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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 April			
	DR Muster, Bundarra weekend, Inverell Restorers Rally & Vic Outfit Rally.		
May	Events	Contacts	Points
Thur 9 th	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
10 th - 12 th	30th Loaded Dog Rally; Tarago Showground - (grass, fire wood, showers and toilets) Tarago Showgrounds, Braidwood Rd, Tarago, NSW		10
19 th	Henning's Lunch time BBQ. Baxter Park, 71 Marine Pde, Nord's Wharf.	Henning 0457 034 488	6
25 th -26 th	Mudgee Shooting weekend, Windamere Regional Shooting Complex. See joining details in this mag (May 19)	Mick Moriarty	6
Wed 29 th	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 30 th	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
8 th - 10 th	50th Alpine Rally, Yarrangabilly Camp Ground.	Henning 0457 034 488	10
Thur 13 th	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
21 st -23 rd	Casper Rally, Bummaroo camp ground; Abercrombie River 28 Kms north of Taralga.	Andy 02 4422 3096 or Dieter 0417 616 199	10
Wed 26 th	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 27 th	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
Sun 30 th	New Members ride: BBQ Lunch at Mt Wilson, Meet at McDonalds Eastern Ck (Westbound), leaving at 10am.	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	6
July	Event	Contacts	Points
Thur 11 th	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
12 th -14 th	Winter Rally, 4 km south of Nerriga NSW on the Braidwood rd.		10
Sat. 20 th	Awards Night, TBC Ideas for location please.	Dave 0401 444 567	
Thur-25 th	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
26 th -28 th	Hat Rally, Araluen 3km from Pub on Majors Creek rd.		10
Wed 31 st	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*

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)

BMWTCNSW Club Meeting Minutes

27 March 2019

Chairperson – Jason Boyd

Meeting Opened – 7.35 pm.

Apologies – Paul Evans, John Prior, Mark Donaldson.

Visitors – Nil.

New Members– Nil.

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

- Acc- Al Peters.
- Sec- Bob Madell.

Correspondence –

- Westpac statements x 2.
- PO Box lease renewal notice.
- City Coast Motorcycles payment for Newsletter advert.
- BMW Owners Club SA Pelikan Rally Flyers.

President's Report –

- See Newsletter.

Vice President's Report –

- Dave Beers requested that members write legibly in the meeting attendance register so that their points can be correctly awarded.
- Dave advised the NSW/ACT BMW Clubs Joint Run to Mallacoota on 6 April has been cancelled.

Secretary's Report –

- John Rayner noted that he is continuing to follow up on Public Liability Insurance for the Club.

Treasurer's Report –

- Reserve Acc \$29,178.09
- Cheque Acc \$6,979.04.
- Alison Ashby noted that the PO Box leased is to be paid.
- Payments for Newsletter ads are being received.
- KRR accounts are available for interested members.

Membership Secretary –

- 3 new members this month.

Editor –

- Al Pennykid noted that City Coast Motorcycles are updating their Newsletter ad and that Brisans will do the same next month.

Public Officer

- No report.

Regalia –

- No report.

Assets & Archives –

- No report.

Clubs Australia –

- Assistance from BMW Group is being queried.

Webmaster –

- No report.

MCC –

- MCC is negotiating with a road services group to provide roadside assistance for MCC members. \$49/pa for 2 call outs and \$99/pa for unlimited call outs.

Past Events –

- 8/10 March – Cold Flame Rally. Top rally. Well attended.
- 16 March Classic Ride to Kangaroo Valley. Well organised. Thanks to Warren Buffett for the trophies. Next ride to be organised by Mal Cattermole.

Coming Events –

- 13/14 April – Weekend Ride to Bundarra.
- 13/14 April – Inverell Motorcycle Restorers Club Inc. 27th Annual Rally.
- 13/14 April – Victorian Outfit Rally.
- 26/28 April – Autumn Leaf Rally.

General Business –

- Prior to the meeting Ken Lovegrove gave a short presentation on the current status of the work of MARI and Dr Wings.
- It was noted the following Committee positions will be vacate in July:
General secretary.
Webmaster.
- Business cards. Jason advised that he has obtained prices for Club business cards for members should they need to give to potential members. A motion to purchase was put by Bob Madell, seconded by John Rayner. Motion carried.
- It was noted that the same printing technology is available for the production of membership cards.
- MARI – It was confirmed by a motion, that all profits from the FCR to be donated to MARI.
- Soar and Roar – Ken Lovegrove advised that the Soar and Roar Festival is to be held at Sydney Motor Sport Park on 8 December, and encouraged the Club to have a stand.
- Newsletter content – It was proposed that to encourage article for the Newsletter that a prize of one year's free membership be awarded for the best Newsletter article every six months.
- Motion put by Bob Madell, seconded by John Rayner. Motion carried.
- Club Tools List – Jason suggested that the Club Tools List be published in the Newsletter so that members are aware what is available.
- Projector and Screen – it was proposed that the Club projector and screen be set up prior to each monthly meeting to enable members to show photos of recent rides/adventures. Bob Madell undertook to set up the projector and Michael Sarah the screen.
- It was noted that Club membership is up to 280, but many Historic Plate members are not active in the Club. It was suggested that a full calendar of events such as 2 day rides, one weekend pub ride and one rally per month be in the Calendar.
- Dave Beers is looking at the possibility of holding three country per year.
- It was noted that the BMW NZ National Rally and AGM to be held on 24/27 January 2020 at Marlborough Convention Centre, 42a Alfred Street, Blenheim NZ.

Meeting Closed: 9.15 pm.



President's Report

A short cycle between reports this month so straight into it!

Last month I asked for feedback from members that might be interested in some **basic training on how to use your Navigator V / VI GPS** on late model bikes. As there will be some organising to make this happen I need feedback from members before I start pulling this together. To date I have only had feedback from one member. **If you would like for me to chase this down you need to let me know in advance of the event being organised.**

We have had a few well attended events over the last two weeks north, south and west! Unfortunately due to circumstance I wasn't able to attend any of them (Grrr...) but do intend to be making up for that shortly.

From the feedback that I have received the DR Muster at Bigga was a cracker of a night with a number of members in attendance. I'm told things went well for George's road testing of his next OCR steed, and there was a near miss for Dave playing Kangaroo Dodgems with the optional butt-puckering track maintenance option being invoked. Field repairs were effected and all got home under their own steam.



I have also seen a few pics of the usual suspects at the Bundarra Pub stay and look forward to hearing more about the ride.

I haven't heard too much from Pauls road-trip down to Tassie with Dave Case and Alex, but apparently they all had a tyre shredding time!!!

Before the last monthly club meeting we had a separate Committee Meeting. Following is a summary brain dump of the discussions / actions and outcomes from that meeting:



Committee positions for next year – A reminder to current and prospective committee members that elections will occur in June. If you would like to put your name down for the vote for a committee position please let us know in advance.

Card Printer - Last year we costed a dedicated card printer and card stock for the club. This approach would allow us to print to plastic card stock. This was approved by the committee and was put to the membership where it was agreed we should proceed. The club will be using this to print a small number of contact cards for committee members at rallies and events to give to prospective new members. The committee will draft a guideline on the cards usage so we don't incur excessive costs. We will also be using the printer to create a credit card sized membership card. Printing the cards in this manner will result in a cheaper cost per card (based on inkjet and laminating costs) and make the process simpler.

Newsletter Content – In an attempt to increase membership contribution to the monthly newsletter, the best article written every six months will win a free club membership for the following year.

Club Tools – in the next newsletter we hope to publish an updated list of tools that members can get access to as a loan. Stay tuned!

Planning Ahead: Awards Night, Far Cairn, and Christmas Party – The Awards Night will be a little later than usual this year to fit in with other events (look to the calendar for dates). The venue is yet to be locked down. We have also started taking suggestions for the Christmas Party. If you have any venue suggestions for either the Awards Night or the Christmas Party please let the committee know. In the lead up to the Far Cairn Rally we will again be doing a pamphlet drop at dealerships and other locations. When we get closer if you can assist with distributing these please let us know (there will be a post in a future newsletter asking for help)

Make Meetings more interesting – at future meetings, when recapping Past Events rather than just a round table discussion, we will be showing a slideshow of photos from the events. At each meeting we have a **Screen "Executive"** and a **Data Projector "Technician"** identified that will set each up before the meeting. The images will come from "volunteers" attending events recapped in the future events section. Don't feel nervous, the pics don't have to be Nat Geo quality. If you go to a rally, take your camera / phone with you and grab some drunken shots, or scenic byways or... whatever. We are looking for a giggle and a back story. It will only be as serious as you want to make it. If the images could be sent to myself or Alan Pennykid **BEFORE** the monthly meeting this would be great.

We had a guest speaker Ken Lovegrove who recaped the good work being done by DR WINGS and MARI. During the meeting he handed out some business / information cards. He asked that we all carry one in our wallet and if we meet a rider needing assistance, give them the card so they can contact Ken and his support base. Ken also advised us that he is involved with the Soar and Roar initiative in December. Details on this can be found in this newsletter. Please assist if you have the time available.



Anyway I think that's enough ramblings again!

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

Cheers,

Jason

President, BMWTCNSW

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Editors Report



Welcome to the **May** newsletter. Putting this one together is a bit of a rush on the Tuesday afternoon before the meeting as Marie and I have just spent the weekend since Thursday enjoying ourselves at the National Folk Festival at EPIC in Canberra and have just got home. Also there aren't many submissions so it should be an easy job :)

We're heading towards the AGM in June so this newsletter has a nomination form allowing you to nominate either yourself or another member for a position on the committee for 2019/2020. Any member nominated has to agree to the nomination and sign the form for the nomination to be accepted. There are a couple of positions to fill, most of the existing committee has expressed a willingness to stay but this doesn't mean that you shouldn't nominate. Next month I'll be including a Voting Proxy form so that you can get someone to vote in your place if you are unable to attend the AGM. New faces on the committee are always welcome, they bring new ideas and help to refresh whats going on.

The deadline for next months magazine is COB 24/5/19 to be distributed at the meeting 29/5/19. Anything received for the newsletter after the deadline will be rejected unless arrangement have been made to hold space.

BMWTCNSW Camping and Target Shooting Weekend

This popular annual event will be held at the SSAA Mudgee and Districts Shooting Complex on Saturday and Sunday 25th and 26th May. All activities including camping will be held on site.

<http://www.ssaamudgee.com.au/>

There is an aerial photo on their home page and we will be using Range 1, which is on the right. The campsite is on the flat on the RHS of the track as you approach the Range 1 Building. Please report in when you arrive.

There is a caravan park a short distance down the road:

<https://www.facebook.com/WindermereDam?ref=stream>

Here is a link showing map and GPS coordinates, etc.

http://www.gps-data-team.info/whereis/Cudgegong_Waters_Caravan_Park



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If you cannot answer no to all questions in the Personal History section, you will not be allowed to handle firearms or shoot. Check first and save embarrassment at the range. This is not negotiable. Photo ID is also a requirement.

Costs: There is a \$15 range fee, which covers camping, hot showers, Sunday Sausage Sizzle lunch, etc. This charge applies to all attendees.

The shoot will cost \$40 per head (not applicable to spectators). This covers ammunition, gun powder, caps and balls, etc.

Catering for Saturday night and Sunday morning is available at \$10 a head. I will providing BMWTC members with dinner, but all attendees share their various dishes, so you will be eating a range of tucker! ALDI cask red Wine and cheap Port will be supplied free also

Brekkie will be a basic cereals, juice, orange and a bacon and egg roll.

I am happy to stop at Dan Murphys with your booze orders on the way, please ring or email me with your requirements.

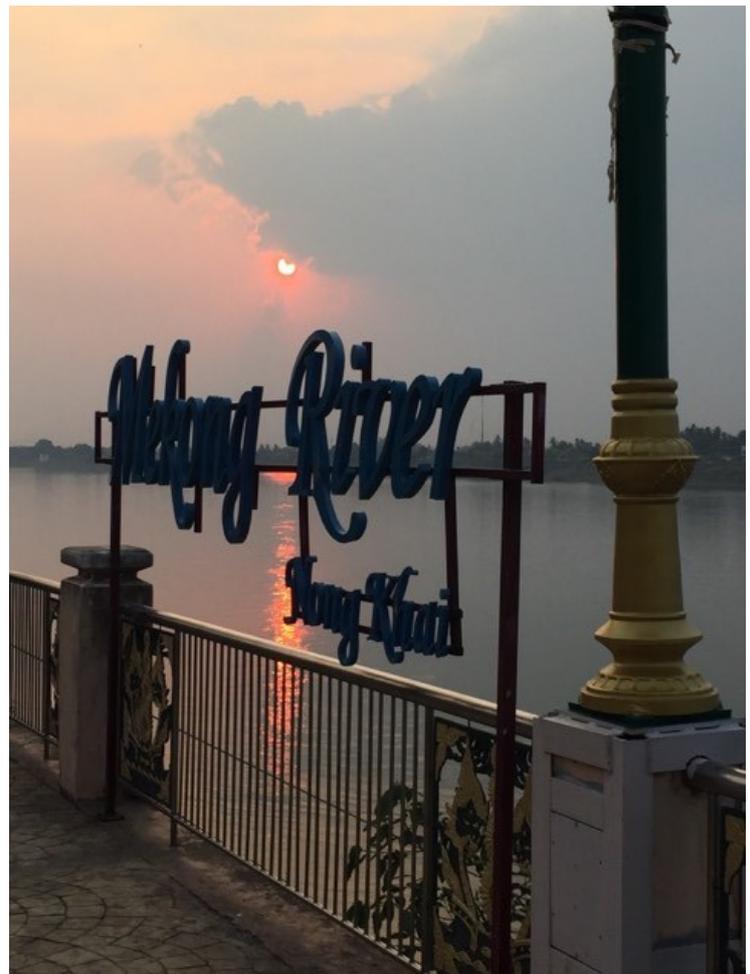
I think I have covered everything, please contact me if you have any queries.

It would be appreciated if attendees can take photos, videos for the club nag and website. I am too busy to scratch my arse on these weekends and apart from a couple of photos of Kenny in an Ivan Milat pose, we have never had any photos or vids. I ask this every year and we are still photo poor. It would be nice to do an article for the Newsletter.

Queries to Mick Moriarty,
0427018715 / 02) 63321516

News from Henning in Vietnam!

I'm back in Laos delivering some medical items to hospitals & clinics as well as clothes & toys to Phonsona, a village that I spent some in during 2010-11, about 160kms northeast of Luang Prabang.



I met these 2 chaps from Vietnam on this bike on a tour of Vietnam, Laos, Thailand, Myanmar, Cambodia, Tibet & back to Vietnam.

Yep there's the 2 of them & their camping gear, etc. Happy Happy Happy.

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economy.

We think that we challenge ourselves with the OCR!!

It's now 40 degrees in Vientiane 🤦🏻

Cheers
Henning

I NSANITY

Two centuries ago, the pushbike, although in very much different shape than today's enjoyed a following among the children, star-crossed lovers and adventurous middle aged. Friends would gather at pre-designated places and go for a ride. Come lunchtime, picnic baskets would come out, a hearty meal consumed and after a game or a stroll, would return home and look forward to the following weeks' outing. Some of those present also used their bikes to go to work. This was ideal transportation being both very cheap to run and easy to maintain.

It wasn't long however, before the then new contraption called the internal-combustion engine came on the scene and soon found itself being shoe-horned into a bikes frame. The rider now devoid of sweat and the huffing and puffing saw the advantages this offered. From then on he never looked back and the bike soon gained a bigger following. As time passed, different manufacturers were formed and the motor-bicycle soon established itself alongside the motorcar. Like the motorcar, the motor-bicycle improved and soon diversified into different roles and functions. Sporting, commuters and racing models were to be seen.

After World War I, the motorbike having now lost its motor-bicycle tag gained a larger following. After World War II there was, once again, a need for these models and, where before the bike was produced in England, America, Italy and Germany, a new force came from the oriental country of



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Japan. Here, the motorbike flourished and soon flooded the markets of the world. Since, as mentioned the motorbike diversified into special categories, I would like to bring to light the behavioural pattern of those people who today use the bike in all its roles. Let's start off with the learner; after all, he must pass this stage before venturing further on.

THE LEARNER

The learner is the most courteous road user around, for the first few weeks anyway. Once he has partially mastered his bike he is seen travelling with helmet undone, no gloves and wearing sneakers or desert boots. With his jacket unzipped he practices wheel stands, abrupt lane changing and brake skids. He can also be observed chatting the sixteen year olds, a cigarette in one hand and a can of soft drink in the other hand, outside the local milk bar. If he does manage to survive his first year, he'll trade his now much abused hack for the latest super bike and start chatting the eighteen year olds.

THE COMMUTER

The briefcase always gives him away, usually being glued, sticky taped or strapped on to the pillion seat. The commuter is seen on scooters, small two-stroke bikes or long discarded Hondas. His unsmiling and unblinking eyes continuously move about and are able to detect any potentially dangerous situation. He's not a motorcyclist but a person who uses a bike only for transportation purposes. Waving a hand in greetings results in a blank look. A more sombre creature you'll never find.

THE-MOTORCYCLE-COURIER

His superhuman abilities has sharpened his eyes to a point where he can judge a minute space between traffic and at breakneck speed plays automotive checkers. His adrenaline glands are always working overtime and his heart has a few teeth marks. With multicoloured and much advertised dust-coat flapping in the wind and radio volume set at full volume, he's able to out drag anything. Only red traffic lights hold him up. This frustrated drag racer is seen on a variety of bikes.

They range from slightly more powerful than a motor mower to intercontinental missiles, able to reach Concorde take off speed before getting caught in the next set of traffic lights. Always in a hurry, he is seen gulping his lunch with helmet still on in between dropping deliveries.

DIRTBIKE-RIDER

Like his surfboard mounted panel van brother or Toorakite Range Rover cousin, his vehicle is never used in its proper environment. He doesn't go trail riding, instead he spends his time revving his engine at traffic lights, belching out blue smoke and being a downright nuisance. The bike is always spotlessly clean; the closest it ever came to dirt is at road repairs. Sitting on a seat high enough that it's level with a truck driver, he looks down at the world through a visor less full-face helmet with a duck bill big enough to accommodate a few decals and a pair of goggles.

POLICE.

The bike-mounted policeman shows his mastery over machine whilst travelling between stationary traffic with precision manoeuvrability. Looking smart in his blue badge encrusted leathers, he is spotted easily thanks to the white quivering aerial. A terror to anyone who spots him in their rear view mirrors, he is seen travelling at breakneck speed irrespective whether his blue lights are flashing or not.

THE MOTORCYCLE_MAGAZINE-TEST RIDER

This person is unique. He doesn't know whether he's employed as a motorcycle tester or a report writer with the task of filling a certain amount of pages. Half knowing what he's writing about he stumbles through a report and manages to sometimes rescue himself by making up new words. If that doesn't help he'll fall back onto a dictionary thus inserting long impressive sounding words that no one can pronounce. After showing off his writing skills he's quite happy to be photographed aboard the latest model. Believing he's an expert on all types of bikes he'll impress his peers by sounding off technicalities parrot fashion.

CHOPPER

If the test rider is unique, the chopper rider is an enigma. Picturing himself as Peter Fonda, he dreams of travelling sun drenched highways, chrome sparkling, his bike purring, wind in his hair whilst a blond darling cleans his reflective sunglasses. Instead, the reality is that he ends up spending the weekend wiping his hands on his cut off denims, working on an oiled stained contraption. When he does finally manage to start it and ride off, he has a scratched black open face helmet, no darling and thanks to the front wheel being metres ahead and a car tyre at the back, the evil sounding bike is seen wobbling all over the pace. He then darts from one petrol station to the next, courtesy of a peanut tank. It's just as well, sitting on a narrow seat, without any rear suspension doesn't do his rear end much good.

CIRCUIT RACER

The poor fool who chooses this type of racing pours his body and soul, not to mention all his savings into it. He'll spend literary countless hours studying his bike, stripping it, modifying it, reassembling it and hoping and praying that he has done the job properly. After starting it and scaring his neighbours half to death he'll test his knowledge at tuning it. When finally the big date arrives, he'll get up early, hurriedly swallow a cup of coffee, does a mad search and rescue for his helmet, steps on the cat's tail, dives into his beat up E.H. Holden and races to the meeting. Once on the start line the stupid thing will either stall or refuse to fire up or if he does manage to take off without cooking the clutch will end up by seizing and is unceremoniously dumped into some solid unmovable object. This is the day he should have stayed home in bed; instead he is now lying in a hospital bed covered from head to toe in plaster and wishing he took up a safer sport like crocodile wrestling.

CAFE-RACER

This unfortunate creature can very easily be mistaken for a cripple as he is constantly seen walking in a forward crouch and head tilted to one side. He earns this position from the amount of time spent on his motorbike which features clip on bars and rear set foot pegs. With his backside resting on a padded brick, laughingly called a seat, his chin resting on the petrol tank and eyes looking through a warped piece of Perspex he continuously searches for that elusive perfect bend. Dressed in matching leathers, helmet, boots and gloves, he is never happier than when cranked right over, his boots kissing the tarmac and side stand merrily sparking. Never one to miss a photo of a bike cranked over, he emulates his racing hero. When sooner or later he throws his bike down the road, he proudly shows both his and the bikes' scars to anyone close by, to be followed by how his heroic manoeuvre and complete lack of fear saved himself and others from a far worse situation. He's enough to send anyone round the bend.

OUTFITS

The public thinks that outfit's owners attach an extra wheel so as not to fall off. They also believe it is to carry an extra passenger in comfort. They are partially correct they do place a passenger above the extra wheel, but the poor soul has to share that space with excess luggage ranging from dairy products to a couple of eskies to a six man tent. Once fully laden, the one and a half tonne of semi-controlled hardware is seen tearing up the highway, a ten-foot aerial whipped into frenzy and the passenger gripping onto the sides, eyes glazed from fear whilst the rider has an ear-to-ear grin.

To entice the passenger, the owner usually installs an AM/F.M. cassette deck (this shows how old this article is—Ed). Naturally it will be an expensive unit. Once that's out of the way he makes provisions to carry a spare wheel, enough spare fuel to make a petrol tanker turn green with envy and enough spotlights to melt any police car from two kilometres away. He then finishes the three-wheel creation with a snappy paint job. The trouble is the overall cost ends up being more expensive than the basic unit and close to a down payment on a private jet.

RALLYISTS/TOURERS

Very hard to separate these two; they are very much alike. The rallyists, to get to a rally, are prepared to cover great distances whereas the tourer covers great distances without ending up at a rally. Their aims is very similar, they're cast from the same mould. Both carry more gear than they really need. They have the latest in tents, cooking gear and cameras. Both are experts in tyre choice and wear and able to spin the longest yarn. Experts at all geographical localities, they're able to pronounce unheard of names. Happy when covered in dust or mud as proof of their travels they travel at any time of the year, therefore have electric vests, and hand warmers. They'll gladly go from one place to another that no one ever heard of or even cares about. The only difference that separates them, the only clue to tell them apart is, the rallyists have enough badges on his jacket that once they start to reflect the sun are able to start a bushfire or attract anything from a glow worm to any space shuttle or unidentified flying object.

FINALLY-THE-PILLION-RIDER,

There are three types of pillion riders, the friend, lover or spouse. To the above my full sympathy, if the pillion is a friend, they will have wished they had their bike on the road, if on the other hand their rider is their spouse they wish they stayed at home. And if they are lovers, they end up either wearing hand me down gear and a helmet that is two sizes too large or spend a fortune getting coloured matched gear as their riders. This does look good, even though they have a sizeable dent in the bank balance and shortly after end up wishing they still had their own bikes or stayed at home.

So, there you have it, now you know why the public labels us as insane.

FRANK CACHIA

—(IMHO the best qualified to speak of Insanity —Ed)

Welcome to the new members:

- Darren Stephens (Mount Olive)

COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

BMW Touring Club of NSW Incorporated

(Incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act 1984)

- At the AGM in June, all committee positions are declared vacant and all nominations will be voted on by the membership present. It is not essential for all committee positions that you attend meetings regularly.
- All nominations must be accepted by the nominated person.
- Any Nominations must be received by 25/6/19 please post to **BMWTCNSW, PO Box 549, Ermington NSW 1700**

BMW Touring Club of NSW Inc.		
NOMINATION FORM FOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS		
Your Name		
Your Signature		
Your Membership Number		
	Position Nominated	1. Nominated Member 2. Nominated Members Signature
PRESIDENT	Responsibilities include chairing meetings and representing the club. Currently held by Jason Boyd	1. 2.
VICE PRESIDENT	Responsibilities include keeping the members points score and organising the events calendar. Currently held by Dave Beers	1. 2.
SECRETARY	Responsibilities include incoming /outgoing communications with the club and keeping minutes of the meetings. Currently John Rayner (this role needs nominations, John is not intending to continue on)	1. 2.
TREASURER	Responsibilities include keeping all financial records of the clubs operations. Currently held by Alison Ashby	1. 2.
MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY	Responsibilities include keeping records of the club membership, processing membership applications Currently held by Marie Pennykid	1. 2.
EDITOR	Responsibilities include preparing and publishing the clubs monthly newsletter. Position currently held by Alan Pennykid	1. 2.
ASSETS & ARCHIVES	Responsibilities include managing the security of and access to club assets. Currently Mal Cattermole.	1. 2.
PUBLIC OFFICER	Responsibilities include preparing and filing the clubs documents with the Department of Fair Trading. Currently Al Peters	1. 2.
WEBMASTER	Responsibilities include maintenance of the clubs website, keeping information on the site current. Currently held by Michael Sarah (Nominations required, Michael would like to take a break from the role.	1. 2.
REGALIA	Responsibilities include selecting, sourcing and selling club regalia items. Currently held by Warren Buffett	1. 2.
EDITORIAL ASSISTANT/S	Responsibilities are various and negotiable. Currently Tony Conliffe (distribution)	1. 2.
SPARE PARTS/CLUB TOOLS	Responsibilities include keeping track of the location of tools belonging to the club and issuing tools to members on request. Position currently held by Rob Edgar	1. 2.
BMW Club Aust Representative	Responsibilities include liaising with the BMW Clubs Umbrella body. Currently Trevor Dean	1. 2.
NSW MCC Representative/s (2)	Responsibilities include representing our club within the NSW MCC and reporting MCC activities back to out club. Currently Bob Madell and Paul Ioakimidis	1. 2.

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26th-28th April	Autumn Leaf Rally
10th-12th May	Loaded Dog Rally
19th May	Hennings BBQ
25th-26th May	Mudgee Target Shooting weekend
8th-10th June	50th Alpine Rally!!!
21st – 23rd June	Casper Rally
Wed 26th June	Annual General Meeting
Sun 30th June	New Members Ride