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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

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



Ride & Events Calendar

Past Events February			
	Cold Flame Rally, Classic Ride Day.		
April	Events	Contacts	Points
Sat 6th	NSW/ACT BMW Clubs Joint Run. THIS RUN HAS BEEN CANCELLED.	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	10
Thur 11th	South Coast Social Sip; 2nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road, North Nowra at 6pm South.	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	2
13th -14th	DR Muster, Bigga NSW		10
	Weekend ride to Bundarra, 70 KM west of Uralla, The pub looks after us I think it is about \$30.00 twin room bed includes Breakfast. (02)6723 7106	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	10
	Inverell Motorcycle Restorers Club Inc. 27th Annual Rally.	Mick 0447 522 357	10
	Victorian Outfit Rally, At Carter's Beach (Ulupna Island) on the Murray River near Strathmerton. .		
Wed 24th	Club Meeting 7:30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Please join us for dinner before the meeting at Toongabbie Hotel from 6:00pm.	Jason Boyd 0412 858 880	4/6*
Thur 25th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 6.00PM (last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	2
26th - 28th	32nd Autumn leaf rally, Tumorrana Hall about 35KM East of Tumut on Wee Jasper Road.		10
May	Events	Contacts	Points
Thur 9th	South Coast Social Sip; 2nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road, North Nowra at 6pm South.	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	2
10th - 12th	30th Loaded Dog Rally; Tarago Showground - (grass, fire wood, showers and toilets) Tarago Showgrounds, Braidwood Rd, Tarago, NSW		10
19th	Henning's Lunch time BBQ. Baxter Park, 71 Marine Pde, Nord's Wharf.	Henning 0457 034 488	6
25th -26th	Mudgee Shooting weekend, Windamere Regional Shooting Complex.	Mick Moriarty	6
Wed 29th	Club Meeting 7:30pm. Last Wednesday of the month. Please join us for dinner before the meeting at Toongabbie Hotel from 6:00pm.	Jason Boyd 0412 858 880	4/6*
Thur 30th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 6.00PM (last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	2
June	Event	Contacts	Points
8th - 10th	50th Alpine Rally, Yarrangabilly Camp Ground.	Henning 0457 034 488	10
Thur 13th	South Coast Social Sip; 2nd Thursday of the month & the location is The North Nowra Tavern 182 Illaroo Road, North Nowra at 6pm South.	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	2
21st -23rd	Casper Rally, Bummaroo camp ground; Abercrombie River 28 Kms north of Taralga.	Andy 02 4422 3096 or Dieter 0417 616 199	10
Wed 26th	Club Meeting 7:30pm. AGM to be held after regular meeting. Last Wednesday of the month. Please join us for dinner before the meeting at Toongabbie Hotel from 6:00pm.	Jason Boyd 0412 858 880	4/6*
Thur 27th	Hunter Social Sip: Dinner meeting at Hexham Mossie Club (Bowling Club) Drinks from 6.00PM (last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	2

Newly & updated items are highlighted Yellow.

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)



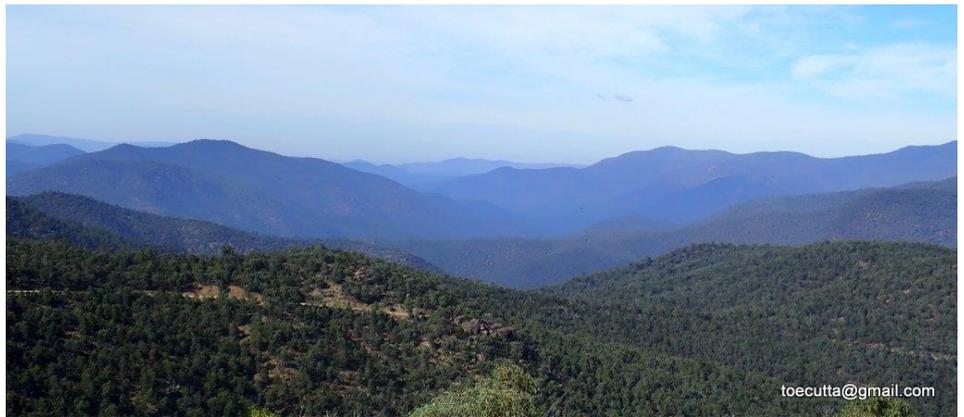
President's Report

Autumn is here and peak riding season is about to start! If you haven't already done it, it's time to get your bike serviced, some new tyres fitted and swap over your summer sleeping bag for the winter one! While on the topic of what gear to take on a rally, a few potential new members have asked recently what is the right bike and gear to take away on a ride? My normal response is what ever you currently own will do. You can refine it along the way by watching and talking to others in the club. Education by watching and experiencing how the old hands do things is just one of the advantages of being a "real" member rather than a

Facebook want-a-be. However this can be a hurdle for some when taking first steps, so AlexSJ and I are going to put together a "noob gear guide for noobs" over the next few weeks / month. Don't be surprised if you get asked to help and contribute.

Something else I have started putting feelers out for is **basic training on how to use the GPS navigators** on the later BMW model bikes. It seems a lot of owners don't really know how to use these devices for tracks / routes and general mapping. If you have a new BMW with a Nav 5/6, and may be interested in an afternoon of training, let me know and we can work on pulling this together and setting some dates.

Earlier this month I travelled with a small group to the **Cold Flame** (hosted by the Monarchs). We followed the coast to Narooma where we overnighed in a state forest rest area... earplugs are your friend! The next morning we continued across to Bomballa, over the border into Mexico and over to Tubbutt. From there we followed some amazing dirt roads at a leisurely pace to accommodate new riders. A quick photo or two at Mackillop Bridge, then worked north towards Suggan Buggan and the final



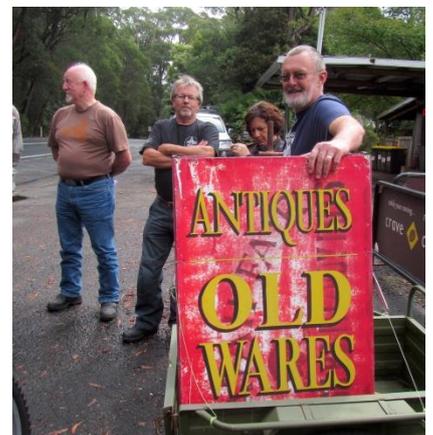
Cold Flame - Who wouldn't want to ride magnificent country like this?

rally site at the **Pinch River Campground on the Barry Way**. The scenery down this way is always mind blowingly beautiful. A slow Sunday morning pack saw us heading back to Jindabyne for fuel, then to Cooma, Snowball and Braidwood for a late lunch. We continued on backroads then finally slab to cap off another great weekend. I have since received an email from the Monarchs thanking the Touring Club for our solid attendance and for the additional donations made. Lee has advised that that as a result of the successful rally, they "are able to donate \$1500.00 to a men's mental health charity, possibly "Dad's in Distress". Well done ladies and gentlemen who attended.



Alex finishing his signature breakfast dish – oats!

Kangaroo Valley Classic Ride - The rain sorted the men (and women) from the kiddies. A damp start to the day at the main meeting point only saw a dozen or so bikes in attendance. However, over the day numbers increased with members joining from all over, including our cousins from the ACT BMW club. In the end we had over 25 bikes in attendance at Grandpas' Shed for the awards. Thank you all for your attendance to this event. Thank you to **Trevor Dean** for providing the raw materials used to make these trophies, and an extra special thank you to **Woz** for making these trophies, at short notice, to a standard way beyond what was expected. To those that didn't make it or feel they were robbed by not winning, fear not! I already am hearing mumblings of another one of these potentially happening in a few months in a more northerly direction... stay tuned!



Grandpa's Place – how appropriate

As always keep an eye on the calendar as there are a number of good rides coming up

Remember this is YOUR club and it is only as strong as the membership

Cheers,

Jason

President, BMWTCNSW

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KVC Awards

Oldest Combined Bike, Rider and Pillion



Trevor Dean and his "concours" (or it was before the ride) 1939 R12 took out 1st place with 143 years, and Dave & Adeline Povey in 2nd position at 136 years

Youngest Combined Bike, Rider and Pillion



Giuseppe Tamborrino won at 76 years, with Scott Butler in 2nd position at 84. Interesting if Paul had stayed he would of went close with this award

Best BMW



Trevor Dean won this category hands down easily with an almost unanimous decision

Best "Other..."



Mal Cattermole won this hotly contended price with a 6 way draw, decided by a lucky number draw decision ☺

Rattiest Reliable Rider



Frank Millwood from the visiting ACT Club won this with his teal Airhead, complete with bicycle odometer fitted where the speedo should be

Best "Custom" (significantly not stock, mix-n-match)



Warren Woz Buffet with his award winning, OCR slaying, Airhead with period correct front end and modified... well... everything... built not bought!

Scavenger Winner



Scott Butler won this hotly contended and competitively challenged award with the "most correct" answers on the day

Errol Flynn Award of the day



The inaugural winner of the Errol Flynn Award went to Giuseppe who arrived a day early to Kangaroo Valley, then at 5PM started ringing around asking where everyone was? Even if it was the right day, he was 6 hours late. Others of notable mention were myself for advising a plaque in the scavenger hunt was on the western side of the Hampton bridge when it was actually on the eastern side. Garry Smee from the ACT group, but no supporting story??? And Paul Evans, nominated anonymously by a member named W?z, because he is just a big...

BMWTCNSW Club Meeting

General Meeting Minutes - 27 February 2019

Chairperson – Jason Boyd.

Meeting Opened – 7.40 pm.

Apologies – Nil.

Visitors – Nil.

New Members – Nil.

Previous Minutes – The Minutes of January 2019 Meeting were tabled.

- Acc-Mal Cattermole.
- Sec-Al Pennykid.

Correspondence –

- Westpac statements x 2.
- Cumberland Council statement for room hire.
- Invitation from BMW Owners Club of South Australia to attend Pelikan Rally 2019 on 17/19 May at Camp Kedron, Lake Bonney, Barmera SA.
- Hunter Valley Steamfest Show 'n' Shine at Maitland Park on 14 April 2019.
- 1 x membership renewal.

President's Report –

- Jason reported on a good Karuah River Rally 2019 with great weather and good roads in.
- He noted that this part of the year is busy with many rides and rallies in the offing.
- Members wishing to organise a ride or other event should talk to Jason regarding funding.
- Jason noted the Classic Ride to Kangaroo Valley to be held come rain or shine on 16 March.

Vice President's Report –

- Dave drew members' attention to the Shooting Weekend. Those interested need to contact Mick Moriarty.
- Dave suggested it might be appropriate to schedule 3 country meetings per year if suitable dates can be found.

Secretary's Report –

- John advised that he was continuing to investigate alternative Public Liability insurance for the Club.
- John advised that invoices have been sent out to Newsletter advertisers.

Treasurer's Report –

- Reserve Acc \$29,169.14.
- Cheque Acc \$1,754.19.
- Alison advised that the Hall booking for the monthly meetings for 2019 had been made and paid for.
- Alison advised a profit of \$664 for the 2018 Far Cairn Rally.

Membership Secretary –

- Marie advised 3 new members this month as well as 2 late renewals.

Editor –

- Al advised that there were not as many KRR reports submitted as he had expected.
- Photos of the KRR have been lifted from the FaceBook page for use in the Newsletter.
- Brisans have indicated that they are going to update their Newsletter advertising artwork.
- The BMW UK Journal had been received and will be uploaded to the Yahoo Groups.
- Al requested more Newsletter articles please.

Public Officer

- No report.

Regalia –

- Woz reported 3 towels sold at the KRR.
- Following investigation Woz reported only 4 letter rear numberplate surrounds are available. New orders need to be over 1000 items which is not practical. Woz to investigate further.

Assets & Archives –

- Mal reported no decals on Club trailer yet.

Clubs Australia –

- Trevor noted that he had put Public Liability insurance on the CA Meeting agenda for April.

Webmaster –

- No report.

MCC –

- The meeting was advised that the MCC is meeting with the State Insurance Regulatory Authority (SIRA) to review ongoing CTP medical, care and support for riders.
- MCC carrying out a study on tactile lane marking. Feedback requested from the Committee on the lane marking proposal.

Past Events –

- 8-10 Feb – Karuah River Rally – Frying Pan Creek, Chichester State Forest, Dungog. Bob Whitehead related a long and very sad story about how he didn't make the KRR. Seems he blew a hole in a piston due to incorrect jetting. The moral of the story being, don't make changes to a bike prior to a long trip?

Coming Events –

- Al Pennykid noted that he has published a 2019 calendar of events in the March 2019 Newsletter.
- 8-10 March – Cold Flame Rally, Pinch River Camp Ground, off Barry Way.
- 16 March – Classic Day Ride, Kangaroo Valley.

General Business –

- Rob Edgar noted that he attended the Inverell Restorers Club Rally.
- Bob Madell tabled a jump starter that he offered for sale to Club members for \$100.
- It was suggested that the KRR and FCR could be advertised at other events such as Eastern Creek Vintage Racing, Gloucester Motorcycle Expo and other Rallies.
- Further discussion was held regarding the purchase of a defibrillator by the Club. There was concern raised regarding the Club's liability if a problem occurred using a Club owned defibrillator. A motion to not proceed with the purchase was put by Bob Whitehead and seconded by Warren Buffett. The motion was carried unanimously.
- Bob Madell suggested members check to see whether of their motor vehicles were the subject of the faulty airbag recall.
- Woz advised that he has 2 tank fuel hose kits for R1150s available for sale for \$35 each.
- Those interest contact Warren Buffett.

Meeting Closed: 8.55 pm.

Editors Report



Kangaroo Valley Classic Ride

Welcome to the April newsletter. In the last newsletter, the Office Bearers page had some errors, I'm sorry about that. I was making some alterations to bring the page up to date with information; I started with an older file without noticing, bringing Chuck back as President! It should be fine now. I've had a relatively quiet month in the editors desk, the major club event in the last month being the inaugural Classic bike run to Kangaroo Valley, I couldn't be there but it looks like it was a very successful event. If you do have any ideas for an event please run it past the Vice President or Pres, they'll be glad to discuss it. More input makes the job easier and the ride calendar more interesting. As usual I'm looking for content for the newsletter, don't be shy about it. All I need is the words and any accompanying pics etc, let me look after the rest. .DOC, .PUB, PDF, .TXT, scraps of paper, velum scrolls—any format will be fine. Cartoons if you are gifted in that department even. I'm always looking for a good picture for the cover. By good I mean a clear and clean image, could be a BMW motorcycle, could be a group of our members at an interesting location or event. I prefer a clean, uncluttered background as it doesn't distract from the topic. For me, Landscape or Square is better than Portrait but a bit of cropping can do wonders. The deadline for submissions for the next newsletter is Easter Sunday (21/4/19). I will be away over Easter so if your send me something and there's no response that would be the reason.

Heading to the Classic plate run at Kangaroo valley and the weather did not look like it was going to be nice. While putting my gear on I pull on my Aldi socks the ones that have an L and an R on them to help wearers know which way to look. I never look at the ends of the socks, just pull them on and always seem to get the L on the right foot and the R on the left foot. Same today so nothing unusual it is a normal start to a ride. I left Newcastle Friday arvo about noon going via Sydney to visit a brother and then stopping at Helensburgh for the night. Stayed at the pub and when I got there it was happy hour and only \$3.40 a schooner. I got the gear off the bike as quick as possible and got in a couple of quick schooners of Resches. Next thing one of my cousins walks in and found out he only lives a few doors up from the pub. Of course we have a few drinks together over a counter meal before he heads off as he had to work in the morning.

Saturday morning and its pouring rain so I check the weather and it said it was clearing so I waited and it did ease so started to get ready to go. Pulled on my socks and to my horror I had them on the correct feet and thought something is not right here. Next minute the smoke alarms go off in the pub. Everyone running around looking for fire it turns out to be a lady in the room next to me using a hair drier. I pack the bike and head off for a look at Stanwell Tops (*see*



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the cover picture—Ed) before heading south planning on having breakfast at Kiama Lighthouse Kiosk. I got through Wollongong in a light drizzle which was OK for riding in. Then not far before Dapto the heavens opened. It was that heavy I could not see more than 50 metres. I saw the shape of a bridge coming up so I pulled up under it. Luckily it had a wide breakdown lane and I could get away from the driving lanes. I waited about 10 mins before it eased and I could head off. Just up the road I came onto a 2 lane carpark, both lanes stationary so I filter up the middle as far as I could, about 2 or 3 km. I could not tell as my speedo had sucked in half of the rain I had been riding in and my trip meter had stopped and I could not read the rest of the speedo. I could make out enough to keep to the speed limit though.



Got to the Kiama Lighthouse and the kiosk was closed as the weather had been so bad earlier they had decided to shut up for the day. The young lady steered me back to the main street to the numerous coffee shops etc there. I got going again down to Nowra via Gerringong and all the weather was clearing up as was a pleasant ride. I caught up with a mate in Nth Nowra and then headed towards Kangaroo Valley. Caught up with Gary Smee and a group from ACT as I fuelled up before heading to Kangaroo Valley Pub and the Classic plate run. Lots of bikes and riders I knew arrived before we headed up to Fitzroy Falls for the final meeting place. It was a good roll up and I totally enjoyed seeing the others that came.

I had to take off before the presentations as I was heading

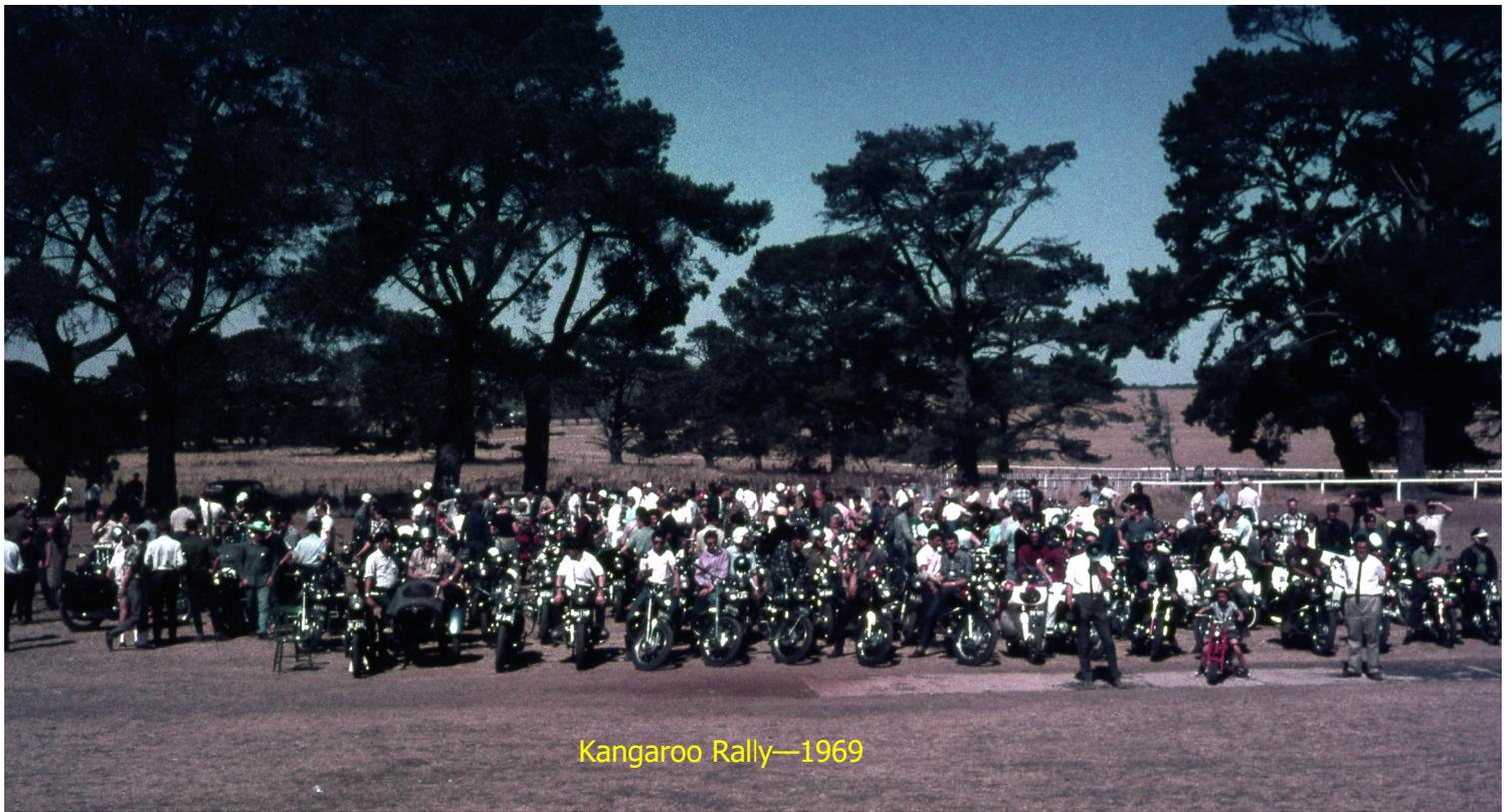


back to Newcastle. Took off to Mittagong and then up the freeway to Liverpool and across the back of Sydney to Wahroonga and off up the freeway home. I was actually starting to dry out with the constant speeds but I got to about 20kms before home and it bucketed down on me so when I got home I was drenched again.

I will now make sure I wear the Aldi socks on the incorrect designated foot from now on if this ride is what happens if you wear them on the correct feet! It was a great ride though. The variety of weather is a part of motorcycling as well as the meeting up of other like minded people. All in all a great run.

Morro





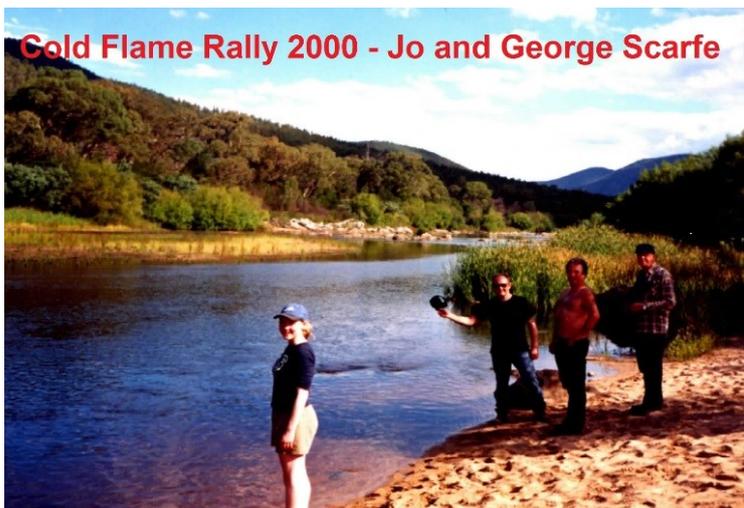
Kangaroo Rally—1969

COLD FLAME 2019

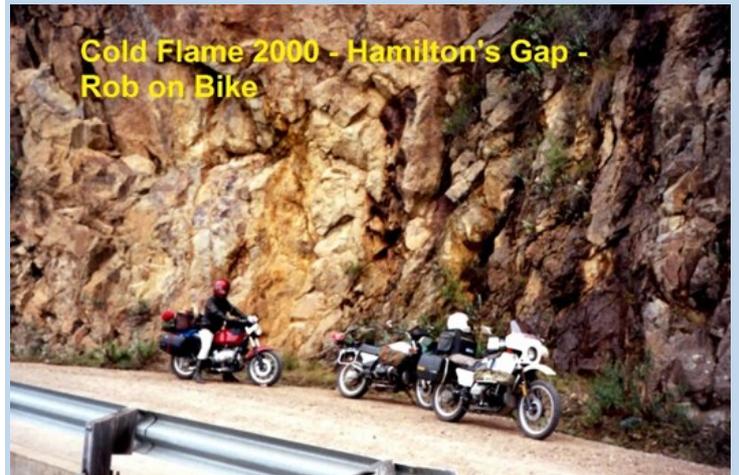
We all say “time flies when you are having fun” and of course, this is painfully obvious. The other day, when packing for this year’s Cold Flame, I looked at the door of my rally cupboard and was reminded of my first of these rallies in March 2000. I was inspired by my mate Alex Leitch to have a go at this one and it sounded and felt very mysterious at the time. It involved a steep descent off the Jindabyne high country down into a valley carved open by what would have been the original (and massive) Snowy River. That was in 2000. I’ve done another 19 consecutive Cold Flames since and they have all been absolutely magic (except for the muddy one).

I hope that in the next issue, I’ll be able to detail the foundations of this great rally including the experiences of its founders. In the meantime, have a serious think about doing one - it’s only as difficult as you want it to be. The following pics are memories of the 2000 Cold Flame.

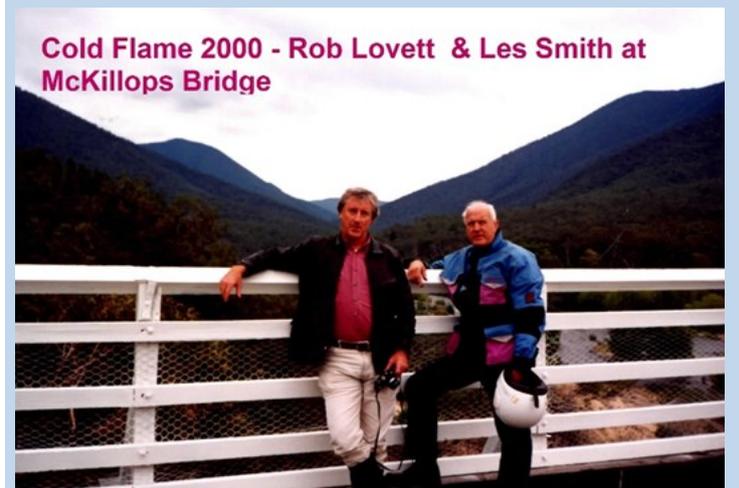
Rob Lovett



Cold Flame Rally 2000 - Jo and George Scarfe



Cold Flame 2000 - Hamilton's Gap - Rob on Bike



Cold Flame 2000 - Rob Lovett & Les Smith at McKillops Bridge



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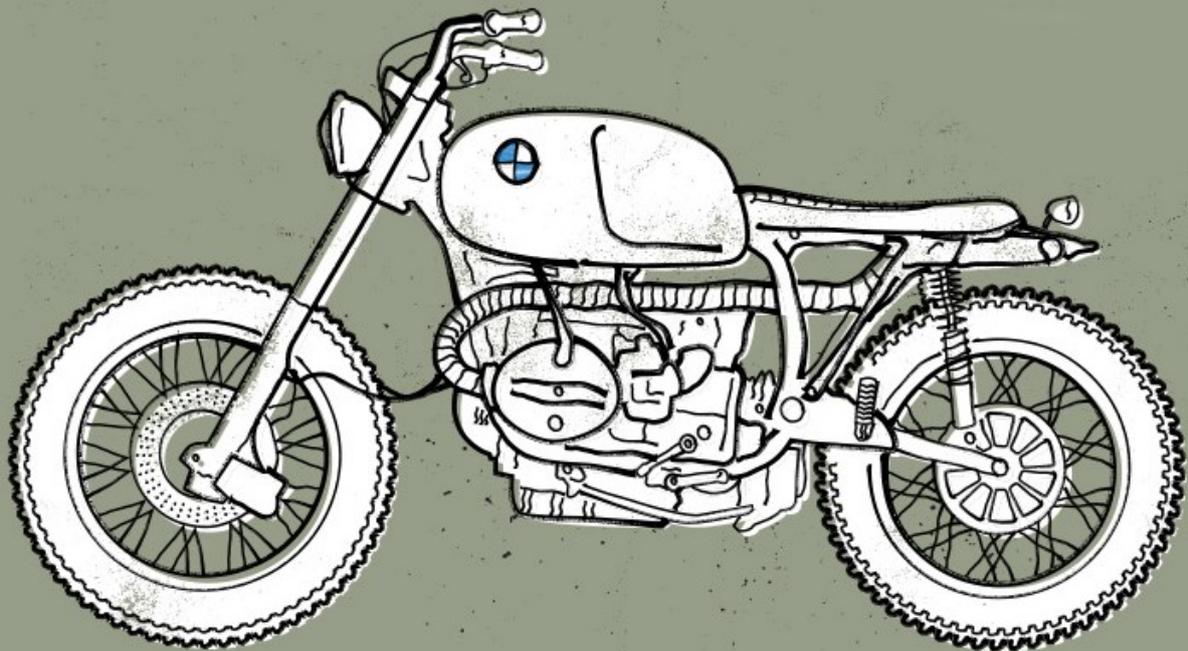
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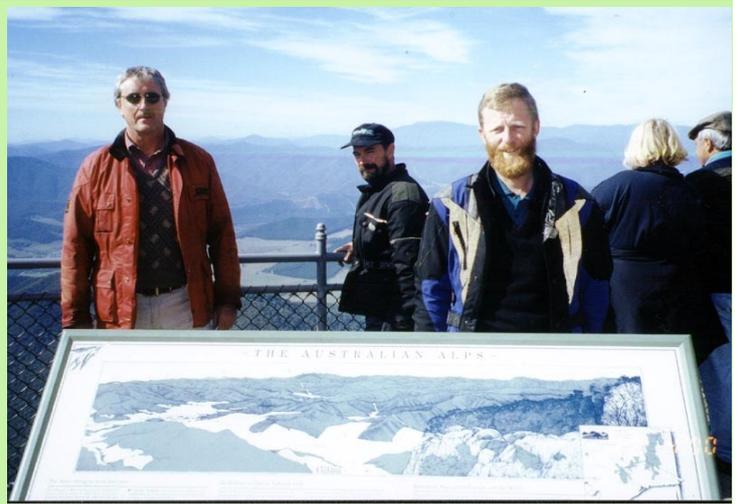
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Welcome to the new members:

- Craig Hopfe (Toongabbie)
- Campbell Mason (Killarney Heights)
- Raymond Roumanus (Strathfield)



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13th-14th April	Inverell Restorers rally
13th-14th April	Outfit Rally (Vic)
26th-28th April	Autumn Leaf Rally
10th-12th May	Loaded Dog Rally
19th May	Hennings BBQ
25th-26th May	Mudgee Target Shooting weekend