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"SOME THINGS MISSING FROM OUR

CL-B MEETINGS,

WE WANT TO SEE U THERE."

GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT,

Another month, another issue, and Winter is still with us. The few club members that made it to the Alpine Rally will agree that it was worth the effort even if the road was a little 'greasy' in places, and a little wet at the site. So a comment about the rally is not out of place (even if I did not stay overnight), I did make it up and back in one piece!). (Full Rally Report in this Journal). It seems a lot of riders at the Alpine did not check their 'load' regularly on the trip. Lost items I saw on the way up and back included - one bottle of 'Green Steam', (unbroken and enjoyed by our members there), several 'ocky' straps, a sandshoe, a scarf, blow-up cushion, several dented beer cans (unopened) and so on. The point I'm suggesting is that when you go touring and/or to a rally, check that you load your luggage carefully, 'balance' your load - not too much on one side or all on the back past the rear axel line, as this will adversely affect the handling of your machine (even the BM won't handle as well if grossly over-loaded).

Check the load regularly if travelling on bad surfaces and always whenever you stop to refuel/eat/warm up etc. Apart from the embarrassment of losing your belongings all over the road after a bumpy patch, you could cause a following rider to come off as he/she swerves to avoid your sleeping bag/tent/billy/sandshoes/Green Steam etc., now littering their pathway and it could be hard on your mates to find extra food for you to make up what you have lost on the way.

For those members that do not regularly go to rallies, and intend to go to our Kosiusko Rally in October, (entry form on back page, hint hint), now is a good time to corner one of the regular 'Rallygoers' and find out what to take with you, what to leave behind, what is worth buying and other such info. they may have gathered along the way to many Rallies.

To this end we have decided to include a 'Produce Review' Form on a regular basis. We want you to tell others what you think of your equipment, be it a new helmet or an old stove, if it's to do with your motorcycling and rallies, fill in the form, and bring it to the next meeting, or post it to our P.O. Box and we will print them in our Journals. This is a chance for you to share info with our other members who may not always make it to a meeting or a run to talk about these items.

Well that's enough waffle from me (talking of waffle irons; don't forget to take one to the Rally ...)

Till next time then, ride safely and take care with your luggage ...

CHRIS FILLKER

MINUTES OF THE JULY MEETING 1.7.82

LOCATION Bill Searl's place, Reid,
MEETING OPENED 8.00 p.m.
NEW MEMBERS Werner & Ursula Strotmann
ATTENDANCE 13 members
BUSINESS CV100 has now arrived. Would those wishing to obtain their litre please contact Ian Hahn as soon as possible.

The following places will give discounts to Club members:-

The Stable, 29 Lonsdale Street, Braddon. 10% off normal retail. Variety of specials available (no extra discount on specials).

R & J Genge, 7 Lonsdale Street, Braddon. Discounts vary according to items.

Canberra Motor Insurance offer discounts on motorcycle and other insurance to M.R.A. members

Tasman Motorcycles P/L, 13 Lonsdale Street, Braddon. Discounts to MRA members.

MEETING CLOSED

At 8.30 after which we were entertained by three informative films on skilful riding and visibility and protective clothing. We also enjoyed the rally slides provided by David & Jenny Hamer.

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE 1 pushbike, 19" frame, 27" wheels, 12 speed, good condition, \$100, Ph: D. Hamer 526404(BH)

2-man tent, Carribee & 1 pair Vendramini boots, size 6, trail sole. Also phone David Hamer.

New Honda GL1100 (Touring Special), Blue, fitted with panniers, crash bars etc. No trade price \$5500 on road - one only - contact John McGregor, Tasman Motorcycles P/L 476603, 13 Lonsdale Street, Braddon.

TOURING REPORT

ALPINE RALLY

Over the recent Queen's Birthday long-weekend a number of members attended the Alpine Rally near Brindabella, about 80km west of Canberra.

The weather was appalling, as was the condition of the road.

During the initial sealed section of the journey about half of the bikes that I saw were heading back towards Canberra and having attended previous wet 'Alpines', I knew what this indicated.

Travelling on three wheels for the first time, I spent three hours negotiating the 40km unsealed section coming into the rally site. Surprisingly, only a handful of other intrepid travellers overtook me. The first few km after the sealed road consists of unfinished road works followed by a natural red clay uphill which has always been a bit of a worry. This was the worst part for the solos. I stopped to help a friend at the first bend in the mud and witnessed twelve others come to grief while I was there.

Beyond this initial bad section the going was easier but still tricky, we passed a number of stranded four wheeled vehicles along the way. During one of my short sideways episodes the front wheel of the outfit came close to the edge of the road whereupon the road collapsed leaving us sitting on the sump with a spectacular view of the hundred metre drop over the side. It took four helpful fellow motorcyclists to lift it out.

The last 10km from the Brindabella bridge took more than an hour, raining heavily the whole time, however our stay at the rally site was far more pleasant. It ceased raining soon after dark and we all successfully dried out and spent the evening and Sunday around various camps meeting old friends and making new acquaintances.

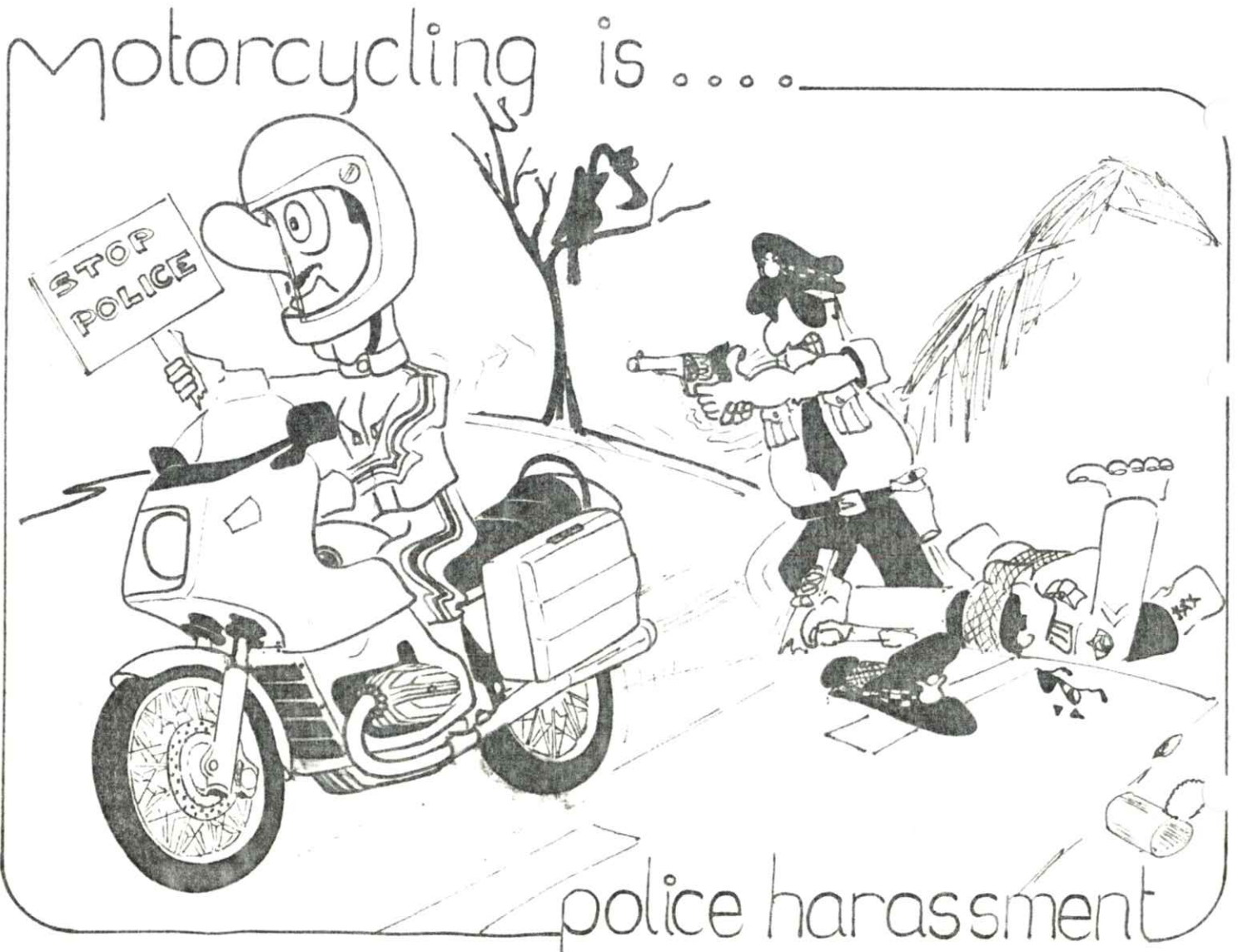
I had to leave on Sunday afternoon, and the return trip, although not as bad as the inward journey, was nevertheless a two hour epic. It was necessary to remove the front mudguard in the muddiest section and I met a friend from Sydney who was camped along the road with a burnt out clutch in his Yamaha.

So the Alpine Rally, 1982 was not for the feint-hearted, but if you can survive a trip like this then almost any other will be a pleasure!

BOB RUMSEY

NEXT RUN

This month's run will be to Gundaroo, only 40km or so from Canberra, on Sunday the 25th of July. The meeting place will be the Dickson Motor Registry at 10.30 a.m. Also, we intend having a B-B-Q so don't forget to bring your meat etc. Alternative arrangements will be made in the event of bad weather.



WINTER RALLY

Anyone interested in going to the Winter Rally near Neriga via Braidwood on the 17th and 18th of July? A group will be meeting at my place, 3/22 Bungendore Road, Queanbeyon on Saturday 17th at 11 a.m.

COMING EVENTS

17 and 18 July	Winter Rally
25 July	Club run to Gundaroo
25 and 26 August	Centre Rally, Alice Springs
4 and 5 September	Jack Frost Rally, near Taralga
27/28 November	Tamworth & District Motorcycle Clubs' FORBES RIVER RALLY, on the North Coast of N.S.W.

(For further information regarding these rallies please contact our Touring Secretary Bob Rumsey)

BOB RUMSEY

We are still waiting for your reactions to the Journal - Do you like it? Could we do a special item you are interested in? Have you an idea or article to contribute? We will do a page on 'letters to the Editor' - if we get any! So lets hear from you.

Letters can be given to the Secretary at the next meeting or posted to our Post Box.

CHRIS FULKER

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be a 'housewarming' (on Thursday 5 August), at the home of Ian and Jeanette Hahn, now living at 67 Narrington Circuit, Kambah.

Light refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting. Hope to see you there!.

CLUB RUN - 27 JUNE - GIBRALTER FALLS

Several Club members, including Chris Fulker, the Hahns, Bob and Chris and the Hamers met at approx. the pre-determined time at the Phillip Testing Centre. After slight excursion by the Hamers for comestibles, all set off for the Falls via the Cotter Road. Although overcast, the day was not unpleasantly cold and the two solos, two outfits and one four-wheeler made it to the falls with only one near mis-adventure, which almost occurred when two visitors, who had arrived at the B-B-Q site prior to their hosts, were seen to be travelling in the opposite direction.

It was not long, however, before we all arrived at the B-B-Q spot and, amid much fanning of fires, we managed to produce some nicely charred steaks to go with various salads.

The meal was followed by a short trip further up the road (not all of us braved this treacherous section of the journey!) to the actual "falls", which, owing to the relatively dry weather, were not as spectacular as one would imagine, considering the title with which they endowed. A visit during "the Wet" might prove somewhat more promising. The view down the valley from the top of the falls was something else, though, with the inevitable (you guessed it!) Black Mountain Tower dominating the distant skyline.

The frozen puddles seen at the road side during our decent from the falls car park encouraged us to seek a warm spot and some refreshments. Feeling that a burst of excitement might sharpen our appetites somewhat, we (Bob and Chris, Chris Fulker and the Hamers) made our hair-raising but exhilarating way along the hair-pin road to Cuppacumbalong, where coffee, tea and cakes were consumed with gusta, a fitting way to end a pleasant day spent away from the 'Big Smoke'.

See you at our next outing!

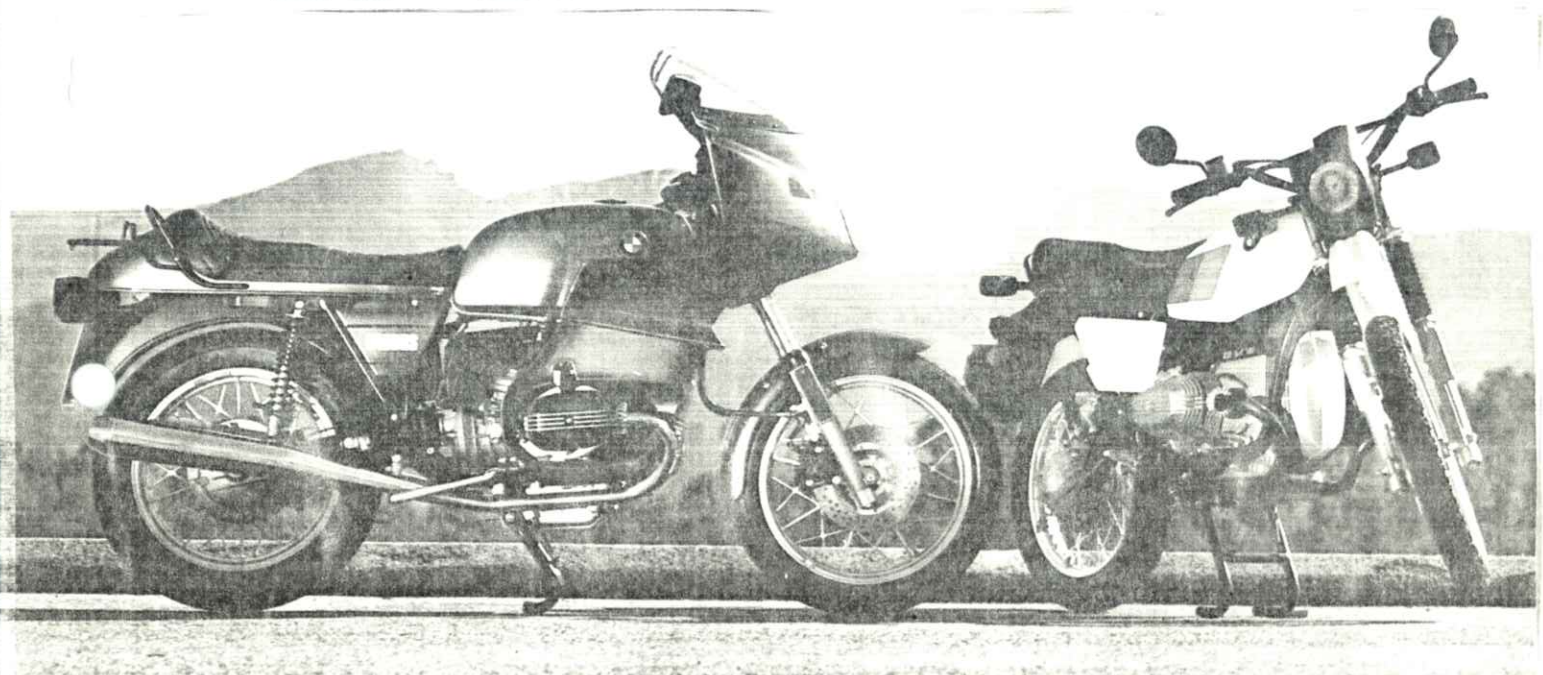
JENNY HAMER

July

25 MONTHLY RUN

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MONTHLY RUN	26	27	28	29	30	31



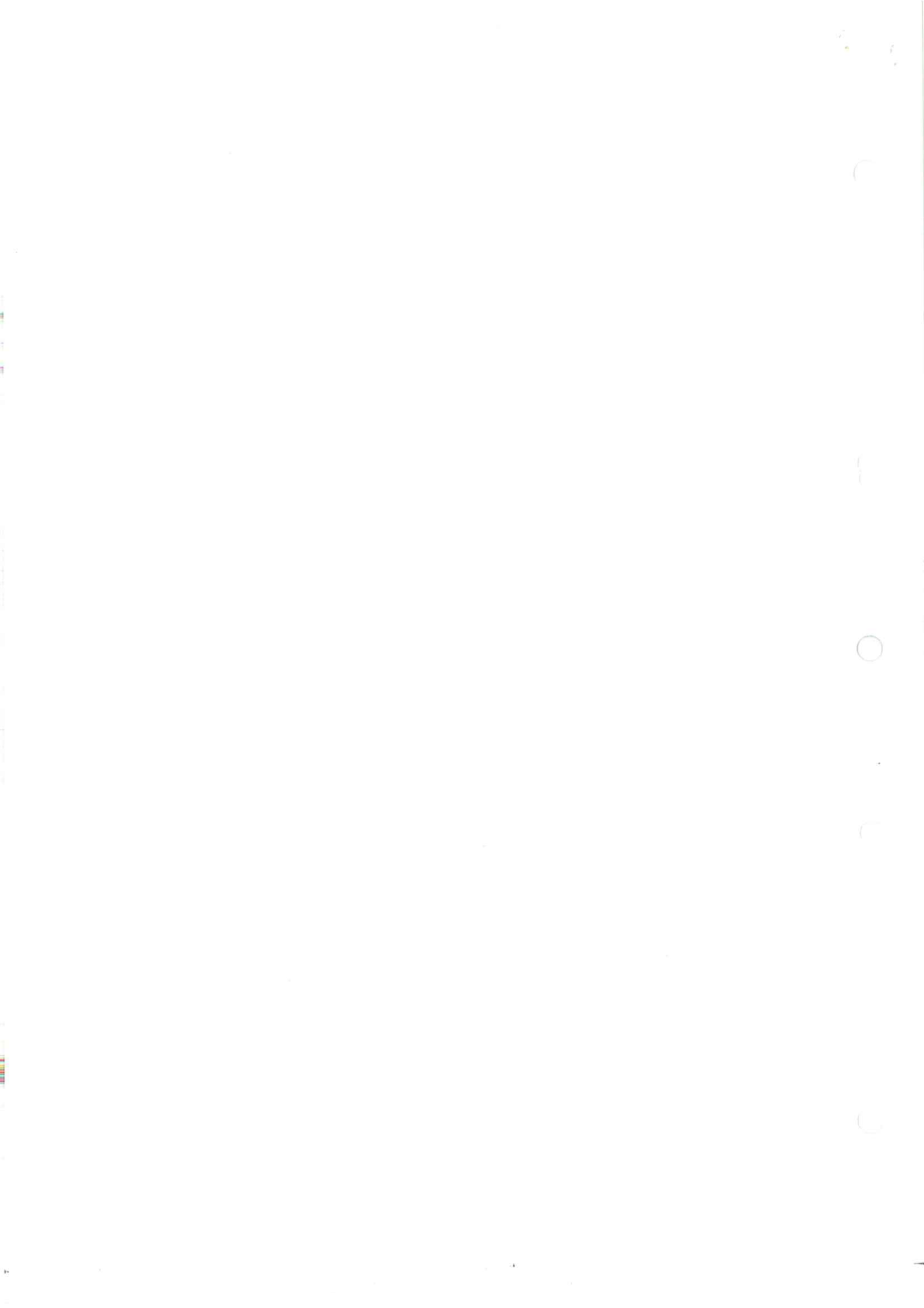
August

5 MONTHLY MEETING

MONTHLY RUN

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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MONTHLY RUN	30	31				



B.M.W. M.C.C. - PRODUCT REVIEW FORM

PRODUCT TYPE (HELMET/BOOTS/ETC)

Stainless Steel Exhaust System (Complete).

BRAND: Overlander Equipment

PRICE: \$410 including
freight

WHEN/WHERE PURCHASED: April 1982 - Touring & Accessories

COMMENTS: Look good - seamless finish, seems to improve performance with only a very slight increase in noise level. Longer lasting, easy to clean. Not difficult to fit.

MODIFICATIONS OR IMPROVEMENTS

REQUIRED None.

VALUE FOR MONEY: YES

(Cheaper than genuine parts and last longer)

BUY AGAIN OR RECOMMEND: YES

NAME: Chris Fulker

BIKE: R60/6

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BRAND:

PRICE:

WHEN/WHERE PURCHASED:

COMMENTS:

MODIFICATIONS OR IMPROVEMENTS
REQUIRED

VALUE FOR MONEY: YES/NO

BUY AGAIN OR RECOMMEND: YES/NO

NAME:

BIKE:

