



# *Ulysses East Rand*

## **Newslysses**

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Meet every Sunday for a breakfast run departing from Bimbo's, 5th Avenue, Northmead, Benoni, at 8:15am

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<b>Month</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Area</b>
April	17th	TBD on the day	Cullinan
April	24th	Pit Stop	Honeydew
May	1st	Heidelberg loop/Beerco/Classic Bikes	Germiston
May	8th	Karoo Cafe	Lynnwood

### **April Birthdays**

Peter            19<sup>th</sup> April

## Other events of interest: (from various sources)

April	17th	Triumph Day	Modderfontein
April	23 <sup>rd</sup>	End of Summer Braai	Andre & Billy's

## End of Summer Braai

We need to get some idea of how many members are interested in attending this braai, please can you let Billy, Tish or myself know. We need to finalise this by next Sunday.

## Membership and Fees (Repeated from last week)

Just a quick reminder to get your Membership form in and Fees if you haven't already done so. I think in the light of recent events it is important for us a group to rationalise who is still riding with us and who would prefer to explore other adventures.

## New Members

I would like to formally welcome Jonathan to our ranks, he has been riding with quite regularly and we look forward to him joining our ranks on a permanent basis. (See membership forms above☺)

Henry and Charlene rode with us this weekend for the first time and we look forward to them joining us on our Sunday outings. Welcome guys was a pleasure to have you with us

Also can I congratulate Robert and Maryanne who have joined our ranks permanently. Looks like we can have a patch ceremony shortly. (And members with a newer patch than Mathew!)

## Officer appointments

I will be liaising with Ulysses National to update the information on our website:

<http://www.ulyssessa.co.za/east-rand/index.php>

The nominations mentioned in last week's news will be loaded onto the website sometime this week.

## Ulysses T shirts

I noticed on the national website that they are offering black T shirts and Pink ones for the Ladies. Either in normal or Golf format. I would like to suggest that we get some in for the 2016 Year. I will try get prices and sizes etc. and bring this to our Sunday ride for discussion.

## Ride report 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016



We finally managed to convince Joao to arrange for us to visit SOWETO something a lot of the members have wanted to do for some time. We set off down Snake Road following that until we got to the intersection at Carnival City and then headed towards Leondale where we joined the old Heidelberg Road which took us into Alberton. The route we took meant that we needed to remain in quite a tight knit group. Congratz to all as I must say we managed to stay together right up the turnoff onto Swartkoppies Road. There was some confusion as we took the slip road but everyone managed to navigate across and make the turn. We then followed the road up to the back of Southgate where we turned to enter SOWETO proper.

Let me tell you that traffic is hectic there any time of the day but having ridden in reasonably built up areas the group did really well as a whole and we arrived at Vilakazi Street together. There are quite a number of restaurants and pubs on this street to cater for the Tourist trade so parking was at a premium.



Some of us were lucky enough to get parked right in front of the venue.

Others parked up the road outside Nelson's old house.



Think we were tempted to leave Lionel in charge 😊. However, a nice pic of Henry's bike. After breakfast which turned out to be at Tourist prices @ R95-00 a buffet plate, and no sharing allowed. Think we will be more careful with rides to Touristy spots in future and perhaps negotiate a price upfront. After breakfast we all walked up to Nelson's old House for a group pic.



Apologies Nev the guys clearly didn't centre us properly.

Was really good weather, really good company and a good ride to boot. Thanks all.