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**'Shaft Drive Lines'** 

7.45 pm, fourth Monday of each month

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Where:

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The Membership Secretary

#### Activities:

Club runs and social events are detailed in the What's On page in this magazine. The Club endeavours to have at least one organized run per month. Suggestions for runs and activities are welcome to the Ride Coordinator or the Social Secretary.

Membership fee is \$40 per year. A small joining fee applies to new members and

includes your membership badge. A membership form appears in the back pages

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Participants in Club activities are advised and reminded that they do so at their own risk and are fully responsible for their own riding. Please obey the law at all times and ride with your safety and the safety of others in mind.

## **Charity Support:**

This Club proudly supports Marymead Child and Family Centre. Web Site: http://www.actbmwmcc.org.au Check the web site for updates of rides and social events.

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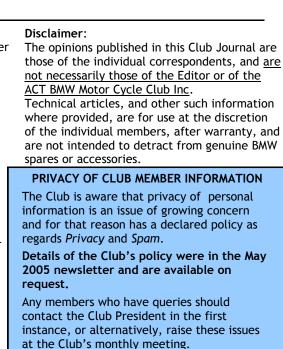


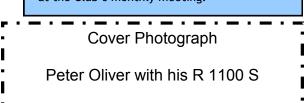
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## THE PRESIDENTIAL HOOHAH

## **Bob Coleman**

## Hello All,

Well, last month was fairly eventful for some of the Club members. Sue, Russel and Colin returned from a trip around Oz and Roger also returned from a trip to Darwin up through Cooktown and back through South Australia and Leena has returned after a holiday in Finland. By all accounts all had a very enjoyable time.

As for myself, Bourkey and I had a fantastic time riding to the Border Run (WA Border) and did about 5,500 K's in 9 Days. We had 4 Days of light rain and the rest was almost perfect riding weather. The highlights were the oysters at Ceduna and the Whales at the "Head of the Bight". (See photos Page 16).

I am sure that there are many good riding stories out there so how about next time you have a good ride write a small (or large) ride report and share your good times with all of us and make us jealous.

Don't forget the Club Christmas Party this year is at the Hellenic Club and there is no ceiling on the numbers that can attend. (See ad elsewhere in Magazine). So put it in your calendar early so that you don't double book yourself, this should be a good one.

Also coming up in October is the Kosciusko Rally at Geehi. This is one of the best camping sites in the National Park and is well worth the ride. For those of you that don't like to camp, it is quite easy to do a day ride to the site or even if you are feeling like a weekend away there is accommodation available in Thredbo or Khancoban.

There was a good rollup of Club members at the Vintage and Veterans Club's annual Gluhwein Run to -day in spite of the pending showers. A good ride, with quite a few interesting old bikes to check out, while enjoying the hospitality of the V and V Club. A couple of dates to remember in September, for those who like an interesting rallies. 12-13<sup>th</sup> is the Dargo High Plains Rally and 19-20<sup>th</sup> is the Far Cairn Rally at Tottenham (NSW) run by the BMWTMCC.

Safe riding Bob Coleman

## Welcome to our new members

- $\approx$  Peter Kaylock—F650 GS
- $\approx$  Christopher Pearson—Honda
- $\approx$  Tony and Maxime Page—R 1200 GS
- $\approx$  Robert and Julie Pinter—R 1100 RT

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## WHAT'S ON

## Rides, meetings, etc

Calendar: September to November 2009



Group of attendees at the Gluewein Run

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21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15		Weekend ride TBA
16	17	18	19	20	21	22		
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	23	General Meeting
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## Details plus

WHAT'S ON

## Wednesday 2 September - Chomp 'n' Chat

Thai Cornar, Furneaux St., Manuka at 6.30pm. RSVP by 28 August either by phone to 6288 2731 or by email to social1@actbmwmcc.org.au

## Sunday 6 September - Alternative Breakfast

Gooromon Park Homestead, Gooromon Ponds Rd., Hall at 9.00am

Make your own way there.

RSVP by 3 September either by phone to 6288 2731 or by email to social1@actbmwmcc.org.au

## Sunday 20 September - German Autofest

National Library Lawns, Parkes from 10.00am Meet in Manuka at My Cafe for breakfast before heading off to the venue. See page 10 for more details

## Sunday 4 October - Alternative Breakfast

Cafe Cat, Comur Court, 175 Comur Street, Yass Depart Ben Hall Rest Area (aka Hall Layby) Barton Highway at 8.30am

## Wednesday 7 October - Chomp 'n' Chat

Pork Barrel, St Georges Terrace, Parkes at 6.30pm

## Sunday 1 November - Alternative Breakfast

Best Western Centretown Motor Inn, Lagoon St, Goulburn Depart Bungendore at 8.30am

## Wednesday 3 November - Chomp 'n' Chat

Ostratos Greek Taverna, 9 Lonsdale Street, Braddon at 6.30pm

## FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER - ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PRESENTATION NIGHT

Our always splendid Annual Christmas Dinner and Presentation night will be held on Friday 4 December at the Hellenic Club.

Put this date in your diary now! Full details on page 13.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## Upcoming Rides with other Clubs.

Members may be interested in participating in some of the events being run by our fellow bike riders in NSW and SA. The BMW Touring Club of NSW have a detailed web site with a very helpful and easy to use set of links to the various activities. The NSW calendar highlights their rallies and ride activity along with other club functions.

http://www.bmwtcnsw.org/calendar.html

## Sat 19th September

Far Cairn Rally- Raising money for MARI. Held at Tottenham Race course. More information to follow.

## Sat 3rd - Mon 5th Oct

BMW owners club of South Australia is holding their Das Hohlentreffen (The Caves Meeting) being held on the 3rd, 4th, 5th of October 2009, in the southeast of South Australia.

Brian Kowalik 0407976 568 or home 08 8263 2663

Don't forget our regular Sunday breakfasts in Bungendore is now at Bardy's on Ellendon Street

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Other regular "get togethers": Chomp & Chat on 1st Wednesday of the month & General Meeting on 4th Monday of the Month

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## Mark Edwards

## **UPCOMING RIDES & RIDE REPORTS**

## Hi,

**Ride Coordinator's Report** 

Well the weather is getting warmer, so ideal conditions to be out on the bike. The next weekend ride is down to Mallacoota. The run down to Nimmitabel via Cooma is not the most exciting, but the roads after that are great. Hope to see you on it, even if you can only join us until lunch in Bombala.

Cheers,

Mark

## Upcoming overnight rides

August 22/23: Mallacoota. Leave Williamsdale at 0830.

First stop will be the bakery in Nimmitabel. Then Bemboka, Candelo, Wyndham and on to Bombala for lunch. After that, the Imlay and into Mallacoota.

If you can't make it for the entire weekend, joining us until lunch and returning from there would make a good day ride.

## September 26/27: Condobolin.

The country side around there is great at this time of the year, and there are some nice roads that follow the Lachlan River.

## **Gulgong Weekend Ride**

## By Greg Barber

I have fond memories of Gulgong as a riding destination. Whilst I have been there several times in the past 10 years, most of the memories stem from my initial visit in 2000 when a group of around 15 of us stopped there on the way to Byron Bay for the BMW Safari.

The start of that trip coined a term that has been used frequently by certain senior members (ie in possession of grey beards) on club riders when riders are late turning up at designated starting points. On this particular day when it was past the appointed hour and the group was tired of waiting for the late rider, the words "F&\*k him, he knows where we're going" rang out and the group left the tardy rider to his own devices. As the rider in question did indeed know where we were going he caught up with the main group a few hours later however the term has been used many times since. Not always directed at the same rider. The same rider was however left behind again a couple of days later when his bike suffered a mechanical failure causing him to pull to the side of the road as we left Dorrigo. His waves for help were misinterpreted by the other riders in the group, who waved back and continued riding. Some concerns for his whereabouts were voiced, but this did not occur until some 2 hours later during the coffee break at Grafton.

Back to that first evening in Gulgong. Not wanting to be too adventurous early on in our trip we decided against exploring the night life in Gulgong and chose to take our evening meal in the pub we were staying at – the Commercial Hotel. The meal was as enormous as it was delicious. Our plans for an early night were scuppered when one of our group discovered that the hotel was selling rather fine reds for about half the price that would normally be required to purchase the same from any Canberra bottle shop. Opportunities like this do not arise every day. A late night was had by all. It sort of set the scene for the rest of that Safari trip, which included the infamous visit to Nimbin and the purchase and later consumption of some cookies made from local produce.

But enough of my reminiscing about the good old days.

For the recent club ride to Gulgong I had a couple of options if I wanted to join a group ride. The club group was leaving at 8.00am or there was a Jim Reid led group leaving at 9.00am. Leaving my options open, I didn't commit to either group, thereby avoiding the need for anyone to utter the famous line mentioned above.

With the "trouble and strife" and the "tin lids" ensconced at the in-laws for the weekend I was free to take either option depending on how I felt on Saturday morning.

After packing and fuelling up on Saturday morning I was ready to depart at 8.15am. I was 15 minutes late for one group and 45 minutes early for the other. I could probably have caught the club group in time to stop at Boorowa, however I wasn't keen on a latte stop after just 100kms. Not wanting to wait around for Mr Reid's troupe I decided to the head off with my own group (me, myself and I) with a view to finding some gravel roads along the way before meeting up with both the other groups at Bathurst.

From Gungahlin I headed straight to Gundaroo via Mulligan's Flat Road (formerly Gundaroo Road) making use of this gravel short cut before it is destroyed by tar surfacing, and then to Gunning, Crookwell, Laggan and then north via Golspie to the Oberon road.

Once on the Oberon road the weather closed in, with low cloud and rain keeping me company through to Black Springs. I had covered about 215kms and only

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found about 15kms of gravel road. Whilst our attention has been focused on post 9/11 terrorism and more recently the global financial crisis, stealth road workers have been waging a war on gravel roads around Australia with impunity. A few years ago one would have covered around 70kms of gravel over the same route. Unfortunately it seems like this sad situation will only continue.

From Black Springs I headed towards Rockley before turning into Dog Rocks State Forest. At last some gravel and a great ride through the recently logged forest and then past Ben Chifley dam and into Bathurst. After a quick lap of Mount Panorama I joined Jimbo, Peter, Bruce, Macca and Dave at the bakery. I was almost going to say Bernard's Bakery but there have been some changes in the bakery business in Bathurst. Bernard's has been a well-known bakery for many years and has operated out of a lovely old 2 storey building on George Street. The building and the bakery within was a landmark and locals and visitors alike would flock to enjoy the wares. Not so long ago the bakery changed hands, and recently the new owners in their wisdom decided to move to new upgraded but much smaller premises a few doors along.

Shortly after, some enterprising soul recognised the opportunity presented by the vacant iconic building and they quickly refurbished the building and opened a business there. And what do you think that business would be? A bakery of course! Beck's Bakery. So where do all the visitors/travellers and locals stop for their pie, sausage roll and apple turnover? At the iconic 2 storey building like they always did. Many may just think the old bakery has had a name change. It is a good move by the people who run Beck's and perhaps not such a good one by Bernard's.

With lunch finished my group of three (me, myself and I) headed off in search of a gravel route from Bathurst to Gulgong. This time I was fairly certain of finding it.



From the bakery I headed east to Kelso, turning off

towards Limekilns and then towards Upper Turon near Sofala. Once at the Turon River I crossed over via a concrete causeway and turned right and made my way to Capertee. The road was now a private road or semi public (the roads run through private land with no fences to distinguish between road side and the farm). Sometimes the road was right next to the river and other times it followed the ridge providing views of the surrounding countryside, all the time winding through private farming land.

Riding through farming land is always interesting for me as I grew up on a farm and enjoy reminiscing about my childhood as I ride past shearing sheds and old machinery, and sometimes waving to a farmer moving some sheep about this property. However riding through private property has its downside and that downside is farm gates. I must have encountered about 10 of them during this ride. In a larger group it is not such a problem as you will usually only have to open one gate stand aside whilst the group rides through and then you ride through the other gates as group members take turns opening them. With this small group of three (me, myself and I) the gate opening duties rotated pretty quickly. I seemed to be opening all the gates!!! Note: Always leave farm gates as you find them when riding on public roads through private land. If you wrongly leave a gate open you might end up with farmer Brown's stud heifers getting too friendly with farmer White's bitza bull. Or if you close a gate that was meant to be open you might lock some stock away from their water. The end result is that farmers lock their gates, and the general public don't get to enjoy these roads anymore.



After opening (and closing) more than my fair share of gates I eventually reached the highway at Capertee and then stuck to the blacktop through to Gulgong.

The evening at Gulgong proved to be reasonably entertaining. The early evening saw a group of us drinking in the Commercial Hotel discussing dinner arrangements. Neil, Rob and Chris had it on good authority that the club would be dining at the "Imperial Hotel" as there was

## **RIDE REPORT CONT'D**

a room out the back where we could all eat.

However they had been unable to locate a hotel by that name in Gulgong, and some local's had assured them that no pub in town had that name. Messer's Reid, Stanfield and Campigli were certain that dinner was being held at the pub opposite the Ten Dollar Hotel, just one block away from where we were at the Commercial Hotel. They couldn't remember the name of the pub but "We ate in a room out the back last time we were here"

At an appropriate time we made our way to the pub opposite the Ten Dollar Hotel. It turned out to be called the Centennial Hotel not the Imperial. Once inside we found Adam, Grant and Brett, and there was a bistro out the back where we could eat. We felt we had the right place.

Not long afterwards about 15 club members who were staying at the caravan park wandered up the street opposite the Centennial Hotel. We waved them in but they continued up the street – "we're going to the Commercial Hotel. They have a room out the back where we can all eat". This was starting to sound like a bad comedy routine.

We decided against returning to the Commercial and adjourned to the closest back room. The food at the bistro was good basic country pub tucker, not gourmet but plenty of meat. Myself, and Messer's Stanfield and Campigli chose the mixed grill. The mixed grills were notable in that they were each different (not the definition of mixed we were expecting), which didn't impress Peter as he missed out on a fried egg – a mixed grill staple in his opinion. After bringing this fact to the attention of the waitress he was soon supplied with the said fried egg. No doubt replete with the cook's saliva.

And now it is time for another tale from the good old days. On a club ride to Lockhart several years ago an overwhelmed country pub cook was confronted with about 20 of us for dinner. She stoically stuck to her task and cooked the meals, one at a time over the next two hours. The cook at the back room we were in was far more skilled and managed to cook the meals two at a time – at least initially, until her stamina dropped and she resorted to cooking the last three meals one at a time. This delay in the meals didn't particularly worry me too much, mainly because I still remember Lockhart, so I always make sure I order first.

With meals out of the way several of us returned to the Commercial to check out their back room. We found it full of club members. After some impromptu speeches from Jack Foley and Jim Reid, several members decided to return to the Centennial to sample their port. But for me it was time for bed and I retired to my \$25.00 a night room (with breakfast), with the clunk and whir of the pub generator to keep me company all night.

The next morning Jimbo, Bruce and Peter were going home via Wellington, but I was heading to Rylstone to catch up with an old work colleague from the days when I worked as a nightclub bouncer. It had been about 18 years since I had last seen him. Time just seems to get away doesn't it!

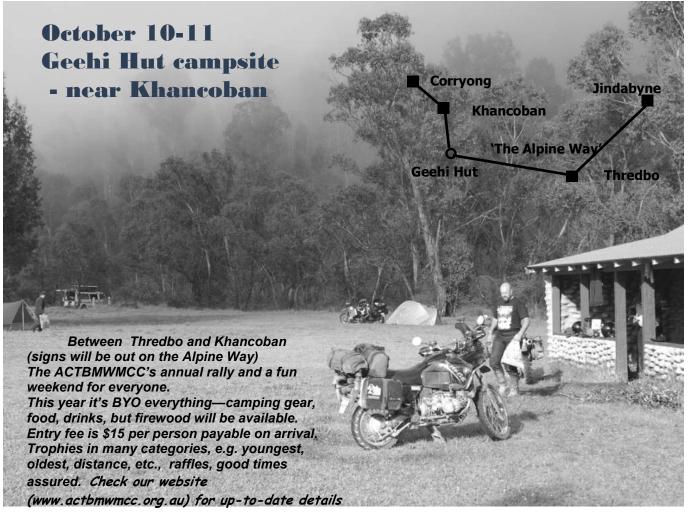
From Rylstone I headed to Bathurst through Kandos and then onto the glorious Sofala road. It is really is a beauty, with some great corners, as it winds its way through the valleys and ridges back to Bathurst.



From Bathurst I took the Perthville Road and continued on to Trunkey Creek, past Abercrombie Caves and then Tuena to Crookwell. This road is also a pleasure to ride, with plenty of sweeping corners, minimal traffic and a variety of roadside scenery, with forest, farms, old houses and small towns. Like the Oberon road this one has been subject to "improvement" in recent years and there are only a few short stretches of gravel remaining totalling about 15kms (a 1.5km & 1.1km section before the Abercrombie River and then a 5.5km, 3.3km and 3.5km along the ridges after you climb out of the valley). The gravel is in very good condition and unless there has been wet weather it would make a good alternative route from Bathurst to Canberra for any rider. At about 250kms it is shorter than the other options through Oberon/Goulburn (about 290kms) and Cowra/Boorowa (about 295kms)

After a brief stop at Crookwell for a light lunch (a large \$5.00 hamburger and a couple of battered savs – so much for the diet!!) I headed for home through a few misty showers, and arrived home a very happy rider after covering 988kms for the weekend over some great roads.

## **UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS**



## GERMAN AUTOFEST

Our 2009 Club Concours is also to be held on 20 September in conjunction with the German Autofest at National Library Lawns (on the lake frontage next to the National Library). The area is known as the Patrick White lawns. Judging starts at 11.00am so you've enough time to give your pride and joy a final dust, wash and polish.

#### Categories are:

1	Best Sports	(Includes K series, R series & Possibly F Series)
2	Best Tourer	(Includes K series & R series)
3	Best Roadster	(Includes R series & K series)
4	Best Cruiser	(R series)
5	Best GS	(Includes R series)
6	Best F	(F 650 & 800 series)
7	Rat Bike	(self explanatory)
8	Best Oldie	(self explanatory)
9	Judges Choice	(self explanatory)
	You can enter in any two categories but can only win in one.	

As always, totally impartial judging! And a chance to show off in front of those other German marque owners.

Breakfast beforehand in Manuka in from 8.30am.

## CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR TROPHY

As some of the club members will be well aware that the perpetual Club Person of the Year Trophy has been replaced. The old one is getting a little fragile and space for more inscriptions was getting tight. The old one is now being kept in the club display case at Rolfe Classic BMW.

The perpetual Club Person of the Year trophy is awarded to a club member at the annual general meeting in March. This member is decided by a vote of the committee who has done exceptional work for the club out side normal duties of a club member. The winner gets to keep the perpetual trophy for most of the year and then is returned to the club display case at Rolfe Classic BMW.

The new trophy was designed on the basis that of the old one by using a bike made in the same year that the club was formed. That year was 1981. The bike used on both the old and new trophy is a 1981 R100 RT. The bike used on the new trophy was donated by Rolfe Classic BMW and the base and surround was designed by lan Hahn and manufactured by two local firms.

Last year's winner was Graeme Moffatt whose name appears on a plaque on the base of the trophy. Unfortunately, due to health issues, Graeme was unable to attend the Annual General Meeting, however, he was able to attend the last general meeting held at Rolfe Classic, at which our previous club president, Martin Little, presented him with the trophy. Graeme accepted the trophy and gave a short speech in appreciation of the award. Graeme was awarded the trophy for the work he did in organising the Ride days, one with Stay Upright, the cornering and braking course held at Wakefield Park, and the Advanced Rider Training at Sutton Rider Training Centre at Queanbeyan.

Graeme also receives another small plaque to keep to remind him of this work he did for the club.

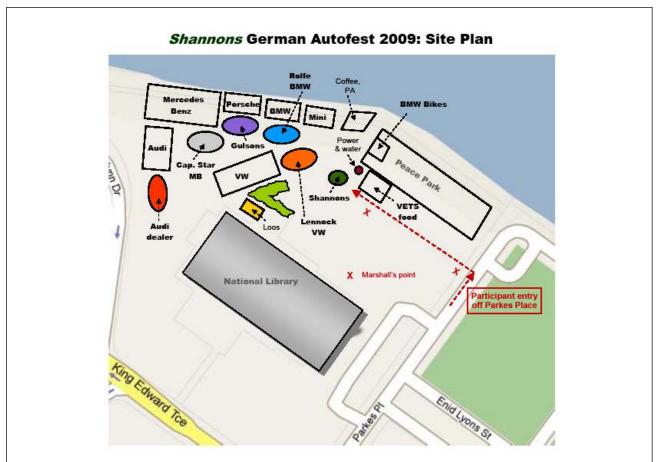




## MORE CHRISTMAS IN JULY PHOTOGRAPHS







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## **CLUB NEWS**



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## NEW CLUB LOGO

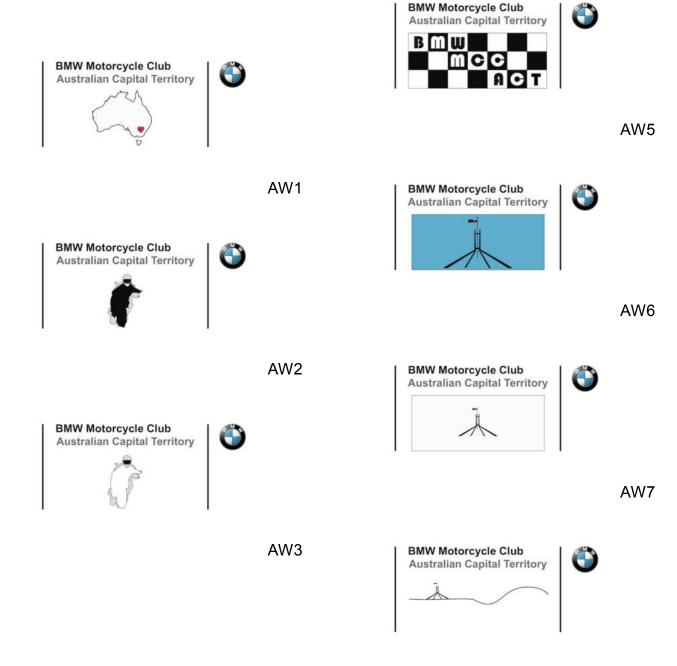
## CLUB LOGO COMPETITION FINAL ENTRIES

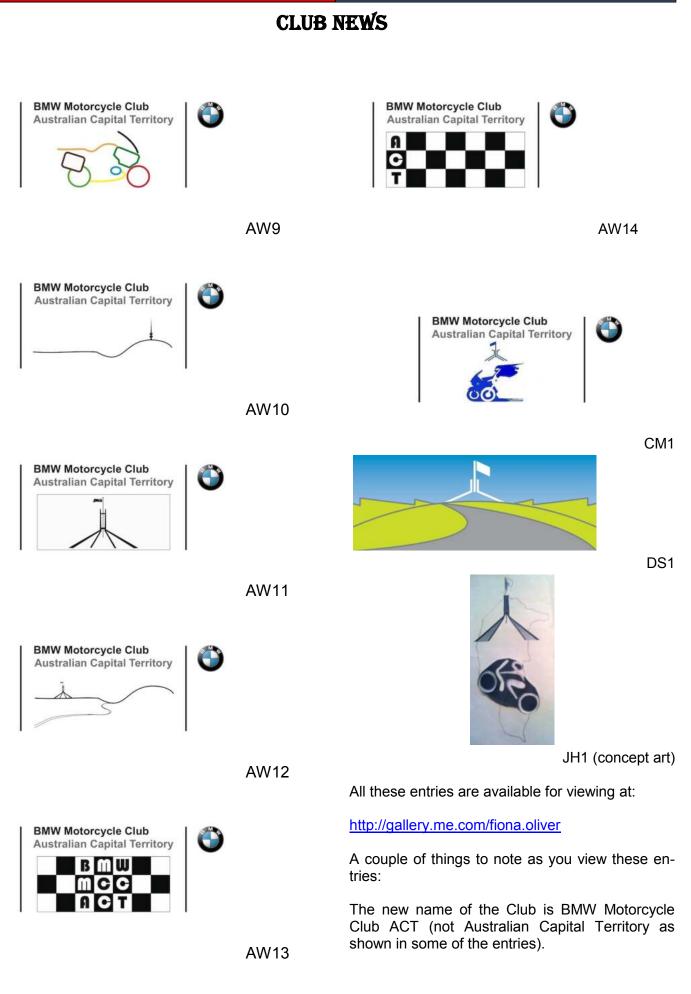
Entries in the Club Logo Competition will close on 24 August 2009, the date for our August General Meeting. Here are the entries that have been received from Alan Walsh, Chris Mullins, David Shean and Jeanette Hahn.





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## CLUB NEWS

What we are selecting is the graphic image in the rectangular space underneath the name of the Club.

Several of the entries have a white background behind the image. This white background will need to be replaced with a solid colour in order for the design to be approved.

There will be an opportunity to vote in person at the August General Meeting or by participating in the online survey. You will only be able to vote once in the online survey but you have the option of choosing your three favourite designs.

The final decision will be made by the Committee after reviewing the votes at the August General Meeting plus the results from the online survey.

Please copy this link into your browser and you will be taken to the Survey Monkey Site where the survey is being hosted.

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx? sm=leAAtI0bBULXwfuWIkWJpg\_3d\_3d

The Survey will be accepting votes for two weeks after the August General Meeting and then it will close. The results will be publicised in the October Club Magazine.

If you are unable to vote online or attend the August General Meeting then please post your three favourite choices to me care of the Club's Post Office Box address. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Fiona Oliver, Public Officer Publicofficer1@actbmwmcc.org.au

## SOME PHOTOGRAPHS FROM BOB COLEMAN'S BORDER RIDE



At the South Australian=West Australian border



Whales at the head of the Bight



Bourkey coming off the Spencer Gulf Ferry



Oysters and Chardonnay at Ceduna

## CLUB NEWS

## NEW RULES FOR TJ'S COMPETITION

In order to encourage more members to participate in the TJ's competition, it has been decided to change the criteria. There will be two competitions as below.

- 1. Highest kilometres travelled irrespective of the number of bikes used.
- 2. Closest to average kilometres travelled. Example

Rider One rides 2 bikes. He submits the kilometres on the 2 bikes and they count as one entry as he has done the kilometres. One has done 12,000 km and the other 9,000 km. So Rider One has done a total of 21,000 km but he has only one entry

Rider Two also has 2 bikes. 1 does 500 km and the other 18,000 km. - a total of 18,500 km. Rider Three has 3 bikes which the total kilometres add up to 34,000 km. This results in a total of 73,500 km which is divided by 3 entrants results and gives an average of 24,500 km.

So Rider One with 21,000 km is the closest and wins the prize.

It is accepted that not every member undertakes or wants to undertake extended bike journeys but nevertheless in the course of the year covers a high mileage in normal or less lengthy trips.

## FOR THIS YEAR ONLY

From 1st JUNE members who wish to enter the competition should submit the following:

Name, motorcycle, registration number and odometer reading as at 1st June to either: librarian1@actbmwmcc.org.au or editor1@actbmwmcc.org.au

(if you have more than one motorcycle, then the details and odometer reading for each bike should be submitted. These totals will be added together to make one entry.)

On 1st November you should submit the odometer readings\* for all bikes nominated.

\* This figure will be used as the starting point for the following year. (Reminders will given in the Newsletter).

### NB:

For members wishing to participate in the competition and do not have access to a computer, their details can be given by 'phone up to 8.30pm any evening on (02) 4884 4333.

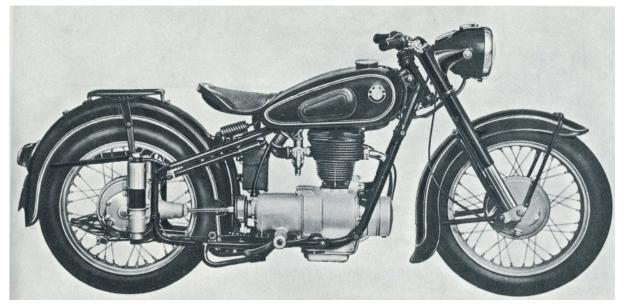
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# IAN HAHN Data Sheet 35

## BIKES

## BMW R 25/3



Model	R 25/3
Production dates	1953 to 1955
Engine designation	252/1
Engine type	Vertical single cylinder, overhead valve, air cooled
Capacity	245 ccm.
Compression ratio	7.0 : 1
Power output	13 kW at 5800 rpm (1hp =0.745kW)
Ignition	Battery / coil
Lighting	60 watt 6 volt
Number of gears	4
Weight	150 kG
Fuel capacity	12 litres
Fuel consumption	2.9 litres / 100 kM solo. 3.8 litres / 100 kM sidecar
Top speed	119 kM / Hr solo. 88 kM / Hr sidecar
Engine numbers	284001-331705
Number built	47704

## Notes.

There were several changes to the chassis, springing and damping. The frame was lengthened and the spring travel was also lengthened in both the front and rear suspension units. There was a new design to the front forks with hydraulic shock absorbers.

There was an interesting improvement to the power output of the motor. It was a tuned inlet tract. This was used by BMW to increase power in their radial aircraft engines. Its purpose was to smooth out the inlet pulses of the air flow to make a much steady flow. It consisted of a tube starting from under the front of the tank on the right hand side back to the inlet of the carburettor. There was a crude air filter fitted to the front end of the pipe which contained a small amount of oiled steel mesh.

Another fact was that the R25 engine is exactly half an R50 boxer twin with the same cylinder and head, valve gear and so on.

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## **CLUB STUFF**

## **Minutes of July General Meeting**

## 26<sup>th</sup> July 2009 Held at: Rolfe Classic Motors

Meeting opened 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Forty-eight names were recorded in the attendance book APOLOGIES: Eight members recorded in the attendance book

Minutes of Previous Meeting Approved: Moved Peter Oliver Seconded Jim Reid

## REPORTS

## President (Mark Edwards)

• Mark Chaired the meeting as Bob Coleman (President) was on the Border Run and Leena Ward VP is in Finland..

• Welcome extended to new members and guests. Brian Weir, Karen and Miles Goldfinch. Mark informed members the meeting would be short and the focus of the evening was social and to have a look at the bikes and purchase specials.

## <u>Treasurer</u>

Have paid the bills up to date and we have a balance of \$9124.47 in all accounts. A motion to enable the change of name for banking purposes was put to the meeting.

<u>Motion</u>

That the meeting approve the name change of the club

FROM: ACT BMW Motorcycle Club incorporated

TO: BMW Motorcycle Club ACT

Moved Fiona Oliver, Seconded Sue Ball-Guymer Passed on voices with no dissenting voice

## Social Secretary

Vote of thanks was moved by Sue to thank Jeannette Hahn for looking after social events in Sue's absence. All coming events have been have been published in the newsletter and circulated by email.

## Public Officer

• Fiona made a presentation of entries received for the new club logo. This was done on a DVD. Members are encouraged to get their ideas in. A vote will be held in August. Members will be able to vote on line or in person.

• The name change will be registered with the ATO for the ABN.

Community Blood Challenge. The club came sec-

ond with a small number of members being regular donors. Members were encouraged to donate.

## Clubs Australia Delegate

Club Person of the Year 2008 Martin spoke about Graeme Moffatt's contribution to Rider Training and the work he put into this important function of the club. Martin then presented the perpetual trophy to Graeme along with the plaque recognising his efforts. The meeting extended a vote of thanks by acclamation.

Graeme thanked members and shared with us that he had gained great personal pleasure from his membership. Along with recommending rider training he gave us a few words of advice. *"keep on keeping on"* 

### General Business

Mal Elliott spoke about the Stay Upright course at Oran Park and encouraged members to have a go.

### Rolfe Classic Motors Presentation

On behalf of members Mark thanked Rolfe Classic Motors for hosting the BBQ from 6.00pm. The members appreciated the quality of the food and the evening's activities. Ron Andrews was invited to speak to the meeting.

Ron introduced Bill Irvine as a new staff member and then made a short presentation about the success of BMW on the track and showed a DVD of the S1000RR. Ron invited all members to view the bike on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August. The response to the invitation was extremely strong with Martin Little jumping in first wanting a test ride. Ron informed Martin the invitation was to view not ride.

Ron then further explained the products on show and the special prices on jackets, gloves etc that were available to members.

## <u>Note</u>

During the evening the staff of Rolfe Motors were attentive to the members and assisted with information throughout the whole event.

Meeting closed 8.10pm. However the showroom remained open for quite some time. Next Meeting Monday 23 August Services Club Manuka 7.45pm

## **CLUB STUFF**

## Minutes August Committee Meeting

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2009 – Heritage Café Bungendore

Meeting opened 9.50am

## Present

Bob Coleman, Hugh Davies, Martin Little, Ian Hahn, Mark Edwards, Fiona Oliver, Myles and Lyn Leniston, Graeme Carey, Sue Ball-Guymer,

### <u>Apologies</u>

Mark Nugent, Leena Ward, David Shean

### Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved: Fiona Oliver Seconded: Martin Little

### President

• Thanks to Mark for chairing the last club meeting.

• The Christmas function was discussed and the committee decided that members would be asked to pay \$45.00 for three-course meal. It was also decided that the club would cover things such as: room hire, table decorations, crackers etc. Drinks will be available for purchase by members at the function. There is no upper limit on numbers and the committee would like to see a large attendance. Details of the function will be advertised to members in future newsletters.

• Corporate branding for members. It was decided that when final decisions are made on the logo etc all current club members will be provided with a new club badge and club sticker. The committee recognised the importance of this for all existing members not just new ones. When Final costs are identified Martin will write to BMW and seek their financial contribution to this aspect of the cost of name change.

• During the discussion Graeme raised the issue of making club logo and name cloth badges for members to purchase. This was supported by the committee. When Final costs are identified Martin will write to BMW and seek their financial contribution to this aspect of the cost of name change.

• Mick Owen has agreed with the club to provide two tyres as prizes for the Kosciuszko Rally. The club (via the Rally proceeds) will contribute \$100.00 each towards the prize.

• A motion was passed on the voices that Bob should negotiate with Rolfe re prizes and he be given authority by the committee to make decisions on our behalf. Proposed Hugh, Seconded Fiona. The holding of the July meeting at Rolfe was discussed. The pros and cons of the change of venue and meeting structure were canvassed. On balance the committee saw advantage in the meeting at the dealership and will seek the support of Rolfe Classic to host a meeting in 2010. The committee expressed a preference for a warmer time of year, either spring or summer.

### Secretary

Mail received included Magazine from NSW. Following brief discussion it was agreed to change the day of committee meetings to a Tuesday.

### Social Secretary

Christmas in July 2010 was discussed. Sue was asked to negotiate with Victorian Club re an appropriate venue and advise us of the date and location when this has been completed. The Committee favoured the use of "The Old Priory" Beechworth.

## Alternative Breakfast

Sept: Gooromon Park Oct: Cafe Cat, Yass Nov: Best Western CentreTown Motor Inn, Goulburn

## Chomp 'n' Chat

Sept: Thai Cornar, Manuka Oct: Pork Barrel, Parkes Nov: OStratos Greek Taverna, Braddon

#### Ride Coordinator

Mark will advise members via email and the magazine.

#### Membership Secretary

Ian made a presentation on the Kosciuszko Rally badge, the committee voted for a style that incorporated the year 2009 and 28 to indicate the 28<sup>th</sup> Rally. Costs for manufacture were approved. The committee also approved the cost for the wood which included an additional amount for chopping it up.

#### Clubs Australia Delegate

BMW have agreed to provide prizes for the Kosciuszko Rally.

The Tourin' Safari 2010 is now on the web site.

#### Public Officer

Fiona presented the suggestions for logo and reminded the committee that the detail re name has bee decided and the only outstanding matter is the logo. Members will be asked to Vote at the August meeting or on the Web based Vote that Fiona will coordinate.

Meeting Closed 10.50am

Next Meeting TUESDAY 8<sup>Th</sup> September 7.30pm. Fiona and Peter will host the meeting

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