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NEWSLETTER



**BMW
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**BMW Touring Club
of New South Wales**



NOVEMBER 2022

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MEETINGS

Monthly Club Meetings	Held at 7:30pm at the Andrew Cook Hall, Toongabbie (corner Targo and Toongabbie Roads) on the last Wednesday of each month (except for December)
Sydney Social Sip	Held at 6:00pm on the last Wednesday of each month. Members gather at the Toongabbie Hotel for a chat and something to eat before crossing the road to attend the club meeting.
South Coast Social Sip	Held anytime after 6.30pm on the 2nd Friday of the month. Members gather at the Great Southern Hotel, 95 Queen St, BERRY, for a chat and something to eat.
Newcastle Social Sip	Members gather anytime after 6pm on the last Thursday of the month. At the Hexham Bowling Club for a chat and something to eat.
Bathurst Social Sip	Members gather anytime after 6:30pm on the 2nd Wednesday of the Month for a chat and something to eat. Venue is the Kings Hotel, George St BATHURST

CLUB POINT SCORE

<i>Organise a Ride or Event</i>	2
<i>Attend a Social Sip</i>	2
<i>Attend a Social night (Restaurant night, party, etc)</i>	3
<i>Attend a Maintenance Day</i>	2
<i>Attend a Day Ride</i>	6
<i>Attend a Weekend Run or Rally</i>	10
<i>Attend a Long Weekend Run or Rally</i>	12
<i>Self-written Newsletter article</i>	4
<i>Attend a Club Meeting – City Member</i>	4
<i>Attend a Club Meeting – Country Member</i>	6
<i>Attend a Night Run</i>	6



Ride & Events Calendar

ALL COVID 19 RESTRICIONS WILL APPLY TO ANY RUN PROPOSED. PLEASE CHECK IF YOU ARE CONSIDERING ATTENDING ANY FUNCTION

Regular Events			
Wed Weekly	Meet at Jerry's Kulnura every Wednesday @ 10am	Henning 0457 034 488	
2nd Sunday each month	Coffee morning and ride from Bolwarra	Rob Teideman 0425 777461	
once each month	Far South Coast (Bega Valley)	Steve Treloar 0439739876	
RUN WEEKENDS MAY VARY message me if you want to be on the text list.			
October Events			
Sat 8 th Sun 9 th	41st Kosciuszko Rally Geehi Hut , Alpine Way Kosciuszko NP.	Steve Treloar 0439739876	10
Wed 12 th	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 nd Wed of the month Kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm venue change	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
Thur 13 th	South Coast Social Sip: 2 nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407494229	2
22 nd , 23 rd Sat, sun	Road Ride Weekender, RRW Oberon NSW. For further information. Please refer to the flyer	Justin Dorward 0418266924	10
Wed 26 th	Club Meeting 7.30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Online and physical meetings at the hall. https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings	Justin Dorward 0418266924	4/6
Thur 27 th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, limited numbers due to COVID. (Last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425777461	2
November Events			
Sat 4 th	Far South coast run Cooma Motorshow , depart Merimbula boat ramp 8.30 am, Bemboka 9.10 coffee,	Steve Treloar 0439739876	6
Sat 5 th – Sun 6 th	Trout Rally Jounama camp Ground, near Talbingo hosted by Tumut Valley Riders booking site www.trybooking	Steve Treloar 0439739876	10
Wed 9 th	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 nd Wed of the month Kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
Thur 10 th	South Coast Social Sip: 2 nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407494229	2
26 th	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE articles to the Editor, editor@bmwtcnsw.org.au		4
Thur 24 th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, limited numbers due to COVID. (Last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425777461	2
Wed 30 th	Club Meeting 7.30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Online and physical meetings at the hall. ANUUAL CLUB AUCTION NIGHT https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings	Justin Dorward 0418266924	4/6
December Events			
Sat 10 th - Sun 11 th	BMWTCNSW Christmas Party save the date, at Gloucester Holiday Park. See flyer for further details	Alison Ashby 0422077583	10
Wed 14 th	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 nd Wed of the month Kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
Thur 15 th	South Coast Social Sip: 2 nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407494229	2
Sun 18 th	Flag Raising at Grey Gums café Further details tba in next newsletter	Justin Dorward 0418266924	6
No Newsletter produced for Jan, no content required			

No General Meeting in December			
31 Dec 22 – 1 Jan 23 (or longer)	New Year's Gathering @ Micalong Creek Campground via Wee Jasper NSW. Bookings essential via https://weejasperreserves.com.au . Enquiries to 02-6227-9626 and weejasperreserves@gmail.com . A beautiful spot and a pleasant way to welcome in the new year – ride or drive and make a mini-holiday of it. Nearest supplies at Yass – note you must book in at Billie Grace Reserve. Badges are \$15.	Rob Lovett 0417 267 424	10
2023 EVENTS			
January Events			
Wed 11 th	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 nd Wed of the month kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
Thur 12 th	South Coast Social Sip: 2nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407494229	2
Sun 15 th	Bathurst area day ride details TBA (will be discussed at Nov social sip)	Alan Pennykid 0427393093	6
21st	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE articles to the Editor, editor@bmwtcnsw.org.au		4
Sat 21 st Sun 22 nd	KKR Recon Run, Dungog to be confirmed	Rob Lovett 0417267425	10
Wed 25 th	Club Meeting 7.30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Online and physical meetings at the hall. https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings	Justin Dorward 0418266924	4/6
Thur 26 th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, (Last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425777461	2
February			
Sat 11 th Sun 12 th	Karuah River Rally Chichester State Forest Dungog	Rob Lovett 0417267425	10
March			
Fri 3 rd - Sun 5 th	BMW Earls Fork Gathering Henty NSW Keep the weekend Free Watch for updates.	Henning 0457034488	10
Sun 26 th	New Members Ride Flat Rock picnic area, O'Connell, leaving from Eastern Creek servos, free BBQ etc for all members and guests at Flat Rock	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	6
April			
Sat 1 st – Sun 2 nd	Movie Night at Neville Siding, more info in this newsletter	Justin Dorward 0418266924	10
July			
1 st to 7 th July	100 Years Celebration BMW Motorrad Days. Berlin Germany Expressions of interest required. taking your own bike/going. Please contact Steve	Steve Treloar 0439739876	

4/6* City members attending a club meeting receive 4 points, country members receive 6 points.

If you have been to an event & wish to have your attendance considered for the Clubman Point score, or have suggestions for a club ride or event, please email: vicepresident@bmwtcnsw.org.au

Please also feel free to contact your local Ride Coordinator (details inside cover of newsletter)

BMWTCNSW General Meeting Minutes

Date: 28th September 2022

Chairperson: Justin Dorward (Secretary)

Meeting Opened: 7.35pm

Apologies: Nic Mercieca, Warwick Low, Rily Low, Colin Watkins,

Present:

In Person:

Justin Dorward (Secretary), Michael Sarah (Webmaster), Rob Edgar (Spare Parts), Trevor Lever, John Trenerry, Dave Povey, Barry Watkins, Tony Vlatko, Bill Sparks, Cailyn Dorward, Jason Boyd, Paul Evans.

Via Zoom:

Steve Treloar (Vice President), Alison Ashby (Treasurer), Alan Pennykid (Editor), Trevor Dean (BMWCA Delegate), Mal Catermole (Assets & Archives), Marie Penykid (Membership Secretary), Max Brettargh, Dave Blunn, Warren Buffett, Glenn Asquith.

Visitors:

Ed Chapman

Previous Minutes:

Accepted: Michael Sarah

Seconded: Barry Watkins

New Members:

John Trenerry

Correspondence:

PO Box:

Bank statements

1x FCR entry form

Registration renewal for trailer

RFDS letter re donation

President's Report:

Steve Treloar

As per newsletter. Discussions for Vice President vacancy are occurring. Around 125 attendees to the Far Cairn Rally. Thanks to Alison & Marie for arranging and running the rally. Road Ride Weekend and Christmas Party events are coming up.

The chair acknowledges former club President Jason Boyd and mentions it is good to see him again.

Vice President's Report

Casual Vacancy

None

Treasurer's Report:

Alison Ashby

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Regular bank balance at end of month \$3644.89

Savings account balance at end of month \$36303.21

TOTAL IN BANK \$39948.10

SUMMARY

Total Income \$3504.71

Total Expenses \$3948.17

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Total Interest Earned \$14.71

Secretary's Report:

Justin Dorward

Social Sips have been added to the Members Only FB group and will be added to the public FB group.

Membership Secretary Report:

Marie Pennykid

One new member and 4 late renewals.

BMW Clubs Australia Report:

Trevor Dean

The BMWCA & BMW Group provided a voucher for the raffles at FCR. The 100-year BMW celebrations are taking place next year. The BMWMCQ is hosting an event in Brisbane on the 23rd September and requesting BMW motorcycle owners to attend.

MCC of NSW Report

Paul Ioakamidis / Bob Madell

Not Present. None.

Past Events

Steve Treloar

17-18th Sept. Far Cairn Rally. Tottenham.

Future Events

Steve Treloar

See the current newsletter for the latest info.

Hunter Social Sip tomorrow night.

30th - 2nd Oct. Scrap Heap Challenge

8-9th Oct. 41st Kosciuszko Rally

12th Oct Bathurst Social Sip

13th Oct South Coast Social Sip

22-23rd Oct. Road Ride Weekender Oberon

5th - 6th Nov. Trout Rally.

10-11th. Christmas Party

Further Committee Member Reports

Regalia

Alison Ashby

New stubby holders are now available at \$10 each. Club shirts are late, but may be ready this weekend. FCR shirts haven't arrived yet. Interest in badges with the club logo, like the recent FCR badges. Marie spoke with Ken Lovegrove who would like six club patches and recommended we donate them for their committee shirts.

General Business

Far Cairn Rally Reports

Warren Buffett

Warren recounts his weekend away, including flooded roads around Tullamore. Woz won the first aid kit donated by SmartMoto.com.au before passing his tickets on to Ian Berry, who went on to win. Woz shared his fun experience meeting again with fellow riders, adding it was the best time since pre-COVID.

Marie reported \$1919.50 was banked from the event. Value of raffle prizes in excess of \$1600. Rob won the Grip Puppies and Andy Strapz and personally called Andy to thank him. Marie has contacted Steve regarding a notice of appreciation. Woz recommends riding the KRR Recon Ride to Dungong.

Website

Justin Dorward

Content is being uploaded to the new website this week. Unofficial go-live during the long weekend. Metadata for further SEO (Search Engine Optimisation) work is done.

Potential Earls Fork Event March 2023

Henning Jorgensen

See Oct newsletter article. Please contact Henning to express interest in this ride, for the Henty - Coolamon - June area around March 2023.

Road Ride Weekender (22 / 23 Oct)

Justin Dorward

The Motorcycle Council of NSW has approved this ride as a Motorcycle Awareness Month event. Raffle prize yet to be organised. Riders planning to head to Jenolan Caves will need to have pre-booked a Cave Tour or no access to the precinct will be allowed.



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MAKE LIFE A RIDE

The advertisement features a photograph of two motorcyclists riding a BMW motorcycle on a scenic road. The background shows a large, rocky mountain range under a clear sky. The BMW logo and 'MOTORRAD' text are in the top left corner. The business name 'CITY COAST MOTORCYCLES' and contact information are in the bottom left. The slogan 'MAKE LIFE A RIDE' is at the bottom.

Christmas Party

Alison Ashby

Rotary is supplying the marquets and meat. Gluten free options will be available. Tables and chairs being arranged. RSVP to Alison by 8th November.

Voluntary Secret Santa \$15, gift to be purchased at Gloucester (or at least near Gloucester on the way there).

Advice on shipping bikes to NZ

Justin Dorward

Thank you for the Facebook posts. Please contact John Visser to offer advice.

Constitution Sub-Committee

Justin Dorward

Members: Warren Buffett, Trevor Dean, Justin Dorward. Sub-committee to set a date to meet before the next general meeting.

Private Motorcycle Collection Event

Justin Dorward

Awaiting call-back from Stay Upright.

Future presentations

Justin Dorward

October general meeting presenter ideas:

Representative from BikeBiz?

Spare Tools

Rob Edgar

Mark Robinson's donated tool has arrived and it is now available from the tool library, with thanks.

Raffle items for for KRR

Max Brettargh

Regalia collected from Adventure Moto in Dural, which have been divided into five bags, for KRR.

New Business

Rob Edgar

The Wombat Cafe near Spencer is promoting motorcycle riders to visit.

GS911

Max Brettargh

911 has been acquired and is available at his place.

Classifieds

Wanted (Warren): New room microphone required, perhaps to pass around.

Next Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 26th October 2022.

Meeting Closed at 8.38pm

Presentation: Far Cairn Rally 2022 Slideshow by Steve Treloar



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President's Report.



One of the main October rally events was the BMWCC Kosciuszko rally at Geehi hut. As usual these days the weather Apps were predicting not the best of conditions. It turned out to be a great weekend only a few drops of rain. As usual Geehi Hut campground is a great place to camp at. Garry and his crew put on a great weekend. The bratwurst rolls for dinner and egg and bacon rolls with a coffee for breakfast went down a treat too.

The usual social sips and weekend rides have been happening around the state.

By the time this newsletter gets out the, road ride weekender and Oberon will have been done and dusted and will be looking forward to reports in the December issue .

November 5 and 6 the Trout rally on near Talbingo. Another rally that usually gets a few TC members attend.

If you haven't had a look at the new club website, I thoroughly recommend you do, and no doubt Justin and Courtney will have an update of how it's going and Next Steps.

FAR SOUTH COAST RUN

Saturday, 5 November is the Cooma motor fest. Departing Merimbula boat ramp At 8.30 am. Stopping at Bemboka for a Coffee at the Bakery, arriving approx. 9.10 am. Get away around 10am to the Cooma Showgrounds.

Sunday 27th of November there is a ride day happening at Bathurst if you're in the area getting contact with Alan and go for a ride to Crookwell For lunch. *(if you're south of the Sydney region or from ACT you might want to join us for lunch at Crookwell—Ed)*

The Xmas party is also coming up fast. Be sure you have let Alison know of your attendance for catering purposes. Don't forget your secret Santa gift . See the flyer for info.

Until next time ride safe stay safe and enjoy

Steve

BMW MOTORCYCLE EARLES FORKS GATHERING - OCTOBER UPDATE

Proposed dates : 3rd, 4th & 5th March '22.

There has been about a dozen responses for expressions of interest so far, keep them coming!! Thank you.

My wife, kids & I have just visited Henty to see what is available.

There's a pub, a BnB & Homestay all offering 50-55 beds & off-street parking plus a campground. This makes booking early essential. Also 17kms to Culcarn Motor Inn.

Proposed itinerary:

Friday 3rd - Meet & greet evening.

Saturday 4th - Ride to Walbundrie Hotel for lunch via Morgan's Lookout.

Show n tell in Henty followed by a group dinner etc.

Sunday 5th - morning brekkie in the Main Street before our farewells.

The flier for the event will be available in November.

Any comments & questions are welcome & looking forward to further expressions of interest.

Cheers
Henning
ph 0457034488

Club Movie Night (April 2023)

Where: Neville Siding

When: Sat 1st - Sun 2nd April

- Room for 20 people in the Woolshed (single & bunk beds) but couples can be catered for in double-bed carriages.
- \$60 per head
- Pizza (delivered) for dinner (\$15pp).
- Movie: TBC
- Pre-bookings of \$30 essential.

Contact Justin.

Welcome to the New Members:

- Paul Stedman (North Kellyville)
- Michael & Liz Delval (Edmondson Park)



Notice: Speed Limit Changes

19 October 2022

Transport for NSW has published many speed zone changes across the state since the last BMWTCNSW Newsletter was published. These changes have occurred in the following LGAs: Wollongong, Lismore, Mid-Coast, Muswellbrook, Newcastle, Singleton, Cobar, Bogan, Eurobodalla, Cabonne.

For more information on these changes, feel free to contact me via secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au

Justin Dorward

Secretary, BMW Touring Club of NSW

Financial members & guests are invited to the

BMWTCNSW'S CHRISTMAS PARTY 2022

When 6pm Saturday 10th December

Where Gloucester (Caravan) Holiday Park

Cost Included in your membership fee.
Guests \$35.

Dinner 2-course buffet- Main & Dessert

Gluten-free meal options available

BYO Alcohol and Drinks.

Raffle supporting the Gloucester Rotary Club

Plenty of accommodation options in town.

Gloucester Holiday Park

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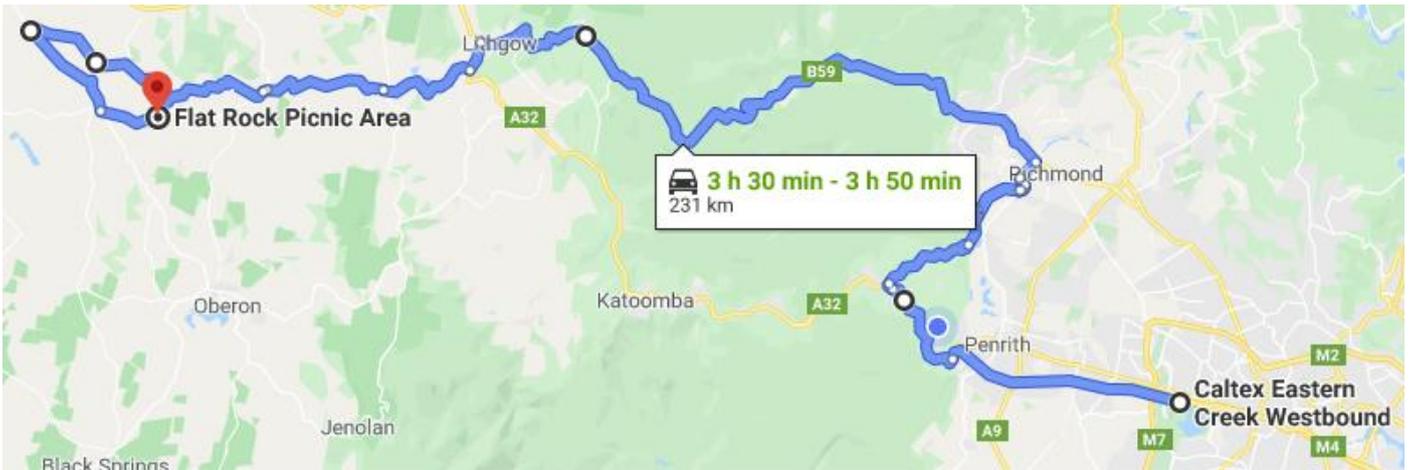


Secret Santa: \$15 spend, in Gloucester.

RSVP by 8th November, to Alison Ashby

treasurer@bmwtcnsw.org.au or 0422 077 583

New Members Ride – March 26th, 2023



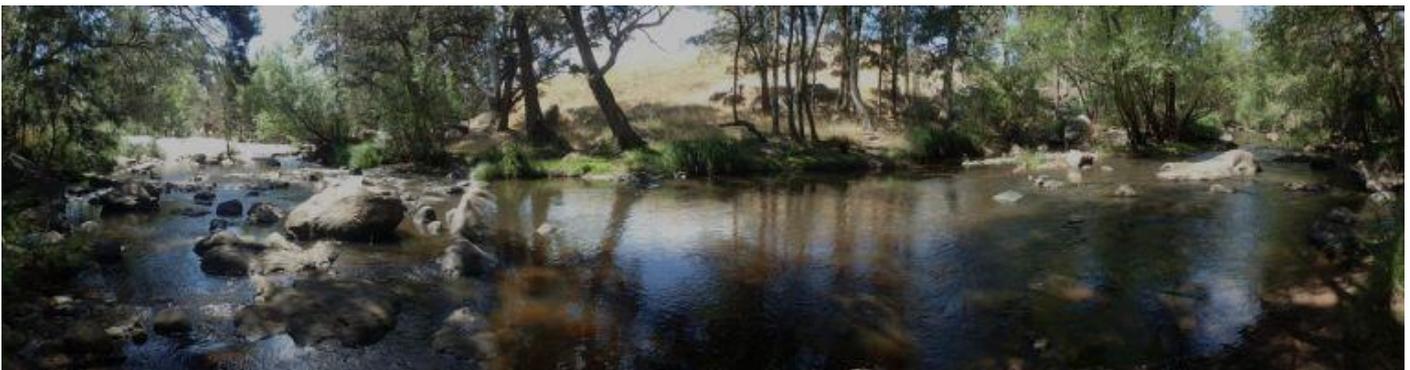
We'll meet at Westbound M4 McDonalds at 8:30am, **fueled** and ready to go. **Leave 9:00am.**

- All existing, new and potential members are welcome.
- Route via Penrith, North Richmond, Lithgow and Locksley, the final destination being the Flat Rock Picnic Area on the Fish River, Mutton Falls Rd, O'Connell, estimated distance of 231km. The road surfaces on the planned route will be all sealed.
- BBQ lunch and soft drinks supplied by the club.

RSVP 23/03/2020 to Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093

- Follow the M4 to the Great Western Highway, and up to Valley Heights.
- Take the left to Springwood and then right at the roundabout to Hawkesbury Heights and Richmond
- Follow the Hawkesbury Heights road, and stop at the Hawkesbury Heights Lookout, then continue on to the Castlereagh road and turn left to towards Richmond.
- At the traffic lights in Richmond turn left onto Bells Line of Road.
- Follow this to Lithgow and the Great Western Highway and turn left towards Katoomba
- Travel along the GWH to South Bowenfels, and turn right onto Magpie Hollow Rd at the Shell Servo.
- Follow this road past Lake Lyell to the T-intersection, and it's a quick right and left dogleg onto the Sodwalls Road.
- At Tarana, swing slightly right off the main road onto the Tarana Rd.
- Follow this road to the T-intersection at the O'Connell Rd and turn left to O'Connell.
- At O'Connell, past the pub, turn left onto Mutton Falls Rd, It's approximately 6min and 6.5 km to the Picnic Grounds, on the left.

A free BBQ lunch and soft drinks will be available here. Enjoy your ride.





Next morning Hamish and I took off to Thredbo for a coffee and a few supplies as Mac had to work until 10. We regrouped and headed on to Geehi Hut, very light traffic, some snow on the peaks. A pleasant day with dry roads.



We departed the coast earlier than expected, I was originally meant to be working and then leave later. We had some drizzle up Mount Darragh. By the time we got to Bombala the rain had stopped. I commented to Hamish that the Go-Pro on his top box had vibrated sideways, once sorted we continued on to the Snowy Mountain Way at Ando. Talking on the Sena I asked Hamish if GoPros have a tether strap, he obviously glanced in his mirror and said oh shit. Not knowing what he was on about I realised that the GoPro had parted company with his top box. He turned around to look on the off chance that it was able to be picked up, but it was gone to the gods on the side of the road somewhere.

The two snails, the Dads, continued on and left the young rabbits to catch up. Coming up to Dalgety in my own world all of a sudden a green bike followed by a blue and white bike flash past.



We spent the afternoon chatting with fellow rallyists. Surprisingly it was actually quite hot, I did put up a big tarp in anticipation of the evening rain which didn't really eventuate, just some drizzle.

For those that attended, they are going to get two badges as the ones we got had 2023 instead of 2022. Does that mean they'll become a collectors item in years to come...

Our tents were dry in the morning. I don't know whether that was due to the wind or the amount of snoring that was happening around the campsite that circulated the air around.

Between Dalgety and Jindabyne noticed the green bike, Mac, on the side of the road I slowed and thought he must be having a rest stop so I pulled up the road and did likewise and Hamish came back along and headed back to Mac. He had stopped back up the road. After rest stop I went back and Mac had run out of fuel....Don ventured on to get some fuel from Jindy. Luckily we were at a driveway to a property and the farmer stopped and had some hose and empty bottle so we siphoned out about 4l out of the PD to get him into Jindabyne. The smallest cc bike got to Jindy first. Mentioned to the boys about the hare and the tortoise story. With everyone all fuelled up we headed on to Crackenback for the night.



A beautiful campsite, as usual

After the usual packing up and goodbyes we had an uneventful trip back home. No more GoPros to worry about.

Thanks to Garry Smee and his crew from the BMW motorcycle club Canberra for putting on a great weekend.

Steve Treloar



DIABETES AND RIDING

I know this is probably not the most tasteful of issues to write about but Diabetes has the potential to put a brake on your riding and much more so if you are dependent on an insulin top up be it daily or periodically. And I suspect that a certain proportion of club members have this problem?

Insulin needs to be kept at a defined temperature (2C – 8C) or slightly higher but check with your chemist rather than taking my word for this. According to the web, once you have opened an injecting pen, it can be stored at higher temperatures but again do your homework. Motorcycle travel is not ideal for keeping your insulin stable but there's a few options on the market now.



Figure 1 - The fridge and its power cable



Figure 2 - Pen fridge top view

The two I've tried and had success with are a mini refrigerator (suitable for car travel) and an icepack. The mini refrigerator is powered off a 12 volt DC car socket with a 3 amp fuse in the plug assembly and I'm sure this could be modified to plug into a bike's accessory socket? It's a bit heavy at 2.5kg and measures 220mm (L) x 107mm (W) x 110mm (Depth). It holds up to 8 insulin pens (which should keep you going for a while)? The problem is that once you get to your destination, you have to plug it into a 240V source (or the supplementary battery back in your 4WD) – but if you are pubbing it this could be the answer for you? Note I haven't modified this for bike travel.

A better option (for motorcycling) is an ice bag where you freeze the icepacks for carrying your pens. The



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problem is it only guarantees a 2C – 8C range for 24 hours but I reckon I've got double that (going to the Far Cairn) by keeping it wrapped up and out of direct sunlight.

There are also a number of other options for carry bags that only rely on being kept damp and I'll give these a



Figure 3 - Cooler bag pack - good for 24 hours or more – note the ice packs have to be pre-frozen

road test at some stage. You can check out the product range and prices for Medactive (the supplier - an Australian company) at <https://www.medactiv.com.au/diabetic-bags/allproducts/>.

While some of the prices seem steep, the fact that these items can help keep you on the road is a big bonus and well worth checking if you haven't discovered these yet.

Rob Lovett

HYBRID MONTHLY GENERAL MEETINGS

TOONGABBIE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND ZOOM

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<https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings>

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BMW MOTORRAD DAYS

BERLIN 2022

Munich/Berlin. The 20th edition of the BMW Motorrad Days will take place on 2 & 3 July 2022 at the exhibition grounds in Berlin. Directly after the Pure&Crafted Festival (1 July), the world's largest BMW Motorrad meeting will attract the international fan community to the German capital for the first time.

"We believe Berlin is the perfect place for the BMW Motorrad Days. As an international city offering a rich cultural experience, a wide range of excursions in the surrounding area and a unique lifestyle, the capital of Germany has everything it takes to make the BMW Motorrad Days even more diverse and attractive," says Dr. Markus Schramm, Head of BMW Motorrad. The heart of international BMW motorcycle production has been beating in Berlin for 53 years at the Berlin plant. And almost every BMW motorcycle has Berlin air in its tyres.

In addition to new products, spectacular stunts, test ride opportunities and ride-aways, there will also be a great deal more in store for visitors. Motorcycle fans from all over the world have already noted the event in their calendars as a must-attend event. Visitors from distant countries such as the USA, Japan or Australia, sports, touring and enduro riders, customizing freaks or motorsports enthusiasts will all find their personal highlight at the BMW Motorrad Days. Be it during the day in the extensive grounds between old and new motorbikes or in the evening with live music.

The Streetbike Stunt Show, the Trial Show and the FMX Show push the limits of riding physics. The great tradition of steep wall riders, on the other hand, is revived in the Original Motodrom, the oldest still travelling steep wall in the world. Here, Donald Gansmeier and his team thunder over the wooden boards on historical motorcycles in breathtaking style. Motorcycle customizing fans are fully catered for in the Wheels Area.

In addition to the large number of test rides on offer featuring the entire product range, you can of course also discover the charming surroundings of Berlin and Brandenburg by motorcycle. Visitors can explore the countryside by taking part in test ride specials and guided enduro tours with local guides. Aspiring motorcyclists who have no driving licence yet can try themselves out on a BMW motorcycle. Enduro taster training sessions will also be available.

Another highlight are the plant tours at the BMW Motorrad plant, which now offer insights into international motorcycle manufacturing for the first time as part of the BMW Motorrad Days.

The extensive trade show and exhibition area reflects the full diversity of BMW Motorrad. In addition to the entire BMW Motorrad product portfolio, visitors can also expect one or two surprises. Around 50 exhibitors

will be on site to advise potential customers and to present new ideas and innovative BMW Motorrad related accessories.

Young guests are excellently catered for as well: In the Kids Area there are lots of exciting games and a specially designed Kids Bike Course - an exciting and action-packed weekend is guaranteed.

A new item on the programme is the General Store known from the Pure&Crafted Festival with numerous other exhibitors from the lifestyle sector as well as "The House of Machines" bar featuring the Marshall Live Music Stage.

Everyone dreaming of faraway lands can watch one of the travelogues in the cinema, while motorsport enthusiasts can look forward to seeing the stars of the BMW Motorrad WorldSBK Team.

The BMW Motorrad Days have long been considered a traditional event and have a permanent place in every biker's calendar. In 2001, the event was held for the first time in Seefeld, Austria, followed by 18 editions in Garmisch-Partenkirchen. In 2020 and 2021, the event was not held due to the global corona pandemic. The "BMW Motorrad Days goes Berlin" decision was taken with the aim of breaking new ground in brand development for the future and developing new concepts so as to give the BMW Motorrad Days a powerful fresh stimulus. At the same time, Berlin is an ideal platform for modern urban mobility concepts on two wheels as well.

The Pure&Crafted Festival will take place immediately before the BMW Motorrad Days on 1 July. The festival, which was launched in Berlin in 2015 and initiated by BMW Motorrad, will be held for the second time in the Summer Garden at the Berlin exhibition grounds, and of course BMW Motorrad is the title sponsor again this year. Fans can experience the special mix of live music, motorbike culture and new heritage lifestyle.

Advance ticket sales for the BMW Motorrad Days have already started. Day tickets for Saturday can be purchased for EUR 10,- and include a meal voucher worth of EUR 5,-. Day tickets for Sunday cost EUR 5,- and include a meal voucher worth of EUR 5,-. Combined tickets (Saturday and Sunday) cost EUR 15,- and include two food vouchers of EUR 5,- each. Children and youngsters up to and including the age of 15 are admitted free of charge (a free ticket must still be obtained). The whole program incl. shows, entertainment, riding activities such as test rides, enduro taster trainings etc. will not cause any further costs on-site. Tickets are available in the online shop at this link:

<https://www.ticket-onlineshop.com/ols/bmw-motorrad-days/en/bmw-tickets/channel/shop/index>

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In Support of our 21,000 Signature Petition

11.00 am, Saturday, 5 November 2022

At the Archibald Memorial Fountain
HYDE PARK, SYDNEY

- please wear your riding gear for our special planned activities
- be there to show NSW Parliament you support our petition
- be there to stand up for your right to ride on public land
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5th – 6th November	Trout Rally
10th – 11th December	Club Christmas Party
31st Dec – 1st Jan>	New Years Gathering
21st – 22nd January	KRR Recon Run (Dungog ride)
11th – 12th February	Karuah River Rally
3rd - 5th March	BMW Earles Fork Gathering
July	Motorrad Days in Berlin