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ACT BMW MOTOR CYCLE CLUB
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Merry Christmas

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MEETINGS :- GENERAL Every second Monday of the month, meeting at the
AUSTRIAN/ AUSTRALIAN Club, Mawson, A.C.T. (located opposite
the Southlands Shopping Centre), from 7.45 pm. Unless
advertised differently. (2CA radio "Community Magazine"
program).

MONTHLY RUNS On the first weekend of the month; Saturday
or Sunday, as decided at the previous club meeting.
Starting from Doug Bryant's Motorcycle shop at Weston,
unless otherwise arranged. Start time and destination
as advised in the monthly journal.

CLUB RALLY Held at the Kosciusko National Park, Geehi
Hut Campsite, each year in October.

SOCIAL EVENTS As arranged from time to time, and advised
at the meetings and in the club journal.

A.G.M. Held as the normal meeting for March each year,
all positions declared vacant for re-election etc.

DISCOUNTS :- Available from the following :-
Doug Bryant's Motorcycles, 49 Brierly St, Weston.
Ph. 888747
Canberra Rally Centre, 68 Wollongong St, Fyshwick.
Ph. 805173 (ask for Bob)
Genge Motorcycles, 7 Lonsdale St, Braddon.
Ph. 497923

PLEASE SHOW YOUR CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD FOR DISCOUNTS. (Discount depends on items)

A Note from the Prez

Hi, Christmas is here again. (Can't you tell?) Have you sent your letter to Santa yet ? I'm sure he can squeeze in an occasional K100 here and there, or perhaps something more modest, like the BMW touring leathers. Oh well, we can dream can't we ? Still, a lot of members will be well pleased with their presents come Christmas Day.

With all the pre-Christmas parties & family dinners etc, not many will go hungry or thirsty, so lets spare a moment to think of the less fortunate in the Community, and elsewhere.

The recent Toy/Food Run was one way in which several members took an active part in aiding the disadvantaged in Canberra (similiar runs were held in all capital cities). The Salvation Army and the Smith Family were very thankful for our donations. If you were not able to go on the Toy Run, it's not too late to donate some toys or food (or cash if you have any to spare after Christmas shopping). The address for the sallies or Smith Family will be in the phone book (or you MAY see them at most shopping centres). Think of others & give a little (or a lot) if you can.

Overseas we have the famine in East Africa, as we have seen on the TV news and from other media, thousands (literally) dying for a handful of grain a day, while we sit at home eating more than we need. I know its a long way from our doorstep, it seems there is not much we can personally do, and many have already made donations to the famine relief appeals. All I am suggesting is that we spare a thought for others at this time of year (and other times too, for that matter!) and help out where we can.

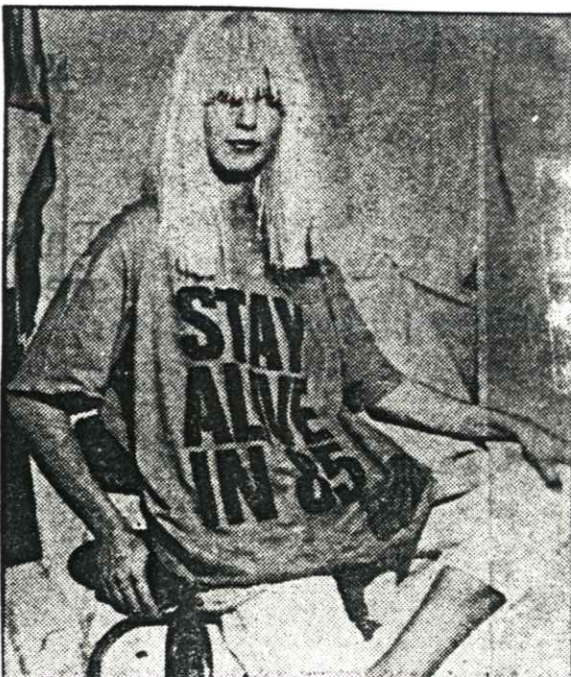
Now I've got that all off my chest, on with the Journal ! Some light hearted reading for the holiday season has been included, along with our normal articles. Hope you enjoy them. (I didn't write the Poem in "Whats going on", but I may have helped a little.....) Seasons Greetings from some of our friends are on another page also.

On behalf of Anne and Myself :

Have a Happy Christmas with your family and friends and Best Wishes for a safe and prosperous New Year.

And remember "STAY ALIVE IN '85"

Christopher



*LOOK FAMILIAR ... THE LOGO SILLY,
NOT THE BLONDE !!!!*

*Some of you will have seen our Club
stickers*

'STAY ALIVE IN 85'

*Looks like someone else has picked
it up also.*

SEASONS GREETINGS ***** MERRY CHRISTMAS ***** SEASONS GREETINGS

MESSAGES FROM NEAR AND FAR, TO WISH US WELL, AND SO WE ARE.....

From BMW Australia.

To the members & family of the ACT BMW Motor Cycle Club,
Thanks to the continued support of BMW Motor Cycles & accesories, this has been an
S u p e r year for BMW Australia, We look forward to continued close contact with the
Club in the coming year, and extend Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes to all for
1985,

From Steve Crouch and Staff of BMW Australia.

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From Your Local Dealer,

Thanks to all the members for their patronage throughout the year, we look
forward to serving you again in '85. We wish the members and their families a very
Merry Christmas, and hope you have a Happy New Year, enjoy the Christmas break and tak
care on the roads if you are going away. (We need all the customers we have !)

From Doug and Helen Bryant, Family and THE GIRLS.

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From Sydney

While we do not get to see many members at our shop in Sydney, we have been able
to keep up to date with the club through the Journal, and visits by Bob Rumsey and
some others. We hope to Wave the BMW flag on the race track with our K100 during '85
and would like to see some faces from the ACT Club on the side lines for support. Look
for us in the Winner's Circle!! From all of us to all of you, have a Merry Christmas
(Not too merry if you are riding) and a bright and Happy New Year, if you come to
Sydney call and say Hello. From Don Wilson and Staff.

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From The Prez and The Committee.

On behalf of the other members of the Committee I would like to thank all the
members for their help and participation in the club throughout '84, special thanks to
those that always show up and lend a hand, with club runs, the Rally, the Journal and
so on. We could not do it with out you. For those that are not able to attend very
often for family or work reasons, don't feel left out, the Club is made of many parts,
and each one is special, keep reading the Journal and feel free to write in and have your
say from time to time. I would like to wish the other Clubs that get this Journal and
all our members and friends all the Best for the Season, have a Good Christmas and a
Happy and Safe New Year.

Till next time, Ride Safe. CHRISTOPHER & COMPANY.

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 10 DECEMBER 1984

Meeting opened at 8.03pm with 20 members, 14 apologies and 1 visitor, Scott Sneddon, Secretary MRA.

Mark apologises for being away, Jenni Cole to take minutes in his absence.

MINUTES of November meeting accepted. Moved Bob Rumsey, Seconded Bill Searl.

CORRESPONDENCE

OUT :- Order for 'Boxer Twin' T-shirts.

- Invitations to Bungonia 'Claytons' Rally, sent to ACT Motor Cycle Clubs.

IN :- Club Journals from BMW Clubs of VIC, QLD, NSW & WA

- MRA VIC Quarterly
- 2 letters from MRA ACT
- Minutes from Nov. Meeting of Council of ACT Motor Clubs
- Mr & Mrs Elderidge re K. Rally
- Rally forms for Australia Day Rally - NSW BMW Club, Ellenborough Falls Rally - Gosford Dist. MCC, Swamp Rally and Clubman Rally.

BUSINESS

- Thanks to members attending Toy Run.
- Christmas Dinner review and thanks to Ursula & company for organising and to Tony & friend for the music.
Details of awards given.
- New club badges & cloth patches now in hand. Prices \$3.00 badge - \$2.00 cloth patch Rally & Club stickers still available.
- (Navy) Club jumpers, need to know numbers by next months meeting. Contact Ursula with name and size required. (Cost \$30.00 + \$2.00 cloth patch)
- Water skiing available on January Club run at Burrinjuck Dam. Hahn's providing boat (share fuel costs).
- Jeanette Hahn suggested club organise 'Stay Upright' course. Conducted on a Monday at National Exhibition Centre. Cost \$80.00. Need idea of numbers (12 - 15 required) advise Mark or Jeanette. No firm date - early February proposed if enough interested.
- Visitor, Scott Sneddon from MRA spoke about good attendance at Toy Run. Next year to start from Woden and venue after the run being arranged. \$242.15 collected for Smith Family and Salvation Army. + lots of toys & food. Suggestions for next year welcome. Badges for this years Run ordered for those that missed them on the day.
MRA House for Canberra - Govt. Grant being sought, suggested meeting place for bike clubs etc.
Bike Week display in October '85, Clubs invited to take part again.
MRA Australia being incorporated.
MRA ACT following up 3rd party insurance - investigating running lights for bikes - advised Bike trailers legal.
- T.J. showed BMW Rug made by Design-A-Rug, Cost \$400, took 3 months.
Being used as wall hanging.
- Proposed visit to Canberra Airport ATC Tower early next year, BBQ lunch at Airport - on a Saturday, date to be advised by Bill Searl. 17 members already interested.
- Frank Millwood - Impromptu runs - new phone number - 957403 (Pls note)
- Speakers for next year - Ross Crofter to give talk on Police Rescue Unit. (when able - early in New Year)

NEXT RUN : Weekend at Burrinjuck Dam . Camping/ Waterskiing. Leave Doug Byrants Sat. morning.

NEXT MEETING: January 14 at Austrian-Australian Club, Mawson 7.45 pm

Meeting closed 9.05 with supper.

WHAT'S ON

- JANUARY 12/13 Club Weekend run - Burrinjuck Dam. Meet at Doug Bryants on Saturday 12th at 9 am. (Please be on time)
- JANUARY 14 Monthly General Meeting - 7.45 pm - Austrian Club, Mawson.
- JANUARY 26-28 Australia Day Rally (NSW BMW MTC) - near Argolong, via Tumut.
- JANUARY 26-28 Clubman Rally (Willoughby Dist. MCC) - near Jingellic, NSW.
- FEBRUARY 11 Monthly General Meeting, 7.45, Austrian Club.
- FEBRUARY 17/18 Bungonia "Claytons" Rally - invitation to all ACT MCCs. Bungonia Gorge National Park near Goulburn.
- FEBRUARY 17/18 Swamp Rally near Rylstone, NSW.
- MARCH 2/3 Club run - Wagga Wagga
- MARCH 2-3 Ellenborough Falls Rally, near Taree.
- MARCH 11 Annual General Meeting - 7.45 pm.
- MAY 25-26 BMW MCC VIC 10th Anniversary Weekend and Exhibition, Melbourne.

NOTE : Dates underlined are Club activities.
Rally details obtainable from Bob Rumsey, Touring Secretary.

BMW TWINS BLITZ ECONOMY RUN

The recent Canberra District Ducati Club annual economy run, on Sunday November 25th, was a great success for BMW twins this year.

The overall best economy was recorded on a Honda CB250RS with 158 miles per gallon over the 92 km course from Civic via Cotter to Tharwa & return via Monaro Hwy.

In the 301 cc to 600 cc class Chris Fulker (R60/6) claimed second place with 112 mpg, second only to a Yamaha XT550 with 122 mpg. (approx)

In the over 601 cc class third place was taken by Daniel Bedo on his R80ST and second place by myself with 122 mpg. First place was a Suzuki Katana 650 with 153 mpg !

The first place figure of 153 mpg was the subject of much discussion amongst both the organisers & competitors at the time but as there was no direct evidence of impropriety it was accepted.

The best result obtained on a K100 was 90 mpg on a K100 RS.

Thanks to the Ducati club for running the event & to the various motorcycle dealers who contributed their sponsorship including Doug Bryant who sponsored a special prize for the best effort on a BMW.

Bob Rumsey
R80/7

CHRISTMAS RALLY 1984

Leaving Richardson just after sunset on Friday the weather was perfect, slightly on the cool side but not cold enough to warrant any heavy clothing and after fuelling up in Queanbeyan I set off with some 'low flying' in mind.

The very neutral lighting at dusk in summertime makes for comfortable riding and I arrived at Braidwood in well under an hour.

After stopping to remove bugs from the visor it was off into the gathering darkness for a bit of fanging down to the coast.

The curious philosophy embraced by those who place road warning signs can make things interesting at night; approaching a 'TRAFFIC HAZARD' sign I backed off a bit for about 2km without any evidence of the hazard presenting itself and then, after winding up again, came over a crest and into a curve full of loosely gravelled roadworks at 130 plus. What would we do for kicks without this sort of thing?

Anyway, after some shopping in Batemans Bay it was north up the Princes Highway towards Ulladulla.

Riding the open highway on a dark night with no traffic around is another world. Only what's in front of you exists, the road comes towards you, the rear view mirrors are blank and it's almost a surprise to look around and see the panniers dimly lit by the tail light. The electronic tacho seems to be indicating the wrong revs for the speed and I'm wondering why. I had trouble with it once before. After a while I realise that we are cruising at 120 in 4th gear and the problem is solved.

Back in the real world a police car is sitting next to the 60 zone sign at Ulladulla. I slow right down and am followed at 60km/h for about 5km to Milton where I stopped at the pub. The rally organisers are there and I receive some valuable instruction on where to go.

After negotiating the back streets of Milton it's up into the mountains on a fair sort of gravel road where, I'm assured, all the intersections 'should be' signposted. The first one is, but not the next one so I wait for the truck to pass, accompanied by two other bikes.

This is a mistake as the dust behind them is terrible so I set off to overtake them all and keep in front where I find that every second turnoff has a sign and the others require instantaneous seat-of-the-pants decisions in order to stay in front of the dust.

The road becomes steeply cambered, hilly and tightly winding with a loose surface and narrow bridges in some gullies. Quite a challenge at night but my R80 has travelled so many of these roads in its 97,000 km that all I have to do is keep an eye on where we're going and it does the rest. We become well in front of the others and the track twists around so much that I see their lights sometimes off to the side or way up on a hill.

A disastrous pothole leads onto a large bridge and over to a gate which I open and leave for the others. This leads into a huge grassy paddock which is quite a change after the 35km trip from Milton. At the other end of the paddock is another gate from where I can see some lights at the campsite.

There is nobody there who I know so I set up near a fairly innocent looking group with a good fire going, it turns out some are from Canberra.

After a while a friend from Sydney turns up on his Goldwing outfit and camps nearby, we chat for a while and I eventually turn in at about 2am.

The rally site, which I spent Saturday morning walking around and chatting to various acquaintances, is large, green and shady with a creek and river adjacent. Ideal for swimming, but mind the leeches.

A very pleasant spot indeed and I wished that I didn't have to return to Canberra to work on Saturday night (election night).

After a bit of lunch I left around 1pm, intending to take a back road from Pigeon House nearby, direct to Nelligen instead of the Princes Hwy and after a couple of roadside meetings with friends who are just arriving we turn off towards the south.

The road, in good condition, runs along the ridges with views of the coast in places and always the Budawang and Clyde mountains to the west. There are a number of steep, winding descents and at the end of one is the crossing of the Clyde River known as Shallow Crossing.

Touring ... continues ..

This is a raised concrete ford in the tidal section of the river about 50m across and, at the time, less than a foot deep but it's very difficult to see far in water so I took it very cautiously. It's strange riding in the middle of such a wide river, like walking on water, but there are no problems and out the other side its another 30 km or so, mostly beside the Clyde estuary, to Nelligen.

After 70 km of slow dirt it's difficult to get up any speed on the sealed highway and we sort of wobble past the traffic on the winding approaches to Clyde Mountain, stop for fuel in Braidwood and then a quick run home as my clock stopped during the previous rough trip and I'm not sure of the time.

KOSCIUSKO RALLY REPORT

The weather was not with us for this year's rally, but nevertheless it was quite successful with more people attending than in 1982 despite almost continuous rain from Sydney to Geehi.

I was surprised by the number of people who arrived on the Friday and stayed all weekend. Some said that after last year's rally they wanted to come and stay for a while instead of just overnight, another good reason for switching to the long weekend in future.

The total number of entrants ended up at just over 460 including 20 of our own members.

The trophy winners were :-

OPEN

longest distance male	-	Tony Millar	N.T.
female	-	M. Elderidge	825 km
pillion	-	D. MacNamara	840 km
sidecar	-	Don Watson	620 km
oldest combined age	-	B. Watson	78 yrs
youngest entrant	-	Andrew Duffy	5 yrs
largest club attendance	-	BMW MCC of VIC	51 members

BMW

longest distance male	-	J. Heard	826 km
female	-	Brenda Pollett	560 km
pillion	-	M. Heard	826 km
youngest entrant	-	Andrew Hahn	12 months
oldest combined age	-	B. Elderidge	58 years

The Committee's thanks must go to all those who helped out on the weekend and specially to Mark & Liz Coghlan and Anne Fulker who carted up all the equipment and supplies, down and back, Werner & Ursula Strotmann and Ian & Jeanette Hahn who all worked very hard, as did many others.

There are plenty of rally stickers left over and T-shirts, or printing can be arranged through me.

The Club has decided to donate some money to the Kosciusko National Park, as we did last year, to be used for improvements or upkeep in the Khancoban district.

Bob Rumsey

SECRETARY'S BIT

Last month I reported on members healthy general activity. I apologise for the insignificant size of the bar chart, it was photoreduced a bit too much.

As we do not live in a utopia, possibly the obvious needs to be stated regarding the apparent inactivity percentage. Some of our members are required to work while many of us are at leisure. Others are interstate, overseas for a while, in more than one club, and have the familiar family, church or other commitments. However a number of these members do stay in contact.

Possible reasons aside, it would be nice to receive an article or two from these folk for the Journal - After all this journal reaches all members.

Sorry I missed the last General Meeting, but for a week's holiday interstate it was the choice of that or the Club Christmas Dinner. While on leave I only caught one undersized red fin fish in the Murray River downstream from Swan Hill. Carp abounds in that river too.

Mark C.

MEMBER'S NOTICE

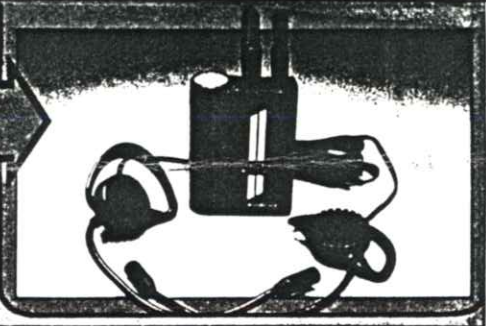
FOR SALE : TRU SHADE BLINDS - NEW

CANVAS AWNINGS & HOLLAND BLINDS - HALF PRICE

SECURITY DOORS MADE TO MEASURE - \$ 135.00

64 WOLLONGONG STREET, FYSHWICK

CONTACT NUMBER 804360 JOE KNIGHT

<p>Something to solve the communication problem.....</p>	<p>Ride A Bike? Here's an Intercom just for you!</p>	
<p>Fantastic Idea - now communication between rider & passenger is easy. No more shouting against the wind! Easy to fit, instantly detached in case the worst happens and you're involuntarily separated. Stocks due in this month. Cat F-1000.</p>		<p>ONLY \$49.50</p>
<p>AVAILABLE FROM :-</p>		<p>DICK SMITH</p>

SOMETIMES IT'S EASIER TO DO THAN EXPLAIN.

ANON

Each generation has its sages, Ancient Greece had Socrates.
We have bumper stickers.

Doug Larson

PRODUCT REVIEW

PRODUCT : Sleeping bags

BRAND : Roman Super Roma

PRICE : \$ 89.50 each

WHEN/ WERE PURCHASED : September 1984, Jurkiewicz Camping, Fyshwick

COMMENTS : Filling is Dacron Holofill with a temperature rating of - 10°C. So far it hasn't had to cope with much below zero but even so it was very warm. There is a separate zip at the base for your feet if they get too hot, it provides a flow through of air which has been required. It is double-walled with a draught stopper at the zip, and comes with or without a drawcord flap hood. The bags zip together to form a double bag.

DISADVANTAGES : The zip opens down the middle of the two bags and both people get cold when one has to get up for that midnight wander. The bags are bulky and take up a lot of space in your pannier. The nylon outer rustles when you move though we were probably over sensitive because our kids wake up easily.

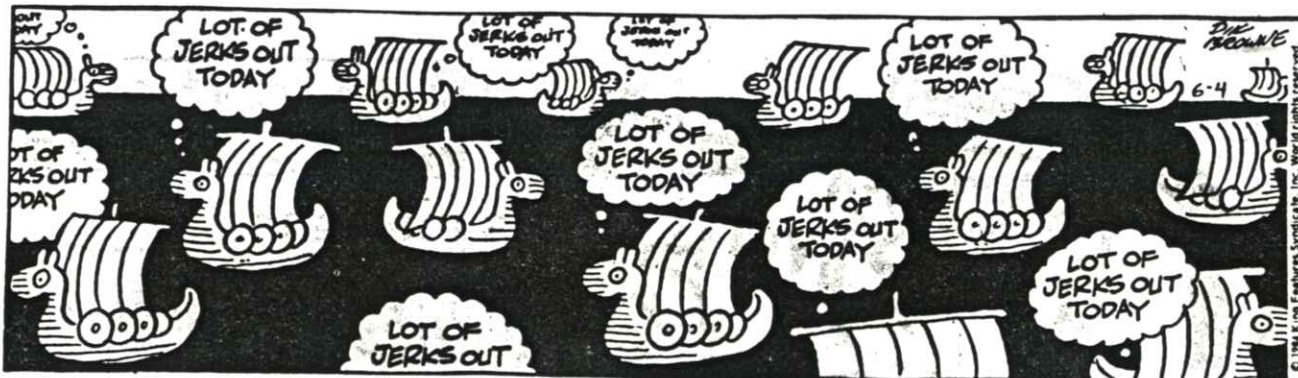
VALUE FOR MONEY : Yes

BUY AGAIN/ RECOMMEND : Yes

Jeanette Hahn

Suzuki GS425E

ED NOTE : HOW ABOUT MORE PRODUCT REVIEWS FROM OTHER MEMBERS ??
YOUR CHANCE TO TELL US WHAT YOU THINK OF YOUR NEW
EQUIPMENT/ ACCESSORIES ETC.



SUNDAY DRIVERS????

CHRISTMAS DINNER

This year's Club Christmas Dinner was well attended and it was pleasing to observe that friends and children were made most welcome. With a little borrowing and quick footwork by some members, the decor was quite tastefully arranged.

I'm sure that many of us got to meet some members whom whom we had not previously had the opportunity to chat with. I did notice some conversations drift into the seemingly inexhaustable topic of things BMW. We drank, talked, listened, ate, some burped (compliments to the chef), sipped and chatted almost endlessly. For most of the time our two top muso's played with only short breaks throughout the evening. Tony off-to-dreamworld Wurzer and friend Lindsay glistening teeth Woods gave a fine display of their repertoair.

Presentation time provided a few surprises too. There were four lucky draw prizes handed out for starters. Then Mr Prez said a few words and presented Jenni Cole with this year's Presidents Award for the volunteered keen assistance towards the substantial production of the Club Journal. Next we had a participation event. Members voted for the Members Choice award and Chris Fulker took out the award of a nice glass mug complete with metal lid device. Werner Strotmann then took the floor for a final award - the busiest person in the Club award. After a word of explanation he announced that I be presented with a desk pen stand complete with two BMW metal badges. All recipients on the night were totally surprised and most grateful.

When eats were despatched some dancing got under way. The less confident took to the floor a little later including myself. Speaking, I hope, for some of us, I identified two left feet of mine on at least three occasions. Liz had a sore toe or two later, but she was very nice about it. We were ahem ballroom dancing.

In all, with about 36 folk in attendance the evening was most enjoyable and ended close to midnight.

Mark Coghlan.

Printed white T-shirts from S.A. Club - black print with blue logo insert
\$ 13.00 each including post to Club. Please order through Mark Coghlan.



BOXER TWIN

COURSES AVAILABLE DURING THE HOLIDAYS

SELF IMPROVEMENT

- SI100 Creative Suffering
- SI101 Overcoming Peace of Mind
- SI102 You and Your Birthmark
- SI103 Guilt Without Sex
- SI104 The Primal Shrug
- SI105 Ego Gratification Through Ignorance
- SI106 Moulding Your Child's Behavior Through Guilt and Fear
- SI107 Dealing With Post-Realisation (Election) Depression
- SI108 Whine Your Way to Alienation
- SI109 How to Overcome Self-Doubt Through Pretence & Ostentation
- SI110 Dyslexia can be deruc (Jhno rownB)

BUSINESS & CAREER

- BC-01 " I Made \$100 in Real Estate "
- BC-02 Money Can Make You Rich
- BC-03 Career Opertunities in Lebanon
- BC-04 How to Profit From Your Own Body
- BC-05 Looters Guide to The Simpson Desert
- BC-06 The Under-achivers Guide to Very Small Business Oppertunities
- BC-07 Convert Your Living Room into a Paying Workshop

HEALTH/FITNESS

- H202 Creative Toof Decay
- H203 Exercise and Acne
- H204 The Joys of Hypochondria
- H205 Suicide and Your Health
- H206 Biofeedback and How to Stop
- H207 Skate Your Way to Regularity
- H208 Understanding Stupidity
- H209 Tapdance Your Way to Social Ridicule
- H210 Optional Body Functions
- H211 Hare krishna Guide to Long and Beautiful Hair

CRAFTS

- C301 Self Actualisation Through Macrame
- C302 How to draw Japanese Motor Cycles (Made Easy)
- C303 Creative Needlecraft for Junkies
- C304 Cuticle Crafts
- C305 Gifts for the Senile
- C306 Bonzai Your Pet
- C307 Rearranging Your Mate
- C308 Creative Sculptures from Used Tyres
- C309 Converting Boxer Twins to 4 Cylinders

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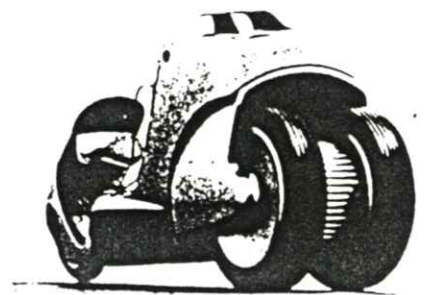
MAIL TO : VOLUNTARY EDUCATION, 21 EDUCATION WAY, CANBERRA CITY 2661. INCLUDE CHEQUE/POSTAL NOTE FOR \$1 000, Made Payable to ACT BMW MCC.(We have to raise funds some how.....)

NOW FOR SOMETHING
TOTALLY DIFFERENT

Featured in Motor Cycle News
(November)



Above and below: perhaps trying to cater to a new market without totally alienating an existing one, BMW has shown this model of a three-wheeler which has many of the benefits of a sports car yet still leans over while cornering, combining the thrill of riding a bike with the practicality and stability of a larger three or four-wheeled machine.



NOVEMBER RUN REPORT.....OR HOW WE ENDED UP 'THE CREEK',

Due to other commitments (and the lack of volunteers) we did not get a run report in last month's Journal. So here is the tale of Rendezvous Creek.

As the weather was cool and overcast (again) I did not expect too many to be waiting at Doug's shop, only the Hahn's and Frank (shock- early...) were there, with Bob turning up not long after me. Werner and Ursulla had gone fishing and several others had forewarned of non-attendance. (Anne, as well as Christine and the boys had set off direct from home in cars). As the Hahn's had to see some-one along the way they headed off first along the Parkway and via Tharwa.

Bob, Frank and I took the 'Scenic Tourist's Route' via the Cotter and through the surrounding forrest along the terrific winding ' motor-cyclist' roads, not that we were flat out or anything, just cruising along for the ride. We caught up to Anne just after the Ranger station in the new National Park (the name of which escapes me for the moment, or else it's too hard to spell....) just past the turn off to the Gudgenby area.

Christine was waiting at the nominated creek crossing, however the only bar-b-que in the area was one creek further on about 800 metres away over a hill, there was a little confusion then when we rode on past as she waved (good bye or something, hard to tell at that speed....) We soon located the right spot and went back for Christine, and guided her down the little side track by the creek which had just been vacated by another family after sighting this pack of 'bikies' looking for the only spot to cook our food.

fire was already alight and only needed some more fuel, so a quick hunt for more wood was organised while some others prepared the food and set about cooking it.

After the meal there was some exploring around by the boys, and Jeannette walked half way up a steep hillside to get a good shot with her camera, pity she forgot to check how many photo's she had left BEFORE she climbed up there,talk about wail, we thought she had been bitten by something !!!!

Dispite a vain effort by the sun to shine the clouds kept it in check, and the wind was blowing a bit cold to boot, rain was beginning to look like a distinct possibility. (it did not eventuate though).

Anne had to pick up her Mom and Dad from down on the coast, so she left to go via Cooma, the Hahns went off to pick up a friend from the Capital Rally near Tharwa, with Frank close behind. Christine rounded up her wandering boys and Bob and I brought up the rear, though not for long as we passed the others along the way, with a small detour into the Gudgenby camping area to check out the new picnic tables etc. that have now been placed around the area. (it is a good spot for an overnight camp if you feel like getting out of the city with out travelling all day).

A cup off coffee at Bob's wound up the day, a good run on inter esting roads to a nice quite place in the country. Shame about the weather and the small attendance, I guess some folk thought they may get their bikes wet!. Why else would they not come?

at month we shall have a report on the December run to Googong dam and the Toy run, any volunteers ????????

CHRISTOPHER R60/6

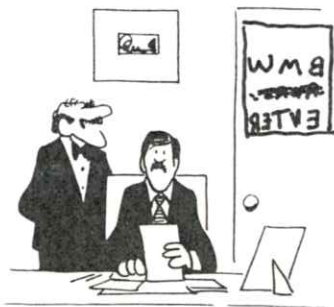
Precautions

Young girl being interviewed by local employment service officer was asked if she had any special hobbies.

She said her main interest was in spending weekends with her boy friend, touring the country on the back of his motor bike and camping out under the stars.

"Really," said the interviewer. "Doesn't that worry your mother?"

"Oh, no," said the girl. "I always wear a crash helmet."



"MAKE IT SIMPLE. IT'S FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS."



"He said violence never solves anything."



The time has come for Santa to mount his old 'RT'
Start it up, side stand up, time to go, he's free.
He's nearly ready to escape, he's got his Christmas pay,
To change in good old OZ, to his new "100K".

He likes to go, like Mike The Bike, out to ride at speed,
From the Crossing to the Cotter, and when he's done this deed,
A quiet Scotch with the oldies and a few beer chasers
and talk of days long past, when they were all boy racers.

The Hahn, of course, and circus, could tour around forever
with the trailer following him - and he might never
have to stop at all for drinks, except upon a ridge
to sink one of the cans or two, he carries in his fridge.

The two are here with their snakes (Some people say insane)
The PEOPLE I refer to (You only call snakes by their name)
Speaking of those handles now, well this one's got a fork,
married to a man named Stone and kept her name Godtchalk
(It wasn't easy to do that)

The Welshman went to Germany to pick up his new bike,
He even took his wife with him, for company on the flight.
Now he rides around all day and keeps it out of harm
He only has to figure out how to turn off the alarm.

The sticker boy is here of course and Oh Boy, is he Crafty
He puts OZ stickers on his bike, so people don't get nasty
You see some people get unaxed and shout words terse and frank,
the stickers of course tell you all, he's not a Pom or Yank.

If your bike has had it now, he'll sell you one quite cheap,
But please don't go after 5 o'clock - you'll miss your beauty sleep.
He likes to talk and eat his chocs, and his bikes are the most
He's got his boat, his wife and kids and house down on the coast.

Two Knight in shining awnings here, one's near and one's quite far,
One collected B M Dubs and an occasional old car
The other rode a new bike 'round for months, and what a tizz
when his wife found out by accident, that the bike, in fact, was his.

Now Surly Bill still rides around on his 75 stroke 5
When not listening to a Prelude, or using his pool to dive,
Sitting up there in the Ivory, you'd think he'd take the cue
and get all around to his place for a housewarming barbecue.

One got his phantom fairing now, they're a sight to be seen
He keeps it nice and dirty, for Doug's girls to keep clean
Very few have seen them here, but it's Brian's idea, it's true
to keep his bike continually clean, his plan is just see through.

Frank's finally got his clock fixed now, but his brother's gone away,
The next time there's a run on, he'll get his brother to stay,
If it's a morning rally, he'll kick him out at four,
and ride around to someone's place and sleep upon the door.

The Wurlitzer, the music maker, piano accordion and all
was spotted playing and busking in Monaro Mall
When asked why he was playing, with much tact and much much flattery
"I need the money now to buy Kombi a new battery".

Werner's here mit club jumper and ever present pipe,
He's got another patch to fix on his beautiful pin stripe
It seems that when his stickers unstick, he gets a lovely dream
of how he'd like to get some, that don't hurt his red paint scheme.

Now BM riders are, of course, a breed apart, and who
but mad men would ride Honda, when only best would do
So stay alive in 85 and sing with us (in German)
A song you know and love, "God Rest us BMW men"
(sorry, girls too)

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

FROM "WHAT'S GOING ON HERE."

I. SPY + FRIEND.

**AFTER 8 HOURS ON A BMW
NO-ONE ASKS
IF IT'S WORTH ALL THAT MONEY.**



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Australia Day 26th January
Let's Celebrate!

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