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BMW Motorcycle
Owners Club
(Gold Coast) Inc.



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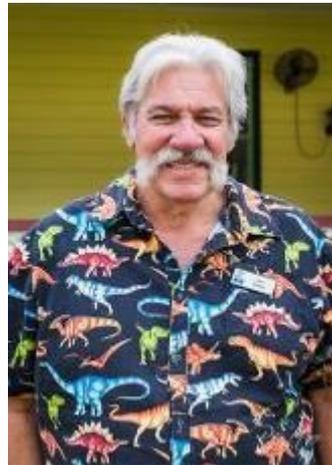
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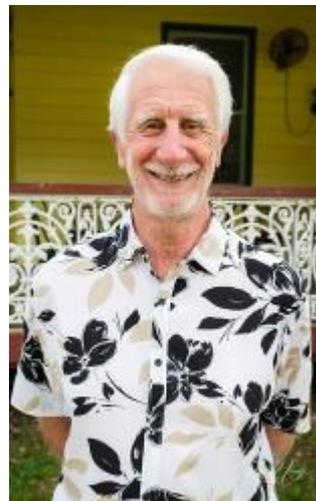
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NEWSLETTER OF THE BMW MOTORCYCLE OWNERS CLUB
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CLUB CALENDAR



- 3 Aug 8.00am **Breakfast meeting**, Tallai Golf Club The Panorama & Wongaroy Rd, Tallai. Followed by a ride of 250k approx.— [See details for Gordon's Ride in Up coming Events](#)
- 15 Aug 12noon **Ladies Lunch**– Currumbin RSL– RSVP to Jill or Facebook/Messenger
- 17 Aug 7.45am Club Ride- **Carrot Cakes 'R'Us** Meet at BP (Exit 54) - [See details for Gordon's Ride in Up coming Events](#)
- 31 Aug 11.30 am **AGM** — Tallai Golf Club—The Panorama & Wongaroy Rd, Tallai
- 7 Sep 8.00am **Breakfast meeting**, View Cafe Hinze Dam. Followed by a ride of 250k approx.

For Further events visit the club Facebook Page.

The club normally has two organised rides each month: on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. The rides on the 3rd Sunday of the month may change according to the ride destination.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



What great riding days we had in July . Sprinkled with some rain in the mix. Christmas in July Dinner at Greenfields restaurant at Tafe Robina was well supported and everyone had a good time with great food.

Unfortunately, Cherie and I haven't done much riding in July due to a short stint in hospital.

John Vassallo had an unfortunate argument with a mower which will restrict riding time for a couple of months. We know his pain, Cherie fought a mower and lost as well .

Hopefully, we have more rides and get together in August . Gordon and Jenny have come home from the cold in Tassie and are leading a ride on Sunday 17th August with enough carrot cake for everyone.

We have our AGM on Sunday 31st August at 11:30 am at Tallai Golf Club , we look forward to seeing you all there
Keep the shiny side up

Regards
Adrian Headon Member #344
President





IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT...

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
31st August 11.30am

Tallai Golf Club
The Panorama & Worongary Rd, Tallai

This year we have decided to have a less formal and more inclusive gathering of our group over a laid back a la carte lunch on the veranda.

Our aim is to share in your experiences had this year, the good, the bad and the ugly and gain some insight into what our members enjoyed the most about being part of our club while embracing our club ethos of “riding motorcycles and having fun”.

Secondary to this, we would like to welcome our new committee for the upcoming year. If anyone has any special skills and would like to volunteer for any position we would love to hear from you.

This is your chance to come together and show your appreciation for the ongoing, behind the scenes work your committee has put in this year. Look forward to your show of support and seeing as many of you there as possible.

Please advise if you will be attending before 25 August so we can confirm numbers for the venue.

Remember: It takes a village to bring up a child and it takes all members to make our club. - Let us all get involved.

EDITOR'S MESSAGE



Since our overnighter to Moree, a skin treatment to the face has stopped me from putting on a helmet. This has meant that my team in the office are really looking forward to my departure to start the Orange to Camerons Corner GS Tour. Apparently not being able to ride affects my interpersonal skills and patience. I am keenly following the weather for the next few days as road closure stopped us 125km from the corner last year. It only seemed fair to try again on the 1250 GSA so hopefully the bike and I can say we finally made it.

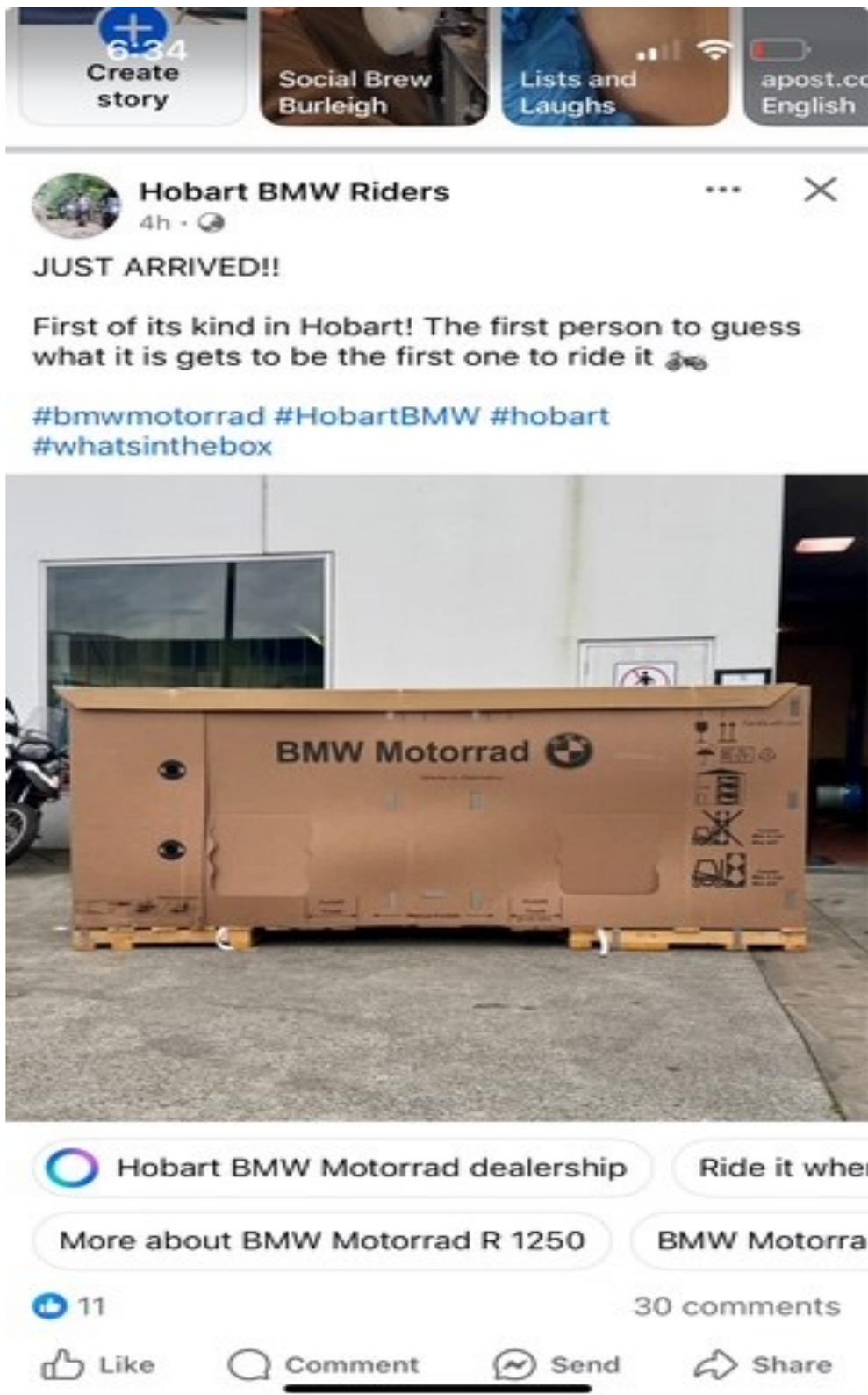
A recent GS tour departing Dubbo started with ½ inch of snow on the bike seats, but it still looked warmer than “that” trip to Condoblin, so very glad on this ride we are not needing tents.

As luck would have it, two management clients will be in Orange at the same time, so we will have long business meeting around lunchtime, which will no doubt make my accountant question a few expenses, but you can never replace the value of a face to face meeting to better understand each other.

The Christmas in July event at Robina Tafe was a great find by Julie and I look forward to the report, from where I was sitting, everyone seemed to be well fed and hydrated



“Does Ken ask Morgan and Wacker to run a competition like this?”



Supplied by Gordan & Jenny

CLUB FINANCIALS



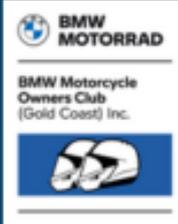
| YTD Financial Statement | |
|--|-----------------|
| Suncorp | |
| Suncorp Opening Balance July 1st 2025 | 4,929.23 |
| Suncorp Current Closing Balance | 6,589.43 |
| Suncorp Bank Movement from July 1st to now | 1,660.20 |
| <i>Movement created by -</i> | |
| Membership Fees | 1,660.00 |
| Advertising | |
| AGM Lunch | |
| Square | |
| Christmas & Christmas in July | |
| Have a Feed donation money | |
| Donations/Memberships | |
| Other | |
| Blood Biker Donations - Raised | |
| Blood Biker Donations - Paid Out | |
| Clubs Australia | |
| Insurance | |
| Pay for AGM | |
| | 1,660.00 |
| Heritage | 5,803.09 |

Transactions 1 to 25 of 32

| Date | Transaction Details | Withdrawal | Deposit | Balance |
|------------|---------------------|------------|---------|------------|
| 23/07/2025 | OSKO PAYMENT | | \$50.00 | \$6,589.43 |

| Account Type | BSB | Description | Current Balance |
|--------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 112 | 638-991 | Twelve Month Term Account (2 to sign) | \$5,803.09 |

UPCOMING EVENTS



August 3rd - After Breakfast



9:30 assemble in carpark.

Numinbah via Gilston, through Tyalgum, to Uki.

Over to Stokers Siding

Coffee and a huge range of goodies at Bruns Bakery.

Home via the magnificent Hogan Rain Forest.

Approx 190k ride. Home 2:30 ish.

Gordon and Jenny 0410 550 187

August 17th - Carrot Cakes 'R' Us



It's the annual carrot cake raid to Esk via Mt Nebo and Mt Glorious.

Meet at BP (Exit 54) at 7:45, away 8am.

Will have a stop at the Jollys Lookout.

Morning tea at Esk (Nash's) then off to Marburg, Rosewood, Mount Walker, Warrill View

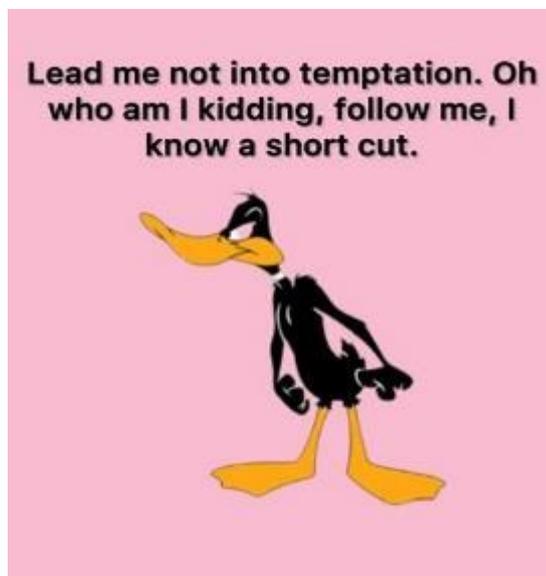
This is a 380k day out and will be magic before the summer heat hits.

Lunch at Kalbar.

There's a small GS section for those who get their GS's dirty

Home 3 ish.

Gordon and Jenny 0410 550 187





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Ladies Lunch
15th August 12noon
Currumbin RSL
RSVP: Jill



Frigid Digit

Report by Steve Bryant

My R 90s back on the road as of last Thursday and this photo captured on Mt Nebo as we were setting out on my first Frigid Digit with BMWMCQ.

This event has been running for 30 years and it's an annual overnighter to a mystery location.

After meeting at Mt Coo-tha (a good turn out) we did Mt Nebo and Mt Glorious, Rosewood, Warrill View and Kalbar for a smoko stop.

This is where the wet weathers came out as we were riding into expected rain.



By Boonah the rain was patchy, by Woodenbong it was steady and stayed that way all afternoon. I refuelled there and had a sip of tea from the travel mug. Deciding to carry on while others drank coffee I had a clear run all the way to Stanthorpe's Omaras Hotel.

I rode this road home from a Rally in May so knew it was very potholed, travelling steady I was able to pick my way around the obstacles.

The day kept getting colder and my hands were cramping. By the time I arrived I was moving like an old man if you can believe that [?].

The barmaid filled out the visitors info as my hands didn't work well.

I did have a long hot shower and turned the electric blanket on.

Dinner was excellent as was the company. The fireplace warmed the whole pub.

The music finished 11.37, the staff party went on for a bit and then when all was quiet you could hear every footstep and movement in the old pub with a wooden floor, walls & ceilings.

Sunday morning was beautiful and sunny as I retraced the same roads back to Rathdowney then home.

My bike ran perfectly and I was so pleased with the whole experience.

I would like to do it again a different idea that worked well. Thanks to the Qld club organiser a pat on the back Ben you did very well.





Thank you to those who attended our Christmas in July on Saturday night.

We were all impressed with the venue, Christmas vibe and the quality of food presented. The students were all very attentive and well trained in their fields.

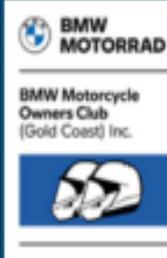
This maybe somewhere to revisit in the future.

Thank you all for another great night.





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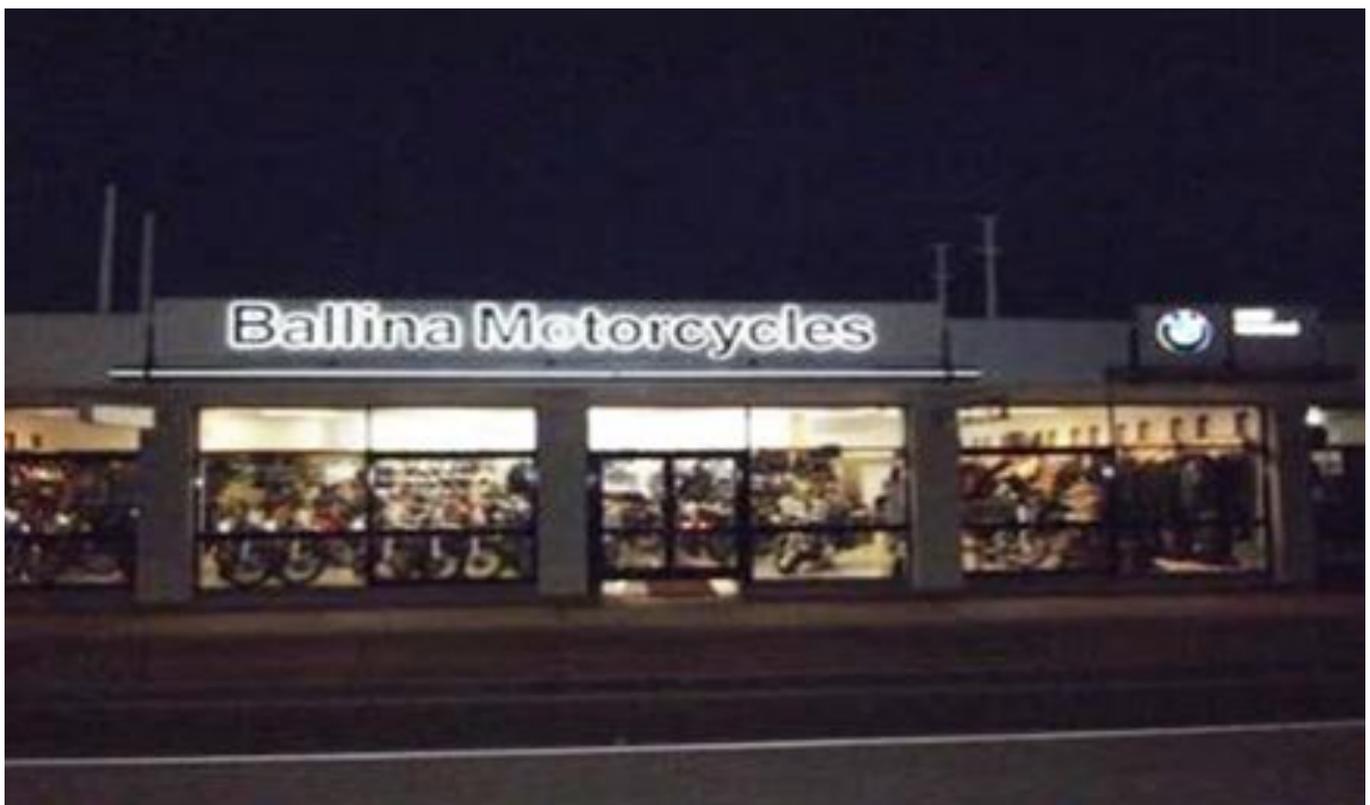


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CLUB NAME BADGES

Available to all financial members. They will be available for collection from the VP at each Club Breakfast Meeting at the View Cafe, Hinze Dam on the 1st Sunday of each month from 8am.

EVENTS/RALLIES:

19-21st Sept - BMWTCNSW Far Cairn Rally at Tottenham Racecourse. Approximately 120 km north of Condobolin & 120 km west of Dubbo. Ph. Marie 0428 393 093

27 Sept-7th Oct - Postie Bike Challenge: Brisbane - Tibooburra - Canberra - 3,000 kms
www.posstiebikechallenge.org Ph. 0411 090 891

6-9th October - Alpine Rally - now run by the *BMW Touring Club of New South Wales* - secretary@bmwtcnsw.org.au

10-12th October - 44th Kosciuszko Rally at Behrs Flat campground across Swampy Plain River by *BMW Motorcycle Club Canberra*. [Note: Do not use the Google Map route and Swampy Plain River 4WD Crossing].
Contact: Garry Smee 0400 264 372

25/26th October - The *BMW Touring Club of New South Wales* are celebrating their 60th Anniversary with a dinner at the Black Gold Motel, Wallerawang NSW. Contact Marie: 0428 393 093

NOTE: The NATIONAL BMW MOTORRAD RALLY will be held at Mudgee 25-27th March **2026** by the *BMW Touring Club of NSW*. President Steve Treloar is expecting to send

Christmas in July

We had a good turnout for this function organised by Julie our Events Co-ordinator at the Greenfield's Restaurant Gold Coast TAFE on Saturday 5th July. Our group took up two tables with the venue being booked out. The room included a Rooftop Bar which thankfully was fully enclosed as it was a very cool night.

The three course meal was excellent and plentiful including delicious Christmas treats.

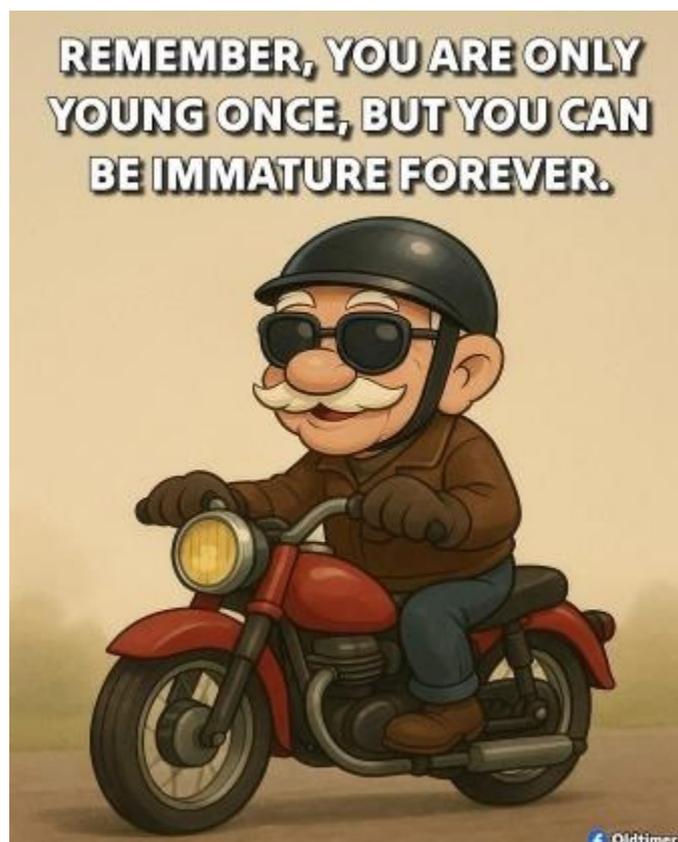
It was an opportunity to support the TAFE students who work alongside professionals in hospitality which helps them gain experience in the industry.

It just goes to show how accidents can easily happen and thankfully in this instance it didn't.

I was riding southbound along the highway in the left lane from Currumbin on my way to Ballina Motorcycles when a car suddenly started to move across into my lane in front of me without indicating. I carefully applied the brakes and moved towards the kerb and thankfully did not end up off the roadway.

Then out of nowhere a police motorcyclist appeared in the right lane at a great rate of knots obviously chasing a vehicle up ahead. It was some time later that he had pulled up the motorist he was chasing.

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NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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**APPLICANT INFORMATION**

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| First Name: | Surname: | Class of Membership (see below): |
| Family member's first name: | Family member's surname: | Relationship to member: |
| Current Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Post Code: |
| BH: | AH: | Mobile: |
| Email: | Motorcycle Type: | Occupation (optional) |

I would like my name and contact number to appear on the Membership Grapevine List:

YES / NO

EMERGENCY CONTACT

| | |
|-------|--------|
| Name: | Phone: |
| Name: | Phone: |

SIGNATURES

I hereby agree to abide by the terms of the constitution of the BMW Motorcycle Owner's Club (Gold Coast) Inc.

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| Signature of applicant: | Date: |
| Signature of family member (if joint membership): | Date: |

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CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

Ordinary Member:

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Associate Member:

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NOTE

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Signature:

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Seconded By:

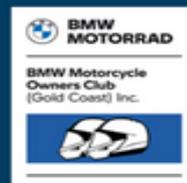
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2. Bull shark.
3. Beef Wellington.



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