

MAY 2023



# NEWSLETTER



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**BMW Touring Club  
of New South Wales**



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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

<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



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# 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>			
April			
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> – Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Movie Night, Neville Siding.	Justin Dorward	10
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Vince Cahill Funeral 10am Camden Valley Way Leppington	Steve Treloar 0439739876	
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup>	South Coast Social Sip:	Tony Schmidt 0407494229	2
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting	Justin Dorward	4/6
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup>	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, (Last Thurs of the month)		2
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Monarch's Outfit Rally</b> Carters Beach, Strathmerton Vic		10
Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	Autumn Leaf Rally Tumorrana Hall Wee Jasper Rd Tumut	Steve Treloar 0439739876	10
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	2023 BCCM Live 8.00 pm <a href="https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive">https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive</a>		0
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> - Sun 30 <sup>th</sup>	29 <sup>th</sup> Cane Toad Rally, BMWCO Mount Perry QLD		10
May			
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup> Pre mothers day Gathering. Bare Foot Bowls Halekulani Bowling Club see flyer in April newsletter	Henning 0457034488	6
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month @ Kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup>	South Coast Social Sip: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407494229	2
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 14 <sup>th</sup>	Loaded Dog Rally. Tarago Showground, Tarago		10
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting 7.30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Online and physical meetings at the hall. <a href="https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings">https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings</a>	Justin Dorward	4/6
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June			
Thur 8 <sup>th</sup>	South Coast Social Sip: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407494229	2
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> – Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	#54 Alpine Rally back at <b>Cotterill's</b> Cottage Yarrangobilly River		10

Wed 14 <sup>th</sup>	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month @ Kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	Dayride (Bathurst, Cowra, Orange) Destination Milthorpe for lunch, route to be discussed at the meetup. Meet 9:30am, Leave 10am from Ampol Kelso (near Bunnings) <i>or meet at Milthorpe</i>	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	6
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<b>July</b>			
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	100 Years Celebration BMW Motorrad Days Berlin	Steve Treloar 0439739876	
Sat 8 <sup>th</sup> - Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	40 <sup>th</sup> Winter Rally Nerriga NSW		10
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	Bathurst/Central West Social Sip 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed of the month @ Kings Hotel, Bathurst from 6:30pm	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	2
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<b>2023 EVENTS</b>			
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> - Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> T	Far Cairn Rally Tottenham race course		10
Early Nov	Ferry Run 3 to 4 day run	Dave Ramsay 0427264196	12

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 Draft Minutes

**Date:** 29th March 2023

**Chairperson:** Justin Dorward (Secretary)

**Meeting Opened:** 7.35pm

**Apologies:** Steve Treloar (President), Nic Mercieca.

### In Person:

Justin Dorward (Secretary), Tony Conliffe, Tony Wilton, Alison Ashby (Treasurer), Bob Madell (MCC Delegate), Dave Beers, Michael Sarah (Webmaster), Ed Chapman, Trevor Lever, Bill Looyen, Ken Lovegrove, Mal Cattermole (Assets & Archives), Marianne Catermole, Col Watkins, Stan Kucera, Rob Edgar (Spares & Tools), Geoffrey Olsen, Mick Goodwin, Bill Sparks.

### Via Zoom:

Michael Seibel, Warren Buffett, Chuck Hamilton

Linda Smith, Brian Wood, Alan Pennykid (Editor), Marie Pennykid (Membership Secretary), Alison Ashby (Treasurer), Geoffrey Olsen, Trevor Dean (BMWCA Delegate), Fernando Cortijo.

**Visitors:** Greg Bourke, Chris Kalpage, Brian Wood (Secretary, MCC of NSW)

**New Members:** Bill Sparks, Royal Enfield, R100R being restored. Michael Seibel rides a 1989 R100RS.

### February General Meeting Minutes:

Accepted: Justin Dorward

Seconded: Bob Madell

### Secretary Correspondence & Report:

Justin Dorward

Email: Chris Kalpage, Ken Lovegrove, Deborah Geerts (First Aid for Motorcyclists), Zack Johnston (Show Your Heart).

PO Box: RFDS, Bank statements

Outgoing: Sympathy cards, Club pin to Bruny Bowls & Community Club

### President's Report:

Steve Treloar

Not present. As per newsletter.

## Vice President's Report

Casual Vacancy

None

### Treasurer's Report:

Alison Ashby

#### ACCOUNT BALANCES

Regular bank balance at end of month \$3523.64

Savings account balance at end of month \$33957.71

TOTAL IN BANK \$37481.35

#### SUMMARY

Total Income \$10239.83

Total Expenses \$7539.39

Total Interest Earned \$30.58

The Earle's Fork weekend was a great success. Paid M.A.R.I \$2225.16 from the Far Cairn Rally 2022. The First Aid Courses are filling fast, this is why the income is high this month. Hope to see you at Movie Night.

**Presentation:** Justin presents a \$2225.16 donation to MARI. Accepted by Ken Lovegrove.

### Membership Secretary Report:

Marie Pennykid

Five new members, three of these new members were at the New Members ride last weekend. Renewals will be due at the end of June. New membership cards are required, Alison Ashby to follow-up.

### MCC of NSW Report

Bob Madell with the assistance of visitor Brian Wood

Working with SIRA and the Tasmanian Government regarding the discrepancy concerning CTP. The main issue is trail bike riders and their use of certain trails.

Bob mentions he is a delegate for the DSMRA and has steered some prospective applicants towards the BMWTCNSW.

Alison asks if having ambulance cover in NSW applies across state borders as well. Justin answers to the best of his knowledge, ambulance coverage is nationwide.



Linda Smith mentions Snap Send Solve app for previous pothole discussion.

## Past Events

### Justin Dorward

Social Sips

Cold Flame Rally

Silly Buggers Ride

## Further Committee Member Reports

### Submitting Historic Rego paperwork

#### Alan Pennykid (Registrar)

A member had historic registration paperwork stamped and signed as per normal, but upon taking it Oberon Service NSW, the historic rego stamp was missing "Inc". New stamps may be needed if this issue continues. Warren Buffett suggests taking in the newsletter to show the registrar list, which Justin added may not work.

It was determined that our formal name does not include "Inc." and the HVS list Service NSW use to ascertain participating clubs may need to be updated if the issue continue.

## General Business

### Vale Vince Cahill & Angela Tiedeman

#### Justin Dorward

Funeral Monday 3rd April. 10am Camden Valley Way Lepington Bike escort from Minchinbury 8.45 am. Angela Tiedeman's funeral is Friday 31st March 1pm, Newcastle. Contact Alison.

## BMWCA Report

#### Trevor Dean

BMWCA AGM in Melbourne occurred in March. Garry Smee & Bob Williams stood down. Geoff Murdoch BMW Club of Victoria and Vice Chair of Cars Craig Florance BMW Club of South Australia.

Trevor attended the Working Meeting of the Board for the

BMW Clubs International Council in Munich. The meeting for 2023 will be in July in Berlin.

The BMW Museum is preparing for a major exhibition, which will last for months from 11 May for 100 Years of BMW motorcycles. The R32 was unveiled in Berlin in September 1923. A club member's event will be held Saturday 1st July at the Museum. A tour will occur from Munich to Berlin, arriving in Berlin on 7th July and will open the celebrations. Various clubs and events in America are holding 100 Year celebrations. 23rd - 24th September, an exhibition is being held in Redcliffe Square in QLD.

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

#### Justin Dorward

Eighty attendees, raising \$451. Free coffee concept for members worked well since everyone of the 20 people that used their voucher Saturday down for lunch, too.

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

#### Alison Ashby

Profit of \$916.76. \$600 was donated to the RFDS Pudding and the remainder is being held over for next year's event. 41 registrations, 38 attendees. Henning is interested in doing something similar next year. Henty residents enjoyed having us there. Mick, a local farmer and motorcycle collector, spoke on Saturday night. Trevor congratulated the organisers. Warren Buffett said Dave Thompson and Rob Popperwell attended, which is great to see. The Walbundrie Pub was happy to see us. Henning did a great job organizing & Alison was thanked for her efforts running the events on the day.

### New Members Ride Flat Rock (26th March 2023)

#### Marie Pennykid

Over 29 attendees. Four new members and as many non-members. Dave Beers provided a ride report, including Marie's effective last minute preparations to source a BBQ since the on-site BBQ was now working. Thanks to Michael Sarah for leading the group from Sydney.

# M.A.R.I. Motorcycle Accident Rehabilitation Initiative

How MARI helps riders for Free:

1. Hospital or home visits, contact friends or relatives for you
2. Caring for pets at home while you're laid-up, charge your mobile phone
3. Checking on your motorcycle for you & organising transport
4. Storing your gear while while you're in hospital
5. Talk with a councillor, get free legal advice (conditions apply)
6. Help arrange free access to a loan vehicle (conditions apply)

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info@mari.org.au

Riders helping fellow riders beyond medicine. All you need to do is ASK.

## First Aid for Riders

Justin Dorward

Bookings are consistently coming in. 23 so far. Most bookings are members. Publicity is increasing to attract non-member bookings through posters at popular motorcycle businesses. See the newsletter ad for information specific to members. Flyers are being included in the April newsletter edition for members to promote the event to friends and family.

## Neville Movie Night (1st April 2023)

Justin Dorward

This weekend & walk-ins are welcome. Ten attendees so far. For a gold coin donation, Ed & I will cook eggs & bacon for breakfast. All funds to the RFDS pudding.

## Awards Night (22nd July 2023)

Alison Ashby

Being held at the Molong RSL. Marg Barlow has prepared accommodation recommendations, which is in the latest newsletter. Enough accommodation in the town for around 60 people overall. Contact Alison if you're having issues finding accommodation.

## BMW 100 Year Anniversary Polo Shirt

Justin Dorward

Orders are still being taken up to 31st April. See the BMW Motorcycle Club of Canberra website. Link will be shared on Member's Only FB Page.

**Presentation:** Solicitor Chris Kalpage

**Next Executive Committee Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 19th April 2023.**

**Next General Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 26th April 2023.**

**Meeting Closed at 9.44pm**

## March Financial Statement

March 2023	
<b>ACCOUNT BALANCES</b>	\$
Regular bank balance	871.34
Savings Account balance	34312.15
<b>TOTAL IN BANK</b>	<b>35183.49</b>
<b>Summary</b>	
Total Income	2547.44
Total Expenses	4845.30
<b>Total Interest earned</b>	<b>37.44</b>

Please remember when depositing into the club account to put your Name in the description of what event the deposit is for Mship & Number, FCR/KRR, Awards etc

Donations paid to Black Dog Institute \$401 raised from the Amaroo Museum event, also paid \$600 to RFDS Pudding Log raised at the Earle's Fork Event. \$159.00 was also paid to the RFDS Pudding Log for Woz's Forks.

Expenses have been paid for the Earle's fork, Amaroo Museum and First Aid courses room hire.

Alison Ashby  
BMWTCNSW Treasurer  
0422 077 583



The BMW Touring Club of NSW presents...

# FIRST AID FOR RIDERS

Open to all riders  
10.30am to 4.30pm

50% Reimbursement for current members (see newsletter for details)



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Three dates available. First-in, best-dressed.



**Saturday 20th May: Toongabbie Community Centre**



**Saturday 24th June: Hope Church Auditorium (Bathurst)**



**Sunday 16th July: Bolton Point Community Hall (Newcastle)**



**\$95 per person. Payment: BSB 032173 Acc 406259**

Email [secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au](mailto:secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au) or SMS 0418 266 924 to book

# Presidents

## Report.

May 2023.



The months seem to pass quite quickly these days. And there's been quite a bit happening with all the regular social sips and gatherings to a couple of rallies, the new members ride in movie nights where also well attended.

Early in the month, I had a quick trip up to Windeyer, near Mudgee to catch up with a group of mates I rode with from Dubbo. Getting away Friday afternoon was delayed. The bike had been packed a week prior ready for departure. The only thing waiting to be done was to fuel up and head off. All kitted up turn the key to find no ignition light. Got a battery pack onto it and still no go, gave it 20 minutes on the charger. Still no go jumpstarted off another vehicle and finally 650 Dakar are fired into life, rather hesitantly. Re-kitted back up while Hamish kept on feathering the throttle, something you do on a R series bike and not really needed on a F. Hamish was coming for a ride through the valley with me before returning home. Off I went thinking that I would run across to Candelo and stop at the servo there to get fuel giving the bike time charge into the battery. Not to be, got to the stop sign, second turn in the suburb. The bike died. Only a very low glow on the instruments. Gave Hamish a call as he was still getting kitted up at home and asked to bring a rope to tow me back home. One realises how fit or actually unfit you are when you have to push your bike up a slight rise, until Hamish arrived. With exhaustion and had 2

failed attempt at trying to tow me home. We Pushed another 40 to 50 m to the top of the rise and then rolled all the way down and into the driveway in a sweating mess. I am unpacked the Dakar and packed up the R80. About an hour and a half delayed by the time we finally got away. A reasonably brisk run across to Bega Vally where I farewelled Hamish at Bemboka. He returned home, and I continued on.

My rendezvous for the evening was with a mate who used to be at Dubbo as well. Now living in Tumut, Barney at the Commercial Hotel in Boorowa. This trip I thought I would skirt around Canberra going through Googong and coming out at Murrumbateman on some back roads to make up time though again this was not meant to be as on the Gundaroo to Murrumbateman Road there was a bridge out, so a detour brought me back onto the Barton highway, I had calculated I would have just enough fuel to get to Murrumbateman, though with the detour I went onto my second reserve along the dirt road, pitch black and unfamiliar. With the detour I was unsure of the distance. Not a happy camper as I was poking along at 50 to 60 km/h on the left side of the outside line to allow for the Canberra traffic to pass. Great relief, as I rolled into the service station at Murrumbateman on fumes. I haven't actually done a night ride for many years. Thankfully, there was no wildlife, jumping out to give me a heart attack and finally arrived at Boorowa hotel about 9pm with Barney being on his fourth or so Guinness. The kitchen head closed, though my pre-ordered meal was ready for me added bonus. There was a musician playing till all hours.

Strangely enough the next morning I had a reasonably clear head. We headed off after the complimentary breakfast to venture further north on further back roads round Wyangala Dam, Woodstock, Sofala and meeting up with a group at Cooyal hotel for lunch.

Back to Windeyer hotel and settled in for the afternoon and evening. It was great to catch up with old mates and my brother, Mark, who was on his new to him F700 gs.

And early departure Sunday morning led me to Hill end with a plan to go down the newly reopened bridal track. From

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Hargraves through to Hill End the fires have been through recent and with a lot of green pick on the side of the road. I was confronted with a number of extremely hard breaking incidents to avoid numerous kangaroos, Joeys and a few dumb sheep thrown in to keep me alert. There a few dirt bikes, parked up at the Hillend hotel Spoke to one guy and asked what the track was like and he said I can let you know in three hours as they hadn't been down at as has yet. With my early morning experiences with the wildlife, I decided to 70 K loop around to Bathurst on the bitumen would be a wise decision. Another half dozen or so full on breakings to avoid collision with more stupid sheep and Joeys.

With my timeframes, I missed out on catching up with Marie and the new members ride that was happening out in the central west. Rolled back into home about 2:30 pm. A great trip away if not short.

The awards night coming up on 22 July at Molong. I called into Molong touch base with people at the RSL and a couple of accommodation places. good news is the caravan park is now open so people bringing their vans could park up there. Not sure about the cabins though, they do have a few there. Also the Showground 3 km out of town has services for caravans i.e. showers toilets, etc. Mary my contact at the RSL is talking to a few people who may be able to billet people in their homes. There are also some B&B houses. Stayz in the town. Marg Barlow has done a bit of a Recon in Molong as well. There was some communication in this newsletter. Remember the meal is to be paid for through the BMWTC club. so we can have numbers to pass on to the RSL. If there's any dietary requirements could you please notify Alison so we can track that and notify the RSL club.

Our first aid for riders courses are starting first one being Saturday, 20 May at Toongabbie. There is another one in Bathurst on 24 June and on 16 July in Newcastle. There's been some great response so if you wish to go be sure to email Justin.

Again I'd like to send my and the clubs members condolences to Vince Cahill family with the passing of Vince and to Rob Tiedeman and family with the sudden passing of Angela.



Transport  
for NSW

### Notice: Speed Limit Changes

20 April 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:

Liverpool Plains, Goulburn Mulwaree, Wingecarribee, Yass Valley, Central Darling, Mid-Western Regional, Wollongong, Bland, Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional, Inner West, Narromine.

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

My family had another impromptu trip to Dubbo for the Passing of a very close family friend.

On that note, whenever you can get out there and have a ride and keep in the Best of health as you can. until next time. Bye for now.

Steve, the pres.



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# 100 YEARS of BMW Motorcycles

Concours – Saturday 23rd September 2023

This event will be run by the BMWMCQ at the central location of Reddacliff Place in Brisbane, in the CBD.

We are looking for suitable bikes from all years and all models to display at this special event to celebrate this enormous achievement of the BMW brand that we all love to ride.

Do you have a bike that is suitable? If it is an older BMW (60's or earlier) and it is completely assembled, presentable, registered or not, we want to hear from you.

If your BMW bike is from the '70's up to latest models and is in good visual condition, special or a rare model, we want to hear from you as well.

We have a target of one hundred bikes, to display an example of as many different models as possible. A selection process will be undertaken from the applications and consideration will be given to bikes that fit the above criteria as well as bikes with high kilometres or extraordinary travel achievements.

If your interested in applying to show your bike please use this link to the application form:

Link: <http://bit.ly/3KDhGiu>



See the Video for the full celebration plans

<https://vimeo.com/796122577>

# 100 YEARS of BMW Motorcycles



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To celebrate the 100th anniversary of BMW Motorcycles the BMWMCQ are hosting a dinner event on Thursday 21st September  
This will be the warm-up to the Display of Bikes on Saturday 23rd September!

Date: Thursday 21st September 2023

Time: 6:30pm – although there is a lovely bar area if you arrive earlier for a drink

Cost: \$60 per person for a sit down dinner with share table style dining

Venue: Royal QLD Yacht Squadron, 578 Royal Esplanade Manly QLD 4179

**Nearby accommodation:**

Manly Hotel (pub style) 54 Cambridge St, Manly (07) 3249 5999

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Or check out AirBnB listings in the area.

**BOOKINGS LINK:** <http://bit.ly/40MucBO>



## MARI receives FCR 2022 donation

Justin Dorward



Ken Lovegrove & Greg Bourke of MARI (Motorcycle Accident Rehabilitation Initiative) attended the March general meeting to receive the generous donation of \$2,225.16, which was raised from the Far Cairn Rally of 2022.

Please visit <https://mari.org.au/> and familiarise yourself with how MARI supports riders after a prang, should you or someone you know ever need their valuable assistance. The BMWTCNSW is proud to have supported MARI since 2007.

## Cozy Movie Night 2023

Justin Dorward

The first weekend of April saw around a dozen BMWTCNSW members descend on Neville Siding for the annual movie night. The venue was very much part of the atmosphere & The Goods Shed didn't disappoint.

A couple of people brought a number of DVDs and we weren't short of movie selections. Eye of the Rider was put on while we had dinner and played 'Just One', a



popular party game.

We pushed the armchairs and couches into position and started our next movie, which was The Best Bar in America. 7.9/10 on IMDB, it was an interesting movie and one I'll need to watch again. Thanks to those that attended and set the cozy atmosphere.

## Members Classifieds:

### Wanted:

Any surplus BMW 1958 R26 odds n sods. Including fuel tanks for R26 & R60 please.

I've just purchased a complete R26 mostly dismantled & 80% complete so anything would be welcome.

I have some /5 & /6 items that could offer some bargaining power.

Cheers  
Henning 0457034488

### Sell or Swap:

I have recently acquired five oil filters that fit BMW models

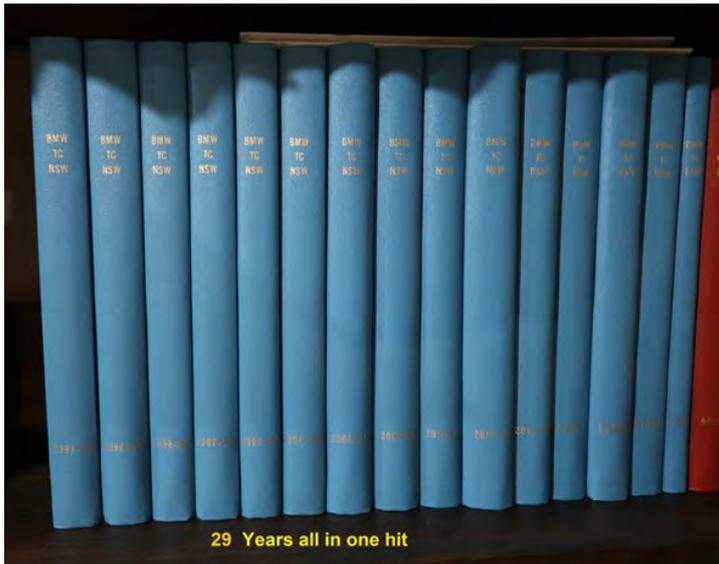
C 400 GT, C 400 X, C 600 Sport  
C 650 GT 12-15, C 650 GT 16-, C 650 Sport  
F 900 R, F 900 XR  
HP2 Enduro, HP2 Megamoto, HP2 Sport

Is anybody in the club interested in the filters?

Shaun (Member 202)  
Mb: 0402 462 616

## HOW TIME FLIES

After hoarding 29 years of club magazines I'd got to the point where a big cull would have to be the go or do something to tidy them all up. So, I took a deep breath and went to a bookbinder who quoted just under \$1,300 to put them altogether. Compared to rates and electricity bills this wasn't as daunting as I first thought and went for the binding option. Now I've got this great snapshot of the Club's history from May 1994 to 2022. The first magazine mailed to me was the January 1995 edition but I somehow picked up a scattering from 1994 (so must have joined late that year).



The edition you're now reading is May 2023 so let's see what was happening this month 29 years ago. The Club point score was a hard-fought race with Marie McFarlane leading at 167 followed by Mick Rawstron at 159. Rob Popplewell was in the game with 95 and so was Peter Jenkins with 84, Pat Heslewood at 57, and Gerry Bloemen with 53. The editor's job was shared by Rob Popplewell, Paul McKay and Ken Hamilton while the presidential burden was carried by Adrian Selwyn-Smith. Minutes of the previous meeting (29 March) reported the Old Tom Rally (remember that one?) was a good event while the Coastal Rally was a wet agricultural show (bugger).



There were quite a few runs in the pipeline including a camping weekend at Lostock, the Loaded Dog Rally, the Alpine, and not to forget Grandad's Rally. Marie McFarlane had a report on Grandad's Bush Tours near Benambra. She mentioned a bit of drama with her dog (Deety) falling into the Cobungra River as did Alan's Spike, and to make matters worse, Al's TDM 850 wouldn't start on cold mornings.

In the same issue, Garry and Jane Smee (of Rockingham WA), had an article on the pros and cons of Club incorporation with strong arguments against (but eventually we had to cave in). He was still looking for an R100RS and currently rode a Ducati 750SS (worth a motza these days). They were also moving to Can-

## 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

berra in December '94 and he's since achieved his dream of an R100RSJ All in all, the May 1994 edition is a great read.

For me personally, May 2023 is a bit of a riding milestone also. Back on 23 May 2007, I bought an R1200ST demo (40k on the clock before test ride) from Rolfe Canberra. After taking it for a 50k ride I told Rolfe that no one else was to touch it from now on. It wasn't cheap at \$26k but 16 years later she (Xena) is still a fantastic machine although from some angles not the prettiest bike on the planet. Hoping May 2023 is a good one for all our members too.



Xena at Murringo -- April 2023

Rob Lovett

## 16 Days In Northern Vietnam part 4.

### Day 8

We left Ha Giang after breakfast with destination being Dong Van around 180km and a 6 hour ride through amazing hill country but first we had to find a teller machine to top up our funds and when getting back on the bike I noticed that I had left my camera back at the hotel so Dave and Chris found a coffee shop to get a drink and wait while Xuan and I rode back. When we got back to the boys they were parked up a side road across from a large open square with a big statue of Uncle Ho standing with each arm on the shoulder of a child standing on either side of him and a soldier a scholar and two farm workers standing around them (typical propaganda shot) and a large government building on the other side of the square. There was something going on in front of the statue at first I thought it was some rehearsal for some upcoming event but then I realized these people were making a



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music video. Today we were travelling on all proper roads and snaking up and over a very high mountain pass and along the side of the Dong Van Karst Plateau (a UNESCO Global Geopark) stopping to take in the site of what Xuan called the Boob Hills (Fairy Bosom) and after climbing up these huge stone stairs in our riding boot the Boobs were there in front of us. From this lookout overlooking the valley and town below there were several Dolomitic Limestone hills and amongst them were two smaller mounds looking like pair of young breasts protruding out of the earth, a set of Fairy Bosoms. Moving on we flowed along the side of the valley heading along The Snake road that that wind its way up to a lookout (the Cobras Head)



that looks back down the valley, this is a big tourist draw and unlike last time I came here we were blessed with a beautiful sunny day but the down side was it was also bloody hot and the view was awesome. Before town we turned off onto a side track (so much for an easy day) and it quickly turned into a barely half meter wide concrete path of the hills with a very steep drop off on our left, and then the concrete turn into a rutted dirt track and it didn't get any wider. Xuan had his phone out again and then we made a sharp left hairpin turn and continued down and snaked our way around the valley floor, this was the scariest bit of road we had been on yet. In Dong Van we settled into our bungalow style accommodation with its own small lake and swimming pool (and lots of mosquitoes) and finished the night off with a swim and beers by the pool.

## Day 9

We went for a wonder around the Dong Van market before heading out. These markets are much like going to Paddy's market in Sydney where you can buy anything from clothing to hardware or electrical items. On the road and again we climbed up into the hills, there are very narrow valleys with two lane roads cut into the hillside with 500 x 500 x 1000mm concrete blocks as edge barriers with a large river flowing through the bottom of the valley. Stopping for a drink at the Dong Van café that is no more than a small building hanging out off the edge on a bend taking advantage of the fantastic views up and down the river and well worth a visit and it is on the main road.



Leaving the café we travel along this amazing road before coming to a large monument to the builders of this road also known as The Happiness road and is where we turn off for Sky Walk/Sky road, narrow (1.5m) path that take you high up into the mountains with a loooong drop and after following this path you eventually come to a very small parking area where you can climb further up the rocky peak and if game enough sit on a protruding rock and dangle your legs out into the never never (NOT FOR ME). Leaving the look out the path gets narrow (less than a meter) and goes for a long way through rocky out crops and is much flatter terrain with marijuana plant springing up



all over hills and eventually you see the main road and parallel it but it's down there and we were way up here. The hillside is terraced with crops mainly corn with the path running along the top of each of these 5m high terraces and they were less than 2m deep which made for quite a steep drop off and at the end of each the path had switchback so tight that a slow foot down U turn was possible but some needed a 2 point turn to get around. The track we had done the day before was scarier but these U turns were defiantly more difficult. Today's destination is Bao Lac and we side trip to get there (of Course) so once again we turned onto a side road and coming to a fairly new bridge Xuan said there was a ferry here last time he had come this way and when we seen

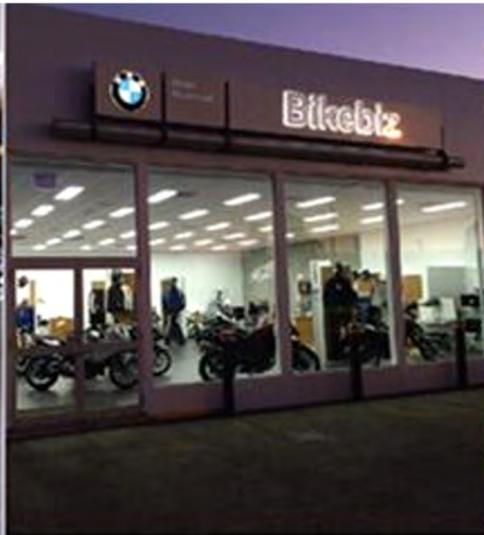
how steep it was down to the river we were glad the bridge was there J . we rode on eventually turn onto a little side track just wide enough for motorbikes and pedestrians that ran along the hillside and then started descending and as it got steeper we came to



a river where we waited for a bamboo ferry that was loading up a scooter on the other side and after unloading we rode the bikes down the eroded bank and onto the ferry and while being pulled across this wide river this guy wife is doing the laundry and we're happily snapping photos and posting them on Facebook. So how good is the mobile internet in Vietnam we are in the middle of nowhere on a river at the bottom of a steep valley and we're posting photos. I struggle to get a text message out at my place outside of Sydney. Up off the ferry and on our way again , the roads here are dusty and rutted in places with water running across them at the inside corners they are wide enough for a truck which explains why

they're so dust and chopped up. We finally get back to the main road and we wind the throttle open and start having some fast fun, well as fast as the bikes and road will let us but in these situations even 70kph feels like you're flying. We make it into Bao Lac park our bikes in the foyer of our Hotel/function centre but we are the only ones here and this place has seen grander times. After dinner we walked into town and met up with separate Aussies touring Vietnam and had a few beers. Today we also picked up flat tyre number 6, the last for the trip.

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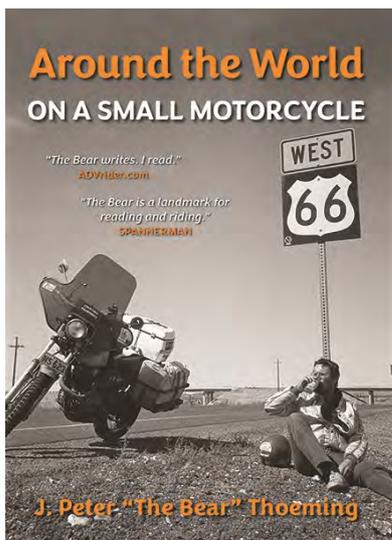


The Bear's new book makes a great gift for any motorcyclist you know – and for yourself!

You may know The Bear best, if you know of him at all, for documenting the Australian and international motorcycle world for nearly half a century in magazines and newspapers. Covering many parts of the industry but specialising in motorcycle travel, he has ridden more kilometres than he can recall.

He launched four motorcycle magazines, edited another, and wrote for the likes of The Bulletin, The Australian, Playboy and The Sun Herald as well as numerous other (motorcycle) publications in Australia, the USA, Britain, Germany and New Zealand.

He owned one of the very first R 80 G/Ss in Australia, as well as several other airheads over the years including two R 90 Ss. And yes, he does own a BMW now – an F 750 GS.



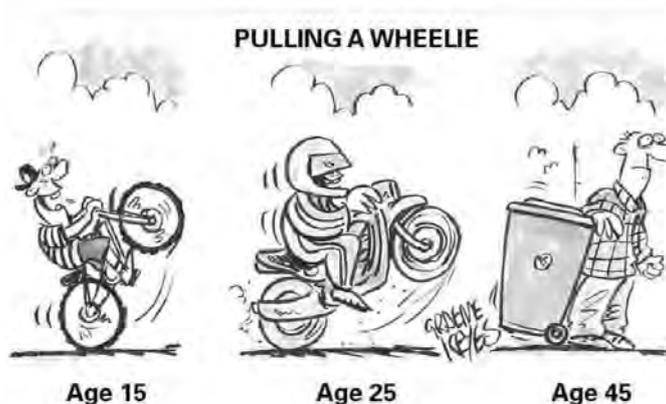
You may have seen references to the around-the-world motorcycle trip he undertook in the late '70s on his Honda XL250. He described the trip in his best-selling (and now just about unobtainable) hardback book "Motorcycle Touring". Now he has updated the book and re-released it in paperback as "Around the World on a Small Motorcycle" to join his other books "Motorcycling in Australia" and "On the Road Again".

The Bear covers the around-the-world ride as well as a months-long ride on the very opposite of a small bike – a Yamaha XS1100 – with Annie, the shipboard romance who became his wife. This took them from Europe to North Africa, back to Europe, on to Asian Turkey and finally to England by way of Eastern Europe. But the heart of the book is the long ride on the XL250. Alternately funny and pensive, it is both an affectionate picture of the times and a still-

relevant source of useful tips for long-distance riders.

The many colour photos bring the book to life and help to make it the perfect gift for any motorcyclist, or for anyone you might want to introduce to the world of motorcycling. "Around the World on a Small Motorcycle" is available online as either a paperback or an e-book from Amazon and other book sites. Just type the title and author's name into your search engine and it will pop up.

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7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> July

100 Years of BMW Motorcycles  
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8<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> July

Winter Rally

22<sup>nd</sup> July

Awards night @ Molong RSL

15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Sept

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21<sup>st</sup> Sept

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