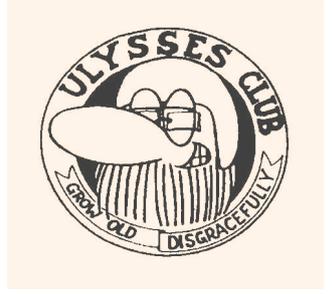


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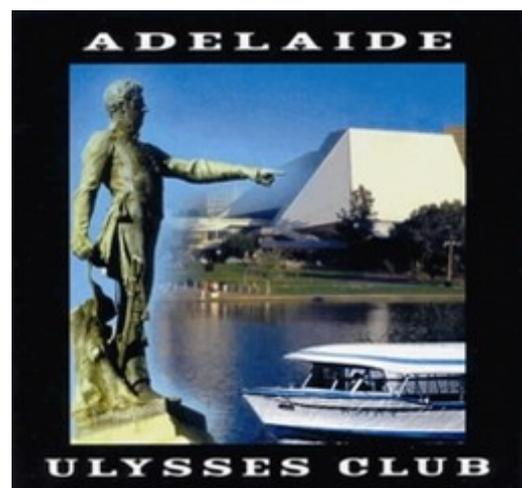


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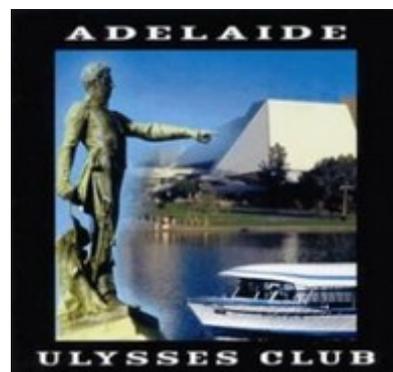
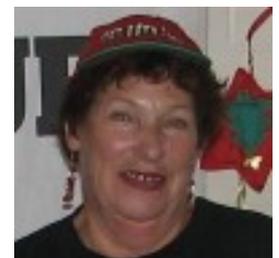


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Riverland AGM practice rides

We had a good roll-up for our practice rides weekend. Besides ride leaders there were pillions, candidates for tail-end-Charlie duties and three ladies riding. There were 6 members from Adelaide, 4 of the Fluorides, 3 from Torrens Valley, and 2 from both Mallee and Lower Murray branches. On our return trip on Sunday several more Mallee members gave up their usual coffee and chat session and rode with us to Morgan and Blanchetown before leaving us.

Most of us rode up on Friday afternoon in warm weather. Shaun "Horse" Pomery was so keen he came down from Moorook to Birdwood to be with us for the trip up. He's got the right attitude (any excuse for a ride!). Ken Wagnitz plotted our journeys on his GPS to share with others using GPS. That is most helpful – thank you so much Ken.

With roadworks, slow vehicles and a break for welcome cool drinks, we didn't arrive at Barmera until almost six o'clock. Guy Malpass, Gary Parker, John Long and Dom and Sue Carli arrived later. They missed the excessive five kilometre doddle at 40 kph for minor roadworks.

Our accommodation at the Barmera Hotel was cheap and the meals were good. The small air-conditioners worked overtime that night to cool our rooms after a hot day.

Saturday was even hotter. We didn't take off until 10. Just as we were about to leave Rob and Judy Hartridge arrived from Adelaide. They didn't have time to get off their bikes before they were away on the first ride to the old World War II internment camp site at Loveday and the well-known historic Overland Corner Pub. After a brief stop at the old camp site, we had a good break at Overland Corner, resting under the trees where several other bikers were also enjoying a cool drink. Afterwards we rode back to the Visitor Information Centre in Barmera to see a display and relics from the internment camp.

Some of us had lunch at the Lakeside Cafe overlooking Lake Bonney. After lunch we did the loop ride. Our first stop was at the old water tower lookout over Berri. Someone counted ninety steps – we were all a bit puffed on reaching the top. It's the

best sighting of the Riverland with 360 degree view. From the top of the tower, Sandra Crockett took a terrific photo of all the bikes lined up in Fiedler Street below.

After passing through Renmark, our next stop was Lock 5 and the old "Bunyip" barge near the Paringa Bridge. We then rode through Lyrup and Loxton North where Terry Wilksch's son saw his biking father from the golf course, but dad was too interested in the new housing on the other side of the road to notice his son!

We were all hot by the time we reached Loxton. Luckily one shop was open and we all had a cool drink or ice-cream or both while we rested. Then, after Terry was rounded up late, we headed off through Moorook to the lookout near the Kingston bridge. Some of us recalled the old days, when the ferry there, and others at Blanchetown and Berri were a constant source of delays on roads that were busy by the time the bridges were built – that was real progress for the Riverland.

After the ride we had dinner at the pub again and a hot night with air-conditioners working overtime until the morning when we were greeted by cool cloudy weather and rain. Putting on wet weather gear got rid of the rain as it so often does. We rode off around the lake and past the Overland Corner Pub before the lovely sweepers on Devlin Pound Road. We just caught the ferry at Waikerie and headed up to the Viewpoint Cafe for morning tea and the spectacular view over the river from the high cliffs.

Then it was on to the next ferry crossing at Cadell and the roadhouse in Morgan where we had an early lunch. We crossed the ferry again at Morgan and headed to Blanchetown, noticing the wind becoming stronger. There our friends from the Riverland left us to ride back home. We went on to Truro, Moculta and Angaston before stopping at the Mengler's Hill lookout. Then we rode to Maggie Beer's and lastly Seppelt's winery. We then headed off home, some of us enduring more showers on the way.

It was a successful weekend. It had a purpose preparing us for the AGM, but it was also fun in the best traditions of our great club, and there were no incidents or problems with bikes. Viva Ulysses!!

Guzzi Bob

Hello Everyone,

After 18 years as editor of this publication, it is time for me to let it go. I am sure could do with a new editor, bringing a new look and new ideas with him/her.



When I started, not that many members had had experience at desktop publishing, but I suspect that it is used by many, be it posters, club newsletters, etc.

I intend to remain until a new volunteer puts his/her hand up, or until the end of the year. This will give anyone who would like to take on the position plenty of time to get going!

Some of you might be aware that I was diagnosed by a Dr in Adelaide with Parkinson's Disease. I am happy to say that a subsequent visit to a physician that he can find no evidence that this is so. Happy days!!!

Wendy King
#8818

If you missed March's meeting...

1. The BBQ trailer is still with Workskill being refurbished
2. A ride to the Greenock Aviation Museum will ahead later in the year with the branch paying for entry and lunch. The date is yet to be decided.
3. Stay Upright are doing Road-smart 2 ride training at Mallala on two dates this year, May 11 and November 23. Rider-safe returning rider course, Road-craft Rider Training and Radskills also offer varying levels of rider training. Remember that Ulysses reimburses half the cost of rider training.
4. A warning about a Moto Air inflatable airbag jacket made in Pakistan. The member purchased it from a stand at the Wauchope AGM for \$200. It failed to inflate under circumstances that it should have.
5. Don't forget that you will be able to buy Entertainment Books from Deb at Adelaide Branch meetings. You can call her on 0438 358 811.

Ridden On

On 31/1/18, one of our members, **Sean Harvey**, passed away after a cardiac arrest some days before.

The cheerful big bear will be missed by all, especially by those who sat with him at the back of the Adelaide Branch meetings.

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Date	Leader	Event	Destination	Leaving from
Sunday 8th April 9.30 am	Frank Pellas 0411 600 255	Day Ride	McLaren Vale	Victoria Hotel, Main South Rd, O'Halloran Hill SA
Sunday 22nd April 9.30 am	Frank Pellas 0411 600 255	Day Ride	Meadows	Civic Park Main North East Road, Modbury
Sunday 6th May 9.30 am	Frank Pellas 0411 600 255	Day Ride	Normanville	McDonald's 303 Magill Road Trinity Gardens
Sunday 20th May 9.30 am	Frank Pellas 0411 600 255	Day Ride	Birdwood	Victoria Hotel, Main South Rd, O'Halloran Hill SA
Sunday 3rd June 9.30 am	Frank Pellas 0411 600 255	Day Ride	Hahndorf	Civic Park Main North East Road, Modbury

Sunday ride

- Start locations usually rotate between the same three places, leaving at 9.30am.
- We cover 200+ km, stopping for morning tea around 11am, and lunch around 1pm. From the lunch stop, riders make their own way home.
- Rides are for Ulysses members only (except for Friends & Rellies rides).
- But feel free to come on a ride if you are thinking of joining and want to see what our rides (and members) are like.
- Unless indicated otherwise in the event description, the Sunday ride leader is usually Frank Pellas, our Rides Coordinator.
- You can ring Frank on 0411 600 255 if you have a question about a Sunday ride.



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Kevin Brenton 8332 4719

Wednesday Rides

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2nd Wednesday	Feathers Hotel Car Park, Burnside
3rd Wednesday,	Victoria Hotel, Top o'Taps
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Profile - Judy Manoel

I guess my love affair with motorbikes began on a property at Renmark, where my Uncle Joe let me ride a very old BSA Bantam, which was used for rounding up sheep on the property; I was 10 yrs old.

Once old enough, I got my bike licence which was a ride around the block followed by a cop in the police ute, and doing a U-turn (got to love the 70s!) .

At 21, I fell pregnant and the bikes had to go.

In 2013, I decided I wanted to ride again and bought a brand new Kawaski Ninja 300, which I rode out onto South Road after not riding for about 30yrs (crazy) and I joined the Ulysses Club, November 2013. Unfortunately, my beloved Ninja was written off on Boxing Day in 2015, after I got caught up in dolomite all over the road after roadworks.

I walked into Motto Adelaide and fell in love with my next bike, a Ducati Monster 696,.

I love to ride and the Club is fantastic; great people and we have a ball. I plan to keep riding for as long as I can; my poor guardian angels have their work cut out for them !!

Judy 😊

Ed: I'm sure your guardian angels are having a ball with you, Judy



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Sunday Round-up

11th Feb Day Ride to One Tree Hill

Our ride today began well, and ended well too. At least for most of us. More about that below. At McDonalds we had a roll up of 26 bikes and 5 pillions. Monica was with us for her first Sunday ride, and Phil and Jo Salter came along after an absence of quite a few years. The weather was perfect, the bikes were shiny, the riders were keen. We headed for the hills a little after 0930 along Magill and St Bernards Road, turning onto Montecute Road. One of my favourites.

Amazingly after a mob up at Rostrevor Andy and I had a brisk, clear run all the way to Pound Road. It was quite a while before any more bikes appeared so we had to sit tight on that corner for a spell. We rode down Pound Road to Hunters Road which took us up to the Lobethal Road. By now we were getting spread out again, and by the time we turned on to Leslie Road I had Judy, set up as corner marshal, Flavio then Monica.

Flavio was following me along Leslie Road, but when I got to Swamp Road he was not behind me anymore. I waited and finally someone came down and told me that Flavio had come off. I went back up the hill to the accident site to make sure he was being looked after. After that was established, an ambulance had been called and Al and Martin stayed behind, we got going again.

My intention was to go along Swamp Road, but it was closed so we headed back the way we came along Leslie road to the Lobethal

Road. Pulling onto Lobethal Road I had just got going when a ute passed me and locked up all wheels. Looking in the mirror I could see one of our riders had pulled out in front of the truck. the truck was starting to go sideways and smoked poured off the tyres. Missed by millimetres I was told later by one horrified rider who saw it all play out in front of him.

We finally made it to Mt Pleasant for morning tea after I shortened the ride to make up for lost time. Just before we left I gathered everyone together for a debrief. After what we had just been through it was necessary to get everyone back into present time, and settled down. Our run to One Tree Hill took us through Springton, Eden Hills, Menglers Hill, Lyndoch, Williamstown and Kersbrook.

The Blacksmith Inn was ready for us, but it took almost an hour before the food came out. To their credit, they managed to get the meals to come out all at once - well, almost. By now people were in good spirits and it was not 3:00 pm by the time we all left.

Flavio ended up riding his bike home after the ambulance was cancelled. Not commended, but he's a stubborn man with an obviously high pain threshold. He was in good hands as Al and Martin made sure he got home. He has a broken collarbone and several cracked ribs. Not to mention a busted up bike as you can see from the photos. I wasn't going to say this but I feel that I must. If he had been wearing a Helite vest he would only have a busted bike.

Frank Pellaris

A penny for our thoughts, Flavio!



Sunday Round-up

25th Feb Day Ride to Angaston

The weather wasn't looking too good as we gathered at the Victoria Hotel. We had bikes (actually one was a trike) and 3 pillions in the group.

While it wasn't raining when we set off, that soon changed as we got into the hills. My GPS decided it knew best and took us off track around Ironbank. Confusion reigned as I had to drop off a couple of the roads I intended to use, and reset the GPS. Apologies to those of you whose GPSs were telling you to turn back. Fortunately, the majority of riders had no idea this was happening. Then there was a road closure at Balhannah, and another detour was required. And it was raining on and off too.

We all arrived at Birdwood for morning tea a little bit early, except for Brian Coates who took a short cut and got there before us. A bumpy road and a full bladder created requirement for some urgent relief. The next part of the ride took us out over the other side of the hills into much better weather. And lots of traffic on the Sturt highway. Then, at Truro, we turned off onto roads less travelled again, arriving at Angaston for lunch. Most of us went to the pub, and we had a whole room to ourselves. Good company!

Again my thanks to Trevor and Ray for bringing up the rear, and Peter for the photos.

Frank Pellaris



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11th March: President's Ride to Murray Bridge

Frank was busy, so this one became a President's Ride, but Frank was still kind enough to map the ride for me, and a fairly gentle one, so I didn't have too much trouble.

19 bikes and 3 pillions set out on what threatened to be a hot day, but was actually quite cool, which is often the case when riding down South and close to the sea.

Some sluggish 4 wheel vehicles in front of us in the twisty bits meant it was an admire-the-scenery ride, but pleasant all the same.

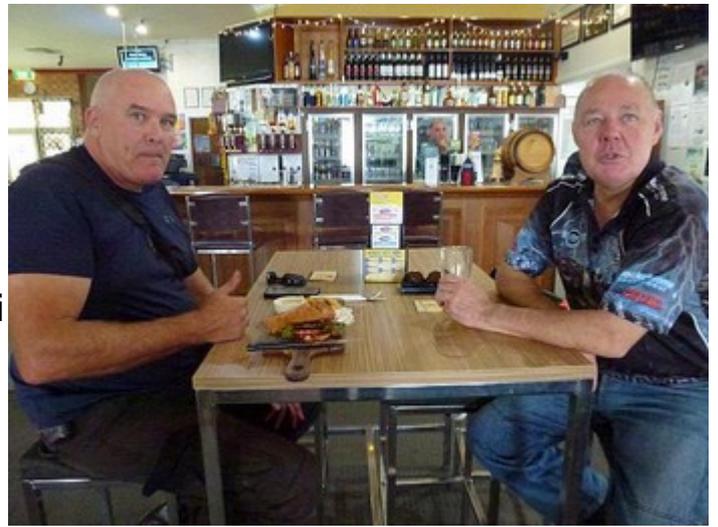
Only a couple of small hiccups: Pete rested his Harley when slippery gravel got him while corner marshalling. Most of us were surprised at the nice (fast) road alongside the freeway, approaching Murray Bridge. A couple chose to take the freeway in.

The meals at the Mt Compass pub were good and large. (Where is Guy when you need him?).

Another lovely day meandering through the Adelaide Hills. We are lucky to have them.

Thanks to Trevor and Brian for tail-end duties (Ray was crook), and Peter for the photos.

Ken Wagnitz



Member profile: Kim Lim



Kim is a 71 years young member from Myrtle Bank. He has been a member for 8 years and is a regular Sunday Rider with the Adelaide Branch.

Kim, is a former Engineer , and like many of our members has an interesting past life before Ulysses.

Originally from Penang (Malaysia) he came to Adelaide in 1959 to study at University, graduated as an Engineer with a PHD in Fluid Dynamics.

On arrival in SA Kim bought his first Bike here in Oz , an Adler 250 which for those not in the know, is a "Go Fast" Two stroke (see pic below).

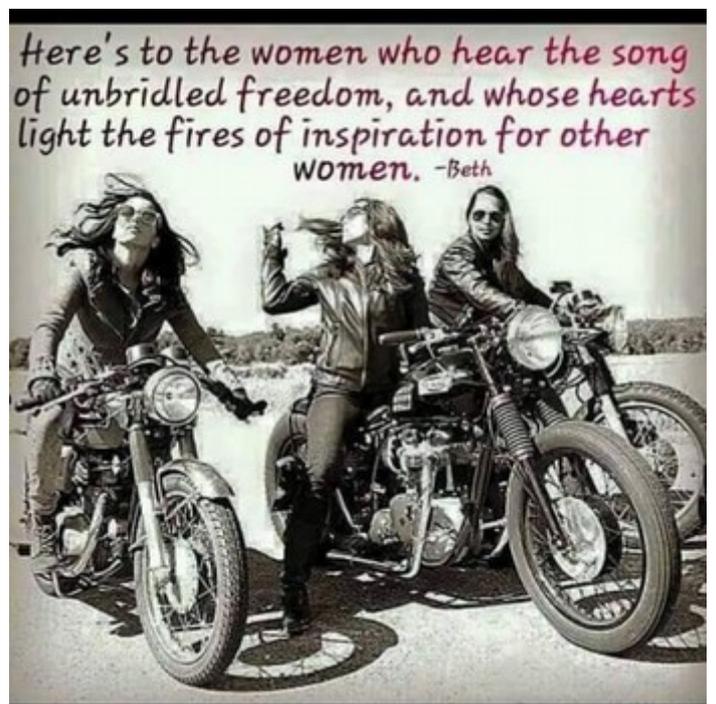


Like many Ulyssians, along came marriage and kids and out went the motorbikes.

Kim is pleased to be back on bikes again since his retirement, and on a not too slow machine either considering Kim's current ride is a very 'schmick' FJR 1300 Yamaha .

Kim states he got back into bikes when his Daughter Zoe started riding herself, (both daughter and Son-in-law are motorcyclists).

Kim of course like any caring Dad just had to get himself a bike to accompany his daughter on her rides, as you do !.





Congratulations to Deb and Chris Shermer, who celebrated their 60th and 70th birthdays, respectively, at the British Workingman's Club, Wingfield, recently.

The AGM Calendar

If you are going to the Riverland AGM, you will be interested in the schedule of events.

In case you haven't noticed, there is a menu item on the Adelaide Branch website labelled **2018 AGM Event Calendar** which brings up a full width Google Calendar of all the AGM events. It's the same one you get from the AGM website *Program* item, but without the surrounding 'stuff'.

You can view this calendar in a web browser, on your PC, tablet, or smartphone. Any last-minute changes will appear on it.

If you want, you can merge the AGM calendar with your personal calendar. That makes it very easy to see the schedule on your phone when at the AGM Event.

At the bottom of the *2018 AGM Event Calendar* page is a link to instructions for adding the AGM calendar to your personal calendar. Note that the first step needs to be done on your PC.

Try it. If you need help, shoot an email to Ken (ken.wagnitz@gmail.com).

The Internet for Old Farts

TV Tuner Dongles

Smart TVs are all the rage these days. Connect them up to your home WiFi, and you can stream *ABC iView*, *SBS On Demand* (my two favourites), *Netflix*, *Stan*, *Spotify* etc etc. They are all streaming services, which means they stream content to your TV as you watch, rather than downloading a whole program before you watch it. These things all use Internet data, so you'd want 100GB of monthly data allowance or more, if you are going to watch much streamed TV.

You can also watch the live TV channels from the Internet if your TV reception is lousy. (Again, chewing up data.)

But there is no smarter TV than one with a computer plugged in. Do you have a laptop with a HDMI output? Try that. You can then watch live TV and record it, using a tuner dongle. This is a TV tuner which plugs in to a USB port on your computer. The TV antenna connection plugs in to the other end.

The dongles come with a program which set them up, and allow tuning, live viewing, recording, playback etc. Alternatively, if you are lucky enough to be running Windows 7, you will have *Windows Media Center* on your computer, which will detect your TV tuner dongle, and use it.

An alternative to a dongle is a plug in TV tuner card, if you have a desktop computer with a spare slot. These are neater than a dongle, but may be more expensive.

TV Tuner dongles are very cheap, especially from eBay and the like, but around \$30 or less in big stores like JB HiFi, Good Guys, Harvey

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TV Aerials

If you live in the suburbs, chances are high that you have the wrong TV aerial for your area.

We are now fully digital, and the channels have been moved to allow old TV channel space to be used for mobile phones. Suburban TV is now all on the high end of VHF. This means the UHF part of a combination UHF-VHF antenna, is not only superfluous, but it can be picking up mobile phone signals and interfering with your reception.

So, if you occasionally suffer from a broken-up picture due to interference, and you have a combination antenna, try disconnecting or removing the UHF part. -This is a bit with the really short elements. If you lose stations as a result, just put that bit back, but its probable you will reduce interference.

Maybe you need to buy a new antenna (or make one from the plans in the Feb 2018 *Silicon Chip* magazine). If you do, make sure its the correct one for your area. Don't buy a cheap antenna from overseas.

And if you climb on the roof to fiddle with the antenna, take care. Lots of old farts fall off ladders.

Ken.



25th Central Odyssey 2018

Fleurieu Branch will be hosting
the 25th Central Odyssey 2018
at Robe Football Club.

Location: O'Halloran St, Robe SA 5276,
Dates: Friday, September 28 to
Monday, October 1, 2018.



THERE WILL BE CAMPING ON-SITE:

There is huge area for
camping and RVs.

Meals will be in the Football
Club rooms.

There is plenty of accommodation in the
area with 3 caravan parks
and Motels.

Robe info here: [http://www.robe.com.au/
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Link to article on our website:
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Phones for old farts

Do you have a cheap phone with little internal memory, but it takes an SD memory card?

Do you have a flash phone with an SD memory card, but all the apps you have loaded cause you to get "low memory" messages?

Fear not, Android phone owners (sorry Apple people, Steve Jobs decreed you can't have extra memory cards), you may be able to improve things. Transfer apps and their data to your SD card, freeing up internal memory.



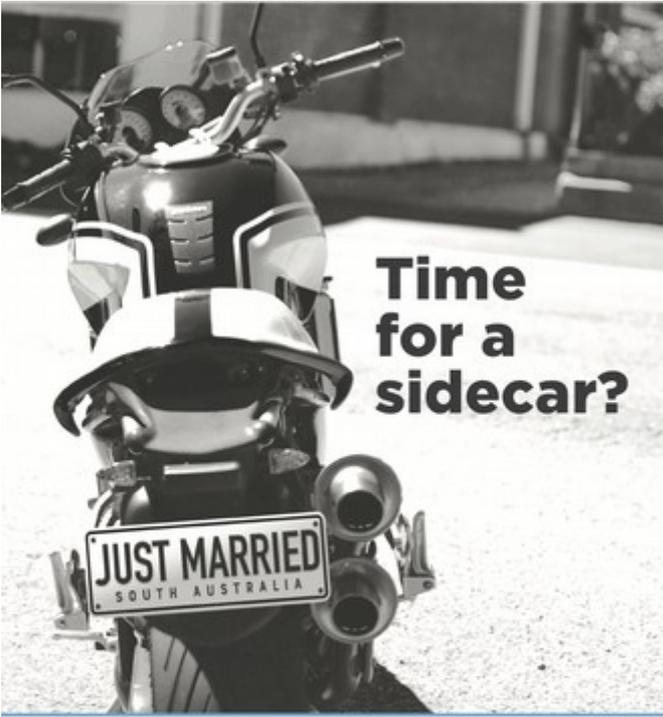
Here's how you do it:

- In *Settings*, click on *Application Manager* (or equivalent).
- Go through your apps, clicking on the *Storage* item.
- Look for apps where the Storage page shows a *Stored in* menu.
- When you find one, click on *Change*.
- Then choose *SD card*, and click on *Change*. The app and its data will move to the SD card, freeing up internal memory.

Having done that, make sure you don't remove the SD card, or those apps won't work.

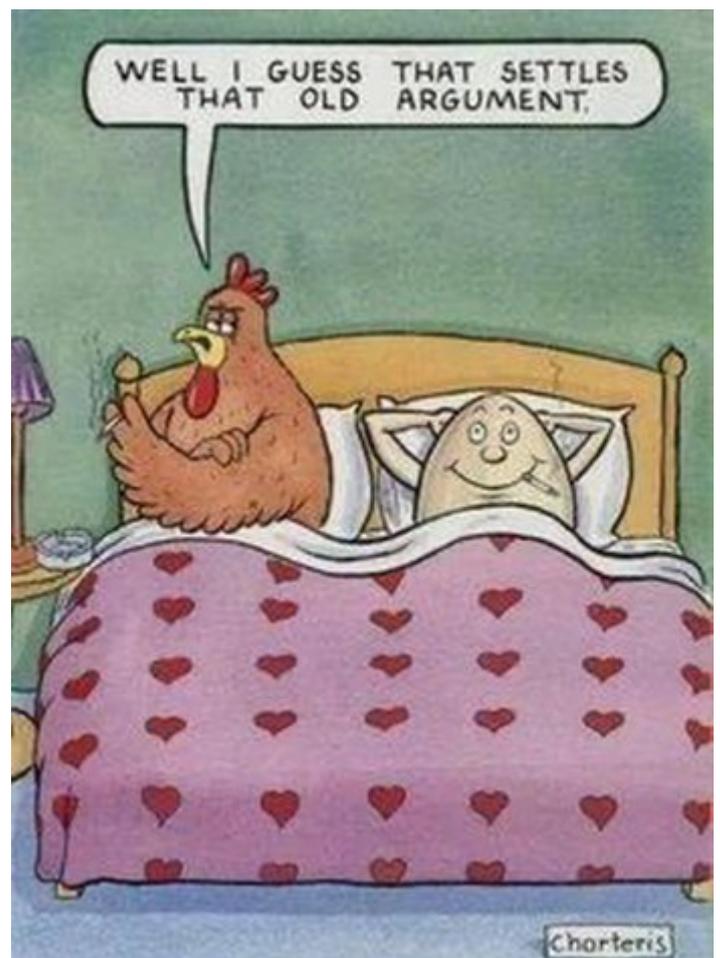
Of course the other way to free up memory is to remove apps you don't use.

And if you automatically download podcasts, these probably store in internal memory. You can manually move them to the SD card. Then once you've listened to a podcast, delete it.



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