

## News

# Odyssey of charity

PLANNING is under way for an "invasion" of Geraldton-Greenough by more than 300 motorcyclists during the long weekend in September.

It will be a very friendly affair though, as our fair city has been chosen as the venue for the annual "Odyssey get-together" of the Ulysses Club.

Under the tongue-in-cheek motto of "Grow Old Disgracefully", the Ulysses club has an exclusive membership of 50-and-over motorcyclists who want to continue riding.

Formed in Sydney in 1983, the club took its name from a poem by Alfred, Lord Tennyson telling how the Greek hero Ulysses, middle-aged and securely in charge of his kingdom, got bored and longed to go adventuring again with his old shipmates.

Now an Australia-wide phenomenon, the Ulysses Club holds an annual Odyssey in each state, raising money for arthritis research and a local cause wherever the gathering is held.

Their chosen beneficiary this year is the Holland Street School, which caters for children with varying levels of disability, and an advance party of Ulyssians from the Joondalup chapter visited the school on Friday.

"Riding is what we're all about, along with raising funds for worthy causes," said Joondalup treasurer Angus Kukura.

"Holland Street School is about as worthy as you can get, so we are glad to adopt it as our special beneficiary."

— Gary Warner

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Happiness is a motorcycle: Angus Kukura of the Joondalup chapter of the Ulysses motorcycle club and Peter Moore of the Geraldton chapter, gave a special thrill to Holland Street School students Ebony, 6, Glenda, 16 and Caitlin, 10.