorreesburg Showgrounds
ONE NIGHT ONLY
FAMILY BIKERZ BRAAI

Gates open at 09:00

CAMP OR SLEEP IN A HORSE STABLE
 Potijekos competition • Family games • Braai facilities
 Kaskar races • Live entertainment • Kalla Henn
 Limited stables accommodation
 Safe and ample parking
 Caravan and camper homes welcome
 No bar facilities - bring your own XYZ

Pre-entry: R150
 (By 25 July 2025)
Gate entry: R170
Badge: R20
 Kids under 12: Free entry

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 For all stables accommodation and other queries contact:
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De GrootVoël Rally 2025

Venue: Cango Mountain Resort, Oudtshoorn

Save the date!!!
28 - 30 Nov 2025

Same venue as last year ☺

1313 MAC'S FAMILIA
HOSTED BY BRONKIES LADIES
National Women's Day Ride
SAT, 9 AUGUSTS 2025

Pre Entry - R15000 Ladies
 (Includes badge, lunch, and more)

PRE-ENTRIES CLOSES 25 JULY 2025

R 50 Gate Fee (On the day)

ALL Welcome
 Especially Ladies

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MAC'S Boksburg
Dayjol
2 AUGUST 2025
10h00 till late

Cruz-in (old Elsburg Hotel)
 13 Voortrekker Street, Elsburg

R50.00 pp

• Raffle tickets
 • Cash bar (drink specials)
 • Lots of prizes
 • Shooter girls

Proudly sponsored by LA DIOSA

For more info contact 071-529-9285

OH SHIT!
SAVE THE DATE!
NOV 28 2026
 MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

SAVE THE DATE!
GREMLIN RALLY
12 - 14 SEPTEMBER 2025

Our New 'Lifestyle & Outdoors' Section

Cook Smarter, Not Harder: Remoska for Off-Grid Cooking and Home Electricity Savings

In today's fast-paced world, the Remoska one-pot cooker stands out as a beacon of culinary excellence. With its ability to cook, bake, and roast – all within a single, energy-efficient pot – it's a game-changer for those seeking efficiency and versatility in their kitchen setup. Whether you're on the road in a caravan, motorhome, or at home, the Remoska is the ultimate solution that meets all your culinary needs.

For those embracing off-grid living or facing challenges like loadshedding, the Remoska emerges as the ultimate kitchen companion. Operating on low wattage with a 220V inverter/solar system, it's perfectly suited for caravan kitchens or any environment where electricity is limited. Say goodbye to bulky appliances and hello to the convenience of cooking and baking with minimal energy consumption. Compact, Lightweight, and Easy to Clean addition to its culinary prowess, the Remoska boasts a compact and lightweight design, making it ideal for on-the-go adventures. Whether you're camping in the wilderness or cooking in the comfort of your home, its portability ensures that delicious meals are always within reach. Plus, cleaning up is a breeze, allowing you to spend less time scrubbing and more time enjoying time with family and friends. Versatility Unleashed: Cook, Bake, and Roast with Ease.

Gone are the days of cluttered kitchens and excessive appliances. The Remoska simplifies your cooking experience by offering a compact, all-in-one solution. Simply add your ingredients, cover with the lid, and return to a perfectly cooked meal in minutes. Its versatility knows no bounds, allowing you to prepare a wide array of dishes with ease – whether it's a hearty stew, a crispy roast, or a mouth-watering cake.



Save on Electricity Costs: A Wise Investment for the Future



As electricity prices continue to climb, the Remoska becomes increasingly relevant in any home environment. Its low energy consumption translates to significant electricity savings over time, making it a cost-effective investment that pays for itself in no time. With the Remoska, you can enjoy delicious meals while reducing your environmental footprint – a win-win for both your wallet and the planet.

Join the Remoska community by sharing your favourite one-pot cooker recipes on Remoska South Africa's Facebook page or comment at the bottom of this article. Be a part of this vibrant culinary space, displaying your creativity and inspiring fellow Remoska

enthusiasts. Click here to share your recipes and kick-start the culinary adventure

Conclusion:

In conclusion, the Remoska one-pot cooker goes beyond being just a kitchen appliance; it's a cooking companion for modern lifestyles. Its compact design, energy efficiency, and all-in-one cooking capabilities make it an essential addition to home kitchens and on-the-go adventures. As we navigate the challenges of loadshedding, the Remoska stands tall, offering a delicious solution to power-efficient and space-conscious cooking.



But don't just take our word for it – listen to what our satisfied customers have to say:

"I just wanted to let you know that I have just come back from camping for two and a half months in Botswana. I bought a Remoska pot from you, and it is the greatest piece of cookware ever! I used it for everything – from stews, to roasts, to even baking muffins and cakes! It does it all. The best buy ever. So much so – I would like to order another one please for home. It is versatile and easy – there is no need for anything else. Thank you so much for an amazing product." — Christine, Ballito
"We use two at home and the third one is for our caravan. It is so easy to use; food is cooked quickly and is always delicious. The versatility of the Remoska is incredible, roasts, curries, stews, bread, cakes, pizza, in fact, most things you can think of. It makes the best roast chicken and roast potatoes to die for! I have given Remoskas as gifts to family and friends and all of them are now die-hard Remoska fans! This is the best kitchen gadget ever!"

www.remoskasa.co.za

Our New 'Lifestyle & Outdoors' Section

Camper's Delight: The Portable Draai Braai is Compact and Versatile for Use Anywhere

This product is a smart design sought after by serious braaiers. It's time to join the revolution because everybody deserves a turn – pun intended!

The versatile Draai Braai has several special innovative features:

1. An adjustable grid makes precise heat control easy (turning the grid clockwise moves it down, turning it anti-clockwise moves it up).
2. The long shaft (24cm) extends braai time and saves fuel.
3. It fits into a Weber or kettle-type barbecue, converting it into an adjustable braai.
4. It's lightweight and portable making it easy to carry and use anywhere.
5. There is no need to look for stones or bricks to support the grid when camping or out in the veld.
6. It is conveniently flat-packed for the courier to reach major cities in South Africa in 2 or 3 days.

Check you tube -
"Draai Braai" for review

DON'T BURN IT, TURN IT!
DRAAI BRAAI BBQ HAS A ROTATING
GRID THAT TURNS TO ADJUST HEIGHT



AutoVision Wireless Camper Cam

Nowadays, caravans, campers, tented trailers, and even motorhomes are getting larger as travellers seek to bring all their home comforts on holiday with them. However, if caravans, motorhomes, and overlanding rigs are getting bigger... what are the trade-offs?



Trust me, it's great to have a spacious, uncluttered area to call your own while vacationing—because for us, living out of a matchbox for a week simply won't do when we want to relax. The perks of having a large and roomy leisure vehicle are obvious, but what nobody often tells you is that parking, reversing, and hitching to a large utility vehicle can lead to many a heated marriage debate—before you've even left home! And trust me, nobody enjoys a four-hour drive when their spouse has a mouth full of teeth.

Have you ever tried reversing your caravan while your partner yells, "LEFT! NO, RIGHT! WAIT—STOP!" as the neighbours



gather with popcorn? Avoid divorce and public humiliation with AutoVision's new top-of-the-range DAY Wireless HD Reversing Camera! Easy to install (yes, even for those who think "Wi-Fi" is a type of seafood), this caravanning must-have gives you crystal-clear visuals so you can back up like a pro—without relying on dodgy hand signals or pure luck. Grab yours today and save your relationship... and your caravan bumper!

Whether you're backing into a tight campsite or overtaking on the highway, the AutoVision system delivers real-time visuals with zero interference – even at highway speeds. With a long-range wireless signal, night vision capability, and a user-friendly display, it's the ultimate co-pilot for your adventures.

The system is designed to be plug-and-play, so you can get set up quickly without the hassle of complicated wiring. It's also built tough for South African roads.

Top 5 Reasons to Choose the AutoVision Camper Cam:

1. Crystal-Clear HD Display with DVR The built-in 7-inch screen offers full HD clarity and allows DVR recording, giving you both safety and playback for reviews or road incidents.
2. Covers Every Angle with Up to 4 Cameras Monitor your surroundings from all sides by connecting up to four wireless cameras — ideal for wide caravans, trailers, or tow vehicles.
3. Night Vision for 24/7 Safety Equipped with infrared night vision, the cameras provide a clear view behind your rig even in pitch darkness, giving you peace of mind no matter the hour.
4. Reliable Wireless Range of Up to 100 Metres Thanks to its advanced signal transmission, the system maintains a solid connection between the monitor and cameras without interference even over long distances. Quick & Easy to Install



"Never Struggle with Reversing Your Caravan Again!"

ODYSSEUS ON BUSHRADIO



*Odysseus Motorcycle Club
on The Biker Show on Bush Radio.*

*Thanks to those who agreed to join.
Methinks it went well.*

Peter Holder, Phillip Kaplan, Iain Fergusson,
Devin Corney, Susan James-Corney & Dave
& Elinor Roux

Tonight we chat with Odysseus MCC Western Cape
about the upcoming fourth annual poker run.
We're going to be finding out all about that. Of
course, our club of the week this week, none other
than the Odysseus, MC, Western Cape.
And of course, good evening to you, Odysseus.

And representing Odysseus this evening, we have Devin, we have Susan, we have Philip, we have Dave, we have Eleanor, Peter and Ian. Did I get that all right? Yeah, good evening Lloyd. Awesome. Good evening, guys. Nice to have you back. And thanks for having us back. How was the how was the last run? It was actually great. We had probably 70 or so bikes, 115, 120 people on the run. Oh, lovely. So yeah, it seems to be growing each year. You know, it's what we're trying to do. OK, and how did the poker run sort of evolve? It was actually started by one of our previous spokesmen/presidents, Basil. But he, for unfortunate reasons, had to go up to JHB. He's still a club member and a very loyal member from Johannesburg - He hasn't started a chapter up there yet though Ha ha ha. I was going to ask you guys if you are looking at expanding up there now. Susan and I actually flew up last Friday for the weekend, as it was the National Toy Run Conference, and I spent some time with Basil. Anyhow, he started our Poker Run. OK, and how long ago? Well, this is the 4th one. It was started up there though - He was here and it started it here. He was our spokesman/president of the club at the time. OK, so fourth annual poker run. What makes this one special as your fourth run? We're doing a lot more. We're going to a bit more expense. We've got things that we haven't had before. For example we've got a live band at the end of the gig. I should hope so. Dead bands are no fun. And in fact, for those who know them, the band is Warpigs. They played at the Buffalo Rally this year. It's costing us obviously, but hey... We've got a food stand, we've got some awesome prizes... We managed to get some good sponsorship - the guys and I have been all over scrounging for sponsorship and prizes. OK. So the guys have been out and about, you know, hassling people for sponsorship. OK, what is the main purpose? What's the cause behind the poker run? It's just a great day out for the bikers. This is a social. This is "kom by mekaar" and let's be friends. And it's something interesting. It's something different. You know, it's a poker run. So, it starts at the Viper Lounge where we all gather @ Nine o'clock for stands up at ten. They will have coffee for free at the Viper Lounge that we've organised. So the guys can have as many cups of coffee as they want. These guys bouncing off the walls by the time they get back on their bikes? The bar isn't open yet unfortunately, as it's too early. OK, I get it. So you've got to make up. The guys can also buy breakfast buns if they like and then we move from there. So what happens is the guys will draw their first card at the Viper. It's literally a poker hand, five card poker hand. So they'll draw their first card there. Between The Viper and the end venue, we'll have three other stops where they draw cards. OK. And at the last venue where they draw their final card. So does it work then? I mean, is it the one who has the best hand at the end, at the end of the run? And is he then the overall winner? That'll be first prize. There's second prize, there's third prize, plus there's going to be a lot of other prizes because we get a lot of prizes to give away. I don't know, Philip was making noises about prizes earlier on. I mean, like, are you going to tell us about these prizes? Are they secret? We've got a helmet, we've got a couple of jackets, we've got some beers, we've got some wine, we've got some whisky, we've got vouchers, we've got cash. We've got all kinds of things. OK, and apart from getting the best hand, are there any other prizes in between? I mean, along the way? Not along the way, but yes, lots of prizes at the end. And some fun prizes - For example, for the "kakkest" hand. Oh, the worst hand possible. I translated that into English for you. All right, so you get a prize for the worst hand. You get a prize for the best hand. So are there any lucky draws in between? Any throw-out prizes? All the time. It's not just the best hand. It's best, second, and third best as well and then a whole bunch of other random prizes. OK, how far is this run? It's about 139km in total. OK, that was pretty specific. 139km, not 140km or 150km. You've done the route. OK, and the route. How do you choose a route for the poker run?

We generally start at the Viper. We've got a good relationship with the Viper Lounge and it's pretty central for everybody. And then we decide as a committee and we plan it. We've got to find stops that are happy to have us and we plan it from there. We try and work out the sort of distance we want and then a finishing point, obviously.

What can riders look forward to at the various stops along the way?

The ride itself of course - we try to get the guys out of the traffic and into the country and have a scenic ride. **Are there activities at the stops at all?**

Or is it just a stop and collect? We want to get in and out quickly because we want to get moving on to the end venue. So at the stops, we do the card draws. They choose their card.

OK. Once that's done, the guy's are back on their bikes and off we go again.

OK, so there's no time delay there. And it's not a race. So you rock up. You've enjoyed your trip up until that point. You go and get your card. From there, you progress to the next stopping point. Collect your next card and then move along from there. What is the entry fee?

It's R95. That includes a card and a badge. Let me explain again. **Please.** You stop at a point. You draw your card. Right? You check the number you have drawn and the physical playing card gets returned to the pack and is shuffled for the next rider to draw. The card you have drawn gets marked on your playing card/board **OK.** At each stop you pick a card from the pack, it's gets marked on your board and so forth. **So you draw an ace of spades?** You can draw whatever. **Right.** Those all get marked on each player's board and they keep their boards. The actual playing cards, you give back. **Oh, I see. So you literally are playing poker on the run. It's not just a name that was given to the run. You actually are playing poker. And is there a pot at the end? I mean, what is in the pot at the end? Because I imagine that the winner takes all.** Well, there are lots of prizes. Obviously the prize, the value of the prizes will go down from the first prize. **Oh, I see. So there's a gradual...** Yeah. **OK.** All of the prizes are good though. **OK. Who can participate in the Poker Run?** Anybody with a motorcycle. **OK. What kind of motorcycles?** Doesn't matter. So you can come along with your trike, scooter or motorcycle of any kind. You can come on a Kawasaki as well (Iain) - It doesn't matter. **That was so well said. You need to give that man a prize just for that.** Anybody is absolutely welcome. You can come on a scooter if you like. It's fine.

So, all right. Which then means that there is going to be a disciplined ride.

It is not going to be one of those things where you get on your bike and you go hell for leather. This is why the entrants don't know where the stops are, so they have to follow us. So we ride in formation. **Oh, lovely. From point to point.**

Lovely. OK. I'm just curious. I've got this mental picture in my mind of all these little "poegies" riding in front and everybody else trying to keep up. Is that the wrong image I'm projecting here? No, basically what happens is that in our club we have ride coordinators -people that lead the rides. And our Head Ride Coordinator will lead the ride from the Viper Lounge to the other four stops. **OK, so four stops and then? On average, how long does it take? You're doing 100 and what? 150Ks, 190Ks?** **OK,** leaving Viper Lounge at 10, we're planning to be at our end venue by 12-ish, possibly 12.30 - Somewhere around there. **OK, so you're looking at a normal, decent kind of pace all the way along.**

What are highlights on these runs? You guys put all the effort into making sure that these runs are something to look forward to. What do you see as being the highlights for people attending the function, apart from the draw at the end? I always think it's lovely having a gathering of like-minded motorcyclists doing something fun rather than just going out for a kind of breakfast run. It's nice to actually have a mission, to collect the cards. The route takes you through some pretty nice countryside in and around Cape Town, which is also one of the aspects of the Poker Run. It's actually a very nice route. Obviously, we try to avoid traffic where possible, so a lot of it is in the countryside, which is really nice. As I say, it's nice to be in with a gathering of like-minded people. **Absolutely.**

I would imagine that having gone to the trouble of checking this route out, making sure that it's biker-friendly, so to speak, that it's an appropriate kind of route, and that it's long enough to allow you to stretch your legs a little bit, but also enjoy that whole sensation of being out in the countryside. It can lend itself to becoming an educational exercise for people who don't often get on their bikes and go out into the countryside for a run, or am I being overly optimistic? Or in groups.

You'll get guys that don't really often ride in groups are used to staying in formation. It's quite impressive, seeing the long line of bikes riding through the countryside. I often have this issue with a lot of runs - that is the guys have all got this idea that we're going out on a run and that it's a mass ride, right? But you end up with several little groups in the ride because some people don't know that the throttle is used for and only know two positions - closed, or wide open. We generally haven't found that happen on our bike runs, because we've also got several ride marshals that are going to be in and amongst the crowd. That's critical on the ride. We've got somebody in the front leading it, and we've got somebody at the back - a "tail end Charlie" sort of thing. But we've got a couple of other marshals, usually up and down in between who keep an eye on proceedings. **Commonly known as a sweep. Yeah. Okay. Safety measures and support systems. Do you have a guy apart from your tail gunner? Is there anybody along the run to help somebody who may have a flat tyre or something like that? Do you cater for that? Or is that just the duty of your sweep?**

That's the duty of the sweep, essentially. And we know of quite a few people that offer bike towing services etc. People that can be called if necessary. And everybody will sign an indemnity beforehand, just in case of something serious happens. But essentially the club has made quite a good provision, I feel, for any sort of eventualities. Hopefully that won't happen, but yeah. **Awesome stuff. Okay. So fourth annual Poker Run takes place on the 8th of June, 2025. It leaves the Viper Lounge at 10 o'clock after meeting up at nine. So you've got from nine to ten, just to socialise and have coffee and find out who you're riding with.**

Lloyd, you know what bikers are like... There are a lot of guys that haven't entered yet. And on the day there'll be this mass of people arriving, so we'll have to take in payments on the day, get the cards done and get everybody organised. So we sort of factor that in, which is why we give ourselves an hour at the start.

Right. So there's a registration window at the Viper Lounge as well. Okay. You leave at 10 o'clock and it ends at Moths Red Barn Shell-Hole. That is in Trumbull Road, Plumstead.

That's where it was last year, right? No. Where were you last year? Last year we ended at... At the Pinelands Bowling Club. **Oh, am I mistaken? Okay, never mind. Can people buy extra cards.**

Yes. Is that because I don't like my hand, you can just swap one out for another?

No. If people want additional chances to win, then they can buy additional boards. You can have several if you like. It doesn't matter.

Extra cards cost? They are R25 rand for extra cards.

Coffee and breakfast is also available at the Viper Lounge before you leave? Coffee is for free, but the breakfast Buns are R65.

The live band is... How did you guys get hold of War Pigs? I'm just curious. That's a story in itself. Please, share.



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Okay. Susan and I attend the Beaver Rally... Yeah.

... And have done for 20-odd years. Right. And they happened to be playing at the last Beaver Rally, and I got chatting with them on the Sunday morning when they were packing up. Okay. I don't know how it came around to it, but Susan and I and a couple of our members are ex Nomads members, and the Nomads run the Buffalo Rally. Right, right. It came about that we were going to the buff, and Steve from War Pigs said that they have always wanted to play at the Buff. So I said, "Well, it's October now and The Buff's in April the following year. Maybe I'll see what I can do. Oh, I see. So I organised it for them.

So you're one of those fix-up type people that move things and make connections? Is that what it's about? Okay, so War Pigs are going to be playing at your function. That should be quite seriously good music. Yes, in fact initially we wanted to go to the other Southern Suburbs shell-hole - I can't remember the name of it now.

Okay. They were all on-board until they heard War Pigs were playing. They said that unfortunately, as much as they'd love to have us, they can't, because they're in the middle of a suburban area. They could not have that band playing on a Sunday afternoon as it would not go down well with the local residents. Oh my goodness. But they obviously don't know that having you guys there is also going to change the neighbourhood. Okay, never mind. I was going to say something really, really wrong about this. Philip, I'm just dying to know - You, I believe, are the most..... What is the word... The most senior member of the club. That's correct.

How long have you been riding, first of all? First of all, tell us how old you are. Somebody said, I'm not old. I've just been young for longer than you. So how long have you been riding for? How old are you? Well, I'm 81 years of age. And I've been riding since I was nine years old. I grew up in Beaufort West. And I used to ride out in the veld with a little 70cc Honda. And then when I got to 14, there were only three or four of us in the whole town that had bikes and our principal hated us. I'm pretty sure... We were the scollies of the town. The hooligans of the club. Yeah, okay. And yeah, that's how I started on bikes. So you pretty much grew up on a bike. What do you ride? I'm riding on Harley Davidson. Which one? The Street Glide. Okay, there's a lot to be said for size. Well, I wasn't going to say anything. I'll just leave it at that. How long have you been part of the club, sir? I haven't been part of the club for very long, about two years. Yeah. Okay. Were you in other clubs before? Yes, I've been in other clubs before, but I like the idea of riding with Odysseus. Their rules are very slack. (Devin - "Flexible"). I don't want to be told when to ride..... He was just being very straight! I don't want to be told I've got to do X amount of rides a month. I get that. I don't want to be told I've got to attend X amount of meetings. Right. With these guys, with Odysseus, if you want to go, you go. If you don't want to go, you don't. But isn't that what we should be having in a lot more clubs? I mean, at the end of the day, it's not something that you should be compelled to do. You voluntarily chose to join something that you felt comfortable with. Why should it then become uncomfortable where people start controlling your life? So thank you for sharing that, because there are a lot of people out there who need to hear that. Club riding shouldn't be about who controls me. It should be about me being able to share my passion with the people I choose to share my passion with. Go ahead. Also, it's not cliquey. A lot of clubs are cliquey. You find the same people sitting around the same table at the same time. And when you go away for a night, certain people get the better rooms and other people don't. With this club, you sit where you like. Everything is lekker. What would you ascribe that cliqueness to? You know, I've often asked this question. You've got these clubs where on the surface, everybody looks like they're really, really happy. And then when you look just slightly below the surface, you find that there are groupings within the club. Now, it's often crossed my mind that when people don't feel they have a voice, that they tend to turn to the people closest to them that give them the ear that they can do. So they get the ear and then those become like-minded individuals within a club where they are us versus them type of thing. And it just becomes very unhealthy. So how do you guys manage to get beyond that? Is it just because you don't have the desire to have power? (Dave Roux) - I think that one of the big reasons why it doesn't happen in a club is age. Oh, really? So you think maturity? I think with age, you don't concern yourself too much with those sort of things. Oh, really? You become more individualistic. The older you get, you stand your own ground.

Okay, okay. And I just want to build on what Philip just said now. The ethics of the club makes it just so much easier for you to come and go as you please, flying free. When you speak to people who do not belong to clubs and you try to invite them, what they often turn around and say is they don't want to belong to a club because of the specifics of being told what to do. And we try at all costs not to entertain that. We'll not go down that avenue. You know, it's free and easy. That is huge. Because essentially what I'm hearing is that you respect the individuality of your members. And so everyone has the right to choose for himself where he goes. As long as he doesn't bring your club into disrepute, he's pretty much free to be an individual within that club. So it's not about losing your identity.

(Devin) But Lloyd, we do have a constitution. We have a committee, but we're not that regimental about it. Like Phil says, if Phil doesn't want to come on the ride next Sunday, that's Phil's choice. Right. We're not going to have an issue with it. Right. So you're not being driven. You're being invited. And that's a huge difference. The club's also run by the committee rather than an individual. And so we don't have like a president per se. Our one's called a spokesperson. (Iain) - The chairman is Devin. Yes, Devin. Anyway, the club is run by the Handlebar Committee, which consists of seven members, one of whom is the spokesman elected by the Handlebar Committee. And then we jointly make the decisions concerning the club. And I think that that keeps it kind of easy. I get it. It really is so much easier.

Everyone has an input. Everyone has a voice. It brings us back to that whole thing about feeling represented in the group that I've chosen as my family, so to speak. (Devin) And everybody on the committee has the same amount of power. The only additional power that I have as spokesman or chairman, whatever you want to call it, is that if the committee needs to take a vote on something and there's a hung vote, three vote this way and three votes that way, I have the deciding vote. So you actually have responsibility more than power, because either way you could be in trouble. I'm not going to go down that route. (Lloyd reads from a listener message) Tyron Josias says, "Hi Odysseus MCC. Rashida and I were on the poker run last year. Absolutely enjoyable. Looking forward to this year's run." That is Tyron and Josias. So awesome stuff. (Devin) Nice having you there and thanks for your kind words

Quick reminder. Fourth annual poker run takes place 8th of June 2025. It leaves the Viper Lounge at 10 o'clock after meeting up at 9 o'clock in the morning. And then it ends at Moth's Red Barn Shell-hole. That's in Plumstead. Entry fee is R95 and you can enter at the Viper Lounge as well. Apparently they made provision for you later comers. (Devin) Yes, we can do that. What we would prefer though, and what we have we've set up (as we did last year) is that people can register on our website. In fact on our Poker Run poster, there's a QR code you can scan.

It takes you directly to our site. You can enter your registration details and your name, club, cell phone number, email address, etc. It then directly sends us an email saying you've registered, as well as sends the entrant an email Confirmation with all the banking details if they want to pay online.

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Oh, wow. That makes it easier for us at the Viper Lounge. We're not messing around with money and small change. I get it. And that sounds so efficient. Do you have a button they can press to complete the run for them? Ha ha ha - Unfortunately not. Sorry, that was just me being mean. I couldn't help it. Anything that we haven't mentioned that you guys feel is important? (Iain) - Well, we're talking about a button you can press to do the run. But that's why we don't tell the people really where we're going. Only at each stop we tell them, OK, the next stop is so-and-so. This is to stop somebody just going straight to the end. It's only a run if you are on it. If you're part of it. If you take part in the ride. Susan has been terribly quiet tonight. Susan, are you still here? I'm still here. Susan, have they been behaving since we saw you guys last? Yes. I had to ask that question because when Devin came in earlier, he was looking really, really guilty.

And so he should... There is something else I want to mention. If you're buying at the Viper Lounge, we will have a Yoko machine there. **OK.** So it's not only cash. **OK.** And the entry of R95 includes a badge. **OK.**

And then, obviously, it's per person. So it's you, R95 and your pillion is R95. Absolutely. (Devin) Provided you want to enter the card draw.

Hang on. The car draw? **CARD DRAW!!** Oh, you had me worried there because it sounded very much like the car draw. Are you sure? Yes. **OK.**

(Iain) - And nobody would donate a Ferrari to us. Oh, jeez, you guys are picky, aren't you? Guys, it's been absolutely awesome chatting with you, as always. If there's anything we've left out, now's the time to say it. We covered everything, pretty much.

Yeah, Susan's got that worried look on her face. Like, I'm going to remember something when we walk out of the door. But absolutely awesome.

We wish you every success with your poker run. Folks, It's the Odysseus fourth annual poker run. Thank you.

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LAST MONTHS RIDES

THE PALMS PUB AND GRILL, Brackenfell

A cold, misty and somewhat wet club run today to The Palms. Nice turnout and a good few visitors. Again (as with our last run), the service left a lot to be desired. That aside, it was a good day. Also good seeing Heath Coleman again. Welcome back on the bike after your carpal tunnel op. Hope you are on the road to recovery and we see more of you on the runs. Thanks Jacqui Peter Cowman for organising. Also, thanks to Grant James and Kerri Mason for joining us on our Mother's Day ride. Your mom was glad you came. - Devin



Ride to The Palms Restaurant Sunday 11th May

Starting from home on a rather chilly and misty morning, we arrived at N1 City to be greeted by the faithful core of club riders along with 6 visitors. In total we were 21 people, 11 bikes and 3 cars some of whom we met at the venue.



The ride into the countryside north up the N7 and then across to the R304, then south down to the Bottelary road and the Palms was refreshing, sometimes misty, but pleasant without any incidents. It was great to see Heath riding again after his recent arm and hand surgery.

LAST MONTHS RIDES

THE PALMS PUB AND GRILL, Brackenfell



Unfortunately, we seem to be in a trend experiencing poor restaurant service.

A few days before, I had contacted the Palms and booked for 10 to 15 people arriving between 10:00 and 10:30 under my name "Peter". When we first arrived we were told there was no booking, then that the booking was made for 11:00 for 9 people. After that was sorted out, we waited ages for "service" which was a total shambles with numerous different waiters wandering around not knowing who had ordered what. Unfortunately Grant and Kerri, after waiting a long time, had to cancel their breakfast since they had other arrangements. A lady, who seemed to have some authority, did apologize for the delay, which helped restore the calm. A big thank you to Susan for sorting out the billing, which was also in a mess.



On the better side, the food was good and at acceptable prices. Odysseus gifted small boxes of chocolates to the ladies along with wine for the tables in honour of Mother's Day. After breakfast a few of us ordered beers which we subsequently canceled after waiting too long. We had of course to hurry to watch the Motor GP, which we did at Heath's place. Thank you to Heath and Melissa. In closing, the ambiance and food at the Palms was good and there was lots of humor and good natured chatting.

LAST MONTHS RIDES

Dunes Beach Restaurant - Houtbay

Very nice club run today to The Dunes in Hout Bay. Thanks Jacqui Peter Cowman for organising. Perfect weather, great ride and wonderful company. And thanks Peter Hayes and Sandra for the generous invite back to your wonderful home in Hout Bay where the party continued. All in all, a great day out on the bikes. - Devin



Ride to The Dunes Restaurant Sunday 25th May 2025

Jacqui and I set off from Somerset West under blue skies, no clouds, no wind and 20 degrees; a perfect day for riding. Our Telemachus (Shannon) also joined on this run, Welcome!!!

We started the ride at N1 City with 8 Bikes and 10 members going over Kloof Nek and stopping at the craft market on Victoria Rd for a break.



By chance Phillip saw us on his way to pick up his friend Larissa and stayed with us for a while.

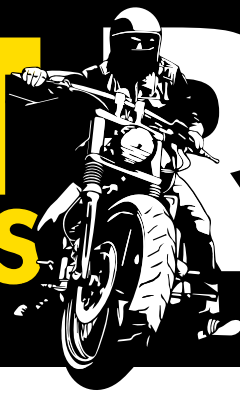


The calm blue sea, with the backdrop of the 12 Apostles mountains was an awesome sight. At the Dunes the rest of the group eventually arrived with a surprise visit from Bruce Noy on his way to do other things.

In total we were 21 people, a good turnout. The Dunes did us proud, the food and service was exceptional. The "separate table billings" worked out well, and as far as I know, there were no problems.



LAST MONTHS RIDES



Dunes Beach Restaurant - Houtbay

Bruce got caught up in the atmosphere and never did do what he had planned. Unfortunately, Peter Hayes' bike had a battery problem and he came by car. Also Bruce had battery problems when his bike wouldn't start at the Dunes. Sandra came to the rescue and produced jumper leads from her car and all was well. In total we were 21 people.



After breakfast Peter very kindly invited us all over to his lovely home in Hout Bay. Sandra and Peter

are wonderful hosts and made the rest of the day entertaining with tasty snacks and good humor from mum Gale. We partied on till after 5 pm when it was time to leave. Unfortunately Bruce needed the jumper cables again.

We had a scary ride home in the dark especially going on down from Constantianek on Rhodes Drive through the twisties. The traffic was heavy and with dazzling head lights approaching from the front and in the rear in the mirrors. We eventually arrive back home at 7 o'clock.

All in all, this was a really great day out. Peter



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Enea Bastianini laments “worst race” of his MotoGP career at British GP

MotoGP KTM Tech3 rider Enea Bastianini described the British GP as the “worst race” of his career as he lamented what had been a “very complicated day”. Bastianini started from 17th on the grid, and classified 17th amid the gusty Silverstone conditions.



“It has been a very complicated day for me today, because I would try to do something on the bike, but nothing. It is impossible for me to push.” “It has been very frustrating for me. Probably my worst race of my career from my side.” “I thought many times to go to the box during the race, but at the end, I closed the race for everybody, for me and for the team. But to be honest, I’m not happy for [anything].”

The Italian rider continued: “At the moment, I’m the worst rider on the track. I think KTM needs to do something for me for my future, because like this, it’s impossible to continue, no?” He also had trouble with the front ride height device, saying he had gone the whole first lap with the device activated. “From my side, probably if today I was with the bike from when I arrived, it was better. At the end, the bike doesn’t turn, and the electronics don’t work. This is the problem.”

Bastianini was not alone in his struggles, as Factory KTM rider Brad Binder dubbed the race “horrendous”. The South African racer finished in 14th, having started from the 19th spot on the grid. “That was horrendous,” he told media after the race. “I have so much shaking down the straights and from corner to corner that I kept rolling the gas in the straights, which is never a good thing.



“Just really missing a lot of confidence, especially with the front. I felt fine when I was behind somebody and it took a bit of temperature, but as soon as I’d be alone, I literally felt like I couldn’t crank the bike over because the front would just wash the whole time.” Even going slowly, I had moments where I was lucky to not have crashed. When asked where he and the team can go from here, he responded: “It’s not ideal for sure. Don’t get me

wrong, I mean, fuck me, I know I’m not meant to be racing in 15th position, but it is what it is right now. That’s literally my level.” So, a little bit tricky. I need to find some confidence again, and I’m sure we’ll figure it out.”

Why Fabio Quartararo’s emotional outpouring at the British MotoGP was so poignant

Fabio Quartararo’s emotional breakdown following heartbreak at the MotoGP British GP was a rare moment in motor sport – and shows character that we sometimes forget





Midway through his post-race media interview, Fabio Quartararo fell silent, leant forward and buried his face into the crook of his forearm and bicep. It took a split second for the assembled press pack of MotoGP journalists to notice, as the Yamaha rider started sobbing.

It is something you seldomly see these days from elite sport stars, particularly in motor sport where such outpouring of grief can be identified as a sign of weakness. No matter how upset a rider or driver gets, it is rare we see it. Around 30 minutes before, the Frenchman had been leading the British MotoGP at Silverstone, having amassed a five-second lead.



He looked nailed-on to earn his first victory since the German GP in 2022 - and it was entirely justified after a weekend of being blisteringly quick around the blustery circuit. However, with seven laps remaining, the ride-height adjustment on his Yamaha locked in the lowered position. He frantically signalled that he had a problem before pulling over.

He dropped to his knees beside his bike and dropped his head to the floor. It was heartbreaking to watch such an outpouring of grief - the pain of which was still evident later on, following by his emotional breakdown in the press room.



The trigger point was a question about how the weekend had otherwise been a positive one, and that was enough to "give him hope that it was possible again" to fight for wins. He started to answer, saying: "For me, I think that exactly, what I said last time, that... I'm sorry...." before stopping, overcome with emotion. "But fuck it's so shit what happened today because we improved the bike and when everything is going in a good way we know we are fast." Quartararo had no reason to be sorry; he was consoled by his press attaché before resuming his interview a minute later. At the end, he was given a round of applause and some pats on the back by the assembled media. It was difficult not to feel sorry for the 2021 world champion, who has endured a difficult few seasons on the Yamaha.

It also provided a timely reminder on this momentous Memorial Day of motor sport, kicking off with MotoGP, the F1 Monaco GP, the Indy 500 and finally the NASCAR Coke 600, of the emotions of these riders and drivers. Some buy into motor sport because of the technology, but the majority because of the entertainment, and that is all down to the personalities who pilot these breath-taking machines. These are the heroes, whose emotions are regularly masked by their helmets or threaded by fines from governing bodies. Which is why Quartararo's tears were a moment to saviour - no matter how hard to witness.

Quartararo was consoled too by his friend and assistant Thomas Maubant, who has been at his side at the races. Maubant had sprinted over to the exasperated rider and lifted up the visor on his helmet to speak some words of encouragement.

Quartararo was asked what had been said, and he replied: "He's my best friend and he's the one that knows me the best. He was just telling me that today I was clearly the fastest and it was a long time [since] that."



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