



## JULY 2026 NEWSLETTER

**NEXT CLUB NIGHT IS WEDNESDAY 1 ST JULY  
DOORS OPEN AND DINNER AVAILABLE FROM 6.30PM  
RAFFLES AND OFFICAL FUNCTION COMMENCES 7.30PM**



**Location: Manukau Cruising Club - Orpheus Drive - Onehunga**

- **Wear your membership badge or face a fine if the Sherrif catches you.**
- **Bring along a few Gold coins for raffles, fines, tips etc...**

**PRESIDENTS REPORT - Grant Johnstone**



June already and this morning is our monthly “Coffee and Cake “ catchup at Karaka Store Cafe. Today as usual we have a great turnout, however we need to encourage a greater turnout for our Newbies and Oldies rides about every second Saturday and we need to Re establish the Sunday ride and to include a worthwhile destination.





As you would have guessed I'm not writing this on a train this time, but I did get to ride the Yamaha XJ900 I'd bought in Aussie and went for a short ride up the coast to Port Macquarie, with my son. One of the stops was the lookout, looking north towards the Port. (Insert photo)



Back in NZ and is now in a facility closer to where he lives and is recovering and keeping up good spirits.  
The usual events have been going ahead and the newbies/oldies ride on the 13th even included a

section of gravel road and in consideration of the sports bikes the pace was slow and enjoyable.

Normal reception resumed back on the tarmac, but there were some lovely views.

The Tuesday ride continues to be well patronised and I've had good feedback from these rides. The Tuesday ride is for the more experienced and is a spirited pace.

The ride we do need to review is the Sunday ride as mentioned earlier. We need an RIC to lead and establish a worthwhile destination, say a museum or other interesting destination, to encourage members to come along, especially newer riders.

This leads me to raise concerns around organisation. I raised it at Club Night, however I think it's worth bringing up in this newsletter. In the past we had an 8 person strong committee and a 4 person runs committee, who also managed the posted runs schedule. This is currently done by Craig, who has his Natcom responsibilities.

At present we only have the 6 members on the committee, Evan and Roger are the Treasurer and Secretary, that leaves 4 of us and Sandy has stepped up again as Welfare Officer. I'm hoping you're starting to get the picture. We, as a club need to have more involvement from members.

I don't think the older, long standing members should, unless they want to, take up some of these tasks. I feel if you have been in the club less than five years then perhaps you need to consider contributing, if the club is to run these events and others moving forward. Any feedback would be appreciated.

On a brighter note, speaking of events, one of which is Clubnight every month, we have the BBQ at Craig and Raewyn's on the 4th of July, let Raewyn know if you're going. Details are on our website. Also, we have, Remembrance at Taupo in August, Motorcycle Awareness Month event in September and the overnight ride in October. On the overnight run we will be catching up with members from New Plymouth as well. Then of course we have our annual Rally at port Waikato in November, all of the details on these events and our usual rides are in the runs list on these events website. Safe Riding and I look forward to seeing you at events.

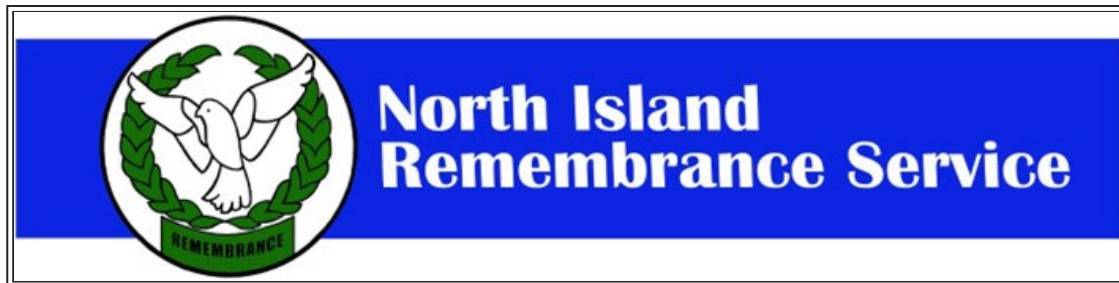
Grant Johnstone  
Branch President

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## Long Service Awards

We have nil to celebrate this month!

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**Saturday 8 August 2026, 2:00 pm at Lake Taupo Rotary Club,  
12 Story Place Taupō**

**\*\* note the change of venue \*\***

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

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

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

**Badges and embroidered cloth badges this year will need to be ‘pre ordered’ and collected at the event, to place your order please email:**  
[auckland.sec@ulysses.org.nz](mailto:auckland.sec@ulysses.org.nz) or phone / text 021 844040.

Hot drinks and biscuits will be available in the main foyer on your arrival in the afternoon. A donation will be appreciated.

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

A formal ride of respect through Taupō will be held on the day of the service. All ride details will be available in the Branch Newsletters and websites closer to the event.

Any questions, please contact: Auckland Branch President, or Peggy O’Neal  
at [remembrance@ulysses.org.nz](mailto:remembrance@ulysses.org.nz).

Please also keep visiting our website [www.ulyssesauckland.org.nz](http://www.ulyssesauckland.org.nz) for further information.  
Ulysses Club - Auckland Branch [auckland@ulysses.org.nz](mailto:auckland@ulysses.org.nz))

### UP COMING EVENTS TO NOTE

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Mid-Winter Lunch	Craig & Raewyn’s – see notice
8 <sup>th</sup> August	Remembrance 2026	Taupo Rotary Club
12 <sup>th</sup> September	Motorcycle Awareness event	Papakura Club
2 <sup>nd</sup> /3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Overnight ride	Stratford

20<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> November

Annual Rally

Port Waikato

## YOUR AUCKLAND BRANCH OFFICERS & COMMITTEE

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Your Auckland Committee meets once a month and a record is kept of the meetings, its attendees and any motions and discussions.

These minutes are now made available on our webpage for anyone interested.



**Your 2026-27 Committee , from left to right..**

**Grant Johnstone, Martin Pepper, Evan Swenson, Roger Judd, Sandy Senk and Janny Nicol**

# LUNCH EVENT - INVITATION



**Craig and Raewyn Moodie invite any Ulyssians to attend a mid winter lunch at their place - July 4th - 12 noon**

**Address: [278 Matua Road, Kumeu](#) (turn right past 2 story white house), heaps of parking down the driveway.**

DETAILS: Meat, tea and coffee provided for a koha, BYO drink and either nibbles, salad or dessert.

Text Raewyn 021797427 to RSVP. See you there.

**Note: there will be an organised ride to the event, see the Rides list**



**FOR SALE- 1965 Classic LADA Limited Edition - (for the collectors and connoisseurs)**

A rare opportunity to acquire a well presented example of a Lada, described as having one careful owner (with the possibility of others).

Factory options include heater, custom roof rack and drilled and lightened sport wheels.

Supplied with original owners manual which includes a current Bus Timetable for convenience

The vehicle had been carefully driven throughout its life and never received a speeding ticket. It is equipped with Ladas OWA-F (Open window air-flow) air conditioning system that is fully adjustable by varying the speed of travel.

Performance is enhanced by the Lada Ram Air (LRA) induction system which delivers noticeable gains when travelling down hill.

Speedo reads just 69,000kms and there is no indication to believe this is not accurate.

Cosmetically the vehicle presents with minor imperfections consistent with its age. These are expected to improve with general detailing, buffing and polishing.

The WOF is currently expired but the owner is confident it will pass with minimal attention..

Would trade a late model low mileage reliable motorcycle ( Ducatis excluded therefore). Can supply with a full tank of fuel but the price would double.

Interested parties should contact the Editor who will put you in touch with the owner who wishes to remain anonymous.

**UYLSSES CLUB MERCHANDISE**



Show your club pride with some of our Ulysses branded merchandise. Tee shirts, Decals, Patches, Clothing and Badges all available online.

Click this link to purchase online: [The Ulysses Club of NZ | Club Store](#)



**CACTUS UPHOLSTERY** Motorcycle seat re covering and re padding / foaming along with car and furniture upholstery. Workshop is at 13B Laurie Avenue, Papakura Auckland. Contact via [admin@cactusupholstery.co.nz](mailto:admin@cactusupholstery.co.nz) or phone 022 186 6914

## IS YOUR MEMBERSHIP UP TODATE?

There are still some people who have not renewed their membership yet. If you think this might be you please go and get out your Membership Card.

- Check the expiry date. If your membership expired last year, it is still not too late to renew your membership.
- Go online now and pay your sub.

Three Years Joint Member is \$180.00 per each member.

One Year Joint Member is \$66.00 per each member

Three Years Individual Member is \$190.00

One Year Individual Member is \$70.00,

Pay money into:

BNZ Bank A/c: 02-0412-0001771-097.

DON'T FORGET TO INCLUDE YOU NAME AND ULYSSES # IN THE DETAILS

Job done thanks.

## HONDA RC115



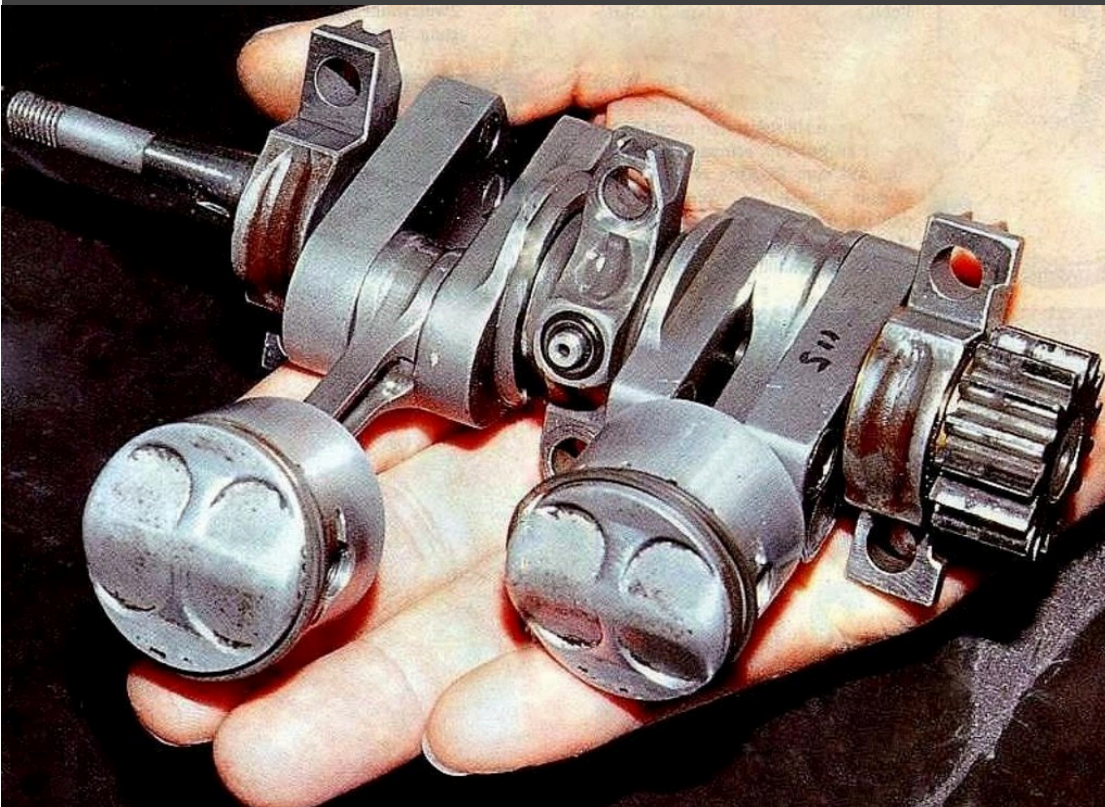
The 1965 Honda RC115 stands as one of the most remarkable examples of engineering ambition ever seen in motorcycle racing. Built for the fiercely competitive 50cc Grand Prix class, the RC115 was developed during Honda's golden era of innovation, when founder Soichiro Honda challenged his engineers to extract maximum performance from the smallest possible displacement. At a glance, the motorcycle seemed almost impossibly delicate, but beneath its lightweight frame was an astonishingly sophisticated 50cc parallel-twin engine. Designed specifically for international competition, the tiny powerplant represented Honda's relentless pursuit of speed through precision engineering rather than sheer displacement, a philosophy that helped establish the company as a dominant force in world motorcycle racing.

- **Engine Type:** Parallel-twin, 4-stroke, deep sump
- **Displacement:** 49.75 cc
- **Valvetrain:** Double Overhead Camshaft (DOHC), 4 valves per cylinder
- **Power Output:** ~ 13 to 16.5 hp @ 20,000 to 21,500 rpm
- **Maximum RPM (Redline):** Up to 22,500 rpm
- **Specific Output:** ≈ 320 hp/liter
- **Bore × Stroke:** 34.00 mm × 27.4 mm

- **Fuel Delivery:** 2 piston valve carburetors
- **Ignition System:** Transistor ignition
- **Transmission:** 9-speed manual gearbox

What truly set the RC115 apart was the complexity hidden inside its compact engine. The 50cc parallel twin featured dual overhead camshafts, four valves per cylinder, and an extraordinary crankshaft assembly engineered to withstand engine speeds approaching 20,000 rpm—an incredible figure for the mid-1960s. Every component was designed with meticulous attention to detail, from the lightweight reciprocating parts to the carefully balanced crankshaft that allowed the engine to operate reliably at extreme revolutions. Producing around 12 horsepower from just 50 cubic centimeters, the RC115 achieved a specific output that rivaled many racing engines several times its size. The motorcycle's performance helped Honda secure victories and championships in the ultra-competitive small-displacement Grand Prix classes, proving that advanced engineering could overcome limitations in engine size.

Today, the Honda RC115 is celebrated not only for its racing success but also for the extraordinary craftsmanship that went into its creation. Enthusiasts and historians often regard it as a mechanical masterpiece, a machine that demonstrated just how far engineers could push internal combustion technology when regulations imposed strict displacement limits. The intricate crankshaft assembly, jewel-like valve train, and screaming high-rpm character continue to fascinate collectors and restorers decades later. More than sixty years after its debut, the RC115 remains a symbol of Honda's engineering brilliance and a reminder of an era when innovation, precision, and determination could transform a tiny 50cc motorcycle into one of the most advanced racing machines in the world.



### **RUNS / RIDES AND SOCIAL EVENTS CALENDAR**

**\*\* Note \*\*** this document is now live and updated constantly on our Website. Before heading off for an event please check the Website for any changes or cancellations.

<https://www.ulyssesauckland.org.nz/new-runs-list>

If you have any questions with regards to the calendar please contact  
Craig Moodie 021 797 487

### **RIDERS - PLEASE READ**

When attending a Club Ride be at the departure point 10 Minutes early with a **FULL TANK OF FUEL** and an **EMPTY BLADDER**.

Unless the Ride shows '**EXPERIENCED**' beside it, the Ride is for all experience levels and bike types.

### **RUNS / RIDE DISTANCE GUIDE**

**Short - 150kms**

**Medium - 150-300kms**

**Long - 300 + kms**

Each RIC will carry a Mobile Phone for emergencies. In an emergency use the number listed next to the relevant RIC. If no answer leave a message.

- The Rider in Charge will be organising the day. Contact them for details. All Riders participating in a Ulysses Club Ride are expected to hold a current licence, relevant to the motorcycle that they are riding, wear suitable clothing and have a registered and warranted road-worthy motorcycle.
- Riders are asked to complete the Rider list on the day and give your contact number and that of a contact not taking part in the ride.
- Direct ride related questions to the displayed Runs Co-ordinator / RIC of the day. General questions Grant Johnston (Auckland President) 0275 535 3066

### **Tues 30<sup>th</sup> June**

#### **TUESDAY EASY RIDERS - Two ride option Day**

##### *RIDE - MEDIUM*

David is RIC Ph 021 901 274. Destination decided on the day. **Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.** This is the normal Tuesday ride lead by Dave and will depart as usual at 10am with a cafe stop for lunch.

##### *RIDE - LONG*

**Optional ride today and it is on GRAVEL.** Bring your lunch on the ride.

Our Longer Ride continues bi-monthly, but brought forward to June. (Jim wants to try out his new CF Moto for the purpose it was built for).

Today we are going to ride the western gravel roads to Raglan and do the circuit of Mt. Karioi and then head north to home. Bring your lunch and a drink. Depending on time, we may take in a coffee at Raglan. Either Pete or I will carry your lunch for you if your stowage is lacking. But bag it.

**Departs Bombay Autobahn at 9.30 a.m. sharp.** Any questions - Tony 020 414 85160.

### **Wed 1<sup>st</sup> July**

#### **CLUB NIGHT**

Manukau Cruising Club - Orpheus Place Onehunga –dinner available from 6.30pm, licensed bar and drinks available, event starts at 7:30pm, raffles and chat. A great nite of socialising and catching up

### **Sat 4<sup>th</sup> July**

##### *RIDE - SHORT*

#### **Ride to Craig and Raewyns Lunch function**

Leaving at 10.30 am from

Manukau Cruising Club - Orpheus Place Onehunga

Phil Biddick is RIC 0274811595

Lunch at Craig and Raewyns

**\*\* see sperate notice \*\***

### **Sun 5<sup>th</sup> July**

#### **Sunday Ride**

*RIDE - MEDIUM*

RIC to be confirmed Ph 021797487. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

### **Tues 7<sup>th</sup> July**

#### **TUESDAY EASY RIDERS**

*RIDE - MEDIUM*

David is RIC Ph 021 901 274. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

### **Thurs 9<sup>th</sup> July**

#### **SOCIAL – West Auckland Dinner & Social Night.**

New Lynn RSA, [2 Veronica Street, New Lynn](#). Meet from 6.30pm onwards.

### **Sat 11<sup>th</sup> June**

#### **Little Newbies & Oldies**

*RIDE – SHORT*

This is a slower paced shorter ride. Ideal for new riders smaller bikes and those who enjoy pleasant cruise with friends. All riders are welcome.

Nathan is RIC Ph 0274633442

Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

### **Tues 14<sup>th</sup> July**

#### **TUESDAY EASY RIDERS**

*RIDE - MEDIUM*

David is RIC Ph 021 901 274. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

### **Sat 18<sup>th</sup> July**

#### **Coffee Cakes and Conversation**

KARAKA GENERAL STORE & CAFE

[257 Linwood rd, Karaka](#)

Meet at 10:00am for a coffee and chat, choose your own departure time.

### **Sun 19<sup>th</sup> July**

#### **Sunday Ride**

*RIDE - MEDIUM*

RIC to be confirmed Ph 021797487. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

### **Tues 21<sup>st</sup> July**

#### **TUESDAY EASY RIDERS**

*RIDE - MEDIUM*

David is RIC Ph 021 901 274. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

### **Sat 25<sup>th</sup> July**

#### **Little Newbies & Oldies**

*RIDE – SHORT*

This is a slower paced shorter ride. Ideal for new riders smaller bikes and those who enjoy pleasant cruise with friends. All riders are welcome.

Nathan is RIC Ph 0274633442

Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

**Tues 28<sup>th</sup> July****TUESDAY EASY RIDERS***RIDE - MEDIUM*

David is RIC Ph 021 901 274. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

**Thurs 30<sup>h</sup> July****SOCIAL – Sth Auckland Dinner & Social Night.**

Papakura Club [5 Croskery Rd](#) (off Hunua Rd).

Questions Chris Ph 021 0347996.

Meet at 6.30pm onwards.

**Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> August****Sunday Ride***RIDE - MEDIUM*

RIC to be confirmed Ph 021797487. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.

**Tues 4<sup>th</sup> August****TUESDAY EASY RIDERS***RIDE - MEDIUM*

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**Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> August****Sunday Ride***RIDE - MEDIUM*

RIC to be confirmed Ph 021797487. Destination decided on the day. Departs Bombay Autobarn at 10.00am.



# Ulysses

**Club of New Zealand  
Inc Since 1988**



*Whether you are an experienced rider, returning to riding or just starting out - No matter your age, gender or style of bike - We are the club for you!*

**What makes us different from the basic social media riding groups?  
For less than \$1.50 a week, Ulysses members enjoy:**

- Over 20 branches spread across the country, working together to provide interesting riding, rallies and social events to cater to all members' needs.
- A dedicated rider safety training fund that subsidises member's training, first aid courses and safety equipment.
- An annual National Bike Raffle where members have a one in less than 3000 chance to win a new motorbike.
- The *Ulyssian*, our national magazine which contains national and branch news, information about upcoming events and articles of interest to riders.
- Branch and national level long service and recognition awards - Including Odyssey and Life member awards.
- Various member discounts.
- Supporting multiple charities at a national and branch level.
- National level strategic plan initiatives including marketing, networking, member support and coordinated events, provided by an enthusiastic volunteer National committee and paid National Administrator.
- An annual National Rally with fun themes and camaraderie.
- Remembrance Rides to honour fallen members.
- Proudly sponsored by AA Insurance.



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*Contact your local branch for upcoming events and joining information:*

# DISCOUNT

**ULYSSES MEMBERS' DISCOUNT**

There are a range of businesses throughout New Zealand that recognise the value of the Ulysses Membership. **Note to obtain the discount you will need to produce your current club membership card and please ask first before purchasing to ensure the a discount is applicable.**

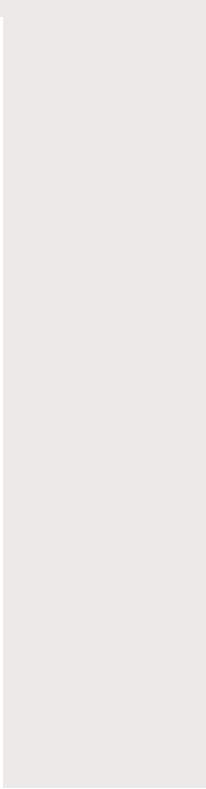
- IINTERISLANDER AND BLUEBRIDGE ferries [Click Here](#)
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- DRURY MOTORCYCLES Auckland
- KIWI MOTORCYCLES Christchurch
- APEX AUTO CENTRE Hamilton
- TREVOR PIERCE YAMAHA Christchurch
- BUTT BUFFER WHANGANUI
- EZIBED NZ "ULY10"
- FRANKTON LAW
- ASURE ACCOMM GROUP Join Azure Group
- TOP TEN MOTOR CAMPS Join Top Ten Group




## JUST A REMINDER - CLUB NIGHT RAFFLE DONATIONS

It's not just the committee's job find to find the raffle prizes at the monthly meetings - it's up to all members. The raffles form a vital part of our Branch's income.

- Idea 1: if it's **your birthday** in a particular month please donate a bottle of wine or something else of similar value.
- Idea 2: consider donating any unwanted Christmas - or birthday - gifts as a raffle prize. That way it will still bring joy to someone.
- **and a big thankyou to all those who have been helping out with the raffles!**






# ULYSSES

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**Join other  
Motorcycle Enthusiasts.  
Enjoy riding our country roads.  
Socialize over lunch at  
many great cafes**



- \* Several rides every month**
- \* Rallies**
- \* Weekends away**
- \* Dinners and Social Events**

For more information go to our website:  
[www. ulyssesauckland.org.nz](http://www.ulyssesauckland.org.nz)

## BUSINESS'S - CAFES AND CLUBS WE LIKE AND SUPPORT



**LIFESTYLE IMPORTS:** For all your motorcycle gear and clothing. Shop online at [www.lifestyle-imports.co.nz](http://www.lifestyle-imports.co.nz) They have now set up shop at [13 Queen Street Waiuku](#). Call Florence at 027 262 5287 for opening hours.

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#### CAFES:

**Waiomu Beach Cafe** - [622 Thames Coast Road](#). Great coffee and food. Good parking just across the road.

**Nikau Caves Café** – [1770 Waikaretu Valley Road, Waikaretu](#). Good food and coffee, friendly hosts, good parking

**Native Tree Cafe** - 7 Church St, Mangatarata (on SH27 about 200 meters south of intersection with SH2). Great food & coffee. Sheltered outdoor seating. Excellent parking off main highway.

**Maramarua Bakehouse Café** – [1971 State Highway 2 Maramarua](#) (the old Pink Pig). Café has new owners, has been totally refurbished and offers a typical Bakehouse menu. Good bike parking.

**Smoko Café** – [3331 State Highway 2 Waitakaruru](#) - Good menu, good outside seating, good bike parking

**Hopin Stopin Café** – [60 great South Road Taupiri](#) - Good menu, good outside seating, good bike parking - Eds recommendation - toasted sandwich and Iced Coffee!

#### CLUBS:

**Manukau Cruising Club** offer memberships to Over 65's for \$6 and \$30 per year for everyone else. A great opportunity to have a spot for a few drinks with friends or to join in with their great entertainments!

**Parnell Returned Services Club** - [139 Parnell Road, Parnell](#)

We welcome anyone from Ulysses to pop in and enjoy a beer at a reasonable price.

We don't have pokies or TAB – but we do have pool tables, dart boards, and a juke box. We are surrounded by some of the best eating places in Auckland including pizza at La Porchetta, local Indian etc - bring the takeaways back to the club - they are virtually next door.

Guests will need to sign the visitors' book, but please consider membership at \$30 per calendar year. (This will give reciprocal rights with clubs all over NZ: see <https://clubsnz.org.nz/> ) There is a bike

parking space across the road next door to the Windsor. Generally we are open 2pm to at least 9pm daily.

*Please send details of any businesses that treat Ulysses members well to the editor for future inclusion in this list.*

## **ABOUT THE NEWSLETTER**

The newsletter is freely available to any non-members who wishes to subscribe. Members receive it automatically. Feel free to forward this on to anyone who may be interested. To subscribe email the editor.

The newsletter is distributed by email on or about the Saturday prior to the monthly meeting. Eleven monthly issues are produced, January being the missing month.

**If a printed copy is required the annual subscription will be \$30.** Printed newsletter is available for pick-up at the monthly social night at the Manukau Cruising Club. Copies not picked up by hand may be mailed out.

The editor encourages right of reply, correspondence, criticism, and suggestions.  
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