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Jim Black at 2019 DGR ride

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

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Presidents report.

Secretary position is still vacant. We urgently require a member or person to be the club secretary effectively immediately. So far no member has volunteered or indicated their willingness to fill the position.

Members, Ian Hese and I have committed the VVMCCSA is supplying about 14 motorcycles for display at the Port Elliot Show from 9.00sm to 5.00pm on Saturday 12th - see page 14.

Ian Hese is still investigating the possibility of having Sapol to attend at a meeting to train those members who regularly participate in club rides where they perform the duties of Corner Marshall. *Brian Forth. President*



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Goodday Brian, like quite a few club members and friends before me I have succumbed to the inevitable, my time to fade away from club activities has arrived. To all members still active I wish well with utmost sincerity. May the god of motor cycling watch over you all,
Harry Richards



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Flinders Ranges Run 2020

I am seeking expressions of interest from club members who would be interested in joining me in late April 2020 for five (5) days to explore the Flinders Ranges (SA) by motorcycle. Daily rides would originate from a base south of Blinman and be conducted on a mix of bitumen and dirt public roads. This is not an official club event. Please contact me if you would like more information on the above. Regards Stephen Hooper shooper@resthaven.asn.au or 0417 832 443

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VVMCCSA Committee Meeting 30th September 2019.

In Attendance. Brian Forth, Ian Hese, Bob Gill, Greg Paterson, Daryl Rosser, Wayne Lawson and Bill Lorimer. Apology Brett Mitchell and Terry Rowe.

Minutes of the last Meeting were presented as printed in the last Smoke Signal Acceptance moved Bob Gill
Seconded Greg Paterson Carried.

Treasurers Report. No report due to Terry Rowe's absence.

New Members. There was no new applications. Applications from Eric Blyth, Nino Barrone, Dave Brusnahan and John Sever were ratified for membership.

Correspondence. Minutes of Federation August meeting.

Emails In and Out.

- 1/ From Michael Smith wanting identification of Douglas bike, reply sent.
- 2/ From Goodwood Centre re. Meeting Room bookings for 2020, Reply sent.
- 3/ From Gilbert Haywood wanting identification of MC Air Cleaner, Reply sent.
- 4/ To members re. display at Pt. Elliot Show.
- 5/ From COMCC re. parking for trailers and ride route map for Harts Mill event 19th Oct 2019.
- 6/ From Harry Morwood, looking for Carbide light set for 1926 Douglas, Reply sent.
- 7/ From Broken Hill MVVC re. invite to Easter Rally, 3 days, 2020.

Publications Received.

The Radiator from the Riverland, Bulletin of The Antique MCC Aust, Two issues Vintage and Classic MC from the UK, Tappet Chatter from Adelaide Hills MRC. Acceptance, moved Ian Hese. Seconded Daryl Rosser. Carried.

Club Captain—Runs Rides and Events.

Ian Hese gave an overview of recent past events and outlined future events.

- 1/ 3rd Oct Midweek Ride from BP Belair 10:00 AM start.
- 2/ 5th Oct Coffee and Cake Cafe Vello 9:30 AM.
- 3/ 6th Oct Club Swapmeet , Balhannah Oval 6:30 AM.
- 4/19th Oct COMCC Harts Mill event.
- 5/20th Oct Club Ride, Barossa area.
- 6/ 2nd Nov Coffee and Cake, Cafe Vello 9:30 AM.
- 7/ 7th Nov Midweek Ride from Tea Tree Gully Hotel 10:00 AM.
- 8/ 24th Nov Scarpantoni Winery Ride and BBQ Lunch.
- 9/ 10th Dec XMAS Dinner at the RSL clubrooms.

Acceptance, moved by Wayne Lawson. Seconded Bob Gill. Carried.

General Business.

- 1/ Brian Forth again mention that we need a person to be the club secretary effectively immediately. No member or person has volunteered or indicated their willingness to fill the position.
- 2/ Daryl Rosser is collecting members details and money for the annual Christmas Dinner.



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VVMCCSA General Meeting 755, 10th September 2019 at Payneham RSL Clubrooms.

Brian Forth chaired the meeting.

Visitors-nil.

Who are WE. Bruce Lehman and Charlie McConnell.

Minutes of the last Meeting were presented as printed in the Smoke Signal, there was no discussion. Acceptance, moved by Bob Tilbrook. Seconded by Ted Williams. Carried.

Treasurers Report presented by Bill Lorimer due to Terry Rowe's absence, there was no discussion.

Acceptance, moved by Brian Kuerschner. Seconded by Stephen Hooper. Carried.

New Members. Presentation of membership was made to Peter Mazzeo and Terry Sullivan. Applications from Eric Blyth, Nino Barone and John Sever were read to the members.

Correspondence.

1/ Statement from Westpac Bank.

2/ A payment for a Smoke Signal advertisement.

Emails.

1/ From Ian Daly wanting to view an AJS bike.

2/ From National Military Vehicle Museum re. Truck Show Oct. 6th. Reply sent.

3/ Update from COMC re. Classics at Hart event, 19th Oct 2019.

4/ Invitation to Eudunda Motorcycle Show and Shine 10th Nov 5.

5/ From Phil Slattery, he has Villiers parts for sale, reply sent.

6/ From Glenda Grady, she has a BSA tank emblem if anyone is interested, reply sent.

7/ From Maureen Norton seeking information about Dick Willcox, Reply sent.

8/ From Shannons, a listing of vehicles for sale at next auction.

Publications Received.

1/ The Buzzer Box from Model T Ford Club SA.

2/ MAPS Review from Maitland.

3/ The Throttle Lever from Newcastle.

4/ The Radiator from the Riverland. Acceptance, moved by Leslie Jones, Seconded by Philip Holmes. Carried.

Club Captain—Runs Rides and Events.

Brian Forth gave an outline of past events and continued on with future events.

1/ 15th Sept From Strathalbyn to Goolwa and return.

2/ 3rd Oct Thursday, Midweek ride from Belair BP.

3/ 5th Oct Saturday morning Coffee and Cake at Vello Café.

4/ 6th Oct Club Swapmeet at Balhannah Oval 6:30 am.

5/ 12th Oct Club Bike Display at Pt Elliot Show.

6/ 19th Oct Invitation to participate in Harts Mill Ride and Display.

7/ 20th Oct Club Ride to the Barossa area.

8/ 2nd Nov Saturday morning Coffee and Cake.

9/ 7th Nov Thursday midweek ride from Tea Tree Gully Hotel.

10/ 24th Nov Scarpantoni Winery Ride and BBQ lunch.

Acceptance, moved by Marie Williams. Seconded by Colin Behn. Carried.



Andrew Brown at DGR

General Business.

1/ Brian Forth again reminded members of the urgency for someone to volunteer for the position of Secretary, all enquiries to Brian.

2/ Bill Lorimer reminded Swapmeet Volunteers that he would contact each of them to give start times etc.

3/ Brian Forth announced that Daryl Rosser will again be handling bookings for the Christmas Dinner 10th Dec. and is now taking bookings and payment of \$20 per member, \$20 per partner which included 2 drinks. There was no general business from the floor.

Buy Sell and Swap was read to the meeting followed by the usual supper.

Bill Lorimer—Acting Secretary

Buy, Sell and Swap

Please Note ads will run for two issues unless requested otherwise. If your item is sold before the second issue, please advise the Editor. Full name of Seller, Registration Number &/or Engine number MUST be provided, otherwise add cannot be printed. Deadline is the one week prior to each General Meeting.

For Sale.

Ensign beaded edge tyres; sizes—24 x 2 1/4"; 26 x 2 1/2" 26 x 3" and 28 x 3"; replica Chatter-Lea hubs, spokes and rims; Brian Forth 0409 514213; (ongoing)

VVMCCSA club regalia—at meeting see Greg Paterson 0406 807799. (Club site)



1942 Harley Davidson WLA, good condition, eng 42WLA28928, Reg TGY350. Brian Norton 0418823179 (August 19)

BMW K1100 with Sidecar, 1994, low mileage, \$8000.00. E/N 114EA02942097. Ray, 0408-853-784 (Sept

Spokes for sale—very large selection of 1900 to 1930 motorcycle spokes and nipples that would suit veteran and vintage motorcycles. Various gauges, lengths, in steel, some painted black and nickel plated. These are new old stock that have been in storage since 1930, never used, in varying levels of condition. Members and friends are welcome to inspect and can bring along samples to compare etc. I'm located in Athelstone, South Australia. email: ecojoy001@mymail.unisa.edu.au or call/text 0411 575805.

1960 Velocette Viper, engine-VR2685, frame-RS17518, Nev Smith TLS, ROO Stand, Rear Sets, Ace Bars, Reverse gear cam plate and MK 1 g/change lever. \$11,000.00 ono; Andrew Dansie 0447991500 or dansie@adam.com.au (Aug19).

Bruce Hector—1927 Norton, 16H, 500cc with Goulding side car chassis upholstered in red leather. The outfit was prepared by Bruce Hector and is in very good condition. \$21,500 ono. 1928 AJS 350cc prepared by Bruce Hector \$16,500 ono. Peter 0457 772 420.



Sturmey Archer gearbox 3 speed MA series -Kick starter return spring, I am Getting the made (common to-Ariel Raleigh Bough etc) \$30 each; Lyndon Rogers 0428112259 (Sept19).

Albion Heavy Gearbox- 3speed plus reverse hand change, NOS. was to be used in a market cart. \$100 ono; Vintage/ Veteran Johns Manville Speedometer. Could be for car? \$50 ono; Lucas Magneto anti clock wise rotation October 1935 could be used on boat engine. Jeff Schaefer 08 82986927 (Sept19).

1927 Triumph Model N motorcycle part restored for sale along with a Goulding sidecar chassis and parts. Owned by late club member Alan Parker, need finishing; John Parker, 0412 517323 mail: john@geosurveys.com.au.

1969 CZ 125 Sport, Kehin carby upgrade otherwise in original condition. Starts easy, runs well, spares, \$1200 with 3 months reg TR642; Tony Canino 0410 711041 (Sept19).



1952 Ariel square4 aluminium hub complete with brake shoes and bearing adjuster spanner -\$15; John Deacon 0417565882 (Oct19).

Instruction manuals for—1950's Triumph, for Lucas Electrical lighting and ignition equipment, give away cleaning abrasive grit; John Byles 82623965 (Oct19).

Wanted.

1923—Norton 16h primary and secondary chain guards, condition unimportant but suitable for patterns. Arnold De Groot 0418849831. (Sept19)

1957 Ariel Huntmaster, regulator wanted. Les Jolly 0408285038 (Aug19).

Bullock of Adelaide men's bicycle wanted. Call Dimitri on 0411 575805 (Sept19).

Burman gearbox and clutch for 1929 Excelsior with 250 JAP ohv. Nein Bromilow of WA, r.bromilow@westnet.com.au. (Aug19).

6v timing light wanted—Barry Carlisle 0418823923 (Oct19).

Ariel KH twin, wanted inner primary case (is stepped in at front) Brenton Roy 0458571436 (Oct19).

Members wishing to use the club trailer are to contact Bill Lorimer or myself and make arrangements for you to collect. Regards, Brian Forth 0409 514213.

CLUB TRAILER—wanted a member to store and care for the club trailer, and if you take it on a club run you receive petrol money as the back-up trailer. Brian Forth 0409514213.

Club Runs & Events.

All members/visitors 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. Do not forget to fill out your Historic Registration Logbook before leaving home and always carry that logbook every time you go riding. This is a legal requirement. **Enquiries to Club Captain—Ian HESE 0409 083436**



Back-up trailer is required every run—Every ride has to be covered, please contact Ian HESE to nominate. Reimbursement of \$60 for petrol money.

2019 **** denotes club points on runs & ride events****

October

3rd Midweek Ride. [BP Belair](#) at 10.00am start. (Ian 0409 083436)

5th Coffee meeting—Café Vello meet at 9.30am.

6th **VVMCCSA 'Motorcycle only Swapmeet'** from 6am at Balhannah Oval—volunteers required

8th General Meeting 756, 8.00pm Payneham RSL clubrooms.

12th Port Elliot—show day display 0830-1700hrs—[see page 14 for details](#)

19th Harts Mill function—all VVMCCSA members invited to be a part of the event.

20th ** Barossa areas and museum visit see page 15.

28th Committee meeting, 7.30pm Goodwood Community Club rooms.

November

2nd Coffee meeting—Café Vello

7th Midweek ride—[Tea Tree Gully Hotel](#) starting 10.00am

12th General Meeting 757, 8.00pm Payneham RSL clubrooms.

24th ** Scarpantoni Ride—note change due to Bendigo Swapmeet on 16-17th.

25th Committee meeting—7.30pm, Goodwood Community Club rooms.

December

5th Midweek ride—[Belair BP](#) for a 10am start.

7th Coffee meeting—possibly Café Vello

10th General Meeting 758, 8.00pm Payneham RSL clubrooms and [Christmas Dinner](#).

15th ** Christmas ride—to be advised.

NO MEETING—Committee meeting will be at 7.00pm, Goodwood Community Club rooms.

This meeting will on 14th January 2020 meeting

Invitational Events - see Committee and General meeting minutes for info.

12th October, Port Elliot—show day display 0830-1700hrs—[see page 14 for details](#)

19th October —**Classic at Harts' Port Adelaide, display and ride day.**

3rd November. Macclesfield Oval—club display day.

?? January 2020—Yesterday's Power rally Milang Oval, Strathalbyn Road, Milang.

2019 AJS and Matchless Owners Club 'Down Under' Jampot Rally at Oberon NSW 1st-3rd of Nov 2019..

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

HAHNDORF-	19th January 2020	VICTOR HARBOR	2nd February 2020
Lockleys school	TBA February 2020	BALLARAT -	TBA February 2020
SA Rod & Custom—	Kilburn 9th March 2020	CLARE—	16th March 2020
WOODSIDE -	?? April 2020	NARACOORTE	?? May 2020
SEDAN -	17 June 2019	KAPUNDA-	24th May 2020
WILLUNGA -	18th August 2019	GAWLER -	September 2019
VVMCC MOTORCYCLE ONLY	6th Oct 2019	STRATHALBYN -	20th Oct 2019
BENDIGO -	16 -17 Nov 2019	GAWLER Motorcycle expo	- ?? Nov 2019

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Strathalbyn to Goolwa tiddlers ride

Sunday's ride around the lake to Goolwa was a very pleasant ride as the weather was in the low 20's with a cloud cover making riding pleasurable.

Around 9am, members started to gather at the Goodyear garage in Strathalbyn, many had trailed their bikes and unloaded them and performed the usual pre-event check before starting the bike to ensure they will be a part of the ride. While this was going on other members arrived by riding to Strathalbyn. A total of 27 motorcycles were ready for the ride.

Unfortunately Robb Elliott's 1924 Indian expired after a few kilometres and was carried on a trailer for the remainder of the day.

Briefing was conducted and by 10am we headed off to Milang then stopping at the Sails at Clayton Bay café for a re-group, coffee etc.

Here Pat Vartuli discovered the Bantam's patrol tank had split and leaking fuel, his ride was over for the day. Pat drained the *'hot Bantam fuel'* into a red container then sold the fuel for many *Euros or Russian rubles* to Tony Morisset who's Jawa was by now running on fumes only. Members then manhandled the Bantam onto the trailer—well lifted onto the back up trailer and secured. Pat unfortunately enjoyed the remained of the ride in comfort?

Then there was Brett Mitchell's 1914 Douglas on its first run when he incurred the loss of the magneto advance and retard lever and the rear light becoming very loose and had to be wired back onto the bike, but in the end the Douglas was retired to being carried around the course in Brett's vehicle.

We then rode onto Goolwa and regrouped at the Caltex for fuel then in a group rode down to the Goolwa wharf and parked the bikes for a lunch break.

By 1.30pm we left, regrouped then rode back to Strathalbyn via back roads. We did encounter a flock of sheep but they were negotiated with ease. Alf Lear dramatically slowed down on the Ariel outfit so much that my 1924 HD was able to catch up to him only later to discover he had clutch problem and was nursing the bike home.

There was a report of a motorcycle accident somewhere on the way home, well not on the roads we took so I have no further information on who it was or where it happened.

There were several members out for the first time, Brett Mitchell on his 1914 Douglas, Ross Weymouth on his 1930 Henderson and myself on a 1924 Harley Davidson outfit, with two out of three were able to negotiate the run in one piece.

Another great day as it was good to see Malcolm Gray out on his first ride for some years, and thanks to Roger O'Loughlin for volunteering at trail end Charlie.

Regards Brian Forth.



Pat negotiating the price of Bantam fuel with Tony M.



The usual suspects ready to ride.



Strathalbyn Ride 15th September 2019

Bob Gill	1913	BSA Solo
Brett Mitchell	1914	Douglas Solo FTO
Robert Elliot	1924	Indian Solo
Brian Forth	1924	Harley Davidson FTO
Rob Smyth	1924	AJS Solo
Phil Jenner	1928	Indian Solo
Ross Weymouth	1930	Henderson Solo FTO
Lyndon Rogers	1935	Levis Solo
Carolyn Jenner	1948	Indian Solo
Alf Lear	1948	Ariel Outfit
Trevor Cooke	1949	BSA Solo
Geoff Anderson	1950	Triumph Solo
Bob Lear	1951	Norton Solo
Ian Haywood	1952	Panther Solo
Ted Williams	1955	Triumph solo
Brian Gray	1956	AJS Solo
Pat Vartuli	1956	BSA Solo
Dave Holbrook	1958	Ariel Solo
Don Tonkin	1958	Velocette Solo
John Williams	1961	Triumph Solo
Darren Zacker	1962	BSA Solo
Jim Mottillo	1972	Suzuki Solo
Peter Arriola	1974	Honda Solo
Tony Morisset	1974	Jawa Solo
Roger O'Loughlin	1988	Suzuki Solo
Peter Johnson	2009	Yamaha Solo
Wayne Lawson	2016	Triumph Solo
Ian Rounsevell		Backup trailer



ony's Jawa, apparently the helmet fell off the seat?



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Who are we?

A wheeled cavalcade of motoring history

The towns roads were congested with more traffic than usual last week and motorists could be forgiven for grinding their teeth as they crawled along the highway behind old vehicles.

Port Augusta played host not only to 104 vintage motorbikes, but also to a hefty sprinkling of vintage cars that graced Highway One with the charm of yesteryear.

It was a rare opportunity for lovers of fine old machinery to see motorbikes dating back to 1912 in all their uncomfortable simplicity, chrome shining and paint gleaming.

The bikes from SA, WA, NSW, Victoria and Queensland are touring the State for the 30th anniversary of the Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club of SA Inc.

They set up a display at the Stirling North hall that attracted hun-

dreds of bike devotees and along with the club dinner raised \$1700 for the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

The oldest bike was a 1912 Kirmer 500cc from Victoria, and other names from the past included Sunbeam, Velocette, Panther, Norton Indian and Ariel. There were also a few of the industry's stayers on display: Harley Davidson, Triumph and BMW.

Accompanying them were 172 owners and their passengers ranging in age from early 20s to late 70s.

But what is the attraction of restoring and owning a vintage motorcycle?

According to the club captain, Gary Jolly: "They're uncomfortable, they vibrate, they're not real fast, but they're a lot of fun."

"There's no answer for it. We

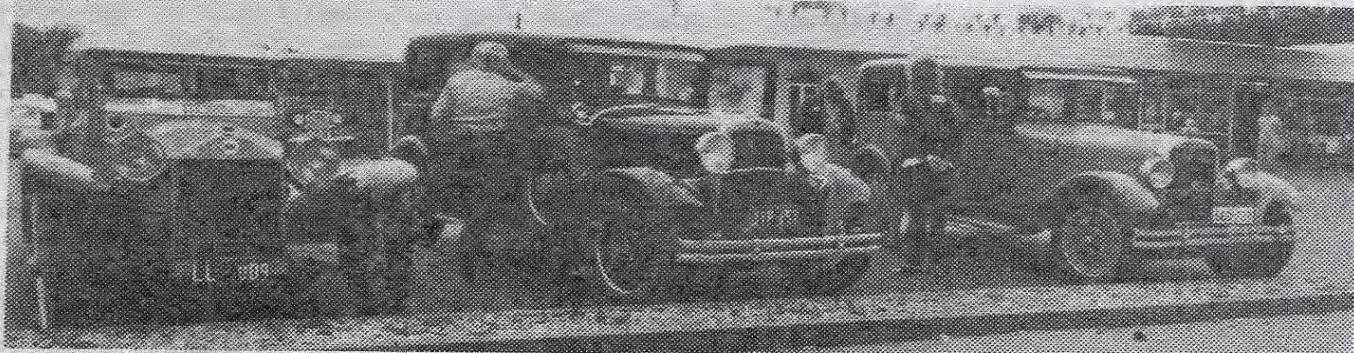
just like bikes, that's it."

In a true show of devotion and with deference to the insurance company, Gary slept with the bikes on the floor of the Stirling North hall.

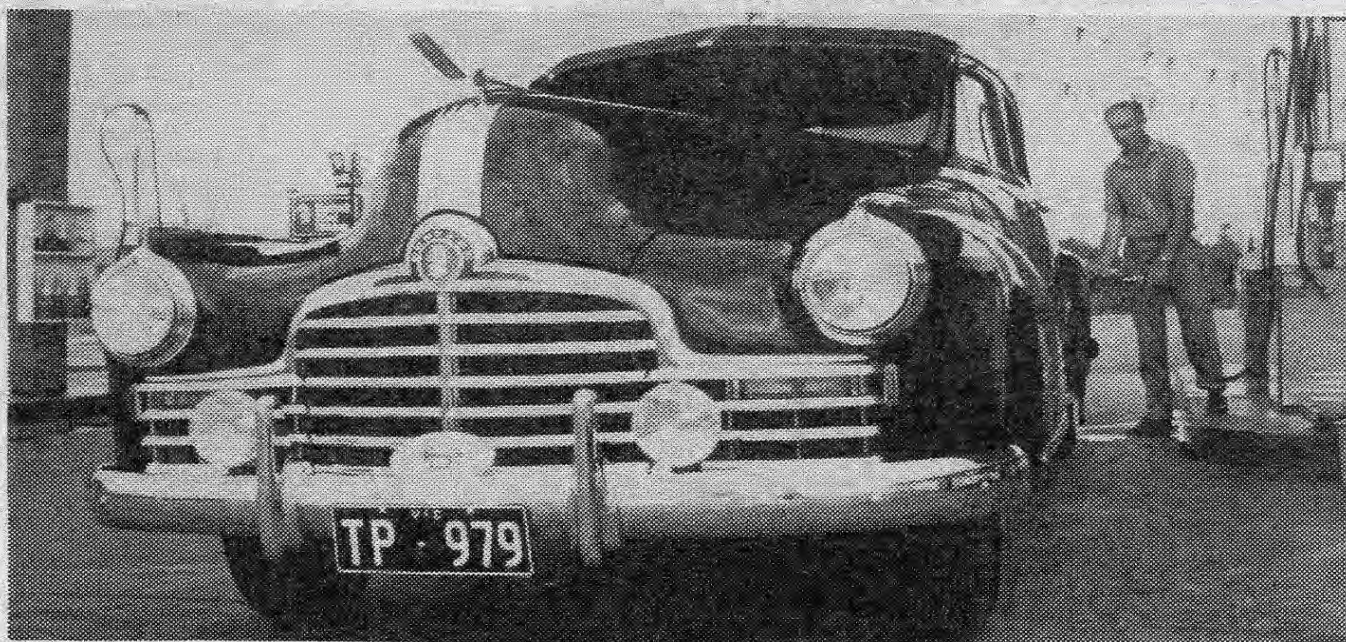
The Port Augusta Vehicle Restorers Club also played host to some veteran visitors.

Fourteen cars from all over Australia and two from New Zealand dropped in on their way to the annual Bay to Birdwood Run, the vintage car rally that attracts hundreds of competitors.

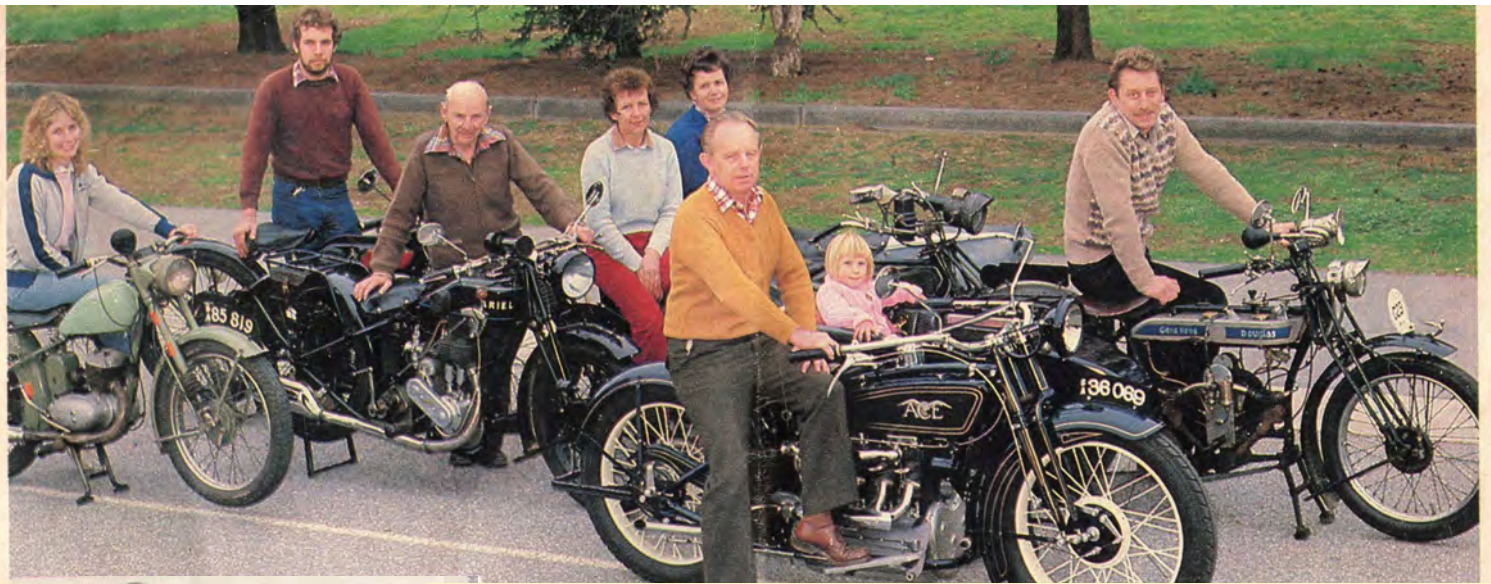
But for those modern motorists who found the going slow last week, a sign hanging on the back of a Model T Ford provided a gentle touch of reproof: "Dont toot at me, I'm getting old".



Not the usual line-up of youngsters and their cars at the Ampol roadhouse.



It's been a while since this kind of car frequented petrol stations. Ted Page of Mildura tops up his 1946 Pontiac.



The story from South Australian Motor magazine, September 1984

Hill family all mounted up for Bay-to-Birdwood

For almost as long as he can remember Ross Hill has been drawn to motor cycles.

His enthusiasm began shortly before his 14th birthday when he began assembling bits and pieces to build his first motor bike.

Now, his infectious attraction has been caught by others in his family.

And when this year's third Bay-to-Birdwood run for historic vehicles and motor cycles gets underway on September 30, at least nine members of the Hill family will set off on seven of the family's fleet of 16 bikes.

"Up until only a few years ago it was only my father, (Alby), brother (Bob) and myself who rode, but today everyone likes history and nostalgia, so we've encouraged others in the family to take up riding," Ross said.

"We've lent them bikes and now some have gone out and acquired their own. It's nice to see the family interest growing."

The Hill "motor cycle team" includes four generations of Hills and is made up of Ross' sister Mrs Joy Pauley, nieces and nephews.

And the collection of bikes worth more than \$100,000 from which they will choose their mounts, reads like a "Who's Who list of motorcycles."

A 1906 Swiss Motosocoches is the oldest in the collection which also includes a 1912 Singer, a 1914 Rex, almost enough Harley Davidsons for the entire family to ride one each, a 1923 U.S. Neracar, a rare 1923 Ace and sidecar, a 1926 Henderson and side car, a 1937 Rudge Ulster, a 1950 English built Turner Tri-car with 126 miles (about 203 km) on the speedometer and a 1950 BSA Bantam.

While the rest of the family might be scratching their heads as to what motor cycles to select, there are no doubts about which one Ross will be astride.

His choice for the run is a rare Swiss-built

1907 Moto Reve he's ridden in the previous two Bay-to-Birdwood runs.

"She's a grand old bike," Ross said, "although you've got to ride her with feeling, and she needs a little assistance from the pedals on some of the steep hills."

"You only have to decompress the engine, start peddling for a short distance, return the compression and she pops off and you're on your way."

Ross' father initially came across the machine in 1934 when he acquired it in Adelaide for two friends for the equivalent of \$15.

The two new owners rode and tinkered with the bike before World War II broke out. One was killed in action and, after the war,

the other moved to Victoria, taking the Moto Reve with him.

By this time Ross' interest in motor cycles had mushroomed and he set about tracking down the machine. In 1950 he finally acquired it minus some vital engine components.

"Dad's always been mechanically inclined and he likes looking after machinery. He eventually got it going after he had hand-built a new carburettor for her," Ross said.

"In the first Bay-to-Birdwood run I took the precaution of carrying a back-up motor in the ute following the run because I had some doubts about the magneto and sure enough I only made it to Tea Tree Plaza before she quit."

Drivers strive for this trophy



Goldsmith Malcolm Walter spent more than 210 hours huddled over his workbench creating the trophy that hundreds of historic vehicle owners will be striving to win on September 30.

Piecing together silver plate, tubing and wire, Walter built an almost exact sterling silver scale replica of the first South Australian built automobile — the Shearer Steam Car.

The 1/25th scale model is the trophy to be awarded to the best turned out vehicle, including its driver and passengers, in this month's Bay-to-Birdwood run.

Worth more than \$10,000, the steamer was the most exacting piece of work Walter has tackled in his Birdwood Mill workshop.

"It was only a matter of undoing a few bolts and I had the motor out and replaced it with one we'd built up from bits and pieces we'd collected."

"Then the carby began playing up so I had to rebuild that on the side of the road, but she eventually got up to the Mill."

"In the last Bay-to-Birdwood she flew up the hill to the Mill, getting up to 25 miles an hour in some spots."

Ross doesn't pamper his bikes. "They're meant to be ridden," he said, "and as long as you don't push them they'll usually get you where you want to go." Ross should know because he's ridden his 77-year-old machine to Murray Bridge and Clare.

"It's a fine machine, and I can remember when I was a boy, there were dozens of bikes like this lying around the Burnside rubbish tip," he said.

It was from that tip that Ross scrounged bits and pieces as a 14-year-old to build his own motor cycle.

He proudly shows a 40-year-old newspaper clipping describing his exploits in building a "bitzer bike" and his eventual arrest for riding without a licence, insurance or registration.

More than 200 bits and pieces from various motor cycles went into the seven-month-long project to build the bike.

"Even after all these years I'm still out there collecting bike parts and all my mates know to keep an eye out for anything that might be useful," he said.

"Old bikes turn up in the oddest places and you get hold of them through some pretty unusual dealings."

The 1923 American-built Ace and sidecar, thought to be the only one of its kind in South Australia, came into the family through a lengthy deal involving a funeral payment.

"We knew that the Ace was around, but we'd lost track of it until a friend of a friend heard that it was stored in a repair shop," Ross said.

"After some negotiating I got it for 35 pounds (\$70). It seems the owner had loaned a woman the 35 pounds so she could pay her husband's burial costs and she had given him the Ace as collateral."

"The widow wasn't too well off and there was little chance that she would ever be able to repay the money so the chap was quite happy to let the Ace go for the amount of the loan."

• The Hill family motorcycle team from left to right: Christine Pauley, Glen Pauley, Alby (Pop) Hill, Joy Pauley, Anna Hill, Bob Hill, baby Bianca and Mark Hays. Ross Hill (bottom left) is seated on his 1907 Swiss-built Moto Reve.

The Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club of South Australia will contribute to the Jubilee Year when they begin a 30th Anniversary Tour of the State in mid-September.

Motorcycling is another part of the State's heritage, and the club is taking the opportunity to show country people the evolution of early mechanical transport in South Australia.

The tour will take in the towns of Clare, Peterborough, Port Augusta, Port Pirie, and Wallaroo, and over 100 entries have been received. Interstate entries from Queensland, NSW, Victoria and WA make up half the total field. Some 170 people will be involved in the run.

Their superbly restored machines, which range in age from 1912 to 1955, will be on show at

overnight stops, and several charities will benefit from funds raised at these displays.

At Wallaroo, on September 25, the bikes will be displayed in the Town Hall, and proceeds from a small admission charge will go to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Riders will leave Port Pirie on that day at 10.30 a.m., travelling via Crystal Brook and Port Broughton, (where they

will stop for lunch) to Wallaroo.

The oldest bike taking part will be a 1912 Kirmser, originally made in Birmingham, England. Most of the popular makes, such as BSA, Triumph, Harley Davidson, and Ariel, will be seen, as well as some not so well known — Ardie, GCS, Swastika, and Brough Superior.

Peter Grace of Adelaide will be astride his 1930 ohc 500 AJS which was imported new from England by well-known former speedway rider Bruce Rehn, and raced by him at the old Speedway Royale (Wayville Showgrounds), and in Victoria.

Bruce won the 20 Mile Sidecar Championship at Sellicks Beach in December, 1932, on the machine, and present owner Peter raced it again in January this year at the Jubilee 150 commemorative meeting at Sellicks.

Peter also competed on the AJS in the 1978 International Rally from Sydney to Brisbane, and the "Alpine 1000" Rally in Victoria in 1985.

Former speedway rider Harry Gordon, now of Kadina, has another of Rehn's bikes, a 1938 Manx Norton (one of the famous racing Nortons) which D. Minett rode with success on the Coorong in 1939 to establish several speed records.

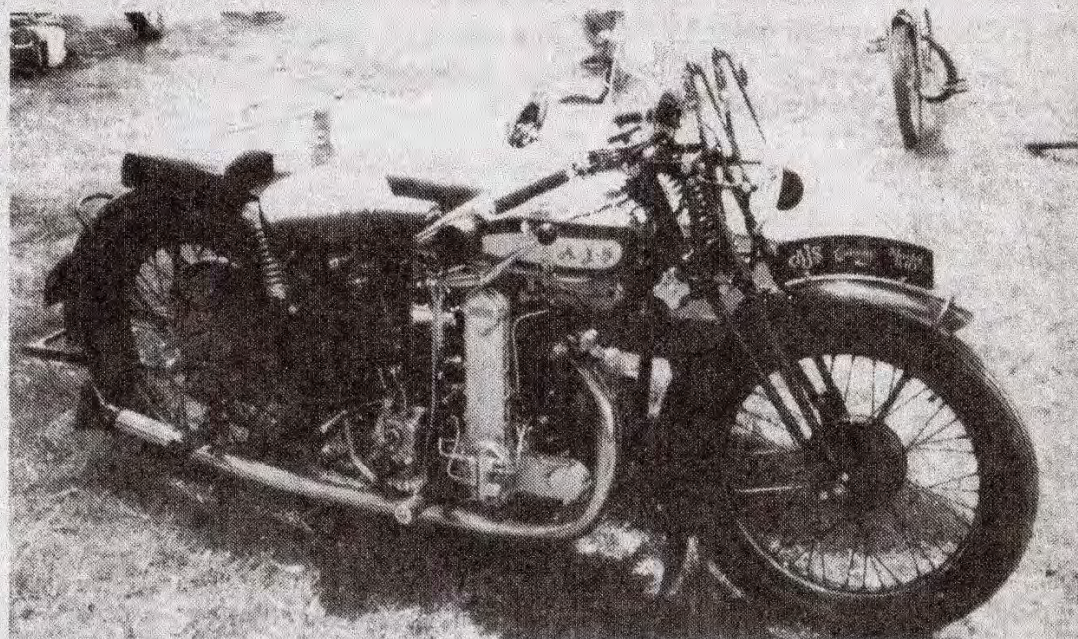
week (September 15-20), when several club bikes will be on view.

Owners will be on hand on Thursday night, September 18, to discuss their respective machines with anyone

interested.

The NYP club was formed only this year, and already has 21 members. President is Malcolm Bridges of Cunliffe, and Harry Gordon is an enthusiastic motorcyclist. Harry has

quite a checkered career, having raced solos and sidecars at the old Kilburn and Rowley Park speedways in his younger days. He is still an enthusiastic motorcyclist.



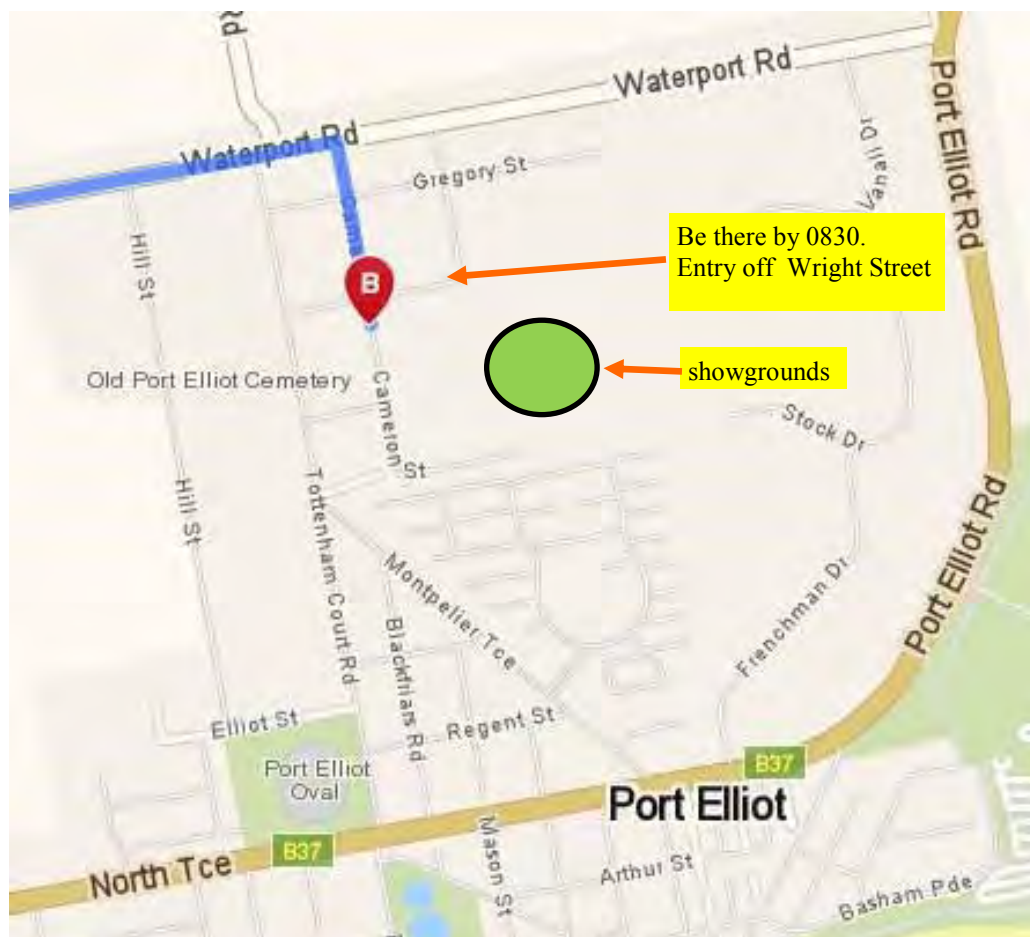
The 1930 A.J.S. of Peter Grace, one of the vintage motorcycles to be seen at Wallaroo during the forthcoming Jubilee 150 Anniversary run by the Vintage and Veteran Motorcycle Club of S.A. One would hardly suspect from its pristine appearance that it was a former speedway machine, and also raced at Sellicks Beach in the 1930s.

Port Elliott Show—Saturday 12th October 2019.

Hi, I am making enquiries on behalf of the Port Elliot Country Show, which is being conducted on Saturday 12th October and Sunday 13th October, 2019.

Your information -

- Entry will be by Gate 6, Wright St.
- You will need to be set up by 8.30 a.m. as show opens by 9 and there will be a lot of activity on the oval.
- An area will be marked on the oval and someone will be there to get you to your place and explain where your trailers can be parked.
- We need to know the number of bikes and the size of the area you require.
- People displaying the bikes will get passes in, so please let us know a mailing address or we can deliver them to if you are in the local area.
- We would appreciate you being there for the full day - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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10th annual "Wall to Wall Police Legacy"



Still birth ride—Les Jolly (member) on his epic journey riding solo from Adelaide to Sunshine Coast and back in under 14 days. He will be travelling over 520 kms per day, 6,260 in total in an effort to raise \$20,000 for Still Aware. Les is doing this to honour his granddaughter Grace and his mate Bob's granddaughter Alfie, both of who are chasing butterflies in the sky.

Les's blogs of the trip always included a rating of the local bakery's pies and custard tarts !!!!!!!

On the journey, Les (retired Police Office) attended the annual Wall 2 Wall Police Legacy ride.

There were 2300 riders from all over Australia, 116 from South Australia. A terrific event and the service is always emotional. Always good to catch up with old work mates from yesteryear. Tomorrow the ride continues and time to head north to continue his quest.

BAROSSA VALLEY RIDE OCTOBER 20th 2019 10.00am

This will be the second time that we have used this start point.

The main start point is the old mechanical business premises between the CFS Station & the Uniting Church on Black Top Road, (the main road), at One Tree Hill, northern side of Adelaide.

The trailers can be parked off the road in the front of the building. The Throttle Shed, a motorbike friendly café, is almost opposite, if you need that before or after ride coffee or snack.

We will ride through natural scrub, past the Para Wirra National Park to Williamstown and then onto Lyndoch for a regroup and loo stop.

For the riders who want a shorter ride or those on lower powered machines, you can meet us at Lyndoch. The meeting point is the Lyndoch Village Green car park opposite the Bakery on the main road as you come in from Gawler, this is the one that we use on the Kersbrook Tiddlers Run. There is ample room to park trailers in the street or even one or two in the parking bay. Suggest that you be there and ready to ride by 10.30am.

From here we will meander through Tanunda and onto the morning tea stop. This stop will be at a private museum owned by Eric and Pam Parker. The \$5 fee will gain entry to the museum to see a collection of predominately Ariel motorbikes (square 4s prevail), various cars and model train layouts, as well as being supplied with a cuppa and biscuits.

After leaving the display we will proceed via Greenock, Seppeltsfield, wander around the Valley and back to Lyndoch. Here we can have a lunch break and chat to those riders leaving us there, before once again heading down the Para Wirra Road to One Tree Hill.

The total ride distance is about 110kms.

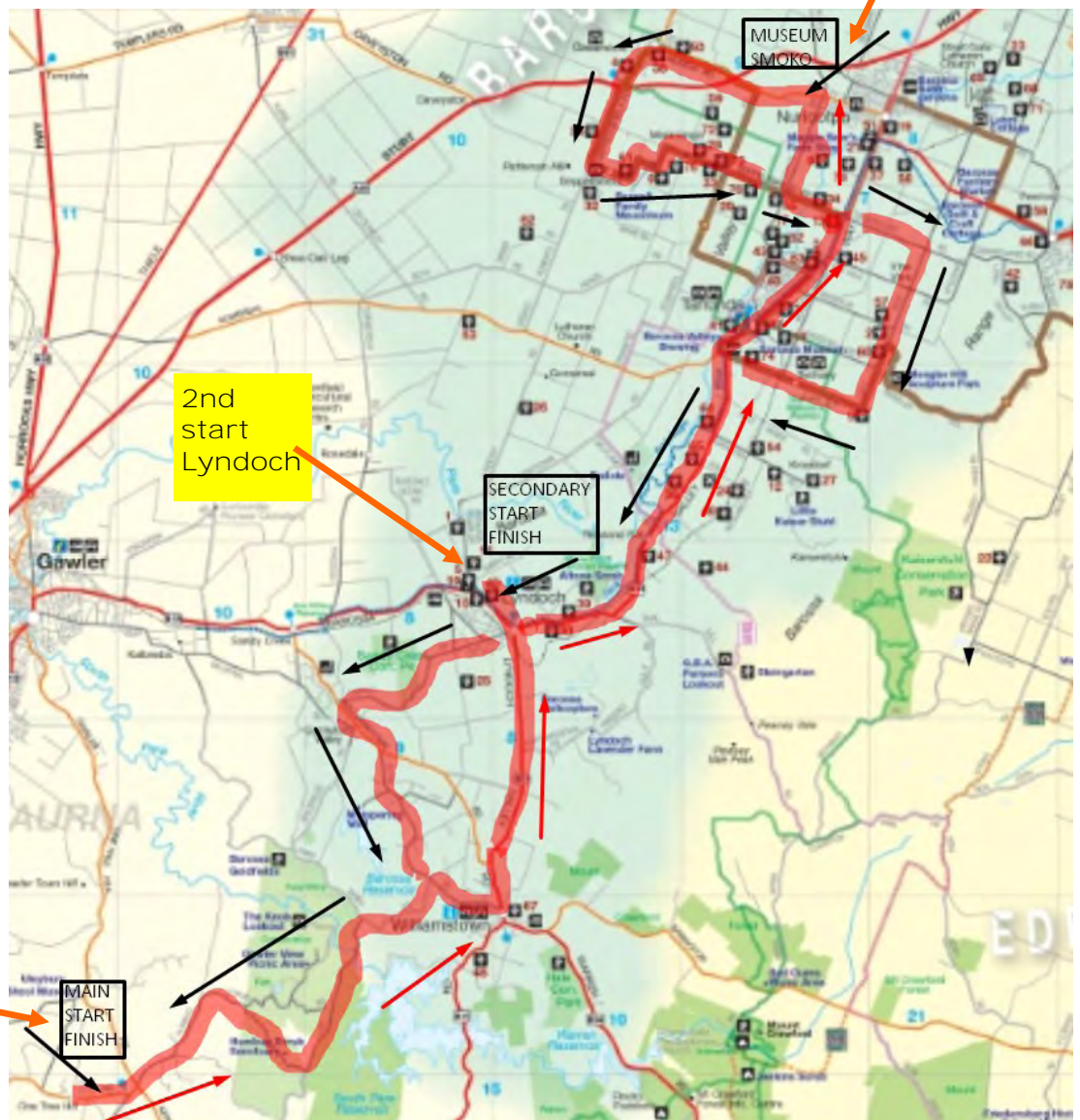
The shorter ride from Lyndoch is about 60kms in total

The section through Para Wirra is rolling hills, with one steepish hill. The Barossa Valley section is gentle rises and of course heaps of grape vines.

Will be looking for a volunteer to do the trailer duties, with reimbursement, and a few corner marshals please.

For any enquiries, or to volunteer, please contact me on 040908 3436 or ibhese@bigpond.com

Ian Hese Tour Leader.



CFS Station & the
Uniting Church on
Black Top Road,
(the main road), at



Carolyn

Trevor



Pat

Den

Brian



Ross

Phil



Jeff



Richard

Alf

Brian



2019—Colin, Brian & Adrian members seen as Distinguished gentlemen? Andrew with friends



Jim and Colin a DGR



Ken and Ian found at Bay to Birdwood run

Wanted. I urgently require a member or members who are prepared to store and care for the club trailer. If you take it on a club run you receive petrol money as the back-up trailer. Brian Forth 0409514213.

