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Hello again!

Well October is here and its rally time for the club. Some last minute arrangements are still to be made by the committee but everything seems to be going well. The choice of trophies and the purchase of coffee/tea and biscuits are some of the items to be finalised during this week.

The entries are still flowing in and we look like getting a good turn up to our rally. For those of you who would like some last minute ideas on the Rally 'Bike Australia' magazine this month has articles on camping gear, food to take, roadside repairs and general hints for touring and rallies. I thought it was very timely when I read some of the stories - even a few references to how good BMW toolkits are - pump and all! Even if you don't normally buy 'Bike Australia' it might pay to 'borrow' someone else's copy and have a read, who knows you could learn something that might come in handy one day!

Take care on your way to and from the Rally and remember to load your gear carefully - we don't want to find it all over the road like at the Alpine Rally!

See you at the Rally ...

Chris Fulker

R60/6

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER MEETING 7.10.82

LOCATION : David & Jenny Hamer's place in Watson

MEETING OPENED : After an enjoyable B-B-Q commencing at approximately 6.15 we commenced our meeting at approx. 8.00 after which we enjoyed some road safety films provided by Chris Fulker and then a delicious supper provided by Jenny Hamer.

NEW MEMBERS Tony Wurzer and Margaret Wylde-Browne.

ATTENDANCE: : 16

BUSINESS : Bob Rumsey (our Touring Secretary) informed the meeting a screen for screen printing will be available at the Rally.

ADVERTISEMENTSFOR SALE

BMW R80/7. June 1980. 28,000 kms. Krauser panniers, crash bars, kickstart, touring toolkit, fork gaitors. immaculate condition. New battery. \$3900 ono.

For further information regarding this machine contact Ian McAllister on 49 3305 or 49 2220.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be on Thursday 11 November (2nd Thursday in the month) and it will be another B-B-Q.

It will be at the home of Werner and Ursula Strotmann, 22 Duncan Street Torrens and will commence at approximately 6.15 p.m.

NEXT RUN:

As our Rally is this month there will be no monthly run. Some members are leaving for the Rally on Friday but those wishing to leave on Saturday will be meeting at the Phillip Motor Registry at 9.00.

PRODUCT REVIEW FORM

PRODUCT TYPE Hand Grips

BRAND Grand Touring (American)

PRICE About \$12

WHEN/WHERE PURCHASED April 1982. The Stable (not always in stock: may have to be ordered)

COMMENTS A large diameter grip, especially in the centre, with plenty of comfort. Hand can be moved slightly from time to time to take advantage of the variable diameter and ease the monotony on the muscles.

MODIFICATIONS OR IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED None

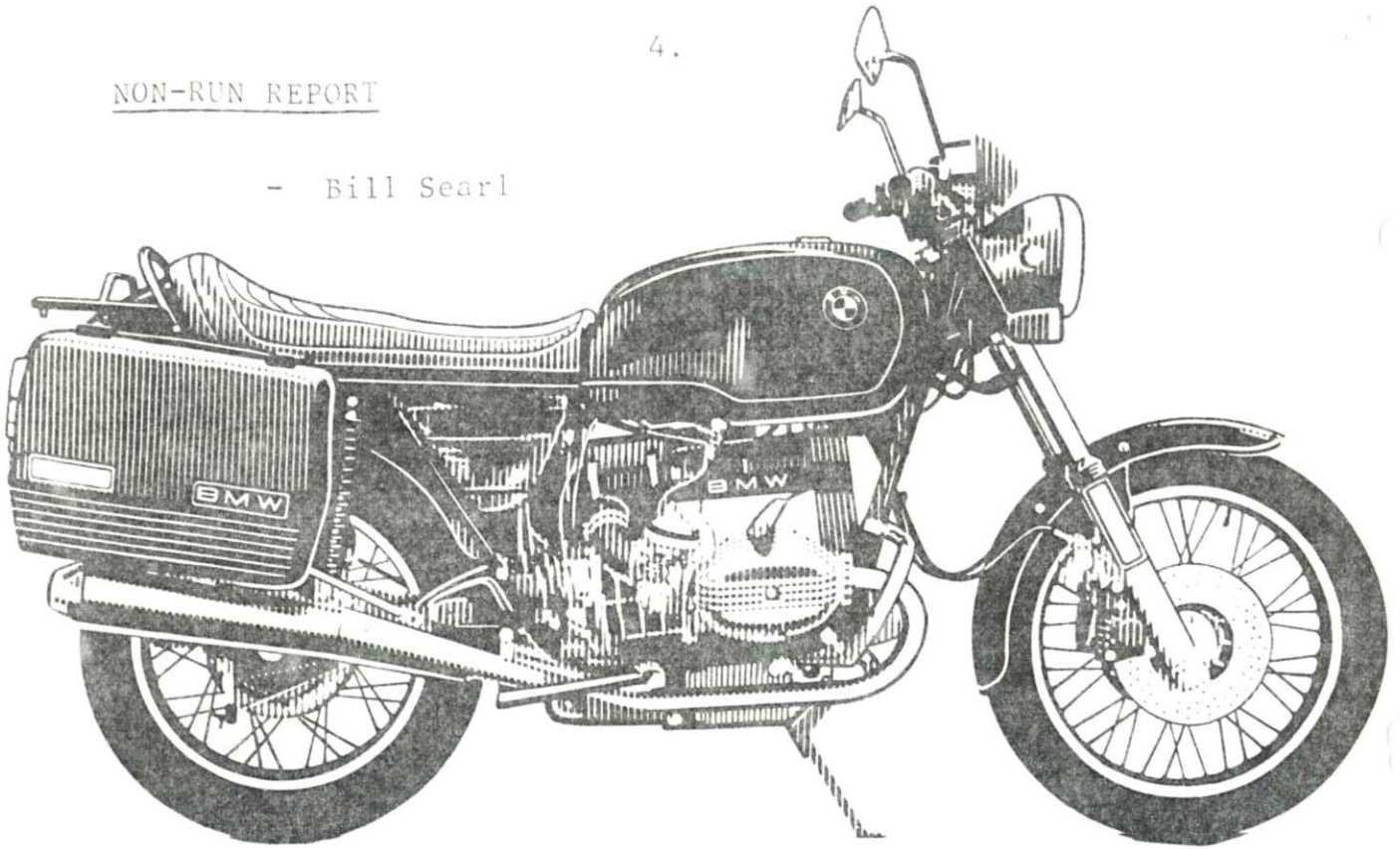
VALUE FOR MONEY Yes

BUY AGAIN OR RECOMMEND Yes

NAME: BILL SEARL

NON-RUN REPORT

- Bill Searl



Although the days both before and after were characterised by inclement weather, Sunday September 26 dawned fine and sunny so it was with expectation of a good roll-up that I rode to the Dickson Motor Registry.

My disappointment on arrival was only exceeded by that of the Strotmanns, whose vigil, until my arrival, had been very lonely indeed!

We could have gone to Fitzroy Falls or somewhere else but we talked for a while and agreed that the thing we like most about the club is the opportunity to ride somewhere as a recognisable group enjoying each others company both en-route and at the destination. Two such rides of which I have fond memories are those to Wombeyan Caves and to our rally site last December.

Obviously members sometimes have other commitments or mechanical problems which prevent their participation but perhaps there are other reasons; is our choosing of a destination too haphazard?; should our rides be less frequent?; should we have more overnight trips?

Discussion of this issue, if you think it is an issue, would be most welcome.

The following information comes from Chris Nicholls, Junior Vice-President of the A.C.T. M.R.A. and may be of interest to members.

STAY UPRIGHT - ADVANCED DEFENSIVE RIDER TRAINING

One of the stated aims of the M.R.A. is to help improve the lot of the motorcyclist by, amongst other things, promoting and agitating for better training for motorcyclists. As we all know, in Australia there is no legally required minimum training set for learners either on bikes or in cars.

We are lucky here in the A.C.T. that the Australian Federal Police (A.F.P.) make their facilities available for basic rider training. The course they offer (for free) is aimed at the novice rider. It includes one hour of theory and about three hours of practical demonstration, instruction and practice.

For the rider who has survived a few years on the road, by his own skill or luck, there is currently no advanced training available locally.

One avenue now available to riders wishing to improve their skills is the Advanced Defensive Rider Training course offered by the 'Stay Upright' school in Sydney. The school is operated by Warrick Schuberg and Max Withers, both former Police Instructors with many years of experience between them. The course consists of a four hour theory session (in the evening) followed by an eight hour practical session the next day.

So what does this course have to offer the rider who has been around a while? Especially, what does this course offer over the free course offered by the local Police?

The Stay Upright course is aimed at the experienced road rider who wishes to improve his skills and techniques in controlling their motorcycle in a traffic or highway situation. This is stressed throughout the course; that there is a System of techniques, a discipline that virtually eliminates any chance of having an accident. Note that it is not a school for racing technique (although this is given more than a passing mention in both theory and practical sessions).

The instruction relates to realistic situations and very realistic speeds. In the theory session, techniques and situations are discussed that illustrate clearly that the aim of the course is to enable you to survive Sydney rush hour traffic. To me, raised on Canberra's gentle roads, both the traffic and the techniques discussed were an eye opener.

The practical session is held at the Amaroo Park racing circuit. Very basic exercises begin the session, allowing the instructors time to check each riders machine and techniques of control, and make corrections. The session progresses with increasingly more difficult exercises which challenge and develop the riders skill.

The final spells of instruction use the full racing circuit, treating it first as open road, choosing lines that would allow for other traffic and the usual hazards of open road riding, then progressing to the full

racing treatment. Great fun it was, too, as we were eventually allowed to run as fast as we dared around the Amaroo Circuit. Sobering too, when you realise how much faster the real racers must ride.

In my own four years of riding I have come to consider myself a pretty good rider, with little to learn. As a result of the course however, I am riding safer and more smoothly, more aware and more in control. I have corrected a few vices in my technique, one in particular which should end my embarrassing habit of dropping my bike in car parks! Not major things that would have you say "Oh Wow", but a lot of little things that add up to making each ride more enjoyable.

That could sum up the course, that it developes skills and techniques that allow the rider to better control his machine, for more enjoyment in riding.

The M.R.A. is bringing the 'Stay Upright' Advanced Rider Training course to Canberra. The date for the course is to be the weekend of 13th and 14th of November. The theory session will be held on evening of Friday the 12th. The cost of the course is \$70. For further information and bookings contact Chris Nicholls, phone 478949 B.H., 475217 A.H.

CANBERRA DISTRICT DUCATI CLUB ECONOMY RUN - Sunday 21st November

Distance Approx. 90km and competitors will leave from the Mobile Cinema Service Centre, Bunda Stree, City, at 9.30 a.m.

Entry Fees \$1 to cover C.D.D.C.'s costs

A BYO BBQ will be held afterwards at Corroboree Park, Paterson St, Ainslie and presentations will be made then.

Prizes Set of Marzocchi Strad Shock Absorbers (Outright Timed Economy)
 Doug Bryant's Open Order \$25 (Best BMW Petrol Economy)
 Stable Open Order \$25 (Best Sidecar Petrol Economy)
 Yesteryear Motorcycles Open Order \$25 (Best Veteran, Vintage, Classic or Harley Davidson Petrol Economy)
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Attached are entry forms. More information will be available at our next meeting.
