

# NEWSLETTER



**2023**  
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of New South Wales**



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## REGIONAL RIDE CO-ORDINATORS

|                     |                |  |
|---------------------|----------------|--|
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## MEETINGS

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>Monthly Club Meetings</b>  | Held at 7:30pm at the Andrew Cook Hall, Toongabbie (corner Targo and Toongabbie Roads) on the last Wednesday of each month ( <b>except for December</b> )                       |
| <b>Sydney Social Sip</b>      | 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. |
| <b>South Coast Social Sip</b> | 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.                      |
| <b>Newcastle Social Sip</b>   | Members gather anytime after 6pm on the last Thursday of the month. At the Hexham Bowling Club for a chat and something to eat.   |
| <b>Bathurst Social Sip</b>    | 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

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



**BMW Touring Club**  
of New South Wales



# Ride & Events Calendar

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

| Regular Events  |   |                                 |     |
|---|---|---------------------------------|-----|
| <b>Wed Weekly</b>   | <b>Meet at Jerry's Kulnura every Wednesday @ 10am</b>   | <b>Henning 0457 034 488</b>     |     |
| <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month</b>                                     | <b>Coffee morning and ride from Bolwarra</b>  | <b>Rob Teideman 0425 777461</b> |     |
| <b>once each month</b>  | <b>Far South Coast (Bega Valley)</b>  | <b>Steve Treloar 0439739876</b> |     |
| <b>RUN WEEKENDS MAY VARY message me if you want to be on the text list.</b> |   |                                 |     |
| December  |   |                                 |     |
| Sat 10 <sup>th</sup><br>Sun 11 <sup>th</sup>                                | BMWTCNSW Christmas Party  | Alison Ashby                    | 10  |
| Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>  | Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month   | Marie Pennykid                  | 2   |
| Thur 15 <sup>th</sup>   | South Coast Social Sip:   | Tony Schmidt                    | 2   |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>  | 2022 BCCM Live 8.00pm   |                                 | 0   |
| Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>  | Flag Raising Grey Gums Café Putty Road  | Marie Pennykid                  | 6   |
| 31 Dec 22<br>– 1 Jan 23   | <b>New Year's Gathering</b> @ Micalong Creek Campground via Wee Jasper  | Rob Lovett                      | 10  |
| Jan   |   |                                 |     |
| Wed 11th  | Bathurst/Central West Social Sip  | Marie Pennykid                  | 2   |
| Thur 12th   | South Coast Social Sip:   | Tony Schmidt                    | 2   |
| Sun 15th  | Bathurst area day ride details  | Alan Pennykid                   | 6   |
| Sat 21st<br>Sun 22nd  | KRR Recon Run   | Rob Lovett                      | 10  |
| Wed 25th  | Club Meeting  | Justin Dorward                  | 4/6 |
| Thur 26 <sup>th</sup>   | Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, (Last Thurs of the month)   | Rob Tiedeman<br>0425777461      | 2   |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup>  | 2023 BCCM Live 8.00pm<br><a href="https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive">https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive</a>  |                                 | 0   |
| Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> –<br>Sun 29 <sup>th</sup>                              | Camping at Burruga Dam, BYO everything  | Marie Pennykid<br>0428 393 093  | 10  |
| February  |   |                                 |     |
| Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>   | Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month<br>kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm  | Marie Pennykid<br>0428 393 093  | 2   |
| Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup>   | South Coast Social Sip: 2nd Thursday of the month & the location is<br>The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm   | Tony Schmidt<br>0407494229      | 2   |
| Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> -<br>Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>                              | Karuah River Rally Chichester State Forest Dungog Watch socials for<br>changes if weather turns.  | Rob Lovett<br>0417267425        | 10  |
| Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>  | Newsletter content deadline (before Sunday)   |                                 |     |
| Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>  | Bathurst area dayride/lunch – Gulgong Show - Car Bike and Truck<br>Show. Meet # 9am at Ampol on the highway near Bunnings (Bathurst)  | Alan Pennykid<br>0427393093     | 6   |
| Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>  | Club Meeting 7.30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Online and<br>physical meetings at the hall.<br><a href="https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings">https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings</a> | Justin Dorward                  | 4/6 |

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| Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>                             | 2023 BCCM Live 8.00pm<br><a href="https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive">https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive</a>  |                                | 0   |
| Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>                             | Amaroo Bike Museum, 11 am, 231 Annangrove Rd, Annangrove<br>Free entry and drink, Club paying, see flyer for details  | Justin Doward<br>0418266924    | 6   |
| <b>March</b>                                     |   |                                |     |
| Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> –<br>Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>     | BMW Earles Fork Gathering Henty NSW Keep the weekend Free<br>See flyer for details  | Henning<br>0457034488          | 10  |
| Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>                              | Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month<br>Kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm  | Marie Pennykid<br>0428 393 093 | 2   |
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| Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> -<br>Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> . | Cold Flame Rally Native Dog Flat Cobberas, Victoria   | Dave Ramsay                    | 10  |
| Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>                             | New Members Ride Flat Rock picnic area on the Fish River, <b>O'Connell</b> .<br>Free BBQ and drinks for all attendees.  | Marie Pennykid<br>0428 393 093 | 6   |
| Wed 29 <sup>th</sup>                             | Club Meeting 7.30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Online and<br>physical meetings at the hall.<br><a href="https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings">https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings</a> | Justin Dorward                 | 4/6 |
| Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup>                           | Hunter Social <u>Sip: Dinner</u> meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, (Last Thurs of the month)  | Rob Tiedeman<br>0425777461     | 2   |
| Fri 31 <sup>st</sup>                             | 2023 BCCM Live 8.00 pm<br><a href="https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive">https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive</a>   |                                | 0   |
| <b>April</b>                                     |   |                                |     |
| Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> –<br>Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>     | Movie Night, Neville Siding. \$75 inc accommodation and Pizza,<br>bookings essential (Flyer in this newsletter)   | Justin Dorward                 | 10  |
| Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>                             | Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month @ Kings<br>Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm  | Marie Pennykid<br>0428 393 093 | 2   |
| Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup>                           | South Coast Social Sip: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month & the location is The<br>North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm   | Tony Schmidt<br>0407494229     | 2   |
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| <b>2023 Events</b>                               |   |                                |     |
| Sat 6 <sup>th</sup><br>May                       | Dubbo Motor Bike Rally.   |                                | 10  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> to<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> July       | 100 Years Celebration BMW Motorrad Days. Berlin Germany   | Steve Treloar<br>0439739876    |     |
| Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup><br>July                     | Awards Night Molong RSL, details TBA  | Steve Treloar<br>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](mailto:vicepresident@bmwtcnsw.org.au)

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



## .BMWTCNSW General Meeting Minutes

### BMWTCNSW General Meeting Draft Minutes

**Date:** 30th November 2022

**Chairperson:** Justin Dorward (Secretary)

**Meeting Opened:** 7.35pm

**Apologies:** Bob Madell, Alison Ashby.

#### In Person:

Justin Dorward (Secretary), Marie Pennykid (Membership Secretary), Al Pennykid (Editor), Trevor Dean (BMWCA Delegate), Ed Chapman, Nic Mercieca, Stan Kucera, Tony Conliffe, Mal & Marianne Catermole, Tony Wilton, Tony Conliffe, Warren Buffet Stan Kucera, Michael Sarah, Manfred Otto, Warwick Low, Riley Low, Tony Vlatko, Dave Beers, Mick Goodwin, Bob Whitehead, Rob Edgar, Bill Sparks

#### Via Zoom:

Steve Treloar (Vice President), Craig Hancock, Iain Steel

#### Visitors:

None

#### Previous Minutes:

Accepted:

Seconded:

#### New Members:

None

## Secretary Correspondence & Report:

Email:

BMW Motorcycle Club of Queensland November & December newsletters

BMW Motorcycle Owners Club Gold Coast November newsletter

PO Box:

Shirts received Larry Grant

RFDS

Bank Statements

As per newsletter. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Club in 2022. Thanks to Rob Edgar for handling newsletters last month.

#### President's Report:

Steve Treloar

As per newsletter.

#### Vice President's Report

Casual Vacancy

None

#### Treasurer's Report:

Justin Dorward

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Regular bank balance at end of month \$2576.10

Savings account balance at end of month \$36351.10



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TOTAL IN BANK \$38927.20

## SUMMARY

Total Income \$1530.51  
Total Expenses \$4382.21  
Total Interest Earned \$27.51

Trailer Rego paid this month and Far Cairn Rally expenses are completed. Trophy adjustment and mic gear costs. Justin adds audio equipment was purchased to assist the hybrid Zoom meetings.

## Membership Secretary Report:

### Marie Pennykid

A couple new members in the last few days. A quiet month. New Club T-Shirts are out. Most FCR have been delivered.

## BMW Clubs Australia Report:

### Trevor Dean

Two major events for the 100-year celebration of BMW Motorrad. Munich exhibition of motorcycles, opening in April and will run for four months. The second, BMW Motorrad Days in Berlin, which will run 7-9th July. Attended BMW BCIC October meeting and gave a presentation. BMW BCIC has generated a book of the 700+ BMW clubs around the world.

Attended BMW Clubs Asia AGM last weekend.

Justin adds club events ought to be planned around these major events, to prevent calendar conflicts.

BCCM Live Sessions have returned.

## MCC of NSW Report

### Justin Dorward

AGM was held on the 14th November & our very own Bob Madell was appointed as Chairman. Congratulations to Bob on behalf of the BMWTCNSW. Paul Ioakimidis declined a number of nominations due to his planned 2023 time constraints. Trevor asks about tolls for motorcycles. Discussion on how motorcycles are charged tolls and the eRider feature.

## Past Events

### Steve Treloar

4th Nov. Far South Coast Run, Cooma Motor Show.

5th - 6th Nov. Trout Rally.

BCCM 25h November.

## Further Committee Member Reports

None

## General Business

## Website

### Justin Dorward

Second milestone is underway. New share feature has been added to every article and event.

As of 28/11/22

In the last 28 days, the site has seen 198 visitors, of which 187 were new visitors. 25% visited the Join page.

The average user spends 2 min 19 sec on the site, well above the global average of 45 seconds.

Of the 60% of new visitors came from Google search results and 35% were direct (bookmarked). The rest were organic social media search results.

Home page followed by the Events page are the most popular pages on the site.

In the past 28 days, the site was presented in a google search 2,130 times with 125 clicks.

That's a click through rate of 5.9%, which is well above the paid advertising click through rate of 3.17%

There is a direct correlation between social media posts referencing the website and visitors, specifically, the increase in organic google search.

Overall, the site is currently over-performing considering there has not been any paid advertising, targeted engagement beyond the facebook groups or united marketing approach.

Trevor says the new website project has been very professional and thanks all involved.

## Christmas Party (10-11th Dec 2022)

Marie Pennykid / Steve Treloar

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262 Keira St, Wollongong  
4228 7392

MAKE LIFE A RIDE

Marie reminds everyone to let Alison know ASAP if they want to go. 72 people booked to attend at this stage. Secret Santa, spend \$10-\$15 in Gloucester.

### **Flag Raising Ceremony (18th Dec 2022)**

Justin Dorward

As per newsletter.

### **Private Motorcycle Collection Event (Amaroo Park) (26th Feb 2023)**

Justin Dorward

Sunday 26th Feb, 11am - 3pm. Entry ticket in the newsletter, along with a \$5 drink voucher for use at the neighboring cafe.

We've requested dedicated parking in front of the museum for bikes. Plenty of car parking, too. Easy to follow signage has been installed.

### **New Year Camping.**

Marie Pennykid

Book in at Wee Jasper, online. Three night minimum.

### **Club Regalia**

Marie Pennykid

Regalia in the newsletter. Some of the stock is in the clubhouse, or in Bathurst. For sale at club meetings.

### **Karuah River Rally Recon Ride 21st & 22nd Jan. KRR 11th & 12th Feb '23**

Steve Treloar

Weather has affected the bridge, which may not be fixed in

time, so alternate sites are being sought (likely Dungog Showgrounds). Back to basics camping at this stage.

Recon ride to Bank Hotel, Dungog.

### **Earle's Fork Gathering 3-5th March 2023**

Steve Treloar

Flier in the current newsletter. Information has been distributed around Australia. Woz is doing up some old

### **New Members Ride Flat Rock 26th March**

Marie Pennykid

Please let Marie know well ahead of time if you're coming. Michael Sarah will lead the ride from Sydney.

### **Neville Movie Night (1st April 2023)**

Justin Dorward

Neville Siding, near Blayney is locked-in for our movie night next year. \$75 for accommodation and pizza dinner. \$30 gets your booking locked-in. Already receiving bookings.

### **Other Future Events**

Steve Treloar

RFDS Experience Centre (Dubbo). TBC.

### **Fundraiser**

Steve Treloar

Ideas to create a calendar of BMW and riders.



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## Woodstock Hotel ride 28th Jan 2023

Alan Pennykid

Garry Smee 28th Jan, Woodstock Hotel (near Cowra). Suggested as a joint run, but late notice for BMWTCNSW. Hosted by our ACT colleagues.

## Constitution Sub-Committee

Steve Treloar

The subcommittee met on Thu 27th Oct and the recommendation was no change was necessary, which the Executive Committee accepted at its meeting on 13th November.

The outcome is life members can be nominated for an executive position. Life membership nominees cannot hold a current executive position.

## EOI: First Aid

Justin Dorward

As per article in the newsletter. At the moment, 114 members expressed interest through their entry form. Please email [secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au](mailto:secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au) nonetheless.

## 25-year membership medals

Marie Pennykid

The Executive Committee is in support of 25-year membership medals and further discussions are occurring.

## Future presentations

Justin Dorward

January is in planning.

Ideas needed for 2023.

## Earle's Fork

Warren Buffett

You don't need to have an Earle's Fork bike to go on the

ride. Similarly, you don't need a bike to have an earle's fork. For charity, orders can be placed with Woz for a limited edition run of numbered, engraved forks.

## Charity Auction

Jacket & One-piece wet weather suit \$20 Trev paid

Jacket \$20 Woz Paid

Top box \$15 Steve (transfer to Alison)

Shock \$10 Paid

Donation Tony Wilton \$20 Paid

Small shirt Justin \$15

TOTAL: \$100

\$10 BMWTCNSW, \$90 RFDS

- **Next Committee Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 18th January 2023.**
- **Next General Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 25th January 2023.**
- **Meeting Closed at 9.03pm**

## November 2022 Financials

| ACCOUNT BALANCES   | \$              |
|--|-----------------|
| Regular bank balance at end of November  | 1244.58         |
| Savings Account balance at end of November   | 36381.57        |
| <b>TOTAL IN BANK</b>   | <b>37626.15</b> |
| <b>Summary</b>   |                 |
| Total Income   | 221.27          |
| Total Expenses   | 1522.32         |
| <b>Total Interest earned</b>   | <b>30.47</b>    |
| Please remember when depositing into the club account to put your <b>Name</b> in the description of what event the deposit is for <b>Mship &amp; Number, FCR/KRR, Awards etc</b><br><b>Note: Paid for New club flags for each Coordinator and new club badges.</b> |                 |



13 January 2023

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: Bega Valley, Cabonne, Central Darling, Cobar, Dubbo Regional, Lismore, Richmond Valley, Mid-Western Regional, Singleton, The Hills Shire, Warrumbungle, Wollondilly.

For more information on these changes, feel free to contact me via [secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au](mailto:secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au)

Justin Dorward

Secretary, BMW Touring Club of NSW

*Welcome to the New Members:*

- Ryan Nichols (Alexandria)
- Bill Dobie (Duffy)
- Leon & Ronel Van der Walt (Kincumber)
- Nicholas Beckerleg and Tiarne Campbell (Edmondson Park)
- Christopher Botha (Wattle Grove)
- Walter Nolan (Jordan Springs)
- Dave & Jodie McLean (Bolwarra Heights)
- Michael Antrum (East Killara)

## December 2022 Financials

| ACCOUNT BALANCES   | \$              |
|--|-----------------|
| Regular bank balance at end of December  | 1756.58         |
| Savings Account balance at end of December   | 33892.96        |
| <b>TOTAL IN BANK</b>   | <b>35649.54</b> |
| <b>Summary</b>   |                 |
| Total Income   | 3455.39         |
| Total Expenses   | 5432.00         |
| <b>Total Interest earned</b>   | <b>31.39</b>    |
| Please remember when depositing into the club account to put your <b>Name</b> in the description of what event the deposit is for <b>Mship &amp; Number, FCR/KRR, Awards etc</b>   |                 |
| <b>Notes: The Christmas Party was a great success. Thank you everyone who attended. \$200 was donated to the Rotary Club of Gloucester from the Raffle. The annual auction raised \$100 - \$90 donated to RFDS Pudding Log and \$10 to the club.</b> |                 |

Alison Ashby  
BMWTCNSW Treasurer  
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## PRESIDENTS

### REPORT

—JAN 2023



I hope everyone had a fantastic festive season and New Year. I hope Santa left you a gift that you'll be able to use this year. I'm sure there were some motorcycle apparel, parts and in some cases, Bikes. Some presents delivered late or picked up, from some of the posts, I've seen on our Facebook pages of recent.

For those folks that still have to do that four letter word, Work, I hope you had a few days off like myself till the New Year, which was a nice break. Therese and I got away on the bike for a day escorting Hamish, on his way to Sydney to see in the new year. We went as far as Tilba for Coffee. Back to Bermagui and along the coast road to home. First time for a Therese for some time. All went well.

The New Year's gathering at Micalong Creek attracted 15 or so members, families and friends. Even if the weather was a little bit inclement. I'm sure everybody who attended had a nice relaxing time to see in the New Year. Myself didn't even make fireworks and was cutting zeds by the time the clock struck 12pm.

January for me was catching up on the Dakar Rally in Saudi Arabia. 2 Aussies giving it a good crack. Toby edging closer and closer to the lead. Daniel suffering with a thorn in his arm. Both bikes seem to be doing fine. No doubt we will all know the outcome by the time this goes to print.



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Just a recap on what's coming up. As in The social calendar, BCCM live last Fridays of the month  
January, recon run Dungog.  
February, KKR and Amaroo bike museum.  
March, Earls Fork Gathering and Cold Flame rally.  
April, Neville siding video night.  
As well as the local social Sips and ride days.

See you at KKR  
Steve.



## The year it all began

It was mid-1965 and the roots of our club had just been formalised, as the first committee was established. While this is common knowledge, as is the people involved, if you weren't there at the time it is well worth revisiting the context in which the BMWTCNSW was founded.

At the start of the year, Evonne Goolagong (later known as Evonne Goolagong Cawley) won the NSW junior hard-court title, the beginnings of a career and talented player that would become one of Australia's most famous athletes. And just a month later, Margaret Court wins the Australian women's tennis singles title for the sixth consecutive year. Also in February, Prince Philip opened the Royal Australian Mint in Canberra. Also in February, The Seekers' single I'll Never Find Another You reaches No. 1 in the UK charts. It becomes the first recording by an Australian act to sell more than 1 million copies and eventually sells more than 1.75 million. A poignant memory, given 2022 saw the loss of lead singer Judith Durham.

Into March, 1964 Australian of the Year Dawn Fraser was banned from all amateur competition for ten years. Mount Isa mine workers return to work. In April, Prime Minister Robert Menzies announced that an Australian combat force will be sent to South Vietnam in response to a request for military aid from the South Vietnamese government. On the 1st of May, the Australian Labor Party (ALP) is defeated in the NSW state election after 24 years in government and the Liberal Party, led by Robin Askin takes power.

In June, In Melbourne Tonight celebrates its 2000th performance and later in the month, PM Sir Robert Menzies declares that Australia is in a state of war in Vietnam. July saw snow recorded as far north as the Clark Range in Queensland, killing drought-weakened livestock. At the same time, extremely heavy rainfall in the North Coast turns drought into flood, with Brisbane having its wettest-ever July day with 193.2 millimetres (7.6 in).

Fast forward to October and English model Jean Shrimpton wears a controversially short white shift dress to the Victoria

Derby at Flemington Racecourse in Melbourne, Australia – a pivotal moment of the introduction of the miniskirt to women's fashion.

Noteworthy tidbits:

Jimmy Hannan wins the Gold Logie Award

Australia lost a five test series away to the West Indies 2–1. The West Indies side included greats such as Garry Sobers and Rohan Kanhai, while Australia featured opening batsmen Bill Lawry and Bobby Simpson.

1965 NSWRL season St. George won the tenth of a record eleven consecutive premierships in the NSWRL, defeating South Sydney 12–8 in the Grand Final.

Funny Things Happen Down Under, Olivia Newton-John's first film was released.

The world population was 3,334,874,000. Australia's population was just 11,388,000.

Lyndon B. Johnson was the President of the USA while James Harold Wilson, Baron Wilson of Rievaulx was the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom. Also, Sir Winston Churchill passed away.

Cosmonaut Alexei Leonov becomes the first person to walk in space. U.S. spacecraft Mariner 4 flies by Mars, becoming the first spacecraft to return images from the Red Planet. Also, Ranger 8 crashes into the Moon, after a successful mission of photographing possible landing sites for the Apollo program astronauts.

Fidel Castro announces that Che Guevara has resigned and left Cuba.

"Que Sera, Sera" by Normie Rowe is the most popular song in Australia for the year, followed by various Seekers, Elvis Presley and Beatles songs. The Sound Of Music is the most popular movie and Jimmy Hannan wins the gold Logie. Homicide won Best Australian Drama Series.

Revisiting our own history is much more exciting. Some of our long-term members and life members have collected newsletters dating back many years. We do have archives of many historic newsletters, but if you still have any newsletters dating back to the 60s, 70s and 80s, please contact Justin.

Source: Wikipedia.



## New BMWTCNSW Regalia

Please use the order form to purchase these will be ordered as required.



### Knitted Epaulette Jumper

BMWTCNSW Embroidered Logo Left Breast  
Available Colours: Black, Navy or Charcoal  
Sizes: XS to 6/7 XL Classic Fit  
50% Wool for warmth, and 50% Acrylic for easy care  
Woven epaulette with Hook-Pile Tape closure on both shoulders  
Woven elbow patches and two woven patch pen pockets on sleeve  
Ribbed sleeve cuffs and basque  
XS size available in Black, Navy only

**Note: This item is ordered and cannot be returned**

See website for sizing and colours <https://www.jbswear.com.au/product-detail/-in-product/6EJ>



### Mens or Ladies Trinity 1/2 Zip Pullover

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Concealed pockets  
Binding trim on collar and cuffs

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Ladies <https://www.bizcollection.com.au/product/au/f10520/>



### Ladies 210 (2LPS) Polo

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SIZES 6 – 30 (not all sizes available in all colours)  
65% Polyester for durability, and 35% Cotton for comfort 210gsm pique fabric, Knitted collar with reinforced herringbone tape on inside neck seam and JB's 2-button placket, Set-in sleeves with open cuffs  
Straight hem with herringbone tape reinforced side splits

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### **Mens 210 Polo**

BMWTCNSW Embroidered Logo Left Breast  
Available Colours: 13% Marle, Aqua, Black, Blue Duck, Bone, Bottle, Charcoal Marle, Denim Marle, Gold, Graphite Marle, Grey, Grey Marle, Gunmetal, Hot Pink, Iris, Jade, Jnr Navy, Kelly Green, Lt Blue, Maroon, Mulberry, Navy, Orange, Pea Green, Purple, Red, Royal, Sky Blue Snow Marle, White

Sizes 2XS to 10/11XL (not all sizes available in all colours)

65% Polyester for durability, and 35% Cotton for comfort 210gsm pique fabric, Knitted collar with reinforced herringbone tape on inside neck seam and JB's 3-button placket  
Set-in sleeves with open cuffs.

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### **Mens 210 Polo with Pocket**

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Available Colours: 13% Marle, Black, Bottle, Charcoal Marle, Graphite Marle, Maroon, Navy, Royal, White

Sizes 2XS to 8/9XL (not all sizes available in all colours)

65% Polyester for durability, and 35% Cotton for comfort 210gsm pique fabric, Knitted collar with reinforced herringbone tape on inside neck seam and JB's 3-button placket  
Set-in sleeves with open cuffs

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Sizes S – 5XL

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Set-in sleeves with open cuffs

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### **Mens 210PL Long Sleeve Polo with Pocket**

BMWTCNSW Embroidered Logo Left Breast  
Available Colours: Available Colours: Black, Gaphite Marle, Grey Marle, Navy, Royal, White  
Sizes 2XS to 6/7XL  
65% Polyester for durability, and 35% Cotton for comfort 210gsm pique fabric, Knitted collar with reinforced herringbone tape on inside neck seam and JB's 3-button placket  
Set-in sleeves with open cuffs

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### **Mens Long Sleeve Cotton T-Shirt**

BMWTCNSW White Screen Printed Logo Left Breast  
Available Colours: Black, Navy, Red, Royal, White  
Sizes 2XS to 5XL (not all sizes available in all colours)  
190gsm ring spun Jersey knit fabric Elastane rib crew neck, 100% Cotton for 100% comfort, Self-fabric tape on inside of neck and shoulders for improved stability, Ribbed sleeve cuffs

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## BMW Touring Club Regalia Order Form

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**Phone:**

| Description                                     | Colour | Size | Qty | Price   | Total |
|---|--------|------|-----|---------|-------|
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| Mens Trinity 1/2 Zip Pullover                   |        |      |     | \$50.00 |       |
| Ladies 2LPS Polo                                |        |      |     | \$35.00 |       |
| Mens 210 Polo                                   |        |      |     | \$35.00 |       |
| Mens 210P Polo with Pocket                      |        |      |     | \$40.00 |       |
| Mens 210XL Long Sleeve Polo                     |        |      |     | \$45.00 |       |
| Mens 210PL Polo Long Sleeves with Pocket        |        |      |     | \$50.00 |       |
| Long Sleeve Cotton T Shirt                      |        |      |     | \$25.00 |       |
| New Club Shirt<br>(extra / not with membership) | Royal  |      |     | \$20.00 |       |
| Bucket Hats (Black or Blue)<br>Limited Stock    |        |      |     | \$15.00 |       |
| New Club Badge                                  |        |      |     | \$10.00 |       |
| New Club Stickers                               |        |      |     | \$2.00  |       |
| Club Patch (3.5cm x 5cm)                        |        |      |     | \$5.00  |       |
| Club Stubbie Holder                             |        |      |     | \$10.00 |       |
| Club Flowels (Tea Towel Flag)                   |        |      |     | \$10.00 |       |
| Club Beanie                                     |        |      |     | \$15.00 |       |
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| Postage to be confirmed                         |        |      |     |         |       |
| Pick up Free                                    |        |      |     |         |       |
| <b>Total</b>                                    |        |      |     |         |       |

Notes:

Email form to: [regalia@bmwtcnsw.org.au](mailto:regalia@bmwtcnsw.org.au) **Contact Regalia Officer to confirm postage prices.**

See December 2022 Newsletter for other regalia available.

The BMW Touring Club reserves the right to substitute or offer another brands if the item ordered is not available.

Deposit into Club account with Name and Regalia as description

BSB: 032-173

Account number: 406259

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| Satdee lunch                        | \$25 |     | Tool Box Cloth                    | \$15 |     |      |
| Satdee night dinner presentation    | \$35 |     | Whiskey Glass                     | \$30 |     |      |

More info: [www.bmwtcnsw.org.au](http://www.bmwtcnsw.org.au)

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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| <b>Fridee 3rd March.<br/>Meet &amp; Greet<br/>Dinner</b> | From 7pm, Fridee 3rd March 2023<br>Doodle Cooma Arms Hotel. Cnr Sladen & Ivor Sts, Henty NSW 2658  |
| <b>Satdee 4th March.<br/>Check-in</b>                    | 9am, Satdee 4th March 2023<br>Headlie Taylor Header Museum, Olympic Hwy, Henty   |
| <b>Lunch</b>   | 10am ride briefing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10.30am depart Headlie Taylor Header Museum, via Morgan's Lookout.</li> </ul> 12.30pm Lunch Walbundrie Hotel (Voucher required) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Return via Pleasant Hills to Headlie Taylor Header Museum.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Show &amp; Tell</b>                                   | 3pm - 5pm Headlie Taylor Header Museum carpark. Coffee & cake is available at the servo opposite.  |
| <b>Celebratory<br/>Dinner &amp; Awards</b>               | 6.30pm for hor d'oeuvres for 7pm dinner at Doodle Cooma Arms Hotel. (Voucher required). Guest speaker will be in attendance.<br>1952 - 1968: R26, R60, R69, R27, R50, R50S, R50/2, R60/2, R69S, Sidecar, People's Choice, Best Pre-Earle's Fork, Best Post-Earle's Fork, Best Story.                       |
| <b>Sundee 5th<br/>March. Breakfast</b>                   | Henty Bakery 8am - 9am Sunday morning  |
| <b>Payment</b>   | BMW Touring Club of NSW BSB: 032-173 Acc: 406259<br>Reference: Your name & "Henty".<br>Post below form to: BMW Touring Club of NSW<br>PO Box 549 Toongabbie NSW 2146<br>Email: <a href="mailto:Treasurer@bmwtcnsw.org.au">Treasurer@bmwtcnsw.org.au</a>  |
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| <b>Club</b>            |  |             |  | <b>Member<br/>number</b> |  |             |  |                           |  |
| <b>BMW 1<br/>model</b> |  | <b>Year</b> |  | <b>Mileage</b>           |  | <b>Rego</b> |  | <b>Purchased<br/>year</b> |  |
| <b>BMW 2<br/>model</b> |  | <b>Year</b> |  | <b>Mileage</b>           |  | <b>Rego</b> |  | <b>Purchased<br/>year</b> |  |

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Earle's forks will be produced to order with all proceeds going to Royal Flying Doctor via The Pudding account. To secure yours go to The Motorcycle Pudding Facebook page and donate \$10 minimum. Put Earles Fork in the message field so we can identify your donation. Cut off is strictly one week prior to the event with pick up at the event.

Alternative method of payment if you require postage is \$19-00 via EFT to BMWTCNSW BSB 032173, Acc 406259 and state your name and Earles in the description. Then email your name and postal address to [secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au](mailto:secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au)



*Now finally for the content that you have been waiting for!*

## 1968 BMW R60/2 RESTORATION

### PART 1: Buyer Beware



### *Bargain??*

How do you pick a motorbike restoration project, do you go with the heart, the head, or the wallet? I've always had a soft spot for the old black and white BMWs from the 1960s and started to look into those in 2015, and there were a few 'restoration' projects on the market. The BMWs seemed to have good spares availability, and a good friend of mine knows BMW airheads well. Then the prices started to rise for those, time to commit heart, head and wallet.

My pick was through eBay, a 1968 R60/2 that was in need of restoration, 98% complete with 'the tinware and paint done' more on the tinware to come. A tip when buying on eBay, set your maximum price on auto bid and walk away until the auction is over. Do not ever chase the auction, and definitely do not bid after a few beers or a wine.

I was the successful bidder at the higher end of my bid limit, not a bargain but an alright price. When I got the bike and rolled it off the trailer, the seller's appraisal was bang on, it was indeed in need of restoration and I did know

what I was getting into.

The strip down began, and one of the great inventions of our age is the digital camera, take as many photos as you can and then take a few more. Do not throw anything out, even though it appears to be the rusted remains of some alloy, or a deformed lump of what was once rubber, it may be the last known of the species on the planet.

I knew I was up for an engine rebuild, wheels, frame blast and paint, chrome plating, complete electrical re-wire and many (many) hours of metal polishing.

The frame was disassembled and off to the sand blaster and painting. Engine out and into the engine stand, gearbox on the bench, tinware put in a safe place, wheels off to Sydney for rebuild.

Now this is the part of your project that you will find the best and worst of mechanics, artisans, craftsmen and shy-sters in the motorcycle restoration industry. The frame blast and repaint through Steve Mitchell Painting Nowra went very well, on budget and very quick. The wheels, by 'Dodgy & Bent Wheels' of South West Sydney (not real name) took over 13 months to complete, cost way way over his estimate, and he kept my old parts even though I supplied all of the new parts. After 10 months of nothing happening, he felt I was harassing him because I would ring once a month to see how the wheels were going?

The term 'Here be Dragons' applies to the engine strip. Front cover off, the magneto and generator look alright. Heads off, not too bad. Barrels off, oh dear, the piston rings frozen, severe corrosion pitting in the right hand cylinder, left hand cylinder not too bad.

Earlier model Boxer engine do not have an oil filter but oil slingers that act as a centrifugal oil filter, scavenging the engine debris from the oil. The problem with the oil slingers is that to get to them for cleaning or replacement you need to remove the crankshaft from the crankcase, which requires special tooling. I sent the engine off to Mig' at Biketek Warrawong as he had the tools and a good reputation.

This is the part of your project that will ask yourself, what was I thinking? I get a call from Mig' and he suggests that after getting the crankshaft out, the slingers are rusted and the crankshaft needs to come apart for a look at the bear-

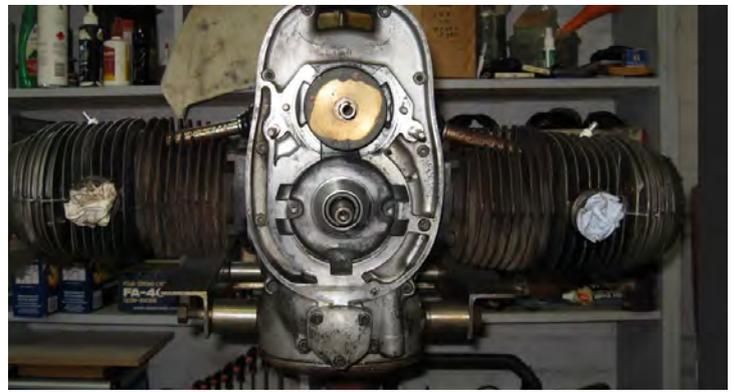
ings. I give him the go ahead to pull the crankshaft down as there is no point in doing an engine build to then have the big end fail 100 miles later. The corrosion found on one of the crank pins is a thing to behold, it seems at some point the crankcase had water in it. Now I'm up for crank pins, bearings, connecting rods and gudgeon pins, fortunately the crank webs and main journals survived unscathed, they were obviously above the high tide mark.



*What some call Original Patina*

## PART 2: What Hides Beneath?

When you are in a hole this deep, the only way to look is up. Time to re-assess and up the budget by many dollars, and it's now a crank pin up engine rebuild. In the end, both heads fully overhauled, all new bearings, crank pins, bearings, connecting rods, gudgeon pins, pistons, rings and cylinders re-bored (1<sup>st</sup> oversize, luckily). The crankshaft was done by a specialist in Perth Western Australia, the final engine build was done by the Surfside Motorcycle Garage in



*The Money Pit*

Brookvale Sydney, a great place for motorcycles of advanced years. There is a saying in car restoration circles 'chrome won't get you home' so I spent the money on the engine.

After the water damage to the engine, it was with trepidation I opened up the gearbox, drive shaft and rear drive. To my great relief all three were in excellent condition, new bearings, new seals, all done with great help and mentoring from Dunn & Dog Engineering Nowra. As you know BMW motorcycles have always been renowned for good solid engineering. I'm an aircraft mechanic and the quality of manufacture in the engine and the transmission are as good as some aircraft parts I've worked with. The rear drive is like working on a helicopter tail rotor gearbox. I know my era BMW was designed to also cart around a side car, but you would be happy to see the gearbox in a small car.

For all of the engine and gearbox parts I used Meyer Bikes Germany and Munich Motorcycles in Perth Australia, both companies are exceptionally good. For the specialised engine parts and knowledge, Uwe Meyer at Meyer Bikes Germany is one of a kind, and it was all done through the in-



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ternet and email.

It was now pushing two years into the restoration due to work commitments, and the need to save up a few many more dollars. I unwrapped the tinware (tank and mudguards) to get the white pin stripping done by Dutchy's Painting Wollongong, who is very highly regarded in the industry.

On unwrapping the tinware I noticed a few blemishes in the black gloss top coat and didn't think too much of it, I should have. A week or two later, I get the phone call from Dutchy, the blemishes in the top coat are rust bubbles from below, marvellous! It seems the previous 'painter' had just rubbed back the old paint work, body filler for the cracks and dents and rust holes in the tank, it wouldn't have held fuel for ten minutes. Both guards had cracks that had been bogged over and the same rust problem. So a full sand blast, brazing and welding and a proper internal tank treatment and I'm away. The metal work and paint work was not cheap, but it will last another 50 years and it is a first class job by Dutchy's Painting.

With all parts painted and chromed, carburettors ultrasonically cleaned and overhauled with new everything, seat reupholstered I was ready to go. With a lot of help from friends the new wiring harness went in and hooked up, with only one or two blown fuses (my fault). Many older motorcycles do not have a main fuse (10-15 amps), a word of advice here, fit one! It's not hard to do and very easy to hide discretely with a Narva weather proof blade fuse holder. Put the fuse in line on the battery positive side, as close to the battery positive terminal as you can get it. I have heard the odd horror story of a pride and joy (both cars and bikes) All



*good for another 60,000 miles*

quite happily setting fire to themselves for the lack of a fuse.

The final build went really well, BMWs are very well engineered and go together easily with the help of the Cylmer manual, although you will need a very big torque wrench for some of the jobs.

### **PART 3: On the Road Again**



*Nearly There!*

It took a while to coax the old girl back to life, and when finally running, the engine ran like an absolute dog. Backfiring, coughing, black smoke and would not rev cleanly. Above the din of the backfiring and through the black smoke came much cussing and swearing.

To add to the degree of difficulty, we went through the Australian East Coast bushfire season of 2019/2020. On New Year's Eve it was questionable if we would have a house, yet alone an old BMW to worry about in the morning.

A phone call to Trev' at the Surfside Motorcycle Garage and the bike was on the trailer back to Sydney. It now seems the bike had been left to the elements at some stage, as was evident by the corrosion in the tinware. When I stripped down the original Bing carburetors there was signs of corrosion and that water had been in the float chambers. After a vapour blast and ultrasonic clean they looked to be okay, so I spent the many dollars on parts to overhaul them. Unfortunately the carburetors had rotted out internally (the bits you can't see) so fuel was going where the air should be and air on the fuel side. The poor old thing was just drowning in fuel.

I know that originality is always the key to a good restora-

## **HYBRID MONTHLY GENERAL MEETINGS**

**TOONGABBIE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND ZOOM**

The *BMW Touring Club of NSW* hosts its monthly general meetings at the Toongabbie Community Centre and via the popular cloud teleconferencing platform **Zoom**. It is an intuitive and simple platform.

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

Please use your name when logging in, instead of any aliases or nicknames. **The same link will be used each month, so feel free to bookmark it in your web browser.**

The General Monthly Meeting is 7.30pm on the final Wednesday of the month, except December. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Justin Dorward, Secretary, BMW Touring Club of NSW

tion but at 600 to 650 euro each for original Bing carburetors, if you can find them, was a bridge too far. There will be much tut-tutting and gnashing of teeth from the purists, but the Mikuni carburettor conversion was the only way to go for me and they look the part. The Mikuni carburetors with adapters, fitted and tuned came in at less than a quarter of the cost for the Bings, and the bike fuels perfectly.

After nearly five years to the day since I bought the bike, I had my first ride. A gentle ride to a large local empty car park on a Sunday morning to run through the gearbox and try out the brakes, all is well. Sticking to the original owner's manual running in procedure of gentle acceleration and nothing above 60 mph I start going further and further from the house. At the 300 mile mark I change the oil, head bolt check, valve clearances, and general nut and bolt check, all is still well. The only problem I have had is the original magneto coil failed, fortunately in the driveway of the house, not 50 miles from home. A new coil from Munich Motorcycles, and we are off again.



*All Done*

I am constantly surprised at just how good this bike is, it handles so well and is just planted on the road, although braking does need to be planned well in advance. The suspension is still on the original air dampers that are very good, and the stories of Earl's Fork front ends being vague and stodgy at slow speed I think are just that, stories. With a maximum of 30 hp available at the right wrist you're not going to scare the cattle, but once that massive fly wheel and clutch pack is wound up to speed there is no stopping the old girl. The bike happily cruises at 60 mph now, but I think when fully run in will sit on 65 – 70 mph all day. After stepping off a Ducati Monster S2R with a slick gearbox and massive brakes I have had to adjust my riding style somewhat, the only thing I still need to master is the down change, clutch in, match revs, wait five minutes, select gear, ease out the clutch.

In 1969 the BMW R60/2 would have been an expensive motorcycle but your money got you a machine that is almost indestructible and the capacity for big miles at speed, 50 years on it is still a very capable motorcycle.

The old airhead BMWs are said to sound like low flying aircraft when underway, riding mine along a nice country road on a sunny autumn afternoon, it feels like you are sitting on a low flying aircraft. Maybe that's why the BMW tank logo is the spinning propeller?



*That fabulous view from the Cockpit*

### **Recommendations:**

Meyer Bikes GmbH – Hillesheim Germany

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Dutchy's Motorcycles Spray Painting – Bellambi NSW Australia

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Henning 0457034488

# Molle?

We've been busy watching the Dakar recently and its got our little toes twitching for some offroad time. Unfortunately, we aren't heading off to Saudi Arabia anytime soon but the action, the drama and the excitement has got us thinking about routes, kit and rides.

In our research, we've seen a lot of references to 'MOLLE' or 'MOLLE compatible' equipment. If you've ever wondered what MOLLE systems are, wonder no more here is an overview.

*Before you begin, full disclosure, our passion project is our motorcycle accessories business SMART Moto and we love waxing lyrical about the awesome kit that we are fortunate to carry. The business was borne out of a love for motorcycles and motorcycling, a deep frustration at the sameness and the extortionate pricing of kit that was available in Australia.*

The name 'MOLLE' comes from the initials for 'modular lightweight load carrying equipment'. MOLLE is an interface system and does not refer to any one specific piece of equipment (although it is often used to describe a particular type of military backpack).

The thing about the MOLLE system is it's an accepted worldwide standard for load-bearing apparel and backpacks. It's a military term, because MOLLE gear is embraced by a huge array of NATO forces, including the US, British and Australian armies, law enforcement and tactical organisations.

MOLLE is basically, webbing – using the term 'webbing' in its military context – loops are stitched on to vests, packs, panniers and all manner of things. The size of the strapping and loops is standardised, so mixing and matching gear is simple and countless brands globally can produce pieces that fit straight on, no matter what or where they are from.

The system's modularity is derived from the use of Pouch Attachment Ladder System (PALS), webbing equipment as rows of heavy-duty nylon stitched onto the base to allow for the attachment of various compatible pouches, staps and accessories creating customizable storage of essential items while using as little space as possible. Gear with MOLLE webbing allows you to attach components to each other using a series of woven straps, creating an incredibly strong bond that doesn't bounce or jostle while in motion and therefore won't fail.

The MOLLE system is extremely tough, lightweight and very, very versatile.

Over recent years we've seen quite a bit of motorcycle gear incorporating the MOLLE system, and it means riders can use a huge range of equipment not specific for bikes, but ideally suited to adventurers of all kinds. Including camping, boating, around the home, bicycling, the uses are endless.

There have been all sorts of developments using the

MOLLE systems including rotomoulded MOLLE-compatible knife and tomahawk holders and the like and its already becoming a very popular design for equipment in all sorts of areas such a rock climbing equipment. , but it's really the storage and luggage side of the equation which is of most interest to adventure riders. There are all kinds of MOLLE-compatible packs, pockets and pouches available once you have something to add them to.

We are the sole importer Green Chile Adventure Gear into Australia and New Zealand, and its MOLLE-compatible, bike-specific gear. Two of our favourites are the Snake Bag kit – which was a handful of different straps – and the Hardcore soft rack, designed for bikes with no rack installed. The Hardcore includes a couple of tyre levers which slip into the webbing to add strength and hold the shape of the webbing 'rack' and all its MOLLE loops. It's a very clever design. With those two bits of kit we carry just about anything. Once a MOLLE-compatible base is in place, securely attaching gear in a stack of different positions is a snap. Loop on a tent and sleeping bag or soft bags for a weekend away, spare tyres, or extra fuel, almost anything you can stretch your imagination to. Versatile is MOLLE's middle name.

The Green Chile equipment has cam-lock buckles with elasticsed ends, D-loop straps and straight webbing straps (called Runner Loops), all of which can be fitted to the MOLLE loops on the rack in a bunch of different ways. The possible variations of size and shape seem almost limitless.

So that's MOLLE in a nutshell.

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| 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb                      | Amaroo Bike Museum visit    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> March   | BMW Earles Fork Gathering   |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> March | Cold Flame Rally            |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> March                    | New Members Ride            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> April   | Neville Movie Night         |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> July                     | Annual Awards night, Molong |
| July                                      | Motorrad Days in Berlin     |