

BMW TOURING CLUB of NSW



Terry Williams mastering the jaffle, Alpine Rally 2016

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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 Friday of the month. At the Hexham Bowling Club for a chat and something to eat.
North Coast Breakfast & Social Sip	Quay Lime Bar and Grill, 18 Park St, Port Macquarie from 4:30pm.

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

President's Report

Spare a thought for Mick Rawston who celebrates 25 years with the Club laid up in hospital after stepping off his bike. Best wishes from all of us Mick. Pinched from Facebook is the following line; The comment from Mick's wife, Jane, was: "They say when you go out in the sun to wear sunscreen. Also when you go riding wear a full jacket, no matter how short the ride. Mick Rawston learnt the hard way." As if any of us would do that hey? ☺

Have a ripper of a riding July folks.

Alan Peters

Country Meeting and Celebration of BMW 100 Years Lachlan Valley Hotel, Cowra 5.30pm 20 August 2016

Please don't confuse it with other hotels of a similar name!!!!

162 Kendal St, Cowra (Mid Western Hwy) ph 02 6342 2900

Make your own accommodation bookings, just let Alan Peters 0407829033 know if your are heading out or not so he can warn the pub bistro.

Road bike ride out to Cowra via Goulburn and Wyangla meet 8.30 am 20th leaving 9.00am sharp.

Hopefully we can meet up with a few members returning from the OCR

Spotted at the Alpine Rally; below left mud "chains" for an S1000R to attack the slippery slope. Below Right; Dave Ramsay and his big red erection.



Vale Ross Gallagher

1/03/1962 - 26/05/2016



On 26 May 2016 Ross passed away peacefully surrounded by his family. Those of us that had the honour of knowing Ross and sharing experiences with him have lost a friend who seemed to have boundless energy and a ready smile for everyone, usually accompanied by a wisecrack in a manner that instantly put people at ease.

He was a keen motorcyclist who joined the club in 2013 and was passionate about the Classic K Series bikes which resulted in his nickname of "Roskkko", the two K's signifying his two K bikes which for a short period became "Roskkkko" when he managed to fit three of them into the garage. Ross was well known within the "brick" fraternity, both in Australia and around the world via his activity on internet forums, for his knowledge of those models and his ability to quickly diagnose problems and willingness to help others with expertise and/or parts.

Having attended quite a few rally trips with Ross, you could always be sure that it would be a fun trip when he was along for the ride. Ross' love of his bikes and riding was only surpassed by his devotion to his family.

Rest in Peace mate.
Garry McCarthy

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APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP / RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

BMW Touring Club of New South Wales Incorporated
(Incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act, 1984)

The BMW Touring Club of NSW was founded in 1965, with an initial membership of 15.

The aim of the club is to provide a social medium for BMW riders and motorcycle touring. It is not necessary for you to own a BMW motorcycle to join the club. There are a wide range of activities throughout the year, ranging from regular day rides, rallies (local, interstate and other BMW club rallies), runs with interstate BMW clubs and camping weekends. We have gained a large number of trophies from our attendance at rallies. The club also has regular maintenance days (where you can tap into a vast range of knowledge from our members). We have spare parts available at a slight discount for members and a variety of special tools for use when servicing, repairing or replacing components. We also have social evenings, an annual presentation night/dinner and a Christmas party. The club encourages family involvement in all events.

NEW and PRESENT members

Current Membership Number: _____

I, _____ and _____
(full name of applicant) (additional person/s)

of _____ Postcode: _____

Preferred Phone No's: 1) _____ 2) _____

E-Mail address: _____ Motorcycle/s Make, Model & year: _____

I hereby apply to join/renew my membership of the above named incorporated association & I agree to be bound by the rules of the club.

(signature of applicant) (date)

NEW MEMBERS ONLY: If an existing member introduced you: Introduced by: _____

New Application / Renewal and /or Joint Application		<u>(please circle one)</u>
<p>New member joining fee \$ 10.00 (+ Annual Membership Fee)</p> <p>Annual Membership fee \$ 50.00 per year (city or country membership)</p> <p>Subsidised 'T' shirt \$ 10.00 SINGLE MEMBERSHIP SIZE _____ (XS, S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL) \$ 10.00 JOINT MEMBERSHIP SIZE _____</p> <p>Total amount payable \$ _____</p>	<p>MAIL TO:</p> <p>BMW TOURING CLUB of NSW PO Box 549 ERMINGTON NSW 1700</p>	

Make all cheques and money orders payable to **BMW TOURING CLUB OF NSW**

FOR DIRECT DEPOSIT... **BSB# 032 173 ACCOUNT# 40-6259**

Please quote '**MEMBERSHIP**' and & **YOUR NAME** when making your transfer.

Please **POST**, or **SCAN & EMAIL THIS FORM** to the **MEMBERSHIP SEC**, so your **DEPOSIT** can be **RECONCILED**, your '**T SHIRT ORDER NOTED**', and your **DETAILS UPDATED**

NOTE 1. All membership fees are due by 1st July each year.
NOTE 2. Membership not renewed by 1st August will be considered as a resignation of membership

OPTIONAL :

- Do you wish to download the **magazine from the Club web-site**?..... Yes/No
- Do you wish to receive the **magazine hard copy by Mail**?.....Yes/No
- Do you have a **First Aid Certificate**Yes/No
- If **NO** are you interested in attending a **First Aid Certificate Course** for Bike Riders.....Yes/No
- Would you like to be on the Club **Hospitality List**Yes/No

Name (e.g. John & Julie)	Location (Town or Area)	State	Phone no./s	S	A	M	D kms	Comments

(S) Social stop, cuppa etc **(A)** Accommodation **(M)** Mechanical Assistance **(D)** Distance prepared to travel to assist **(C)** Trailer, alt phone etc.

Minutes of May General Meeting 25/5/2016

Meeting commenced 19:50 Ended 21:16

Apologies: M Moriarty, P Gilson, B Campbell, I Emmett

Visitors: Trevor Lever

New Members: Mark Donaldson, Andrew Shirad

Previous minutes: Affirmed - A Pennykid 2nd - A Watson

Correspondence:

- Two bank statements
- Magazines – BMW N.Z. and BMW Qld
- Storeman correspondence

Presidents Report:

- Have looked at gas burner rings (still ongoing)
- Bob Williams correspondence Aug 20th meet
- Rob Lovett, Cowra country meet

Vice Presidents Report:

- Perpetual trophies to be returned for this year's engravings to occur

Secretary: (Absent, somewhere in Europe)

Treasurer's Report:

- Reconciled annual report sent to committee
- Stock (Marie, Alan) reports may be examined
- Balance – Cheque to end 29th April \$6,880.10
- Balance – reserve account \$26,589.05

Membership report:

- 5+2 new members
- Membership fees due end of June
- New members post May 1st have valid membership till June 2017
- Ian Ramsay noted Constitution Clause 14:2.2 re membership

Editor:

Appreciated sent articles

Publicity officer:

Announced the formation of a 'Constitution sub-committee' to analyse and recommend amendments to the constitution. This is with the purpose of updating the constitution to bring it in line with current practices. There will be a note in July magazine requesting members for the sub-committee.

Regalia:

Mick Furchert will make a handover on awards night

Assets and Archives:

Nothing to report

Clubs Australia:

The AGM in Melbourne is being attended by 16 delegates 7 (m/c), 9 (car)
There has been an overall increase in both car and motorbike membership and clubs

BMW Australia is to become incorporated

Social media has a great number of followers though there is a concern for the content of this forum as there has been some false/damaging associations with clubs and some are concerned there might be a risk to the BMW brand/reputation/official clubs

Rushcutters Bay - Norm Fletcher and A Burl aired concerns and issues
Bright Rally – BMW Victoria notified. BM NSW presented re health of the club

World club event Aug 20 mentioned. 100 year regalia has arrived (2 palates)

Munich Sep 11 – 13 – there is a pre-tour of the Dolomites and also Austria (internet information available)

MCC NSW: \$35 annual membership (Cheaper CTP, 10% REPCO discount, bike club discounts)

- Satellite phones on Macquarie Pass now exist however not on the Snowy Mountains
- Bollards situated at Glenfield Station to prevent cars parking in/near m/c parking areas
- Dept of law and justice working on CTP insurance costs
- Recreational rego – on to do list
- Protective clothing – Euro 5 star specs are being made to 4 star specs for Australia
- Peter Ivanov (Highway patrol) spoke about fines at the bottom of Macquarie Pass. Seems the police can't arrest you once they have I.D'd you, you can then ride off.
- Recreational membership is being considered with riders allowed to ride on certain grades of roads and not on others

Past events

Shooters weekend (Windemere)

- 6th year the event has been running

- Eight members were present (photos available)
- A variety of guns were fired (black powder , 38 special, 50 Cal muzzle loader)

Movie night – Isle of Man (Mt Wilson)

- A small turn-up with Marie doing the catering
- The dog enjoyed the river
- Waz – bike battery died on the way home Marie heroine of the day borrowed her battery (phone a friend)

Loaded Dog

- Stan had not much to say about not much that happened

Autumn Leaf ride

- on last month's mag cover
- Good turn-up
- Went by Goulbourn, Taralga, Crookwell, Gunning and Wee Jasper Rd

Coming events

- Alpine Rally (two weeks time (9 indicated interest)
- Hoppers Dirty ride (larguna
- Mid N Coast Social sip
- AGM 29th after regular club meet
- Awards dinner
 - o Ring to book accom (variety of styles) and for a seat at the dinner
 - o Send photos to Vice Pres email address
 - o When paying put your name on the deposit (booking close 13th July)

General Business

Ian – tea towel with BMW NSW

Motorcycle Council and helmets (D buckle or strap)

- Europe: has ratchet straps on new helmets
- Aust helmets may have ratchet and D buckle

Hottap hot water service for trailer

- Go with electric hot water unit (50 degree C for 6 Litres in one minute)
- To be looked at further

Need two new kettles for club trailer

Thanks to Shaun Garvey for recording and typing last month's minutes while John Raynor was swanning around Europe.

NEW MEMBERS

Mark Donaldson

Anthony Storman

Rodney Riley

Martin Holicki (returning member)

John Klompenhouwer

WEEKEND on the WILLIAMS RIVER

943 Glen William Road
GLEN WILLIAM

The Hunter Group would like to invite all members to attend our annual camping weekend on Stuart and Kate's farm which is about 10 Km south of Dungog, on the Banks of the Williams River on the weekend of 15/16 October 2016.

Stuart & Kate's Farm is at beautiful Glen William, with an Ideal Camping spot by the creek on the Banks of the Williams River. There will be 3 kayaks available for a quiet paddle around. If driving up your welcome to bring their own canoe/kayak and try your hand at a spot of fishing.

For others, time to relax, have a beer and a chat.

Stuart has been collecting fire wood for a HUGE bonfire so we will not get cold.

This year Stuart & Kate will provide the food to save us the trouble of carrying our own and we will have a large group BBQ. BYO Drinks (Bottle shop 8km away) there will be eskies available to keep your drinks cool.

A portable toilet and plenty of Fresh water will be at the camping site.

This cost will be \$25 for dinner and breakfast. Close to correct change would be appreciated; Rob will collect on Saturday evening.

This year we would like to send a special invite to all members and show them some good country hospitality so we hope you can make it on the weekend.

If you are attending, please contact Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461 or Stuart 0427 767 129, Email oldterrace@gmail.com to assist with catering.

RSVP 8th October 2016

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Ride Calendar

JULY			
Sat 2 nd	Mid North Coast Monthly Breakfast, Abundance Garden and Café 274 Rawdon Island Rd, Sancroix, NSW from 8:30am	Lin van Copenhagen 0417 098 255	2
Fri 8 th	South Coast Social Sip Great Southern Hotel 95 Queen St, Berry (6:30 2 nd Friday of the month)	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	2
Sat 9 th – Sun 10 th	WINTER Rally, near Nerriga. Food, beverages, gymkhana, bands, large bonfire. Popular with many of our members	Alan Pennykid 0427 393 093	10
Sun 10 th	Coffee and day ride meeting 22 Patterson Road, Bolwarra. 9.00 Am for coffee. Possible ride afterwards to be decided on the day.	Cheryl 0408 074 214	2
Sat 16 th	Annual Awards Dinner, this year at Wallerawang. Maybe come along and pick up an award? See inside this magazine for further information.	Alan Pennykid 0427 393 093	10
Sun 17 th	Mid North Coast Social Sip, Quay Lime Bar and Grill, 18 Park St, Port Macquarie from 4:30pm.	Lin van Copenhagen 0417 098 255	2
Sat 23 rd – Sun 24 th	Pub Weekend at Carcoar Hotel, call 0423 713 095 for bookings	Tony and Cheryl Schmidt	10
Thur 28 th	Hunter Social Sip: Hexham Bowling club 6.00 PM for Drinks and Chinese dinner from around 6pm (last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	2
Sat 30 th – Sun 31 st	HAT Rally, near Araluen. Basic catering, mostly BYO. Beautiful campsite in the Araluen Valley	Alan Pennykid 0427 393 093	10
AUGUST			
Sat 6 th	Mid North Coast Monthly Breakfast, Abundance Garden and Café 274 Rawdon Island Rd, Sancroix, NSW from 8:30am	Lin van Copenhagen 0417 098 255	2
Fri 12 th	South Coast Social Sip Great Southern Hotel 95 Queen St, Berry (6:30 2 nd Friday of the month)	Tony Schmidt 0407 494 229	2
Sat 13 th	OCR (Off Centre Run), meet at Mungerannie to decide where the 2018 OCR will be.		
Sun 14 th	Coffee and day ride meeting 22 Patterson Road, Bolwarra. 9.00 Am for coffee. Possible ride afterwards to be decided on the day.	Cheryl 0408 074 214	2
20-21	Country Meeting / BMW 100yrs, Cowra; Lachlan Valley Hotel (02) 6342 2900 Road ride meet Pheasant's Nest servo 8.30am	Alan Peters	10
Sun 21 st	Mid North Coast Social Sip, Quay Lime Bar and Grill, 18 Park St, Port Macquarie from 4:30pm.	Lin van Copenhagen 0417 098 255	2
Thurs 25 th	Hunter Social Sip: Hexham Bowling club 6.00 PM for Drinks and Chinese dinner from around 6pm (last Thurs of the month)	Rob Tiedeman 0425 777 461	2
Sat 27 th – Sun 28 th	TTT Rally	Alan Pennykid 0427393093	10
SEPTEMBER			
11 th	Bundanoon breakfast ride		
17 th -18 th	Far Cairn Rally		
OCTOBER			
1 st – 3 rd	Cane Toad Rally (QLD)		10
8-9	Kosciuszko Rally		10
Sat 15 th – Sun 16 th	Farm Stay at Stuarts place near Dungog at 943 Glen William Road, Glen William NSW 2321. BBQ, Fire etc. Great camping weekend last year. Special invite to our all members. RSVP 8th Oct 2016	Stuart 0427 767 129 Rob 0425 777 461	10
23 rd	New Members Ride, details TBA	Marie Pennykid 0428 393 093	6
NOVEMBER			
11-12	BMW National Motorrad Rally (Bright, Victoria)		10
19-20	Temora Airshow		10
27	Grey Gums Breakfast Ride		6
4/6* City members attending a club meeting receive 4 points, country members receive 6 points			

BMWTCNSW Hospitality Listing – 28/05/2016

Name	Phone	Locality	Social	Accommodation	Mechanical Assistance	Travel Distance (to assist/pickup)	Comments
Michael	0419 169 300	Annandale NSW	✓			50kms	
John	0263 675 361	Bathurst /Orange		✓	✓	50kms	
Mick & Jianping	0427 018 715	Bathurst NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	
Michael	0499 681 448	Bega NSW	✓				
Richard	0432 006 864	Bellbrook NSW	✓	✓	✓	50kms	Trailer\Workshop
Malcolm	0243 682 346	Bensville NSW	✓	✓	✓	40kms	
Chris & Maria	0438 407 146	Bensville NSW	✓	✓	✓	50kms	
George	0422 244 149	Berry NSW	✓		✓	50kms	
Ian	0414 746 992	Blacktown NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	
Bala	0434 350 817	Brighton Le Sands NSW	✓	✓			
Gerry & Mara	0409 447 702	Bulli	✓	✓	✓	50kms	home ph. 0242674983
Philip & Georgina	0265 506 218	Burrell Creek NSW	✓				
John & Ernestine	0412 105 300	Canada Bay NSW		✓	✓	150kms	Van available
Ian	0414 467 789	Concord NSW	✓	✓		50kms	
Wato	0419 255 290	Constitution Hill NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	Trailer
Duane	0422 966 065	Cranebrook NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	Ute & bike trailer
Jock	0416 101 000	Dee Why				50kms	
Denis	0457 539 358	Dubbo NSW	✓				
Andrew & Laura	0416 172 408	Five Dock NSW	✓				
Mark	0409 064 328	Fletcher NSW	✓	✓			
Stephen	0402 859 888	Fullerton Cove NSW				100kms	Trailer
Ian	0401 281 767	Galston NSW				50kms	Trailer
Paul	0411 738 267	Galston NSW	✓	✓	✓	50kms	
Peter	0428 315 815	Gladstone SA	✓	✓	✓	100kms	
Bruce	0296 297 624	Glenwood NSW	✓	✓			
Jeff & Christine	0419 617 634	Gloucester NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	0265582185 - Trailer
Bruce	0450 026 820	Gordon NSW	✓	✓	✓	20kms	
John	0412 137 080	Greenwich NSW	✓				
Steve	0428 217 817	Hargraves NSW	✓	✓	✓	150kms	Trailer
Venesser & Barry	0429 856 690	Helensburgh NSW	✓		✓	100kms	Trailer and tools
George & Gwen	0428 464 618	Holt ACT	✓	✓	✓	100kms	Trailer
Andrew	0409 442 302	Horsley Park NSW	✓		✓	100kms	trailer
Trevor	0438 412 991	Kaleen ACT	✓				
Ray	0243 923 101	Kanwal NSW	✓				
Greg	0448 149 924	Katoomba NSW	✓		✓	20kms	
Rachael	0418 682 135	Kiama Downs NSW	✓	✓			
Mick & Sally	0408 438 095	Killara NSW	✓		✓		
Kim	0418 822 033	Lake Haven NSW				20kms	Trailer
Alan	0414 660 890	Macquarie Fields NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	
Cliff & Janice	0438 736 547	Maraylya NSW				100kms	0245736547 - Trailer
Peter	0409 765 527	Matcham (Gosford) NSW			✓	20kms	
Wayne and Jennie	0428 529 827	Medowie NSW	✓		✓	100kms	trailer for pickup
Robert & Angela	0425 777 461	Merewether NSW	✓		✓		
Steve & Therese	0439 739 876	Merimbula NSW	✓	✓	✓	150kms	Trailer - 02 6495 0636

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Cheryl	0249 343 168	Morpeth NSW	✓	✓		50kms	Hunter Valley
Brett	0437 300 879	Moss Vale NSW				✓	50kms
Marie & Alan	0428 393 093	Mount Riverview NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	Lower Blue Mountains - 7x5' Trailer available
Ally	0410 866 154	Nambucca Heads NSW	✓	✓			
Jack & Kathy	0407 131 114	Newcastle	✓	✓	✓	20kms	
James	0408 682 676	Newcastle NSW	✓		✓	40kms	Hiace van
Will & Karina	0410 711 468	Newport NSW	✓		✓	50kms	
Henning	0457 034 488	Nords Wharf NSW	✓	✓	✓	200kms	
Mark & Alison	0411 103 295	Normanhurst NSW	✓			200kms	
Wayne	0414 183 803	North Avoca NSW	✓			50kms	Trailer
Tony & Cheryl	0407 494 229	Nowra North NSW	✓	✓		100kms	
Chris	0244 221 420	Nowra NSW	✓				
Malcome & Valerie	0268 339 995	Nyngan NSW	✓	✓	✓	80kms	Utility with crane available
David	0438 612 874	Orange NSW	✓				
Dave & Marg	0263 628 023	Orange NSW	✓	✓		100kms	
Bob	0428 115 299	Parramatta NSW				20kms	Trailer
Peter	0431 365 709	Peakhurst NSW			✓	50kms	Trailer
Stuart	0419 629 456	Port Macquarie NSW			✓	50kms	Trailer
Lin & Prue	0417 098 255	Port Macquarie NSW	✓				
Ray & Liz	0417 296 561	Regents Park QLD	✓	✓		80kms	Have truck with power tailgate lift
Terry	0413 990 051	Ryde NSW				200kms	Have trailer
Dave & Louise	0262 783 895	Scullin ACT	✓		✓	30kms	
Al	0432 234 610	Shoalhaven Heads NSW			✓	30kms	Trailer
Tony	0458 546 033	South Gundurimba NSW	✓				
Danny (Dagger)	0447 130 096	Sunshine Coast QLD	✓	✓		50kms	07 5491 3123
Kenny	0415 886 435	Sutherland NSW	✓				
Matt & Jeanine	0418 698 816	Thirlmere NSW	✓		✓	25kms	Trailer available
Fiona	0409 375 471	Townsville QLD	✓	✓			bmwsok@hotmail.com
Mick & Jane	0409 183 861	Townsville QLD	✓	✓	✓	100kms	
Alan	0438 262 478	Turrumurra NSW				100kms	Trailer with ramp
Jamie & Cheryl	0413 088 128	Umina Beach NSW	✓	✓	✓	50kms	
Gregory & Joann	0427 451 251	Upper Hunter NSW	✓	✓	✓	200kms	
Max	0432 181 049	Wahroonga NSW	✓				
John	0415 104 830	Wahroonga NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	Trailer
Shane & Judith	0423 613 341	Wallendbeen NSW	✓	✓	✓	100kms	Alt Phone 0412003901. Ute & camping available.
Rob	0417 267 425	Wanniassa (Canberra) ACT				100kms	02 6296 1949 - Have Utility
Dave	0401 444 567	Werombi					
Bob & Clare	0410 457 039	Wickham NSW	✓	✓	✓	50kms	Newcastle
Sylvia & Nifty	0423 405 086	Wombarra NSW	✓	✓	✓	50kms	Access to trailer - 02 4267 1325
Andris	0422 401 349	Woolwich NSW	✓			50kms	
Craig & Nat	0419 557 014	Woy Woy NSW			✓	25kms	
Mick & Gail	0243 933 142	Wyongah (Central Coast) NSW	✓	✓	✓	50kms	



Far Cairn Rally

BMW Touring Club
of New South Wales



1965 - 2015 Celebrating 50 years

16th to 18th September 2016

The BMW Touring Club of NSW proudly presents the 9th Far Cairn Rally to raise funds in support of the Motorcycle Accident Rehabilitation Initiative (MARI).

The Far Cairn Rally is held at Tottenham Racecourse, approximately 3km from the town's centre. The course's grassy paddock is a great camp site, has hot showers and some under cover space. There is limited accommodation available at the Tottenham Hotel. Saturday night dinner and Sunday breakfast will be BBQ cooked by the local Lions Club. Breakfast is included in the entry cost along with a rally badge. Other meals are obtainable at the pub and take away shop. Grog is BYO and plentiful at the pub and supermarket. Saturday night will feature video presentations, raffle and a bonfire. Please, no fires in the grassy paddock.

Tottenham is approx 120kms north of Condobolin and 120kms west of Dubbo. The Centre Cairn monument is located 33kms out of town near Five Ways and marks the centre of NSW.



The locals are looking forward to the Far Cairn Rally as much as we are. Please remember we will be the guests of the Tottenham community – at all times please respect the township, its speed limits, showground property and the community amenities. The Far Cairn Rally is open to all motorcyclists who enjoy a relaxed ride into country NSW. Tottenham is accessible by sealed roads, as well as dirt roads for off road riders, from several directions. Please join us for dinner and drinks at the Tottenham Hotel on Friday night.

While paying entry fee is possible on arrival, please consider pre-entry and payment to help us with order quantities of badges, shirts and catering. Please ensure any pre-entries are received by Friday 2nd September 2016.

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Pillion/Partner:			
Address/Contact details:			
Expression of interest for Friday night dinner <i>Optional</i> – Yes () or No ()			
Club (if any):			
Entry fee/ person (includes a Badge & Sunday breakfast)	\$25.00		\$
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If you can't make it to the rally, please consider lobbying a donation MARI's way. Details on how to donate or get involved are included on the web page.

Shocking Truth

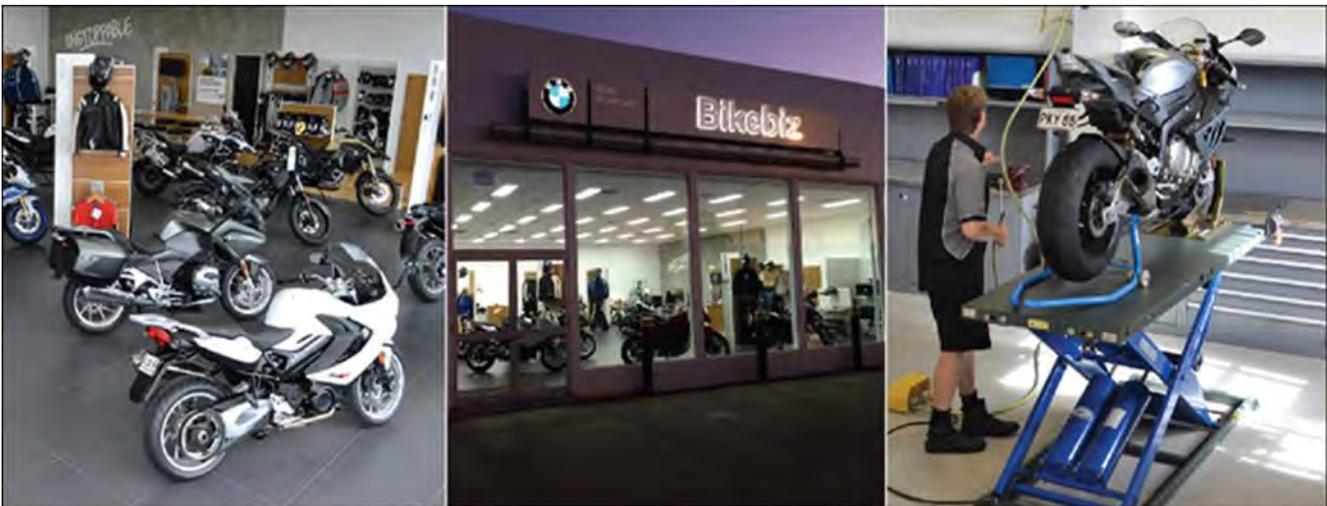
Shocking absorbers (shockies) are often ignored, allowed to slip into mediocrity in a slow and declining death. Quite often the performance degradation is slow and often unnoticed by the regular rider until the pogo stick performance over bumps as the damping loses its cool and the crash of the system bottoming out signals the end of the line. Often it's a fellow rider who observes the decline. It's between handling will deteriorate, producing scary episodes, but we soldier on. Yeh, well, it's time to look at replacement or is there another option?

If you purchase some of the after-market shock absorber the suppliers provide regular servicing which is expensive, but often necessary, if you want to retain performance. The original equipment supplied by the manufacturers is usually termed as 'non-rebuildable', pointing you towards the OE product as the only option, besides after-market, which may also be expensive. However, given modern technology and some good engineering knowledge reconditioning can see you end up with a better 'mousetrap' at a greatly reduced price.

Traditionally, I've headed for aftermarket product such as Fournales (the originals), Wilber or Koni and Icon. However, forced with replacement of both shock absorbers for the aged R1100GS, I consulted some wise sages who suggested a rebuild of the two mono-shocks. As I was brought up in the dark ages of Boge and Koni shocks, which value wise, were not worth rebuilding and adjustment was simply three different preloads for the spring, I had not considered these options. It was simply a case of removing the original and turfing the old ones in the bin. Modern mono-shocks aren't a throwaway items and the technology within is complex, with spring preload, rebound and compression damping adjustment available on most shocks.

With just 70,000 kilometres on the speedo, the R1100GS showed a tendency to bounce (for metres) after a decent bump. Not noticeable, the bottoming out sensation – was on the way. The replacement of the original shock absorbers was likely to cost \$835.85 (front) and \$1,547.84 (rear), which meant they represented about 40% of the value of the motorcycle. Doesn't sound like good economics.

It was time to bite the bullet and send the units off to a reconditioner for a rebuild. Yes, I know they aren't meant to be rebuilt, however, properly managed, there are no real reasons why this process cannot be undertaken by properly trained craftsmen who address the usual safety issues. After all, if a rebuilt unit does fail, there are potentially some fairly ugly safety issues. So they are extremely careful It's rare but there could be a seal which will make a mess, but no real danger. My discussions with the reconditioning trade revealed that many of the original shock absorber unit specifications are not really suitable for Australian conditions. Our roads are not autobahn smooth or the turnpikes of America.



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There are claims that units are often over-sprung and underdamped, however, in some front suspensions the reverse applies. Cheaper high volume models may not be very good units in the first place.

The reconditioning can be very specific if you tell the reconditioner your weight, likely load, e.g. solo/two-up and use of the motorcycle. Not unlike when you purchase an aftermarket Wilbers who ask these questions and then craft the unit to specification.

However, poor adjustment (or the condition of other motorcycle components) may be contributing to the wayward handling. The crimes include low (or incorrect tyre pressures), worn or poorly adjusted, steering head, swing arm or linkage bearings. These will impact on suspension performance. Badly worn tyres or rims that have been damaged can reduce suspension performance. So in some respects you should be making sure that the cycle parts are in good condition and properly adjusted before you blame the suspension. After everything is properly adjusted, it may still mean that the units need reconditioning, however, they will not function properly if the fundamentals aren't in good shape. Correct tyre pressures can be deduced from the owner's manual, however, seek the advice of your tyre retailer, different tyre compounds, use and carcass structure will, believe me, determine the correct pressure, a few PSI either way can make a difference. Generally, the lower the pressure, the greater the heat build-up.

Reconditioners make the point that people regularly change engine oils but ignore suspension oil. Suspension units do a lot of work (feel a rear shock after you have hammered a bike over rough road). Yeh, it will be hot. In reality after about 30,000 kilometres the oil will be cactus. Remember, most rear unit oils are 2.5, fronts 5 or occasionally 7.5 weight. If it is degraded, then the values will have a reduced affect on the flow – yep, performance is reduced, or non-existent if you persevere and ride on. So a \$100 oil change may be worth its weight in gold.

Setup is critical, especially when modern shocks have so many adjustments. It is easy to 'go' in the wrong and have one adjustment effectively overriding another. Some people put on excess spring preload which can impact on the valve operation. Laurie of Suspension Smith in Fyshwick (NSW) offers setups for \$50 (half an hour). Having witnessed the process, it's worth every cent. He keeps a book of adjustments made for every model he has worked on – it's a valuable resource which assists him to replicate good outcomes. No doubt others provide similar services.

The cost of the recondition will depend on what needs to be done, which depends on the quality of the original unit and its condition when you hand it in for refurbishment. We have stories of shock absorbers with bump stops bashed off, mounting bolts damaged and internal adjusters with stripped threaded. In some cases, the shaft is re-chromed; in others, revalving, springing and oiling is sufficient. In my particular situation, the cost of refurbishment for front and rear was \$568 all up – yes, both. Other refurbishers may require \$400 each end, however, this may include a more complete enhancement package. It all depends on the condition and in some situations, your upgrade expectations. It is dependent on the amount of damage you have inflicted on the units before you recognised they were dead.

Some old or 'weird' units will not be worth rebuilding – and those are quite simply rejected. There may be no hope of sourcing replacement parts.

The distributors of motorcycles will advise you that shock absorbers with electronic adjustment cannot be rebuilt. In fact, the unit attaches to the side of the unit and is simply removed before the reconditioning is affected. It can also be rebuilt if water has penetrated the housing.

If you have the recondition occur during the motorcycle manufacturers/distributors warranty, then you may be considered to have voided your warranty. If the reconditioning has been done correctly, then it's unlikely anyone will know. For many people, the motorcycle warranty will have expired before the units require reconditioning. Then it's really only the reconditioner's warranty to rely on. This is usually one year on parts and workmanship. If you refit the unit and head off on a rampage of shock destroying proportions, then you may be in breach. It's your call what you do. There is little doubt that an oil change will help protect your investment.

Suspension Smith likes to have your bike, so Laurie can assess the overall condition. 'It helps work out what's going on,' he says. He and others will accept the units without the bike. There is a real value in talking direct to the reconditioner. You can explain what is happening, and your weight and motorcycle use can be discussed. In this way, the reconditioned unit should be close to perfect.

Both people I spoke with will also lower suspension, making it easier for the 'geographically challenged' to ride their bikes. Ask around, make sure your bike is well serviced (i.e. adjusted) and consider this option. It makes 'cents'.

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Subject: Henningzeimers

In Vic, you pay 1 rego fee (\$444.90) for the 3 parts- rego, insurance & road tax.

In NSW there is a \$637 fine for each one that is not current.

How can that be when you pay them all together???? mmmmm!!!

I really thought I had payed before 14th March but it must have slipped through to the keeper.

The policeman followed me from Wagga to Junee where he pulled me over.

He didn't fine me for the road tax portion!

I asked if we could go round the corner to the Junee Railway Cafe to sort it & he said - fine I won't follow you.

I rang one of my banks & it wasn't paid & I've yet to ring the rest, to try to reverse it.

I rang Vic Roads to be told that the rego was cancelled on the 14th June, 3 days earlier, & that she couldn't accept payment over the phone.

BUT, she said 'try online' as it may not be updated. She helped me do that with success & home we trundled.

If this didn't happen I'd still be travelling unregistered with then a bigger challenge to right it

Henning Jorgensen

Where to put your nuts

A front flat tyre slowed my progress returning home from the Alpine Rally. Trying to locate the source of my grief this was the second time in a few thousand kays I had a flat without anything actually puncturing the tyre. Under the supervision of "Good" Evans I proceeded to change the inner tube.

Once out of the tyre examination of the tube revealed a strange double circle mark embossed into the tube and a puncture hole. We initially thought it might be a manufacturing flaw.

Whilst fitting the new tube I had removed the 2 locknuts from the valve stem leaving the shaped washer and tried to feed it all into the tyre...promptly dropping the washer into the tyre. Helped along with a little swearing I fished the washer out the Paul says "have a look inside for another one". Sure enough the was another washer in there, presumably left behind in a previous bodged attempt. This was the source of the strange mark on the punctured tube. We avoided dropping the washer again by using a valve stem puller. By this time Woz had returned from the café to enjoy the show and lend a hand.

We had a debate about where the 2 nuts supplied on the valve stem should go. I used one on the outside to lock the stem in place. Anyway, after a bit of to and fro emailing between us Paul came back with this;

Fitting tyres :

Only specially trained persons should fit tyres. Fitting tyres requires that you lubricate both sides of the tyre bead and rim, all the way around. Use a commercial tyre-bead lubricant or soapy water. Do not use a petroleum-based or silicone-based lubricant. Observe the directional arrow on the sidewall. Do not use sealing liquids.

Valve nut (tube type)

Only a fitting aid. Should be twisted against the valve cap after fitting the tyre.

With thanks to Continental tyres for the above excerpt.

The impression I get is that they don't really want us to change our own tyres anyway. And, no, I must admit never having seen a valve cap lock-nutted, has anyone else?

Many thanks,
John

Well I guess I broke the first rule by not being "specially trained" though Paul and Woz did manage to lift my game. Thanks for your help guys. I thought I'd pass this little piece of wisdom on to help less experienced tyre repairers like myself avoid the potentially disastrous mistake of dropping a \$@#%&* washer into the tyre.

Alan Peters

Annual Awards Dinner

Date: 16th July, 2016
Location: Black Gold Country Cabins, Wallerawang, NSW

Come along to celebrate the annual awards dinner, to be held at Wallerawang. Dress up for a change, spouses and partners very welcome. The dinner is where we present the awards for our most active members (and some other awards):

THE AWARDS

- Clubman and Runner-up for the most active members in the club
- Country Clubman and Runner-up for the most active country members.
- Most active new member: for the most active newly joined member in the previous 12 months.
- Presidents award
- Editors Award

The cost of the dinner is \$50 per head, this should be booked with the Vice-President and paid to the club account or paid directly to the Vice-President on the night. The club will pay the venue in one payment for the dinner. Please RSVP the Vice President to inform you will be coming and how many by 13/7/16 so he can inform the venue of final numbers attending the dinner.

ACCOMODATION

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