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**BMW Touring Club
of New South Wales**



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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



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			
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.			
June			
Fri 9 th – Mon 12 th	#54 Alpine Rally back at Cotterill's Cottage Yarrangobilly River PREPAID WEBSITE. //alpinerally.webs.com or via FB		12
Sat 24,25 th	Casper Rally Bummaroo ford campground Abercrombie river.		10
Sun 25 th	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
Thurs 29 th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, (Last Thurs of the month)		2
Fri 30 th	2023 BCCM Live 8.00 pm https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive		0
July			
Fri 7 th – Sun 9 th	BMW Motorrad Days Berlin	Steve Treloar 0439739876	
Sat 8 th – Sun 9 th	40th Winter Rally Nerriga NSW		10
Wed 12 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 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
Sat 22 nd	Awards Night Molong RSL See Flyer in April newsletter PLEASE PAY INTO CLUB ACCOUNT ASAP \$35.00/HEAD BY 8 TH JULY FOR CATERING. Any dietary requirements please let Marie Know	Steve Treloar 0439739876 Marie Pennykid 0428393093	10
Wed 26 th	Club Meeting 7.30pm. AGM FOLLOW ON Last Wednesday of the month. Online and physical meetings at the hall. https://tinyurl.com/BMWTCNSW-General-Meetings	Justin Dorward	4/6
Thur 27 th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, (Last Thurs of the month)		2
Fri 28 th	2023 BCCM Live 8.00 pm https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive		0
Sat 29 th – Sun 30 th	Hat Rally Araluen NSW BYO – Basic to Basics Rally		10
August			
Sat 5 th – Sun 6 th	Border Run . SA/WA border Village SA		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

Sat 12 th - Sun 13 th			
Sat 20 th - Sun 21 st	Royal Hotel Pub Run Carcoar NSW 02 6367 3009 Make your own room booking, camping available out the back. Book online at https://carcoarroyalhotel.com/	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	10
Fri 25 th	2023 BCCM Live 8.00 pm https://tinyurl.com/BMWClubBCCMLive		0
Sat 27 th - Sun 28 th	TTT Rally Taralga NSW. Follow Red & White TTT signs, 10ks north of Taralga. Huge Bonfire – Water, BYO – Basic to Basics Rally		10
Wed 30 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	4/6
Thur 31 st	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5pm, (Last Thurs of the month)		2
September			
Wed 13 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 14 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
Fri 15 th - Sun 17 th	Far Cairn Rally Tottenham race course	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	10
Sat 23 rd	BMWMCQ 100th year Celebrations, Brisbane Queensland See flyer in May newsletter		10
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Sat 30 th Sun 2 nd	BMWCC,40th Anniversary K Series Rally Woodstock NSW Register on bmwmccact.org.au	Steve Treloar 0439739876	10
October			
6 th -8 th	Kosciuszko Rally, held by BMW Motorcycle Club, ACT at Geehi Hut Camping ground on the Alpine Way between Thredbo and Khancoban. More details/registration @ https://www.bmwcc.au/	Steve Treloar 0439739876	10
6 th -8 th	Thunder Rally (Ducati Club) at Sheba Dams near Nundle		10
2023 EVENTS			
6 th Nov	Ferry Run 3 to 4 day run See Article in June newsletter	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

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

BMWTCNSW General Meeting Draft Minutes

Date: 31st May 2023

Chairperson: Justin Dorward (Secretary)

Meeting Opened: 7.34pm

Apologies: Cory McDougall, Warren Buffett

In Person: Mal & Marianne Cattermole, Michael Sarah, Tony Wilton, Tony Conliffe, Justin Dorward, Ed Chapman, Chuck Hamilton, Mick Goodwin, Bob Whitehead, Alison Ashby, Tochi Dhanjal, John Trenerry, Stan Kucera, Bill Sparks, Bob Madell, Dave Beers

Via Zoom: Marie & Alan Pennykid, Trevor Dean, Steve Treloar

Visitors: None

New Members: Tochi Dhanjal

April General Meeting Minutes:

Accepted: Mick Goodwin

Seconded: Bob Madell

Secretary Correspondence & Report:

Email: BMWMCQ Journal (May & June), BMWMCCVIC Merchandise Update (now closed), Brian Kowalik re Murray River Punt Run.

PO Box: Bank statements, RFDS fundraising material, membership renewal cheques.

AGM is Wednesday 28th June, immediately following the June general meeting. Nominations form is due tonight, but nominations can be made from the floor. Lucky door prize is two signed copies of *Along for the Ride* by Jim Scraysbrook. Thanks to Warren Buffett for volunteering as the Returning Officer again.

Vice President's Report

Casual Vacancy

None

Treasurer's Report:

Alison Ashby

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Regular bank balance at end of month \$524.27

Savings account balance at end of month \$29346.16

TOTAL IN BANK \$29870.43

SUMMARY

Total Income \$904.01

Total Expenses \$6217.07

Total Interest Earned \$34.01

Income statement in the newsletter. The First Aid courses for Toongabbie have been reimbursed, with two reimbursements donated.

President's Report:

Steve Treloar

As per newsletter. Heading to Germany for the Motorrad Days after the King's Long Weekend. The Awards Night is coming together.

Membership Secretary Report:

Marie Pennykid

Three new members. Fifteen people have paid for the Awards night.

MCC of NSW Report

Bob Madell

The MCC has a busy agenda. Working on helping senior riders. Working with SIRA on CTP issues, such as coverage interstate, such as Tasmania. Transport for NSW has increased the permissible power for electric bicycles.

Further Committee Member Reports

None

General Business

Awards Night (22nd July)

Steve Treloar

Everything is on track. The RSL is prepared and the Telegraph Hotel has a couple of rooms available, including one double. The Motel had a room left last week. Orange, Cudal and Manildra have accommodation options. Marg Barlow has been working on accommodation and is unable to get ahold of the caravan park, but has heard separately it is open. Other venues are still recovering from the floods. Local business owners have said insurance issues continue. The award trophies have been ordered.

First Aid for Riders

Ed Chaman

The Toongabbie training session went swimmingly and was a positive experience from all reports. See the report in the newsletter. Digital certificates haven't yet been received but I will follow-up. Spots available in Bathurst and Newcastle. Bob says compact masks are available as well and the portable AED is available on a subscription basis.

Far Cairn Rally (15th - 17th Sept)

Marie Pennykid / Alison Ashby

Two or three volunteers are required to assist, including getting items to the site. Raffle prizes are needed. Please contact Marie. Flyers have been sent to last year's attendees that provided their email address. T-shirt costs have stayed the same but badge costs have had to be increased. Shirt orders need to be made ahead of the event (see the flyer). Alison says one hundred badges have been ordered. Remember to label your payment.

EFTpos AIR

Marie Pennykid

Alison to set-up and trial on the donated phone. This technology enables PayWave payments to be made by a customer's bank card using this phone and app. 1.4% merchant fee applies, which can be added to the transaction by the customer so the Club isn't absorbing that cost. Thanks to Marie for donating the phone. KRR won't be able to be used since there is no reception. Requires a cheap data SIM connection.

Bathurst Day Ride (25th June)

Marie Pennykid

Day ride to Milthorpe for lunch. Route determined on the day.

Pub Run Carcoar (20th - 21st August)

Marie Pennykid

More information to follow.

Alpine Rally (9th - 12th June)

Steve Treloar

It is back at Cotterill's Cottage. Pre-booking is essential.

BMWCA Report

Trevor Dean

Last month a question was raised about whether stalls will be present at this QLD major event in September. Trevor has since confirmed that five stalls will be on-site.

Classifieds

Oil filters donated by Shaun Garvey

Club number plate surrounds for free if they fit.

MCC of NSW Road Safety Launch meeting / Speed Cushions

Bob Madell

The MCC of NSW also meets with Transport for NSW and Bob attended the Road Safety Launch at the Opera House around a week ago. The major speakers all mentioned motorcyclists and their over-representation in injury. Regard-

ing feedback on speed cushions, in most cases, they fall under the jurisdiction of the local cases.

- **Next Committee Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 19th July 2023.**
- **Next General Meeting 7.30pm Wednesday 28th June 2023.**
- **Meeting Closed at 8.40pm**



FCR Committee and Organisation (15\16 \17 September – Tottenham Racecourse)

We are looking for assistance in organising this years **Far Cairn Rally**.

We are looking for people to source raffle prizes, and would appreciate your help in sourcing these from vendors. Do you know someone who would be willing to provide vouchers or appropriate (bike related) goods for prizes?

Can you contact vendors and organise the prizes to be delivered to the August Club meeting or to the rally in September?

Are you able to distribute rally flyers to bike shops in your area?

We will be also looking for assistance on the day:

- Setting up the entry awning.
- Manning the entry for rally entrants/ registration
- Moving tables etc as required.
- Packing up the entry awning.
- Cleaning up on Sunday morning.

We also need to transport the entry awning (pickup from Hebersham or from a meeting, regalia from the hall, raffle prizes etc out to Tottenham. Maybe you can assist with this?

Contact Marie 0428 939 093 or Alison 0422 077 583 for further details.

May 2023	
ACCOUNT BALANCES	
Regular bank balance	\$1,225.13
Savings Account balance	\$26,882.61
TOTAL IN BANK	\$28,107.74
Summary	
Total Income	\$5,126.45
Total Expenses	\$6,889.14
Total Interest earned	\$36.45

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

eg A Ashby Mship 104

Please ensure you mark your payment clearly and email the appropriate person (ie, membership, regalia etc) to inform them that funds have been deposited.

I'm Looking forward to the Awards Night.

Entries have start to come in for the Far Cairn Rally and Membership renewals are now due.



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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

Irregular Editors Report:

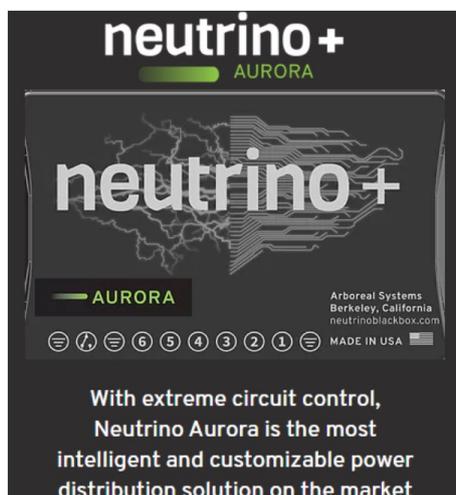
Well it's the end of this membership year now. Thank you for all the articles, you'll all find out who has won the various club awards including the Editors Award at the annual awards night dinner to be held in Eugowra. You're all going, right?

If you are going/intending to go but haven't organised anything yet could you please inform Alison Ashby that you are intending to be there and pay for it? Its not far away now. You'll probably also need to arrange accommodation for the night there too.

No Presidents report this month as he's off gallivanting around Germany for the 100th anniversary celebrations.

We should all expect a corker when he returns.

If you happen to have a Bigpond email account, Bigpond have decided that anything coming from my account is Spam and I cannot send you any thing by email. At some stage one of our members or past members has marked my account as SPAM so I can no longer send you any content. If you have a Big-pong account and have not been receiving the news-letter, this is the reason. Please if you no longer want to receive the newsletter just tell me that you no longer want it and I will remove you from my contacts list for the club. At this stage I don't have an answer. Gmail also don't like me sending out attachments to a large number of BCC addresses at the same time either.



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Articles:

If you might have something for a future newsletter, I'd be happy to receive it at anytime. Best option is a Word doc or similar sent as an attachment with hi res photos sent separate. Please include placeholders in the article for image locations unless you don't care where they go. I'll then just put them anywhere, eeny, meent mynie, mo. The text format doesn't matter as I copy paste your text into the content file that I use and reformat anyway. Some articles are time relevant as they have just happened or we are trying to stir interest, some the time doesn't matter so I might hang on to it till I have space available. I try to keep the newsletter at 16 pages, but do blow out to 20 or 24 when needed. Sometimes things get left out because I don't have another 2 or 3 pages of material to fill the extra (like me forgetting the membership form last month)

-Al

Welcome to the New Members:

- Stephen Harris and Jicki Hill (Macquarie Park)
- Alan Dadban (Thornleigh)
- Ian Nicholson (Russell Lea)
- Paul Thomas (Loftus)
- Brett Scott (Failford)
- Jerome O'Connor (Merewether)



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 10th July: Wauchope Community Centre~~

~~Wauchope Community Centre~~



~~Saturday 17th July: Church Auditorium (Bathurst)~~

~~Church Auditorium (Bathurst)~~



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



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

Email secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au or SMS 0418 266 924 to book

WHY K's ?

People ask me Why "K's". I'm a nerd that likes fixing things. After all the bikes I've owned including owning a K100RS from 1997 to 2004 I've gone back to them as a new adventure. They are cheap to buy and super reliable. Parts are still reasonably easy to get, particularly second hand bits and it's amazing when you get into K's how quickly the shed fills with second hand bits.



Over the years I've rescued quite a few various bikes from the scrap heap. My CBX came as a rusty collection of bits, the conrods hanging out of the block the rest scattered around my brothers shed.

My R100S I bought for \$1000 but I only got the frame tank engine and wheels. I sourced bits from all over the place, spent way too much on its rescue then after riding it for a while sold it on.

Other rescues include a Tenere' a couple of 1150 GS, a 1200GSA, an 1100S a couple of XS1100's and now two K1100's

I say rescue because I don't pretend that any of the bikes have been restored rather they've been made reliable and serviceable for an everyday ride.

Recently a friend asked me to help him convert a K100 into a café racer. I cut and re-welded the frame but he did most of the work and when it was finished I test rode it to iron out the kinks. I was impressed with the final product and how lovely it was to ride.

I was surprised how little I knew about that model so I bought one to learn how it works.

Facebook Marketplace dredged up a K1100 LT in a little place called Morundah between Urana and Narandera for \$1700 so I drove out and picked Schultz up and bought him home. There wasn't a lot wrong with it other than the mouse droppings and wasp nest hiding in him. The handlebars wobbled about on the rubber mounts and the tyres were stuffed. I pulled it apart and repaired most of what was wrong although fundamentally the bike was sound. I had to buy another front fork leg and installed a new clutch plate. Miraculously I also managed to get the ABS to work

and installed an original radio after sourcing the unlock code off the Net.



The former police bike had been painted in an FG Falcon colour which was expensive to buy but never the less I lashed out and bought some to paint the panniers. . Schultz is too warm to ride in the summer without a cool vest but great in a Canberra winter.

Marketplace then tempted me to buy another two K1100LTs from Stratford in Gippsland for \$3500 the pair. One was going, bright yellow, and registerable the other was just an engine and wheels and with a very rusty frame. I sold the yellow one on and kept "Rusty".

Looking for spares I bought a non-running 1100RS from a mate in Queanbeyan and combined Rusty with the RS and made a new bike. I don't need two faired bikes so I stored the RS fairings and converted it to a bare bike. I don't like cutting frames etc. so everything is reversible on the bike.



What fun it is to ride in that format. A handy little town scooter that's a work in progress.

Scarfey
(Scarfey, in the K100 forum they call the tendency to collect more Ks by the term K-Pox - you cant stop at one! AI)



The 'FLYING BRICK'
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The Alternate Alpine Rally

The June long weekend was coming up and I decided to take the R75/6 for the traditional run around southern NSW with some mates in the BMW club. After a service and a final check over, I found a tiny weep of brake fluid seeping out of the right hand brake calliper so I removed both callipers and found seal kits was needed. Since it had been thirteen years since the last rebuild I couldn't complain too much but because I didn't have parts to hand it meant that I'd have to take another bike. The K100RS and the R90S were out due to a lack of heated hand grips so I turned to the R1200r and loaded her up.

Friday 9th June

Mike messaged me at 8:30am to let me know he was leaving Bulga to ride down the Putty Road on his 1979 R80 to our meeting place at Luddenham. I lounged around until 10:00am and then set off from Sydney along the M4 to arrive at our meeting point at 11:30am. After having a light lunch we mounted up and headed down the Northern Road and then onto the Hume Motorway bound for Gunning. Traffic was light so we made good time though I had to bundle up against the ten degree temperature and occasional light squall. All was running fine until we stopped to fuel up at the service centre at Marulan. After filling the tank I turned the key only to see nothing come up on the instrument console. I pressed the starter with bated breath and the bike rumbled instantly to life but no action at all on the console. As Mike had already pulled out I found first gear and followed checking that lights and indicators were still operational. We pulled into the drive way at the Gunning Motel just before 3:00pm and checked into our room. As I turned the key to ride to our parking spot the instruments suddenly decided to come to life. Not a good location to troubleshoot motorcycle electronics so I decided to see what happens in the morning. After unpacking we met up with Graham

on his 'tre piston' MV Augusta, Shane on his 995 Triumph triple and Kevin riding his GS PD and wandered into town to enjoy a few beers and dinner at the bistro. The lounge was buzzing with people so we staked out a table beside the fireplace and commenced telling some stories while staying well lubricated with a few bottles of red. We called time around ten and found our way back to our rooms. My R1200r covered 274 kms today from Sydney to Gunning via Luddenham.

Saturday 10th June

Woke to a foggy morning and a fresh 2 degrees outside. We headed to the Merino cafe for morning coffee and checked the weather report for the Snowy Mountains. It appeared that northern Victoria's outlook was cold, damp, snowy and icy so sanity prevailed and we decided instead to do the 238 km ride to Yarrongobilly to visit the Alpine Rally site and then push on to Adelong for the night. Graham had family commitments and had to head home so Mike, Kevin, Shane and I departed Gunning and turned south along the Hume Highway. My instruments were off line again so I stuck behind the others for the ride south. After a while my instruments came on line once again, indicating some sort of temperature related problem. It was a cold ride down to Gundagai where we turned off the Hume Highway onto the Snowy Mountains Highway. We rolled into the rally site where Kevin and Shane checked in and picked up their rally badges as a commemoration of fifty years since their first Alpine back in 1973. There were probably fifty or sixty riders set up with tents and fires preparing to



spend their night in minus temperatures. After a brief look around we mounted up and set our headlights back up the Snowy Highway to do the 90 kms to Adelong and rolled into town in the early afternoon. After checking in to the pub we enjoyed a few sherbets in the lounge. While we were sitting around I went on line and researched my instruments issue. A couple of guys on an R1200r forum had experienced problems with instruments after replacing ignition coil packs on their bikes. Weird! A primary coil pack was exactly the

last thing I changed to resolve a surging issue but how those issues could be related is anyone's guess. Complex electronics on motorcycles - the devil's work (unless you carry an oscilloscope around with you). Hopefully it'll get me home without affecting anything else.

Sunday 11th June

Our target for today was a short run to Boorowa. Since it was going to be another easy day we slept in until around 7:30am and wandered down to the local cafe for some breakfast and a coffee. The temperature when we saddled up was a balmy six degrees but at least sunny. The road from Adelong to Gundagai was in good condition but had a few dips that dropped the temperature to the point where visors and mirrors in-

stantly fogged up and then cleared on the next rise, slowing down our progress. After mixing it with a convoy of semis carrying hay we turned left off the highway and trundled into Boorowa covering just 150 kms so it was an early afternoon check in once again. Instruments came to life about twenty kms before town. The publican, Mick, and his staff made us very welcome as we settled in beside the open fireplace and enjoyed a tasty Guinness. The pub has a set of comfy lounge chairs around the fireplace so it wasn't too hard to get comfortable and enjoy a few drinks before dinner in the bistro.

Monday 12th June

After surviving a minus two minimum overnight we packed and turned towards Cowra. The plan was to head for Bathurst and bid farewell to Kevin and Shane from there. Mike and I then pressed on towards Sofala, Kandos and Rylstone, a run of one hundred kms. From here we turned onto the Bylong Valley Way and rode towards Sandy Hollow and turned off to Jerry's Plains along the Yarrowa Road to Mt Thorley and south to Bulga for a total of 503 kms for the day. It was cold and cloudy but, apart from some wet spots on the road, it didn't rain. We rolled into Mike and Sue's place at around 4pm and fortunately didn't come across any kangas or other wildlife on the run from Denman to Bulga.

Tuesday 13th June

The day dawned cloudy and cold so after a morning coffee I loaded up the R1200r and set off at 8am down the Putty Road fully decked out in wet weather gear to fend off the freezing conditions. I hardly saw any vehicles and as I was rugged up toasty warm and with the bike on song, it was a very pleasant blast down to Windsor with my instruments deciding to come on line at Colo Heights. The 212 kms ride from Bulga



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to home was interrupted four times due to stop go lights at roadworks on the Putty Road but otherwise an uneventful run back home along Richmond Road and the M4.

Apart from the instrument issue the bike started and ran faultlessly and returned great fuel economy, an average of 4.6 l/100 kms. I covered a total of 1,400 kms over the weekend being careful to make sure the trip odometer was actually truthful during the times the instrument cluster was offline. It seems that the data (kms, average speed and distance to empty) is stored in a register in the bike's engine management unit and downloaded to the instruments whenever they come back on line. Despite this small problem the bike ran superbly and despite me banging on about modern bikes and their complex electronics, I really enjoy my R1200r. It handles beautifully, has outstanding performance, starts first time every time despite the cold and frost, has a very comfy riding position, glides over bad roads with no effort, gets great fuel economy and the brakes are out of this world compared to those of my old bikes.

-Chuck Hamilton

A RALLY WITH A DIFFERENCE

For the last couple of years Jordan Glanville, Ebony Hogan and their team have been gradually turning the Loaded Dog into a fine dining event (byo of course but you can fix that). This year, for \$70 you got a Saturday lunch, a 3-course dinner and Sunday's breakfast plus your badge and you certainly can't argue with that. Jordan and Ebony are putting a lot of thought into the menu (and into his cooking gear) with several different roasts, a good range of vegies, bread rolls and an all you can eat desert. There was an entrée as well and so, it's definitely a far cry from a back to basics show.



Jordan hard at work a few years ago, no one will go without!

The ride to Tarago is uneventful unless you go through the mountains and blaze your own trail. And it's held at the showground so you don't have to dig a hole or hide behind a bush. I'd reckon this one's a



Ebony, Jordan, and Albert with their signature dish

must for your 2024 ride calendar if just to blow your doctor's prescribed diet to smithereens.

Rob Lovett



You need something to hold a good Cab Sav and thanks to Warren Buffette I have this amazing Chalice—Rob



'23 Alpine Rally by Henning

Weather forecasts leading up to the Kings Birthday long weekend were discouraging but improved as the weekend approached, resulting in a cuppla showers on Friday to a fine -6 on Sunday.

The heavy rains on the Wednesday saw the river rise n fall about 3 feet. Friday 9am saw me on the road fueling at Seven Hills, 30 cents dearer than Tumut, & we call ourselves a clever country ??

The weather near Gunning turned cold & windy for about an hour, arriving at Yarrangobilly to typical Alpine Rally weather.

Andrea & Paul, who have really embraced this event, had set up good campsite with plenty of firewood & food to be enjoyed. This made the extra rally cost an insignificant issue. I had to drag my swag to shelter from a shower, which of course cleared the weather, so back out it went.

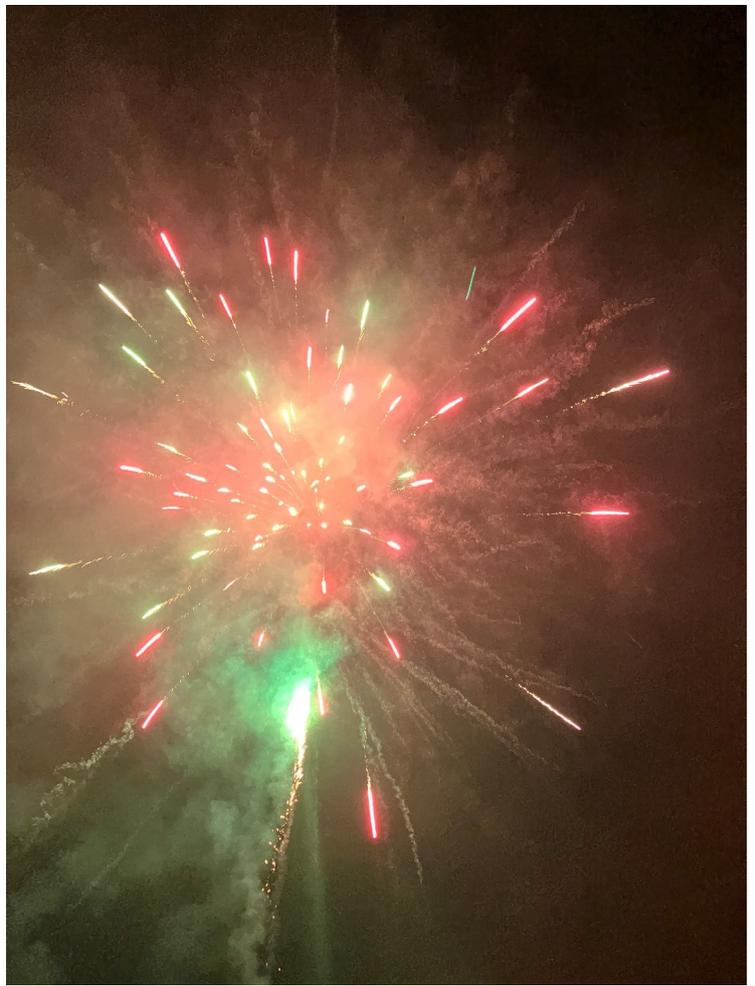


About 30-40 happily camped friday with about 100+ bikes by satdee arvo. Many of the old guard renewed the same old stories & newest rally virgin clocked in 68 years young. There was a dad, dad's son & dad's son son to make a 3 generational attendance. There were roasts & veggies available on both nights.

I had to be home Sunday night as we were leaving for Europe on Monday where I'm penning this - yes summer & shortest/longest day of the year. Note the unstable camper trailer!! He had a few to many which made his earth move for him!! For me a shortened rally but was great as always.

Henning
OH!? Great fireworks.

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Day 12.

I woke up to find that my big toe on my left foot had been bleeding through the night due mainly to my foot sliding forward and slamming into the end of the oversized boot, I ended up losing the toe nail a few months after I got home. The day started off damp but soon dried out and we're off to Thac Ban Gioc waterfalls and riding a road that followed a small river we soon started to notice to our left a tall barbed wire fence with cameras mounted every 50 or so meters, yep we are on the Chinese border again and they are watching. Before heading down to the falls we stopped for lunch and this place was fairly packed with tourists, not our usual lunch stop but we encountered the Hanoi Vespa Club out for a



ride with eleven scooters with period correct adornments on them. Lunch over and off to the falls, these are a big tourist attraction but lucky for us we're in the off season so numbers aren't big and these falls are stunning but one of the things you really notice are following the cliff face on the Chinese side is a large covered walkway, this thing is long and then starts zigzagging down to a tourist huts on the lake to the right of the falls. That's a

scary walk. I would like to point out at this time China was STILL in Covid lockdown. After the fall we rode back the way we had come then turn off to go to a cave walk but you have to pass through the souvenir stalls but thankfully they don't hassle you like in other areas of Vietnam. The caves were great and cool but walking up and down a cave in bike boots is not recommended. On the way back to the bikes we did some shopping and I couldn't resist the urge to buy a rubber chicken, and of course Dave had to copy me and with a little creative string tying we had chicken horns which got us a lot of laughs



and some funny looks from the locals as we went past giving a toot on them. Boys with toys love it. J On our way again we passed the Vespa guys who were strung out due to their speed differences and one fellow was on the side with a mate changing a flat (know the feeling but they carry a spare) we went through a village that specialized in knife making and while we didn't see a workshop in the process with did stop at one for a look and purchased a couple of kitchen knives. We arrived at our homestay and again they were unaware that we



were booked for the night, their son had taken our booking but hadn't passed on the information and of course he was out of town but plenty of room. After a few beers and a shower we sat down to our meal with other guest and more beer and happy water with our hosts. It funny how you can have a conversation and neither party speaks a word of the others language, what a laugh.

Day 13.



The next morning we're packing the bikes and it's hot already this village makes incense and as we ride the road out they are lined up on mats along the side of the narrow road. We head bush along single track with a few wet slippery patches just to heat you up more and the slow moving terrain stops you from getting a cool breeze over you making it tiring, we eventually get onto a concrete road but have to stop with a small truck blocking our way while three people are unloading bricks dumped from said truck. Finally the truck moves off with us following behind and we're back to dirt, no mud and the truck comes to a halt spinning its wheels. We try to get passed but have to drop into the paddy field to the left and getting out is difficult but we get out and Dave

is up and away and then on his arse in the mud meanwhile I'm trying to navigate up the road and almost end up in a paddy field. What a fun morning but this area is absolutely stunning with pillars of limestone formations everywhere you look, it's like giants have been turned to stone where they stand with the vegetation then growing over them, Amazing. Today we're only going 107km but with lunch it takes just over 6 hours and our stop tonight is Lang Son in a hotel that is that new that they are still installing the TVs when we arrived and trying to get the aircon working. Lang Son like Hanoi shuts off the streets to traffic in the market area Fri, Sat, Sun in the evening and we walked the town and got dinner and a few beers in one of the eateries before going back to the hotel.

Day 14.

Today we ride to Ha Long bay which took seven and a half hours to do 140km and the only thing to really note was the amount of smoke spewing out of the local power station as we got close to Ha Long.



Asthmatics would be choking there it was that bad, the whole area was in a haze. Eventually we our hotel, parked the bikes in the lobby and went for a wonder around town, there is this huge old fort looking concrete structure that local market are in and then you have over near the bay you have an entertainment area with giant ferris wheel, a double decker cable cars (that were down for maintenance) and a heap of hotels and bars and dining areas where we had dinner before trying to find our way back to our hotel. Tomorrow we catch a tender that will take to our ship for a night on World Heritage HaLong Bay.

One more to come!

First Aid Course at Bathurst



Ever wondered what other club members ride?

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F 800 GS	7
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F 800 GT	1
F 800 R	1
F 800 ST	1
F 850 GS	2
G 310 R	1
G 650 GS	4
G 650 XChallenge	1
HP2	1
K 1	2
K 100	9
K 100 LT	3
K 100 RS	14
K 100 RT	14
K 1100	2
K 1100 LT	3
K 1100 LT SE	1
K 1100 RS	1
K 1100 RT	1
K 1200 GT	3
K 1200 P/RS/GT	1
K 1300 R	1
K 1300 S	4
K 1600	1
K 1600 B	2
K 1600 GA	1
K 1600 GT	3
K 1600 GT Sport	1
K 75	2
K 75 C	3
K 75 S	3
K1	1
Krauser MKM 1000	1
R 100	4
R 100 CS	2
R 100 GS	9
R 100 GS PD	3
R 100 HPN	1
R 100 LT	2
R 100 R	6
R 100 RS	32
R 100 RT	9
R 100 S	6
R 100/7	3
R 1100 Boxer Cup	1
R 1100 GS	5
R 1100 R	1
R 1100 RT	4

R 1100 S	6
R 1150 GS	8
R 1150 GS Adventure	3
R 1150 R	5
R 1150 RT	5
R 1150 RTP	1
R 1200 C	1
R 1200 GS	28
R 1200 GS Adventure	18
R 1200 GS LC	1
R 1200 R	4
R 1200 RS	5
R 1200 RT	5
R 1200 RT SE	1
R 1200 S	1
R 1250	1
R 1250 GS	5
R 1250 GSA	7
R 1250 GSA Rallye	1
R 1250 R	3
R 1250 RS	2
R 1250 RT	3
R 18	1
R 18 First Ed	1
R 25	1
R 25/2	2
R 25/3	1
R 50	5
R 50 S	1
R 51/3	1
R 60	2
R 60/2	4
R 60/5	4
R 60/7	1
R 65	19
R 65 LS	5
R 67/2	1
R 69 S	7
R 75	2
R 75/5	19
R 75/6	10
R 75/7	3
R 80	15

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SYM	1
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Ural	1
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Membership Secretary





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I, _____ and _____
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