

BMW Motorcycle Club Canberra Christmas News December 2022



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Canberra



Dear {Contact_First_Name},

As the Club calendar year draws to a close on behalf of the Committee I would like to thank you and other members for your support over the year to the 101 general and specifically 54 Club events with 348 registrants listed on What's On for 2022.

On behalf of your fellow members and friends of the Club, I'd like to thank the Committee for their enthusiasm, support and behind the scenes work that makes your Club function smoothly. It's not hard but necessary work, so why not give some thought to contributing in 2023.

Please join me in welcoming our newest members Greg Williams (F900XR), Bill Szydlik (R1200GS) and Pat McNamara (RnineT Scrambler). Some have already been on their first club ride. Make sure to say hello on your next ride by staying up to date with [What's On](#).

Club Awards & Christmas Lunch

Club members enjoyed each others company and the hospitality of the Hotel Queanbeyan for lunch and presentation of the Club's perpetual awards that came with a personal gift supported by BMW Clubs Australia, BMW Group Australia and Canberra BMW Motorrad.

Club Person of the Year Cam Major not only organised and led rides but participated in many others whilst completing his Masters in Education and working full time.

Chai Sambrani took out the *Upside Down Award* that is given in good humour to the member that leaves their motorcycle in an unconventional manner. 2022 had a number of worthy contenders, however Chai breaking his ankle whilst attending a Club subsidised advanced off-road rider training course clinched it. I'm pleased to report Chai and his R1200GS are back together riding again with no hard feelings.

A raffle was run during the lunch and the main prize won by Jenny Carlin; a \$100 voucher donated by VP Mike Frawley of FSW (Frawley Shoe Warehouse).

Members donating other prizes included Sandra & Stuart Burrows (Sixesses [Olive Oil](#)), Sue & Dave Morgan (2x Multitools), Ride Coordinator Karen Longstaff (ROK Straps) and Jane Smee assorted rally items Garry had lying around.

Congratulations to each of the winners and to all those that purchased next-best tickets take heart that we raised \$301 to be donated to the Royal Doctor Flying Service (RFDS) via the Motorcycle Pudding Log, the collective motorcycle community donation Facebook page.

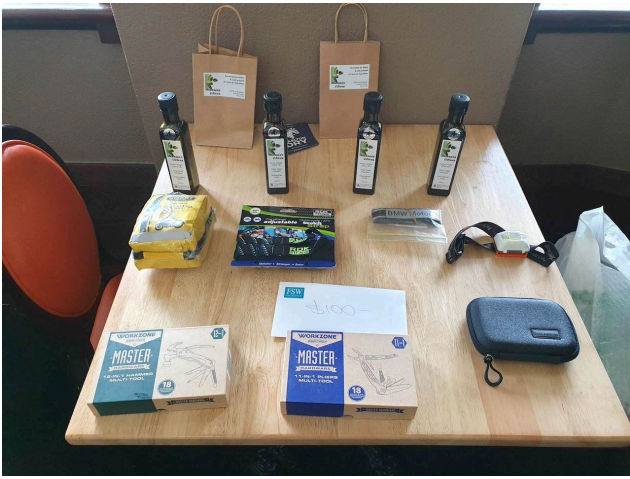
No one plans on using the RFDS but regional Australia and adventure motorcyclists are thankful that they are there if you or someone you know ever does.



2022 Club Person of the Year Cam Major (c) accepting his award from President Garry Smee (l) watched on by 2022 winner Jim Kalma (r).



2022 Upside Down Award winner Chai Sambrani (r) accepts his trophy from Garry Smee. There were no nominees in 2021.



*The raffle raised \$301 for the Motorcycle
Pudding Log that supports the RFDS.*



*The 2022 Club Awards Lunch & Members
Long Table at the Hotel Queanbeyan*

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The Club has moved its domain to www.bmwccc.au so next time you log on take a moment to update your bookmark. The website sits on a host service Wild Apricot / Personify that is strengthening its security protocols including reCaptcha (the I'm not a robot tick box) and introducing 2 Factor authentication in 2023 for administrators.

You have access to your profile whenever you log in and can change your password at any time. The Committee admins cannot see ANY passwords but can reset them by email to YOU. The Club communicates by email and it is only effective if your details are kept up to date.

BMW turns 100 in 2023

BMW celebrates 100 years of motorcycle production in 2023 with the release of the R32 in 1923 and Official BMW Clubs are encouraged to celebrate this historic event.

As part of this BMW Club & Community Management has an online meeting the last Friday of the month, except for December that is this Friday at 2000. You can check it and future sessions out here [BMW Live, BCCM Webcast \(Club Event\)](#).

BMWCCC Member Benefits

The Club doesn't just offer a mix of rides and your committee encourages you to suggest or even lead a ride to your favourite location or suggested event.

Insurance companies typically offer a discount to members of a recognised Club, so ask when next renewing yours. Canberra BMW Motorrad also offers financial members a 10% discount on goods and services - conditional on you telling them that you are a financial member at the outset.

The Club also offers a \$100 advanced rider training and \$50 first aid course subsidy to members in their second year. Only new? Then you can pay your second year membership in advance. Click here for details [Member Rider & First Aid Training](#).

Holiday Rides

The Club continues to have rides throughout the holiday period and for those on social media the Club Facebook group provides a forum for a quick post on that short notice ride if you are looking for company. Alternatively send an email to Karen - Rides@bmwccc.au, Cam - Secretary@bmwccc.au or me and we can post your ride to the website and email members. This needs to be a few days ahead of your ride, include brief details and allow us time to post it to the website and email members.

My family and I wish you and your family all the very best for the season and pause to give thanks to those having to work through supporting the community and reflect on those not here to share it with us.

Enjoy your ride

Garry Smee

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