



# The Veteran and Vintage Motor Cycle Club of S.A., Inc.

## 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tour

17 – 23 September 2011

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To All Rally Enthusiasts

The Committee thanks all those riders who have already sent in their entries and booked accommodation; BUT.....

If you haven't made your plans for September – just over three months away – it isn't too late. But it is time to act! Closing dates for entries is the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July and for late entries, 31<sup>st</sup> August, which will incur a \$10 late fee. The 55<sup>th</sup> committee has been working away to bring you a relaxing and enjoyable week of motorcycling and socializing. All you need to do is set aside 17 – 23<sup>rd</sup> September inclusive, book some accommodation, fill in your entry form and prepare your favourite machine! Leave the rest to us: you are guaranteed a good time.

### AN OVERVIEW OF THE 55<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY TOUR:

**Rally Packs:** Will be able to be collected from Bob & Leslie Jones cabin No. 16 from Friday Afternoon to Saturday lunchtime.

**Saturday Afternoon:** A Short run of 43km around the Nuriootpa area, leaving at 1.30pm. We will take in the beautiful scenery of the Barossa Valley. Saturday evening come and enjoy our welcoming BBQ at the Barossa Valley Tourist Park and meet the other rallyists.

**Sunday:** We will ride through Angaston and Keyneton then down the long winding hill with the magnificent views of the Murray River Plains. As we pass, we will wave to Towitta – site of the mysterious 1901 murder – and on to our morning tea stop at Cambrai, then it's off to Mannum, home of the paddle steamer Marion, for lunch at the Rowing Club. We head back through Mt Pleasant and ride through the lovely Eden Valley ( fabulous wines! ) and back to Nuriootpa. 160km

**Monday:** Today we ride to Birdwood, home of the famous Motor Museum, filled with wonderful old cars and motor cycles to drool over! Morning tea will be at the Whispering Wall, where we will uncover the secrets of its amazing ability to transmit sound across its vast length. Lunch will be supplied by the Birdwood School students. 140km Monday night dinner is a pay your own way at The Club in Tanunda.

**Tuesday:** We leave Nuriootpa today to ride through the picturesque towns of Greenock, Kapunda, Marrabel and stop in Saddleworth for homemade bickies made by the ladies of the local bowling club. Then it is off to Burra for a bagged lunch outside the Paxton Cottages. This afternoon will be free to visit the local historic sites of Burra. These include **Redruth Gaol** – where Breaker Morant was filmed in 1979, **Unicorn Brewery Cellars** – beer was brewed here between 1873 – 1902,

**Miners Dugouts** where thousands of miners once squatted, **Monster Mine** site – between 1845 & 1877 this mine produced 50,000 tonnes of copper – **Powder Magazine** – built in 1847 this is the oldest surviving building in Australia, **Police Lockup and Stables** –built in 1847.

**Wednesday:** This morning we ride through grazing land to Hallett where we will have a wonderful morning tea supplied by the local ladies. Then it's off to Terowie, which is now basically a ghost town with only 150 residents still living there. This town is full of old buildings and has history with the break in gauge of the railway line going North and South. General MacArthur arrived on the platform in 1942 and his famous words “I came out of Bataan and I shall return” are etched in this towns history. We leave Terowie and head through the hills and valleys to Jamestown for lunch which is provided by the local school. We have been promised a feast to remember! In the afternoon we ride back to Burra past many wind turbines. 178km



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**Thursday:** A ride to Clare's southern picturesque wine area, morning tea will be supplied by the Bowling Club at Auburn. We then ride a triangle to Saddleworth, Manoora and back to Auburn before heading to Mintaro, a very historic little town with quaint stone buildings. We will be having a bagged lunch here. The afternoon ride to Burra will have us back in time to allow those that didn't see all the sites on Tuesday to fit in a couple more. Tonight we have our Rally Dinner, a 3 course meal in the town hall supplied by the local Golf Club committee. 156km

**Friday:** Today we head down "The Worlds End Highway" to Robertstown for a Brunch, once again a feast is promised so you won't need lunch today. Arriving in Kapunda we have arranged for the museum to be opened for us and this one is well worth the visit. 3 floors of Australian history and there is even a couple of old bikes. We should arrive back in Nurioopta around 3 for car pick up and goodbyes.

#### **ACCOMODATION:**

If you are having trouble finding accommodation in Burra please contact the Burra Visitor Centre on (08) 8892 2154 or (08) 8892 2555 Email: [burravisitorcentre@bigpond.com](mailto:burravisitorcentre@bigpond.com)

There is a lot of accommodation in Burra, please don't give up.

#### **SECURITY:**

The committee has organized a secure lockup for those that wish to leave their cars and trailers in Nurioopta. Your (reasonable, 1 bag per person) baggage will be delivered to your accommodations in Burra and picked up to be returned to Nurioopta.

Remember to bring locks and chains for your bike. Most of you will be staying at Paxton Cottages in Burra, there is a large open square inside the cottage compound where you can leave your machines but you will need to lock them up.

#### **NIGHT MEALS:**

Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday you will be left to try the local pubs and restaurants with your new found friends. Monday will be a pay for yourself night at "The Club" in Tanunda, 7km south of Nurioopta.

Now it is over to you to send in your entries and join us on this week long rally. We look forward to seeing you and your magnificent old bikes.

The Committee 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rally

Carolyn, Phil, Leslie, David, Rob and Leon.