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Presidents report.

Log books and Statuary declarations when up-dated **MUST** be submitted to either **Bob Gill or Phil Jenner** before a general meeting, or by arrangement or POST your log book including membership card, registration papers and statutory declarations to **VVMCCSA at PO box 1006 Elizabeth Vale 5112** including a stamped return envelope. ***NO log books will be endorsed after a general meeting***

Members must be prepared for inspection occurring every 3 years. Your motorcycles is now due for inspection and the logbook will be endorsed accordingly. In the old book there is no provision to records the inspection so the 4th entry will be stamped indicating inspection. If you have any enquiries about this inspection, please make contact with Bob Gill or Phil Jenner.

The VVMCCSA annual Swapmeet Sunday 6th October is approaching quickly. We need volunteers from members to assist in various positions from about 6.30am onwards. They include the sellers gate and Secondhand Goods declaration form, the buyers gates, motorcycle display area etc. Volunteers will receive a **FREE** egg and bacon sandwich and coffee in appreciation for their services. Contact secretary Bill Lorimer.

Brian Forth, President

Members.

I wish to advise members that Lew Job passed away on Wednesday 21st August 2013. Lew was a past member of VVMCCSA participating in nearly all of our rallies at the time and attending meetings with his wife Lorraine (dec.). Older members would remember him very fondly. He was a Life Member of the Velocette Club as well as the Australian Ariel Register (member only). He was successful in trials, riding a Cossack Outfit with mainly current V & V member John Cribb in the chair. When in the V & V Club he mainly rode a Dominator Norton outfit and later a Ariel with a slopey motor fitted to a later model frame registered S/A 1; which was on loan to him. Up to his passing he rode a 1100cc Yamaha virago.

Lew was 80 on May 13th 2013.

Yours sincerely

Bob Frankham Member 80.

OXENBERRY WINERY 25.8.13, ORGANISED BY THE SOUTHERN BOYS.

Name Year Make Solo/Outfit—FTO = first time.

Bob Gill 1913 BSA
Leon Mitchell 1914 Radco
Daryl Rosser 1924 AJS
Dave Holbrook 1925 New Imperial
Rien Gerritsen 1926 Douglas
David Radloff 1927 Sunbeam
Terry Rowe 1929 Raleigh
Rob Smyth 1929 AJS
Bob Mather 1932 Scott
Peter Scott 1934 Scott
Trevor Cooke 1936 Rudge
Dean Govan 1937 Triumph Outfit
Donald Croucher 1941 BSA Visitor
Michael Clarke 1941 BSA Solo F.T.O.
Brian Norton 1942 Harley Davidson
Matthew 1942 BSA
Brian Forth 1947 AJS
David Cant 1947 Indian
Phil Jenner 1947 Indian
Alf Lear 1948 Ariel o/Fit
Martin Schumacher 1948 Ariel O/Fit
Jane Clarke 1949 BSA
Les Carter 1949 BSA
Graeme Bartlett 1951 James
Tony Morisset 1953 BSA
Colin Behn 1953 AJS
Bob Whitehead 1953 BSA
Kym Moreton 1955 Triumph
Nip Kuerschner 1955 Excelsior
John Deacon 1954 Panther

Richard Kretschmer 1956 Norton O/Fit
Steve Cramp 1957 Triumph F.T.O.
Peter Miller 1957 Velocette
Paul Knapp 1957 Triumph
Neil Caust 1958 James
David Jackson 1960 Ariel F.T.O.

Roger O'Loughlin 1973 Honda
Bill Giamos 1973 Moto Guzzi
Bob Jones 1974 Moto-Guzzi
Don Tonkin 1974 Benelli
Bill Lorimer 1979 Honda
Ian Hese 1996 BMW
Bob Frankham 2003 Honda
Ian Baldock Back up trailer



VVMCCSA Committee Meeting 26th August 2013 at Goodwood Community Centre

In Attendance, Brian Forth, Bob Gill, Terry Rowe , Paul Knapp, Daryl Rosser and Bill Lorimer. Apologies Ray Collins, Ian Hese and Les Jolly. Visitors nil.

Minutes of the July meeting were presented as printed in the August Smoke Signal, no discussion. Acceptance moved by Terry Rowe, Seconded Paul Knapp, Carried.

Treasurers report presented by Terry Rowe, some discussion re. possible future use for some of the funds, no motions or resolutions. Acceptance moved Daryl Rosser, Seconded Bob Gill, Carried.

New Members. Richard Frost application was ratified. New applications were received from Adrian Browne and Jim Black.

Correspondence In.

- 1 Account from Smart Print for Printing of Flyers.
- 2 Subs renewal from members.
- 3 Flyer from Birdwood Mill Museum.
- 4 One Members Stat. Dec.
- 5 Account from FHMCSA for renewal of Club membership.

Correspondence Out.

- 1 Club Database update to the FHMCSA.
- 2 13 more Swapmeet Letters and Flyers.

Emails In and Out.

- 1 Advised by Graeme Ruby that he has transferred his historic rego to Vincent Owners Club.
- 2 From Harry Belcher from HMVC with flyer for Strathalbyn Swapmeet.
- 3 From Travis Baber advising of his service to provide patches and badges at competitive prices.
- 4 From Aust. Motoring Enthusiasts Party.

Publications Received.

- 1 The Antique Motor Cycle. 2 Bore and Stroke from AJS/Matchless Enthusiast Group.
- 3 MAPS Review from Maitland. Acceptance Moved Terry Rowe, Seconded Bob Gill Carried.

Club Runs Rides and Events.

- 18th August Display at Railway Museum 12 Bikes , 13 members.
25th August Southern Vales Tiddlers Run , Oxenberry Winery Mc Laren Vale (40 Bikes).
15th September Northeast Hills organiser David Holbrook.
29th September Bay to Birdwood Classic.
6th October VVMCCSA Swapmeet at Balhannah.

General Business.

Discussion re whereabouts of various Club assets and how we go about disposing of items surplus to future requirements.

Ongoing discussion re Swapmeet Volunteers.

Resolved that Club First Aid kits be updated by Ian Hese will do it now .

Meeting closed 9pm.



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Minutes of VVMCCSA General Meeting '681' 13th August 2013 held at Payneham RSL clubrooms.

Brian Forth chaired the meeting.

Visitors- Guest speaker Greg Kennedy and his assistants.

Minutes of the July meeting were presented as published in the Smoke Signal. No Discussion Acceptance Moved Neil Caust, Seconded Bob Tilbrook, Carried.

Who are we- Page 10 august Smoke Signal, Ian Baldock is the sidecar passenger.

Treasurer's report presented by Terry Rowe, No discussion, Acceptance moved Malcolm Gray, Seconded Brian Kuerschner Carried.

New Members. Membership issued to Doug Norrie.

Correspondence In.

1 Account from MTA for printing of Smoke Signal.

2 Statement from Westpac Bank.

3 Minutes of June Federation meeting.

4 Letter from All British Day committee outlining next years event, 9th Feb 2014 at Echunga recreation ground. Entry cut off date 15th Nov 2013, no exceptions, Note NO DOGS allowed.

5 Account from SGIC for Business Policy.

6 A copy of Ride Like hell and be Merry for library.

Correspondence Out.

1 100 letters of thanks for distribution to raffle donors.

2 12 letters to various MC clubs publicising the club Swapmeet.

Emails In and Out.

1 Confirmation re bike display at Railway Museum for historic transport weekend.

2 To and from Jason Wright requesting assistance getting dads bikes going.

3 Bay to Birdwood media release.

4 From Stephen Hooper re Moseley Sq display.

5 Update from Goodwood Community Centre re new hiring fees for meeting room.

6 From Karl, stepson of Phil Flatman ex Speedway rider looking for photos and articles relating to Phil's career and Norton motorcycle.

Publications received.

1 The Throttle Lever from Newcastle VMCC. 2 The Bulbhorn from Mildura VVC.

3 Vintage Chatter from VMCCWA. 4 Classic Vibrations from Indian Harley Club WA.

5 Energette from Norton MCCSA. 6 The Vintage Motorcycle from UK.

7 Exhaust Notes from VMCC Victoria.

Acceptance of correspondence moved Peter Grace, seconded David Radloff Carried.

Runs, Rides and Events.

18th August Railway Museum display 10am to 4pm.

25th August Southern Vales Tiddlers Run, start Oxenberry Winery 10 am. \$2 BBQ lunch afterwards.

15th Sept North east hills run from Pelican Plaza, organised by David Holbrook.

6th Oct VVMCCSA motorcycle only Swapmeet Balhannah Oval.

20th Oct. Annual eastern hills run organised by Dan Moriarty.

General Business.

Keith Milich reported for Velo and Vincent clubs.

Brian Kuerschner reported for AJS—Matchless group and also spoke on a re-enactment ride around Australia by two riders on BSA bikes.

Terry Rowe reported that Rex Eckert had passed away.

Guest speaker Greg Kennedy, a member of the Historic Road Racing Club brought in McIntyre Matchless and a G80 Matchless racing bikes that he has built and gave a very interesting & informative talk about the processes of building and development of historic racing machines. The members gave him a well deserved round of applause after Brian Forth thanked him and his assistants.

Meeting Closed.



Greg Johnson & his racing Matchless



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Vintage flying helmet, gloves, carry bag, goggles, all soft leather in good condition; Neville Osborne 82482284 or 0415098949 (July13).

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Wanted.

Pre WW1 photographs of motorcycles and car wanted, can copy and return. Leon Mitchell 8278 5120;
CZ 150/125c parts wanted (or complete bike) Please call or text Michael Scarpantoni if you know any one who might have anything on 0414383018. (July13);

Suzuki GS500 2005-2008, wanted a cheap one for wrecking; Pud Freeman 8255 2886 (July13)

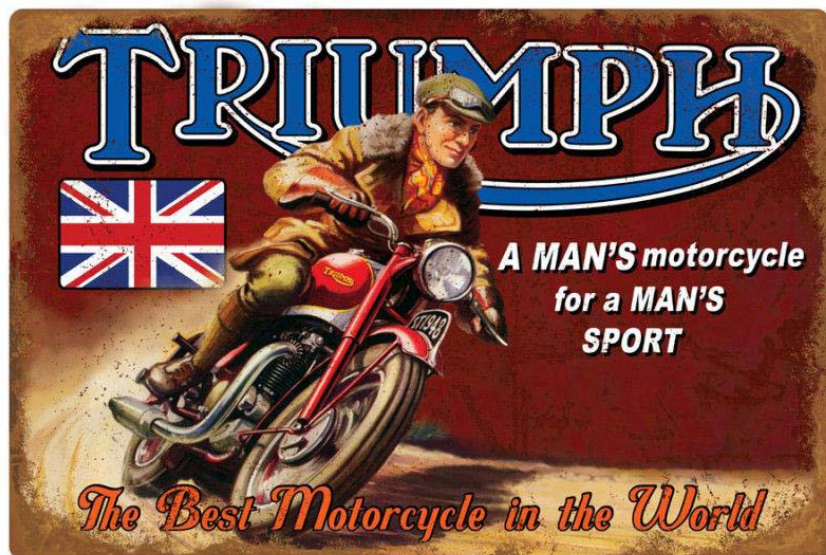
Norton ES2 1951-1953 in any condition; Reg Hancock 85708125; (June13);

AJS model 18 500cc twin seat wanted; Simon Mussared 0422 090701 (June13);

Honda sports cub c110,c111, c114, or c115 parts
bike or parts wanted, any condition; Brian Forth 0409 514213; or graham Sandell on 0404120880 (not a member) (July13)

1954 Excelsior R4 Roadmaster— wanted front mudguard and front wheel axle sleeve nut to suit; Doug Norris 0405207100 or Wk **83487208** (July13)

1935 500cc genuine Rudge gearbox housing. A person in NZ looking for a genuine housing. Contact Brian Kuerschner on 0418854565 or nipper@nipper.net.au



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Club Runs & Events.

All members participating in **Club Runs MUST lodge a Rally Entry Form** with the Club Captain before the event. This ensures that you are covered for Third Party Property and Public Risk from home, on the Run and return to home. This is a Club requirement. Please be sure to fill out your **Historic Registration Logbook** before leaving home and make sure you **carry it every time you go riding**, this is a legal requirement. **Enquiries to Brian Forth on 0409 514 213 (President & Club Captain).**

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September

10th Sept General meeting 683. Payneham RSL clubrooms.

**** 15th Sept** North East area Williamstown - Birdwood areas—David Holbrook organizer.

29th Sept Bay to Birdwood. See web site for the new proposed run.

October.

6th Oct **VVMCCSA motorcycle only swap meet—volunteers urgently required**

8th Oct. General meeting 684, Payneham RSL clubrooms.

**** 20th Oct** Annual eastern hills ride— Dan Moriarty organizer.

November

12th Nov General Meeting 685, Payneham RSL clubrooms.

**** 24th Nov** Scarpantoni ride—Southern Vales—BBQ lunch \$2. Tony Morrisset organizer.

December.

10th Dec, General meeting 686, Payneham RSL clubrooms, Christmas Dinner

15th Dec. Annual Hills ride— organizer to be advised.

January.

14th Jan. General meeting 687, Payneham RSL clubrooms.

19th Jan Breakfast ride to Hahndorf Mill, includes Hahndorf swap meet

Back-up trailer is required every run—please volunteer your services for a run.
Every ride has to be covered, please contact me & nominate a ride.
Reimbursement of \$60 for petrol money is paid.

2013- Invitational Events – (Not club runs, but members are welcome to join them, enquiry with Secretary in the Magazine)

Classic Owners Mid Week runs— members are invited to join the **Classic Owners** on their run on the first Wednesday & third Tuesday of each Month, Hawthorn Cres at Hazelwood Park at 10:00am.

All owners and those interested in Ariels are invited on morning rides held on the 1st Sunday of each month starting from Thorndon Park Reserve car park Hamilton Tce. off Gorge Rd. Paradise. Meet from 9am for 9.30 start. For further info phone Dave 82635562 or John 82623965,

SWAP MEETS - Any new dates or swap meets please advise editor.

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CLARE– 17th	March 2013;	MOUNT BARKER –	March 2013;
NARACOORTE –	5-6TH May 2013;	SEDAN –	17th June 2013.
KAPUNDA-	26th May 2013;	ANGLE PARK –	29th July 2013;
WILLUNGA –	19th August 2013;	GAWLER -	23rd September 2013;
VVMCC MOTORCYCLE ONLY	6th Oct 2013.	STRATHALBYN –	21st Oct 2013;
BENDIGO –	17-18th Nov 2013;	GAWLER Motorcycle expo	- 18 Nov 2013

Historic Registration.

Please ensure you complete your new logbooks before leaving home and that you carry it with you when riding the motorcycle the book is allocated to. Enquiries to Bob Gill 82584982 (north) - Or - Phil Jenner 83706664 (South).



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RALLY REPORT: TIDDLERS' RUN—25th August .

After three weeks of almost constant rain the chance of a good day on the 25th of August seemed fairly remote. However, late in the week the forecast shifted from "showers" to "cloudy" and we once again managed clear skies for one of our southern runs.

We met at Oxenberry Winery in McLaren Vale and after the customary briefing and photo shoot, we set off to Blewitt Springs along the back roads passing the sandy soil vineyards found in that area of McLaren Vale. A loop back to Kangarilla Road followed by a run down the McMurtrie Mile saw us gather in the carpark of the Alma Hotel in Willunga for a regroup. Ian Baldock was kindly driving the back-up vehicle (thanks Ian!) but had been delayed by some machines which needed a little roadside assistance so our stay at Willunga was slightly extended.

We set off again, up through the "tunnel" underneath the freeway and down Colville Road. This was once the premier almond strip in the district and despite our run being in the middle of the almond blossom season only a few small orchards could be found. Vineyards now occupy almost every property. We turned back onto the main road and followed it to Aldinga where the local bakery (having been alerted that we were coming) served great coffee and cakes to the hungry riders. Les Carter enjoyed a seafood pie and while the concept of prawns and calamari in a meat pie turned most of us green he enjoyed it enough to go back for seconds with a pastie!

We travelled back to McLaren Vale along the coast road from Port Willunga and cross country via the minor roads behind the Vale. By the time we reached Oxenberry Jim and Darryl had the barbeque ready and a queue for the sausage sizzle formed very quickly! Thanks to Jim who once again missed out on the ride to cook our lunch. The total run was about 65 kilometres.

It's great to see increasing numbers of small bikes coming out on these runs. I especially liked the two James Comet and the swingarm James. Together with Brian's autocycle and the C10s, C11s, Jane Clarke's amazing D1 Bantam and other lightweights it certainly made for a real "Tiddler Run". Thanks must also go to Leon and others for bringing out the veteran and vintage machines - we are fortunate indeed to see machinery like this on our club runs and I, for one, appreciate the effort that is required to prepare and ride the machines.

Finally, thanks to Michael Scarpantoni once again for the use of his great venue and especially his kind donation of wine at lunch time. I heard more than one favourable comment about the wine - especially that Oxenberry Cabernet Shiraz!

Cheers, Tony Morisset



Top—David Holbrook on 1925 New Imperial

Middle—Leon Mitchell 1914 Radco

Bottom—members outside Oxenberry Wines.



A great day out, one to be remembered.

I'd expect most Club Members would have heard of the song by the 'Eagles' '**Life in the Fast Lane**'. Well, I'd like to convey a brief analysis of my most recent experience of '**Life in the Slow Lane**' on the recent 'Tiddlers Run' on the weekend of 25th August last.

Having obtained the necessary one day permit for the outing on my little Excelsior Autobyk I looked very much forward to joining other Club Members at 9.30 in the car park of the Scarpantoni families Oxenberry Winery. I was very excited when the day's weather forecast was for fine if not coolish riding conditions. My usual mount, the 500 AJS 'Compy' was I expect quite disheartened with being left at home in the garage for my preference for the days outing, more than likely seriously sulking. To convince the AJ it was however a 'Tiddlers Run' took some convincing.

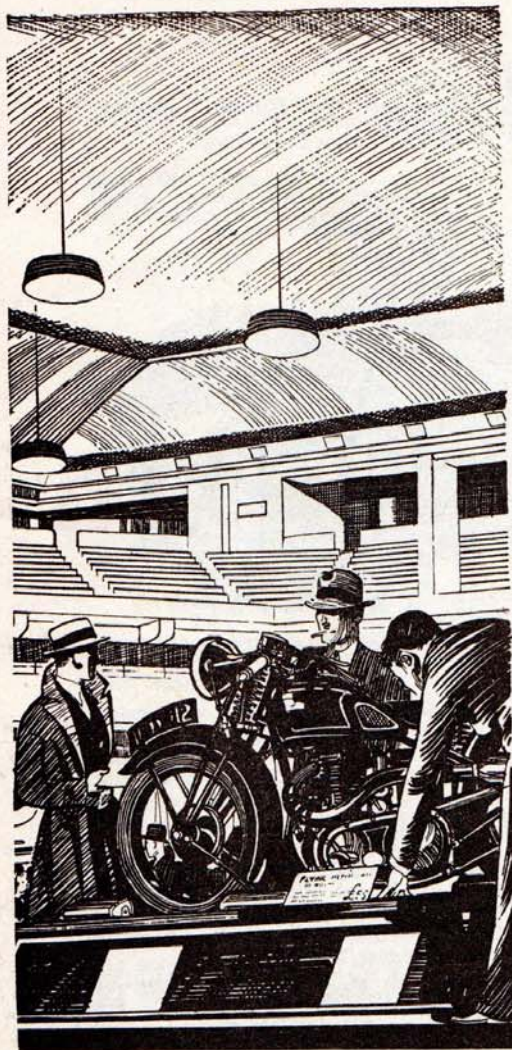
I gave myself a good hour and a half for the journey from Summertown with ample time to spare on my arrival at McLaren Vale to be met by one of our hosts for the day, Tony Morrisset and two others. I amongst several other Members had yet to complete the day's entry form. At roll call it was heartening to see a huge number assembled, Dean Govan later admitted to counting in excess of forty machines parked up for Jimmy's 'Sausage Sizzle' lunch. All manner of machines and owners took advantage of this most popular outing from solid big Vee Twins, early and later models to perhaps my out and out 98cc pedal assist Tiddler.

However, once out on the road our morning run took us back toward McLaren Flat turning left just short in the direction of Blewett Springs. Cruising along I'd imagine at a comfortable average, I'm guessing 30kph well within sight of Leon Mitchell and David Radloff on their veterans. The Excelsior suddenly decided to bring to a halt my enjoyment. Carrying no tools with me, decided to wait for Ian Baldock and the 'Backup Trailer' suspecting a 'whiskered plug'.

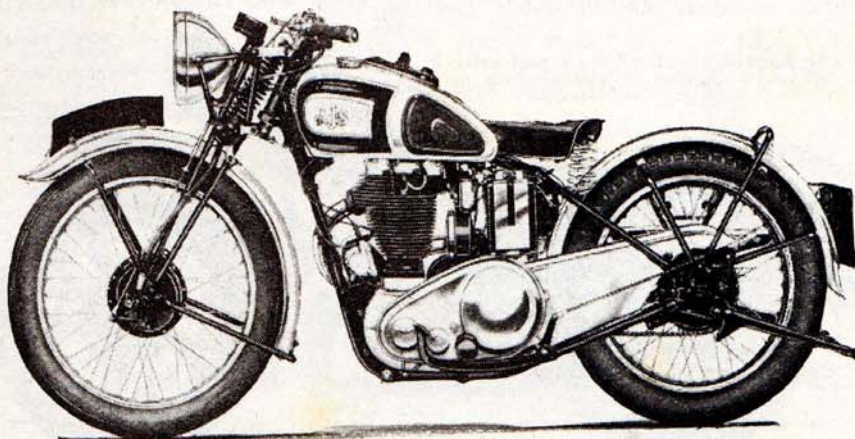
At our first regroup at Willunga, Bob Gill had his tool roll out seeking a loss of spark on his Veteran machine. Finding time to whip my plug out revealed just what I expected, a very fine thread joining the electrode to the tang. Once removed it was no trouble to fire up the 98cc 'Spryte' engine and be on our way to Aldinga where the local Bakery shop was ambushed capably handling the onslaught of hungry patrons.

Heading back to McLaren Vale along the Main South Road for me was quite daunting with the passing traffic buzzing by at the usual 100 clicks and me pedalling like crazy up a couple of steep slopes before turning right in the direction of our lunch break terminating a somewhat enthralling 60km journey. Was I happy with my \$57 one day permit outing, you betcha. Not so sure about any further 'Tiddlers Runs' though. It can be quite scary at 30kph with passing traffic buzzing by at in some cases 100 plus kph. I did however enjoy myself and Jimmy and the crew can be well satisfied and congratulated for their hospitality for this much admired event down south. *Nipper.*





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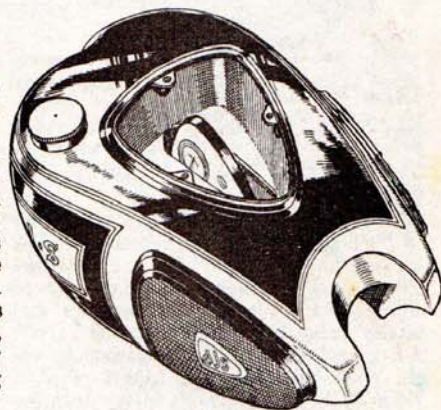
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RIDERS who desire a lively sports machine will find their requirements met in the "Silver Streak" range, which includes models of 250, 350 and 500 c.c. The 350 c.c. model may be taken as typical, and its price is very reasonable having regard to the specification. A feature is the obvious thought which has been given to the choice of gear ratios, the sporting rider's ideal of three fairly close gears with a very low first having been arranged.

Another interesting model is the overhead-camshaft racing replica, the engine of which has been brought into line with the 1938 T.T. models. It has the special foot-change and the new handlebar shape. Also fitted is an 8in. front brake with the T.T. type of drum and anchorage.

Model 39/12.—246 c.c. single-cyl. o.h.v. A.J.S.; dry-sump lubrication; coil ignition; all-chain drive; oil-bath primary chain case; gears, 6.25, 8.74, 11.2, 18.6, with foot control; fuel, 3 gals.; 3.25—19 tyres. Price with lighting, speedometer, horn and licence-holder (solo), £48 9s.

For the everyday rider who, nevertheless, requires a good performance, the 250 c.c. single-port o.h.v. model is particularly attractive. This model has been improved by enclosure of the valve



An ingenious feature of the A.J.S. tank is that it can be removed without the instrument panel wires being disturbed

gear and by several detail alterations that make for greater accessibility.

Model 39/2.—290 c.c. twin-cyl. side-valve A.J.S.; sump lubrication; magneto ignition; all-chain drive; oil-bath primary chain case; gears, 4.72, 5.95, 7.4, 12.6, with foot control; fuel, 4½ gals.; 4.00—19 tyres. Price with lighting, speedometer, horn and licence-holder (solo), £84 3s.

Although the 990 c.c. side-valve twin has not been altered appreciably, certain details have received attention, and the model is even more suitable for use with a heavy sidecar.

In view of the desirability of extending overseas trade, a special "export" specification is available.

All except the cheapest models in the range are provided with pillion footrest lugs to take the A.J.S. rests supplied as an extra. Likewise, there is a new integral speedometer mounting on the top of the forks, while another extra (applicable to all models) is a folding propstand.

Less noticeable improvements are embodied in the silencer fixing attachments, and in the incorporation in the brakes of hardened wearing plates to take the pressure of the expander mechanism. Engine developments have varied according to the type involved, although the complete enclosure of the valve gear is common to all. The 250 c.c. engines have somewhat modified inlet ports in the interests of both slow running and acceleration, while sturdier gear boxes and heavier fork springs are fitted to the 250 c.c. and 350 c.c. models.

National Railway Museum Display, Port Adelaide.

On Sunday 18th August, the VVMCCSA were invited to display 30 motorcycles as part of the Heritage Transport Week' at the National Railway Museum in Lipson Street Port Adelaide. 13 members and 12 motorcycles were on display.

It was a wild and wet weekend. Sunday was no improvement, so I called Paul Knapp and nearby local resident for a weather forecast. Paul just said 'We just has showers, it is clearing you will be OK'. As is turned out several other member made the same call with the same reply. Paul drove to the event with the 1923 Humber on a trailer in the warmth of his car.

I braved the conditions and rode the Harley Davidson, some rode while others came by car and trailed their motorcycles. We were lucky as we were able to park within the main building out of the weather.

Members enjoyed the train display or just sat and talked kept warm. From about 2pm it rained very heavy, by 3pm we decided it was time to leave whilst it was no raining but still cold.

I thank the following for attending, Neil and Toni Caust, Rob Smyth, Neil Hamilton, Bob Gill, Malcolm MacKay, Andrew Brown, Paul Knapp, Brian Norton, Richard Kretschmer and Dean and Audrey Govan.

Regards—Brian Forth



1926 Triumph 'P' model

Most members will remember RVCCC's first motorcycle enthusiast, collector, restorer and rider, Doug Samuels. His enthusiasm was boundless with many a corner of the Radiator filled with articles of a two-wheeled variety.

I met Doug on joining RVCCC in 1999, and quickly discovered his wealth of knowledge in all things motorcycling, and his collection of bikes.

One machine right from the start caught my eye. It was his 500cc 1926 Triumph "P" model with its beautiful silver flat tank and hand gear change.

As the years went by, on each of my visits to his shed, I began to refer to the "P" as "my" Triumph and enquired as to the restoration's progress.

Sadly, Doug never quite got the machine running before his passing, and I often pondered its future.

Sometime later, I was contacted by the family, saying "Dad wanted you to have the "P", so I was able to purchase the machine.

Several years have passed, and now retired, I have found the time (and money!) to work on her and am delighted to have had my first few rides recently. The "P" may be registered in the future, but the main thing is she's finished and going. 87 years young!

Doug would have loved the moment when I fired her up, and I am proud to be the "P"s present custodian.

Kevin Heritage. Member 402.



PELICAN PLAZA - GUMERACHA (REGROUP KERSBROOK)
FUEL + TOILET

APPROX
40 KM

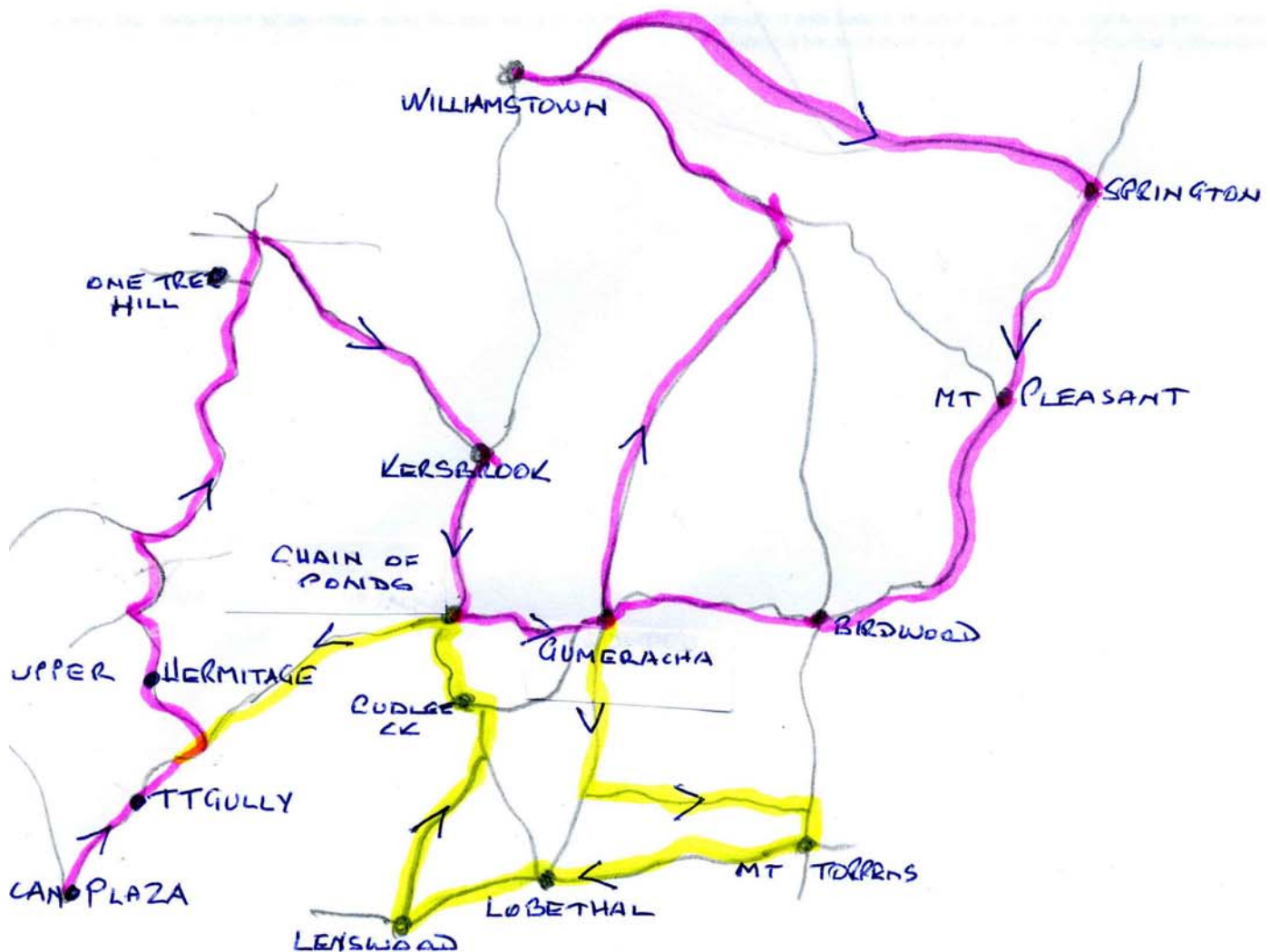
GUMERACHA - GUMERACHA
THIS LOOP SUITABLE
FOR VETS & LITTLES
PICK UP AT RECREATION
PARK.

REGROUP WILLIAMSTOWN
LUNCH STOP BIRDWOOD

60 KMS

RETURN VIA MT TORRENS
LENSWOOD
CUDLEE CK

60 KMS



NORTH EAST CLUB RUN on Sunday 15th September.

Depart Pelican Plaza at 0930. Travel to Gumeracha via Upper Hermitage, Kersbrook and Chain of Ponds.

At Gumeracha meet up with riders on small capacity and trailered machines at the recreation park.

Leave about 1030 for Williamstown, Springton and Mt. Pleasant then back to Gumeracha. This is a fairly flat easy going loop with a regroup in Williamstown and a lunch stop at Mt. Pleasant, approximate 60km loop.

Return to Tea Tree Gully through Mt. Torrens, Lenswood and Cudlee Creek.

Total distance approx. 160kms.

Dave Holbrook



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