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September

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Sunday
Feb 18
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2023

1-7 October '23

Swap Meet

Hill Climb

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CLASSIC COURIER **THE CLASSIC OWNERS MCC(INC)**
September - November 2023

FOM 2022
CLASSIC COURIER 600
December 2022-February 2023
COMCC ANNIVERSARY

You'll be the
'Wild One' if you
don't renew your
COMCC membership
by 30 JUNE 2021

Renew online
classicowners.org

CLASSIC COURIER 600
MOTORCYCLE

Ca
c'est formidable!

LOG BOOK
DAY
12 JUNE
9am - 1pm

RENEW
YOUR
MEMBERSHIP
BY 30 JUNE
classicowners.org

A.G.M.
27 JULY

CLASSIC COURIER 600
JUNE - AUG 2021
FESTIVAL OF MOTORCYCLING

EVENTS CALENDAR



Check with www.classicowners.org or check with a committee member before setting out

- 24 Sept Veterans' Day (see page opposite)
 1-7 Oct Festival of Motor Cycling www.fomsa.org
 22 Bay to Birdwood www.baytobirdwood.history.sa.gov.au
 15 Barossa Valley MC Rally barossavcmcc@gmail.com
 3-9 Nov BSA International Rally Hahndorf www.bsainternationalrally2023.com
 18-19 Booleroo Weekend Trip (see page opposite)
 26 -27 Semaphore Street Fair (see page opposite)
 10 Dec MRA Toy Run www.mrasa.asn.au/

MOPED RUN DATES

Co-ordinators Malcom Downie 0439 891 355
 Geoff Stevens 0419 298 917

2023 MOPED PLUS CALENDAR

- | | | | |
|----------|----------------|------------|--------------|
| 5 Feb | Goolwa | 6 August | Williamstown |
| 16 April | Mount Pleasant | 15 October | Mount Barker |
| 4 June | Strathalbyn | 3 December | Charleston |

MID-WEEK RUN DATES

Meet at Hazelwood Park, Hawthorn Cres. Hazelwood Park
 - all types and makes of motorcycles welcome

Meet at 9.30 for 10.00am start

1st Wednesday of the month

3rd Tuesday of the month *Ride destination decided on the day*

WEEKEND RUN DATES

Weekend runs take place on the first convenient Sunday after the General Meeting

Tony Mitchell and Alan Vaisham jointly take on the Club Captain role this year. Rides are going ahead and for the present will stick with the 'Ride destination decided on the day' format.

Veterans' Day

Sunday 24th September 2023

hosted by the Military Vehicle Preservation Soc.
 Sturton Rd Edinburgh (cnr Coles Distribution Centre)
 10am - 4pm

**Mark Howson is leading the club ride —
 meet West Croydon & Kilkenny RSL
 8.30 am for 9am start**

www.military-vehicle-museum.org.au/events/

BOOLEROO Steam & Traction Engine Preservation Society



Bob Cole and Bob Finnie are planning a weekend trip to visit the Booleroo Museum on 18-19 November. Provisional Planning: morning ride to Laura; spend the afternoon at the museum; return to Laura for overnight accommodation. Return to Adelaide next day. An accompanying bus for non-riders is possible if there are sufficient passengers.

Contact Bob Cole 0429 177 413 to register interest or for more information



COMCC will be displaying
 bikes at the Semaphore
 Street Fair
 Saturday 26 November.
 Members wishing to take part
 contact :
 Lew Hylton 8449 7470 /
 0488 800 857

[Home - Semaphore Street Fair](#)

FROM THE CHAIR



COMCC President's Report 2022/2023

Thank you all for allowing me the privilege of leading your club through the past year. Congratulations to our committee and all of the volunteers for the many hours of work they have contributed to make our functions and events during the past year run smoothly and successfully. Festivities at our Annual Dinner in August last year were a little subdued with Covid preventing some attendances including the live music we had planned. Nevertheless, those who could make it had a very enjoyable evening.

In spite of some, at times, dreadful weather conditions, the Festival of Motorcycling held during October last year was a financial and social success. The V and V swap meet had to be postponed due to the condition of the Balhannah oval, and a ride to the Collingrove Hill Climb was an alternative activity. Once again, the Night of Champions event was a sell-out success. On the weekend at Harts Mill, the display of bikes with a focus on Australian machinery attracted a lot of interest.

In January we held our Summer BBQ at Thornden Park as an alternative to an already crowded Christmas calendar. This event was very well attended, the food was fabulous, and it was a wonderful day all round.

The British Motorcycle Day held in April this year benefitted greatly from the improved planning time available. The FOMSA clubs including the Classic Owners were able to stage a hugely successful event which was well attended by both motorcyclists and the general public.

Club runs this year continued as usual with a steady, albeit fairly small numbers. We now have a small coterie of people willing to take on the ride leader's role. Hopefully, numbers will pick up with better weather and several new members showing an interest.

Moped runs are running steadily under their new leadership. Check the web calendar for dates.

A new item on our agenda this year has been the availability of pre-meeting meals at the clubroom. We need to avail ourselves of this service to ensure that it continues. Upcoming events for the next 12 months include:

Our Annual Dinner and presentation night on 26 August

A visit to Veterans Day at Edinburgh on 24 September

Festival of Motorcycling 1-7 October

Visit to Boolaroo Centre (date TBA)

Semaphore Street Fair 26 November

Summer BBQ January 2024

FOMSA European Motorcycle Day 18 February (to be confirmed).

The full program demonstrates what an active club we have. Let's keep up the good work. Any contribution YOU can make to these activities will be greatly appreciated by your committee.

Thank you.

Alan Kernich President COMCC 15 July 2023

COMCC A.G.M. 25 July 2023

The Annual Classic Owners MCC AGM was held on 25 July. After the General Meeting was closed, Barry Young took the chair to preside over the meeting. President Alan Kernich was unable to attend the meeting and had sent his President's report to Barry's phone. In spite of Barry's best attempts, the technology failed so it was decided the report should be published on the website and *Courier* (see opposite page) Election of the 2023-24 officers followed.

The election produced a few changes of positions for the existing office holders. An unconventional (by COMCC tradition) solution to the perennial problem of finding a Club Captain was reached. Past Club Captain Tony Mitchell volunteered to lead the rides on condition he didn't have to write Ride Reports (*And he did such good ones. Ed*) or report to General Meetings. As this proposal was mulled over by the members, Alan Vaisham volunteered to take the role of scribe and reporter. The Meeting unanimously endorsed this compromise.

Graham Riley retired his calculator and ledger, Dominic Brown taking over as the Treasurer for 2023-24. Barry Young also relinquished the Vice President's making way for Ed Lowery to take on the position. Rod Bailey is our Federation Rep, and the General Meeting tea trolley is under the control of John Poultny and Geoff Stevens.

The meeting thanked the retiring office holders for their contribution to the club.

The complete list of the 2023-24 Officer Bearers appears on page 18. **TJ**

EDITOR'S COMMENTS



As I embark on my eleventh year as *Courier* editor, I would like to thank the members for their endorsement at the AGM; and I would like to thank members and Committee members who have taken the time over the years to send in articles, reports and photos. The *Courier* is a record of the Classic Owners MCC, and there is plenty going on in this coming quarter to be recorded. The Festival of Motorcycling kicks off next month (see pages 10-11). Trip to Boolaroo etc. all listed on page 2. Then Christmas, the last *Courier* of 2023 and the Summer BBQ will be on the horizon...

Trevor Jones Editor

Correction.

page 10 of the July-August 2013 *Courier* named 'Rob' as entertaining the crowd with startups.



It was, of course, Phil Baughan pleasing the crowd with the startups of his Tribsa race bike. **ED**



Mopeds Plus Williamstown Wander 6 August 2023

Malcolm Downie Norton 1971 750cc	Mick Hayes Suzuki 2016 650cc
Grant Christie Suzuki 2003 600cc	Peter Burton Triumph 2010 865cc
Roger O'Loughlin Suzuki 1988 650cc	Paul David Ambassador 1950 197cc
Mika Beyer Honda 2013 109cc	Mark Beyer Honda 2010 105 cc
Tony Mitchell Honda 1987 500cc	Ian Roddie BMW 1980 1000cc
Allan Vaisham Honda 1971 450cc	

Participants

While Paul had offered to be back-up trailer, we encouraged him to ride his bike as Allan Wallace was unable to attend.

The temperature was cold; but under clear skies, the eleven bikes participated on the ride over an 85km route through beautiful country that started at Williamstown and returned via Springton, Angaston, Tanunda via Mengler's Hill, and Lyndoch.

We departed from the unmade parking area on Springton Road opposite the entrance to the Williamstown Caravan Park at 10:30am arriving in Angaston around 11.15am for a "healthy" lunch at the various bakeries along Murray Street.

After lunch we travelled to the Menglers Hill Lookout to take in the numerous sculptures and beautiful vistas of the Barossa Valley to the west and north. This route enabled us to avoid the heavy weekend traffic in and around Nuriootpa.

No breakdowns were experienced through the ride; but a jammed accelerator on the Ambassador kept Paul on his toes, and the Norton riding Tail End Charlie suffered from a slipping clutch making for a very slow trip home to ensure it didn't burn out.

Thanks to Mick H for leading us throughout; and thanks to Grant, Roger, and Paul for guiding us on the corners.

NEXT RIDE: Mt Barker Burble on Sunday 15 October 2023

commencing from the Carpark on Flaxley Road opposite Mt Barker High School Oval

START: 9.30am for 10.00am start.

We hope to see as many members as possible in attendance.



Top- 1987 Honda 500cc 1980 BMW outfit 1000cc
2010 Triumph 865cc
Above- 1950 Ambassador 197cc
Left- 1988 Suzuki 650cc
Below- Menglers Hill lookout Barossa Valley





Annual Dinner



*Clubmember of the Year
Peter Perry*

The COMCC Annual Dinner was held on 26 August at the West Croydon & Kilkenny RSL. The crowd was entertained by blues tunes of The Customlines, much appreciated by those who took to the dance floor.

President Alan Kernich presented a Life membership to Bob Jarrad and Clubmember of the Year to Peter Perry, in particular recognition of his work organising the Silos Tour as part of last year's Festival of Motorcycling. The traditional quiz followed taken out this year by the Jap Crap Team with an impressive 8 out

of 12 questions. And who knew Velocette invented the foot change gear lever?

The band returned after the presentations and quiz.

Although the turnout was small, those attending enjoyed themselves. Thanks to Alan and Bob for arranging the night.

TJ



Life Member Bob Jarrad



SATURDAY 30 SEPT

Collect your Entry Pack

Meet & Greet on Saturday at the COMCC meeting rooms.

West Croydon / Kilkeny RSL 19 Rosetta Street West Croydon.

12 pm - 3 pm

SUNDAY 1 OCT

Ride to Balhannah Swap Meet & Ride to Collingrove Hill Climb

59 Club Adelaide Hills Chapter

MEET: 8.30 am Tower Hotel Magill

START: 9.00 am after briefing

FINISH: 4.30 Collingrove Hill Climb Angaston

Ride registration includes swap meet entry and entry to hill climb with FOM entry sticker

Parking for entrants on oval

Prize draw for entrants before we start the ride

MONDAY 2 OCT

Murray River Ramble

Classic Owners MCC

MEET: 8.00am Civic Park North East Road Modbury opposite Tea Tree Gully Shopping Centre

START: 8.30 am

Morning Tea at Mt Pleasant; Lunch Sturt Reserve Murray Bridge

FINISH: 2 pm Littlehampton

Prize draw for entrants before we start the ride

TUESDAY 3 OCT

Adelaide Hills Ride to Birdwood

Triumph Riders Club SA

MEET: 8.45 am Hawthorn Cres. Hazelwood Park

START: 9.30 am sharp

FINISH: 3.30 pm Birdwood

Prize draw for entrants before we start the ride

YOUR



PLANNER

1 - 7 October 2023

WEDNESDAY 4 OCT

Barossa Ride

Barossa Valley Classic MCC

MEET: Civic Park North East Road Modbury opposite Tea Tree Gully Shopping Centre for bikes riding to the Barossa; Bikes being trailered to Barossa meet at Lyndoch

MEET: 8.15 am

START: 8.30 am group ride to Lyndoch

MAIN EVENT START: 10.30 am Lyndoch Village Green
2 Barossa Valley Way Lyndoch

LUNCH: Vine Inn Barossa Nuriootpa at 12.30pm; you pay at the venue

FINISH: Lyndoch at 2.30 pm

Prize draw for entrants before we start the ride

THURSDAY 5 OCT

Guide Tour of the Gillam Speedway

ARRIVE: 9.15 am 65 Wilkins Rd Gillman

TOUR : 9.30 am

Morning tea: 11.15 am cost \$5

FINISH: 12.00 pm

THURSDAY 5 OCT NIGHT OF CHAMPIONS

7:00 pm—10.30 pm at the Port Adelaide Speedboat Club, Club Rd. Gillman

Tickets from the FOM website

MC Jason O'Halloran with champions from: Speedway-Mark Plaisted -International Trials: Conor Hogan - Land Speed Record: Paul Wilkins & Dave Parker ;and introducing the bLU cRU starting their road racing careers

Adult supper ticket \$40.00

Under 16yrs. supper ticket \$35.00

supper ticket includes first drink & light supper

Fundraising Raffles on the night

FRIDAY 6 OCT

Southern Vales Ride

Ducati Owners Club of SA

MEET: 8.30 am Victoria Hotel Car Park, Main South Rd. O'Halloran Hill

START: 9.00 am

FINISH: 3.30 pm

Prize draw for entrants before we start the ride

SATURDAY 7 OCT

Ride for Research Poker Run

Classic Owners MCC

This run is to raise funds for the Festival Of Motorcycling SAHMRI Bursary Fund to provide funds to a PhD Medical Research Student.

Entry Fee: \$25 per bike

Cash prizes and raffles on the day

MEET: 9.30 am Briefing at the Tea Tree Gully RSL
15 Memorial Dr Tea Tree Gully

START: 10.15 am

Collect your first card at the start of a ride through the Adelaide Hills to three pick-up points, then collect your last card at the finish.

**Register www.fomsa.org
or at General Meetings**

Details correct at time of publication
check www.fomsa.org or contact
Lew events@fomsa.org

GREEK COLUMN

On a recent trip to Greece, I had a chance to have a look at the local motorcycling scene. Like most big cities, in Athens the scooter is king. Parking or lack of it, plus petrol costing roughly twice the Australian price makes two wheelers a logical choice. And there is plenty of choice from the traditional Vespa, small capacity Japanese/Chinese scooters through to the big 600-800cc step-throughs. But there is no shortage of big bikes. Again, all makes are represented, Triumph Street Triples seem to be a favourite along with BMW Adventure bikes. The latter were in great numbers on the open road. I thought the motorway system was excellent and the secondary roads scenic and well maintained. A combination of the roads and warm weather bring groups of riders from many Europe countries. Big BMW Adventure bikes, were a common sight on the open road. I never did figure out the helmet laws; officially, a helmet is compulsory but in practice optional. I didn't manage to get to a motorcycle museum; but if you have an interest in cars and an hour to fill in Athens, the Hellenic Motor Museum has a good collection of classic and rare sports cars. It's about 10 minutes' walk from the Archaeological Museum. TJ



^ One of the many visiting motorcyclists, this Ural outfit with trailer was from France.

Distinguished Greek Gentleman >



^^ Immaculate BMW single outfit at Olympia
^ 1980s Boxer Twin with modifications from Germany



^^ Very imaginative paint work on a scooter's body work

^ Urban cowboy ready to rumble

Café styled Honda 4 outside Athenian café >



Membership Sec. Ed Lowrey reminds members it is essential that they inform the club of any changes to their contact details. Apart from generally keeping you up to date with club events via email or the Classic Courier, at the end of the financial year it is important that you can be contacted.

Any member with Club (Classic) Registration who has not renewed their club membership must by law be the reported to Motor Rego and their bike registration is automatically cancelled. This will cause you a lot of hassle which can be averted with a reminder email or phone call.

Ed Lowrey 0413 304 979

membership@classicowners.org



The next print edition of The Classic Courier will be sent to subscribers who paid \$12 with their membership for the 2023-2024 financial year. They should receive their copy in the first weeks of SEPTEMBER.

Any problems contact mazgine@classicowners.org or phone

Trevor Jones 8298 7545

MID-WEEK RUNS



^ Admiring the view over Carrickalinga

v Ready to scramble



^ Two of the smaller runners—Yamaha 250 and Triumph 350



^ Regulars pose with a popular Mid-Week mount—Honda 350 Twin

July's Wednesday run was cool but otherwise an excellent day for a ride. The Ulysses Club obviously thought so too, as they had taken over the Nairne bakery prompting us to try a new café across the road- very nice too. Then on to Mannum and a view of a very full Murray River. I wheeled out my bike for the next ride on the Tuesday, went in to finish my cup of tea, went out to ride off only to find it was raining- bike back in the shed. August provided 'the double' with two great days for a ride, perhaps a harbinger of the rest of the year. On the Tuesday ride, Tony led and took us down to Normanville, stopping at the Carrickalinga lookout to admire the vivid blue view of the sky and sea. The turnout for the two months' rides settled at around a dozen. August's Tuesday run was unusual for the number of bikes under 400cc: five including a 125cc. The Mid-Week Runs could become a subsidiary of the Mopeds Plus! TJ

NEW MEMBERS

A welcome to the club is extended to...



John Kastelyn
Harrison Comley
Rod Bailey
Gintaras Kubilius

Michael Woodward
Alison Jones
Ian Reeve
Tony Faithow

WEEKEND RUNS



Tony Mitchell and Alan Vaisham jointly take on the Club Captain role this year. This means ride reports will reappear in the *Courier* next issue.



FOR SALE & WANTED

Check
www.classicowners.org



For Sale & Wanted ads will run for two issues. Placement of ads restricted to Club members only. Photos of most of these items on www.classicowners.org

1957 BSA Dandy

BSA Dandy complete but not running. Oil has leaked from gearbox onto clutch plates causing it to slip. Eng. no. DSE 10150 \$2500.

Rod Bailey **0406 982 582**

DriRider Suit, Mens 3X Large

Black/Grey, stock No. 2108027. Current price is Jacket \$390 Pants \$200. The suit has never been worn. \$300 the lot.

Rosco **8296 0640**

WANTED

Kawasaki 400 KZ front brake caliper or whole bike.

Randall **0418 858 412**

Evangeline has the club regalia on sale at the General Meetings.

Is your bike complete without a COMCC sticker?

Are you complete without a COMCC windcheater?



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Classic Owners Motor Cycle Club



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OFFICE BEARERS 2023 - 2024

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V. President Ed Lowrey 0413 304 979 vicepresident@classicowners.org

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Treasurer Dominic Brown 0407 396 935 treasurer@classicowners.org

Club Captains Tony Mitchell & Alan Vaisham

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classicathart@classicowners.org

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Photographer Not appointed

Moped Co-ordinators Malcolm Downie & Geoff Stevens

Federation Rep Rod Bailey

MAGAZINE & WEBPAGE

Mag Editor Trevor Jones 8298 7545 magazine@classicowners.org

Web Editor Charles Oliver 0466 863 932 secretary@classicowners.org

Club Regalia Evangeline Finnie

Web Designer Geoff Woodberry

CLUB (Historic) REGISTRATION

Machine Registrar Bob Finnie 0411 687 666

South Paul David 0403 903 071 Barry Young 0419 858 871

CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES 2023-2024

Joining \$15 (includes lapel badge)

Full \$35 **Pensioner** \$30
Magazine printed and posted \$12 or e-mailed free

All membership renewals due before 30 June of each year

General Meetings 4th Tuesday every month (except Dec.), 7.45pm
at West Croydon & Kilkenny RSL, 19 Rosetta St., West Croydon. A basket
supper follows - contributions welcome.

Committee Meetings 3rd Tuesday of every month (except Dec.), 7.30pm
at West Croydon & Kilkenny RSL, 19 Rosetta St., West Croydon. Open to
all members.

CLUB REGISTRATION REGULATIONS

Historic Registration is now 'Club Registration'

Regulations Regarding Financial Membership and Club Registration

- Club Registration of a vehicle is conditional on the owner being a financial member of a registered car or motorcycle club. Club Registration is not transferable upon the sale of the vehicle.

- Vehicles must be over 25 years old (eg a bike manufactured in 1998 is eligible July 2023). Some modifications to historic vehicles are allowed for safety reasons – check with the machine registrar.

- **Regardless of your joining date, your membership renewal is due by the 30th June and if it is not paid by this date your vehicle is not registered and cannot be legally ridden on the road.**

- **It is your responsibility to ensure that your dues are paid by this date and that your Log Book correctly filled in and is stamped for the current financial year.**

The Club is obliged by law to inform the Motor Registration Department of any owners of Club registered vehicles who are not financial, (no longer members of the Club) and their Club registration is cancelled.

Members whose dues are not paid by the due date will be asked to re-join and pay the \$10 joining fee, unless the Committee considers that there are extenuating circumstances.

Further information www.fhmcsa.org.au The Federation of Historic Motoring Clubs of S.A. Inc.

Lost Log Book Replacement

If a Log Book is lost or destroyed, a replacement can be issued by your authorising club only upon proof of the balance of 90 day's use in any year. It is suggested that you keep a separate record of events attended and other usage.

ADVERTISING ON THE CLUB WEB SITE & THE CLASSIC COURIER

Members may place ads in **For Sale & Wanted** on the Club website and in the *Classic Courier*.

Ads for motorcycles or cars for sale must have either a Rego number or an Engine number.

Photos can also be placed on the website:

- send ads to Trevor Jones 8298 7545 magazine@classicowners.org or Charles Oliver secretary@classicowners.org
- submit ads in writing at general meetings
- post ads to PO Box 642 Plympton, South Australia 5038.

Ads placed on the website will also appear in the *Classic Courier* and *Courier* ads on the website.

Magazine ads will run for two issues (6 months) unless renewed.

Please withdraw ads that are no longer required.

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Dec 2023 - Feb 2024
General Meeting last week
in November

