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December 2020 **NEWSLETTER**



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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.

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



Ride & Events Calendar

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

Past Events

	Boyd Tower Run, Eden		
	Hunter Coffee morning & day ride, South Coast Social Sip		
	Far south coast Toy Run		

Wed Weekly Meet at Jerry's Kulnura every Wednesday @ 10am Henning 0457 034 488

November Events

Wed 25 th	Club Meeting Auction night. 7:30pm. Club Meeting 7:30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. TBC if online or in person	Jason Boyd 0412858880	4/6 *
Thur 26 th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5PM, limited numbers due to COVID. (last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	2

December Events

5 TH 6 th DEC	Hunter Regional Christmas Party. Gloucester caravan Park. A camping area has been reserved for our group. Cabins Ava. form \$55. PH. 65581720 to reserve your site, when booking mention, you are with the BMWTCNSW. Spit roast will be ava. to financial members. You MUST advise Rob T. if you are attending for catering purposes.	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	10
5 TH 6 th Dec	ACT and Southern Region Christmas Party. To be held at Talbingo, Country Club. Make your own Accommodation arrangements Talbingo Tourist park. Ph. 69495239. 4 cabins ava and plenty of camping. Talbingo Motor Retreat 69495253 could not confirm what's ava at the time of the call. Please contact Steve or Dave for numbers.	Steve Treloar 0439739876 David Ramsay 0427264196	10
11 th Dec	South Coast Social Sip: 2nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	2
12 th 13 th Dec	Dargo High Plains Rally. Rescheduled Talbotville Vic high country		10
12 th 13 th Dec	SYDNEY AND CENTRAL WEST Regional XMAS Party. At the Cowra Club RSL. Make you own accommodation arrangements plenty of options Ava. You must Call or Text David Beers if you are attending	David Beers 040104440567	10
	SOCIAL SIP/ DINNER 7:30pm. instead of club meeting Last Wednesday of the month.		
25 th dec	Merry xmas. Santa, where is my new Bike...		
Thur31st Fri 1 Jan	New Year's Gathering at Micalong Creek Via Wee Jasper. BYO everything from Yass, Canberra or wherever Campground is 10 km past Wee Jasper with 6 km dirt. There are toilet and shower facilities. Daily camping fees apply. Ice ava. Nearby at Billy Grace campground. NOTE- you will need to book with Wee Jasper Reserve via their website, https:// weejasperreserve.com.au/ or phone 0262279626. Covid limits apply and badges are \$15.	Rob Lovett 0417267425 or rob@gaslightbooks.com.au	10

January Events

1st	New Year's Gathering at Micalong Creek Via Wee Jasper See above		
14th	South Coast Social Sip: 2nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road North Nowra at 6pm	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	2
17th	Picnic @ Povey's. Sunday. 12 Buckett Place Kurrajong. Don't forget to bring	Dave Povey	6



Ride & Events Calendar

	the swimmers. For catering purposes please contact or text Dave before 10 th Jan.	0408517469	
23rd	KRR Recon Run Dungog - Based at Bank Hotel Book Accommodation at the Bank Hotel,0249921701, or Tall Timbers Motel,0249921547. Wherever you stay, please book a chair at the Bank Hotel Restaurant for our Saturday night dinner. Note the Bank is now air conditioned.	Rob Lovett 0417267425 or rob@gaslightbooks.com.au	
28th	Hunter Social Sip : Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 5PM, limited numbers due to COVID. (last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	2
February Events			
26 th – 28 th	Farm Camping Weekend Piallamore on the Peel river , Near Tamworth. Ride up Friday and have a meal at local Hotel (Dongowan) Sat road ride 400km mapped by Gary McCarthy, dirt ride mapped by Trevor Hooker. Night BBQ and bonfire at Piallamore farm . BYO GROG .Home Sunday	Contact Stuart 0427767129 Before 19/2/21	10
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Newly & updated items are highlighted ORANGE.

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)

WELCOME TO THE NEW MEMBERS:

John Murby (Terrey Hills)

Alex Leitch (Page)

Chris Kowal (Bodalla)

Duncan Roebuck (North Epping)

Chris Wood (Orange)

Spares request:

Henning Jorgenson is looking for a set of spoke adapters to suit a pre 1969 R60 wheel. See pic.



Date: 28/10/2020
Chair: Jason Boyd
Meeting (Online) Opened: 7:11

Attendees (DBeers has full list)

Allison, tony, Col, Dave Beers, goodwin, Marie, Michael Sara, Mal Cat, Steve Boulter, Trevor, Paul I, bob Mad, Justin Dorward, Steve Treloar, Woz, AlexSJ.. + + + + + ?

Apologies: none

Visitors: none

Previous Minutes: none published

Accepted - TBA

Seconded - TBA

Correspondence: rego for trailer (sent to Ermington PO Allison looking to see if rego can be changed), a few new memberships, ???

President's Report: Welcome to Steve Treloar (VP) and Justin Dorward (Secretary). Thank You to Dave Beers (Ex VP) and Alex S-J (Ex Secretary). Apology to Trevor for not acknowledging his acceptance of Public Officer in the news letter. Thank you to all other committee members for continuity of service. FCR badges and patches - pending order. Christmas parties - get your RSVPs in.

Vice Presidents Report: RobL has volunteered to chase Forestry further for the KRR paperwork. Need names from rallies attended. Please provide RSVP's for christmas parties

Secretary's Report: no new business (yet)

Treasurer's Report: Regular \$1281.43, Savings \$36,819.21, balance \$38,100.64.

Membership Secretary: 5 new members, one of which a returned member from years ago

Editors Report: 10 members provided content this cycle.. FANTASTIC!

Public Officer: Annual return lodged, notification of new public officer lodged

Assets and Archives: nothing to report

Regalia: nothing to report

BMW Clubs Australia:

1./ AGM held Oct 10th, via WebEx and split geographical time zones. Was a success. Australia is represented via 16 local branches (Australian Umbrella). BMW are launching a new logo. This will allow a slightly more marketing friendly approach. Potential for coloured backgrounds and potentially "joint" event logos - PENDING APPROVAL PROCESS. New logo compliance will not start for a few months. Is rolled out globally. Once rolled out to Au we will have 6 months to be compliant, however existing stocks with old logos can be used until run out. Details covered in Guideline Number 5. Trevor to distribute to committee once available

2./ Club and Community Management - Fund distribution Allowance. Changes pending. Previously dealer networks have provided this support from BMW. Moving forward this will be Clubs Australia. New model requires that the club nominate 1 primary dealer to work with. And that there is currently approx \$500 available for this financial period.

Question by JB: what actions do the club need to do to claim support. **RESPONSE:** TD advised cut an invoice from the club outlining costs and pass onto CA.



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Question by JB: Is there any reciprocal acknowledgement / marketing that needs to occur as thank you for the assistance? **RESPONSE** TD advised just a thankyou at the event and maybe in the magazine

Question by JB: Who and when were BikeBiz nominated as our preferred contact? **RESPONSE:** TD advised had been in place for many years

ACTION: (JB take offline) next Committee meeting discuss the preferred club dealer

WebMaster: Event updates, and general site and Facebook management

MCC: MC awareness month, parliamentarians ride, CTP discussions, dirtriders initiative

Past Events: Kosi Rally

Coming Events: Christmas events

General Business:

Sydney - Central West Christmas Party - Dave Beers has requested that people provide a RSVP sooner rather than later

PSP Funding -

Question was asked by ST if we could use the BMW-CA Funds for prizes / assistance to the christmas party.

RESPONSE : yes... just need to follow guidelines

Yahoo Group Email - JB from min December the yahoo membership and yahoo committee email addresses will cease to function. This will have minimal impact as the environment has not been maintained for at least 5 years by the club with email addresses not being updated. Additionally the Yahoo environment has been intermittent in its performance anyway.

RECOMMENDED - that if committee members wish to email committee use the official club email addresses

RECOMMENDED (BUT NOT DISCUSSED) - Newsletter items, meeting invitations, etc will be sent out via committee members based on the official email list maintained by Marie. Please note that this list needs to be considered private and confidential to protect membership. Please only email out as BCC

Regalia - FCR Tshirts - request was made that the tshirts should have the date / customisation for the 2020 event. previous t shirts and print screens were not dated to assist with aged stock on hand wastage.

ISSUE - if new artwork is required - what is it?

ISSUE - who will be creating the artwork?

ISSUE - there is potential additional artwork, setup and

screen manufacturing costs ON TOP of the base t-shirt cost

OUTCOME>>>>> no idea.. At this point my work machine decided to start downloading a security patch that related to VNP / network access and network capacity for WebEx was choked.. i left the meeting and did not return....

Any Other Items Discussed following my leaving?

Meeting Closed: ??????

Treasurers report

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Regular bank balance at end of October \$674.75
Savings Account balance at end of October \$36,820.72

TOTAL IN BANK \$37,495.47

Summary

Total Income \$1,047.11
Total Expenses \$1,652.28
Total Interest earned \$1.61

Notes

We received the refund for Covid 19 room hire from Cumberland Council this month.

Postage for three months of newsletter was the largest expense, trailer rego has also been paid this month.

Any questions please email treasurer@bmwtcnsw.org.au



BMW MOTORRAD

CITY COAST MOTORCYCLES
262 Keira St, Wollongong
4228 7392

MAKE LIFE A RIDE

The advertisement features a photograph of two motorcyclists riding a BMW motorcycle on a scenic road. The background shows a bridge and a mountainous landscape. The BMW logo and 'MOTORRAD' text are in the top left. The business name 'CITY COAST MOTORCYCLES' and contact information are in the bottom left. The slogan 'MAKE LIFE A RIDE' is at the bottom.



Residents Report

The BMWTCNSW follows all official COVID19 guidance from the government regarding travel or social events. Social distancing at all events is mandatory; masks and hand sanitiser are encouraged.



BMW Touring Club New South Wales



Christmas Event(s) 2020



Due to COVID social distancing requirements, organised event numbers are restricted making it impossible for the club to have a single event. For 2020 the club will sponsor each region to "aprox" \$30 per head for a regional Christmas event. Regional Ride Coordinators will assist with making this work. All events will be open to all members, but to be fair, members within the region organising the event will have preference to attendance.
See the club newsletter for details



Editors report

fresh email addressed to editor@bmwtcns.org.au I won't miss it.

Also if you send me something like an information request or a small ad please write it the way you want it printed including your contact details if relevant. I might know you but I don't want to waste my time rewriting or chasing information. Ready to go please!

That's my gripes over with (I'm working towards becoming a cranky old bastard, a lifetime ambition). I hope everyone has a safe and happy Christmas/New Year etc and that we finally get to see each other on the roads or around a campfire in the not too distant future.

PS: Marie wont be riding for a little while yet, she broke her left ankle at home in our driveway and is still recovering.

Welcome to our December issue, some of our newer members might not know that this is the last till the end of January as the newsletter takes a month off. Thanks again for the huge response this year month when I've asked for newsletter content, its been a funny year with the pandemic affecting so many of our activities but there looks to be light on the horizon with news of recent vaccine development.

Hopefully the newsletter has done enough to keep you engaged during the year. The deadline for the next newsletter for any content is Saturday 23rd January. Once I've opened my email on the morning of the 24th and downloaded all the material that members have sent me for the newsletter that's it, I do not go back to look for any late arrivals so the deadline is the 23rd.

Something you could do to make my life easier (and stop me from losing files). If you are sending me something could you please start a new email to me with the file or content, NOT reply to my email request. So many people reply to that email that the trail gets very messy and it can be hard easy for me to miss something that has been sent amongst the rest of the discussions and questions. If you start with a

Picnic @ Povey's

Sunday 17th January
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A REMINDER

Dear Membership,

If you want to hold a club event, and a little cash support would help, all you have to do is let the committee know in advance (not as you walk into the pub for the meal). The reason for this is to allow it to be put in the newsletter and give all members opportunity to attend.

The committee have agreed:

- Groups within the club are encouraged to arrange social events with costs to be subsidized, based around \$100 minimum, or \$15 per person to the value of \$300
- That if costs look to exceed the \$300 limit, talk to the club executive **IN ADVANCE**. *Please note we don't want people out of pocket, and if all 250 members attend, this will be seen as a raging success rather than a negative thing. We understand more people mean more cost, just the committee are bound by the constitution on how money is spent*
- **Alcohol will not be reimbursed under any circumstances**
- All costs incurred **MUST** have supporting receipts in order to be refunded
- The event **MUST** be in the newsletter calendar to allow all members the opportunity to attend
- It is expected this may drive questions from other locations or other active sub groups within the club. The club is prepared for this, and we will review any query from other groups / people based on its merits

Regards,

BMW Touring Club Executive Committee

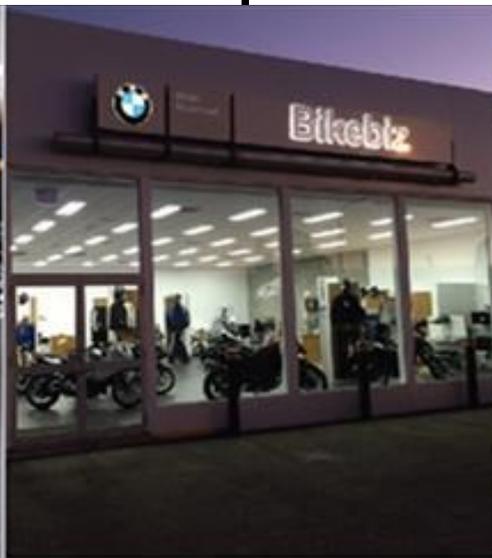
I'm new to the club. I recently procured a 1973 R60/5 which I'm particularly happy with. I recently put her through her paces at Luddenham raceway to discover Frauline Sechzig has more in her than I'm yet capable of drawing out!



A long-time fan of vintage vehicles, this is my first vintage motorcycle. I'm the product manager for [Forcite Helmet Systems](#), a job that's given me the excuse I needed to procure this mobile shrine of vintage engineering. We've just started shipping our smart helmets to the nation. It's about as far from vintage engineering as you can get - with a video camera in the chin, coms and navigation built in - bit of a contrast to my BMW, but in my head it somehow works.

I look forward to joining club events once we've completed shipping our first 1000 pre-sales and I have my life back. I'll be happy to give a demo and I'm keen for tips on maintaining and improving my R60/5.

Sebastian Adams



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THE MOTOR CYCLE DESIGN > ART > DESIRE GOMA 2020

The exhibition of motorcycles at the Queensland Art Gallery of Modern Art is being displayed from Saturday 28th November to 26th April 2021.

This is a world exclusive exhibition, only in Brisbane and will showcase the art, design and history of the motorcycle, one of the most iconic objects of the last 150 years.

Featuring more than 100 innovative and influential motorcycles from the 1870s to present day, it considers the iconic vehicle from the perspective of social history, popular culture, design and technology.

This exhibition is modelled on the highly successful 'Art of the Motorcycle' exhibition first held in the New York Guggenheim Museum in 1998.

THE ART OF THE MOTORCYCLE

The Art of the Motorcycle was an exhibition that presented 114 motorcycles chosen for their historic importance or design excellence.

It was held in the Guggenheim Museum in New York City running for 3 months in 1998. The exhibition attracted the largest crowds ever at that museum.

The exhibition subsequently travelled to Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Guggenheim Museum Bilbao, and the Guggenheim Las Vegas.

The total attendance was over 2,000,000 visitors making the tour's total attendance among the top 5 exhibitions ever in a museum.

The exhibition's lavish large-format 427 page colour book was the largest sale of a museum catalogue with over 250,000 copies in print.

The Motorcycle: Design, Art, Desire in Queensland is curated by the same team that created the Art of the Motorcycle for the Guggenheim Museum:

Charles B. Falco and Ultan Guilfoyle.

This exhibition has sourced motorcycles from around the world as well as Australia and New Zealand.

It contains a timeline through past, present, future.

It traces the history of powered transport and is divided into 3 eras.

Steam, internal combustion, electric.

The earliest motorcycle on display is an 1871 Perreaux Steam Velocipede which was lent to the exhibition by the Musée du Domaine Départemental de Sceaux. It is the oldest known motorcycle in the world.



The **Perreaux Steam Velocipede** was a 1-2 hp motorcycle with iron 'tyres' to cope with the cobblestone streets of Paris. The rider sat just above a boiler pressurized to 50psi.

The **1906 Spencer** is the earliest example of a motorcycle being completely designed and manufactured in Australia. Two complete motorcycles have survived.



The exhibits take the visitor through the evolution of design of the motorcycle.

It describes the early motorcycles as being utilitarian with the American and British motorcycles being prominent.

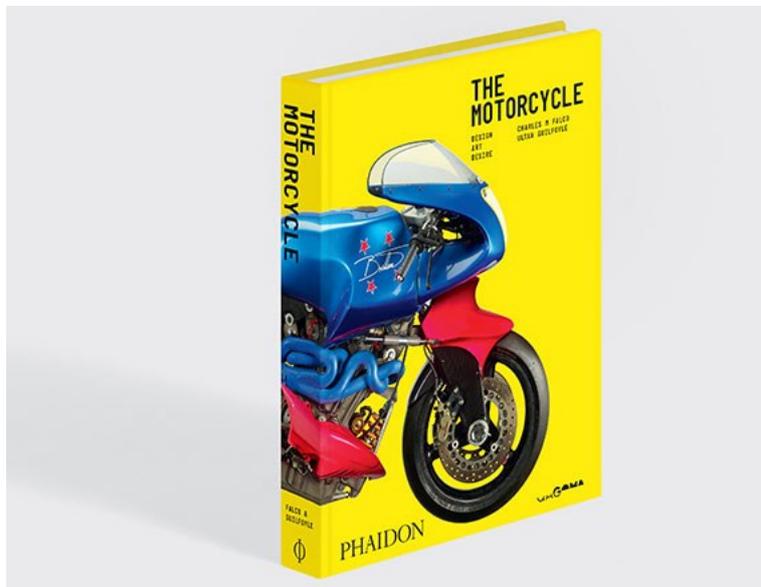
The **BMW R32** was designed by Max Friz and was the first motor vehicle produced by BMW in 1923.

It had a 500cc horizontally opposed motor with a shaft drive and leaf spring suspension on the front forks. The first model had both a front and rear brake which used a timber V-block to apply pressure in the dummy belt rim brake on the rear wheel.



The art deco style grew out of the austerity of the great war. It had an influence in many fields in the 1930s such as art, jewellery, architecture furnishings and motor vehicles.

The beauty of the 1930s art deco styling is represented by a 1930 11hp 350cc Majestic from France with an unusual hub-centre steering designed by Georges Roy and the 1939 BMW R12.



<https://www.qagoma.qld.gov.au/whats-on/exhibitions/the-motorcycle>

German motorcycles in the 1930s used a pressed metal frame to add rigidity to the frame, ideally suited to the attachment of a sidecar. The design of the BMW R12 combined the triangular frame with sweeping motorcycle guards defined by white pin striping. The fenders, forks, front brake and similar saddle were displayed on the rare art deco prototype BMW R7 in 1934.



The exhibition will please many British motorcycle aficionados with displays of:

- 1935 Brough Superior 11-50
- 1951 Vincent Black Lightning
- 1973 Triumph Hurricane

As well as early Harley-Davidsons from the Harley City Collection including:

- 1914 Harley –Davidson 10F
- 1933 Harley –Davidson DAH

Racing bikes are represented by a 1926 Indian Hill climber, a 1929 Douglas DT/5 Speedway motorcycle, a 1934 Crocker Speedway and a 2016 Toby Price KTM Rally 450 Dakar.

The Vincent Black Lightning that Jock Ehret set the Australian land speed record of 141.5mph near Gunnedah in 1953 is displayed.

The catalogue then turns its attention to the desire and appeal of the motorcycle. There are photographs of the Vespa in Roman Holiday of 1953 and the Poster for The great Escape, 1963, showing Steve McQueen jumping over the barbed wire fence on a Triumph TR6.

There is a Britten V1000 which is the motorcycle on the cover of the museum catalogue produced for the exhibition.



There are 2 in line fours with a 1912 Henderson Four and a 1928 Indian Model 401.

Italian motorcycles are well represented with MV Augusta's, Ducati and Moto Guzzi.

The Bobby Hass and Haas Moto Museum, Dallas has provided many motorcycles to the exhibition including:

- 1903 Minerva with Mills and Fulford Forecar
- 1930 Majestic
- 1954 Gnome et Rhone
- 2019 Fuller Moto 2029



The Fuller Moto 2029 is an electric motorcycle which was created as a homage to the 1930 Majestic and matches the dimensions of the original Majestic.

This motorcycle was commissioned in 2019 by the HAAS Moto Museum and Sculpture Gallery.

Instead of traditional fabrication, Bryan Fuller has used 3D metal printing to produce "a piece of rolling art"

The final section introduces the 2019 Zoot Concept 01 and other electric motorcycles such as the Australian made 2020 Savic C-Series with 11kWh battery producing 60kW.

There are plenty more stories of wonderful motorcycles in this exhibition.

Trevor Dean

You DON'T need to replace your R1200 Starter Motor

AUS \$990.02 or the parts for Euro 16.56...?

It was on the Cumberland Highway at Smithfield NSW when while sitting in traffic (39 degrees) I turned the bike off. Traffic started to move, pushed the button and NOTHING!

Got the bike trailered home then checked;

1. Battery terminals & battery voltage - 13.4v. Then the connection to the starter motor and all were good. Had the battery Load Tested - good.
2. Removed the Starter Motor and disassembled it. Only to find two of the carbon brushes were worn noticeably more than the other two. Remove the Brush assembly from around the armature and inspected the springs in the brush holder.
3. Out came the Vernier callipers and confirmed the two "warn/cooked" brushes also had their springs cooked resulting in the springs losing their "spring".



4. So onto the web to find Brush Assembly kit part number and phone Dealers who could have one in stock.

BMW has to be joking!!!. Starter Motor, non-serviceable. Buy a new one RRP \$990.02, no way!

Maybe it could be interchangeable with another model? Back onto the web looking up model after model only to find:

BMW haven't made any serviceable

BMW OEM Part number - whole assembly		
# 12 31 7 691 956		
		Brand
Fitted to		
2005 > 2010	R1200R	Bosch
2010 > 2014	R1200R	Bosch
2010 > 2013	R1200GS	Bosch
2010 > 2013	R1200GS Adventurer	Bosch
NOT RE-REQUIRED		
2010 > 2013	R1200GS	Valeo
2010 > 2013	R1200GS Adventurer	Valeo

7. So I was on the phone to speak to Starter Motor/ Brush Kit specialist, no listing.

So BOSCH was my next target. Bosch Australia didn't have a listing for the starter motor model. So asked for an email address for someone in Germany and off went an email. 5 hours later a wonderful Fraulein from the Operation Management team replied advising that the assembly had been superseded and the new Part Number is:

BOSCH Holder, carbon brushes 1 004 336 506

8. Onto eBay and there are available and 10 days later arrived and starter motor overhauled



9. An easy task once you take the starter motor out.



- a) Remove all the screws and bolts
- b) Under the armature end cover is a locating U clip, gently pry it off. Take the end cover off the S/M body. You'll see the armature.



- c) Carefully clean in between the commutator groves [carbon build up]
- d) Position the Brush assembly, sliding the "brush position" tube out as you locate it over the commutator.



10. Re assemble greasing the end cap and U clip screw onto the end cover position and tighten long bolts (x2)

11. Test S/M operation

Earth to S/M body

Positive to copper cable nut

Wire from solenoid connection to positive will engage S/W.

WARNING: it will kick so best to secure in a vice.



12. Reassemble in your bike :)

MEET YOUR LOCAL DEALER

"ADVENTURE BIKE MIKE"

When we were kids many of us dreamed about what we wanted to do when "we grow up". Some favourites were things like; train driver, jet fighter pilot, semi-trailer driver, mountain climber or rock star. But for a lucky few, they really do land their dream job and among those are our local motorcycle dealers.

Here in Canberra, our local dealer (and I mean BMW of course) is Rolfe Classic BMW Motorrad, with the sales operation led by Sales Manager Michael (Mike) Andrews. Michael's day job involves hanging around motorbikes, talking to people about motorbikes, fettling and accessorising motorbikes, riding motorbikes and thinking about motorbikes – in Michael's case, all is BMW. So, much of his job is kind of what we try and do – but he's paid to (the lucky bugger) and gets to hang around them a lot more than we can.



Michael's had a passion for bikes from a very early age starting with a Yamaha TY 80 riding Trials with his father Ron. His first road bike was a Yamaha XT350, which inspired his liking for adventure riding which remains his favourite riding medium.

In 2012, Michael joined Rolfe as a Sales Executive which basically involves selling us motorbikes. But the process is far more complex than this crude depiction as most customers will be after technical advice, clarity on model options, pricing scales, and insights into what each bike can do and its compatibility with the individual's riding objectives and style. It's always a complicated decision for the buyer and a big part of Michael's job is to guide that decision. Note – this is not always the case; when I first set eyes on the 2017 R1200RS my reaction was simple and spontaneous – I just had to have it in my shed – no coaching required!

Michael's also pretty handy with non-motorised bicycles having earned a number of awards in elite-level mountain bike competitions. In the work space, he was the driver behind Rolfe achieving the 2019 metropolitan dealer of the year, which is not a bad result at all considering all other Australia-wide dealerships were trying hard for the same. But riding is the carrot at the end of the metaphorical stick for all this with Michael's current (and favourite) machine being an R1250 GS Adventure (a bloody big bike). His other favourites are the BMW S1000R and the S1000XR. BMWs are his passion and he has no "dream bikes" outside the BMW marque. This runs very much in the family lineage with his dad Ron having owned about 40 bikes, of which 26 were BMWs (wow)! If he had to pick a ground breaking model it would be the K1 for its futuristic design concept and performance.



You can't spend six days a week surrounded by a sparkling stable of new BMs without the need to break out and ride the talk, and in Michael's case, adventure riding is the medicine of choice. His most memorable ride was with father Ron through the Victorian High Country mainly on dirt roads and tracks with the more recent 2020 BMW Safari being a close follow-up. The safari involved a run from Batemans Bay to the Blue Mountains via the high country, again, mainly on dirt roads and tracks (I dread the thought of what tracks were involved)! Adventure riding doesn't stop with Safaris and every Friday evening this summer, Michael will lead a GS ride for customers along the Territory's adventure roads – give him a yell.

If you've got a few spare minutes drop in and have a yarn to Michael and admire the stock including the beautiful R1250RS or the sparkling new R18 (Michael has two in stock).

Rob Lovett

SOCIAL DISTANCING

The plan was to leave Canberra on the Saturday morning of the Queen's Birthday weekend and ride to Yass on my newly completed sidecar.

I met Wozz, Dave Beers and Noel McGarry at the Yass Service Centre then rode to the Bondo Forrest west of Tumut towards Wee Jasper to camp the night at the invitation only Alpine Rally.

All went well until we got into the twisties where the handling of the outfit started to change making it difficult to turn left.

Arriving at the campsite I was riding along a relatively straight dirt road at about 20-30 kmh when the thing turned right over the embankment. Failure of the sidecar suspension seems to be the probable cause.

It was at this time all the principles of social distancing came in to play as the outfit rolled and me and the bike socially distanced injuring my back.



I decided to not move and requested the lads to organise an ambulance. Turns out I broke T11 and compressed T11 and 12 vertebrae. I told the lads that I wasn't doing this stuff for fun so someone had better take some pictures. Thanks Jason. I was transported to Canberra hospital into a nice warm bed, high on drugs while being attended to by beautiful women while the other lads camped out in minus 5.

But that's not the story. The real story is the support I received from the motorcycling community. There was a nurse in the group and she gave me the once over. Others hopped in and kept me warm until the Ambulance arrived and helped the Ambo's get me up the embankment. They looked after my camping gear and rolled the outfit back over and got it ready for a tow truck Noel had ridden into Tumut to organise.

In hospital on Sunday the rules were one visitor at a time but a footy team turned up to see how I was travelling (got my wrist slapped by the nurses)

I was in hospital until Wednesday morning then on Friday a young woman from Tumut Valley Riders turned up at my home with all my personal possessions and camping gear. Wozz and Dave Ramsay drove over to Tumut and picked up the outfit and delivered it to my home as well.

I've received countless phone calls, messages and home visits to see how the poor old 71 year old bounced. I'm travelling well just a bit stiff and sore. Went for my first ride nine weeks after the accident.

Thank you to everyone for the well wishes and for your support. Well done.

Scarfey

Camping Weekend by the Peel River

February 26,27 &28, -2021

BMW Touring Club of NSW are having a camping weekend by the Banks of the Beautiful Peel River at Piallamore.

(Between Tamworth & Dungowan)

Friday Arrive & Set Up - Dinner @ The Dungowan Hotel (Courtesy Bus)

Followed By a Few Ales / Red Wines around a Camp Fire

Saturday - Sealed Tour Ride of the New England Approx. 450km – Route by Garry McCarthy

Off Road/Dirt Ride for the more adventurerist - Route by Trevor Hooker

Saturday Night- BBQ around the Fire

Sunday – Head Home or wherever your Bike may take you !!!

RSVP Feb 19 2021 – Stuart - 0427 767129

Breakfast, Sat and Sun and Dinner Sat Night Provided (Cost TBA)

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5th-6th December

Hunter Regional Christmas Party

5th-6th December

**ACT and Southern Region
Christmas party**

12th-1st December

**Sydney and Central West
Christmas Party**

31st Dec – 1st Jan

New Years Gathering (Wee Jasper)

17th Jan

Picnic @ Poveys

23rd Jan

KRR Recon run