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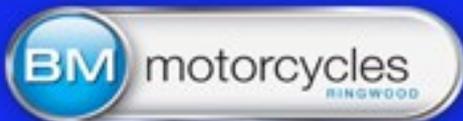
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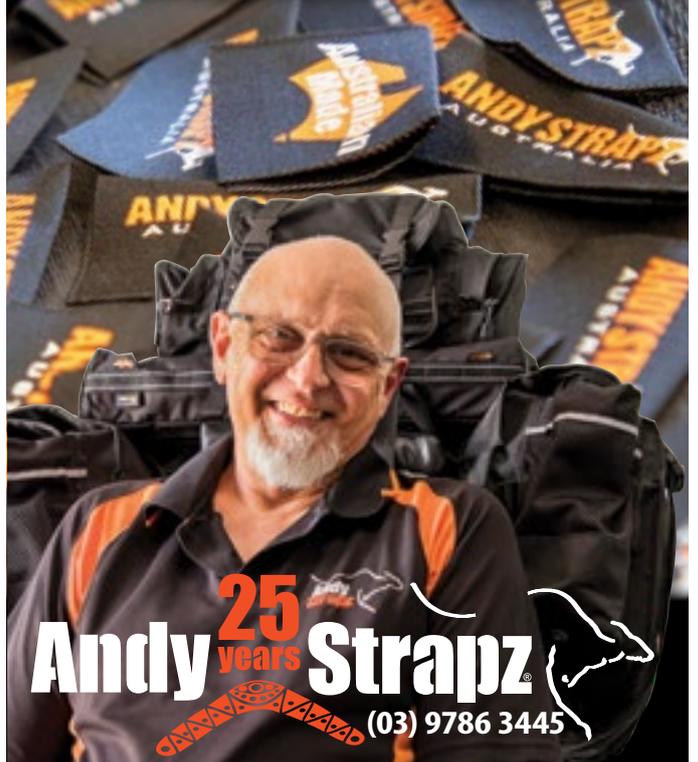
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“ President's Message

*Stirring your
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motorcycles*

What got you into motorcycling? As we reflect on our club's 50th year celebration in May 2025, I'm sure each of you have a story to tell that is heart-warming and inspirational.

The first time I rode on a motorcycle was on my mother's family farm in the Western Transvaal, South Africa. My dad used to ride scooters to the university when he was studying. So, when he had the chance to ride on my uncle's BMW stroke 6, I was on the back of the motorcycle as a pillion. I still remember the thrill of it all as young kid.

I did not know much about BMW's then, but all I remember was the distinctly black colour of the paint. I loved the sound of the boxer engine and it was fun having the wind blow through my hair.

Fast forward 40-50 years and I now own a R 1200 GS. As a person who was late to motorcycling in my forties, I started riding a G 650 GS and always dreamt of a R 1200 GS. My dad had a silent yearning in his heart to own a BMW. When I cleaned out his study when he passed away in May 2024, I found pamphlets of a BMW dealership, which he must have visited at some stage in his life. I never spoke to him about BMW motorcycles, but I suspect he must have had a few unfulfilled dreams involving motorcycles.

Which brings me to the BMW GS Touratech level 1 training, called Adventure, named after the Touratech shocks, held on Saturday, 8th February 2025. Speaking with a few adventurers at the event, I heard that riding at dawn is not their favourite time of the day, with too many animals on the road. But for me, dawn is a magical time as we transition between the night and the moon, with the most amazing orangy hues, dispersed through early morning clouds over the horizon.

This weekend we had a group of three mates who met each other paragliding, then started yachting together and now decided to give adventure riding a go. One of the three riders bought an early R 1200 GS from his mate, when his mate upgraded to a more recent R 1200 GS Adventure. Another rider arrived on his R100CS road bike on permit plates. The motorcycle was in mint condition. Some of you may not know this, but Robin Box at Touratech rented out his R 1200 GS to the gentlemen on the R 100 CS. Why may you ask? Many riders have ridden road bikes their whole life and always yearned to try something different.

The club's offroad training allowed just that - opportunity to establish baseline skills that peak your interest to start exploring further. And then even considering getting your own adventure bike, get kitted out and then customise your bike to your liking.

One rider inherited an early model R1200GS from his dad, who no longer is able to handle such a big bike. What amazed me was how easily these riders transitioned from road to dirt, with the right instruction. The confidence levels before and after training was like chalk and cheese.

One rider commented: *"I've gotta say that I had a splendid day yesterday. I picked up many new skills and I'm keen to do the next level at some stage. Love riding on the dirt!"*

Another rider commented that he now has the confidence to ride his big R 1200 GSA, knowing how to balance the bike better and approach cornering on the dirt.

Our level 2 training (Explore) is planned for Saturday, 5th April 2025 and level 3 (Extreme) planned for Saturday, 21st June 2025.

Finally, to celebrate the legacy of our club's founding members and the many members before us who paved the way for our club to continue to thrive over the past 50 years, please join as the Heathcote rally on Wednesday, 7th to Sunday, 11th May 2025. Rally organisers have asked club members to please register. We need a minimum of 60 registration for the Saturday night dinner. We are hoping for a great turnout and have prepared 100 rally bags with great commemorative gifts. I have already registered and booked my camping spot.

Frank Cachia has prepared a write up of our club's 50 year history, which will be available at club events and at the 50th rally. He will also talk about the book at the April 2025 club meeting.

Other upcoming events (please register in our club website):

- BMW Car Club Nationals – Motorcycle show and shine at Calder Raceway (Saturday, 26th April 2025)
- Annual awards lunch (Sunday, 13th July 2025)
- Christmas in July (Saturday, 19th July 2025)

Happy adventuring - why not give adventure riding a go?

Jacques van Niekerk
Make life a ride



“ Editor's Message

Today members, so February has been quite an eventful month with many rides. Our cancelled January BBQ at Westerfolds Park, Templestowe due to bad weather was put back on the calendar by replacing the February dinner normally set aside to have at the Doncaster hotel, so the BBQ was as usual a great hit. The weather couldn't have been any better if we ordered it.

We now have a few additional Saturday Coffee Mornings, so keep your eyes peeled on the website. The South Gippsland/Bass Coast is now known as South West Gippsland with different venues each time so you will need to check on line to make sure you don't go to the wrong place (unless you love riding).

It appears the Sunday ride to Jamieson which also mixed in with the 50 Year Multi Day tour was a hit with many a kilometre travelled.

Now don't forget our clubs 50th Anniversary being held at Heathcote between 7th – 11th May. These moments don't come often, and you will find the registration form in this issue. Don't just look at it but tear the page out and register. You will have a great time. For the event you can purchase a show bag... nah, not cheap lollies or plastic toys... we're past that age and secondly don't forget to check out the merchandise in celebration of our 50 Years with a choice of T-shirts, polo shirts and or cap... 50 years only comes around once.

Enjoy the rest of the month and hope to see you guys around and especially at Heathcote. And don't say what's at Heathcote.... The Big 50, I can remember when we celebrated our 25th where I was only an associate member by default and a Honda boy through and through where my folks, Anton and Louise were regular event attendees. Unfortunately I will not be baking a cake as my dad had... that gene did not pass on too well but the love of bikes did, never thought that down the track I too would be riding a BMW as well.

**From the Editor and Team
Ride, Read and Stay Safe**



WELCOME to all our new members on behalf of the BMW Motorcycle Club of Victoria. You have joined the biggest and most active BMW club, car or motorcycle, in Australia. The Calendar page and also on the reverse of the address sheet on the *BeeEm* issue provides the latest information about future club activities – rides, social events, meetings – and information about approved-of events outside the club. A full, updated online calendar can be viewed by browsing the Event Calendar section of the club's website.

Your level of participation is up to you but you will always get more out of the club by being active. Join our ride events and meet other like-minded members that love the two wheels (BMW). We welcome your thoughts and input so don't be shy, help out by taking on one of the many committee and support roles that are there to be filled. Just take a look at the Support Team page in *BeeEm* or browse the club website by using the 'Contact Us' tab to see 'About Us'.

So, a hearty warm welcome to you. We are, above all, a social motorcycle club dedicated to the BMW marque and all our members look forward to showing you what our club has to offer, either on a ride or at an event.

New members

Andrew Stephens	R 1250 GSA
Carron Stephens	Family
Paul Byrne	R 1250 R
Katharina Vidmer	Family
Len Keogh	R 1200 RT
Teresa Buckley	Family
Austin Paley	R 65, R 100
Anthony Meechan	K 1200 LT
Brian Horne	Associate
Darcy Jordan	R 80
Flavio Zamparo	R 1250 GSA
Julian Thomson	R 1250 R
Ian Nicolle	R 1250 GS
Elizabeth English	Family
Hemant Ramnani	R 12 NineT
Gurjeet Ramnani	Family
Kristan Bekus	R 1150 GS
Ritesh Yaav	F 900 XR
Andrew Theodoropoulos	G 650 GS
Chris Weinberg	R 1150 GS

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Hydroblast Shop	Club discount on wetblast restoration of metal parts
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8th February 2025



By Matt Shanahan

Zen & The Art of Motorcycle...riding A Lesson From the Road

I must admit I haven't actually read the book all the way through. I started it when I was younger and I think I expected some sort of revelation and divine moment but it was a bit slower than I thought it should be. Maybe I wasn't ready.

But last weekend bought its own beautiful moment for me on two wheels. I'd ridden 300km north to join a motorcycle training course aimed at riders who wanted to become more confident off road. I admit I felt a twang of easy rider as I strapped my tent to the back of the bike, filled the panniers with camping gear and trundled up the freeway. I had heady images of me dismounting, taking off my helmet, shaking out my grey locks and sauntering into a bar as I brushed dust off my riding suit, before perching myself on a bar stool like I owned it.

The reality was a little more grounding. Staying at the Carboor soldiers hall the night before with other members of the motorcycle club (based upon the make of motorcycle

this was all men aged 50+), before kicking off the course the next day. Despite my reservation and nerves I was pleasantly surprised by how much I enjoyed talking about bikes and gear and favourite rides. All the while making no attempts to hide the fact I was incredibly inexperienced. I'd had my licence for decades but barely a year or two of actual, consistent riding under my belt.

The beauty of it was that no one cared. Everyone was there to learn and besides, I think most riders humbly know that regardless of years in the saddle, the most unexpected things can bring you unstuck the moment you get a little above your station. Not washing off enough speed entering the bend, letting your eyes stray from where you intend to go, a slight distraction. On the ride home I rounded a bend only to be confronted by a roadside cross attached hauntingly to the side of an embankment - exactly where you would end up if you misjudged the corner. They remain the best "slow down" anti speeding campaign there is.

But the real moment came that afternoon. All morning we had been meandering around a large paddock in first gear. Weaving in and out of cones, tight u-turns, figure of 8s and precarious sequences of standing up on the foot pegs first

with one hand off, then one leg, then leg AND hand, then side saddle, then side saddle standing with the right foot on the left peg.

While it seemed incongruous with riding at speed, the point was elegant: "These exercises are designed to make the bike feel SMALL and LIGHT!"

These bikes are so beautifully engineered that you can find the balance point and hold it upright with two fingers. 250kg of metal staying upright with a simple touch.

The 14 of us wobbled and cursed and corrected and practiced and tried again. Then we hit the gravel roads - the 14 of us careering off single file, desperately hoping NOT to be THAT rider who either comes off or can't keep up and rains on everyone's parade by slowing the whole show down.

It's hard to describe the fear that grips you when you think you are about to fall off a motorbike. We ride because it's a contagious joy, but any sane rider reminds themselves every day that they are often a foot or two away from becoming a statistic. There's no airbag, no belt, no crash protection crumple frame. You ARE the crumple frame. Then on top of the fall you need to add in the fact there is 250Kg of steel sliding or falling WITH you.

I have come off on a gravel road before, and mountain biked all my life - so there is a certain zone of fear that pertains to hitting a patch of gravel at speed. One minute you are moving straight and in control, then suddenly the bike hits loose gravel and it starts to sway and track with a life of its own. The wheels searching for traction while being pulled and grabbed by the loose stones.

Your survival instinct is to brake and GRAB the thing. Your primal brain screams for control. Your amygdala is shrieking to STOP! My novice response is to hit the brakes and wrestle and fight the handle bars - searching for control. Trying to dominate the bike.

In the worst case it all happens so fast that you are actually on the road before your conscious brain can register or react.

So as at our first pause to regroup and check in, the instructor asked if there were any questions. So I laid it out:

"The thought of moving from one side of the road to the other scares the absolute hell out of me! How do you DO that? How do you NOT come off? How do I NOT let the bike slide and dance around?"

He looked at me, smiled, then said the learner's favourite response: "Good question!"

"Do what we practiced. DON'T fight it! Loosen up!! Loosey Goose!! Let it go! Loosen the arms, let the bike move around and LEEEEAAAAN into the direction you want to go!"

And there it was. Let the bike sway. Let it move around. Don't fight. Stay Calm. Lean into it EVER so slightly.

It was a revelation. Clouds parting, calm descending as we took off and I gingerly, then more confidently, eased the bike from side to side down the impossibly loose forestry roads.

So, I rode homewards that evening with two new riding buddies, the three of us taking backroads to a small town to fill up with petrol. To my profound surprise I kept up with the two of them (them being life long riders). And as we hit the last stretch of dirt before town, the pace increased. While in the past I would have been nervously rolling along seated at 40km/h, I now clicked up to 5th gear, stood up in the pegs and eased the throttle open. I looked down and saw I had hit 90km/h.

Dust from the riders in front hazed the road as it stretched away to the left, then the right. I opened the throttle and felt my left foot ease down on the peg EVER so slightly as my right lightened up. On cue, the bike tracked left into the corner. Then I eased down my right and up with the left and it tracked on rails to the right.

Amidst the speed, and dust and overwhelming smell of farm land and forest, everything went a little calmer and the slow thought crept into my mind:

"Ohhhhhh....so THIS is what they mean....."

Don't fight. Let go



My Thoughts of the Latest GS

BY BRIAN MACDONALD

I have just had a look at the specifications for the latest BMW GS model, the R 1300 GSA. The fully fuelled, unladen weight is 268 kilograms and it has two almost pint-sized cylinders.

I am no longer a rider so my interest is purely academic. But I have ridden and owned a number of GS models from 1000cc to 1150cc. So I ask myself – and your readers, “Do you really need 1300cc? Are you going to carry a passenger on a rough country ride or, like most of us, ride solo? Do you really want a motorbike that, at a shiny 268kg, is going to be a bugger to pick up when you drop it, as you are almost inevitably going to do on the rough stuff?” And that may suffer costly damage.

I note that the Dakar race has an engine size limit of 450 cc and the wet weight is around 140kg. That race is about as extreme a test of machine (and rider) as you can get.

I know that BMW is not the only manufacturer making each generation of its models of bigger engine capacity and a bit – or maybe a lot – heavier than the previous

one. Is this necessary, or even desirable for any reasonable purpose a road-registered motorbike is put to?

I have a car which has an engine size of 1.2L. It weighs just under one tonne and the motor lugs the car body with two adults inside around quite satisfactorily. It is my belief that motorcycle manufacturers are pandering to the egos and (possibly overheated) ambitions of their market for the sake of profit, for the price of today's top of the line motorbikes, such as the GSA, now more than match the price of a decent medium-sized car.

Were I still riding, I would not be buying a bigger, heavier and more expensive motorbike every time I felt like a change. I'd keep my money in my pocket for some more realistic purchase. But then, I am an old Scot and like to think I am level-headed and careful with money. And, fortunately, I am no longer in the 'keeping up with the Joneses' race.

The Male Bag Foundation update

At the August monthly club meeting last year, we were very privileged to hear three speakers from The Male Bag Foundation who informed us of the work done by the charity. Scott Chapman, David Parkin and Phil Endersbee told us of their passion to raise funds to supply specialist prostate equipment and services to boost the detection, treatment and recovery from prostate cancer, particularly for men in regional areas.

Our enthusiasm to help the Foundation was evident on that night and a few ideas about fundraising were suggested, the main one being to sponsor a rider in the Foundation's main event, a postie-bike ride to be held in April 2025.

Unfortunately, the April ride to Canberra and return has been postponed but the Foundation's members are working hard to consider options for an event later this year. We encourage you to maintain your enthusiasm to help and we'll let you know how we can work with the Foundation to support or sponsor another event when details have been finalised.

When so many of us know people affected by prostate cancer, why wouldn't we help?

**Lynne Rosenthal,
for the committee.**



The Good Wool Store

BY BRIAN MACDONALD

For many years Andrew Killen has owned and operated The Good Wool Store and advertised his wares in *BeeEm*. It resided for many years on the main street in the pleasant little Shoalhaven town of Berry, where Andrew had not only a workshop and at least one long-time employee but also a display showroom where the astonishing range of useful and decorative articles that can be made out of sheepskin were displayed.

Andrew sells not only a range of high quality motorbike seat covers guaranteed to fit your bike's saddle and bicycle seat covers but also car seat covers of many styles including covers for seats with built-in side airbags. Underlay blankets to sleep on and for prevention of bed sores while in hospital, child's cot-sized underlays, armchair covers and lots more. Ann and I have bought many items over the years for our own use and as presents and not regretted a single purchase.

We visited Andrew a couple of weeks ago while on a trip to the Shoalhaven region. Eagle-eyed readers of *BeeEm* will note that, some time ago, The Good Wool Store's address changed from inland Berry to a location in the larger town of Kiama, some 20 km north, on the coast, famed for its spectacular blowhole. Now there is no showroom, just a small workshop and a lone Andrew at work

Like all of us have done or will do, Andrew Killen is winding down to retirement and trimming his workload. He is cutting down on raw stock and producing to order. And there is no shortage of orders. Make no mistake, one day The Good Wool Store will cease to exist. Andrew gave no date for his retirement but he has his plans and a bucket list of things to do and places to see. So, although no announcement has been made, it's gonna happen in probably the not too distant future.

If you are thinking of buying something from Andrew Killen's large range of products, I urge you not to delay and to get your order in before it is too late. Do not forget our club has always enjoyed generous prices along with high quality.

We wish Andrew Killen a long and happy retirement and thank him for both his excellent value, high quality products over the years and for advertising in *BeeEm* for such a long time. Certainly, it has been a fruitful relationship for our family, as it has been for our club.

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Bruce Higgs K 1100 RS

Inaugural Noojee Coffee

BY MICHAEL DE VINK

1 FEBRUARY 2025

The first official Noojee Coffee catch up was held on 1 February 2025 at the Little Red Duck Café.

Noojee has been a long time favorite coffee destination for bikers with great roads in from three directions, not too far, and in some of the loveliest countryside and forest Victoria has to offer. It seems obvious as a great place to hold a regular Saturday coffee catch up. And so it is with the inaugural BMWCCVIC Saturday coffee in Noojee held on 1 February 2025.

The Little Red Duck Café has good seating inside and out with friendly host Michael and his crew always making sure everyone is well looked after. The Breakfast menu is excellent with all the weekend favorites such as brekky burger, smashed avo, eggs benny and coffee served just right.

Seated Left to Right: Steve Riddle, Geoff Riddle, Brett Riddle, Mark Doherty, Mark Robinson, Kim Perry, Greg Steer, Ken Wright, Vivian Doherty, Len Keogh, Brendan Webb



Thirty two riders from Melbourne and broader Gippsland attended, and apologies to those whose full names and bike details eluded me. Special mentions to Peter Schubert on his very newly acquired R 1200 R and Paul Koedijk wheeling in on the Prado still nursing his post-surgery shoulder back to GS level agility. Folks enjoyed the time together with general approval for the new regular Saturday coffee venue.

Participants:

Ken Wright	F 800 GT
Mark Richardson	R 1150 RS
Paul Koedijk	Prado
Bruce Higgs	K 1100 RS
Mike de Vink	R 100 LS
Tom Coghlan	F 650 GS Dakar
Steve Riddle	R 1200 GS
Brett Riddle	R 1200 GS
Brendon Webb	F 850 GS
Graeme Alexander	R 1200 GS
Geoff Riddle	R 1100 RT
Mark Doherty	R 1200 RT
Vivian Doherty	R 1200 RT
Michael de Vink	R 100 LS
George Berk	R 1250 RT
Max Parfett	R 1250 RT
Kim Perry	R 80
Greg Steer	Triumph
Gerhard John	R 1250 GS
Colin McDonald	R 1250 GSA
Peter Schubert	R 1200 R
Gary	Royal Enfield
Len Keogh	R 1200 RT
John, Luke, Steve, Brecken, Peter (plus apologies to four more riders whose names and bikes I missed all together)	



Noojee Little Red Duck Café 2



Kim Perry and his R 80



Seated Left to Right: Gerhard John, Colin McDonald, Max Parfett, George Berk



Peter Schubert and his R 1200 R



Definition of a real motorcycle: is black, has one or two cylinders, and one round head light



Kim Perry's very well loved R 80



Lunch Ride to Yea

BY IAN MCKENNA

3 FEBRUARY 2025

Starting at Peppers Paddock the temperature was 30 degrees even before we arrived but at least it wasn't raining unlike last month. 4 riders on 4 bikes took off with Geoff Dick, Karl Haering Ian McKenna and a newcomer, Neil Trevena.

Having agreed to a shortened ride to an early lunch so we could get it before it got too hot, we rode through Hurstbridge and Arthur's Creek Road to Whittlesea, and then via Kinglake West to Yea which let us ride a fair part of the distance in the shade of trees.

We arrived in Yea an hour too early for the Country Club Hotel to open so we did an early lunch at Marmalades Cafe next door, which worked out well. As we were preparing to depart Chris Schey arrived having missed the start at Peppers Paddock.

Participants:

Geoff Dick	R 850 R
Karl Haering	K 100 RS
Ian McKenna	K 75 S
Neil Trevena	R 1250 RT
Chris Schey	K 100 RT

We headed home in several directions, and I rode with Chris Schey through Kinglake West to Kinglake where we parted company after a good but hot day of riding.



Lunch at Marmalades in Yea with Geoff Dick, Karl Haering and Neil Trevena



Chris Schey riding his K 100 RT



Karl Haering and his K 100 RS



Neil Trevena riding his R 1250 RT



Karl Haering and Chris Schey



Ian McKenna and his K 75 S



Line up left to right - Giles in foreground, Karl, Trevor, James & Ben. Anthony in foreground

North East Coffee to Alexandra

BY TREVOR VERLIN

8 FEBRUARY 2025

Thursday and Friday had been challenging weather in NE Vic. Hot and humid. The real “stinker” was a power outage because of a thunderstorm strike. No air conditioning for half of Friday and temp into high 30’s.

I had been keen to go to the Tolmie sports day on Saturday. A traditional country sports day that included a wood chopping competition. You had better get along to see these choppers as it will come to an end pretty soon. Tough, skilled and brave. A rare combination today.

My app informed me that Saturday was to be cooler. Ben, my son, was beginning to stir with his thoughts on a ride over Hotham to Omeo. I was fixed on Tolmie but began to think I could slip down to Alex for the NE gathering. About 1.5 hours. Ben was up and about early, so we decided to meet up and do the Alex, Tolmie option. Anthony: my nephew, riding his recently acquired R 1250

At the table:

Karl Haering:	K 100 RS & very nice
Giles Rinkes:	R 80GS PD & very nice
Ben Verlin:	R 1100 GS – Fagan Special
James Verlin:	Excellent pillion
Anthony Kirby:	R 1250 GS Adv in working condition
Trevor Verlin:	R 1200 GS Adv in working condition

GSA, was to meet Ben and his son, James aboard the R 1100 GS – Fagan Special Ben was thinking Violet Town. He probably told me but we had failed to reconfirm it in our discussion. I incorrectly assumed we would meet at our usual fuel station in Benalla. Waited and waited. They, likewise, but in Violet Town. Now we were off to a late 10:00 start.

Ben, James and Anthony worked their way through the Strathbogie Ranges to Merton. We met up in Yarck as I came the quicker way via Swanpool and Maindample. The weather was coolish, some wind but pleasant.

Arriving in Alex it was easy to spot our venue as Karl's beautiful pearl white K 100 RS was languishing in the gutter outside the Grant Street Grocer (GSG). Karl was easy to spot as he was resplendent with a splash of red in his attire. He had the tables organised out on the footpath. We had just parked our machines and Giles turned up on his beautiful R 80 GS - PD. He had an impressive device attached to the rear of his helmet. A quick explanation revealed it flashes red when braking or decelerating.

After introductions and some moto talk we progressed into an informative discussion on energy matters. Gas, international trade, solar cells, batteries, government policy changes, etc. The GSG cafe produced vg coffee. Even a macchiato. I selected an impressive version of a citron tart for myself. The boys had versions of eggs, bacon, buns, toast, etc.

It was heartening to see a good number of teens learning some hospitality skills. I can recommend this venue if you are in the area. Time to move on. We decided we would go over the range from Eildon to Jamieson for a refreshment then drop Tolmie off the list so to be close to home by late afternoon. Alex to Thornton and Eildon is a great ride on a pleasant road, and with few vehicles today it was even better.

Over the range is about 65 km of constant bends, up and down valleys and around the ridges. I remembered vividly, a near miss on this road many years ago. All related to my rider skills. It is still a challenge for your skills and concentration. Road surface is good, but I suggest in middle of winter with abundant leaves on the surface it will be a different matter. Years ago there were not many vehicles that came this way. Now Jamieson and Lake Eildon attracts many bull bars and boats at this time of year. Only a couple of cars this time made it much safer.

We bypassed the Jamieson Brewery for a Coopers Pale Ale at the Jamieson pub. James was showing signs of a little heat stress, so it was wise to spend some time and allow him rehydrate and cool down. While we languished, Anthony gave us a ready explanation on reversing multi trailer trucks and road trains. He was also aware of the adoption of autonomous heavy mine for shifting mining materials. His profession over the last 3 years has been supplying mine sites plus road and rail track construction in WA.

The temperature for the day started at about mid 20's. By lunch time it was 30. In the ranges it dropped back to 26 but by the time we reached Jamieson it was mid 30 degrees. Returned toward home through Mansfield for our ride back to Benalla. Anthony peeled off at Swanpool taking some back roads to Moyhu and Wangaratta. Ben and James focussed on home at Youanmite. A nice ride, good chat and an opportunity to meet some club members. Also a great opportunity to spend a day out with my son, grandson and nephew.



James Verlin - pillion on the Fagan Special

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Brief stop south of Flowerdale for roadwork's with John De Vos in the lead

Midweek Ride to the Nagambie Rowing Club

BY IAN MCKENNA

12 FEBRUARY 2025

Starting off at the Shell Lilydale Service Station on what was already a warm morning, we had 8 riders on 8 bikes. With the Melba Highway blocked by a landslide near Dixon's Creek we headed to Healesville and took the Chum Creek Road to Toolangi to bypass the blockage.

At Devlin's Bridge we took another pleasant deviation through Murrindindi and back to the highway, allowing us to arrive in Yea a smidgen early for Morning Coffee. Marmalades Cafe the intended venue was closed for the day, in fact we had to walk past several cafes to find one open. So we enjoyed coffee at the Yea Bakery.

With the temperature rising, David Yee decided to leave the ride early; even an offer to shorten the ride by an hour didn't sway him. John De Vos joined us here and brought our numbers back to eight. Forsaking the long loop through Yarck, Ruffy and Longwood, we rode straight to Seymour and on the freeway to Nagambie, getting us there at midday.

The Nagambie Rowing Club welcomed us and gave us a good selection of lunches and good views of Lake

Nagambie from the Club's back veranda. After fuelling up in town we rode back to Seymour, and near Kerrisdale took the quieter roads to Strath Creek and Flowerdale to Kinglake.

We stopped for a final coffee at the Songbird Cafe in Kinglake while we contemplated how to get past the road block near Dixon's Creek. The options were go to Healesville, St Andrews or Whittlesea. With a couple going to Healesville, the remaining several riders followed me to St Andrews and Warrandyte.

When sweltering in traffic in Ringwood Chris Renwick caught up to me and gave the cheery news that the temperature had been 40 degrees for the last hour. This ended a good but very hot day of riding.

Participants:

Dave Denham	R 1300 GS
Hermann Mahla	K 1200 S
Ian McKenna	K 100 RS
Chris Renwick	K 1600 GTL
Graham Sangster	Yamaha MT09
Hans Werner	R 1200 R
David Yee	K 75 C
Paul Yee	F 800 GS
John De Vos	R 1200 GS



Lake Nagambie



Arrival in Yea for morning coffee with riders and bikes



Nagambie Rowing Club in Nagambie



Graham Sangster



Coffee in Yea at the Yea Bakery



John De Vos, Paul Yee, Hans Werner, Hermann Mahla, Graham Sangster, Chris Renwick and Dave Denham



Afternoon Coffee in Kinglake with the remaining ride group



Departing from the Songbird Cafe in Kinglake with Hermann Mahla



Shantel and Steve Riddle departing from Emerald

Emerald Coffee Run

BY IAN MCKENNA

22 FEBRUARY 2025

Fronting up in Emerald for the first Coffee Morning to be held at the Laughing Fox Cafe, we had a good attendance of a dozen riders on eight bikes and two cars, and the cafe gave us good service and good food. Vivien, Mark and Katham Doherty showed us their new Subaru car. We broke up at Midday to head home before it got too hot.



Mark Robinson and his R 1150 RS



Frank Mickan and his R 1200 GSA



Brendon Webb



Mathew Gale and David McGowan



Steve Riddle and Shantel with their R 1200 GSA



Participants:

Tom Coghlan	F 650 GS Dakar
Mathew Gale	F 650 GS
David McGowan	R 1200 GS
Gerhard John	R 1200 GSA
Ian McKenna	K 100 RS
Frank Mickan	R 1200 GS
Brett Riddle	
Steve Riddle and Shantel	R 1200 GSA
Brendon Webb	F 850 GS
Vivien, Mark and Katham Doherty	Subaru car



Monbulk Saturday morning gathering

BY FRANK CACHIA

22 FEBRUARY 2025

Hello Singles and Multies.

Another Saturday run, already for the hills.

As Frank wheeled me out to quite a pleasant warm morning, a rumble followed by a R18 appeared. Aha, muscle to bring up the rear. Knowing full well that we're picking up another twin, a convoy was beginning to take shape.

A single kick to turn my innards over, wake up the carburettor by inviting fuel to once again flow through and I fired on the next kick. Ah, the sound of a single; it just can't be beat.

But that was then, now I'm gently idling, Frank is putting on his gear. And putting on his 1976 Marlon Brando jacket and an open-faced helmet with Spitfire replica goggle, this means it's going to be a hot run.

Makes no difference to me, come on Frank, the hills are calling, mate.

We settled for a two-bike convoy before we stopped and picked up another twin. With me leading and the R 18 bringing up the rear it was off to Monbulk.

The run up Mountain Highway was, as expected, slow cars and even slower cyclists.

What weren't enjoyable were the traffic light controlled roadworks between Sassafras and Olinda. Yep, the road damage caused by the minor landslide which collapsed the downwards lane still hasn't been repaired.

Finally, the lights turned green and we headed off, grateful to feel air circulating around my barrel fins. Reaching the summit at Olinda we turned, looking forward to the delightful high speed downhill run to Monbulk.

Talking about timing, as we entered Monbulk Main Street car park we were followed in by a country member who brought along his partner. With members already present we bikes were parked, switched off and whilst starting the cooling cycle observed our owners crossing the road heading to the nearest indoor/well shaded outdoor cafe.

With three large sturdy benches holding their helmets and gear, introductions were passed around before a café



waitress came over taking orders. The lads were hungry because Devonshire Tea with scones and cakes, toasted sandwiches, pies, coffee and milkshakes were the order of the day.

Once the meals were consumed amidst chatter and laughter, a discussion got underway. At the end of the discussion a show of hands was asked if they want to have Monbulk added as another regular Saturday Morning Coffee Gathering destination. Request was put forward to the Club committee who have approved to have this added on as the Monbulk coffee Gathering.

It was well timed because as soon as the voting was formalised a siren sounded. No, nothing to do with the group, it was a fire alarm signalling a fire in Olinda. With a total fire ban day that wasn't a surprise.

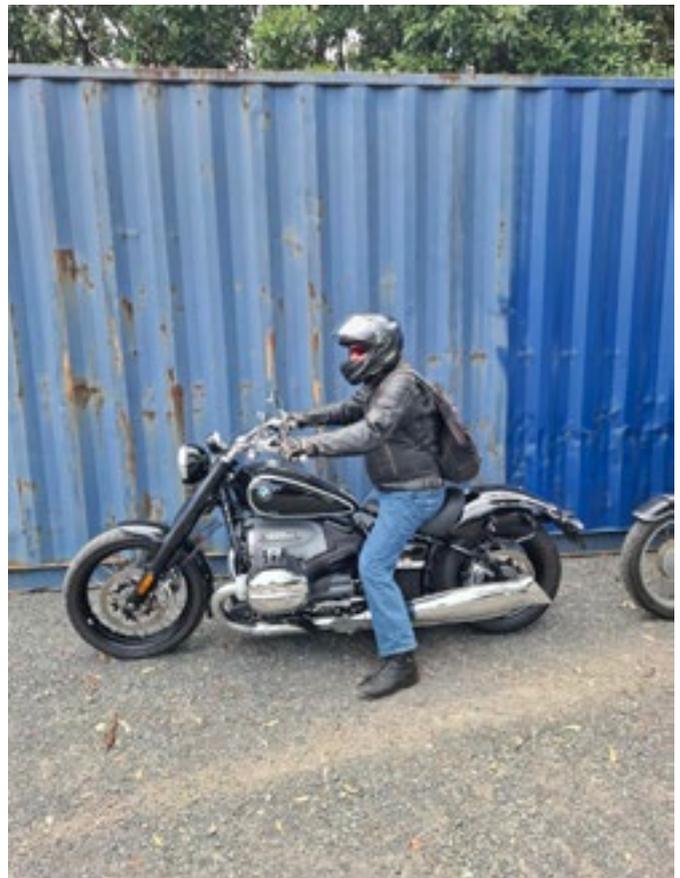
Back to chatting on all subjects, but mostly motorbikes returned; as it should be. After all that's why our owners get together.

All good things come to pass and when the time was right, we were fired up and our owners took us back to near and far, both metropolitan and country destinations.

In my case having completely rested, the back breaking run to Olinda was easily tackled and with no closed roads due to the fire, arriving back at base just in time for Frank to have his lunch.

Yep, it was the start of a most enjoyable gathering.

Ta ta girls.





Club 50th Anniversary Tour to Balranald

BY IAN MCKENNA PHOTOS BY CHRIS RENWICK & IAN MCKENNA

23-26 FEBRUARY 2025

Sunday 23rd February, Day 1

Having led the Sunday Ride from Lilydale to Jamieson, Chris Seabrook then led three of us to Mansfield where we were joined by Chris Renwick riding his K 1600 GTL. The weather looking mild at Mansfield then hit us with a cloud burst near Powers Lookout on the way to Whitfield where we stopped to drain off surplus water from our clothing.

Rolling into Wangaratta we stopped for dinner at the Wangaratta Club Hotel where we were joined by Ann and Brian MacDonald. We stayed overnight at the Central Wangaratta Motel next door.

Monday 24th February, Day 2

Starting comfortably early we fuelled up at the nearby Shell service Station and then a wake up coffee at Caffeinate Me Cafe just across the road from the motel. The five riders were Ian McKenna, Chris Renwick, Chris Seabrook, Sandy Richards and Hans Werner.

We headed north and visited several Painted Silos at Goorambat, Devenish and St James. Our Morning coffee was in Tocumwal at the Fifth Daughter Cafe, behind which was a good view of the Murray River. Also near the cafe is the Tree of Knowledge which is the oldest Peppercorn Tree in Australia.

Outside of Deniliquin we found the site of the Deni Ute Muster, an enormous site with a huge front gate and a decent size museum. Lunch in Deniliquin was at Frank'n'Beans Cafe, Where a local, Lindsay Renwick a relative of Chris joined us for lunch.

Filling up at Deniliquin we roamed southern New South Wales, stopping at the Royal Hotel in Boorooban and the Maude General Store; both places where there wasn't much else about although Maude was the site of a dam and reservoir.

Arriving at Balranald we dined at the Balranald District Ex Services Club and stayed over night at the Balranald Club Motel both next door to each other.



Departing Jamieson with Hans Werner seeing off David Yee and Anita Fothergill



Chris Seabrook the ride leader



Tuesday 25th February, Day 3

Following Yesterday's theme we started off at the Balranald Bakery just across the road from the motel. Hans Werner, the odd man out, chose to camp on each night and still made it to start on each morning. At Robinvale we enjoyed our morning coffee break at Top End Cafe.

Tuesday we did another round of visits to the Painted Silos, this time at Walpeup, Patchewollock, and after lunch at Albacutya and Arkona on the way to Horsham. Lunch was at the Rainbow Bakery in Rainbow between Patchewollock and Albacutya.

Dinner was at the Royal Hotel in Horsham, two of us stayed there overnight but found they didn't open until at least an hour after we arrived. Two of us stayed at the Capital Comfort Inn across the road which was open, and Hans scored a cabin at the caravan park beside the Wimmera River.

Wednesday 26th February, Day 4

Several of us had commitments to go to in Melbourne, and so had to hurtle off. Each taking off at convenient times, we headed off on the Western Highway. With the day expected to get hot I decided not to do the Grampians or a couple of other diversions.

We had a very good four days of riding.



Dinner at the Wangaratta Club with Sandy Richards, Ann Macdonald, Hans Werner, Brian Macdonald, Chris Seabrook and Chris Renwick





Painted Silos at Devenish behind Chris Renwick's K 1600 GLT and Hans Werner's R 1200 R



Painted Silos at St James with a view of horses hauling grain



Lunch at the Bow Bakery in Rainbow with Hans Werner, Sandy Richards, Chris Renwick and Chris Seabrook

Participants:

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|------------------------|-------------------|
| Ian McKenna | K 100 |
| Chris Renwick | K 1600 GTL |
| Sandy Richards | R 1200 RT |
| Chris Seabrook | K 1600 GT |
| Hans Werner | R 1200 R |
| Brian & Anne Macdonald | Wangaratta Dinner |



Murray River



Painted Silos at Walpeup



Painted Silos at Arkona



Painted Silos at Albacutya

Sunday Ride and Feb Multi-day

BY CHRIS SEABROOK

23 FEBRUARY 2025

Lilydale to Jamieson plus day 1 of the multi day ride
It was a warm and windy morning that saw us gather at the Coles Express at Lilydale. The problem was that the power was out, so we couldn't fuel up and had to back track into Lilydale to get fuel.

Out along Maroondah Highway we passed through Healesville, over the black spur, Taggerty and Thornton. Stopping in Eildon for morning tea. Then continuing on over the Eildon dam wall and back around to the Eildon Jamieson Road.

A little over 90 minutes later we caught up at the lookout along the Eildon-Jamieson Road. Then a quick hop into Jamieson to the Court House hotel. Lunch was served and then we were joined by a bunch of Toyota MR2 owners and their cars. After lunch we said goodbye to those who weren't going on the multi day ride. These souls ventured back along the Maroondah Highway after traversing through to Mansfield to their respective homes.

We arrived in Mansfield to await the arrival of our fifth musketeer Chris Renwick. Then it was off along the Tolmie-Mansfield Road, towards Whitfield. At Mansfield we had experienced a couple of rain drops but looking at the cloud cover it did not appear to have any significant bearing on where we were heading. Or so I thought, as we had gone approximately 3/4 of the way towards Whitfield when the heaven opened up.

Visibility was down to around 50 metres, and our visors and glasses were covered in water and fogging up due to the humidity. The rain had a sting to it that hit any exposed skin and soaked through our gear and clothes underneath, as we were not wearing anything waterproof due to the heat. And to make matters worse there was no cover along the road, so we had to continue to Whitfield to seek shelter under the petrol station's canopy, and then the rain ceased within about 60 seconds, allowing us to readjust our gear and laugh about what we had just been through.

Thankfully, the next leg of the trip was fast, with no rain. This allowed our gear to start the drying process. Upon arrival in Wangaratta it was straight to our accommodation where we stripped off and turned the area outside our motel units into a makeshift drying rack. We enjoyed dinner at the Wangaratta Club, where we joined by Brian and Anne McDonald. Followed by ice creams at the local ice creamery.

Day 2 Monday - Wangaratta to Balranald

After a warm night in Wangaratta the morning was nice and cool. Our gear was dry and it was time to hit the road. We first headed east to Goorambat to check out the silo art. Along the way we dodged a mob of kangaroos that decided to cross the road right in front of us. Then up the road to Devenish and St James for more silo art. Morning tea was in Tocumwal at the Fifth Daughter Café.

Deferring to greater local knowledge, Chris Renwick took the lead on the next leg. With a quick run into Deniliquin, with a detour to the home of the Deni Ute Muster and then back into town for lunch at Frank and Beans. Upon arrival in Deni, we were greeted by the local journalist who proceeded to take our picture, names and did a small article on us that ended up in the local rag the next day. And we even had a celebrity appearance from Chris's uncle Lindsay.

After lunch it was north to Hay and then turning left towards a little town by the name of Maude. A place I visited once before some 25 plus years ago. From Maude it was a quick run into Balranald. Dinner at the Balranald club before calling it a night. Much to Hans's consternation as he was camped in the caravan park and had to listen to all the trucks crossing the bridge that night.

Day 3 Tuesday - Balranald to Horsham

Starting the day with Coffee at the Balranald Bakery, we landed back in Victoria for morning tea at the Robinvale Bakery. We then scooted down the road via Ouyen to the Walpeup and Patchewollock Silo's. Lunch was in Hopetoun at the bakery (for a vanilla slice), and Hans discovered that there was no internet access at the local fuel stop, so he couldn't get any fuel. The next stop was the Albacutya Silo art (installed in 2024). A quick stop in Rainbow for fuel, where the 98 octane pump was not in working order, so it was 91 or nothing. Onto Dimboola for a petrol stop then into Horsham, only to discover that the hotel where we were staying didn't open for another hour. But this problem was solved shortly by one of the employees turning up early for work.

Just before this we were approached by one of the locals, who proceeded to give Ian, Sandy and myself a syndicate ticket for the next \$30 million Powerball draw (sponsored by Toyworld Horsham). And you will never believe it, but we actually won. So we got to share \$24 with the other 100 members of the syndicate or 24 cents each. Between the five of us that would equate to 14 cents each.

Day 4 Wednesday - Horsham to home

Today, it was just a quick trip down the Western Highway back into Melbourne and home.

Watch out for other multi day rides planned for this year:

- May – Sunday 18th to 21st (North and Western Victoria)
- August – Sunday 17th to 20th (South West and Western Victoria)
- October – 26th to 29th (North East and Eastern Victoria)

Lindsay Renwick (fifth from left) with the club riders (from left) Chris Seabrook, Hans Werner, Ian McKenna, Sandy Richards and Chris Renwick. Photo by Zoe McMaugh



Multi-day: Show your sporting support

BY DENILIQVIN PASTORAL TIMES

23 FEBRUARY 2025

The Deniliquin community is being asked to get behind all the local sporting teams playing finals this weekend.

Supporters of the Deniliquin Rhinos Cricket Club have posted a 'shout out' to all businesses and residents to decorate in the club's signature red, black and white as the A-grade and C-grade teams head into the Murray Valley Cricket Association finals this weekend.

Both Deni sides finished the home and away season at the top of the ladder. A-grade will play their first final in Deniliquin this Saturday and Sunday, and spectators are encouraged to pop down to Memorial Park and show their support on the sidelines.

The perfect time to check out the new Rhinos/Deniliquin Netball Association clubrooms at the same time if you haven't already. For those wishing to support C-grade, it's only a short drive to Berrigan for Saturday's game.

Bowlers in grand finals

But don't forget to show your support for our local bowlers too.

Our two local clubs - Deni Bowling Club and Deniliquin RSL Bowling Club - will go head-to-head in the Campaspe Division grand final for Division 5 this weekend. DBC's Division 2 side has also made it to the grand final this

Saturday, to take on the Moama Steamers. The bowls grand finals will be held in Lockington.

Deni pit stop

There might have only been five riders in the motorcycle group that stopped in Deniliquin yesterday, but they still turned heads.

A very small portion of riders attached to the BMW Motorcycle Club of Victoria, the Deni pit stop was all thanks to former local Chris Renwick being one of the group.

"Our club is celebrating 50 years, and they are doing this a number of ways," Mr Renwick told us.

"One is via a 1800km, four day club ride from Melbourne with overnight stops in Wangaratta, Balranald, Horsham and home on Wednesday 26.

"Being born in Deni I'm very happy to be able to make the ride, even though it will be a hot one."

While Mr Renwick is not ride co-ordinator, he did say fellow club member Chris Seabrook was happy to let him organise the Deni part of the ride.

The riders stopped in Napier St about 12.30pm yesterday, and caught up with Mr Renwick's uncle, Lindsay Renwick, at Frank n Beans.



Morning coffee in Eildon group photo

Sunday Ride to Jamieson Hotel

BY IAN MCKENNA

23 FEBRUARY 2025

Things started poorly with a power outage in Lilydale closing the Shell Servo and the 7/11 servo next door. I directed riders to buy from the Ampol in town which was open and we reassembled back in the driveway of the Shell servo with the dead pumps clearly in sight.

Chris Seabrook was leading the ride and chose Max Parfett as tail end rider. We had 12 riders on 11 bikes including 4 who were going on the four days Ride to Balranald. Taking the Black Spur to Taggerty, turning off to Thornton and the Back Road to Eildon, we soon had morning coffee at the Eildon Bakery Cafe in Eildon.

Chris discovered a new service facility for push bikes; one of many being installed around the state. At Eildon Giles Rinckes took over at Tail End Charlie riding his R 80 GS Paris Dakar. We took the winding road from Eildon to Jamieson south of Lake Eildon, and stopped at a lookout near Jamieson.

Lunch was at the Courthouse Hotel in Jamieson where we were welcomed and offered good food and service. After lunch, the ride dispersed as the ride leader Chris was now leading his four days ride to Balranald, and he took three riders with him.



Participants:

Alex	R 1200 GS
Edward	K 1600 GTL
John Hammond	R 1200 R
Victor De Koester	K 1200 GT
Ian McKenna	K 100
Max Parfett	R 1200 RT
Sandy Richards	R 1200 RT
Giles Rinckes	R 80 GSPD
Chris Seabrook	K 1600 GT
Hans Werner	R 1200 R
David Yee & Anita Forthergill	K 75 C



John Hammond riding his R 1200 R



David Yee & Anita Fothergill riding their K 75 C



Giles Rinckes riding his F 80 GSPD as tail end rider



Near Jamieson with Chris Seabrook riding his K 1600 GT in the lead



The ever-popular annual barbecue

BY LYNNE ROSENTHAL, PHOTOS BY BRIAN MACDONALD

24 FEBRUARY 2025

It didn't seem to matter that our annual barbecue was held in February rather than January this year, it was still a roaring success. The chefs aimed to have the onions, sausages, home-made hamburgers and salad ready for hungry hoards at 6 p.m. and they pulled it off again. Those doing the cooking probably still smell like onions and sausages but, hey, it was absolutely delicious. Thanks very much guys! Our special thanks go to Kerrie and Winfried Hessling who planned the event to a T and Winfried's home-made hamburgers were sensational.

Special thanks to one of our members, Darren Eger, for addressing the group about Psychs on Bikes. This is an organisation of mental health professionals, of which Darren is one, raising awareness of mental health issues in regional and remote communities. They also have a passion for riding motorcycles and undertake some long trips to

engage with country people and their families. Check the Psychs on Bikes website for further info and to make a donation to this great cause.

<https://www.psychsonbikes.com/>

Thank you to everyone who came to Westerfolds Park to support this great social event. We noticed a few new faces, even better, and we hope you enjoyed it too.





Rally programme – Heathcote 2025

Date	Time	Activity
7 May (Wed)	Early Arrivals welcome during today Cabins, vans, units check in 2 p.m. Campsites check in 11 a.m.	Please collect your Rally Pack at the Registration marquee on the grassed area at the caravan park or call Lea Gilliland, 0410 561 952 (Powered Site No 33), if you can't find the Welcome Team. Meals – BYO or meet with others in one of the many venues in town (all walking distance from park).
8 May (Thur)	9.00 a.m. - Planned ride leaves from the Caravan Park entrance	Ride of about 130km led by Ian McKenna leaving from caravan park entrance. Meals – along the way and evening meal BYO or meet with others in one of the many venues in town (all walking distance from park).
	Arrivals welcome all day	Please collect your Rally Pack at the Registration marquee on the grassed area at the caravan park or call Lea Gilliland, 0410 561 952 (Powered Site No 33), if you can't find the Welcome Team
9 May (Fri)	9.00 a.m. - Planned ride leaves from the Caravan Park entrance	Ride of about 150 km (return) to Bendigo. Visit the eclectic motorbike museum at the Black Swan Hotel in Bendigo – then stay for a pizza lunch (cost for lunch approx. \$20 each). Black Swan Hotel, 117-119 McCrae Street. Register for this ride when you register for the Rally.
	6.00 p.m. - Welcome BBQ Camp Kitchen on the grassed area of the caravan park	Come to the Welcome BBQ to greet other rally goers and renew friendships. Please let us know you'll be attending when you register, included in your registration.
10 May (Sat)	7.30 a.m. Breakfast Camp kitchen on the grassed area of the caravan park.	Join us for a freshly made egg and bacon roll and juice, tea or coffee to begin the day, included in your rally registration. Please book when registering. <i>Hand in your details for Rally Awards this morning.</i>
	9.00 a.m. - Planned ride leaves from the Caravan Park entrance	Ride of about 190km (return) to Yea. Visit Teo Lamar's Cathedral of Moto Guzzi collection, including many other interesting motorcycles and machinery. Address: 526 Ti Tree Creek Road, Yea. BBQ Lunch at the venue, \$20/head, please pre-book for catering purposes. Tick this option when registering for the Rally.
		50th Anniversary Rally Dinner - Heathcote RSL. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join us for canapes at 6.00 p.m. followed by a delicious 2 course dinner at 7.00 p.m. Drinks available at RSL prices. Guest Speaker entertainment. Presentation of Rally Awards. Cost: \$35/person. Bookings are essential for this event subsidised by BMW MCC Vic. Please book and pay when registering for the Rally.
11 May (Sun)	7.30 a.m. Breakfast Camp kitchen on the grassed area of the caravan park.	Join us for a freshly made egg and bacon roll and juice, tea or coffee to begin the day, included in your rally registration. Please book when registering.
	Pack up and farewells as everyone makes their way home	We thank you for coming to the Rally to help us celebrate 50 years of club life. We hope you enjoyed making new friends and catching up with others. Safe travels.



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50th Anniversary Rally
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3 Barrack Street, Heathcote Vic 3523
from
Wednesday 7th to Sunday 11th May, 2025

Registration Fees:

\$90.00pp (Early Bird discount if paid by 31st March)

\$95.00pp (if paid after 31st March)

*(includes Rally Badge & Rally Pack, BBQ Dinner on Friday.
Egg & Bacon Breakfasts Saturday & Sunday mornings)*

Saturday dinner - \$35pp includes canapes, 2 course meal and presentation of awards

Raffle – Win a \$1000 Voucher to redeem at a BMW Dealership of your choice & other prizes

Merchandise – Order your 50th Anniversary Polo &/or T-shirts \$40 ea. (Order by 31st March to collect at the rally). Caps will be available to purchase at the rally.

Enquiries:

Lea Gilliland 0410 561 952, Lynn Rosenthal 0415 286 855, Noel Gilliland 0419 355 953,
Kerrie Hessling 0431 884 085 & Bernard Schacher-Tayla 0403 899 374



See Reverse for more details →

Registration & Payment

can be made via

<https://bmwmotorcycleclubofvictoria.wildapricot.org/events>

OR

By paying Direct Deposit to BMW Motorcycle Club Victoria
BSB: 063 000 Account No.: 0080 4344 Reference: 50 yrs (add your name)

OR

By completing this form (below & over page) and send to:
BMWCC Vic, 50th Anniversary Rally, PO Box 364, Moonee Ponds Vic 3039

Attendees	_____ x \$90.00pp (<i>earlybird paid by 31st March</i>)	= \$
Attendees	_____ x \$95.00pp (<i>if paid after 31st March</i>)	= \$
Sat Rally Dinner	_____ x \$35.00pp	= \$
50th Anniversary Polo (Navy only) (sizes – S M L XL 2XL 3XL)	_____ x \$40.00pp	= \$ Size
	_____ x \$40.00pp	= \$ Size
50th Anniversary T-shirt (Navy only) (sizes – S M L XL 2XL 3XL)	_____ x \$40.00pp	= \$ Size
	_____ x \$40.00pp	= \$ Size
Raffle Ticket \$5 each	_____ x \$5.00ea	= \$

If unable to book online please complete this form & address to
50th Anniversary Rally, P.O. Box 364, Moonee Ponds, Vic 3039 together with your payment

Accommodation:

All attendees to book their own accommodation. Contact Heathcote Queen Meadow Caravan Park on 03 5433 2304 and mention that you are with the BMW Motor Cycle Club.

(Please note – limited cabins, etc left, many have already been booked, please phone asap)

Unpowered Site - \$32per night	Park Vans-\$135pn	Ensuite Cabins-\$125pn
	Deluxe Cabins-\$160pn	6 person Cabin-\$115pn
Powered Site - \$38pn	2, 3 & 4 Person Cabins- \$105pn	
Various other accommodations available within the township (phone for costs & bookings).		
Union Hotel	171 High St, Heathcote	03 5433 2848
187 Heathcote (Boutique Accom)	187 High St, Heathcote	0491 683 803
Heathcote Retreat Motel	257-259 High St, Heathcote	0429 167 251
Heathcote Inn	9 Hunter Pl, Heathcote	03 5433 2409
Fergusons Store Apartment	220 High St, Heathcote	0428 255 507

Meals:

- Friday night Welcome BBQ (included in registration)
- Saturday Night Rally Dinner \$35.00pp (subsidised by the BMWCC Vic – please book when registering) Drinks available at RSL Club prices
- Breakfasts available on Saturday & Sunday mornings (included in registration)
- BYO other meals or you can eat in town (everything easy walking distance from park). Lunches are also available during the Friday Ride (Pizza, approx. \$20pp) & Saturday Ride (BBQ, \$20pp)

Awards:

All the usual rally awards will be presented. Please note to be eligible for trophies bikes **MUST** be ridden directly from home to rally.

**Booking Information**

Name:			Mobile No.		
Name of Pillion/Passenger:					
Address:					
Email:					
Bike:			Club:		
<i>Options:</i>	Thursday Ride	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Friday Ride	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Friday Lunch (Pizza)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Friday Welcome BBQ	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Saturday Ride	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Saturday Lunch (BBQ)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Saturday Dinner	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		<i>Club will advise the venues of expected attendees for catering purposes</i>	
Dietary Requirements <i>(Friday & Saturday Night dinner & Breakfasts)</i>					



BMW Motorcycle Club
Victoria Australia



Program:

Friday - Travel for those that want to get out early from Melbourne and set up camp. Do BBQ in evening at Carboor Hall kitchen (bring your own meat and salad).

Saturday - Breaky at Milawa Bakery at 8am or bring your own breakfast.

9.30am for 10am: Commence GS training at the Carboor Reserve. Lunch and refreshments will be provided by Touratech. Continue GS training after lunch, followed by a ride on dirt. **3 / 4pm:** Conclude GS training.

BBQ in evening (bring your own meat, salad and refreshments).

Sunday - Clean, pack up and head home.

QR code for Carboor Hall



2025 BMW Motorcycle Club of Victoria GS Training with Touratech (1. Adventure / 2. Explore / 3. Extreme)

Calling all GS and adventure riders to join us for GS training with Robin Box and the Touratech team. **Club and non-club members and all brands of motorcycles are welcome.** Our aim is to offer new riders to GS a safe space to learn the basics and also challenge experienced riders. All levels of GS riders are welcome.

2025 will be our **3rd year** to partner with Touratech to offer GS / adventure rider training. Guests and friends are welcome. The event needs a minimum of 10, with a maximum of 20 riders. Training will be held at the **Carboor Reserve** (refer address on right). Riders can stay at the Carboor Reserve town hall or camp. The facilities are great and include fully outfitted kitchen (cutlery, fridge, microwave, boiling water), porcelain toilet and shower. There are two halls for accommodation and a covered area for BBQ and bikes. For those that don't want to stay in the Carboor hall or camp, there is accommodation in nearby towns: Wangaratta, Milawa, Oxley, Beechworth, Myrtleford, Moyhu and Bright.

The training will be held on a **Saturday** and the cost of training is **\$100pp** (including lunch). For those that will camp at the Carboor Hall, the camping costs is an extra \$60 for a total costs of **\$160pp** (inclusive of training, lunch and hall hire). All fees are to be paid on booking via the club's Wild Apricot site (for BMW club members). If you are not a BMW club member, please use the following reference **LAST NAME_GS event <date>** and deposit funds into the club's bank account, **BMW MCC Vic, BSB 063000, account 00804344**. Email or text the organizer with proof of payment. If you wish to confirm the club's bank account, please contact Winfried Hessling (treasurer@bmwmccvic.org.au, 040 330 2230).

There are **three-levels** of training for 2025:

1.Adventure: Cover the basics and ride after training in the forest.

2.Explore: Warm-up and then progress to basic / intermediate hill ascends, descends and recovery, and time permitting progress to steeper ascends and descends. Ride after training in the forest / fire track.

3.Extreme: Warm up and then progress to emergency braking, sand riding, mud riding, river crossing, or whatever is in the training program. Ride after training in the forest.

Event dates for 2025:

The following dates are available for 2025 (book via the club's website (www.bmwmotorcycleclubofvictoria.wildapricot.org) or by contacting the event organiser. Touratech have asked for a one-week cut off to arrange catering.

1. Adventure: 8 February 2025 (book and pay by Friday, 31 January 2025)

2. Explore: 5 April 2025 (book and pay by Friday, 28 March 2025)

3. Extreme: 21 June 2025 (book and pay by Friday, 13 June 2025)

4. Adventure: 9 August 2025 (book and pay by Friday, 1 August 2025)

5. Explore: 1 November 2025 (book and pay by Friday, 24 October 2025)

6. Extreme: 6 December 2025 (book and pay by Friday, 28 November 2025)

Please contact Jacques Van Niekerk (bmwmccvic@gmail.com; clubdelegate@bmwmccvic.org.au) if you have any inquiries.



BMW MCC Vic AU
GS Riders



Location: Carboor Town Hall,
opposite Touratech,
1933 Carboor Everton Rd
<https://www.touratech.com.au/>
Tel: (03) 5729 5529



Saturday Morning Coffee Rides

Join in for a friendly coffee to meet members. Held at different venues each week.... All Welcome.

Every Saturday Morning - Melbourne Coffee – Albert Park

From 9.00am at Laurent Bakery, 109 Dundas Place, Albert Park. (Melway 2K C7). All welcome. Please park safely and leave footpaths clear.

1st Saturday of the Month - Western Coffee Morning – Ballarat / Coffee Meeting Noojee

Western: From 9.00am Beechworth Bakery, Grenville Street, Ballarat.

Noojee: From 9.30am Little Red Duck Cafe, 1 Bennett St Noojee. Contact: Mark Doherty 0402 210 050

2nd Saturday of the Month - Gippsland Coffee Morning – Heyfield / North East rotating

Gippsland: From 9.30am at Heyfield Bakery 59 Temple St, Heyfield. Contact Paul Koedijk 0491 167 199

North East Coffee: From 10.00am. Rotating venues are Winton North, Alexandra or Euroa. Check website for location. Contact: Christine Young 0408 350 850

3rd Saturday of the Month - Central Coffee – South West Gippsland Morning - rotating

Central Coffee: From 10.00am at the Rocklea Café, Kangaroo Flat.

South West Gippsland Coffee: From 10.00am. Rotating venues are Tarwin Lower, Kernot and Mirboo North. Please check website for location. Contact: James Ryan 0418 391 343.

4th Saturday of the Month - Eastern Coffee Morning – Emerald / Monbulk Coffee Gathering

Emerald: From 9am onwards at The Laughing Fox Cafe, 13 Kilvington Drive, Emerald.

Monbulk: From 9.30am. at Tree Top Salt Café 108 Main St, Monbulk Contact: Frank Cachia 0499 844 000

APRIL

5th April - Saturday – 2025 BMW GS Adventure Training with Touratech (Explore L2)

Calling all GS and adventure riders to join us for GS training with Robin Box and the Touratech team. Club and non-club members and all brands of motorcycles are welcome. Our aim is to offer new riders to GS a safe space to learn the basics and also challenge experienced riders. All levels of GS riders are welcome.

Training level for this course is 2. Explore: Warm-up and then progress to basic / intermediate hill ascends, descends and recovery, and time permitting progress to steeper ascends and descends. Ride after training in the forest / fire track. 2025 will be our 3rd year to partner with Touratech to offer GS / adventure rider training. Guests and friends are welcome. Check website for further details.

7th April - Monday – CRL to Corner Hotel in Alexandra.

Ride of 135 km to the Corner Hotel in Alexandra. Ride via Kinglake to Healesville and the Black Spur to Alexandra. Return via Flowerdale and Whittlesea to Wattle Glen for a total distance of 255 km. Start at Peppers Paddock General

Store in Wattle Glen at 10.00am.

Stop at Fernshaw Park at 11.00am, and Whittlesea on the return. Lunch at the Corner Hotel in Alexandra at 12.00 Noon. Finish at Peppers Paddock in Wattle Glen at 3.00pm. Ride Leader Ian McKenna ph 0487 868 466.

9th April - Wednesday – Midweek Ride to Allies Hotel in Myers Flat.

Ride of 150 km to the Allies Hotel in Myers Flat near Bendigo. Ride via Toolern Vale, Gisborne, Macedon, Kyneton, Redesdale and Bendigo to Myers Flat. Return via the Mclvor highway, Heathcote and Hume Freeway to Kalkallo for a total distance of 300 km. Start at BP Calder Park Service Centre on Calder Freeway at 9.00am. Stop at Redesdale, Myers Flat, Heathcote and Kalkallo. Coffee at Cafe Budhurst in Redesdale at 10.30am. Lunch at the Allies Hotel in Myers Flat at 12.30pm. Coffee at Heathcote at 2.30pm. Finish in Kalkallo on Hume Freeway at 4.30pm. Ride Leader Ian McKenna ph 0487 868 466.

26th April - Saturday – BMW Drivers (Victoria) Calder Park National Rally 2025

Following the success of the BMW 100 Year celebrations in 2023, the BMW drivers club is again holding a display and track day at Calder Park Raceway. We at BMWCCVIC have again been invited to attend and put on a display of all things Motorand. If you would like to attend please register and let us know what bike you will be displaying. More information will be announced once the Drivers club finalises the details.

27th April – Sunday - Sunday Ride – Dunkeld (South West - Otways)

Approx. 226km ride. Ride Leader: Chris Seabrook 0417 330 586 Other Inquiries: Ian McKenna 0487 868 466

28th April - Monday – Monthly Club Meeting

The monthly meeting will be held on Monday 28th April at 7.30pm at Lynden Park Recreational Facility, Wakefield's Grove, 64A Through Rd Camberwell 3124. Enter via the narrow access road between no's 64 and 66 Through Rd. This will be a general meeting to update you on current events. Our speaker for the evening will be club member, Frank Cachia. Frank will inform us about the book he has written tracing the club's 50 year history. The book outlines how the club was formed, how special rides and events evolved and much more. Frank will have copies of his book available for sale, preferably cash sales please. This historical book is worthy of being the ideal gift and will definitely take pride of place in any member's library. Club meetings are always a great social event too so please register your attendance to help us with supper catering, would be appreciated.

MAY

5th May - Saturday – Coffee Ride Lunch to Spencers Store, Gembrook.

Ride of 115 km to Spencers Store in Gembrook. Ride via Kinglake, Toolangi, Healesville and Launching Place to Gembrook. Return via Emerald, Monbulk and Olinda to Montrose for a total distance of 155 km. Assemble at Peppers Paddock General Store in Wattle Glen at 9.30 for departure at 10.00am. Stop at Badgers Weir near Healesville. Lunch at Spencers Store in Gembrook at 12.00 Noon. Finish

at Hummingbird Cafe in Montrose at about 2.00pm. Ride leader Ian McKenna ph 0487 868 466.

7th May - Wednesday – Club 50th Anniversary Rally, Ride to the Rally.

Ride of about 130 km to the Rally site at Heathcote. Assemble at BP Epping Service Centre on Cooper Street 8.30 for departure at 9.00am. Morning Coffee in Romsey at 10.00am. Stop to visit the First Flight Memorial on Burke & Wills Track near Mia Mia. Arrive at Queen Meadows Caravan Park in Heathcote about Midday. Ride Leader Ian McKenna ph 0487 868 466. Thursday 8th May - 50th Anniversary Rally, Ride to Mount Macedon. Friday 8th May - 50th Anniversary, Ride to the Black Swan Hotel in Bendigo. Saturday 9th May - 50th Anniversary, Ride to Motoguzzi Museum near Yea.

7th – 11th Wednesday-Sunday – 50th Anniversary Rally in 2025

Where: at the Heathcote Queen Meadow Caravan Park, 3 Barrack Street, Heathcote, Vic, 3523. Tel. 03 5433 2304 <https://www.heathcotemeadowcaravanpark.com.au/> A 50th Anniversary Dinner will be held on Saturday evening, 10th May, at the RSL and we hope everyone will celebrate our 50 year history with us. What else is planned? Optional rides each day will take us to see attractions in the area. A visit to a winery is on the cards, as well as a visit to Bendigo and of course, you'll receive a showbag. One of our members, Frank Cachia, is writing a book to record the 50 year history of our club and this will be launched at the Rally. All other BMW Motorcycle Clubs and interstate members are warmly invited to join us. We'd like as many members and friends to come as possible. Yes, we will be offering some treasured Awards to our interstate visitors as well as members in Victoria. We will provide details about registering for this event as soon as possible. Mark the date

in your diary now and plan to be there. We'd love to see you! For further info contact one of these people: Lea Gilliland 03 5264 7975, Lynne Rosenthal 0415 286 855, Kerrie Hessling 0431 884 085, Bernard Schacher-Tayla 0403 899 374

14th May - Wednesday – Midweek Ride to Erica Hotel, in Erica.

Taking off from Lilydale we buzz through the Dandenongs and a portion of the Old Princes Highway to Longwarry where we enjoy Coffee at Soul Sisters Cafe and Fuel up on the freeway nearby. A short hop past Jindivick and the Old Sale Road gets us on the road to Walhalla. We stop at the Erica Hotel for lunch and head home via Noojee with Coffee on the way home for a total distance of 330 km. Assemble at Shell Lilydale Service Station 8.30 for 9.00 departure. Morning Coffee at Soul Sisters Cafe in Longwarry at 10.30. Top up with petrol at the Longwarry Service Centre on the Freeway. Lunch at the Erica Hotel at 1.00pm. Afternoon Coffee in Noojee at 3.00pm. Finish in Lilydale about 4.30 for a total distance of 330 km. Ride Leader Ian McKenna ph 0487 868 466.

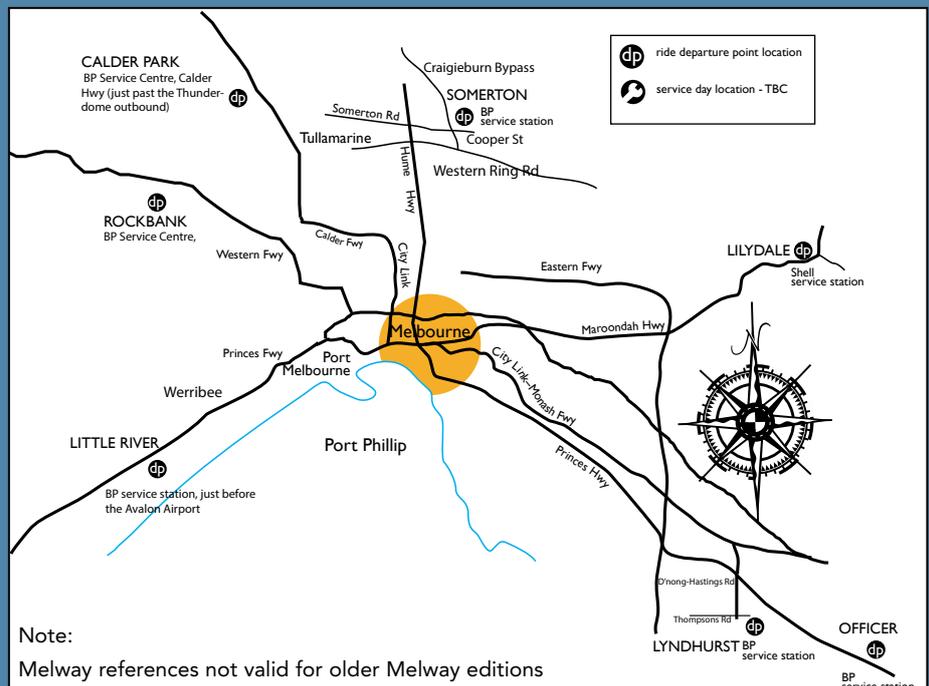
18th May - Sunday - Sunday Ride – The Top Pub Tatura (North West)

Come along for a ride to Tatura (228km). We will traverse our way through the Macedon ranges and beyond Please note this ride forms part of the second multi day ride for the year. So after lunch those continuing to Charlton will depart via Rochester and you are welcome to continue with us as desired. Assemble at BP Epping (8.30am) Depart (9.00am) - Oaklands Junction, Riddells Creek, New Gisbourne, Woodend - Bourkies Bakehouse, 10:30am) - Morning Tea, Newham, Lancefield, Graytown, Nagambie, Murchinson, Tatura (12:45pm) The Top Pub.

**Check website for full details.*

Melbourne ride departure points

- NORTHERN DEP. POINT EPPING**
BP Service Centre Cnr Scanlon Dr & Cooper St Epping. Melway ref map 181 D11
- LYNDHURST DEP. POINT**
BP Service Station, Cnr Dandenong-Hastings Rd and Thompsons Rd. Melway ref map 128 K3
- LILYDALE DEP. POINT**
Shell Service Station, Maroondah Hwy (1 km east Lilydale), Lilydale. Melway ref map 38 H3
- LITTLE RIVER DEP. POINT**
BP Service Station, Princes Freeway (Geelong bound) just before the Avalon Airport turnoff. Melway ref key map p11 D12.*
- OFFICER DEP. POINT**
BP Service Centre - Officer Outbound 65 Princes Fwy, (M1) Officer. 2 km South East of Beaconsfield Exit on M1
- ROCKBANK DEP. POINT**
BP Rockbank Outbound Truckstop, 1789 Western Freeway, between Hopkins Rd and Troups Rd Nth. Melway ref 355 D11* (Not the other BP SS)
- CALDER PARK DEP. POINT**
BP Service Centre, Calder Highway (just past the Thunderdome outbound) . Melway ref map 354 J3.*



Please see Classifieds at <https://bmwmotorcycleclubofvictoria.wildapricot.org> for more information and photos.

FOR SALE

BMW F850GSA Rallye 2019 - \$19,000

I'm selling my BMW F850 GSA Rallye to upgrade.

- Low 27,609 kms and service history
- Registered until May 2025
- BMW Aluminium Panniers & Top Box with Back Rest, and Tank Top Bag
- BMW Garmin Navigator VI
- BMW Dual USB Port
- BMW Comfort & Touring Packages incl. Dynamic ESA, Keyless Ride,
- Tyre Pressure Monitoring, Centre Stand, Heated Grips.
- BMW Dynamic & Lights Package incl. Dynamic Traction Control, Automatic
- Stability Control, LED Lights, Daytime Riding Lights, Gearshift Assist Pro, Riding
- Modes Pro, White LED Indicators, ABS Pro, Electronic Suspension.
- BMW 6.5 TFT Colour Display, Blue Tooth Connectivity.
- BMW 23 Litre Fuel Tank (550 + Kms)
- BMW Larger Screen with 2 Way Adjustment
- BMW Wide Foot Pegs.
- BMW Engine Protection Bars.
- RWC

Contact: Mike Tobias (Mt Martha)
Mobile: 0487 866 643
Email: mike.tobias5974@gmail.com



BMW R1200GS 2009 (ESA Model) - \$9,500 ONO

Very good condition.

- 81,000 klms
- Registered until April '25
- Keyed alike Vario Panniers
- Tank Bag
- Pivot Pegz brand Footpegs
- Recent full service, including tyres, steering head bearings, drive shaft boots.

Only selling due to my D.O.B.

Contact: Greg Hobbs (Ballarat)
Mobile: 0419 208 811
Email: gkhobbs2003@outlook.com



BMW G310R 2022 - \$5,500

As my riding days are now over, a 2022 BMW G310R is for sale.

- 6,500kms
- Top Box
- Screen
- Heated Grips
- Registered to March 2025
- As new condition

Contact: Terry Kiely
Mobile: 0408 518 304
Email: terrykiely311@gmail.com



BMW Connected-Ride Cradle - \$300

It is for OEM navigation mount. In very good condition and works perfectly. Comes with original box.

Contact: Murray Boyd
Phone: 0418 537 641
Email: murray.boyd@icloud.com



BMW R100RS 1983 (Black - Café Racer) - \$20,000 ONO

This 1983 BMW R100 RS café racer has been rebuilt from the frame up and is for sale. While currently sporting café racer trim, it is completely reversible and can be returned to stock. Included in the sale are ALL original parts – every nut, bolt, seat, fairings – the lot.

Some of the highlights include:

- Genuine BMW spoke wheels, fully rebuilt.
 - Full Motogadget electronics
 - Upgraded engine electronics
 - Rebuilt and upgraded fork internals
 - Fully rebuilt heads
 - Rebuilt rear drive and brakes, etc
- Only selling as I am moving onto my next project. This bike is ready to ride – nothing to be done. I have had the bike for about 10 years and am the second owner.

Contact: Richard Briedis
Mobile: 0401 056 054
Email: rvbriedis@hotmail.com



Mars Leather Jacket (Size 46) - \$250
Men's Riding Gloves - \$30 / pair
 Mars brand leather jacket in excellent condition.

Men's Rukka and DriRider riding gloves.

Lady's Moto Dry Jacket (Size S) - \$150

Lady's jacket with liner for sale. Moto Dry brand. Size S. Good condition.

Sheep Skin Cover - \$60

Contact: Kevin Cooper

Phone: 0428 534 346

Email: cooperkjv@yahoo.com



BMW R1250R HP 2020 (Black) - \$17,500

- Registration until June, 2025
- Full BMW dealer service history.
- Well cared for, always garaged
- BMW windscreen.
- Akropovic exhaust.
- Bar risers.
- R & G Racing (adventure) engine bars
- Spot lights not hooked up, but are super bright.

Contact: Marc Tracy (Brighton)

Mobile: 0412 385 630

Email: yabberon@gmail.com



Hex ezCAN (R1200GS) - \$150 ONO

Purchased to fit accessories to my 2005 BMW R1200GS but ended up

Contact: Martin (South Gippsland)

Mobile: 0400 973 856

Email: mcongreave@gmail.com



BMW R 1250 GS Rallye (2023) - \$30,900

As new condition - selling to get a smaller bike.

- Has only done 7,500 ks.
- Sell with RWC.
- First registered in June '23.
- Two years servicing inc.
- 5 Year Warranty;

BMW Factory fitted options:
 Adaptive Headlight; Dynamic ESA;
 Keyless ride; Daytime Running Light;
 Headlight Pro; Gearshift Pro; Riding Modes Pro; Cruise Control; Heated Grips; Multi Function Indicator lights; Navigation Preparation;
 Design option silencer; Chrome Exhaust Headers; Passenger Kit;
 Includes many other fitted extras.

Contact: Peter Walsh (Malvern East)

Mobile: 0418 140 358

Email: janeshalsh@yahoo.com.au



WANTED

Seat Locking Bar & Tool Box Parts for BMW R1100GS (Fagan Special)

Contact: Trevor Verlin

Mobile: 0447 778 070

Email: tmverlin@hotmail.com

Stainless Steel Exhaust System for BMW R65LS (1983)

Contact: Ken Wright (member)

Mobile: 0418 5490 102

Email: kwright@iinet.net.au



BMW Motorcycle Club
 1975 - 2025

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The club's 50th Anniversary Event in 2025

SAVE THE DATE!

Thursday 8th to Sunday 11th May

at Heathcote Queen Meadow Caravan Park

Celebratory Dinner on Saturday 10th May

A book celebrating 50 years of club life

will be launched

Rally pack including rally badge
 Riding and attendance awards aplenty

It will all be there!

And we want you to be there too!

Save the date – and plan your weekend of fun



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Sales: Mon - Fri 8:30am - 5:30pm,
Sat 8:30am - 5:00pm

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209 Kings Way, South Melbourne VIC 3205
Ph: (03) 9686 1999
Email: mcsales@southbankmotorcycles.com.au
bmw-motorrad.com.au/melbourne-motorcycles

Sales: Mon - Fri 8:30am - 5:30pm,
Sat 8:30am - 5:00pm

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405 Maroondah Hwy, Ringwood VIC 3134
Ph: (03) 8848 0088
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bmw-motorrad.com.au/ringwood

Sales: Mon - Fri 8:30am - 5:30pm,
Sat 8:30am - 5:00pm

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