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Below—Cliff Dickson motorcycles, Sandback UK



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The Club was formed in 1956, the first of its kind in Australia, with the object of Preserving, Restoring and using Veteran, Vintage and Post Vintage Motorcycles.

Membership is open to all and owning a suitable machine is not a pre-requisite.

Machines manufactured prior to **January 1st 1966** are eligible for Club Events.

The Club has a strong family orientation and features many social activities as well as Runs and technical help.

The Club meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the **Payneham R&SL Club, 360 Payneham Road, Payneham** commencing at 8.00 p.m.

Annual Fees are due by the 30th June each year.

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Presidents report.

Members.

On behalf of the VVMCCSA and it's members we pass on our sincere condolence to the families of the late Ron and Joan Truscott. See page 8 for their story.

As of the 30th day of September 2014, some 38 members have not yet paid the subscriptions of \$35.00. If you are one of those members who has not paid, it is a requirement to be financial if you have a vehicle under historic registration. Please pay as soon as possible to avoid any embarrassment on your part.

VVMCCSA annual motorcycle only swap meet was held Sunday 5th, on behalf of committee, we thank Peter Yates for the preparation, Bill Lorimer for the volunteer planning on the day and finally a big thankyou to all those members who volunteered their service on the day

Brian Forth. President.

Over the years, club member **Bob Tilbrook**, has collected and gathered items to the build a club trailer which never materialized until now. Bob, with assistance built the trailer and would now like to thank the following companies for their Donations -

SA Trailer & Chassis Equipment Co. Pty. Ltd.
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A special thanks goes to Bob sons Mark and John for their help in building the trailer.

Members can use the trailer at any time.

Contact Bob Tilbrook on
8261 8808.



**Colin Behn—Ron Truscott & John Mills
on the swap meet gate – 2008**



Club site with—Toni Caust & Peter Yates

Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 9th December 2014

Members, the VVMCCSA Christmas dinner will be held at the Payneham RSL clubrooms -

Time—6.30pm—Tuesday 9th December 2014

Cost—\$10 per member

\$10 per members partner.

This includes 2 drinks and raffle door prize

Please advise Daryl Rosser if you are attending and if you are bringing a partner. Numbers required for catering numbers.

Daryl Rosser 8326 0658

Email dro91409@gotalk.net.au

Murray Johnson, who son David rode in 2014 Isle of Man TT, will be attending the October meeting to give a talk on his TT experience accompanied with photos of the TT and stories.



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VMCCSA Committee Meeting 29th September 2014 at Goodwood rooms.

In attendance. Brian Forth, Bob Gill, Daryl Rosser, Terry Rowe, Ian Hese, Anni Filsell, Paul Knapp, Bill Lorimer and Colin Behn; Apologies—Ray Collins and Les Jolly.

Minutes of last meeting presented as printed in the Smoke Signal, No discussion Acceptance moved Terry Rowe, Seconded Colin Behn, carried.

Financial report, presented by Terry Rowe, no discussion, acceptance moved Bob Gill Seconded Anni Filsell Carried.

New Members. New application received from John Pressler. Bill Antell ratified and Bruce Colwell and Robert Howson read again.

Correspondence In.

1 Account for printing from MTA.

2 Membership application from John Pressler.

3 3 Subs renewals.

4 Renewal form for Business insurance from Thornton Group.

5 Letter from Westpac re Cheque return.

6 Letter from Birdwood Mill re Club display possibilities during 2015 for their 50th Anniversary.

Correspondence Out- 4 Swapmeet Flyers sent out.

Emails In and Out.

1 Confirmation of Xmas Dinner arrangements from Aussie Ripper Roasts.

2 From Prospect Rotary Club re Men's Health Day and static display of Vintage, Classic and Muscle Cars and Motorcycles at St Helens Park, Prospect Sat. 18th Oct.

3 From Cathy Lux of MRA re Toy Run Sunday 14th Dec.

4 To Murray Johnson re talk to members at the Oct. Meeting.

5 Newsletter from Bay to Birdwood Committee.

6 From and to Holdfast Bay Council confirming date (29th March 2015) for Moseley Sq. Display and Jane Edwards as point of contact.

7 From Maro Bendo requesting Certificate of Public Liability Insurance, reply sent.

8 From Gumeracha Show and Shine 9th Nov. Flyer and Entry Forms.

9 From Jude Hyndman re Red Cross Blood donation service.

10 First edition of Motorsport Park SA newsletter (Tailem Bend).

11 From and to Peter Yates re Swapmeet arrangements.

12 From and To John Cox, editor of Exhaust Notes re article in their magazine.

Publications Received.

1 Vintage Chatter from VMCCWA; 2 The Bulbhorn from Mildura VV Club; 3 The Vintage Motorcycle from UK

Acceptance moved Ian Hese Seconded Daryl Rosser Carried.

Club Captain - Runs Rides and Events.

Report on the North eastern Hills Ride which was obviously enjoyed by all who took part.

5th Oct Swapmeet at Balhannah.

19th Oct Dan Moriarty's Eastern Hills Ride, start at Feathers Hotel.

24th-25th-26th Oct. Down Under Jampot Rally Nuriootpa.

23rd Nov. Scarpantoni Winery Ride Tony Morisset organiser BBQ lunch afterwards.

December ride not finalized yet to be advised.

General Business.

Constitution, a discussion about and how best to print and distribute it, not yet resolved.

Rallying rules, a discussion on issues of marshalling and back up procedures need to be made clearer, also discussed rides on days of very high temperatures. Resolved, that if temperatures are forecast for 35 degree or above on the ride, or a fire warning of **Catastrophic warning**, that ride will be cancelled, and an alternative event could be arranged.

Swapmeet arrangements, Bill Lorimer gave details of duties, & of numbers of members volunteering.

Xmas Dinner will take place at the Payneham RSL on the evening of the 9th Dec. Meeting.

Club Regalia—Anni Filsell reported

& discussed various styles and prices for the reordering of Polo shirts and windcheaters. Moved Daryl Rosser that we place an order for a batch of brass Machine badges, Seconded Colin Behn Carried. Meeting Closed.



Minutes of VVMCCSA General Meeting 695, at Payneham RSL, 9th September 2014.

Brian Forth opened the meeting at 8-00 pm. **Visitors** - Bruce Colwell and Robert Howson

Who are we - Mathew Croucher and father Donald Croucher.

Minutes of the last meeting presented by Bill Lorimer as printed in the Smoke Signal. No discussion
Acceptance moved by Ted Williams, Seconded by Ray Mann, Carried.

Treasurers report presented by Terry Rowe, no discussion, Acceptance moved Brian Kuerschner, Seconded by Bob Mather, Carried.

New Members - New applications received from Bruce Colwell and Robert Howson. Membership presented to John Tilbrook.

Correspondence In.

1 2 Subs renewal

2 Letter from Warren Hicks re Chris Harley and his collection of machines

3 Letter from Sue Arney advising the passing of Len Arney at Moonta Nursing Home on 20th July 2014

4 Invoice from MTA for printing of Smoke Signal

5 Receipt for insurance from SGIC

6 Flyer from The Veteran Car Club of SA.

Publications received.

1 Restore and Ride from Coffs Harbour MRC;

2 MAPS Review from Maitland

3 Vintage Chatter from VMCCWA ;

4 The Radiator from The Riverland CCC

5 The Throttle Lever from Newcastle VMCC ;

6 Newsletter of the Antique MCC of Aust.

7 The Veteran Car in SA .

Emails In and Out.

1 From Caltowie Hotel re accommodation booking, not us, reply sent

2 From and to Stephen Hooper re Moseley Sq. Display

3 Newsletter from Bay to Birdwood Committee

4 NZ BSAOC Newsletter from Ashley Blair

5 From Peter Mount of MRA, advising that he is stepping down as Site Director of the annual MRA Toy Run, Cathy Lux is new director and contact

6 Certificate of currency Insurance from SGIC

7 From Andrew Rowan, member of Historic MCC Qld and Vintage Motocross Club. Wanted details of Jampot Rally, reply sent;

Acceptance moved Pud Freeman, Seconded Peter Grace, Carried.

Club Captain Report - Runs Rides and Events.

21st Sept North Eastern Hills Ride, David Holbrook organiser. Map in Smoke Signal. David outlined the ride to members

5th Oct. Swapmeet at Balhannah Oval 6-30 am start

19th Oct. Eastern Hills Ride. Dan Moriarty organiser

23rd Nov. Scarpantoni Winery Ride Toni Morisset organiser.

General Business.

Dean Govan read the proposed amendments to the Constitution and moved that the amendments be adopted, Seconded Pud Freeman Carried . Dean also moved that the new constitution be printed and that copies be made available to all members . Seconded Philip Holmes Carried.

Keith Milich reported on Vincent and together outlined Velocette Club activities.

Brian Kuerschner gave a detailed outline of the AJS-MATCHLESS Jampot Rally program.

Rob Smyth mentioned that today he started his AJS car restoration project for the first time.

Buy Swap and Sell read to the meeting.

Meeting Closed



Buy, Sell and Swap

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Ensign beaded edge tyres: 24 x 2 1/4'; 26 x 2 1/2' 26 x 3 and 28 x 3; replica Chater-Lea hubs, spokes and rims; Brian Forth 0409 514213;

Deep groove ball bearings. ENGLISH HOFFMANN MS11. (RMS11) (MRJ 1-1/8) (2-13/16" X 1-1/8" X 13/16") **Suit crankshaft from pre-unit swing arm Triumph twin**, and some other makes. \$40 THE PAIR. NEW. Paul Knapp 8243 0130 (oct14)

Bridgestone 165/70 X R13 tubeless radial, brand new. OFFERS. Paul Knapp 82430130 (Oct14)

Workshop 10 ton press, home made, 2'6"wide (800mm). \$50 or an offer, Paul Knapp 82430130 (Oct14)

BSA B31 motor complete & rebuild internals \$650. 82440581 (Sept14)

1965 Honda Dream CA77e 305cc, fully restored, club reg, \$5,500; Greg Paterson 0404934246 (Sept14)

1931 Norton CS1, overhead cam, delivered Dec1930; **1925 OB Douglas 600cc** flat twin in touring trim;

1930-31 Rudge 4 radial valve 350cc in sporting trim; **1926 Coventry Eagle flying eight** with 1000cc JAP racing twincam KTR motor, 95% complete, very desirable, more details @ earlymotor.com;

Leon Mitchell 0422 921 518 (Sept14).

4 Matchless Motorbikes. '53 500 Twin, '54 500 Single, '55 500 Twin, '58 600 Twin. All in original condition (unmolested) and complete. The single is at present dismantled but all parts there. Looking for \$12,000 for the lot. Would prefer to go to one buyer. These are reluctantly being sold by a non Club member who can't work on them anymore due to health reasons. Please contact Ian Hese on 0409083436 for further details. See attached photo.



Triumph T100R Daytona. 1972 Model. In excellent condition. Many improvements, comes with books and manuals. Engine nr T100RJD15682; S/A THY455 \$9000.00 Contact Richard Rake on 82701993. (Oct14)

SPRING CAP OILERS FOR HARLEY DAVIDSON 1915-1923 J & JD part no 0341. also used on 1919-1923 Flat Twin Model W Part no BO902 I am Manufacturing these the same design as original. 5/16 hex with 12-32 UNEF thread. Colin Behn 0407070287 (Oct14)

Honda cx650e 1983, reliable v twin water cooled, shaft drive, S/A TIP394 eng nr rc10e2005847; Terry 85323247 (Oct14)

Wanted.

Pre WW1 photographs of motorcycles and car wanted, can copy and return. Leon Mitchell 8278 5120;

Thompson and Bennett or Dixie magneto wanted, full size and ante-clockwise rotation, have swap material, Peter Allen 83533438 (Sept14)

Triumph 1960-1962 alt chain case (inner & outer) alternator crankcase 1960-62 Triumph 650. John Williams 82664352 (Sept14)

James Villiers 10d, wanted help with it. Tom Schell (Sept14)

1932 BTH "TT magneto" it carries a plate that says "TT Magneto", low centre height platform mount. Leon Mitchell 82785120.

BMW- 70's or later solo 750cc, 900 or 1000cc wanted for touring. Lyndon Rogers 8295 3057, 042812259

Solex carby wanted for Ariel square 4; Lee Longmire 82440581 (Oct14)

80mph Smiths governor speedometer (pre chronometric) 1920-1930s, gearing code "A" painted on face; Leon Mitchell 8278 5120 (Oct14)

Triumph 1960-62 alternator chain cases inner & outer; chronometric speedo 1960-62; Triumph rear mudguard grab-rail for 60-62 duplex Triumph; John Williams 82664352

1952 Twin Norton, wanted an Engine, Rear wheel or hub Front Forks, and need lots of small parts;

Neil Bromilow Ph 08 9844 6275 r.bromilow@westnet.com.au (Oct14)



Swap meet site—is your treasure here?

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).**

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.

2014 events.

**** denotes club point s event****

October.

14th **General meeting 696**, Payneham RSL clubrooms

****19th** **Dan Moriarty annual eastern hills ride.** Starting from Feathers Hotel
27th **Committee meeting**, Goodwood community center 7.30pm

24-25-26th **Down Under Jampot** Rally based at Caravan Park in Nuriootpa– Brian Kuerschner organiser



November.

11th **General meeting 697**, Payneham RSL clubrooms.

****23rd** **Scarpantoni winery run**—Tony Morisset organizer. BBQ afterwards
24th **Committee meeting**, Goodwood community center 7.30pm



December

9th Dec **General meeting 698**, Payneham RSL clubrooms. Christmas dinner.

****21st** **Christmas ride**—no plans yet. This is close to Christmas day, might move it forward to 14th?

January 2015

13th **General meeting 699**, Payneham RSL clubrooms; Committee meeting before General meeting.

****18th** **Breakfast at Hahndorf**—then off to the swap meet. More details later.

2014- Invitational Events –too numerous to mention, see Committee and General meeting minutes for information. (**Not club runs, but members are welcome to join them**)

60th Anniversary rally will be held at Clare using the Clare Caravan Park as the rally centre. The dates are Saturday September 17 to Friday 23, 2016. David Cant, Chairperson.

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.**

The Ariel group invite those interested in the marque to join us on the **1st Sunday** of the month rides—starting 10am Balhannah Oval, contact Dave 82635562 or John 82623965

SWAP MEETS - Any new dates or swap meets please advise editor, check this site - <http://www.bevenyoungh.com.au/car.htm>

HAHNDORF-	19th January 2014	Victor Harbor	2nd February
Lockleys school	2nd February 2014	BALLARAT –	22-23 February 2014
CAMPBELLTOWN –	9th March 2014	CLARE–	16th March 2014
WOODSIDE –	30th March 2014;	NARACOORTE	3-4-5TH May 2014;
SEDAN –	15th June 2014.	KAPUNDA-	25th May 2014;
ANGLE PARK/Dry Creek	27th July 2014;	WILLUNGA –	17th August 2014;
GAWLER -	21st September 2014;	VVMCC MOTORCYCLE ONLY	5th Oct 2014.
STRATHALBYN –	19th Oct 2014;	BENDIGO –	15-16th Nov 2014;
GAWLER Motorcycle expo	- 18 Nov 2014		

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 - Paul Knapp 82430130 - Phil Jenner 83706664

Ronald Crowle Truscott and Dorothy Joan Truscott.

Ron Truscott was born in June 1927 in Adelaide. Ron lived in Norwood until he was in primary school, then moved to Peterborough where he continued his schooling – both primary and secondary, and then in the 2nd year of WW1 when the family moved back to Adelaide to a market garden in Paradise.

Ron started his career in the Tramways trust as an apprentice fitter and turner, he completed the apprenticeship before moving to the Adelaide steamship company working on ships doing on board maintenance. He decided shipboard life was not for him, and by this time Joan was a big part of his life.

They Married in 1960, so he moved to the earth moving business servicing equipment all over the state. This led to Quarrying , starting in maintenance and finishing up in management, he worked all over Australia with a major involvement in the Mount Newman Railway line 67/69 , and winding up in China where wife Joan followed for 5 years. they returned home in 1984 and moved to Tailem Bend to start a Piggery with their youngest daughter.

During the 2nd year of his apprenticeship he bought his 1st bike - a 1928 six port Levis then upgraded to a 1927 16H Norton. He kept the Norton for work and built a collection of Motorbikes : 1949 A7 BSA, 1946 VG Ariel, 1932 600 Panther, 1932 250 BSA, 1942 16h Army Norton (which was stolen outside a picture theatre in Hindley street and never found) and a 1946 3T Triumph and many more bikes followed in the future years including an MSS Velocette, Multiple Rudge specials, 500 & 600 Triumph twins, Norton Singles & Twins and the Model 19 Norton's 600cc OHV.

Ron entered the competition world of motorcycling and loved competing with both sons, and he and Joan joined various motorcycle clubs and thoroughly enjoyed the many bike runs they went on and made many good friends within these clubs.

Motorbikes were a big part of Ron & Joan's Lives, whether it be the many holidays they went on with the bikes, the enjoyment they had with their family going on bike runs, Ron tinkering in his shed building a large number of bikes- a few which he handed down to his sons who ride with their wives and families, and the very happy memories they had with the Vintage & Veterans Motorcycle Club. Ron and Joan did everything together during their lives , and they both passed away peacefully together and will be missed by their families and many friends. Ron and Joan Truscott were long standing member of VVMCCSA.

Steve Truscott and families

Ron Truscott—VVMCCSA Life member and long serving member # 254. Ron joined VVMCCSA many years ago in the early 1960's, he was club President 1974-1976; Vice President 1972-1974; and editor of the Smoke Signal 1965-1967; A 'Norton enthusiast" to the end.



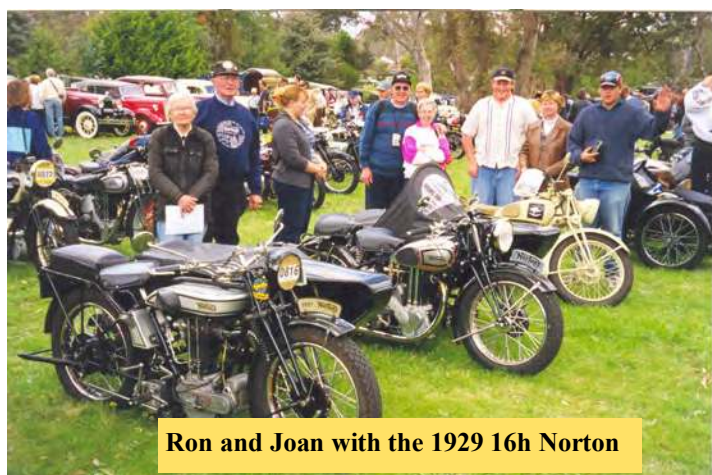
Joan at Sellecks Beach in 1941



Ron and Steve Truscott ready for A the News 24hr trial.



Steve, Sue, Joan and Ron Truscott



Ron and Joan with the 1929 16h Norton

Bay to Birdwood 2014.

Sunday 28th was a bright and sunny day with blustery winds whipping up dust, ripping of small branches from trees which made all types of motoring challenging.

This was the bi-annual Bay to Birdwood day for pre 1956 vehicles. Organisers had a cut off of 1750 entries, but the numbers were down and only 923 registered motorcycles, cars, commercial and military vehicles nominated for the event. The start was the same as previous years, motorcycles on the service road.

A change route up Grand Junction Road and around Anstey Hill made that section very challenging. At times it was very difficult when having to stop and negotiate a way around the many expired or broken down vehicle on the steep climb. The remainder of the route of ok other than the occasional slow vehicle.

When the motorcyclist arrived at the Mill, we were directed to park on the far side of the complex which is the every day public car park next to the concourse vehicles display.

We were not in our usual grassed location which was in the middle of complex where patrons walked thru to the main parking areas.

But we were alienated well away from the other entrants and the entertainment area to the far car park. I wonder if anyone knew motorcycles were a part of the event?

Motorcycle numbers were well down from previous years, but despite this many motorcycles were photographed by enthusiast including Matt Croucher's 'pink' BSA wm20—we had to reassure people it was a right colour?

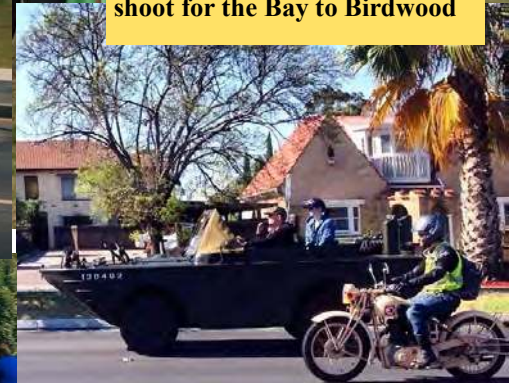
By 1.30pm motorcyclist slowly began to leave to ride home.



The start



Paul Knapp at the pre photo shoot for the Bay to Birdwood



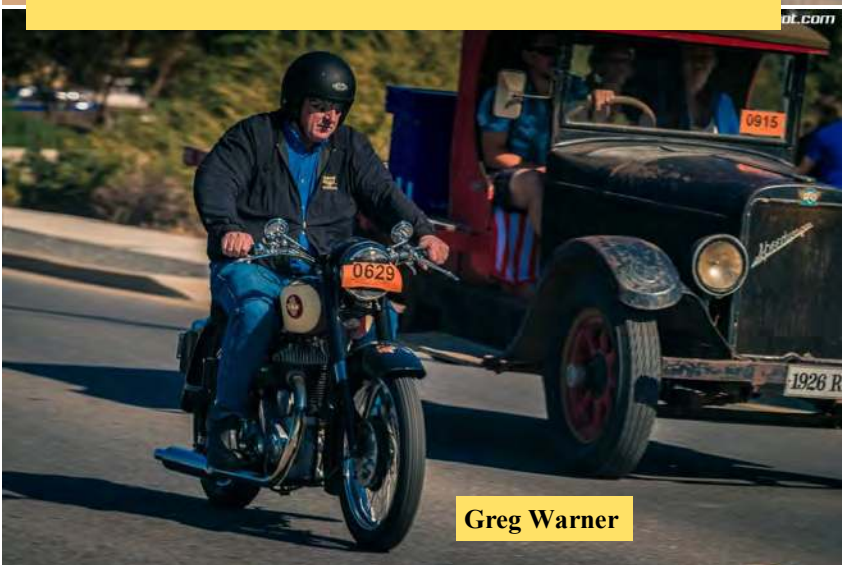
Matt Croucher's BAS wm20—Pinky



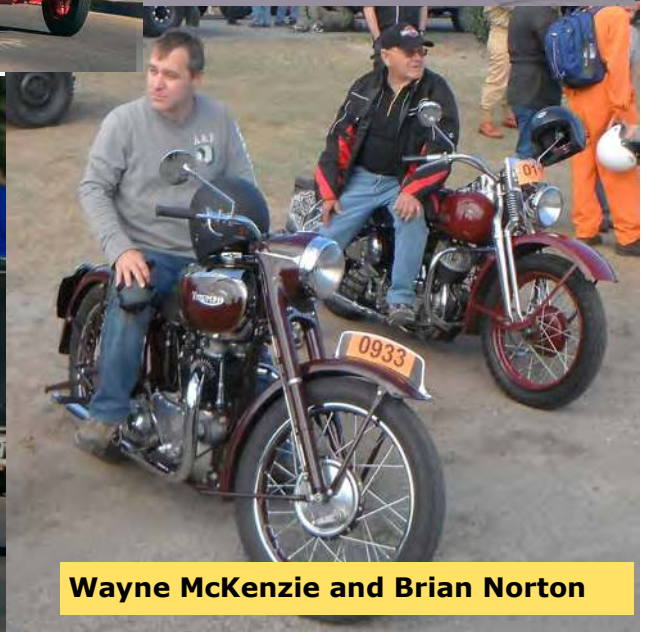
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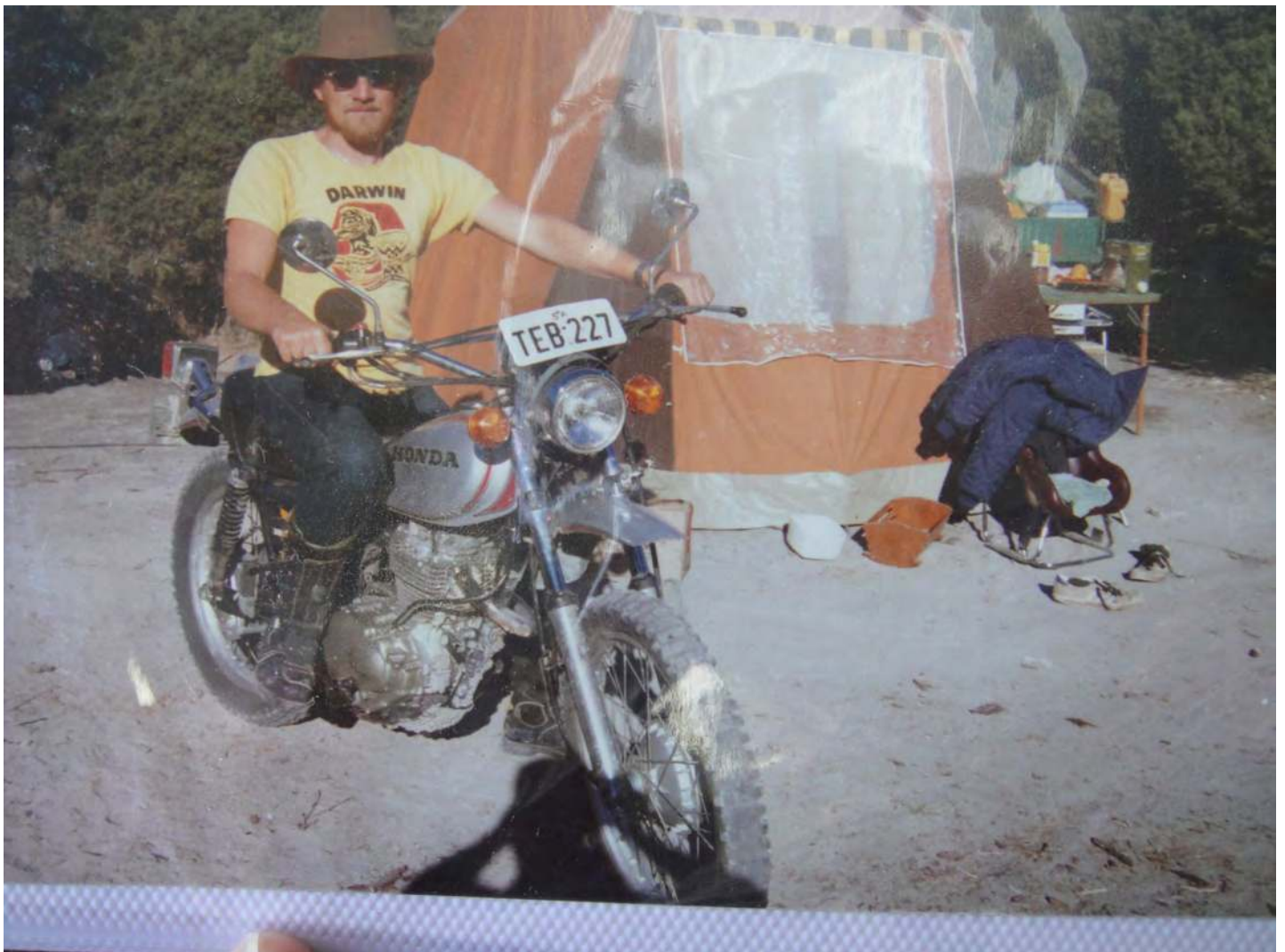
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Who are we?

August magazine— Donald Croucher and Matthew Croucher in his younger days



WHY MOTORCYCLISTS ARE BETTER PEOPLE Motorcyclists are, as an organic whole, better human beings than people who do not ride motorcycles. And this is why...

Motorcyclists are selfless

We ride bikes, which are perfectly adequate transportational devices for single people. We do not need to sit in climatically controlled mobile lounge rooms that can seat four other adults when we travel or commute. Thus we do not rape the earth's resources and pollute the atmosphere at the rate the self-centred, multi-chinned shitbags who require a car to get to work do.

Motorcyclists are egalitarian

We do not care what religion you practice, nor what god you bow your head to. We do not care if you're fat (unless you're a pillion, but that is a safety issue), bald, ugly, illiterate or French. We only care that you're not a dickhead. If you're a dickhead, then we will not like you. At all. But we will normally refrain from cutting you unless we have no other choice.

Motorcyclists are tolerant

Yes, we do have dickheads that ride among us. No-one has yet drafted a law that prevents this and motorcycle salesmen are profiteering reptiles and will sell bikes to anyone who has money or a credit rating. They should take prospective buyers out for a beer before handing over the keys, but since there isn't a human being born who wants to go drinking with a motorcycle salesman, the whole sales paradigm is a closed loop. But even though we know that dickheads ride among us, our tolerance is constantly extended to them, much as the olive branch of peace and acceptance has been extended by superior creatures to wild savages since time immemorial.

Motorcyclists are sexy

There is no doubt about that. The combination of courage, skill, leather and bright shiny metallic objects that make a lot of noise is simply irresistible to women the world over. Even girls who ride bikes are sexy. Just as long as they manage to smell nice, laugh at our jokes and be prepared to listen to our advice. We may even let them pass us from time to time so that they feel good about themselves.

Motorcyclists are altruistic

We will stop and help anyone who has broken down on the side of the road. Even if that someone is wearing a fluoro vest and has a microphone on his or her helmet. Even if you're wearing a HOG patch, we will stop. We might immediately ride off again, but you can be sure we'll tell someone of your plight at the very next town. Don't worry. We shall do our best not to let you die on the side of the road. Promise.

Motorcyclists are honest

If your bike looks like shit, we will tell you. If you screwed up a corner, we will tell you about that too. If it's your shout and you're a little slow off the mark, then we'll let you know all about that. We will not grass cut you where your girlfriend is concerned unless she throws herself at us, in which case you're probably better off without her and you should be glad we've taken her off your hands.

Motorcyclists are charitable

We love to give things to people. Money, fluffy toys, old jackets, canned food – you name a charity and you tell us what it needs and we shall expend every effort to ensure those needs are met. Our search for charities that require donations of old tyres, used engine oil and bits of broken fairing is relentless.

Motorcyclists are determined

No matter how many times we get fed our own dumb shit, or are betrayed by our self-appointed representatives, we still maintain the rage. We are also the very best at clicking the "Like" button on Facebook and signing stupid on-line petitions. And no-one besieges an empty government building with the same messianic fervour than we do.

Motorcyclists know things other people don't

Riding motorcycles offers us insights and information about the world that are simply not available to the hapless car-driver. For example, we know what it is like to fly seconds after we have highsided ourselves three-metres into the air and are soaring with glorious, albeit brief, majesty. We also know things about mixing pharmaceuticals and alcohol that other people, who have not broken the same bones and organs as us, will never know.

Motorcyclists are resourceful

Anyone who can repair a tyre with Silastic and sheep wool is the kind of anyone you want to be stranded on a desert island with. We can repair fuel-injection systems with prayer, carburettors with rocks, and clutch plates with washers. We have been known to use urine for brake fluid, cereal boxes for gaskets and can construct entire working engines from fencing wire, duct tape and animal sacrifice.

You're not a motorcyclist? Sucks to be you then.

About the Author: Boris is a writer who has contributed to many magazines and websites over the years, edited a couple of those things as well, and written a few books. But his most important contribution is pissing people off. He feels this is his calling in life and something he takes seriously.

He also enjoys whiskey, whisky and the way girls dance on tables. And riding motorcycles. He's pretty keen on that, too.

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From SA Triumph riders magazine

Velocette national rally in October 12th to 19th .

The Velocette national rally in October 12th to 19th will be held at **Wirrina Resort**, with over 160 people attending, many from over seas, and over 100 bikes. While Wirrina will not be open to general public, there will be many opportunities to see the bikes as they travel around the Fleurieu Peninsula, some of the best days to see the bikes are **Monday 13th at McLaren Vale for lunch, Thursday 16th at the Goolwa Wharf** (this is probably one of the better times) as the bikes will be coming and going from the Wharf area to catch a ride on the Osca W paddle steamer. Around lunch time, the friends of Osca W will be providing food and drink for sale to members and the general public (should be a good atmosphere at the Wharf) Other times **Friday 17th Hahndorf for lunch, Saturday 18th Willunga market morning tea and lunch at Strath-albyn.**

Regards

Barry Castle.
Rally Director.



2014 VVMCCSA swap meet report.

Once again the first morning of Daylight Saving is the Balhannah Swap Meet, so we have to get up in the dark.

After breakfast look at weather, fine and warm, maybe take Jumper, just in case and drive up to Balhannah without exceeding speed limits.

I got out of car and walked around and put jumper on straight away, it was chilly. There did not appear to be as many stalls as I remember from last year.

David and Leon had a stall with some of the late Chris Harley's Parts which appeared to create a lot of interest. The Bike Display appeared to collect a number of different Machines, one of which I was told had only been finished the day before. I felt that there appeared to be about the same amount of people walking in and out as last year.

The Caterers where very pleased with their takings. Talking with some of the stall holders, they appeared to be pleased with their results, one came with 3 bikes and went home with none, others sold small parts but not large parts, and on whole they were all satisfied. Some were not happy when the sprinklers started up about 7 o'clock and started to soak their books, and spraying into the sleeping area of a truck etc, this will have to be addressed for next year. While I was on the gate, I even had a vehicle insist on paying me as they left, " we arrived last night, good show" which just goes to show we have some honest people in the motorcycle fraternity. While on the gate, it is interesting to see the different vehicles coming and going. The weather had been overcast for most of the morning which made it very comfortable and about 11.30 the sun come out to warm us all up which pleased some as they started to pack up. There appeared to be a good mixture of parts from old to current, Japanese to American to English and European.

Colin Behn (Senior freelance reporter BMW)



Above motorcycle display
Below—general sites



Panorama view of the swap meet



The 5th Aussie Triples Rally for Triumph and BSA Triples built prior to 1976 was held over the weekend of the 16th – 17th August.

One again I made the long trip from Adelaide to Ballina in northern New South Wales with my 1969 Triumph Trident T150 . Also on board in my trailer was a 1972 Triumph Hurricane belonging to a friend of mine from Strathalbyn who had to make a business trip to Indonesia but was able to get a flight back into Brisbane to join us for the Rally.

I eventually arrived in Ballina on the Friday morning prior to the weekend to join a number of other triple riders for a fun ride before the main event on the weekend.

About 20 bikes turned up for the ride which took us inland from Ballina, through Casino and out into the sugar cane area on the fast flowing roads which the triples like.

We then made our way to Brunswick Heads for lunch at the local pub (no drinking of course) and then back to Ballina to look through a workshop owned by a local motor race enthusiast who had a number of collectable race cars, some of which I have even raced against myself when I was a full time professional driver. That evening we all met at the local Lakeside pub for dinner and to talk about the inclement weather that was predicted for the weekend!

The next day I woke up to rain belting down on the roof of my cabin – which was to eventually carry on all day!

We met in the Lakeside Caravan Park canteen – as most rally participants were staying at the caravan park – for breakfast and then all 44 Triples - including 4 - 69 T150's , numerous T160's, BSA Rocket Three's, a Rob North and a Hurricane lined up in the car park for a briefing and then eventually leaving Ballina at 9.30 sharp for a 200 klm ride.

When we left the rain had stopped - but not for long.

We travelled once again towards Casino and then out towards the state forests and open roads when the rain just pelted down on us – 40mm of rain fell over the next few hours and apart from getting a bit wet – all 44 Triples made it to the lunch stop and Eden Head where we had lunch at the local RSL whilst judging of the bikes was carried out.

Obviously all the bikes were wet and dirty but the judges saw through this and made there decisions.

After lunch it was back to Ballina – it started to rain again! – and then in the evening we had all had dinner – again at the Lakeside Caravan Park camp canteen.

Numerous awards were given out and fortunately my 69 T150 was awarded the "best drum brake Triumph" of the event!

The following day a number of us gathered for another short 100klm ride – when it again started raining but we decided to go anyway – travelling north towards Lennox Head then inland to Bangalow and back to Ballina. Those who decided to stay for the Sunday ride all met for a BBQ before loading up for the long trip back home. Once again – apart from the weather – it was another great event for Triumph Triple owners to ride and show their bikes.

The Aussie Triples Rally will take place again next year – and I will definitely be on the entry list to go back. **Steve Cramp.**



AJS & Matchless Owners Club Jampot Rally.

To all V&V Club Members. Most of you will be aware by now of the up coming AJS & Matchless Owners Club Jampot Rally in the Barossa Valley toward the end of October this year. As some of our Members kindly obliged in 2003 for this event we are again seeking the assistance of Members who might like to provide a loan machine to interstate and international entrants who for some reason may not be able to bring with them a machine to ride. If you could oblige please contact me -Brian Kuerschner if you think you might like to assist in this way. As has been done in the past every care will be taken. Any questions can be directed to **Brian K at 0418854565** or nipper@nipper.net.au

**Brian Kuerschner
Rally Coordinator.**



Bogan sidecar riders 1960's

Holbrook's Hill ride—Sunday 21st September 2014.

The rides are put together a few months prior to the due date and the thing you have no control over is the weather, so the week prior you watch every forecast. For this ride all looked good, keep my fingers crossed. It turned into a perfect day, low 20s no wind and sunny, this resulted in a good turnout, 30+ machines at Pelican and a handful at Gumeracha. I didn't do an accurate count but every other bike that rolled in seemed to be a Triumph, it will be interesting to see the final count!

The great views from Range Rd Upper Hermitage to the Gulf and over the valley was the clearest I've seen. The relatively low traffic and good conditions made for a relaxing day at the front, riding at a comfortable pace, for me anyway, one of the advantages of leading.

Another one is being first at the lunch stop and being near the front of the queue.

It turned into a fairly uneventful ride with only a couple of minor mechanical issues so the new trailer was not put to use, it would have been a shame to drop oil on or scratch it (what a great piece of equipment, thanks for your effort Bob). The only negative I heard was the uneven road surface in some areas, from a few with solid backends, I didn't notice it with my swinging arm and tellies.

I heard one rider was concerned about the time his rear wheel was off the ground causing wheel spin he may need a new rear tyre! or could it have been caused by the right hand?!

I think from the favourable comments most had an enjoyable ride, and my thanks go to the marshals and Bob for the backup. !

Dave Holbrook !

Sunday, what a day it turned out to be, not a cloud in the sky, lovely sunshine with a slight breeze to make riding pleasurable. When we arrived at Pelican Plaza we were met by 20 plus members and their motorcycles plus the new backup trailer all ready to ride.

David Holbrook briefed members of the ride then we headed into the hills. Some challenged by the windy roads, others found slight undulations in the road surface a bit rough on the backside, but in all it was a fantastic riding a motorcycle thru the Adelaide Hills. No one suffered an breakdown which saved the sparkling new triller of Bob Tilbrook not being christened by 'love' spots of oil.

ENTRANTS FOR DAVE HOLBROOK'S NORTH/EAST HILL'S RIDE 21/9/14

Bob Gill 1913 Veteran BSA	Solo
Dean Govan 1917 Veteran Indian O/Fit	
Rob Smyth 1929 AJS	Solo
Bob Mather 1932 Scott	Solo
Natalie Halstead 1936 BSA	Solo
Brenton Halstead 1938 Panther	
Ken Olsson 1949 Matchless	Solo
Jason Maloney 1950 Matchless	
Geoff Anderson 1950 Norton	Solo
Paul Knapp 1951 Norton	Solo
Neil Hamilton 1951 Norton	O/Fit
Mal Mackay 1951 BSA	Solo
Bob Whitehead 1953 BSA	Solo
John Williams 1955 Triumph	Solo
Ted Williams 1955 Triumph	Solo
Chris Warner 1952 BSA	Solo
John Deacon 1954 Panther	Solo
Daryl Rosser 1956 Triumph	Solo
Rob Tucker 1956 Norton	Solo
Brian Forth 1957 Triumph	Solo
Russell Sadoroshney 1957 Triumph	
John Booker 1957 Triumph	Solo
Dave Holbrook 1958 Ariel	Solo
Andrew Dansi 1958 Velocette	
Wayne Lawson 1964 Triumph F.T.O	
Martin Blindell 1967 Triumph	Solo
Keith Milich 1970 Velocette	Solo
Don Cellier 1974 BMW	Solo
Bill Lorimer 1979 Honda	Solo
Roger O'Loughlin 1978 Honda	Solo
Bob Frankham 2003 Honda	Solo
Ian Hese 2003 BMW	Solo
Bob Tilbrook	Back up trailer

A few stops before lunch enable the slower riders to catch up the for main bunch. Lunch was at the Mt Pleasant before we headed home via Mt Torrens.

Fortunately some completed the intended route, while others took the main road back to Gumeracha. While I do not blame members taking the short cut, be mindful of advising the ride captain of your change of plans which effects corner marshals and the availability of the back up trailer. Bob Tilbrook had a decision to make, which route to take home. Lucky no one had use to use it. which route dose he take home? Did anyone take note of the number of Triumphs o the ride?



Gumeracha stop



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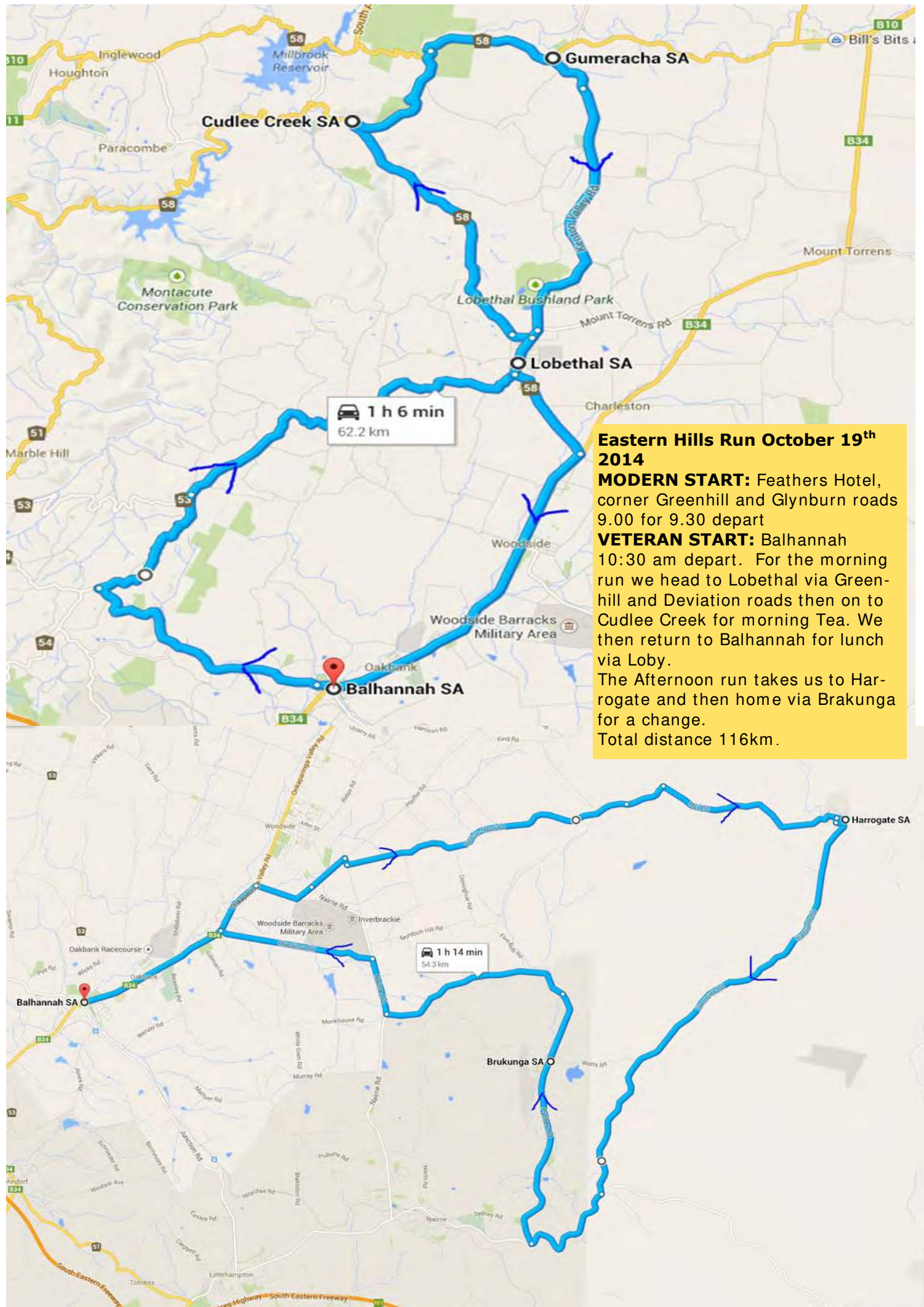


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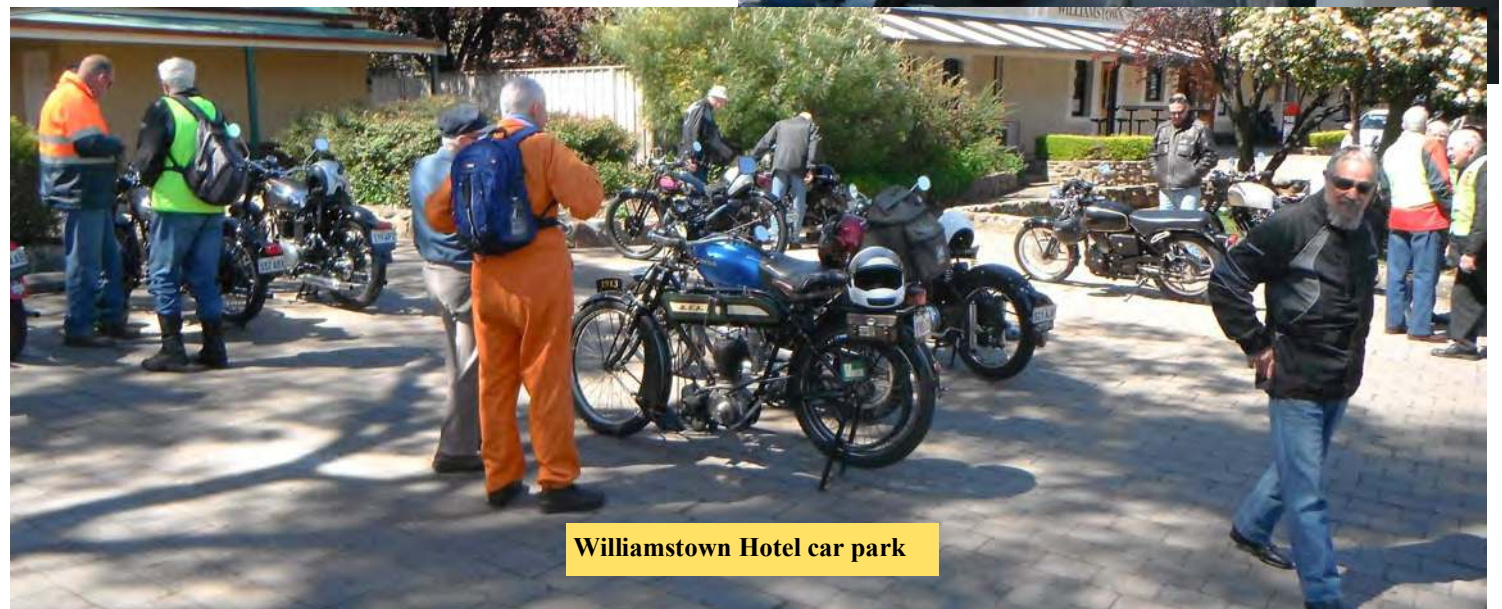
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