

# SMOKE SIGNAL



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**Kersbrook Tiddlers riders at Lyndoch**

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

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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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**Ian Hese (Club Captain), Brett Mitchell, Ian Rounsevell and Vaughan Edwards.**

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## President's report.

Members.

VVMCCSA will have very important events in the coming months.

**Subscriptions for 2026-2027 are \$40 (\$45 extra for postage of the Smoke Signal)**

Renewal information will happen in April 2026

**Log book days.** Members need to ensure you are financial on renewal days, you have your current logbook and motorcycle registration documents. These days will possible be in June 2026

**Annual Trophy presentation night** at General Meeting on 9th June 2026

**Annual General Meeting** at General Meeting 14th July 2026.

ALL committee positions become vacant and open for nominations on the official nomination form.

So be prepared to be a part of our future

In the February's '**Smoke Signal number 679**, I commented on the life of Reg Hancock, and have decided to continued on discussing Reg's Norton which is now in Holland.

It was interesting to hear of Reg's life, his working as a carpenter with most of the time working on various Government projects and his venture in to motorcycles at aged 26 for which family had no knowledge of his involvement with VVMCCSA . Helen, his daughter gave me photos of all of his motorcycle ventures which I shared.

Reg competed in Observed Trials, Road Racing on his CS1 Norton, winning the News 24 hour road trial on an outfit in 1961 and 1963. Reg was a member during this period then left only to return as a member 11th October 2011.

When Reg's Norton was sold at acution, **Arend Heijs of Holland** purchased it to become the new owners/ custodian of the Norton and has been busy cosmetically restoring the Norton as you will see within this magazine.

I have had many email conversation with Arend, here this is what Arend and son have done with the Norton—see pages 12 to 15 for a report from Arend in Dutch, then in English.

Dear Brian,

*Thank you very much for your kind e-mail including the many pictures. Yes, it is sad that Reg had to say goodbye to his beloved vehicles but we're happy to be the next custodians of this special Norton intending to look good after it.*

*My son Joek did all the communication with 'down-under' during the bidding- and shipping process and had a very nice facebook-contact with Helen. Helen did send us already many of the pictures you enclosed to your mail as well as a nice video together with Reg who was telling us some nice memories with the Norton, standing next to it. She also did find an 'Application to renew registration of motorcycle' from August 1965. A picture of that form was very helpful to get a registration on it in the Netherlands.*

*A few weeks before it was brought to auction a close friend of us could remember an article he had seen in a VMCC magazine of 1967, which showed the Norton. This convinced us 'to go for it'.*

*In the mean time I've been able to change the chrome-plating of 1963 into a more period nickel-look (using a caustic-soda bath), made a new leather saddle top and toolbox as seen on period advertisements. Also, a friend had a nice period bulb-horn for us.*

*At the moment we have the engine dismantled – before starting it, not knowing the condition – and decided to have some new bearings at both sides of the conrod and mainshaft. The plan is that Joek is riding the Norton in our first veteran motorcycle rallies of this season April 18<sup>th</sup> / 19<sup>th</sup> 2026 and for many decades following!*

*Because the transfer of Wyatt Motoria is still on the rear mudguard, I was able to find the wonderful old picture of that business with the old Nortons in front of it already. Last week my friend Geert de Boer (who is also doing the overhaul of the engine) showed me the nice book Terry made and was excited to read that the Norton was originally registered to Mr Ralph in Adelaide. So we love to discover more of the provenance of the Norton and if it would be possible to receive a copy of that registration and hopefully some more details. Regards Arend.*

*We know the Norton is in safe hands and back on the road, so when riding season commences Arend promises a report of his adventures, regards Arend.*

Reg's daughter Helen found more photo of the Norton and are in the magazine.

**Brian Forth, President and Life Member VVMCCSA**

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

## VVMCCSA General Meeting 829, 10th February 2026 Payneham RSL rooms 8PM

**Attendance:** 39

**Apologies:** Nil in book

**Guests/First Attendance:** Nil

**Who are we:** **Chris Harley & Lee Longmire** - 3-wheel Morgan. 1939 made in 1946 due to the war. David Radloff and Peter Grace gave a talk on this vehicle and provided some interesting information on it.

### Minutes from General Meeting 828 for January 13, 2025

As printed in the February edition of the Smoke Signal Magazine 679

**Moved:** Ian Rounsevell

**Seconded:** Vaughan Edwards

### Treasury Report – Terry Rowe

Terry Rowe report on VVMCCSA income and expenditure.

**Moved:** Ian Haywood

**Seconded:** Brian Kuerschner

### New Members:

**Bruce Woods** (640). RATIFIED

**Ben Carroll** (642) presented to Paul Carroll

**Peter Dunk** ((643) Present and accepted membership. Badge is on order.

**Anthony Dunk** (644) Present and accepted membership. Badge is on order.

### Correspondence:

#### Incoming Mail and Emails

- 1/ Magazines from – Newcastle VMCC, Throttle Lever, Mildura Car Club, Bulb Horn, Oily Rag, Henley Auctions, Antique Motorcycle Club of Australia, Historic Motorcycle Club - sent to members
- 2/ Invoices from Brighton Trophy, and Lane Printing - have been paid
- 3/ Westpac Bank statements
- 4/ Invitation events:  
**Gawler Veteran Vintage** and Classic vehicle Classic Car Club re rally on March 15th club run day Gawler to Springton. NOTE: same day as VVMCCSA club run  
**Sporting Car Club** information on the 'Old Crocks Run' Adelaide to Glenelg Sunday May 3, 2026.  
Same weekend as Cousin Jack's Rally at Kadina  
**Cousin Jack's Rally at Kadina, 2-3rd May 2026**
- 5/ Ken Taylor seeking information on people in VVMCCSA who know Scott Motorcycles - reply has been forwarded to him.

#### Outgoing emails – sent by Brian Forth

- 1/ Email to members of smoke Signal 679
- 2/ To member re the passing of Reg Hancock & Funeral notice at Murray Bridge March 19
- 3/ Brighton Trophy re name badges order
- 4/ To Terry Rowe for various invoices to be paid via on line banking
- 5/ To members seeking advise on who will attend the All British Day at Echunga.

**Moved:** Adrian How

**Seconded:** Brett Mitchell

### Club Captains Report - Ian Hese

#### PAST EVENTS

##### January

Thur 15<sup>th</sup> Old Crocks n Tiddlers Ride. 15 bikes to Mt Pleasant.

Sun 18<sup>th</sup> Breakfast at Cuddlee Creek Tavern. 24 members for breakfast and 2 rides after.  
Finished by midday before the heat and were able to dodge the TDU riders.

No one on trailer driven by David Saint.

##### February

Thur 5<sup>th</sup> North ride from TTG Hotel with 11 bikes. Meandered to Lobethal. Then to Birdwood, Springton and Williamstown.

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Coffee and chat at The Nest, Thebarton.

No Issues reported from the above events.



## General Meeting 829—continued from page 4



### FUTURE EVENTS

#### February

Thur 12<sup>th</sup> **South Ride** from Victoria Hotel, O'Halloran Hill 10am.

Sun 15<sup>th</sup> **Kersbrook Tiddlers Ride** (annual event). 10am Kersbrook Oval to Lyndoch, luncheon after at Oval. \$10 for members, \$20 for non-members. Weather looking good. Need trailer operator please for usual fuel subsidy. Show of hands please for those staying for lunch.

Sun 15<sup>th</sup> **ALSO - Amberlight - Bierhaus Show and Shine Lobethal**. Thank you, Colin Behn for setting Up Club gazebo. Several going there after the luncheon.

Fri-Sun 20-22<sup>nd</sup> **Bottom End Rally Coobowie** will have several Club members attending.

Sat 7<sup>th</sup> **Coffee and natter** at The Nest, Thebarton 9:15am.

March **15th March—Mannun ride—** will be along the Murray from Mannum, as originally designed by David Holbrook.

### Guest speaker.

**Ian Wilson** (Club member) spoke on behalf of the Sorting Car Club of South Australia about their '**Old Crocks Run', Sunday 3rd May 2026** from Hutt Street Adelaide to Wrigley Reserve. Motorcycles are \$20, and motorcycles built before `1920—FREE. Entry form on their web site.  
*NOTE- entry form and information emailed to all members*

**Moved:** Mat Williamson

**Seconded:** Ian Wilson

### General Business

1/ **Brian Forth** - Mentioned Reg Hancock's funeral at Murray Bridge with 3 members attending.

2/ **Brian Forth** asked for **Librarian volunteer**, all of the indexing of the books is completed and it is an easy job at Meeting nights.

### Any Other Business from the Floor

1/ **Brett Mitchell** - queried a donation that was given to Country Motor Australia. This donation was paid for directly from Brian Forth and not a Club funded donation.

2/ **Brian Kuerschner** - contentedly commented that it was good to see a good rollup of members at tonight's meeting.

3/ **Greg Paterson** - invited members to buy the regalia available to Club members

4/ **Ian Wilson** volunteered to open the library from 7pm - 8pm on Club nights to assist members if they require library books (thank you Ian). However, Ian is not volunteering to be the Club Librarian so this position is still available.

5/ **Brett Mitchell** and **Stan Tsiros** have items to sell.

8/ **Dale Morris** - looking for rear hub for 1953 plunger BSA Gold Flash



## Committee vacancies and nominations

6/ **Brian Forth** - advised of the resignation of Phil de Groot from position of Vice President.

### **Nominations for the the position of Vice President,**

Brian Forth asked for nomination for Vice President. Vaughan Edwards nominated **Mat Williamson** and accepted nomination, no other nomination from members present. Members present approved of the nomination to this position. Congratulations Mat and thank you.

7/ **Brian Forth** - **Asked for nomination for vacant committee position** (Mat Williamson position) from the member present. No volunteers on the night. Suggestion that **Ron Wuttke** was on and to be approached.

### Drip Tray Inquisition by Adrian How

Another entertaining interview by Adrian. This time **Greg Paterson** was the lucky recipient.

**Meeting Closed: 8:45pm**

**Next General Meeting: March 10, 2026, at 8:00pm at Payneham RSL Club Rooms**

**Maggie Moore**

**Secretary, VVMCCSA**



## Committee Meeting – 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026 – 7pm Goodwood Community Centre

**Present:** Brian Forth, Maggie Moore, Terry Rowe, Ian Hese, Vaughan Edwards, Daryl Rosser, Colin Behn and Murray Tyler.

**Apologies:** Mat Williamson, Adrian How, Greg Paterson

**Guest:** Nil

**Minutes from Committee Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> January** - as printed in Smoke Signal 679

**Moved:** Vaughan Edwards                      **Seconded:** Daryl Rosser

### Business Arising

- 1/ **Committee Members Succession Plan.** (25/Oct/2022) - **Ongoing**
- 2/ **Sub payments** and constitutional requirements. Correspondence to be forwarded to members in April 2026
- 3/ **Trauma Kit** to be purchased by the club for rally incident management. To be completed Jan 26.  
**Mat Williamson** to complete this task.
- 4/ **“Senior Members Inclusion Rally”** November 2026. Static bike display for members that can no longer ride their machines. **Ian Hese, Phil de Groot** to follow up.
- 5/ **New Website** up and running **Murray Tyler**. Murray to explore the possibility of leaving 12 months of previous Smoke Signal magazines available for viewing on the Website
- 6/ **Membership Information Book** has been completed.  
**Ian Hese - Moved a Motion** to have 30 booklets printed in full colour. This was **Seconded** by **Colin Behn**  
Brian Forth to arrange printing
- 7/ **Welfare Officer - To be confirmed at the next AGM**

### Treasury Report – Terry Rowe

Terry Rowe report on VVMCCSA income and expenditure.

**Moved:** Daryl Rosser                      **Seconded:** Ian Hese

### Membership:

No NEW MEMBERSHIP

### Correspondence:

#### Incoming Mail and Emails

- 1/ Magazines from – Henley Auctions, Northern Yorke Peninsula Rally forms Country Motoring - sent to members
- 2/ Invoices from Brighton Trophy, and Lane Printing and
- 3/ Westpac Bank statements
- 4/ Murray Tyler up-date Website including 70<sup>th</sup> info and maps

#### Outgoing emails – sent by Brian Forth

- 1/ Email to members of Smoke Signal 679
- 2/ To member re invitation events outside Club runs and events
- 3/ Brighton Trophy re name badges order
- 4/ To Terry Rowe for various invoices to be paid via on line banking
- 5/ 70<sup>th</sup> information and maps to members
- 6/ Northern Yoke Peninsular VVMCC rally entry sent to members

**Moved:** Vaughan Edwards

**Seconded:** Terry Rowe

### Club Captain Report - Ian Hese

#### PAST EVENTS

##### February

- Thur 5<sup>th</sup> North ride to Lobethal via Checkers Hill Road and Gumeracha. 10 bikes. Some left bakery, the rest went to Bill's at Birdwood then Springton and Williamstown
- Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Coffee and chat at “The Nest” Thebarton
- Thur 12<sup>th</sup> South ride with 20 bikes
- Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Tiddlers ride and luncheon at Kersbrook. 24 bikes and 24 lunches
- Also 15<sup>th</sup> Amberlight to Bierhaus Show and Shine - Colin Behn took a Club gazebo and there were 3 bikes on display, one of which won a trophy

No reported issues with the above events

#### FUTURE EVENTS

##### March

- Thur 5<sup>th</sup> North ride 10am TTG Hotel
- Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Coffee and chat at “The Nest” Thebarton 9:30am
- Thur 12<sup>th</sup> South ride 10am Victoria Hotel
- Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Mannum River ride 11am from Mary Anne Reserve. Outer metro starts at 9:30am
- Thur 19<sup>th</sup> Old Crocks n Tiddlers ride 10am Gumeracha

##### Extras

- May 3<sup>rd</sup> SCC Old Crocks Ride to Glenelg
- May 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Cousin Jack Rally

General Business

- 1/ **Brian Forth** - advised of **Country Motor** magazine will provide support for the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rally by inclusion in his monthly magazine.
- 2/ **Brian Forth** - tabled an email he received from Mark Howson.  
**Maggie Moore** - to respond on behalf of the Committee to Mark Howson

Around the table

- 1/ **Terry Rowe** - pointed out the Motorcycle on the right on the front page of Smoke Signal 679, is not a 1924. It is actually Ross Hill's 1909 Motosacoche being ridden by Rex Eckert.
- 2/ **Ian Hese** - Has been investigating costings for the Club's gazebo walls. Ongoing
- 3/ **Murray Tyler** - brought to attention the General Meeting on October 13 is the same time as the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rally  
**Murray Tyler - Moved a Motion** to have the General Meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2026 General Meeting be Cancelled as it occurs during the week of the 70th Anniversary Rally— Seconded by **Vaughan Edwards**.  
Discussed and carried
- 4/ **Murray Tyler** to investigate a mobile phone mass SMS out to members if there is an issue on meeting for a Club ride or event to advise them immediately.

Meeting Closed: 8:30pm

Next Committee Meeting: March 31, 2026 at 7.30pm

Maggie Moore  
Secretary, VVMCCSA

# Mopeds gathering for epic



Ian Wilson and a typical moped, the French Mobylette.

**F**OLLOWING the success of last year's Moped Marathon, another has been organised – National Mopedalling Sunday.

To be held on May 28, it will be bigger and longer than last year's event in which 40 moped operators pedalled and motored their tiny machines 94km around a course from Birdwood to Tanunda and back.

This year, the route again will begin at the National Motor Museum, Birdwood, but will be longer at 120km.

Competitors will buzz through Mt Torrens, Angaston, Tanunda and back to Birdwood.

Organisers are Ian Wilson and Rex Howard who said many prospective entrants had found, repaired and even restored old mopeds, some of which had cost as little as \$20.

All types of two-wheeled, combined pedal and engine-powered vehicles are eligible for the event, for which there is no entry fee.

Further information is available from Mr Howard on (08) 278 5337.

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## 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.

**VVMCCSA club regalia, shirts, jumpers, hats, badges, bags etc** enquiries Gregory Paterson **0404 934 246**.



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**Suzuki 100**, dismantled, frame and wheel and engine A100-658247 @ \$395; plus 2 x pairs riding boots and gloves; John Byles 8262 3965

**1925-1927 BSA 350cc OHV cylinder head** and rocker gear, Peter Allen 0415 835 334

**1924 BSA flat tank 550cc** with very rare brass fuel tank, \$17,000. Call Dimitri on 0411 575 805

**1936-37 AJS 350 motorcycle with two motors** - one complete; twin and single port heads; tank repaired ready for paint; original Burman HP G-box with all good gears including new cluster gear; frame; guards; toolbox; oil tank; chain case; handle bar & levers. Engine numbers 37/26 4447 and 36/16 2628. Price \$2,500-. Phone Graeme Bartlett on 0422 078 337

**1942 Harley Davidson WLA type IV**, \$34,800 ono more pictures on request -Paul Wallis 0449 737 945

**1957 Matchless G80**, bottom end rebuilt, head reconditioned, all parts there, some new —needs assemble—\$3500; Stan TSIROS 0408 193 796

**1948 Sunbeam S7 -delivered it Rhodesia then to South Australia** It is currently on historic rego, is complete and runs well. This was one of three imported into Southern Rhodesia in 1948. Some photos and certificate from Stewart Engineering attached. Rego is S72AER Engine number is S7-1862 Asking price \$15000—Noel Second 0417810771

**1952 BSA M33 with Dusting sidecar** \$10,000. Reg - S27AGR Eng. No - ZM33 4734 Good condition and reliable on club registration. Contact Phill Medson 0407 338 565 or [pmedson@raa.com.au](mailto:pmedson@raa.com.au)

### Wanted.

**.1920's Harley Davidson "W" model, anything** else lying around for this model 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](mailto: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. Matchless Part no. VE33. Contact [nipper.nipper33@gmail.com](mailto:nipper.nipper33@gmail.com)

**Rudge Auto cycle**, wanted information on a 1930's Rudge Auto cycle; Ian Wilson 0403677 516

**Villiers Junior flywheel spanner Brake lever or decompression** lever to fit 1inch diameter handle bar, Ian Wilson 0403 677 516

**Raleigh or an English bicycle - wanted**, 3 speed Sturmey Archer geared bicycle, reasonable condition wanted Alan Orrock 0403 430 664.

**BSA Golden Flash 1953 plunger**– rear hub with spacers and lock nuts—Dale Norris 0498 250 833.

**BSA A7 rigid back wheel**, back stay for mudguard; Stan Tsiros 0408 193 796

**Fuel tap**—petcock taper for Veteran—Ian Rounsevell 0412 270 410



**Chris Magor's—Triumph**



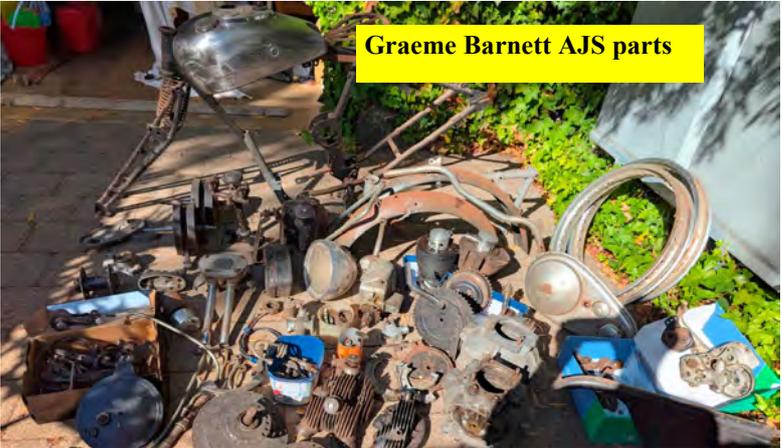
**Dusting sidecar body & chassis  
Ian Rounsevell 0412 708 410**



**Dimitri Economos—BSA for sale**



**Paul Wallis  
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**Graeme Barnett AJS parts**



**Phil Medson—BSA and side car for sale**



**Noel Second—Sunbeam S7 for sale**

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## 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 Ian Hese to nominate. Reimbursement of \$60 for petrol money.**

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

### March 2026

- 5th Northern Midweek ride— Tea Tree Gully Hotel leaving 10.00am  
7th Coffee at 9:15am **'The Nest, 77 George Street Thebarton**  
10th **General Meeting 830**, 8pm Payneham RSL clubrooms  
12th Southern Midweek Ride—10am, Victoria Hotel, O'Halloran Hill.  
15th \*\*\* **Mannum ride—ride to be advised**  
19th \*\*\* **54th Old Crocks' Veteran & Tiddlers ride** 10am, Federation Park Gumeracha.  
31st Committee meeting, 7.30pm **Goodwood Community Club**

### April 2026

- 2nd Northern Midweek ride—Tea Tree Gully Hotel, 10am  
4th Coffee morning, at- 0915 @ **'The Nest, 77 George Street Thebarton**  
9th Southern Midweek Ride—10am Victoria Hotel at O'Halloran Hill  
14th **General Meeting 831**. 8pm Payneham RSL Club rooms.  
16th \*\*\* **55th Old Crocks Veteran & Tiddlers ride** - 10am Federation Park in Gumeracha  
19th \*\*\* **Southern Ride—details to follow**  
28th Committee Meeting—7.30pm at Goodwood Community Club.

### May 2026

- 2nd Coffee and nattering 0915, **'The Nest, 77 George Street Thebarton**  
2nd—3rd **Invitation—Cousin Jacks Rally, VVMCCSA of Northern Yorke Peninsular Kadina**  
3rd **Invitation\_ Old Crocks Run—Sporting Car Club Hut Street to Wrigley Reserve**  
7th Northern Midweek ride— Tea Tree Gully Hotel leaving 10.00am  
12th **General meeting 832** 8.00pm at Payneham RSL at 8.00pm  
14th Southern Midweek Ride, 10am Victoria Hotel O'Halloran Hill  
17th \*\*\* **11th Strathalbyn Flat Tank Society ride—details to follow**  
21st \*\*\* **56th - 'Old Crocks' Veteran & Tiddlers ride** —10am Federation Park in Gumeracha  
26th Committee Meeting—7.30pm Goodwood Community Club

### JUNE 2026

- 4th Northern Midweek ride— Tea Tree Gully Hotel leaving 10.00am  
6th Coffee morning—0915 @ **'The Nest, 77 George Street Thebarton**  
9th **General Meeting 833**- 8.00pm at Payneham RSL clubrooms.  
11th Southern Ride—Victoria Hotel at Top-o-Taps leaving 10am  
18th **57th Old Crocks and tiddlers ride**  
21st **Barossa ride**  
30th Committee Meeting—Goodwood Community Centre 7.30pm

#### VVMCCSA

##### Hot Weather Policy.

Then the temperature is 36c or higher, or it is a Fire Ban Day, and it is Extreme or Catastrophic is declared, the ride will be cancelled

Ian Hese 0409 083 436.

The submission of the Rally Form will assist us advising the member of the ride situation if the ride is cancelled.

## **Club Trailer**

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**





**THE VETERAN & VINTAGE MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF  
NORTHERN YORKE PENINSULA  
16th COUSIN JACK RALLY**

**SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> & SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**

It's time to begin polishing the brass on those Veteran and Vintage Motorcycles in readiness to give them a run on the quiet country roads around Kadina, Wallaroo and Moonta.

Being the Clubs 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, would it be possible to get 40 Veteran/Vintage/Pre War bikes entered? We'll have to wait and see?

Saturday will consist of Registration, Short afternoon runs (40 and 70 kms) and an evening meal at the Clubrooms.

The main event Sunday will begin with Registrations. Then 2 rides will take place, being 60 km for older/slower bikes and 116km for later/faster bikes. These will be followed by Judging, Lunch and Trophy Presentations.

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For further information Contact John on 0409 670093

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McLaren Vale 2nd February 2025

SA Rod & Custom, Kilburn. 2nd March 2026

WOODSIDE - 15th March 2026

Pt Pirie TBA May 2026

SEDAN - TBA June 2026

Kadina Long weekend June 2026

GAWLER - 20th September 2025

STRATHALBYN 11th Oct 2025

BENDIGO - 15-16th November 2025

VICTOR HARBOR. TBA February 2026

Murray Bridge 16th February 2026

CLARE- 16th March 2026

NARACOORTE TBA May 2026

Pt Broughton—show & shine last Sunday May 2026

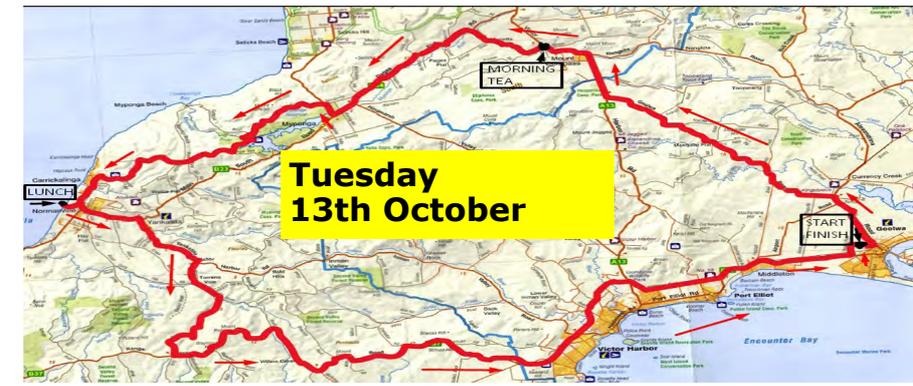
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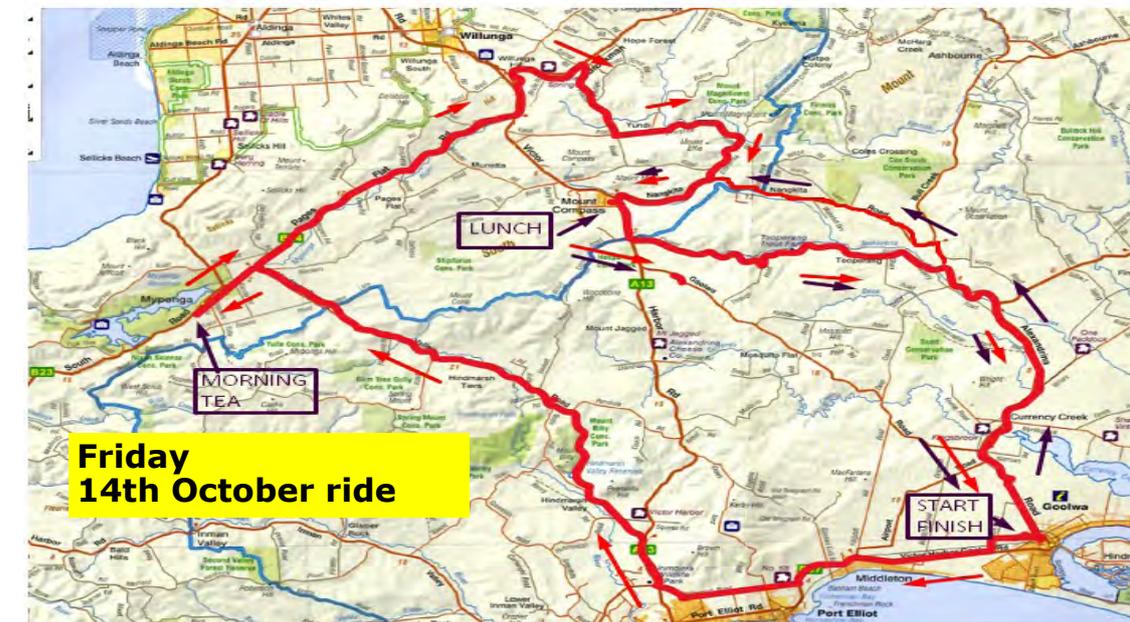
24rd **VVMCC MOTORCYCLE ONLY 5th Oct 2025**

Macclesfield show & shine TBA 2025

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



**Wednesday 14th October 2026**



**Men**

Your Club, The Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club of South Australia Inc.

**There are 5 ride days** from Monday 12th to Friday 14th. Saturday 17th is the end of the rally.

We have full 5 days of ride maps attached to indicate the route. The Ride Captain is **Brett Mitchell**. Do not get lost.

On each ride there is a Motorist Caravan Park. Nearly each day there will be a morning tea.

**Wednesday 14th** - we have a morning tea there displaying their maps.

**Society** supporting us all.

**Enquiries email Maggie** [email address].

Regards. **Brian**

## **DAILY RIDE AND EVENTS**

**Pre-Ride Briefing:** Each day please gather at the designated briefing site.

Be ready to ride at the time as detailed on the daily run sheet in this booklet.

**Name Tag & Lanyard:** Please bring it each day, as it will act as your ticket for morning teas, lunches and dinners that you have paid for. Details are inserted in the pocket of your lanyard, no lanyard no meal.

**Backup trailer(s):** Back-up trailer(s) will be identified each day. They will carry basic first aid kit and spare petrol for emergencies.

**Marshals.** Marshals will depart 5 minutes prior to commencement of the day's ride. They will be identified wearing high visibility vests, yellow with orange sleeves. Marshals **will only point the direction of travel** that is required, they will not direct traffic, or if safe to proceed.

**Please do not pass the Rally Captain and Club Captains (Brett Mitchell and Ian Hese) as they know the course and we do not want people to get lost.**

**Private Backup Vehicles:** we ask please that your private vehicles travel behind the official rally backup vehicles and not travel in amongst the motorcycles.

**If Your Motorcycle Breaks Down:** Should your motorcycles break down, please load it onto the backup vehicle as soon as possible, to avoid delays. Repairs can be made at the next stop. Loading/unloading and tying down of a bike on the backup trailer is the responsibility of the rider. Two people minimum required to load / unload.

**DAY 1: Monday - October 12, 2026** (page 7-8)

Short ride to Goolwa - Murray Mouth. Café is available for Fish & Chips etc

**Welcoming BBQ** available in the evening at the Family Kitchen area within the caravan park. The Lions Club will cater this event.

**DAY 2: Tuesday - October 13, 2026** (page 9-10)

**Ride to: Normanville for lunch via Mt Compass for morning tea**

Morning Tea: Mt Compass Strawberry Farm

Lunch: Normanville Foreshore, Aqua Blue

Evening Meal. Self Cater

**DAY 3: Wednesday - October 14, 2026** (page 11-12)

Ride to: Strathalbyn Special Event and Gilbert's Museum in High Street Strathalbyn

Morning Tea: Milang Historic Railway

Lunch: Gilberts Museum is offering 'Sausage Sizzle for \$8 if you wish.

Self Cater. There are many places in Strathalbyn to buy lunch and explore

Evening meal: Self Cater

**DAY 4: Thursday - October 15, 2026** (page 13-14)

Ride to: Second Valley for Lunch, morning tea at Inman Valley

Morning Tea: Inman Valley

Lunch: Second Valley

Evening meal: Pizza night at the Goolwa Caravan Park

**DAY 5: Friday - October 16, 2026** (page 15-16)

**Ride to: Mt Compass for lunch**

Morning Tea: Myponga

Lunch: Mount Compass Area School

**Dinner: Farewell dinner at the Goolwa Golf Club at 6pm**

**Farewell Dinner with guest speaker - Mal Hewitt—fastest Vincent rider**

**Day 6— Saturday October 17, 2026**

On behalf of the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee and members of VVMCCSA, we thank you for your participation in our event and hope you enjoyed this celebration with us.

**Brian Forth, Chairperson, 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Rally Committee**

## **Members**

and Vintage Motorcycle Club of SA is having it's 70th Anniversary Rally, based at **Goolwa Discovery Caravan Park.**

**from Monday 12th October to Friday 16th October 2026.**

of Rally, is a no ride day just your packing-up day and travel home

ing about the Fleurieu Peninsular. Each day Leaving Goolwa Discovery Caravan Park about 0930 each day. Rally where we ride each day these pages

hell assisted by **Ian Hese**, with the supported of **Club Members being Corner Marshals** ensuring no one

orning Tea stop and a Lunch stop before returning back to Goolwa Discovery

h night we have something planned?

ave a day of displays at **Gilbert's Museum in Strathalbyn** from about 11am. All participants will be

chine, along with **SA Police Historical**

ong with many more other clubs and the public.

**Moore** at [70thvvmccsaanniversary@gmail.com](mailto:70thvvmccsaanniversary@gmail.com) for entry form or any question you have

**ian Forth** Chairperson of the 70th Anniversary Rally.

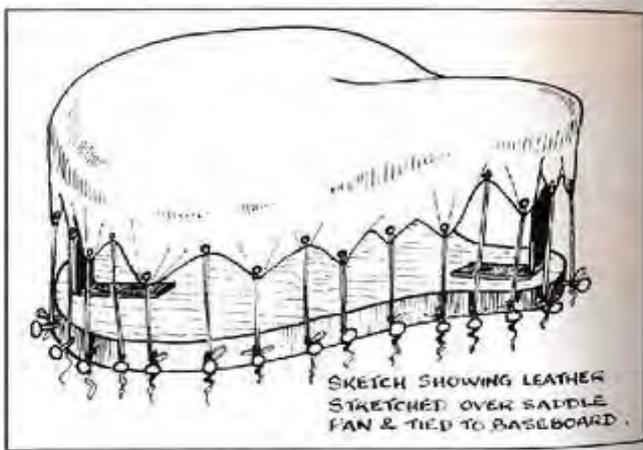
## Een zadeldek vervangen

Wat te doen als je een mooie oude motor hebt gekocht waarvan een vorige eigenaar het zadel niet meer beviel, er strak met wurgbanden een stuk schuimrubber op heeft gebonden en het geheel heeft afgedekt met een pluizig zadelovertrek? Dan pluk je eerst die troep er van af en ziet een ingescheurd en samengeknepen oud leren zadeldek dat niet meer bruikbaar of te herstellen is.



*Het oude zadeldek was niet meer te gebruiken.*

Vervolgens informeer je dan maar eens bij Geert de Boer of hij een mooi passend nieuw leren dek voor je heeft. Hoewel hij daar een paar persmallen voor heeft, bleek dat niet het geval in de maat welke ik nodig had. Dus dan het prachtige boek 'The Vintage Motorcycle Club's Workshop' van Radco met allerlei restauratietips maar eens raadplegen hoe je zo iets zelf zou kunnen maken.



*Het voorbeeld van Radco.*

Gelukkig had ik al wat ervaring opgedaan in het zelf maken van een leren holster voor de slinger van de 1913 Rex omdat ik na jaren zoeken niets passends kon vinden. Ook had ik inmiddels om dezelfde reden al een paar gereedschapstasjes gemaakt en had nog wel wat stukken leer liggen.

Nu gaf Radco aan dat je het frame van je panzadel met een paar beugels op een bodemplaats met dezelfde vorm als dat zadel kunt monteren, er vervolgens een stuk leer over opspant en tenslotte de rand kan afwerken. Maar met een ouder model (fiets-zadel lukt dat niet).

Dan zelf eerst maar eens de maat, vorm en rondingen van het bestaande zadel en frame opmeten en overtekenen op een stuk papier om vervolgens zadeldek en frame los te maken door het voorzichtig uitboren en terugslaan van de klinknagels.

In de schuur stond nog een flink stuk 18mm dik multiplex en daar drie stukken uitgezaagd in de vorm van de voetprint van het zadel. Twee daarvan aan elkaar verlijmd zodat dit dik genoeg is om er het gewenste glooiende model van het zadeldek van te vormen. Dat vormen gaat gemakkelijker door er een hoeklijn onder te schroeven waarmee het stevig in de bankschroef kan worden geklemd. Tenslotte worden beide delen op een afstand van ongeveer 9 cm met beugels aan elkaar gemaakt en de onderste plank rondom van spijkertjes voorzien met een onderlinge afstand van 2cm. Door regelmatig het oude zadeldek over de mal te passen ontstaat met enige inspanning en geduld de gewenste vorm. Let er daarbij op dat de mal een stukje korter is dan het oude dek en controleer dat met het frame waarbij de stel- of opspanschroef helemaal is ingedraaid.



*Tussendoor is het passen en meten om de vorm van het oude zadeldek te krijgen. De mal zit stevig met een hoeklijn in de bankschroef geklemd.*



*Eindelijk is dan de mal gereed.*

Hello Brian,

Geert de Boer and we are active members of the Dutch Veteran Motorcycle Club, the VMC, have a look at our very extensive website: <https://www.vmcmotor.com/>

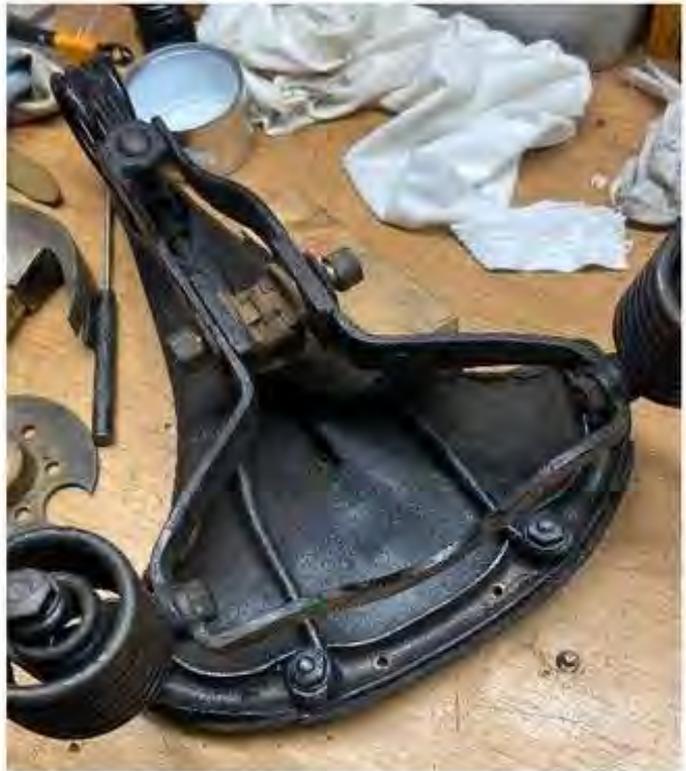
There is a list of activities (Activiteiten), many pictures of the rallies (Foto's) as well as may 'Links' to several websites concerning our hobby.

We make 12 full-colour club-magazines each year. Geert and I are both members of the editing-committee and we're lucky there are still riders providing nice articles.

Met het plooiën van een stuk folie over de mal kan een idee worden gekregen (een snijpatroon) hoe groot en in welke vorm het leer gesneden dient te worden. Voor het dek heb ik leer met een dikte van 4-5 mm gebruikt. Na het uitsnijden van de juiste vorm kunnen op ca 1,5 cm van de rand op circa 2 cm uit elkaar gaten worden aangebracht. Dit bleek het meest eenvoudig met een scherp 5mm boortje te doen.

Het leer kan vervolgens een nachtje in lauw water worden geweekt, zodat het daarna gemakkelijker te vormen is rond de mal. Eerder genoemd hoeklijn wordt nu aan de onderste plank geschroefd zodat het geheel stevig in de bankschroef kan worden geklemd.

Leg het natte leer in positie en begin deze aan de achterzijde van het zadel met een paar touwtjes naar de bodemplaat vast te maken. Daarna het leer zeer stevig naar voren trekken over de neus van het zadel en daar met een paar touwtjes opspannen. Vervolgens kun je vanuit het midden gelijkmatig het leer naar links en rechts opspannen waarbij er voor gezord moet worden dat er geen plooiën ontstaan. Als alle touwtjes tussen het leer en de onderste plank zijn aangebracht is nog wat extra spanning te bereiken door halverwege de touwtjes deze onderling strak met elkaar te verbinden. Vooral bij de neus en halverwege het dek heeft dit veel effect.



*De klinknagels kunnen na het afslijpen van de onderkant uit het frame worden getikt.*



*Het bovendek is om de mal gevormd en kan nu een paar dagen drogen.*

Na een paar dagen, als het zadeldek droog en stevig is, kunnen de touwtjes worden verwijderd en kan het dek op het frame worden gepast. Omdat het hier een zadel betreft met een tweelaags dek, kan het plooiën om de mal worden herhaald met een iets smaller en dunner stuk leer van circa 2 mm dikte. Nadat dit onderdek ook voldoende is gedroogd kunnen beide in de juiste vorm worden gesneden evenals de middenspleet, recht boven elkaar in beide dekken. Met deze twee lagen leer wordt meer sterkte bereikt op het zwakste punt van het zadel ter plaatse van de neus.



*Een spannend moment waar bepaald moet worden tot waar het dek moet worden afgesneden om de juiste vorm en ronding te krijgen.*



*Het onderdek wordt ingepast in het bovendek nadat de sierlijke middenspleet er in is gesneden. Beide dekken zijn ook aan de onderzijde op kleur gebracht.*

These 3 pages were sent by Arend **Arend Heijs of Holland** who is now the owner/custodian of Reg Hancocks 1908 Norton motorcycles. One of the first projects was a new seat shown here in Dutch, then on page 15—English version with reference of the original posting

Ook is het gelukt de oude langwerpige messing ogen, voor bevestiging van een zadeltasje, onbeschadigd uit de achterzijde van het oude dek te krijgen en opnieuw te gebruiken voor het nieuwe dek. Van Bert Pol heb ik een BROOKS plaatje kunnen kopen, maar de oude klinknageltjes waren niet meer bruikbaar. Daartoe de kop van een paar messing M3 boutjes afgedraaid en van een plat moertje voorzien.

Alle randen van het leer worden met een kantenschaafje (nr.2) bewerkt zodat er geen rafels meer zijn. Het zadel is op kleur gebracht met Fiebings Pro Dye (donkerbruin) in een aantal lagen. De kopse kanten van de randen zijn daarna voorzien van Fiebings Edge Kote en met een polijsthoutje nabewerkt zodat sterke randen ontstaan waar het weer geen invloed op heeft. Voor het mooi is telkens een siergroefje aangebracht op een paar mm van alle randen.

Dan komt eindelijk het moment dat beide leren dekken op het

frame kunnen worden bevestigd. Ik had daartoe al koperen klinknagels gekocht, maar Geert bood mij mooie vernikkelde splitpennen aan, die ook nog eens veel gemakkelijker zijn aan te brengen. Gestart wordt met de drie splitpennen op de neus van het zadel. Het bleek een uitdaging de drie gaten op de juiste plaatst in beide stukken leer voor te boren zodat deze goed passen op de gaten in het stalen neusstuk van het frame. Dat werd eenvoudiger door eerst boven en onderdek ter plaatse van de neus aan elkaar te lijmen. (ik gebruik daarvoor Kövulfix leerlijm). De zes klinknagels aan de achterzijde kunnen vervolgens worden aangebracht en het resultaat beïnderd.

Arend Heijs



*Toegepaste leerverf, lijm, kantenschaafje en polijsthoutje.*



*Het eindresultaat.*



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**Members—from Arend Heijs the owner and custodian of Reg Hancock's 1909 Norton. From page 12-13 is Arend making a new saddle seat to this page with the finished product.**

## Reg Hancock's 1908 Norton seaty make over

### **Replacing a Seat Cover**

What do you do if you've bought a beautiful old motorcycle whose seat a previous owner didn't like anymore, tightly strapped a piece of foam rubber onto it with garrote, and covered the whole thing with a fluffy seat cover? First, you strip off the debris and find a torn and compressed old leather seat cover that's no longer usable or repairable.

Then you ask Geert de Boer if he has a nice, fitting new leather cover for you. Although he has a few press molds for it, it turned out they weren't in the size I needed. So, I consulted the excellent book "The Vintage Motorcyclists' Workshop" by Radco, which offers all sorts of restoration tips on how to make one yourself.

Fortunately, I already had some experience making a leather holster for the sling of the 1913 Rex, because after years of searching, I couldn't find anything suitable. I had also made a few tool bags for the same reason and still had some leather scraps lying around.

Radco suggested that you could mount the frame of your pan saddle to a base plate the same shape as the saddle using a few brackets, then stretch a piece of leather over it and finally finish the edge. However, this wouldn't work with an older model (bicycle) saddle. So, I first measured the size, shape, and curves of the existing saddle and frame and traced them onto a piece of paper. Then, I detached the saddle cover and frame by carefully drilling out and knocking back the rivets.

There was a large piece of 18mm plywood in the shed, and I cut out three pieces of it in the shape of the saddle's footprint. I glued two of these together so that they were thick enough to form the desired curved shape of the saddle cover. Shaping it is easier if I screwed a square piece under it, allowing it to be securely clamped in a vice. Finally, the two parts are joined together with brackets about 9 cm apart, and the bottom plank is nailed all around with nails spaced 2 cm apart. By regularly fitting the old saddle cloth over the template, the desired shape is achieved with some effort and patience. Make sure the template is slightly shorter than the old cloth and check this with the frame, with the adjusting screw fully tightened.

By folding a piece of foil over the template, you can get an idea (a cutting pattern) of the size and shape of the leather to be cut. For the cloth, I used 4-5 mm thick leather. After cutting out the desired shape, holes can be punched approximately 1.5 cm from the edge, spaced approximately 2 cm apart. This proved easiest with a sharp 5 mm drill bit.

The leather can then be soaked overnight in lukewarm water to make it easier to shape around the template. The aforementioned angle bracket is now screwed to the bottom board so that the entire assembly can be securely clamped in the vice.

Place the wet leather in position and, starting at the back of the saddle, secure it to the base plate with a few strings. Then, pull the leather very firmly forward over the nose of the saddle and tighten it there with a few strings. Then, starting from the center, evenly tighten the leather on the left and right sides, taking care to avoid wrinkles. After all the strings are placed between the leather and the bottom board, you can achieve some additional tension by tightly connecting the strings halfway between them. This is especially effective at the nose and halfway along the pad. After a few days, after the saddle pad has dried and firmed, the strings can be removed and the pad can be fitted to the frame.

Because this is a saddle with a two-layer pad, the folding process around the mold can be repeated with a slightly narrower and thinner piece of leather, approximately 2 mm thick. After this has dried sufficiently, both parts can be cut to the correct shape, as well as the center hole directly above each other in both covers. These two layers provide more strength at the saddle's weakest point, near the nose. I also managed to remove the old elongated brass eyelets, used for attaching a saddlebag, from the back of the old cover undamaged and reuse them for the new cover. I was able to purchase a BROOKS plate from Bert Pol, but the old rivets were no longer usable. Therefore, I turned off the heads of a few brass M3 bolts and fitted them with a flat nut.

All edges of the leather are finished with an edge plane (no. 2) to eliminate fraying. The saddle is dyed with several coats of Fiebings Pro Dye (dark brown). The butt edges are then treated with Fiebings Edge Kote and finished with a polishing stick to create strong, weather-resistant edges. For aesthetics, a decorative groove is added a few millimeters from each edge. This is easily accomplished with a compass, for example.

Finally, the time comes to attach both leather covers to the frame. I had already bought copper rivets for this, but Geert offered me some nice nickel-plated split pins, which are also much easier to install. We start with the three split pins on the saddle nose. Pre-drilling the three holes in the leather in the correct locations so they align with the holes in the steel nose piece of the frame proved to be a challenge. This was simplified by first gluing the upper and lower decks together at the nose (I use Kövulfix leather glue for this). The six rivets at the rear can then be installed, and the result can be admired.

### **Arend Heijs, Holland.**



**Reg Hancock's Norton  
from his collection**

**Left—  
Ralph Datlin**

**Right  
Reg with Norton and a  
club member with a  
later model  
All at Reg's home**



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**Who is the cool dude on the outfit approaching  
Where is this starting point of a run?**

# NARACOORTE SWAP MEET

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026

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### Who are we—

**Chris Harley & Lee Longmire** - 3-wheel Morgan. 1939 made in 1946 due to the war. David Radloff and Peter Grace gave a talk on this vehicle and provided some interesting information on it.

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2012

This will take the same theme as last year with our day at Bushland Park at Lobethal. The O'Loughlin family once again catering for the day. We will meet at Pelican Plaza car park, cnr North East Rd. & Golden Grove Rd. Ridgehaven, at 9:30am for a 10:00am start. We will ride straight to Gumeracha & have a toilet stop there.

Depending on the weather, we will either go on to Birdwood, then right to Mt. Torrens & back to Lobethal, turn right onto the Lobethal to Gumeracha rd & into Bushland Park. If the weather is bad, we will go straight onto the Gumeracha to Lobethal rd & into Bushland Park for Lunch. If you do not wish to ride, bring your car & still join in the day. This venue is good for the colder months as it has both outside & inside shelter as well as a heater to warm up the room. Potato's & prices are as below:

## Gray skies over Bushland Park.

Gray skies over Bushland Park is the most appropriate title for last Sunday's ride on a cold and damp morning, with fog covering the Adelaide hills and a weather forecast of rain sometime that day?

Regardless of the weather some 12 members braved the cold crisp morning air and gathered at Pelican Plaza on motorcycles, and some in cars. Malcolm GRAY (twin brother to Malcolm GREY) briefed members of the mornings ride to Federation Park at Gumeracha for a rest stop, then Malcolm would decide where we will go next. A lot depended on the weather conditions at Gumeracha, and just as we were about to leave it started to drizzle, but the group ventured on to Bushland Park via Birdwood and Mt Torrens.

On arrival we were met by Roger O'Loughlin and his family and other club members greeted us and ensured the club rooms were warm as it was very cold outside. Roger had prepared the potato lunch with incredible deserts accompanied by tea and coffee.

Members and families showed their appreciation to Roger and his family of another successful 'Potato Day Ride & lunch. Nogging and nattering continued on for some hours into the afternoon. By this time the gray skies had moved in and a steady drizzle welcomed all member as one after another rode off heading home in various directions.

**Malcolm Gray—Club Captain**



# Veteraan Motoren Club

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**VMC - VETERAAN MOTOREN CLUB**

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**PLEASE NOTE: REGISTRATION FOR THE WIND TOUR RALLY CLOSES ON FEBRUARY 15 AND MAY 29/30, 2020, in Bodenheim, Germany.**

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<b>Photos:</b>	<b>Gees in Winter Atmosphere:</b>
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**Promotion: Become a VMC member and receive an anniversary book**

Please note: for just €2.50 extra you can receive a book!

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Upcoming regional meetings :

- Thu 05-02: North - trip to Japan / visit motorcycle factory
- Thu 12-02: East - VMC pub quiz
- Fri 20-02: South - hand lettering, pinstriping and experiences of a VMC member
- Fri 06-03: Flanders - metalwork and exhaust bends

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Sun, 1-02-2026 **VMC 70**  
**years** Veteran Motorcycle Club Since

**Hello Brian,**

Thank you for that nice personal information. Good to see that all and that you're involved in the club for such a long time.

I'm not on facebook, but was able to see the nice interview with Reg, wonderful and hope he's doing well, suffering the recent loss of his wife. When you see him, bring him my best wishes please.

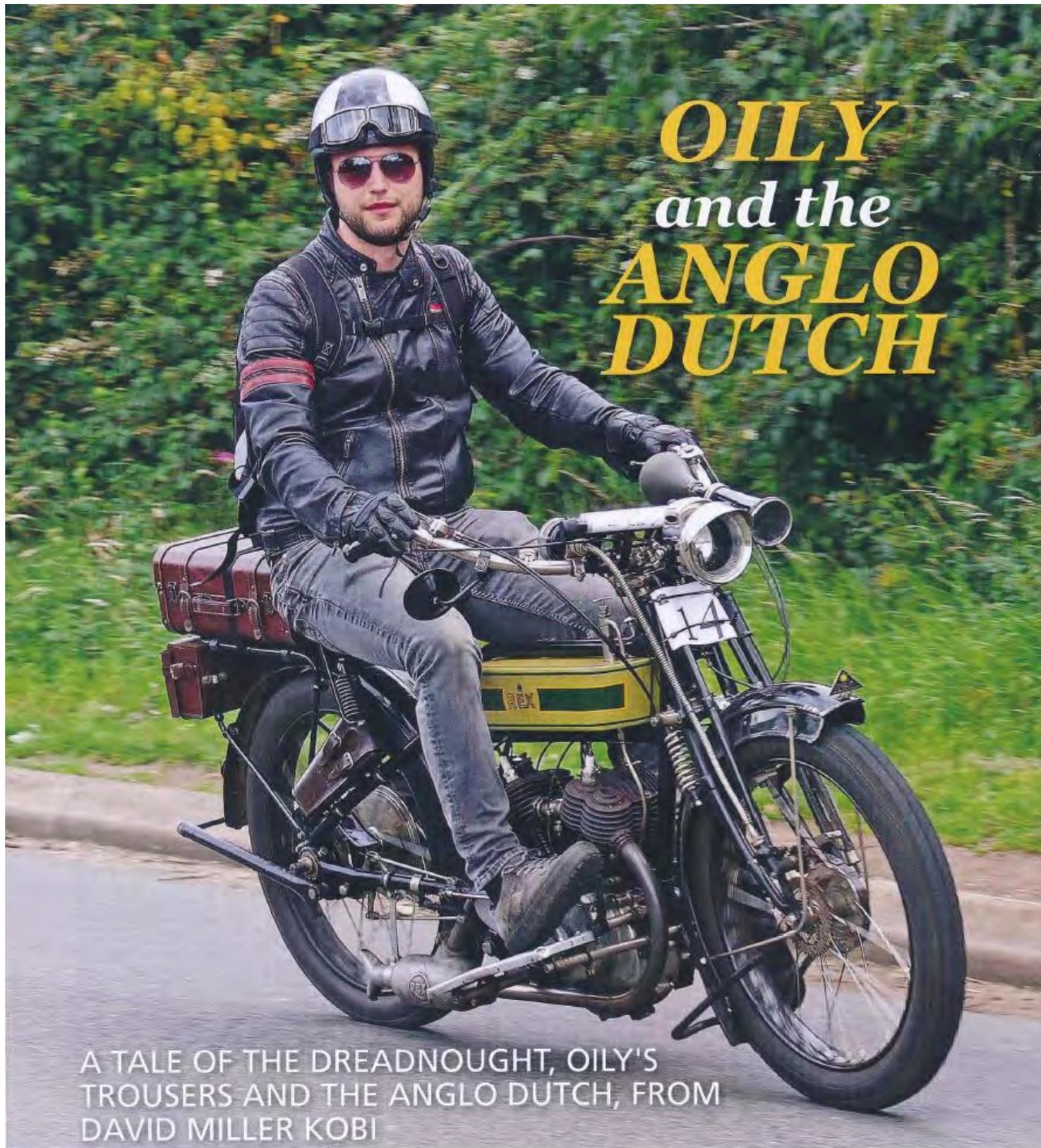
Who am I? After my studies in architecture and housing in the seventies, I'm now into housing development for many years and (almost) retired. Started in my student years until now motorcycles are playing a great role in our lives. Also my late wife Joke was a very enthusiast rider on her 1966 Norton Atlas and 1929 Norton 16H and me on Norton Commando and 1929 Norton Model 18 in the eighties and nineties. Next to it we were riding BMW R75/5, R80 and K100rs for daily transport and holidays throughout Europe and Turkey. We started riding veteran and pioneer motorcycling in 1989 when invited by our English friends to join a week at the Anglo-Dutch Reliability Trials. (see also the wonderful site of our club: <https://www.vmcmotor.com/foto.php>) From that time every 2 years there is the Anglo-Dutch Trial in England and the next time in The Netherlands. Our son Joek (1993) was raised between the old Nortons and other bikes and is joining the Anglo-Dutch from 2017 every time on his 1913 Rex 6HP V-twin. I'm riding the week-event mostly on my 1912 Zenith Gradua single. As Holland is a rather flat country, it is ideal for riding pioneer motorcycles and like to ride on our 1902 Excelsior (with 482cc MMC-engine), 1903 Werner (where in 1911 the owner built in a 1899 DeDionBouton engine) There is a nice history of the bike and a film of the 1950 Pioneerrun starts with unloading the bike after 33 years being stored in a shed: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7-os2\\_rRNsq](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7-os2_rRNsq) So, we're looking forward to join many rallies in the future on the veteran Norton, which you never see on rallies in England or Holland.

But also we love the more modern bikes, like the Honda CBR600 and Yamaha R6, both in Rossi colours. Enclosed a picture when we took them to the ManxGP at Isle of Man two years ago. (We had to, because I was too old to rent a bike at the island ☐)

We're also rather active in our Dutch VMC. I'm a member of the editing committee and love to make reportages about interesting motorcycles and their history together with a close friend and Joek.

**With best wishes, Arend Heijs**





# OILY and the ANGLO DUTCH

A TALE OF THE DREADNOUGHT, OILY'S TROUSERS AND THE ANGLO DUTCH, FROM DAVID MILLER KOBİ

The Anglo Dutch Reliability Trial, a bi-annual competition between the VMCC and the Dutch VMC, has been running since the late 1980s. The ones held over here have all been organised by Mike Wills, and this one was no exception. Usually limited to 25 riders per team, this event was low on entries as Mike had struggled to find a venue and various regulars were doing other things or in bad health.

I collected the Dreadnought from Mike Wild on the Sunday. I've known Mike for a year or two, and he knows I'm familiar with single-speeders, just needing a brief description of the ignition system and oiling. That done, we loaded the bike into the van

and I headed off. Come Monday morning I arrived at the venue, Brandon Hall Hotel in Warwickshire, which gave me time to have a look over the Dreadnought and give it a short run. I had no intention of going on the road, but there was an empty piece of car park about 50 metres long which allowed me to start the bike and ride it up and down a couple of times.

Later that day, Sir Dennis of Ministerworth (AKA Dennis Beale) arrived with Oily Karlake's Armadake coat while Chris Harvey had the trousers to go with it. He'd had them for years and was unaware that the coat was still in existence. What an astonishing coincidence! As you can imagine, I couldn't wait to

**Kersbrook Tiddlers Ride 15<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

<b>Arnold DeGroot</b>	<b>1913 Rudge</b>
<b>Terry Rowe</b>	<b>1914 Bullock</b>
<b>Colin Behn</b>	<b>1920 Harley Davidson</b>
<b>Lyndon Rogers</b>	<b>1929 Raleigh</b>
<b>Paul Wallis</b>	<b>1947 Indian</b>
<b>Brian Forth</b>	<b>1947 AJS</b>
<b>Mat Williamson</b>	<b>1951 AJS</b>
<b>Ian Haywood</b>	<b>1952 Panther</b>
<b>Ian Hese</b>	<b>1960 Honda</b>
<b>Wayne Lawson</b>	<b>1964 Triumph</b>
<b>Mark Howson</b>	<b>1971 BSA</b>
<b>Vaughan Edwards</b>	<b>1978 Honda</b>
<b>Adrian How</b>	<b>2004 BMW</b>
<b>Martin Blindell</b>	<b>2017 Honda</b>
<b>John Williams</b>	<b>2018 Triumph</b>
<b>Trevor Ryan</b>	<b>2023 Triumph</b>
<b>Miranda Howson</b>	<b>2025 Royal Enfield</b>
<b>Daryl Rosser</b>	<b>Backup Trailer</b>





**Fabulous day and ride. Great to be back out on the bike again riding with everyone. Thanks for taking the photos Adrian - regards Regards— Marie Williams**



## Mannum – Purnong loop

15 March 2026

The March ride is primarily designed to allow small and veteran bikes to mix it with the larger, longer distance bikes.

If you have a larger motorcycle it's recommended that you ride the bike from one of the two suggested starting points near Adelaide.

**Larger bikes meet at 0930** at either -

**Tea Tree Gully Hotel car park (to be led by Wayne Lawson)** or roadway in front of **Balhannah Oval (to be led by Vaughan Edwards)**.

From there bikes should proceed to the **Mary Anne Reserve** car park at **Mannum** to meet the older bikes for commencement of the official ride.

If you are trailering your bike to Mannum, there is usually plenty of parking by the river.

Please plan to arrive a by **1030 hrs**.

### The Ride

The intention is to leave Mannum on the ride by **1100 hrs** at the latest.

Bikes will leave from the Mary Anne Reserve and travel directly to the **Mannum ferries**, crossing over and heading to a left turn at **Bakers Gully Road**. The steep downhill road takes bikes down to the River Murray edge and along the river past **Younghusband**, until bikes turn left on the main road towards **Purnong**.

We will turn left again into **Purnong** and wait to regroup before embarking on a second River Murray crossing into **Caurnamont**. This road will take us via mallee scrub and great river views **directly back to Mannum**.

Although the loop is only **80 kilometres** there are two ferry crossings which will take us overall about 1hr 45 minutes.

This brings us into Mannum in time to find a leisurely lunch before heading home. Picnic, bakery, pub or Club.

Will be looking for a few marshalls on the day and also someone to tow the trailer please.

Please contact Ian Hese (0409 083 436) if you can help with the trailer.

Ride organiser and leader is **Brett Mitchell**.

