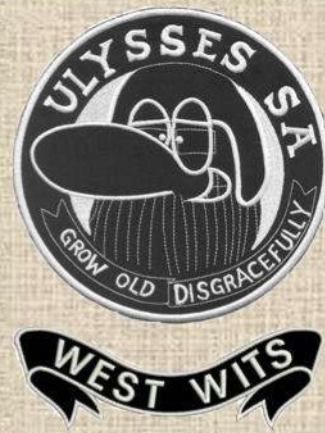


# West Wits Ulysses Times

30 November 2022

Est. 14 Nov 2017



Affiliated to Ulysses SA & Member of WRBA.  
West Wits Chapter furthering the Brotherhood  
of biking whilst having fun doing it.

Age Restriction "40 SNL"  
Rider Discretion Advised

**11 - 13 November 2022.**

**Umfula Resort, Near Parys.**

**Ulysses West Wits Chapter's Break-a-Way Weekend & Year End 2022. (Author: Stephanie Blaauw)**

It was somewhere in September 2017, that the idea of a Ulysses chapter in our area, saw the light. Well that is, according to the legends and the history books. On 14 November 2017, Ulysses West Wits was born, with a total of 23 founding members. It was at this moment, that something special, something out of the ordinary, came to life. In the years to follow, many things would happen. People and bikes would come and go. There would be laughter, there would be a bit of anger. There would be tears and Ulysses West Wits would gain some and loose some. Ugly tears were cried, and the best laughter was sometimes heard from around meeting tables and braai fires. And with the blink of an eye, 5 years were gone, and the 2022 Ulysses West Wits year end and 5th birthday happened. Photo below: 31 Members, Prospects & Family in attendance for the weekend.





# Birthday CALENDAR

[Updated 14 June 2022]

## January

16 - Jason Doran

## February

13 - Beatrix van Staden

## March

01 - Gert Nagel

04 - Trudie Ferguson

## April

07 - Gerald van Staden

22 - Petro Nagel

29 - Marius Prinsloo

## May

09 - Louise Botes

24 - Valerie Oosthuyzen

## June

06 - Nicky Oosthuyzen

21 - Jaco Blaauw

## July

## August

09 - Petro Doran

18 - Sean van der Merwe

23 - Allan Ferguson

## September

## October

12 - Johan Basson

## November

28 - Manda Oberholzer

## December

11 - Andries Oberholzer

16 - Jan Botes

23 - Mart-Mari Doran

## Prospects:

27 Mar - Stephanie Blaauw

07 Oct - Therese Basson

**11 - 13 November 2022.  
Umfula Resort, Near Parys.**

**O**n Friday, 11 November 2022, 16 ugly buggers and their families "descended upon" Umfula Resort, near Parys. Our President, Trudie, Petro, Jaco, Andries, Manda, Jan, Louise, Mart and Jason and the families checked into the chalets, high and dry. You see, it was raining. No, it was pouring! The water was coming down like something out of a Hollywood movie! The badass members of the chapter, Gerald, Beatrix, Nicky, Valerie, Gert and Petro and their kids, were checking in into



scares us and nothing will keep us from having a good kuier! Soon we had grilled onions, tomatoes, spare ribs and Portuguese rolls on the table, and everyone enjoyed deboned sparerib burgers for dinner.



the campsite. You see, these are the people you take to war. If they can camp in weather like this, they will most certainly rule at war!!

**L**ate Friday evening, we were surprised with a teeny tiny ray of sunshine, and the kids had a quick swim. Things didn't go according to plan for the rest of the afternoon, and we quickly manoeuvred Andries's chalet into our get together site. We were packed like sardines on the stoep, but being ugly buggers, nothing





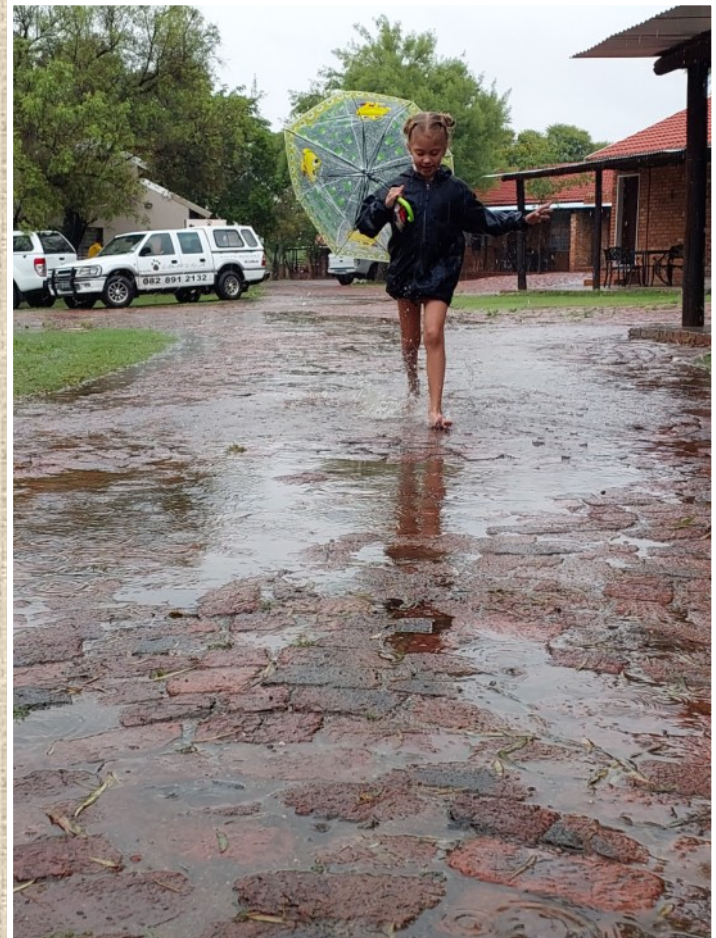
**11 - 13 November 2022.**  
**Umfula Resort, Near Parys.**

**S**aturday morning came, and the rain was still keeping us from applying suntan lotion. With our frizzy hair and wet shoes, we squeezed into the Oberholzer stoep again, and had a splendiferous Ulysses breakfast!

**W**e had bacon, eggs, chicken livers, pap, tomatoes, onions, mushrooms, toast, musical beans, fruit salad, yoghurt and fruit juice.

**T**he one thing about the ladies is that they will never let you die of hunger! And it was raining....

**S**ome had an afternoon snooze, an ice cream, and others were watching the rain. Prez Allan did not sleep, nor enjoy the rain, while his Sergeant of Arms was plotting to mess with his mind, and give auntie Trudie a light heart attack. More of that, and possible retaliation, at future braais...





**11 - 13 November 2022.**  
**Umfula Resort, Near Parys.**

Late Saturday afternoon, the members gathered at the restaurant for a meeting and a delectable dinner. During the meeting, prizes were handed out to some members and the whole bunch of buggers received a nice bottle opener as a gift.

Jaco [Right] and Gerald [Far Right] received certificates for having "iron butts" (ook maar lekker hardegat partykeer!),

Jaco: 2022 National Rally [2 x 831 kms]  
2022 Buffalo Rally [2 x 1,180 kms]  
Gerald: 2022 National Rally [2 x 716 kms]  
2022 Buffalo Rally [2 x 1,180 kms]  
"No Sleepovers on Route"



Stephanie [Left] received the prospect of the year, Johan in his absence received "most enthusiastic rider" (most certainly spot on!). and Beatrix [Right] received a certificate for her event co-ordination skills! The ugly buggers sometimes needs a dash of glitter and a feather here or there, thanks Beatrix.



Andries [Left] received a gift for deciding to go on pension and we cannot wait to go and have a drink in his new bar, very, very far from here!

Photo Top of page Right: Allan, President handed a gift to Nicky, Vice for his input & assistance over the year.

Members, who were part of the Ulysses West Wits chapter for the past 5 years, received their scroll from Nicky. Manda [Right] received hers with the other 5 membership members.

**Thanks goes to Valerie who did a great sewing job there!**

After all the thank you's and the meeting we had laughs, drinks and a very special dinner from Umfula who had prepared a Lamb on Spit, creamy potatoes, garlic bread and salads for us. After we mains, and having licked fingers clean, pudding was served being malva



pudding, custard and a trifle, which had been prepared by Valerie and Louise. Manda brought delicious Ulysses Cake & Cupcakes, because one cannot have a birthday party without cake! And once again we had to roll to our beds with full stomachs. And it rained....





**11 - 13 November 2022.**  
**Umfula Resort, Near Parys.**

**R**ainy Sunday morning came and we all had a buffet breakfast, also prepared by Umfula.

**A**fter some last minute laughs and chats, everyone had to pack their bags and check out. All left Umfula with light hearts, wet clothes and good memories.



**A**nd just like that, another fantastic year end came to an end. All the members checked in safely at their homes, and it is still raining..

**Happy 5th Birthday Ulysses West Wits! Here's to many, many more biking days!!**



**And in January the planning starts all over again for the 2023 Year End Break-a-Way Family Weekend.**

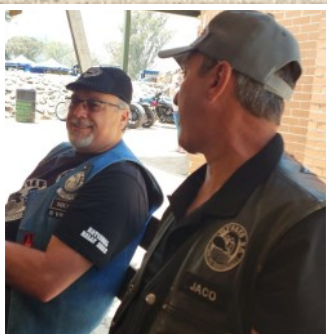


26 November 2022.  
 WRBA Santa Run.  
 Randfontein Rugby Stadium.



Group photo of Ulysses Members from West Wits, West Rand & Joburg South who rode to support the WRBA Santa Run in aid of Charity.

6 x West Wits Chapter Members & 1 x Prospect set off on Saturday at 09h40 and headed for Randfontein Rugby Club to support the Charity Run to raise funds & gifts in aid of the less fortunate in the region.



Nicky & Jaco discussing the Bunny Chow



Trudie & Tania sharing & catching up on info....



Photographer caught Allan & Trudie saying Grace before eating their **Hot Stuff**.



Petro and a Bunny Chow practicing for the 2023 National in Durban

The group left early around 13h00 as they had to get back to attend the Chapter Social.



## 26 November 2022. Final Chapter Social for 2022.

Request had been made to move up the final social from 2nd Saturday in December to the 26 November as members will be going away in December. Also Manda & Andries who have retired would be moving to their home on the West Coast & would be their last meeting attending in person as thereafter they will be attending meetings remotely via Teams.

The Vice & Treasurer had decided that the social would be a Hamburger Evening and had duly sourced the main ingredients of fresh buns from a local baker & hamburger patties from a local Butcher.

Nicky, Chapter Vice opened the social by first making some unexpected awards on behalf of the Chapter Members. The members had decided to award the Prez, Treasurer & Sgt At Arms with a Certificate & Gift for going the extra mile.



Photo Left: Allan, President handed over a gift from the Chapter to Theresa, who had not attended the Year End Break-a-Way Weekend.  
Photo Right: The Key Ring Bottle Openers Gift.



After the speeches etc were completed the ladies went to prepare the additions that would be going onto the Hamburgers. Move over Steers Burgers & make place for West Wits Deluxe Burgers with choice of sauces for personal taste.



Ladies preparing the ingredients for the burgers.



**26 November 2022.  
Final Chapter Social for 2022.**



**After the Hamburgers had been eaten some members casually remarked "if they had known what deserts were waiting they would have left some space by only having 1 x Hamburger".**

**Photo below being the Deserts to round off the meal.**



**Just when all had finished with their meal Jan reported that a bad storm had just hit Potchefstroom with rain & accompanied with hail. Carletonvillers know that their weather comes from Potch so the group started packing up before that storm hit Carletonville. About 10mins after the last member had left for home the storm hit Carletonville accompanied by very strong winds, hail & rain.**

**Allan Wished all members & their families a Merry Christmas & a Happy and Prosperous New Year & called on those travelling to PLEASE be super careful.**



20 November 2022.  
HAMC Poppy Day.  
Apex Military Base.  
Dalpark.  
Brakpan.

With no other members riding, Allan with Trudie riding pillion left 007



Engen garage C/Ville at 07h30. With the roads being quiet, arrived at the venue at just before 09h00. Found parking spot under tress near the gate. Paid the entrance fees and decided to get something to eat. Walking around the venue found Caroline & her Food Den. It was a no brainer and duly ordered her famous Curry [Topside Meat] & Rice for breakfast.



After finishing the meal walked around and observed that this year the HAMC Joburg had gone the extra mile together with the Military Authorities and had open up a greater area to accommodate the large numbers expected to attend. The date changed due to safety concerns for the bikers had been an excellent decision as the weather a week later was very pleasant and the grounds were dried out from the previous week's very wet weekend from the inclement weather.



The Parade [Right] was awesome to see how old bikers could still march and line up in near perfect order in comparison to current members of the forces. Speech made about the work done over the year in bettering & Uniting Biking in SA was very touching indeed.



Photo Left: Wreath Laying ceremony took place remembering & in respect of the past members of the forces.

2 x helicopters then to end the official proceedings, flew over dropping poppies & the wind had died down during the dropping of the poppies.



The annual Poppy Day parade is always well supported by ex-members of the armed forces in respect for the fallen and so a reminder of the wars.



# Breakfast Run

## 6 November 2022.

### O's Parys



**J**ohan who was back from Namibia for only a brief visit, posted on the Chat Group, who was wanting to get in a breakfast run to Parys. With 4 members away at the Ulysses SA National Bi-Annual & other members preparing for

the Annual Chapter's Break-a-Way weekend only Petro replied showing interest to get in some helmet time on her nearly acquired R1200GS and which needed its new takkies to be run-in.



**T**he 2 bikes with 1 pillion left Potchefstroom to face fairly strong winds heading for Parys. Arrived at O's to find out the prior bookings are essential however they were fortunate to get an opening.

Lovely venue however the Breakfast servings were little bit expensive from the norm but was tasty. Costs R370 for 3 x breakfasts. Johan had a moer coffee whilst Petro & Theresa had Café Lattes.

From Left: Petro, Theresa [Prospect], Johan.



Photo Above: Note the nice setup under the trees shade.

**O**ne point of note being should that anyone want to frequent the establishment should ensure that they book prior to going else they could be left disappointed when turned away.



**A**fter a enjoyable breakfast the group left to return safely back to Potchefstroom.



# Day Jobs & Rallies



**Fundraising for Theo**

**09am - 5pm**  
**10 Dec, 2022**  
34 Toyota Str, Aureus  
Randfontein

**Ticket R100**  
every ticket purchase will be donated to Theo's prosthetic & builders fund

**For more information**  
Gert : 082 602 1740  
Esme: 071 448 1487  
Gen : 073 406 2556

**Big Booze Raffle - Draw Done**  
**Small Lucky Draws Done Throughout the Day**  
**Cash Bar Available on Site**  
**Food Stall and Coffee Stall Available**

**Naughty by Nature South Africa**



**KEEP CALM IT'S RALLY TIME!**

**POISON RALLY**

**THE BIGGEST BIKER FESTIVAL IN SOUTH AFRICA**

**RUSTENBURG**  
**2 - 4 Dec 2022 KLOOF**

Visit our facebook page for the latest info

**R375-00**  
**Metal & Cloth badges**  
**and first 1000 pre-pays will receive a Poison Rally Beer Mug**

[www.poisonrally.co.za](http://www.poisonrally.co.za)



**SUPERHERO FUNDRAISER FUN DAY**

**Not All Superheroes wear Capes or Masks**

**Bike n Car Show**  
**Market Stalls**  
**Dress Up Competition**  
**And So Much More...**

**Show Support Against FARM Murders, Meet Team PPS STOP FARM KILLINGS SA**  
**No Farmers - No Life**

**Come Have a Day of FUN and Be SUPERHEROES..!**  
**Dress Up Competition open to All Ages, make this Xmas one to Remember**

**Staan Saam Stand Together**  
**Join hands with Petrus**  
**Petrus Phakamile Sithole**  
**073 008 4105**

**Tambotie Mall**  
**Contact: KC 0691190913**



**MEGA FORCE CARLETONVILLE**  
**31ST BIRTHDAY BASH**  
**7TH JANUARY 2023**

**NO SATURDAY MC OR AFFILIATES WELCOME**

**WESTERN CO-ORDINATOR TOM**  
**082-410 0175**

**SECRETARY U'NADEA**  
**079-083 6265**

**STALL BOOKINGS EMAIL**  
**MEGA FORCE CARLETONVILLE@GMAIL.COM**

**MEGA FORCE CARLETONVILLE CLUB HOUSE**  
**GATES OPEN @ 9H00**  
**CLOTH OR METAL BADGE R80**  
**CLOTH & METAL BADGE R100**  
**CASH BAR / STALLS / GAMES**  
**BIGGEST CLUB / LUCKY DRAW**  
**BIKERS MUSIC**

**FREE BEER FOR FIRST 31 BIKES**

**FAMILY FRIENDLY**



## WRBA JOIS

~~05 Mar Draconians Day jol~~  
~~26 Mar Bad Apples Jol~~  
~~02 Apr Naughty by Nature Dayjol~~  
~~27 Apr Ruff Culture~~  
~~30 Apr Victory Eagles~~  
~~01 May Soldiers for Jesus Blanket Run~~  
~~28 May Comanches Mee Day Jol~~  
~~29 May Syndicate Salvation Army Run~~  
~~04 Jun Silent Soldiers & Steelwings Day Jol~~

~~25 Jun Poker Run~~  
~~02 Jul Wild Breed Fever Jol~~  
~~09 Jul Wicked Wheels - 10 Year Jol~~  
~~06 Aug Stingers Potjie jol~~  
~~10 Sep Tanaz Mee Day jol~~  
~~01 Oct Tudor Rebels Day jol~~  
~~08 Oct Scream Fund Raiser Divan Rugby~~  
~~22 Oct K9 Riders Mee Day jol~~  
~~06 Nov The Syndicate Street Party~~  
~~26 Nov Santa Run~~

## Diarise Important Dates

A few important Chapter Dates to diarise:-

02 - 04 Dec 2022 - Poison Rally - Rustenburg Kloof.  
 07 Jan 2023 - Megaforce C/Ville Birthday Bash.  
 11 Feb 2023 - Chapter Monthly Meeting & Social.  
 04 - 07 May 2023 - 24th Ulysses SA National Convention - ATKV Natalia. KZN.

## Smile a While

*Vive Como Joven  
Hasta Morir De Viejo*



(LIVE LIKE A YOUNG MAN  
UNTIL YOU DIE OF OLD AGE)

**IT'S NEVER TOO LATE!**

