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EVENTS CALENDAR



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

OCT 5-11 FOMSA Motorcycle Ride Week (see pages 10-11)
 19 Barossa Valley Classic Motorcycle Club 39th Annual Rally
barossavcmcc@gmail.com
 19 Bay to Birdwood
 25-26 BSA Owners Club SA Annual Rally BSA Owners' Club of SA Inc
 DEC 14 The Last MRA Toy Run
2026
 JUNE 13 Log Book Day
 OCT 12-16 Veteran&Vintage MCC 70th Anniversary Rally
70thvmmccsarally@gmail.com

MOPED RUN DATES

Co-ordinators Malcom Downie 0439 891 355 Geoff Stevens 0419 298 917
2025 MOPED PLUS CALENDAR

9 Feb Targa Goolwa 3 August Williamstown Wander
 6 April Mount Pleasant Marathon
 1 June Strathalbyn **SEE PAGE 8**

MIDWEEK 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. Usual starting point is Hazelwood Park.

Club Captain Allan will detail forthcoming runs at the General Meetings

For details of the Run Routes see also www.classicowners.org

OBITUARY

Vale Barry Young



It was with great sadness we learned that club stalwart and all round great guy Barry Young passed away 16 July. Barry was a Life member, as well as one of our great club men; he served as Vice-President 2019-20 and 2022-23, Social Secretary 2007-12 and 2014-20, more recently Barry was one of our Assistant Registrars serving in that role for at least the past 5 years.

He was also voted the Club Member of the Year in 2016. Barry used to enjoy restoring bikes – the most recent being an Excelsior Autobyk. I also remember a Triumph Tiger Cub and a BSA Bantam, which he recently showed at **Classics At Hart**, as well as a 650cc Triumph. To say that Barry will be missed is a huge understatement. Barry was always keen to help out whenever he was needed. He made the motorcycle themed table decorations for our club dinners and possessed more than handy carpentry skills knocking up various props for our bike shows at Harts Mill.

Charles Oliver President

A Memorial Service was held for Barry Thursday 31 July at Partridge House, Partridge St, Glenelg. The Classic Owners MCC was well represented by members who attended to pay their respects. Life Member and former President Bob Cole spoke describing the lasting contribution Barry made to the club and to individual members in the course of his membership. **TJ**

Barry was also a *Courier* contributor. He sent in photos and reports from his trips to the UK and would find interesting vintage articles from old volumes of *The Motorcycle*. He will be missed. **ED**

FROM THE CHAIR

President's 2024-25 Report read at the AGM 22 July



The club committee welcomed new blood for 2024/25: Malcolm Downie took over the Secretary's role, Allan Vaisham agreed to act as Club Captain, and we managed without an appointed Social Secretary. We held our inaugural Annual Lunch in August at the British Hotel, Pt Adelaide. 40 members attended with Life Membership bestowed on Bob Cole and the Clubman trophy presented to Allan Vaisham. The lunch will be held again on Saturday 23 August, this time at The British Hotel, North Adelaide. Half of the available spots have been booked, and we are looking for the remaining 20 to be filled shortly.

In January we had our summer BBQ at Thorndon Park. As in previous years we reserved our spot early in the morning under the shade trees, but by about 2pm it was getting pretty hot and we all went home. A huge vote of thanks goes to Bob and Natalie Cole for organising the event.

In October the club hosted a Poker Run followed by the FOMSA arranged **Classics at Hart** display later in the month. In June they also organised the Undercover Motorcycle Only Swap Meet at Angle Park Dog Track, as usual; all proceeds went to Medical Research. Lew Hylton, Mark Howson, Rob Elliott and the FOMSA committee did a wonderful job organising these events; and we look forward to the Ride Week this October. Several of our members represent our club on the FOMSA committee.

Sadly we lost 4 long-time members who passed away during the year: Weitse Keunig, who regularly led the midweek rides on his BMW with wife Margaret on pillion; Lee Longmire, who has been a member since the seventies and served as Secretary (1976-77); life-member Charlie Brown, who served as Photographer (1978-86) and Treasurer (2010-14); and most recently another life-member Barry Young (Vice-President 2019-20 & 2022-23) and Social Secretary (2007-12 & 2014-20). They will be much missed, and our heartfelt condolences go to their families and friends.

Our organised club rides continue with bimonthly Mopeds Plus, midweek rides, and monthly weekend rides. For the first time, the Mopeds Plus and the weekend rides intersected and met for a joint lunch at the Charleston Hotel. Club Captain Allan Vaisham, has experimented this year by arranging an off-road ride, a low speed 80kph ride, and has encouraged other riders to lead the rides. Other rides recently visited Ian Spooner's relocated motorcycle museum at Mannum and this month will be visiting the Greenock Aviation Museum – well worth the visit!

Catering at the West Croydon-Kilkenny RSL clubrooms on general meeting nights is continuing for the foreseeable future, as long as our members turn up. Please take advantage of this opportunity for a bit of socialising before the General Meeting by getting to the RSL early for a tasty and inexpensive meal and drink.

Our membership has fluctuated throughout the year, as expected, and is steadily increasing to around the 300 mark. Let's hope that during 2025-26 we will see many of those members attend our rides and participate in club activities.

Charles Oliver COMCC President

EDITOR'S COMMENTS



Space seems to be at a premium in this quarter's *Courier*, so I'll combine Editor's comments with a report on the AGM and Annual lunch.

As well as COMCC's usual rides in the coming months, we have the Festival of Motorcycling Ride Week. The Festival is in its 5th year; and with the support of local motorcycle clubs, including the COMCC, the event has raised thousands of dollars for SAHMRI's medical research. The programme is on pages 10-11 and has rides to suit all types of bikes. I encourage all members to register especially for the **Poker Run**, the COMCC organised event. Classic Owners MC Annual General Meeting was held on 22 July. Life Member Rudi Vuurens took the chair, and nominations were called. The elected Committee remains unchanged (see page 19), the Social Secretary position remains vacant, but we will likely have a replacement for the Federation Rep. The COMCC Annual Lunch was held this year at the British Hotel in North Adelaide. Thirty members enjoyed a pleasant afternoon and a wide range of dishes in the covered outdoor area of the pub. This year's awards: Life Member to Trevor Jones and Club Member of the Year John Pountney.

Trevor Jones Editor



^ **President**
Charles Oliver



<< **Life Member**
Trevor Jones



< **Clubmember**
of the Year
John Pountney



Strathalbyn

1 June 2025

Participants

Rod Bailey Panther M100 1938 600cc	Rex Wallis Zundapp 1960 200
Tony Earnshaw BMW R60 1974 600cc	Graham Riley Zundapp 1958 200cc
John Dwyer BSA 1951 125cc	Malcolm Downie Norton 1971 750cc
Geoff Stevens Triumph 2014 850cc	John Groeschel BMW 1994 1000cc
Mick Hayes Suzuki 2016 650cc	Roger O'Loughlin Suzuki 1988 650cc
Dominic Brown Velocette 1946 350cc	Joe Betschart Moto Guzzi 2012 750cc
Paul David Ambassador 1950 197cc	

The Mopeds Plus Strathalbyn ride was held on a cloudy and dry day ideal for bikes and riders. Riders departed Strathalbyn at 10.30am and rode through to Milang, stopping for morning tea at the coffee café on Daranda Terrace where we were able to take in views of the lake and Railway Museum. We had an enjoyable break and then rode on for lunch at Finnis. Arriving at the Finnis General Store around midday, the riders had an enjoyable lunch.

After lunch we headed to Clayton Bay, then rode back through Milang and onto Langhorne Creek. There was very little wind off the lake, which made this section of the ride through to the finish at Strathalbyn enjoyable. A big thanks to Alison Jones and Alan Wallis (and Harry the wonder dog) for driving the back-up trailer. It wasn't required on this ride, but it's always a comfort for the riders knowing that it is there. Thanks to Mike Hayes, Tony Earnshaw, and Roger O'Loughlin for marshalling duties. Thanks also to Rod Bailey for tail-end Charlie duties.



1 June group photo



Top left 1938 Panther M100 600cc

Top right Pre-start (Good choice of background sign ED)

Left Mopeds' official mascot reports for duty

Williamstown Wander

3 August 2025

Participants

Grant Christie Suzuki 2003 600cc	Mick Hayes Suzuki 2005 650cc
Graham Riley Zundapp Bella 1958 200cc	Roger O'Loughlin Suzuki 1988 650cc
Wayne Lawson BSA 1969 650cc	Rex Wallis Zundapp Bella 1958 200cc
Ian Rodda Triumph 2000 1000cc	Ian Voysey Malvern Star 1948 90cc A/cycle
Rod Bailey BSA 1965 650cc	Adrian How BMW 2009 1200cc
	Geoff Stevens Triumph 2011 860cc

Sunday 3 August was a fine, sunny, but cold day which got off to an unfortunate beginning as our coordinator's Norton failed to make it to the start line.

Eleven bikes left the former council gravel pit at 10.30am and headed for Mt Pleasant, where we stopped for lunch at Lovells Bakery. After lunch it was on to Springton and back across to Williamstown, where the ride finished. Thanks to Mick Hayes for leading the ride with marshalling by Roger O'Loughlin and Grant Christie and to Rod Bailey who rode tail-end Charlie. Thanks to Alison Jones and Alan Wallis for the back-up trailer.



^R.I.P Harry- on his last ride

Two BSA 650s

Lightning ^
Spitfire >



MOPED PLUS RIDES - SEPT - DEC 2025

Following a proposal by Life Member Roger O'Loughlin, the COMCC Committee has approved the following rides for the Moped Plus group for the remainder of 2025.

Sunday 14 September - Uraidla Ultimate - 80km ride starting from Uraidla Oval (meet at 10am, ride from 10.30am). Lunch at Uraidla Bakery. After lunch, visit to Rod Bailey's shed to view his motorcycles.

Sunday 5-9 October - Ride Week. Moped Plus riders encouraged to participate. Enter at www.fomsa.org.

5 Oct Ride to Balhannah Swap meet and then on to Collingrove Hill Climb

6 Oct Gumeracha Ride 2 routes: including one for classic & smaller bikes

7 Oct Tour of Adelaide Speedway sites lunch deal at Albion \$25, then FOMSA Goes to the Dogs in the evening \$35

8 Oct Barossa Valley includes 2 routes, one shorter ride

FOMSA Ride Week programme pages 10-11

Sunday 2 November - One Tree Hill Trundle 110km ride starting from One Tree Hill (meet at 10am ride from 10.30). Lunch in the Barossa.

Sunday 7 December Charleston Challenge 110km ride starting from Rohrlach St, rear of Charleston Hotel, 9.00 for 9.30 start. Lunch at Charleston Hotel.

Moped Plus riders will be surveyed over lunch at the Charleston Hotel in December to develop a calendar of events for 2026.

SWAP MEET Winter 2025



FOM's first event of 2025 took place on Sunday 22 June at Greyhound Racing SA. The seller sites were fully subscribed, and the day proved a great success. The take-away is to get there early within half an hour of the 9am doors opening. There was a big crowd of buyers in the covered area at 9.30am. All manner of gems were on sale, and I'm sure quite a few sheds are looking better. The range on sale included bike parts used and new, tools, clothes, books and memorabilia. Several COMCC members had set up stalls, and the club was represented by our gazebo and two of the members' bikes. The crowd had thinned considerably by mid-day, so the packing up began. This was the second time the Indoor Swap Meet appeared on the FOM calendar, and its success will ensure it becomes a regular event. Net proceeds from the day going to SAHMRI were \$1500.

Your Planner

MOTORCYCLE RIDE WEEK

5-11 OCTOBER '25



SATURDAY 4 OCT

Collect your Entry Pack

Meet & Greet on Saturday at the COMCC meeting rooms.
West Croydon / Kilkenny RSL 19 Rosetta Street West Croydon.
12 pm - 3 pm

SUNDAY 5 OCT

Ride to Balhannah Swap Meet & Ride to Collingrove Hill Climb

59 Club Adelaide Hills Chapter

MEET: 8.00am Tower Hotel Magill
START: 8.30am after briefing
FINISH: 4.30pm Collingrove Hill Climb Angaston
*Ride registration includes Swap Meet entry \$5, Hill Climb entry \$10 and parking for entrants on Balhannah Oval.

MONDAY 6 OCT

Gumeracha Ride

Veteran & Vintage MCC

Two Routes

1 vintage, veteran, small or slower machines
2 later model faster machines
MEET: Gumeracha Park 9.45am Main St Gumeracha
START: 10 am after briefing
FINISH: 2pm
Prize draw before rides.

TUESDAY 7 OCT

Tour of Adelaide Historic Speedway Sites

(Camden, Wayville, Rowley Park and Kilburn)

MEET: 9.30am Camden Oval
START: 10am Tour commences
LUNCH: 12.30pm at Albion Hotel \$25 (cost paid on FOMsa Registration Form)
FINISH: 1.30pm.

'FOMsa Goes to the Dogs'

Join us for dinner - 'FOMsa Goes to the Dogs' at the Greyhound Racing SA venue 55 Cardigan St Angle Park from 6.30pm \$35.

WEDNESDAY 8 OCT

Barossa Ride

Barossa Valley Classic MCC

MEET: 9am Civic Park North East Road Modbury opposite Tea Tree Gully Shopping Centre for bikes riding to the Barossa via Kersbrook & Williamstown
Bikes being trailered to Barossa meet at Lyndoch
START: 9.25am from Civic Park for group ride to Lyndoch
MAIN EVENT START: 10.30am Lyndoch Village Green 2 Barossa Valley Way Lyndoch
LUNCH: Vine Inn Barossa Nuriootpa at 12.30pm; pay at the venue (may be subject to change on the day)
FINISH: 2.30pm Lyndoch
Prize draw for entrants at Lyndoch before we start the ride.

THURSDAY 9 OCT

Adelaide Hills Ride to Birdwood

Triumph Riders Club SA

MEET: 9.45 Hawthorn Crescent, Hazelwood Park
START: 10.00 am sharp after briefing
FINISH: 12.30pm approx National Motor Museum Birdwood
Entry to Museum Included in event registration
Prize draw for entrants.

FRIDAY 10 OCT

Southern Vales Ride

Ducati Owners Club of SA & HMRRSA

MEET: 9:30 am OTR Kensington 294 Norwood Pde
START: 10:00am after briefing
MORNING TEA: Willunga
FINISH: 1.15pm Lunch Port Elliot at the Royal Family Hotel nominate to join in for lunch on the FOMsa registration form. Prize draw for entrants

SATURDAY 11 OCT

Ride for Research Poker Run

Classic Owners MCC

This run is to raise funds for the FOMsa SAHMRI Equipment Fund.
MEET: Tea Tree Gully RSL, 15 Memorial Dr
Tea Tree Gully to register entry fee \$25
1st, 2nd, and 3rd Cash prizes
START: 10.15am and pick your first card
3 STOPS: to draw a card on the ride through the hills
FINISH: Tea Tree Gully RSL for last card and Raffle Draw . Approximate duration 3 hours

Register www.fomsa.org

WEEKEND RUNS

Mannum

31 May 2025

14 bikes turned up at Hawthorn Crescent; and at 10am we started up Greenhill Rd to Balhannah, Littlehampton, and Nairne. After a brief stop at the public loos, it was down the Old Murray Bridge Rd, to Monarto, and onto Mannum. A right turn on Neil St, and we were at the museum.

None of us had been to the museum at Mannum before, but a few had visited when it was at Peterborough. It is a splendid display of mostly smaller bikes, many we had never heard of but some well-known makes as well. A 50cc Ducati, was a bit of a surprise!

A bit after 12pm, we mounted up and rode to the Mannum Community Club for lunch. The club was very welcoming, the meals excellent, and the prices affordable.

It required a little prodding to get the guys back on their bikes; but by 1:45pm we were on the road again riding to Walker Flat where one of us filled up, then straight to Mount Pleasant where we split up.

A very enjoyable ride; we will definitely do it again!

Thanks to Louis for riding tail-end all day, and to all the riders, thanks for the company!

Allan Vaisham

Club Captain



^^ Lunch stop at the Mannum Community Club

^ Main Exhibition

< 1927 France board track racer



July Club Rides

Sunday 27 June A wet day was forecast but did not eventuate. Only two riders turned up, but they enjoyed a coffee at the Castle Hotel then visited the VVMC logbook day and called it a day.

Wednesday July 2 Weather was fine and 11 riders turned up. We took a long way round to Birdwood for our morning stop and Woodside for a late lunch.

Wednesday July 15: 8 riders turned up for a ride to Mount Pleasant and Angaston ride.

I set out to gather a list of riders who are willing to lead a ride, with the idea that we could have a different leader on every ride. This makes the rides more interesting and if every leader chooses the roads he or she enjoys it's less onerous for the Club Captain, who will only have to select a leader for the next ride from the list. There are 14 names on the list at the moment, and I am sure that there are more to come. The system still needs a little fine tuning, but I think it works.

My sincere thanks to all who have turned up for the Club Rides, to those who have taken a turn leading rides, and particularly to Tony Mitchell, whose knowledge of our roads never ceases to amaze.

MIDWEEK RUNS

Ride to Milang

24 May 2025

At 10am, 14 bikes left Hawthorn Crescent and followed Tony Mitchell, up Greenhill Rd, turning left at Swamp Rd, then Lobethal Rd, Tiers Rd, right turn in Woodside and on to Ambleside Rd. A zigzag in Hahndorf took us to River Rd and Echunga, where we stopped for a delicious morning cuppa at the Plough Café. A first time for the club rides, it but will not be the last.

Morning break over, we set out for Macclesfield via Flaxley and Stamps Rd. At Meadows, we took a hard left turn onto Bull Creek Rd, then right at Alexandrina Rd, and on to Finnis, Clayton, and the Milang Bakery, where the remaining 7 riders had a relaxed and enjoyable lunch.

The ride more or less broke up in Milang, though most riders followed Tony to Strath and Meadows.

It was a particularly enjoyable ride: the traffic was light, the weather spectacular, and Tony chose some memorable roads for us.

Thanks, Tony! And thanks to all who rode with us!



Ride Tuesday

19th August 2025

Ten bikes turned up at Hawthorn Crescent on a truly glorious day. There was a good mix of machines present. Trevor J. on his 1953 Matchless Super Clubman offered to ride tail-end and Allan V. agreed to lead to Nairne and then Langhorne Creek for lunch.

We rode up the hill to Balhannah, Woodside, Harrogate and Nairne for our

morning cuppa. A bad choice, it turned out there was noisy roadworks right outside the 'Little Birdy Café', which made conversation difficult. We set out for Langhorne Creek, but Summit Rd was closed for more road works so a little detour was needed to get back onto Summit Road beyond the road works. Then it was smooth riding to Wistow, down the hill to Strath, and a turn to Langhorne Creek and an enjoyable lunch.

After lunch Wayne Lawson, led five bikes, down the Wellington Rd, Kangaroo Rd, and straight through Monarto. On to Palmer Rd, and Tungkillo, where we split up, some going onto Birdwood, some to Mt Torrens.

A very enjoyable ride in perfect weather!

Thanks to all who rode with us.

Allan Vaisham Club Captain



Noisy 'Little Birdy Café'



Ready to roll at Hazelwood Park



Allan and Tony



Peter & Editor

my motorcycling Days

This is the third instalment of a series of 11 articles written in the 1970s and early 1980s by Club member the late Charlie Brown. The complete series will be reprinted in the Courier. The complete series is also available on <https://classicowners.org/charlie-browns-motorcycling-memoirs/>

By now my 350 'Boy Racer' was getting a little bit stale. In the search for more excitement, I lit on the idea of utilizing the sidecar of the VB outfit I still owned. I set about chopping down a perfectly good Watsonian or was it Canterbury single seater body (makes me cry to think of it now), to end up with a flat platform headed with a plywood/alloy nose complete with a little perspex screen. I fitted this new creation to the hot looking 350 and presto, I had a pseudo-kneeler outfit. Now to get somebody to ride in it! Eddie didn't mind so we set about swinging (not that type) about the roads of Barking and Dagenham, Eddie learnt much later that it was a mistake to ever ride with me.

One Bank Holiday weekend Eddie's aunt said we could use her caravan at a beach resort some 80 miles away, I can't remember the name now. We bolted a seat to the platform, collected my young brother, strapped all our luggage to the area behind the sidecar seat and set off. The old Ariel was singing once it managed to get us moving and that meant at about 55 to 60 mph. About 10 miles from our destination we just managed to strain our way to the top of this hill when the motor went unusually quiet and we lacked urge. I took advantage of the hilltop to cruise down before attempting a restart. There were plenty of sparks and fuel but for reasons then unknown the motor would not go. We decided to push and went about 2 miles before we got to a garage, closed of course. We parked the bike and decided to walk and bus it to the caravan park. We made it around midnight and were glad to tumble into bed.

The next day, Sunday, George and Eddie spent the day at the beach while I decided to foot and bus it back to the bike. My compulsory lessons in mechanics and diagnosis were just beginning. I removed the head and barrel (already, one step more than the YB) and saw the neatly melted hole in one corner of the piston. All I could do was loosely reassemble the motor and wait till Tuesday when I might be able to buy a piston.

I returned to the caravan and decided to make the best of my weekend using 'shanks' mare. George and Eddie caught the train for London on the Monday while I took a 'sickie' on the Tuesday, fixing the bike and riding back.

As luck would have it the man from the garage where I had parked the bike directed me to another garage where they used to sell motor bikes and what's more the proprietor dug into his old stock and came up with a 350

Ariel NH standard piston complete with rings; price, 30 bob. I also bought a top end gasket set for 5 shillings and received plenty of advice on fitting and running in.

I made a trouble-free return home which said much for my spanner work. My lessons were learnt from much listening and discussion with older, more experienced motorcyclists. The-melted piston was the result of solo gearing, overloading and a straight-through muffler without the compensation of a richer mixture. With new-found knowledge I swiftly unhitched the sidecar. About this time the super-fast 1964 Honda of Brians (mentioned in the last episode) had given up the ghost (said much for Japanese engineering then), and he was after another fast bike. He offered me £25 which I accepted as I had just purchased a 1951 Mark 1 Square Four with sidecar for £15 as it had the head gasket blown on one cylinder. With my experience of blown head gaskets I thought it would be a piece of cake.

The furthest I rode that Squariel was three miles to the lock-up garage. I was renting, I did not realise what a headache I had bought. The head did not come off like the VB. I had to modify a socket and open ended spanner in order to undo the 24 head bolts and rocker cover nuts which were between the fins. Do you think I could buy a Mark 1 head gasket anywhere? I would have had more luck if I had sent to Australia for one. Mark2 gaskets were plentiful but not the Mark 1 so I tried to use a Mark 2 without success. In frustration I dismantled the whole lot and stored the pieces in my mate's cellar. (If you are going to England and are in the market for Mark 1 bits, the address is No. 30, George St., Forest Gate, London, E7, ask to look in the cellar.)

So ended my mostly enjoyable, often frustrating days with the great Arie I marque. I had a brief flutter with a £2-10, 1948 BSA C11 250 cc with girder forks and coil ignition. I was unlucky with parts and electrical problems so I sent the dismantled machine to join its great-cousin in the cellar in George St.

I heard of a 1960 500cc Triton going for £25 in Barking. I looked the bike over. The engine was an all-alloy, single carburettor, square barrelled 500 cc Triumph twin of around 1955 vintage housed in a 1960 wide-line feather-bed frame with long Road holder forks. The special appeared 'homebuilt' but ran well and looked O.K. I test rode the machine and was thrilled with 'Triumph Power' and with the luxury of swinging arm suspension, however it behaved peculiarly on right hand bends, not wanting to lean over. Left handers were O.K. I deferred my decision to buy because of this but by nightfall my lack of a motorcycle got the better of me and I returned with my £25.

The bike had no Rego so I decided to collect at night. My route took me past the Westbury Pub on the way to Forest Gate where I now lived. There was a sharp right hand bend at the pub and I was approaching at 50 mph I had made this bend at 45 on the NH several times so I felt that 50 with a feather-bed frame would be no problem. When I tried to crank the Triton over it would not go and it was too late to brake. My quick thinking decided me to

swerve left, jump the kerb and cut into the little lane on the left. Alas, it was not to be as the kerb deflected me straight into a lamp-post. I was, catapulted off, landing on all fours like a monkey. A couple across the road ran to my aid but I was by the bike before they got to me. I quickly assessed the situation (no coppers in sight) and enlisted the couple's aid in dragging the bike into the lane. The tank was leaking from the seams and the forks were bent right back, almost touching the frame. The front wheel was battered of course. I had skinned knuckles and was more shaken from the fact that I could have been had by the coppers than the fact that I could have hurt myself.

Next Episode ...The big rebuild, and more...

NEW MEMBERS

A welcome to the club is extended to...

David Attwell

Ernie Malanday

Nicholas Teague

Mark Leske



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

FOR SALE

-Genuine new BMW motometer quartz clock (black faced, green dial, 2 white hands for 1977-1996 all models) Will fit and replace any earlier BMW model motometer clock.
-DRIRIDER seat bag for rear of seat
-RJAYS Extra Large lined water-proof motorcycle cover
Best offers

Detlev **0437918221**
2001 BMW 1200cc 63,000km
New clutch

\$6,000 in receipts
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Bob **0411 687 666**
1950 Excelsior Talisman
250cc two stroke Rego YZI 545
\$6500 ono
Rod Bailey **0406982582**
1960 Fuji Rabbit 200 6010
Project All parts - complete
some NOS parts
\$2,000
Lew **0488 800 857**

Books Royal Enfield 500
Bullet Books/ Manuals.
Harley Davidson c1987 manual.
Japanese manuals.
Peter **0401 594 785**

1980 Yamaha YB100
16,000km good original condition
\$2,000 ono Rego TFE 160
0473 701 959

Triumph T140e 1982
untouched original paintwork,
motor has matching numbers in
very good condition.
Club registered and only used on
club rides.
Rego TFX207. \$17,600 ono.
Peter **0419 306208** and send text
and will call back

Moto-Guzzi Falcone 500cc single
1950s \$6,500
Eddie Walter **8165 0032**

WANTED
BSA C11G Dual seat
Rex **0409 235 914**
rex.eyes@optus.net.au

Honda CB 450 front cash bars
Alan **0422 218 318**

Workshop Manual
for ZX6R Kawasaki 1999
John **0432 637 763**

Swap '59 Velo Clubman Parts
footrests, brake & gear lever, fork
gaiters, etc for standard Venom parts
plus handle bars
Ian Modistach ianmod@gmail.com

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

**Is your bike complete with-
out a COMCC sticker?**

**Are you complete without
a COMCC windcheater?**

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
Malcolm Downie 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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[Club Requirements for registering historic vehicles – The Classic Owners Motorcycle Club Inc.](#) on the club's website www.classicowners.org

CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES 2025—2026

Joining \$15 (includes lapel badge)

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at West Croydon & Kilkeny RSL, 19 Rosetta St., West Croydon. A basket supper follows - contributions welcome. Meals available before the meeting from the RSL kitchen.

Committee Meetings 3rd Tuesday of every month (**except Dec.**), 7.30pm
at West Croydon & Kilkeny RSL, 19 Rosetta St., West Croydon.
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