

SMOKE SIGNAL



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Robert 'Bob' Jones receiving his Honorary Membership



Brian Forth presenting Ian Hese with Life Membership



Tuesday 8th June 2025

**Trevor Ryan and
Vaughan Edwards
on the Club site at
the FOM Indoor
Swapmeet**



Oil leaks ignored—lies and mistruths about speed and reliability accepted.



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

Machines must be at least 30 years old in the current year to be awarded points towards Club trophies.

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 RSL Club, 360 Payneham Road, Payneham** commencing at 8.00 p.m.

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Vaughan Edwards.



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President's report.

"Ask not what your CLUB can do for you - ask what you can do for your CLUB"

Members

Ian Hese—Life Membership 2025

I had the pleasure of presenting Life Membership to Ian Hese, member number 358 who joined VVMCCSA in 13th September 2011. By 2013 Ian was on the Committee and in 2014 became the Club's Club Captain.

As our Club Captain, Ian meticulously planned and organised nearly every Club run and ride event that we had planned, ensuring that all aspects of the Club rules and safety complied with.

To ensure that Veteran and Vintage motorcycles (pre 1930) were acknowledge, Ian encourage us to bring them out of the shed to the monthly Old Cocks ride from Gumeracha to ride the appropriate distance a V&V can negotiate.

Not forgetting other members, he then organised the monthly Thursday morning rides for Northern and Southern members on their faster machines.

Ian worked on Club Trophy's awards to acknowledge the Veteran and Vintage motorcycles in our club which is evident in the club Trophy awards night.

VVMCCSA were often invited to events and displays outside our calendar program and Ian organised or assisted in our attendance at the All British day at Echunga and F.O.M. events, MRA Toy Run display, and many more, also in purchasing gazebo and feather flags for our displays and the list goes on.

For without Ian's dedication to The Club ensuring that we VVMCCSA would have an impressive display to the public and always ensured that Veteran and Vintage motorcycle (pre 1930) were always present along with other members motorcycles.

Congratulations Ian for your exceptional support as Club Captain.

Brian Forth— President,



CERTIFICATE OF HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

Daryl Rosser had the honour of presenting this **CERTIFICATE OF HONORARY MEMBERSHIP** to **ROBERT JONES**, 93 young, for his services to the CLUB since 1972.

LESLIE JONES, Bob's wife is also a life member since 1982 Their joint long-standing dedication in the running of VVMCCSA has and always appreciated. Both in their 90's the club wishes them all the best and a BIG THANKS. *regards Daryl Rosser (LM)*



GENERAL MEETING 821 on 10th June 2025 PAYNEHAM RSL CLUBROOMS 8PM

Trophy Presentation Night

Chairperson: Brian Forth

Attendance: 41 **Apology:** nil **Guest:** 2

Who are we? Jeff and Dawn Schaeffer, Wheels West 2003, (Ed-see page 21 for the report)

Guest(s): Ian Wilson and Mat Wright (from Victoria)

Minutes from General Meeting 820 on 13th May 2025

Presented as printed in the December Magazine Smoke Signal 671.

Moved: David Radloff

Seconded: Colin Behn

Treasure – Terry Rowe

Terry Rowe report on VVMCCSA income and expenditure.

Moved: Ian Haywood

Seconded: Brian Kuerschner

Membership: Ian Wilson attended and collected a membership form

Trevor Ryan's membership handed to Vaughan Edwards will deliver it to him

Correspondence: - Mail and Emails in.

- 1/ Magazine from BSA South Australia; Newcastle magazine; Throttle Lever; The Beesa Journal; Henley Auctions; Mildura Vintage Vehicles Club; emailed to members.
- 2/ Invoices from Goodwood Community Centre and Payneham RSL hall hire.
- 3/ Westpac Bank statements
- 4/ John Moss for Triumph information for magazine
- 5/ Brian Kuerschner of his motorcycle riding days for the magazine
- 7/ Ian Hese re Gumeracha – Federation Park usage on 6 October 2025
- 8/ Members advising of payment of Subscriptions – replies sent
- 9/ Invoices from Goodwood Community Club.

Correspondence - Outgoing emails

- 1/ Brian Forth emailed **Smoke Signal Magazine 670** to members
- 2/ Brian Forth emailed Incoming magazines and information to members
- 3/ Brian Forth re David Holbrook funeral arrangements and motorcycle display
- 4/ Brian Forth – email on 70th Expression of Interest form to all members, posted web site, Facebook page and sent to clubs interstate

Moved: Vaughan Edwards

Seconded: Wayne Lawson

Club Captain - Ian Hese

PAST EVENTS

MAY

Thurs 15th Old Cocks N Tiddlers ride. 10 bikes (2 veteran 1 vintage) to Lobethal bakery "Old Grand Prix Track" and return via Cudlee Creek.

Sat/Sun 17/18th 2 Day Rally to Burra. Just kept in front of the rain. Arnold De Groot and Steve Jenner started at Eudunda. Arrived Burra 1.30pm. Steve returned to Kapunda and the rest went to Steve Norris's Pharoah's Tomb and other sites. After the meal at the Hotel, Arnold Degroot went to Clare and Adrian and Sandy Howe returned to Adelaide. Morning tea was at Auburn, via the "Midnight Oil House" just north of Burra for a photo shoot. Arnold rejoined us there and followed us through to Truro for Lunch. The ride finished at Birdwood. Sunny weather but cold.

Sun 25th Club display had a good range of 12 bikes at Strathalbyn for "Wheels Thru Time." Unfortunately, the patronage was low due to weather and other local Events.

JUNE

Thur 5th North ride to Lyndoch for coffee then back to Chain o Ponds to finish before Rain arrived. 3 riders went out through Palmer to Langhorne Creek and Strathalbyn.

Sat 7th 11 people attended coffee morning at the Loose Caboose Hindmarsh. Daryl Rosser looking for new venue as it is for sale.

June 10th About 15 members attended Dave Holbrook's Funeral and displayed 3 bikes.

FUTURE EVENTS

JUNE

Thur 12th South ride led by Vaughan Edwards 10am Victoria Hotel O Halloran Hill.

Sun 15th Ride from Balhannah Oval led by Paul Carroll. Morning tea at Mt Pleasant. There will be a "Tiddlers" route, led by Ian Hese. Marshals needed on the day and someone to tow the trailer please.

Thur 19th Old Cocks n Tiddlers ride 10am Gumeracha, weather permitting.

Sun 22/29th Log book days.

JULY

Thur 3rd North Ride from TTG Hotel 10am.

Sat 5th Coffee at Loose Caboose Hindmarsh.

Sun 20th Ride in/Drive in to Military Museum Keswick. Maybe last chance to see, as Government has sold the Barracks and display to be split up.



General meeting minutes continued on page 5

Club Captain report continued from page 4.

Rally Forms - Rally Forms to be submitted at all Club rides by members and guests.

Invitations events

1/ FOM indoor swap meet

2/ 20th June – Salisbury Men's shed 10am for 30 minutes

Moved: Colin Behn

Seconded: Dale Morris

Trophy Presentation 2024-2025

FIRST RALLY	BRASS MONKEY RIDE 16/06/24	1953 BSA PLUNGER	DARREN EDWARDS
"	"	"	DAVE LONG
"	"	"	IAN ROUNSEVELL
"	"	"	STANLEY TSIROS
"	BAROSSA RIDE 18/08/2024	1971 HONDA CB750 K1	WAYNE LAWSON
"	"	1979 TRIUMPH T140E	DAVID SAINT
"	"	1985 HONDA GB TT	GREG PATERSON
"	STRATHALBYN F/T RIDE 15/09/2024	1928 ARIEL A557	MICHAEL GRIFFIN
"	"	1990 HONDA NVT650	PETER SCOTT
"	"	1979 HONDA C90	MAT WILLIAMSON
""	OXENBERRY WINERY RIDE 20/10/2024	1955 TRIUMPH	CYRIL COPPINS
::,	MELB'S MEANDER RIDE 17/11/2024	1949 BSA B33 OUTFIT	ROD BAILEY
"	"	1953 HOREX	ROGER O'LOUGHLIN
"	"	1978 KAWASAKI KZ	MARTIN GILES
"	CUDLEY CREEK RIDE 19/01/2025	1965 BSA C15	MURRAY TYLER
"	"	1958 BSA BANTAM	MAT WILLIAMSON

TWO DAY RALLY WINNERS - IAN HESE, ADRIAN HOW, PAUL CARROLL, ROB TUCKER and GREG PATERSON

BIRDWOOD MUSEUM MOST DESIRABLE BIKE : RALPH OSBORNE.
RALLYIST OF THE YEAR ARNOLD DEGROOT
COMBINED AGE RIDER/MACHINE RIDER ARNOLD DEGROOT
VETERAN RALLIST OF THE YEAR ARNOLD DEGROOT
WALLY WOOLLATT TROPHY ADRIAN HOW

Life Membership.

Ian Hese Club Captain was presented with his **Life Membership**. Well done Ian and well deserved. Ian works tirelessly as Club Captain to help ensure the club keeps running and has done for many years. (*Ed- report on Ian Hese service to VVMCCSA son page 3*)

General meeting resumed

General Business

- 1/ Brian Forth –**Committee meeting** on 29th July – cancelled. Committee Meeting on that date will be held at 7pm Tuesday before the **GM 823 on 12 August** due to Goodwood Centre not available.
- 2/ Brian Forth – 8th July **AGM night** positions need be filled to keep VVMCCSA running
- 3/ Brian Forth – **Subscriptions** now due
- 4/ Brian Forth – **logbook days** 22 and 29th June 2025 – Payneham RSL clubrooms 29th – Jane Clarke's home Blewitt Springs

Any Other Business from the Floor

- 1/ **Michael Griffin** - reported still trying to locate a Coffee Van for the event at the right price. Members will be soon asked to Volunteer
- 2/ **Ian Wilson** - is looking for an autocycle seat. Brian might have one.
- 3/ **Alan Orrick** - has a new book just come into the library if anyone would like to borrow it. Other books also available
- 4/ **Greg Patterson** - wanted club members to know that Redline Exhaust are still in business and open Wednesday's, Thursday's and Friday's.

Drip Tray INQUISITION by Adrian How

Adrian did it again. Another entertaining night with the Drip Tray Inquisition. This time I was asked to pick a name out of the bowl, and who did I pick? My hubby, Arnold de Groot. Some of the questions that were asked Arnold was reluctant to answer given I was there e.g., how many bikes do you have? Hmmm, seriously though it was all done in good humour and I think people enjoyed it as they always do when Adrian does his Drip Tray Inquisition. Thank you, Adrian.

Meeting Closed: 20:50PM

Next General meeting: 8th July 2025 8pm Payneham RSL clubrooms

Maggie Moore

Secretary, VVMCCSA

VVMCCSA Committee Meeting, – 24th June 2025 Goodwood Community Centre - 7:30pm

Present: Brian Forth, Adrian How, Maggie Moore, Terry Rowe, Ian Hese, Greg Paterson, Vaughan Edwards, Daryl Rosser and Mat Williamson.

Apologies:, Wayne Lawson Colin Behn, Ron Wuttke.

Guest: Murray Tyler (*see below for further details under Around the table*)

Minutes from Committee Meeting 27th May 2025

As printed in the June edition of Smoke Signal Magazine 671

Moved: Terry Rowe **Seconded:** Greg Paterson

Business Arising.

1/ **Committee Members Succession Plan.** Ongoing. (25/Oct/2022)

2/ **Constitution amendments.** Brian Forth liaising with Peter Allen (30 May 2023). On hold

Treasury Report – Terry Rowe

Terry Rowe report on VVMCCSA income and expenditure.

Moved: Mat Williamson

Seconded: Ian Hese

Membership: Ian Wilson (631) application read to committee – Ratified
Robert Hill (633) of Moonta, new application read to committee
Rosalie Forth (632) of Banksia Park, new application read to committee

Correspondence: – Incoming Mail and Emails

- 1/ Magazines & information from Victorian Vintage Motorcycle Club, Newcastle Vintage, Henley Auctions, Throttle On from Veteran Motorcycle Competitors Association, Country Motoring, and Northern York Peninsula VVMCCSA magazine– sent to members
- 2/ Members advising of subs payment – Noted on membership list and replied
- 3/ Invoices from Goodwood Community Centre & RSL room hire and Lane Print
- 4/ Westpac Bank statements
- 5/ Membership application from Robert Hill of Moonta
- 6/ Enquiries from members about log book days and locations replied sent
- 7/ Brett Mitchell advising information on Log Book days and requirements – email to members
- 8/ AJS & Matchless Owners Club regarding the next Jampot Rally November 7 - Nov 8, 2025.

Outgoing emails

- 1/ Oily Rag and Northern York Peninsular and Victorian MC Magazines sent to members
- 2/ Terry Rowe advised of invoices from Goodwood Community and Payneham RSL re hall hire
- 3/ Log book information to members
- 4/ Smoke Signal 671 email to all members.

Moved: Vaughan Edwards

Seconded: Adrian How

Club Captain Report - Ian Hese

PAST EVENTS

June

- Thurs 5th North ride, 13 bikes. Coffee at Lyndoch shortened to Chain of Ponds due to pending rain. 3 riders carried onto Wellington and Strathalbyn
- Sat 7th Coffee at Loose Caboose Hindmarsh, 11 people. Looking for new venue, pending sale
- Thurs 12th South ride 8 bikes. Finish at Glacier Rocks
- Sun 15th Balhannah. ride organised by Paul Carroll. 13 bikes. (2 on Tiddlers route) 1 on trailer. Mat Williamson, trailer driver took another bike home from the finish (didn't make start time due to break down) 1 other rider didn't make the start due to heavy fog
- Thurs 19th Old Crocks and Tiddlers, Gumeracha. 13 bikes to Williamstown for coffee and return
- Sunday 22th Log Book day at Payneham RSL Clubrooms
VVMCCSA Display at FOMSA Swap Meet. Thank you Daryl and Vaughan.
No reported issues with the above events.

FUTURE EVENTS

July

- Thurs 3rd North Ride TTG Hotel 10am
- Sat 5th Loose Caboose gathering 9:30am
- Thurs 10th South Ride 10am Victoria Hotel
- Thurs 17th Old Crocks n Tiddlers Run 10am Gumeracha
- Sun 20th Ride IN/Drive into **Military Museum** of SA at Keswick 10am.

2 day rides—Ian Hese - Reported about future 2 day rides. He is meeting with The Rides Committee this Friday and will report at a later date.

Committee minutes continued on page 7

Committee Meeting on 24th June 2025—continues from page 6

Club Captain report continued from page 6

Invitations

NIL

Moved: Mat Williamson

Seconded: Maggie Moore

General Business:

- 1/ Brian Forth subscriptions many still outstanding
- 2/ Brian Forth, Daryl Rosser present Honorary Membership to Robert Jones, thank you.
- 3/ Brian Forth reported on postage cost of Smoke Signal with 41 country members, 15 general members (paid), 16 life members, 13 Sponsors and 1 overseas to UK Vintage Motorcycle Club total 85 posted each month.
- 4/ Brian Forth reported that Bill Lorimer is currently in Lyell McEwin Hospital after a fall at home.

Around the Table

- 1/ **Ian Hese** - reported on the Rally Entry Form regarding the Emergency Contact information. The general consensus was to make this as optional on the form. There are many complications associated with this. Wording is under review and Ian will bring back to the table
- 2/ **Ian Hese** - has recently completed a First Aid Course, specifically relative to motorcycles. The Club needs a register of qualified First Aid Officers.
Ian **Moved a Motion**— "that he contact the person running the **First Aid Course** to get a costing for the Club to subsidise a course. This was **Seconded** by Vaughan Edwards, carried
This is not open to everyone, there will be a selection process for people wanting to do the course that are regular riders on the Club's runs.
- 3/ **Ian Hese** - in addition to the above will get some costings on an AED and First Aid Kits.
- 4/ **Ian Hese** - Spoke about Neville Gray (Testing Road Service via Ulysses and MRA) who he will invite to attend a Club Meeting as a Guest Speaker around August / September this year.
- 5/ **Mat Williamson** - announced his role as the Club's representative at FOMSA
- 6/ **Mat Williamson** - stated damage / loss to Club trailer that requires fixing. Mat will proceed with this
- 7/ **Mat Williamson** - stated the First Aid Kits and Fire Extinguishers need to be updated.
Brian Forth - **Moved a Motion** for this to occur and this was **Seconded** by Mat Williamson. Mat will proceed with this task, carried.
- 8/ **Daryl Rosser** - raised the issue around what was happening with the 30 and 25 year rule. General committee consensus was it should stay as it is written in the Constitution.
- 9/ **Maggie Moore** - approached Mat Williamson to act as the Master of Ceremonies for the 70th Anniversary Rally being held in October 2026. Mat will have a think about it and get back to me
- 10/ **Murray Tyler** - gave a presentation on the Club's Website stating our current website needs to be updated. He would create a staging site, exact duplicate of original that can be worked on prior to going live that will update and tidy up the Website to make it more user friendly. The agenda is to think about what needs to be on our website and what can be deleted. The more information on there, the harder it becomes to navigate and the slower it becomes. Murray is prepared to sort this out.
- 11/ **Murray Tyler** - in addition to the above, is proposing that the Club fund a Wordpress software package called DIVI. The cost is \$195 for a lifetime license.
Maggie Moore Moved a Motion for the above and this was **Seconded** by Mat Williamson and carried.

Meeting Closed: 9:20pm

Next Committee Meeting: Tuesday 12th August 2025, at 7:00pm at Payneham RSL rooms

NOTE-

Committee Meeting before General Meeting 832 due to Goodwood Community Centre Closure for renovations

Maggie Moore
Secretary, VVMCCSA



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1942 Harley Davidson WLA type IV and Dusting sidecar. Paul Wallis 0449 737 945.

1950 Excelsior Talisman 250cc Reg YZI545, engine number 503. \$6,500; and
Dusting sidecar: this came off my Huntmaster, absolutely nothing to do to body and trim.
\$6,900. All are negotiable Rod Bailey 0406 982 582

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on 17/12/58. Reg S17AEE, asking \$28,500 o.n.o. John Moss at Wallaroo on 0409 670 093

David Conway (retired member) motorcycle collection for sale—see page 15

Motorcycle lift, for working on motorcycles—Stan Tsiros 08/82614598.

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Alan Millward member 340 phone 82581217

Wanted.

1920's Harley Davidson "W" model, anything else lying around for this model.
wheels for flat twin Harley required for a second bike or 1920's Harley single wheels may also be the
same? Colin Behn 0407 070 287.

Wanted - Girder forks for 1939 Ariel VH - just the forks, I have everything else. Please contact David
Horton 0468 469 324 or horton.davidjohn@gmail.com

BSA A7 rigid frame & mudguard wanted, Stan Tsiros 0408 193 796

Pilgram oil pump wanted it suit a **1928 Matchless OHV model 500cc single cylinder V2**. Single chamber
type with rear (on left side) input opening for oil with two at the front (on right side) oil output apertures
and driven in a clockwise direction looking at the drive end and **Cam to suit same model 1928 Matchless**
500cc OHV model V2 motorcycle. It is a gear driven cam, has both inlet and exhaust lobes.
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Paul Wallis 0449 737 945 (Aug23)



1951 BSA-B33 reg YZX502, Eng ZB3311536 \$8,000.

1950 Excelsior Talisman

250cc Reg YZI545, engine number 503. \$6,500;

Dusting sidecar: this came off my Huntmaster, absolutely nothing to do to body and trim. \$6,900. All are negotiable

Rod Bailey 0406 982 582



Dusting sidecar body & chassis

Ian Rounsevell 0412 708 410



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Rego number S89BTM Registered until 02/27 on Historic Registration (not transferable).

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Terry Rowe, Treasurer

29/04/2023



Club Runs & Events.

All members/visitors participating in **Club Runs MUST lodge a Rally Entry Form** with the Club Captain before the event or on the day of the ride. 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 requirements. **Ian Hese 0409 083 436**

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

2025

***** denotes Club points on runs & ride events*****

July 2025

- 3rd Northern Midweek ride—Tea Tree Gully Hotel, 10am—destination on the day
5th Coffee morning, -Loose Caboose 21 First St Hindmarsh - 9:15am
8th **Annual General Meeting & General Meeting 822**. 8pm Payneham RSL Club rooms
10th Southern Midweek Ride 10am Victoria Hotel at O'Halloran Hill
17th *** 46th Old Crocks Veteran & Tiddlers ride 10am Federation Park in Gumeracha
20th *** **Ride or drive in to Military Museum Keswick Barracks**
NO - Committee meeting to be held **before GM 823 on 12 August 2025**

August 2025

- 2nd Coffee morning, -Loose Caboose 21 First St Hindmarsh - 9:15am
7th Northern Midweek ride—Tea Tree Gully Hotel, 10am—destination on the day
12th **General Meeting 823**. 8pm Payneham RSL Club rooms.

Committee will be at 7pm Tuesday before the GM 823 on 12 August 2025

- 14th Southern Midweek Ride—10am Victoria Hotel at O'Halloran Hill
17th *** **Ride to be organised**
21st *** 47th Old Crocks Veteran & Tiddlers ride - 10am Federation Park in Gumeracha
26th Committee meeting at 7.30pm, Goodwood Community Centre.

September 2025

- 4th Northern Midweek ride— Tea Tree Gully Hotel leaving 10.00am
6th Loose Caboose 21 First St Hindmarsh 9.15am. Coffee and nattering.
9th **General meeting 824**- 8.00pm at Payneham RSL clubrooms.
11th Southern Midweek Ride, 10am Victoria Hotel O'Halloran Hill
18th *** 48th 'Old Crocks' Veteran & Tiddlers ride —10am, 10am Federation Park in Gumeracha
21st *** **Strathalbyn Flat Tank Society Ride at Strathalbyn**
30th Committee Meeting—7.30pm Goodwood Community Club

October 2025

- 2nd Northern Midweek ride— Tea Tree Gully Hotel leaving 10.00am
4th Coffee morning— Loose Caboose 21 First St Hindmarsh 9.15am
5th Sunday VVMCCSA—Motorcycle only Swapmeet—Balhannah oval from 0700hrs
6th Monday FOMSA a VVMCCSA organised ride from Federation Park at Gumeracha
9th Southern Ride—Victoria Hotel at 'Top-o-Taps' leaving 10am
14th **General Meeting 825** - 8.00pm at Payneham RSL clubrooms.
16th *** 49th 'Old Crocks' Veteran and Tiddlers ride —10am, Federation Park in Gumeracha
19th **Club Rally—more information coming**
28th Committee Meeting—Goodwood Community Centre 7.30pm

November 2025

- 1st Coffee at 'Loose Caboose 21 First St Hindmarsh 9.15am.
6th Northern Midweek ride— Tea Tree Gully Hotel leaving 10.00am
11th **General Meeting 826**, 8pm Payneham RSL clubrooms
13th Southern Midweek Ride—10am, Victoria Hotel, O'Halloran Hill.
16th *** **Club ride—to be advised**
16th– 16th Bendigo Swapmeet
20th *** 50th Old Crocks' Veteran & Tiddlers ride—10am, Federation Park Gumeracha.
25th Committee meeting, 7.30pm **Goodwood Community Club.**

Members wishing to use the Club trailer are to contact Mat Williamson and make arrangements to collect.

If you volunteer as 'back-up trailer' on a Club Run, call & collect or arrange to meet Mat at the ride you volunteered for and collect the vests and first aid box.

Call—Mat Williamson 0422 488 491



VVMCCSA have been invited to the following Club events

National Veteran Motorcycle Rally at Ballarat 19th to 24th +October 2025.

NSW VVCC—70th anniversary rally at Bathurst

Entries for our fabulous are coming in from around the country and internationally.

October 31st to November 8th for pre 1948 bikes For info and entries click on these links.

<https://vmccnsw.org.au/.../2025/03/AnnualRallyEntry2025.pdf>

<https://vmccnsw.org.au/.../03/AnnualRaly2025itinerary.pdf>

7th—13th September 2025, National Douglas Rally at Boonah Queensland. Contact Ian Hese for details

**Sunday
5th October 2025**

Balhannah Oval
Onkaparinga Valley Rd
Balhannah SA

\$15 per site,
incl. entry for 1 person.
Extra person \$5 entry
(No booking required)

\$5 per buyer
Children under 12 free
Catering on-site

Sellers from 6:30am
Interstate traders welcome.
**Buyers Gate opens
7am**

Camping available for
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For further information contact:

Michael Griffin

rny997@iinet.net.au

or phone 0439 039 904



24th Veteran & Vintage MCCA

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**SWAP MEET
& show**



* No car parts or bric-a-brac

VVMCCSA—24th Motorcycle only swap meet

Please be advised, the annual Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club of SA (V&VMCCSA) **Motorcycle Only** Swapmeet is being held again this year on Sunday October 5, 2025 at the Balhannah Combined Sports Oval, 109 Onkaparinga Valley Road, Balhannah, SA 5242.

This event will be the 24th running of the Club's Swapmeet with all motorcycle clubs, their members and associated vendors invited to attend.

If you wish to promote your club or motorcycle/scooter only related business on the day with a site you are encouraged to do so but sites are only available on a first come first serve basis. No booking required.

Cost of entry is, Sellers/Clubs \$15 which includes 1 x Person with additional persons \$5 each. Buyers \$5 per person, children 12 and under are free. No dogs please.

Sellers admitted from 630am. Buyers from 7am. Overnight accommodation is available on site in the adjacent Council Operated RV camping area but again, this is on a first come first serve basis. No Booking possible. No Fires.

The Swapmeet Committee would appreciate if this invitation is formally distributed among your members and for more information contact myself on 0439039904 or email: rny997@iinet.net.au

Happy Riding.

**Michael Griffin
V&VMCCSA Committee**

SWAP MEETS - Some swap meets dates are unknown if you know advise the Editor.

HAHNDORF- 18th January 2026

McLaren Vale 2nd February 2025

SA Rod & Custom, Kilburn. 2nd March 2025.

WOODSIDE - 16th March 2025

Pt Pirie TBA May 2025

SEDAN - TBA June 2025

Kadina 9th June 2024

GAWLER - 21 September 2025

STRATHALBYN TBA Oct 2025

BENDIGO - 15—16th November 2025

SA swap meet site— <http://www.bevenyoung.com.au/car.htm>

VICTOR HARBOR. TBA February 2025

Murray Bridge 16th February 2025

CLARE- 16th March 2025

NARACOORTE TBA May 2025

Pt Broughton—show & shine last Sunday May 2024

KAPUNDA- TBA May 2025

WILLUNGA - TBA August 2025

24rd VVMCC MOTORCYCLE ONLY 5th Oct 2025

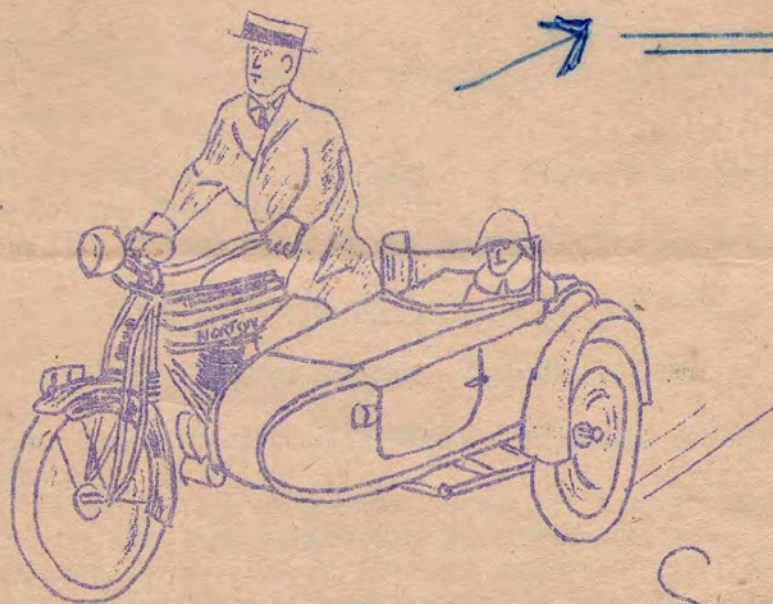
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SIGNAL.

This is the first of our Monthly News Sheets designed to bring you items of interest past, present and future and by so doing bring distant club members and those unable to attend our meetings closer together.

At the last General Meeting held on Tuesday, 13th April Frank Jarvis our acting club captain discussed the run to Clare. This was held on the week-end of 26th - 27th March departing Adelaide Gopps Cross 10 a.m. Saturday in ideal weather. Stops were made at Gawler by-pass and Tarlee for lunch (Frank Temby having small troubles with Electra) then on to the next water hole Seven Hills where the riders grouped for the run into Clare, arriving at about 4.30 p.m. This was spit-and-polish time after which all bikes joined in the gala procession down the main street to the Memorial Oval where they were dispersed after an inspection from the crowd. Kevin Sullivan's Harley was sold many times over and a number of old enthusiasts discussed the Golden Era with the riders.

After stabling the machines as it was rather a cold evening most made for the comfort of hotel lounges for the rest of the evening.

Sunday dawned crisp and clear with riders ready to depart at 10 a.m., the first stop being Auburn and then on to Tarlee for lunch, off again to Gawler and then on to North Adelaide to the Club Rooms for dispersal.

Two newly restored bikes making their first run were Reg. Hancock's 1907 Norton and Rex Eckert's 1924 Levis two-ey. Both machines went very well and the owners had no difficulty in keeping pace with the cavalcade. Nice to see Mr. Ponty complete the run with no ill effects and a special mention to Chris Harley whose H.S.U. seems to go better every outing.

Very good weather and absence of break-downs made an enjoyable week-end for all.

The M.C.C.C. Rally will be our next run and has been planned for Saturday May 8th departing North Adelaide Club Rooms at 1.00 p.m. (points will be lost for late arrivals) The outing will be organised and controlled by the M.C.C. and the proposed route will be via Highbury, Tea Tree Gully, Pt. Adelaide, West Beach and back to the Club Rooms. There will be speed judging between controls and braking tests during the afternoon.

The next general meeting to be held at the Club Rooms on May 11th will be a picture night, Wally's Cavalcade of Motor Cycling. (Bring any old photographs that may be of interest)

A tentative date for the Annual Presentation of season's trophies is Tuesday June 1st at 8.00p.m. at the Glen Osmond Institute.
There will be a film evening and a Basket Supper - bring the family.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Bill Moseley has recently located a B.S.A. of about 1917 vintage which would clean up quite well.

Graham Flavel has nearly completed his Velo and we should see this machine early in the new season.

Barry Wasleys has uncovered a mysterious veteran, if I remember correctly a Bell, and he would more than likely appreciate information on same.

Chris Harley has a heavy duty Burman gear-box chain come belt for exchange.

Mr. A. Moore of 11 Nelson St., Kilburn has two old bikes for sale, a 1920 Douglas (power unlimited) and a 1911 water cooled Lewis, together with many old spares, carbs., mags., valves, pistons etc..

Ron Truscott has a 1929 7-9 Harley outfit for sale or exchange, also swinging-arm Indian frame and gear box for exchange looking for flat tank overhead valve Norton.

News of comings and goings, social events etc., bikes being restored, machines or bits for sale or exchange, in fact anything of interest should be handed in to Wally club nights or whenever available, this will help immensely in the production of this sheet.

Reference—this is the 1st Edition of the club's magazine

TWIST GRIP
Editor.

Subscriptions for 2025 - 2026 are now due

Banking details - page 9 of this magazine

- 1/ **On line** - You need to state name and membership number when on line
 - 2/ **Bank deposit**, if you do it at your Bank, then asked if your name & membership number
Can be added to the payment
 - 3/ Pay at club meetings or on Logbook days.
- 3/ **Email** - secretary@vvmccsa.org.au to advise of your payment please

Membership - City & Country \$45.00

Smoke Signal - postage is \$40.00

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LOG BOOKS - The log book days will held on the following -

Sunday 29th June 2025 from 10am to 12 noon at
Payneham RSL Clubrooms 360 Payneham Road Payneham.

Bring your motorcycle (s) Log book—
Registration Papers for the motorcycle (s)
Membership card
This is one location Payneham RSL rooms

Southern members - Jane Clarke will also have a day which will on 29 June from 1200 to 2pm.

City and Country Members—logbook procedure -

If you are unable to attend the above days you can -

- 1/ Pay your subscriptions and advise secretary@vvmccsa.org.au
- 2/ Post your logbooks, rego papers, membership card
- 3/ Include a stamped envelope with your address to return your book (s) please.

Further enquiries please email secretary@vvmccsa.org.au

Brian Forth, President

Triumph The Royal Connections

During the period of the Triumph Meriden Cooperative there were 3 Limited Edition models built with Royal connotations.

The first of these were the **1977 Silver Jubilee Bonneville's**. 'One of a Thousand' the advertising blurb said. In actual fact there were around 1,000 built for England, 1,000 built for America and approx. 400 for other parts of the World. A total of around 2,400, with two versions available, the UK spec bikes and US spec bikes. The difference was the UK bikes had 4 gallon petrol tanks (with rubber knee pads) and low handlebars while the US spec had a 2 ½ gallon tank and high handlebars. Both specs were sold in the various markets.



Both versions were the standard bikes blinged up. They had silver paint with a blue scallop on the tank lined with red and white lining. The mudguards, wheel rims and chain guard also had blue stripes with the red/white lining. The engine timing cover, primary cover, outer gearbox cover and tail light housing were chrome plated (not really a good idea on aluminum). The dark blue seats had red piping and 'Silver Jubilee' under the Triumph name on the back of the seat. They also had a new style side cover with a special badge reading '**Bonneville 750, Silver Jubilee 1977**'. Then there was the wording at the bottom which read either 'One of a Thousand', 'Limited Edition' or 'Limited International Edition' depending on which market it went to. Each bike also came with a certificate listing the Limited Edition number, bike number and a space for the first owners name.

Then in 1981 it was decided to do another run of Limited Edition bikes, this time to celebrate the wedding of Prince Charles to Lady Diana Spencer. They would be called the '**Royal Wedding Bonneville**'. However, this time they were restricted to much smaller numbers. The general consensus is there were 125 UK spec bikes and 125 US spec bikes (with some sources stating, incorrectly, that these went to America), 250 total. My research to date is indicating this may not be correct, but I'm still working on that.



The US spec bikes were, once again, blinged up standard bikes with the 2 ½ gallon petrol tank and high handlebars. The petrol tank was chrome plated with blue scallops lined in gold. The side covers were blue with a gold pinstripe. The mudguards, indicator stalks, chain guard and rear brake lever were also chrome plated and the instrument pod was polished aluminum. The seat was the Executive style finished with black sides and grey top. The engine had highly polished outer covers. They had the standard spoked wheels with single front disc with Girling iron caliper.

The UK spec bikes also had chrome plated 4 gallon petrol tanks, mudguards and rear brake levers. The tanks had a black scallop with gold lining. The side covers were also black with a gold pinstripe and the black chain guard had a gold pinstripe. The engine was also finished in black with the edges of the fins on the cylinder head and rocker boxes polished. The frame and swing arm were finished in silver along with the fork yokes. The seat was black. The wheels were Morris mag wheels with twin disc on the front with alloy Lockheed calipers.

All Royal Wedding models had electric starters and Bing CV carburetors. There was a plate fixed to the frame on the left side of the headstock saying it was a Royal Wedding Limited Edition model and had the Limited Edition number and frame number stamped onto it. The side cover badges had '**Bonneville Royal 1981**' on them with a small 'Limited Edition' sticker at the bottom. Each bike also came with a Certificate with the LE number, original dealer name and first Owners name.



Initially the Americans didn't want any of the Royal Weddings, but upon seeing the success of them in the UK and other countries they asked Triumph to do another run. These are not 'Royal Weddings' though. They are the '**Royal LE's, built for Triumph Motorcycles America (TMA)**'.

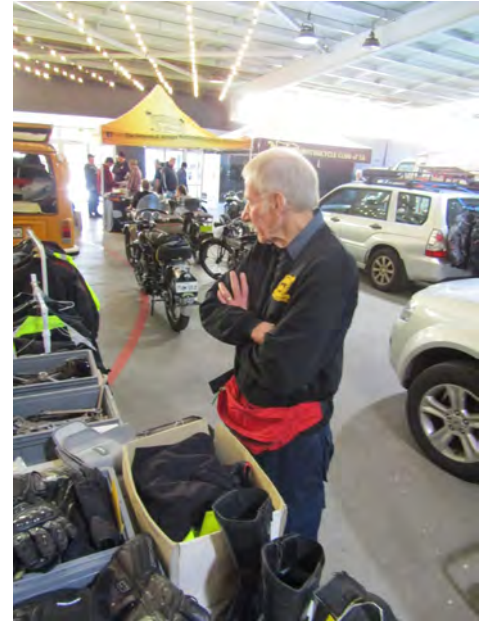
The **TMA Royal LE** is virtually the same bike as the UK spec Royal Wedding but all paintwork is black with gold pinstripes including petrol tank, mudguards, side covers and chain guards. The only chrome plating other than the usual exhaust system handle bars etc, is the rear brake lever. The engine cases were finished in black with polished timing, primary and gearbox covers. The side cover badges read 'Bonneville Royal' with the small 'Limited Edition' sticker at the bottom. They weren't individually numbered like the previous LE bikes and only about 50 of them were built, making them one of the rarest Triumph models built.



Footnote: There were 25 Royal Weddings despatched to Australia. Of those 9 were US spec bikes and 16 were UK spec bikes. Four of them came to Boltons in SA, 3 UK and 1 US spec bikes. I know the whereabouts of the 3 UK spec bikes but are yet to track down the US spec bike. Of the rest of the bikes, most went to Alron in Perth and Tom Byrne in Sydney. The remainder went to M&W. There are also two UK spec Royal Weddings privately imported from the UK that I know of. If you had, have or know someone who has, a Royal Wedding, I would be keen to hear from you. I can be contacted by email at jmtclasics@gmail.com

Cheers John 'Mossy' Moss

VVMCCSA members attended Sundays **FOM Indoor Swapmeet**. Members were manning the Club display, others selling their wares or some just strolling about like David and Peter including shopping bag.



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I thought some Club Members might be interested in my former motorcycle competitive years.

My competitive days in fact began with the purchase of a 1952 Triumph 650cc Thunderbird in the early 1960s. I'd spotted this machine resting for some considerable time up against the wall of a market gardeners home, Dominic, I was friendly with. I asked if it might be for sale and what he might like for it. Having offered Dom £25 deposit for the 50 Quid asking price he allowed me to ride the bike home the 3 miles all be it unregistered Dom never did request the 25 Quid balance

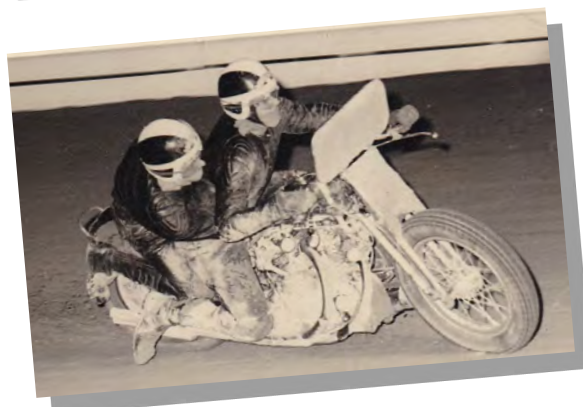
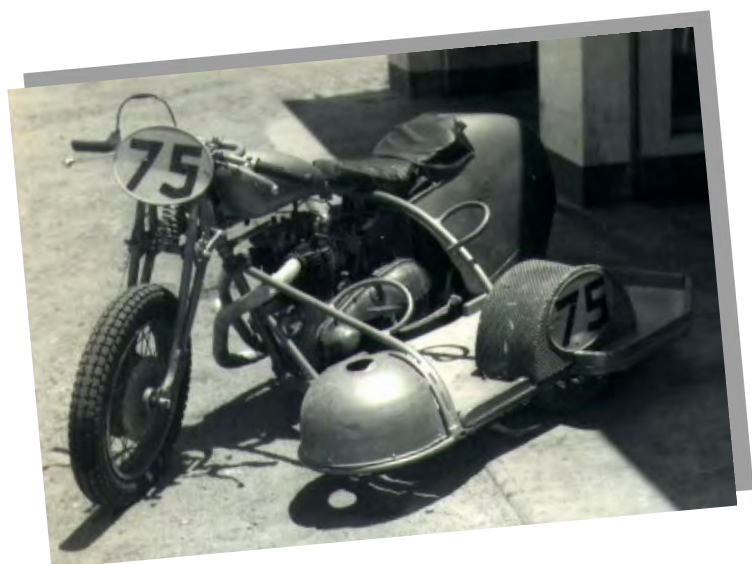
It was not long before my best mate Peter Richards and myself were preparing to attach a sidecar to the model. We were both Members of the now defunct Norwood Motorcycle Club who met in George Street at the back of the convenient old Norwood Pie Cart. President of the Club at the time was Harold Murray who operated a motorcycle repair shop in George Street. While there on one occasion an old chap pulled up in the street on a 1938 500cc Triumph. Leaving his machine with Harold for some work to be attended to while he went shopping on the Parade I asked if he would mind if I swapped my Hydraulic forks for his much earlier Girder type forks. Half an hour later when he returned found the replaced forks to his liking riding away most excited.

Harold usually had all manner of scrap bits and pieces lying about when on one occasion he had a Triumph front portion frame grafted to a twin shock Norton Plunger rear section. I took it home and swapped each over with the girder forks and there was the beginning of racing outfit. I knew of Dave Williams Motorcycle Wreckers in Whitmore Square. Dropping in at one stage, searching for whatever I caught sight of a 16" Austrian 250cc Adler 180mm brake front wheel that would suit our job perfectly.

As for the rear wheel we had Gordon 'Bismark' Harding of Miracorp Safely Rims in Gilles Street lace up a 13"x6" car rim to our standard Triumph brake drum and had fitted a Winter tread tyre of the time. Allparts in Flinders Street took charge of the standard 7.1 compression ratio pistons with standard Thunderbird Triumph cams. The enclosed rear mudguard was fashioned from a pair of 1938 Chevrolet rear guards joined through the center. To complete the project, we had fitted an early slightly modified BSA Bantam fuel tank. Designed our own lightweight sidecar frame to suit the early Murray Bridge Speedway track then called 'Short Circuit' due to the inner portion under lights dogleg circuit. Three seasons fun spent up at the Bridge before a Dustbin type Fairing was fitted.

I'd never ridden the Triumph before we went to Mallala road races on my 21st birthday for the South Australian Road Race Championships were we managed 5th place overall. Soon after did the money eventually dry out and was forced to quit the Triumph.

During this early period, I was to support another of my best mates, Neil Munro as mechanic at Rowley Park Speedway through the early 1960s. Another friend Daryl Read was riding with Neil when after breaking his leg at Murray Bridge forcing Neil to find another Passenger for the speedway on Friday nights. This offer was made to 'you know who'. This was then about to get awkward. Maureen and I were yet to be married and the ultimatum was made, If I was to side speedway the wedding was off. Our wedding plans had been





made not that far into the future. Can you see where I'm going here? Well, we got married and never so proud of myself **(not)** I began riding speedway with Neil on the HRD.

Our immediate first outing together was in 1964 at the Easter long weekend meeting at Pt. Pirie on the one mile circuit for five miles duration. I remember the chain broke while practicing wrapping itself around my right boot having to be attended by the on course St. John Ambos Motorcycle Division, we did complete the weekend racing.

Opening night however in 1965 at Rowley Park we, lined up at the tapes from gate number one we managed first into turn one. However, into turn two Kenny Norman thought sufficient room was there to nudge through knocking our bike into neutral losing total power resulting in

our end over ending. That would be my initiation to the Sidecar Stars Scratch Race. The outcome, both walked away mostly unscathed.

Our Son Todd was born in July of 1969 when I finally had had sufficient speedway excitement then purchased my first of several Observed Trial bikes a 250cc DT1 Yamaha. Campaigning that for a season when multi World Champion Trials Mastro from the UK, Sammy Miller visited South Australia conducting trials schools in each state for the Spanish Bultaco factory.

It wasn't long before my good mate Peter Richards and I invested in a Bultaco Sherpa 'T' each, Peter's seven engine numbers ahead of mine. I rode solo for a season before building my first Trials sidecar outfit determined to make a name solely for myself as a rider.

Having taken part in no less than 18 National Title events every state throughout the country, we were most fortunate to placed first in two titles, one in 1973 at Loongana in Tasmania and another in 1974 at Lismore in New South Wales. While the little Bultaco was campaigned, we managed several local and interstate Titles throughout Victoria and New South Wales traveling thousands of kilometers every year. From there the younger competitive generation took over relegating me to seconds and third and much lesser placings.

Further up the track, having sold off the Bully we invested in our first of several Yamaha TY250 model Trials machine at the time said to be the ultimate in Trials machines following the visit from another Englishman, Mick Andrews having taken over from Sammy Miller as the man to beat in World Championship Trials events throughout England and Europe.

Immediately attaching in the off season, a lightweight sidecar to the brand new Yamaha model. I have to admit here my days of leading the fields to the rostrum were now well and truly over as the youngsters coming up through the ranks were much less afraid of the more difficult observed sections now being provided by the organizers to negotiate.

Campaigning another two Yamaha TY models before purchasing a lovely little 250cc TLR Honda for the couple of years I had remaining as a competitor. I'd always had a yearning to ride over, not leap over a VW Volkys on an outfit from as early as the mid-1980s Uraidla and Summertown Agricultural Show. Not until the AJS Motorcycle Club in Adelaide provided a Trials display at the Boolaroo Center Steam and Traction Day in 1986 did I have the opportunity to accomplish this long awaited achievement. Since then, with my fearless regular passenger Stephen Sparkes did we have the opportunity to negotiated several other successful attempts at the Birdwood Farm Day and once only an Austin 1800 Tasman at Speedway Park Virginia.

Having suffered a mild Myocardial Infarction (Heart Attack) in 1989 my days of open competition were now well and truly over since I'd retired three times already. I turned to purchasing a 1954 model 16M 350cc AJS and joined the Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club in Adelaide to go riding with Club Members I'd long known.

Having now since 1974 achieved more than 4 different Club Life Memberships I'm more than pleased with my overall contribution to competitive motorcycling.

Brian 'Nip' Kuerschner.



VVMCCSA General Meeting 810 and Annual General Meeting, 9th July 2024.

Chairperson – Brian Forth.

Attendance: 30 **Apology:** Guest: Nil

Speaker: Nil

Who are we: From left, Fay Grace, Dean Govan, possibly Dawn Schaefer, Peter Grace, in side car are possibly Julie Schaefer and Richard Govan then Audrey Govan beside our Mustang. The photo was taken on 23rd October 1977 at Willomurra horse stud near Williamstown on a Federation Tour. Peter is sitting on now your Harley, Cheers Dean

Minutes of Meeting 809 – 11th June resented as printed in the May Magazine 660

Moved: Mat Williamson **Seconded:** Arnold de Groot

Treasurer: Terry Rowe

Provided a resume of the Treasury report, numerous invoices approved and paid.

Moved: Brian Kuerschner **Seconded:** Richard Kretschmer

New members: NIL

INCOMING EMAILS / CORRESPONDENCE

- 1/ Members advising of subs payment and resignations
- 2/ Lane Print account.
- 3/ Goodwood Community Club and Payneham RSL hall hire fees
- 4/ Westpac bank statements
- 5/ Wagga Classic Motorcycle Rally 12 – 13th October 2024
- 6/ Anglicare request for motorcycle at 56 Monmouth Road Westbourne Park
- 7/ Michael Griffin – information about VVMCCSA swap meet 6th October 2024
- 8/ NARC—Northern Auto Restoration Club re rally 11 – 15th September 2024
- 9/ Lyn Wood - wanting information on a Honda motorcycle from the recent Sedan Swap Meet
- 10/ Model T Ford - Buzzer Box July Magazine

OUTGOING EMAILS

- 1/ Brian Forth acknowledging members' payment emails
- 2/ Anglicare – reply sent
- 3/ To members, Michael Griffin – information about VVMCCSA swap meet 6th October 2024
- 4/ To member re NARC rally and Wagga Rally

Moved: Adrian How **Seconded:** Darren Edwards

Following questions raised by Brett Mitchell in the last GM concerning **affiliation with FOMSA**, Maggie Moore read out the response to questions put to Rob Elliott around this issue and stated that the Committee had agreed to affiliate.

Club Captain – Ian Hese

Past events

Ian Rounsevell's run from the Tower Hotel and up into the hills went well. A good run and good weather-wise. Old Crock's run out of Gumeracha was cancelled due to threatening weather conditions. As it turned out the forecast was wrong but Ian was not to know.

July 4 - run from TTG Hotel last Thursday, Mt Pleasant for coffee and chat, then onto Mannum for lunch, back to Nairne where the group disbanded and went their separate ways. A good day.

Last Saturday coffee at Loose Caboose Hindmarsh. The usual crowd attended.

FOMSA Swap Meet at Greyhound Park.

Future events.

July 17th - Westbourne Park bike display. Looking for more bikes for the display. Please contact Ian Hese if you are interested for further details. Will be inside out of the weather

July 18th - 35th Old Cocks Veteran and Tiddlers ride. 10am Gumeracha. The ride will not be cancelled. Check weather conditions

July 21 –Maritime Museum ride-drive to event. 10am open. 11am tour. They accept credit card only (no cash) see Ian at the start if there is an issue for you with this and he will help you out. Entry also includes entry to the Birdwood Museum.

August 18 - Next month the ride will be up north, probably in the Barossa area.

Moved: Adrian How **Seconded:** Colin Behn

Brian Forth then suspended the General Meeting 810 for the Annual General Meeting.

Philip Holmes chaired the Annual General Meeting.

All committee positions declared vacant.

Details of the Annual General meeting located on page 19

Annual General Meeting

Philip Holmes chaired the AGM

TITLE	NAME	NOMINATED BY	SECONDED BY
President	Brian Forth	Arnold de Groot	Maggie Moore
Vice President	Adrian How	Brian Forth	Ian Hese
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Treasurer	Terry Rowe	Adrian Howe	Daryl Rosser
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Librarian	John Deacon assisted by Alan Orrick	Ian Hese	Arnold de Groot
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Daryl Rosser	Brian Forth	Wayne Lawson	
Colin Behn	Brian Forth	John Deacon	
Greg Paterson	Terry Rowe	Daryl Rosser	
Ron Wuttke	Wayne		

Annual General meeting closed and resumed General Meeting 810.

General Meeting 810 resumed, chaired by Brian Forth.

General business

Brian Forth, thanked the members present for attending and nominating the 2024-2025 committee.

Brian Forth thank you to Philip Holmes for chairing the AGM.

Brian Forth – subs & postage of magazine – members reminder to be paid

Brian Forth – reminder Entry Forms for Victor Harbor Rally - AJS & MOC Australia's National Jampot Rally in October 25/26/27 - 2024 available on request from Brian Kuerschner.

*****Ed—see page 19 of this magazine for the entry form.**

Library – John Deacon / Alan Orrock report. John has books for sale x 3.

Regalia – Greg Paterson report. has one of the old beanie's left for \$10. New style coming out soon.

Any other business from the floor.

Adrian How mentioned an auction coming up soon with Scammell auctioning off some items like a 1927 Buick car, Lagonda car 1942, Harley motorcycle and Honda motorcycle

Ken Hurley - 24 hour trials starting from Kapunda 13—14th July.

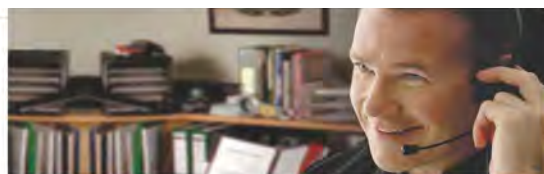
Philip Holmes also spoke of the event which is the '100th Anniversary' 24 hour trial.

Ed—Philip, Barbara (in this photo) and all members of the Holmes family have successfully competed in this event

Meeting Closed: 9pm

Next Meeting: August 13, 2024

Maggie Moore Secretary, VVMCCSA






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On seeing this photo in the June "Smoke Signal" my memory was taken back to October 1987 when we attended the "Wheels West 87" tour of Perth & Busselton in W.A. This rally was promoted by the Vintage Motorcycle Club of W.A.

In answer to Brian's question, the picture shows Jeff & Dawn Schaefer with their 1929 side valve "Sloper" BSA with Goulding sidecar at York, West Australia on 11/10/1987



Dawn and I were accompanied by Laurie & Ruth Leibhart (1954 Matchless &S/C), Lew & Lorraine Job (1952 Norton &S/C) Peter & Rhonda Monaghan (1951 Panther) Brian & Mary Farmer (1936 Vincent HRD) John & Joan Howard (1954 BSA) and Chris Dowsett (1948 BSA).

Entrants came from Victoria 6, Queensland 5, New Zealand 21 and South Australia 6 for a total of 121. (12 veteran, 32 vintage).

The large number of entrants from NZ was due to a reciprocal arrangement and a shipping line transporting the machines quite cheaply.

The rally was conducted from Sat 10th October to Sunday 25th October at the height of the West Australian Wildflower season. It covered Perth and then the South West on scenic routes covering approx. 1000 Kms.

On Sunday as entrants in the "Wheels West 87" we were invited to ride in the W.A. T.T. Commemoration Run of 150 kms over the course used in the series of races held in 1912/13/14 and 15.

Starting in East Perth, we rode to York returning via Northam and Toodyay. As I had only just restored the Sloper (it had about 40 kms on the clock) pulling up through the Perth hills was a real "running in" for the BSA. We completed the course in the allotted time, whatever that was? & we gained a Silver Award. I must confess every entrant that completed the course was awarded according to their classification. Veteran = Gold, Vintage = Silver, Post vintage = Bronze.

We then visited many other places of scenic interest around the Perth area including Rottnest Island until the 17th October when the Tour moved southward to the Busselton area. The visit to see the famous Jarrah and Karri forests was spectacular. We were lucky that the West Australian wildflowers were at their peak, and it was amazing to see paddocks full of blooms of various colours. (Canola doesn't compete.) During the Tour we had a Rest Day and a Gymkhana Day with Australia versus New Zealand Teams Relay Races. I cannot remember who won but I do know there was some skulduggery afoot.

The Tour moved back to Perth for a final Rally Dinner on the 25th and next day after thanking our hosts for an excellent Rally, we set off for home

Regards—Jeff Schaeffer

The travellers:

There has always been an intrepid band of riding members prepared to venture out of SA to join their fellow enthusiasts in other Australian States. **They have gone across the Nullabor to take part in the Wheels West Rallies of Western Australia**, East to Queensland and Canberra for the International Rallies and overseas to Tasmania and New Zealand. For many years members went across to Victoria for the annual Maryborough Weekend arranged by the Vintage Motor Cycle Club of Victoria and also to the SA Classic Owners' Motor Cycle Club's Annual Mildura Rally. One (Ron Truscott) even went as far afield as Darwin to ride his machine back to SA and across to the eastern states to take part in a Rally.

Reference—50th Anniversary Book

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BALHANNAH RIDE REPORT

The end of the year was fast approaching and we needed the one, last ride.

Paul Carroll put his hand up and said "I'll do it".

He mapped out a route and got all the details into the Smoke Signal, everything was prepared.

The day arrived, but the ride had to be cancelled as the forecast temperature was waaay over the 36c Club cut off.

Not to be defeated, Paul was then asked to put it on for the last ride of the Club Year.

Everything was organised, but a few anxious days were then spent watching the forecasts again.

Not for heat, but the winter rains had finally started and it didn't look promising for the ride.

The day finally dawned, not bright and clear, but foggy and cloudy.

The starting place at the Balhannah Oval was filling up with bikes! A good turn up, considering the last few days weather.

Understandably no V belt driven bikes were seen.

John Moss had even driven down from the Copper Triangle on the Yorke Peninsula.

Unfortunately, Dale Morris couldn't get through the very thick fog around the Warren Reservoir and had to turn back.

Murray Tyler had bike troubles on the way to the start which he fixed, but to then only run into a fuel problem, which he couldn't fix and so missed the start time. He patiently waited at the start for the riders to return, so as the trailer could take him home.

13 riders set off with Paul leading. Ian Hayward (Panther) and Ian Hese (Honda Benly) took the shorter Tiddlers route to Mt Pleasant to meet up with the rest of the riders.

John Moss after his long trip down to the start, only managed a few Kms before the timing slipped and the bike was loaded onto the trailer.

The morning tea break was at the bakery opposite the Institute at Mt Pleasant.

Everyone saddled up after and then headed off back to Balhannah, with John still in the warmth of the trailer vehicle.

The 2 Ian's, with Adrian How keeping a watchful eye on them, took the Tiddlers turn off from Gumeracha and the rest returned through Cudlee Creek and Lenswood to the Balhannah oval.

The day was cold with only a couple of small patches of very light drizzle and not much wind.

Nobody got lost and everyone enjoyed the ride and thanked Paul for organising it.

Mat Williamson, trailer tower, unloaded John's bike and then loaded up Murray's bike to take him home, so as he wouldn't be stranded. Lucky he didn't have to take John home!

A Nony Mouse.



Last week I was reading the VMCCSA magazine Smoke Signal and the back page had the details of a Hills Run starting from Balhannah, then Mt Torrens, Mt Pleasant for Morning Tea, then on through Gumeracha, Cudlee Creek, Lenswood and back to Balhannah last Sunday. What a brilliant ride that would be I thought to myself. So Saturday I gave the Thunderbird a bit of a checkover, with one of the things being to check the magneto points centre screw. First mistake. Then I loaded it straight into the van. Second mistake. Left home at 7.15, arrived in Balhannah at 9.35 and unloaded the bike. Riders briefing at 10.00 and then were away, well when the bike eventually started. Normally it starts fist kick but this morning it just kept kicking back like it was too far advanced. Eventually got it going, rode through Balhannah and Woodside, got to the 80kmh zone and it didn't feel right. I pulled up and it kicked back again and died. Couldn't get it going after that. Seems when I nipped up the centre screw the shaft slipped in the timing gear. So on the trailer it went. I still had a good day catching up with friends and meeting some new people. But I wish



I'd been on the bike in the twisty bits 😞

John Moss

On the 2 hour drive home I worked out what caused the problem. Yesterday I thought I would give the Thunderbird a check over before today's ride. Checked valve clearances, chain tensions, oil levels and fixed the headlight that wasn't working. Then at the last minute I thought I'd better check the points. Gap was fine and I decided to just check the screw that fixes the points to the armature. That's when the magneto shaft must have slipped in the timing gear taper a few degrees. Now if this had been a customer's bike the last thing I would have done was given it a test run and immediately found something wasn't right. But no, I loaded it into the van and didn't find out til this morning that something wasn't right when I had so much trouble getting it started. A good example of do as I say, not as I do—**John MOSS**

Balhannah Bash 15th June 2025

John Moss 1951 Triumph Solo
 Ian Haywood 1952 Panther Solo
 Ian Hese 1960 Honda Solo
 Dave Long 1969 BSA Solo
 Howard Parslow 1970 BMW Solo
 Ron Wuttke 1972 Ducati Solo
 Robert Howson 1973 BMW Solo
 Greg Paterson 1975 Moto Guzzi Solo
 Roger O'Loughlin 1988 Suzuki Solo
 Adrian How 2004 BMW Solo
 Mark Howson 2006 Honda Solo
 Paul Carroll 2019 Triumph Solo
 Mat Williamson Backup trailer



Happy Riders—apparently is was cold, Mat didn't think so?



RIDE IN/DRIVE IN VISIT 20 JULY '25 @ 10.00am
ARMY MUSEUM OF SA

It's that time of the year again when the weather is not always conducive for motorcycle riding. A visit to the **Army Museum on Anzac Highway Keswick** has been arranged, with this in mind.

If the weather is wet, cold, hop in your heated car, with the wipers on and drive there in comfort. If it's OK on the day for a ride, throw a leg across the 'bike and ride on down there.

We have not visited this site for several years and this may be the last time we will have the opportunity to see these displays.

The Government is selling the Barracks and the Museum is to be disbanded. Some of the items may be going to various RSL Clubs around the City.

Outside they have armoured tanks and vehicles, with the main displays inside, out of the weather. Here you will see dioramas of battlefields, weapons, uniforms, badges, insignia, personal items and so the list can go on.

It is very well set out and the volunteer Staff are very knowledgeable.

They have agreed to open just for our group at 10.00am and give us a guided tour.

The general public will be admitted, as usual at 11.00am.

The cost is \$5.00 per person.

You are more than welcome to bring family and friends with you.

The Museum is just inside the Keswick Barracks and parking is available on the grounds.

When coming down Anzac Highway from the City the entrance gate is immediately after bus stop No.2.

There are Museum signs at the entrance.

If coming up Anzac Highway from South Road, you will go past the entrance and then do a U-turn (look for the signs on the median strip), to then enter after the No 2 Bus stop.

Please be there well before 10.00am so as we can pay and be ready for the tour.

Cya there

Ian Hese. Club Captain.

