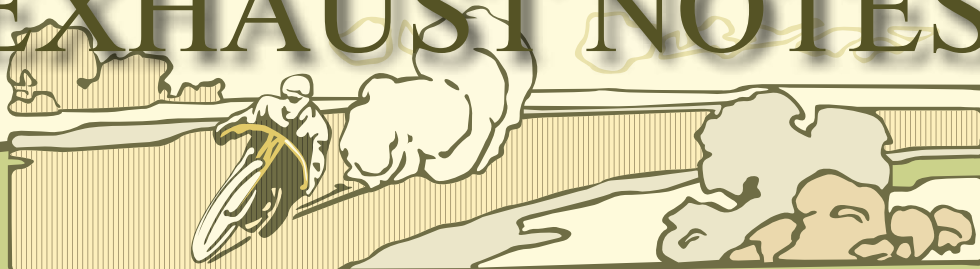




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"RIDERS IN THE SKY"
BARRY HOLLAND
28/9/1950 – 8/1/2022



CHRISTMAS BBQ AT NORTONS PARK, WANTIRNA SOUTH ON 5TH DECEMBER 2021



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The Club caters for motorcycles manufactured up to 31st December, 1942.

Membership enquiries are welcome.

Visitors will be given a cordial reception at our meetings.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello and welcome to a new year of Vintage Motor Cycling. Well in my last report I started off by commenting on what a rocky year 2021 had been. As it turns out, 2022 has started out a bit rocky as well. However according to best information at the moment there is reason to be

optimistic for a smoother ride ahead.

The committee has made the decision to cancel both the General and Committee meetings in February due to health concerns brought about by this latest and very contagious variant of Covid 19 as they are indoor functions. At this time we are optimistic about the March meetings going ahead.

The Diamond Creek Run I am pleased to say, will be going ahead on the 20th of February as it is an outdoor function. Social distancing will apply and that means no hugging and kissing unless both parties are from the same household! Likewise the Maryborough Rally is going ahead on the 11th to 14th of March and the Scoresby Swap meet on the 3rd of April. Looking forward to better times here!

On a sadder note we mark the passing of two ex-long time members Stan Hurlston and Stan Rhook. Both were regular rally-men who however, have not recently attended due to the "Ravages of Time". Both will be missed.

Tragically, Club Member Barry Holland has also passed away. Barry and good friend Ross Stewart were knocked off their Moto Guzzi's by an alleged errant driver on the wrong side of the road. Ross was killed and Barry passed away weeks later after a fight for life in the Alfred Hospital. Condolences from the Committee and membership of the VMCC of Vic to all friends and families.

Over the holiday break I have taken the chance to diagnose and repair a broken valve spring in my WL Harley that was sustained on the Chiltern Rally. All I can say is that I am glad she is a side-valve and not an overhead-valve as if she was the damage would be considerably worse. Yes, side-valve motors do have certain advantages. I have also finished my 900cc WL Harley project bike undertaken during the last two years of the pandemic. Should be a fun ride once she is sorted out! So that is all the news from me at the moment. Stay safe and Regards,

Mick Guilfoyle



EDITORIAL

A big thank you to David James, John Mepstead, Russell Catling, Pam and Rex Jones, Jonathan Hill, Mick Guilfoyle, Robbie Griffiths, Phil Long, Barry Curley, Clare Lynch and Daniel McAleice of the Indian Motorcycle Club of Australia for input, reports and/or photos.

With the concerns over Covid we have seen cancellations of many other Club's events which were listed for January and February. Trevor Allwright, the organiser of the Beaumaris Concourse Display sent out a questionnaire where he stated he was in a quandary whether to cancel the event for the third time or not. Trevor received an 85% response for the event to go ahead. Therefore it is planned to go ahead, with the local council, Beaumaris Rotary volunteers and local police being happy to proceed with the event also. Trevor says they will ensure to meet all Covid safety requirements on the day and asks for you to please QR check in on the day when you register. Although believed not required please wear a mask during the event and social distance where possible. They are looking forward to seeing us all there on Sunday 13th February. However, please check on the internet (by 'googling' or facebook - Beaumaris Concourse Car and Bike Show) before going to Beaumaris. It is also advisable via the internet to check on other events for possible cancellations.

Trevor is looking at running a second event on the usual date of the show which is normally on the second Sunday in September, making it 12th September in 2022 as he is hopeful that we are in a more favourable position although it is very hard to predict what will happen in the next nine months or so.

Brian Tyler's Diamond Creek Run on February 20th normally goes through Yarra Glen and on that day there is the RACV British & European Motoring Show which goes to 3pm at the Racecourse. Participants may like to "pop in" and have a wander around - anyways, that option may be discussed on the day.

Ballarat Swap Meet entry will require QR code check in and proof of double vaccination or a valid medical exemption.

Please support our friends at the Bendigo Historic Motorcycle Club's Llanelly Swap Meet on 27th March. A big thank you to Pam and Rex Jones of the Bendigo Club as they organised a date change so that it didn't clash with our Maryborough Rally. However, don't spend all your money at Llanelly as our Scoresby Swap Meet is on the following Sunday. Club member Graeme Wilson is involved in the organisation of the motorcycles only show and shine at Mirboo North on Sunday 10th April, so if you have any cash left that's another swap meet to go to.

A timely reminder that we need to keep on top of our registrations. Victoria Police are now able to scan our Club Permit plates to check their status so please ensure you have your up to date log book with you and the current club permit label on your motorcycles. A Veteran Car Club member was recently caught without a current permit and incurred a \$900 fine. Please keep your club permits current.

Cheers,

John Cox

BHMCC MOTORCYCLE ONLY SWAP MEET

27th MARCH 2022

Food Available on Site O/N Camping on Site \$5.00

SITE FEE \$10.00 Includes entry for one NO DOGS PLEASE

\$5.00 DONATION ENTRY

LLANELLY PUBLIC HALL RESERVE

(Bendigo Historic Motorcycle Club Llanelly Clubrooms)

Between Newbridge & Tarnagulla, via St Arnaud Rds. B240 Melway
SCountry Vic. Roads
re 43. F5

VALE

BARRY HOLLAND AND ROSS STEWART

Barry Holland, who was involved in a tragic accident at Goorambat (North West of Benalla) on Tuesday 14th December, sadly passed away on Saturday 8th January. Barry had been flown to Melbourne by air ambulance and remained in hospital with extremely serious injuries.

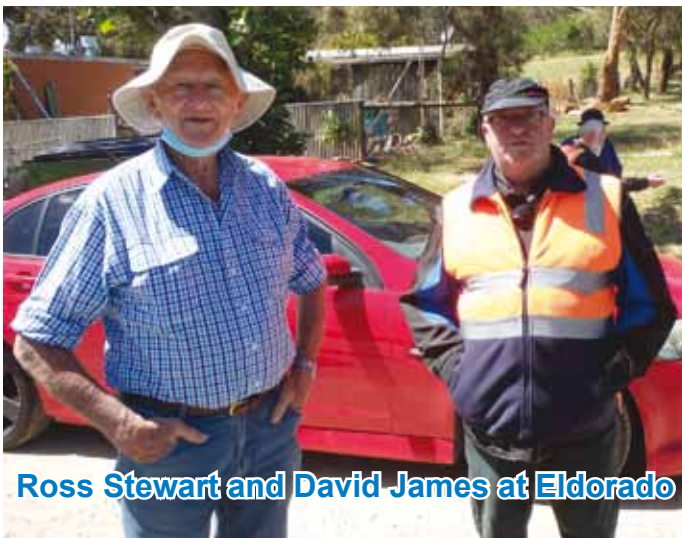
Barry and his good friend Ross Stewart were riding their Moto Guzzi's when allegedly a utility veered into them at a curve on crossroads. Tragically Ross was killed in the accident. Ross who was 81 had recently purchased his new motorcycle.



Barry Holland on the 2021 Chiltern Rally

Barry who resided in Wangaratta attended many Chiltern Rallies and regularly displayed his Levis at our Club stand at Historic Winton. Barry was enamoured with Levis motorcycles and his restorations were first class.

He was working on another restoration and had advertised in the October Exhaust notes for parts for a 1932 Burman Gear Box. Barry enjoyed rides during the week on the back roads, often riding in company with fellow member David James and Ross Stewart who had moved into a new house in Wangaratta after leaving the Cobram area. Ross met many of our members when he had ridden out to Eldorado with David James to visit us on the recent Chiltern Rally.



Ross Stewart and David James at Eldorado

Our Club extends its condolences to Shirley Holland and family Ian and Janet, Narelle and Chris and grandchildren Amy, Mitchell, and Kaitlyn.

Condolences to Kath Stewart and family.

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The police report on the accident, stated:

"Detectives from the Major Collision Investigation Unit have charged a man after a fatal collision in Goorambat on Tuesday 14th December. Emergency services were called to Goorambat-Thoona Road at the intersection with Bungeet and Hammond roads about 12.10pm after reports a utility had collided with two motorcycles. Sadly, an 80-year-old male rider from Wangaratta died at the scene. The second rider, a 70-year-old Wangaratta man, was airlifted to hospital with life-threatening injuries. The driver of the white Toyota utility, a 35-year-old Tatong man, was not injured and stopped at the scene. He has been charged with one count each of dangerous driving causing death and dangerous driving causing serious injury. He appeared at the Wangaratta Magistrates' Court where he was granted bail to reappear at the same court on the 7th April 2022."

VALE STAN HURLSTON

Sadly, Stan Hurlston passed away on Friday 17th December. Stan who was 89 was a much valued and popular member of the VMCC of Vic.

Stan was a member until 2017 and rode his 1938 BSA in Maryborough and Chiltern Rallies as late as 2014. Soon after these rallies Stan went in his good friend Tony Edwards' Brough Superior side car on the Baxter runs. Stan had in earlier days owned a Brough Superior which he reckoned wasn't as good to ride as his BSA.

With his 1930's Sunbeam he won trophies on the Bayles Link Runs and regularly rode with the Mornington Peninsula Historic Vehicle Club.

Stan retired from Cabrini Hospital in Malvern where he was engineer mainly in charge of boilers and also training some of our members wishing to get boiler certificates.

We pass on our condolences to Norma, Sue and Stephen and family.



Stan Hurlston at Bundalong in 2014

At Bayles Run

40 years ago with Alan Greenway



Phil Long

BELLARINE DAY RUN November 28th 2021 by Phil Long

Well as luck would have it Manny Vella picked the perfect day to tour the Bellarine Peninsula. The only drawback was that there were road works at the entrance to his road in Leopold necessitating a u-turn some 400metres past Moller's Lane. But this little detour

did not foil any of the participants as they all managed to arrive well before the allotted start time of 10.00am.

Once everybody had mingled and met familiar faces and some not so familiar the marshal group headed off and the main group followed five minutes later. Bright blue skies with the odd fluffy white cloud, a cool soft breeze, what a perfect day for a leisurely ride around the Bellarine Peninsula. Leaving Leopold the group headed for Portarlington weaving its way along the foreshore to Indented Head for our first regroup. The bay was indeed picture perfect as we could see the main city high rise buildings of Melbourne CBD from the carpark at Indented Head. Once the back-up vehicles had arrived the marshal group headed off to layout the next leg to Queenscliff for our lunch stop. Everybody arrived safely and we spent the next hour and half acquiring lunch and observing the bustling sights of Queenscliff which was very busy with people enjoying their freedom to be out and about on this glorious spring day.

With lunch over the group began their return journey to Leopold via Point Lonsdale and Ocean Grove arriving back at Manny Vella's residence around 2.30pm. This then allowed sufficient time for those that had travelled some distance to return home before nightfall.

Thanks to Manny, Lil, Nick and Jessie Vella for opening up their home for the starting and finishing point of the run. Also thanks to Manny's brothers Charles, Joe and John for marshalling. Involved in organisation was Ken Miller and Manny Vella also did the route planning.

Participants on club eligible motorcycles were:

Daryl Colt	1941 Indian
Ian Dawson	1927 Royal Enfield
Marcus Deutscher	1937 Norton
Paul Fullard	1928 Norton
Mark Gustke	1941 BSA
Andrew Jeffrey	1924 A.J.S.
Phil Long	1928 BSA
Ray Matthews	1937 Scott
Ken Miller	1945 Harley Davidson
Kel Mitchener	1930 Douglas
Rowden and Liz Moore	1930 BSA O/F
Adrian Robinson	1941 BSA
Ray Van Galen	1922 Indian
Sam Vella	1938 Indian

Participants on moderns and classics were:

Bevan Berghofer
Adrian Matthews
Charles Vella
Jess Vella
Joe Vella
John Vella
Manny Vella
Rob Voigt

And a big thank you to Nick and Lil Vella who drove the backup vehicles.



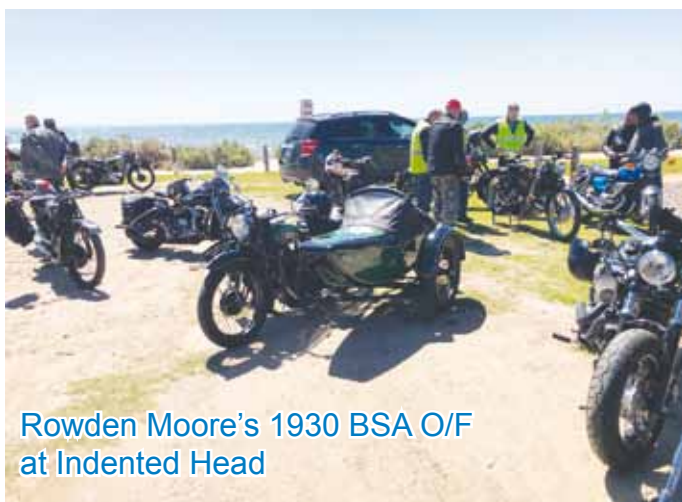
Manny Vella



Ray Matthews 1937 Scott



Sam Vella 1938 Indian
Daryl Colt 1941 Indian
in background



Rowden Moore's 1930 BSA O/F
at Indented Head



Kel Mitchener's 1930 Douglas
Andrew Jeffrey's 1924 AJS



Run
Co-ordinator
Robbie Griffiths
0413 819 950



Mick Guilfoyle
Run Co-ordinator

MARYBOROUGH RALLY 2022

Friday 11th to Monday 14th March 2022

For motorcycles manufactured up to 31st December 1942 and military machines up to 1945.

RIDES:

Friday 11th March meet at the Maryborough Caravan Park for registration at 4.30pm followed by a 5pm start for the run to the Talbot Hotel and back approximately **40km**.

Saturday 12th March meet at the Hockey field car park 9am for registration followed by a 9.30am start for the run to Maldon for morning tea, and to Lockwood South, Lockwood, Kangaroo Flat then on to Bendigo to see Dr. Dugal James collection of motorcycles and a catered lunch (\$15 for adults/\$7.50 for children) or bring your own. Return to Maryborough via Lockwood and Eddington **145km** approximately.

Sunday 13th March meet at the Maryborough Post Office 8.30am for a 9am start for the run to Newstead, then onto Guilford for morning tea. From Guilford we go to Yapeen, Muckleford, Walmer, Castlemaine to Franko's house for a catered lunch (\$15 for adults/\$7.50 for kids or bring your own) then a visit to XXXX Antique and Motor Complex (*petrol pumps, motor bikes, old classic signs etc. etc.* \$5.00 entry to the Motor Complex refundable on any purchase). Antique Complex free. Return via Newstead to Hockey Field car park in Maryborough for display and voting approximately **125km**.

Presentation dinner is 6pm for a 6.30pm start at the Railway Cafe & Track Bar.

Monday 14th March 8.30am for a 9am start from Maryborough Post Office to Carisbrook, Eddington to Dunolly for morning tea then back to Maryborough approx 70km back by 11am.

All pending on COVID restrictions

Some details could be subject to change if necessary.

We will require definite numbers and names so name cards, meal vouchers and program can be prepared and also numbers for catering purposes, please deliver entry by **Friday 25th February**.

Accommodation is the responsibility of each entrant.

Suggested accommodation is listed below:

- Bristol Hill Motel 03 5461 3833
- Golden Country Motel / Caravan Park 03 5461 1101
- Junction Motel 03 5461 1744
- Wattle Grove Motel 03 5461 1877
- Maryborough Caravan Park 03 5460 4848
- Highlander Haven Motel 03 5460 4122

Pre Rally Enquiries:

Mick Guilfoyle (03) 5966 7424

On the Rally: Mick Guilfoyle 0473 232 372

Runs Co-ordination: Robbie Griffiths 0413 819 950

REGISTRATION FORM

MARYBOROUGH RALLY 2022

Please complete both sides of this form and forward with cheque or money order (made payable to **Vintage Motorcycle Club of Victoria Inc.**) to:

Barry Curley
36 Prior Avenue
Gladstone Park Vic 3043

Please enclose a stamp addressed envelope if receipt is required.

ENTRIES CLOSE Friday 25th February 2022

All activities subject to Covid19 Regulations.

* Rally fees can be paid directly to: Westpac **BSB 033-135 Acc. 930732 VMCC Rally Account.** *Please ensure your name or membership number is clearly included on the transaction. Also tick direct debit bank deposit 'box' on next page.*

	Adult Cost	No. Attending	Child Cost	No. Attending	Total
Saturday - Bendigo	\$15.00		\$7.50		\$
Sunday - Castlemaine	\$15.00		\$7.50		\$
Sunday - Presentation Dinner at Railway Station 6.00 for 6.30 pm. Mains and Dessert.	\$39.50		\$20.00		\$
Rally Entry Fee	\$30.00				\$
TOTAL					\$

If you require vegetarian meals. Please circle **YES**

RUSSELL CATLING'S WINDFALL

Russell writes - that one of our neighbours, 300 metres up the road was asking how our house renovations were going and I invited him in to check out the cellar and man cave and while on tour he noticed my Triumph motorcycles and commented that he has one at home in the shed which got my interest

He purchased the 1935 Triumph 350 side-valve in 1969 and pulled it apart in the mid 70's to do a restoration but life got in the way. It stayed in boxes and was moved a number of times to different locations. Anyway, as soon as I saw it I made him an offer and we finally agreed on a price.

The only thing that seems to be missing is the tail section of the rear guard and number plate bracket



The 1935 Model 3/1 350cc (8.70 x 5.89) Side-Valve with an aluminium head looked like this when it left the factory.



EVERY PERSON ENTERING A MOTORBIKE MUST COMPLETE THIS DECLARATION FOR MARYBOROUGH 2022

All bike details must be completed in full

Declaration

Please accept my entry and enclosed cheque ☐ money order ☐ or **direct bank deposit*** ☐ for \$_____ to cover my entry fee and meals. I hereby acknowledge that the owner of the motorcycle entered and rider thereof and passengers while participating in this rally will do so on the condition that they have no claim against the VMCC of Vic or its agents for any damages or injuries incurred to the machinery or person participating, or any damages or injuries involving said entrant or their machinery or passengers with any other property or persons whatsoever, whether or not the same be caused or contributed to by any act or omission or negligence on the part of the VMCC of Vic. or its agents.

I also declare that I am the holder of a current motorcycle licence and the motorcycle I will be riding is either fully registered or on a club permit and is in a roadworthy condition. I freely acknowledge that I am bound by the foregoing special conditions and that all information supplied on this form is true and correct.

Name _____

Membership Number _____ Additional Names _____

Address _____

Contact Tel _____ Next of Kin _____ Contact Tel _____

Email: _____

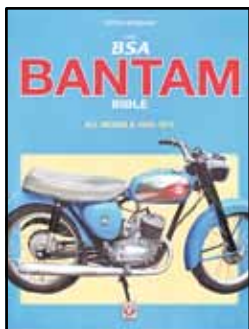
Machine Make: _____ Model _____ Capacity _____ Year _____

Reg/Permit No. _____ Solo/Outfit _____

Signed _____ Date _____

(If more than one bike please attach separate sheet of details) All activities subject to Covid 19 Regulations.

MARYBOROUGH 2022



BOOK REVIEW

Reviewed by Jonathan Hill

"The BSA Bantam Bible"

All models 1948-1971

This book is dedicated to the late Alastair Cave and to the women and men of BSA, who built the Bantam.

The BSA Bantam is a phenomenon. In numerical terms, it is the most successful British bike ever built, with 100,000 built in the first four years of production – and over thirty years after the last one left the production line, thousands are still on the road.

However, the Bantam might never have happened without World War II. The BSA (and Harley-Davidson) directors were anticipating a large post-war demand for a simple low-cost two-stroke commuter machine for a financially strapped population. Frustratingly, at this time, they had no experience of making two-stroke machines of this type. The problem was solved when the well designed and developed pre-war German DKW RT125 was offered to the Allies as reparations, taken up and produced in the USA and USSR. In Britain it surfaced publicly in 1948 as the much-modified BSA Bantam, a very simple little 123cc two-stroke, with rudimentary electrics, telescopic front forks but no rear suspension – and a lot of charm.

The little bike became part of Britain's social history. Thousands of people learnt to ride on a Bantam, or had their first pillion experience on one or road one delivering telegrams for what was the GPO.

Whilst looked back on with great affection by many previous owners, they no doubt also remembered the intermittent electrics, the feeble brakes and the limitations of the three-speed gearbox. Yet it was also a tough little bird as well. Not only did Bantams carry a generation to and from work every day, but they proved capable of feats the original designers at DKW could never have envisaged. Bantams have crossed continents and climbed mountains. They have raced at the TT, around race circuits, been successful in scrambles and trials and even ridden the "Wall of Death."

Chapters include the year-by-year, change-by-change evolution details – A complete history of the Bantam – How it came about – post-war reparations from Germany – Bantam cousins – Harley and Russian "Bantams" – Success! – the early years – Growing up – the 148cc and 175cc Bantams – Tragedy – lack of development leads to declining sales – What might have been – could the Bantam have survived? – Useful contacts – Facts and Figures – What to look for when buying a second-hand Bantam.

Author Peter Henshaw has written an excellent book with contributions from former Bantam development engineer Michael Martin and information from Mike Jackson and Peter Glover.

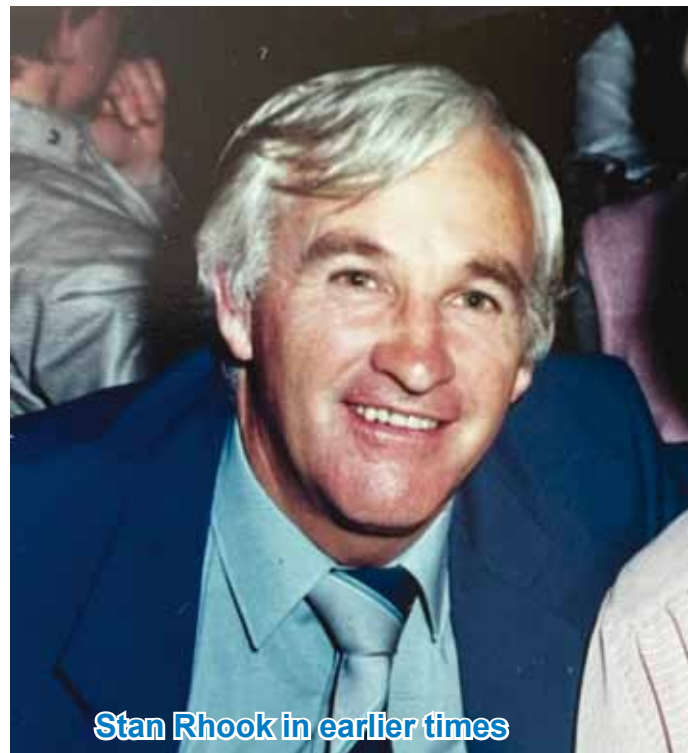
Author: Peter Henshaw. Photographs by Roger Fogg and illustrations by Nick Ward.

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VALE STAN RHOOK

Former committee man and member Stan Rhook passed away on 28th December. Stan who was 90 years old had not been in good health for the last couple of years. He was the loved husband of Betty, loving dad of Katrina, Allison (dec.), Anthony and Kelly, Father-in-Law of Wesley and Tatiana and cherished Grandpa of Jackson, Cassie, Alexis, Ryan and Alena. Our condolences to Betty and their family.

Son Anthony has ridden with our club at Chiltern and Son-in-Law Wes Peele is a member of our club.



Stan Rhook in earlier times

Stan last rallied his 1937 AJS at the 50th Anniversary Rally at the Hume Weir and also at the Chiltern Rally both in 2014. He was a master at finding a place to lean the AJS as he found it heavy to lift onto the rear stand. We have on file some forty photos of the bike against posts, monuments, fences, walls, etc. His good mate from school days and 'travelling' companion on later rallies was our life member Gil McDougall who will miss Stan greatly.



Stan on the 2014 Hume Weir Rally

COMMITTEE MEETING 2ND DEC. 2021

Meeting Opened at 6.36pm

Present: Mick Guilfoyle, John Street, Peter Growse, Darren Cartwright, John Fletcher, Andrew Cox, Alan Scoble, *John Cox (Editor)*.

Apologies: Phillip Horner, Lindsay Wheeler, Barry Curley.
Correspondence in: Invoice from Marsh Sport our insurers; Regulations for use of Clubrooms from VDC; various newsletters; query on value of an unrestored BSA G14.
Correspondence out: Nil.

Minutes of previous meeting were taken as published with no business arising.

Moved J. Street, Seconded D. Cartwright - Carried

Rally reports: Bellarine Peninsula Rally was successful. British 2-Stroke and Gippsland (WGVRC) Clubs combined rally around Western Victoria had some of our members attend.

Apparel: Need for some items to be relocated to clubrooms for sale at meetings and events.

General business:

Trophies for Maryborough need to be sourced.

Scoresby Swap Meet may require a safety plan dependent on Covid Regulations applying at that time, such as QR Codes and gate marshalling of these codes. Discussion ensued on entry fees (to be \$10 entry and \$20 site fee) and the need for 'Flyers' which can be distributed at Ballarat and Goulburn Swaps.

Discussion on an email received from a member which in part suggested use of technology for members to 'participate' in meetings if they are excluded from physically attending our meetings due to Covid Vaccination requirements. Members at General Meeting to be asked for input on this.

Meeting closed at 7.20pm.

GENERAL MEETING 2ND DEC. 2021

Meeting Opened at 8.13pm

Apologies: A. Greenway, C. Carter, J. Mepstead, J. Davy, N. Robert, A. Babb, M. Morse.

Correspondence in: Invoice from Marsh Sport our insurers; Regulations for use of Clubrooms from VDC; various newsletters.

Correspondence out: Details of Scoresby Swap Meet for inclusion in Old Bike Australasia magazine; Annual Report to Consumer Affairs.

Moved P. Horner, Seconded A. Fraser

Treasurer's Report: As at 30th November 2021

General Account \$9,810.00

Rally Account \$6,210.00

Investment Account \$57,816.54

Moved K. Mitchener, Seconded D. Jenkins - Carried

Rally Report: Andrew Jeffrey spoke on members enjoying the Bellarine Rally conducted by Manny Vella and Alan Scoble reported on our members on a Western Victorian Rally with the British 2-Stroke and Gippsland (WGVRC) Clubs.

Spares: Neville Babb volunteered to assist members after the meeting.

Apparel: Items presently not available at meeting.

Library: Through Lindsay James we received a vintage Lucas catalogue for motorcycles donated by Alan Summergreene of the Early Ford V8 Club.

General Business:

Scoresby Swap Meet organisation was discussed. Neville Babb will organise a line marking machine.

Lindsay Wheeler circulated an attendance sheet for Nortons Park Xmas BBQ.

John Fletcher mentioned that there would be no Bayswater Display Day in 2022 but could be held in 2023.

Discussion took place on the use of technologies such as 'Zoom' for use at our meetings. Various members expressed their opinions in view of technical difficulties, efforts required, distractions, costs, etc. which were not favourable to the introduction of such technologies.

Motion: That when meetings are able to be held with members in attendance that we do not introduce electronic technologies for transmission during the meeting.

Moved A. Scoble, Seconded P. Horner - Carried

Questions on expiry dates for legality of helmets and tyres were asked about.

Meeting closed 8.45pm.

NAME PLATE FOR A 1938 AJS



Photo of the name plate that Mick Guilfoyle has just finished for Andrew Jeffery. The job was for Andrew's super rare and super nice 1939 AJS Silver Streak and is painted in 2K and finished with super hard epoxy clear coat. Mick's mate Paul Clark hand painted the cursive lettering in the style that was used in the 1939 AJS sales catalogue and Mick took care of the welding, painting and cut and polishing duties.

Mick's photo 'artistically' shows the name plate placed on the write up on Andrew's AJS on pages 66 to 70 in Issue No. 94 of 'Old Bike Australasia' which was in the newsagents in June 2021.

Three models of Silver Streaks were available, being 248 cc, 347 cc and 498 cc all OHV.



Numbers of machines in collections...

A query posted on the United Kingdom's Vintage Motor Cycle Club (VMCC) Group on Facebook.

David Cooper wondered what the average size of collections are for older machines?

For example, how many 1930's machines exist (either rideable or close to being so) and how many owners have them? I suspect (with some small evidence based on personal observation) that a large proportion of the oldest bikes are parts of collections. Which is one reason why they are perhaps less visible. If I have three Nortons, that's two people who cannot own one, and two fewer potential VMCC owners of prewar machines. Not saying there's a 'solution', or even that there's a 'problem'.

Responses came from:

Paul Turner

Yes, many old bikes owned by people who never use them or just keep them for an investment and because of this no spares are ever needed, so it becomes unviable to manufacture them.

Tony Baxter

I have several old bikes but don't have them as investments and happy to lend them to friends if they want to try something older.

Paul O'leary

Tony Baxter - Hello my new bestest friend.

Roger Clarke

Not many 1930's bike around, I joined the vintage club in 1963 and then the bikes had to be pre 1930 so anything 1931 to the war years were too new for the club then after the war they were getting too old for every day use so were scrapped leaving a shortage of bikes left from the 30's, I still ride a 1935 Velocette GTP and have recently sold a 1937 Velocette MAC. I have 1 1919 bike, 5 1929 bikes, 1 1947 bike, 5 1950's, 3 1960's, 1 1977, and 1 2013.

Jim Walker

I have 1930, 1946, 1958 and 1976. Plus some more modern stuff. All get ridden. But not at once, that would be a tad extravagant.

Ludo Lloyd

So many bikes in wealthy people's garages' with ridiculous prices to match. So much for the poor man's transport. And so many in museums that could be used again. Just a waste to say the least. I use my one and only British bike all year.

Pete Fisher

1 1930's, 1 1950's, 1 1970's oh and 1 2020. The most recent acquisition was the 1937 Sunbeam - bought intentionally to ride, not as an investment. I've been persuaded we must 'downsize' living accommodation. Those 4 have already been whittled down from 7 so I can get them all in one standard garage and still have a workshop area. The car can take its chances outside.

Rick Necchi

I suspect ownership is partly owning what was popular when we were kids, I guess number of people around that saw 30's bikes in 60's and 70's that were in any actual use are dwindling. Same for other eras. I was lucky old boys still were still riding and maintaining in my youth.

Michael Harvey

I think the accepted optimal number of bikes in one's collection (O) can be expressed by the formula: $O = N + 1$, where 'N' equals the number of bikes you already have.

David Cooper Author

The VMCC 'Register of Machines' (1991) lists about 110 1920's OHV Nortons, and only about 90 from the 1930's. If we look at all types up to 1927 (flat tankers), the total comes to about 160. Where are they all? The Register is nowhere near complete. Judging by the numbers in the 1991 Register, the numbers in museums must be a tiny fraction of the total, and the museums do raise our profile. Lots of museum machines (cars and bikes) are actually privately owned by someone who's happy for them to be seen and reasonably safely stored. And my little group of four took 25 years to gather together, so annual average price is not very high.

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VMCC CLUB EVENTS 2022

13th February BEAUMARIS CONCOURSE DISPLAY (*See below*)
20th February DIAMOND CREEK RUN (*See below*) **Brian Tyler**
11th - 14th March MARYBOROUGH RALLY (*See P.5*) **Robbie Griffiths/Mick Guilfoyle**
3rd April SCORESBY MOTORCYCLE ONLY SWAP MEET National Steam Centre,
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The General Meeting and Committee Meeting on Thursday 3rd February are **CANCELLED (COVID CONCERNS)**
Next Committee Meeting 6.30 pm Thursday 3rd March. Next General Meeting 8.00pm Thursday 3rd March. 2022.

OTHER EVENTS PLEASE CHECK VIA WEBSITES FOR CANCELLATIONS DUE TO COVID-19

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13th February Torquay Motor Show (*See P.10*) Contact: Mob. 0423 620 009 www.torquaymotorshow.com.au

Friday 25th and Saturday 26th February Ballarat Swap Meet. Entry will require QR code check in and proof of double vaccination or a valid medical exemption.

20th March 65th Kalorama Rally 10am to 4pm. Contacts: Paul Edgar 0419 369 542 or Iain Ross 0409 027 392

20th - 24th March 2022 8th Bi-Annual Australian Douglas Motorcycle Rally, Colac, Victoria. 3 days of rally riding. Contact: Jonathan Hepner Mob. 0438 513 812 or Email: douglas.rally@hepner.id.au

27th March Llanelly Swap Meet (Bendigo HMCC) and another on 4th December. (*See P.4*)

3rd April Tracey's Speedway reunion at Maribyrnong 10am - 4pm. Solos, Sidecars, Midgets, Hot Rods. (*See P.14*)

10th April Mirboo North Swap Meet (*See P.14*)

15th -17th April (Easter) Single Cylinder and Girder Fork Combined Rally (Bendigo HMCC).

BEAUMARIS CONCOURSE DISPLAY



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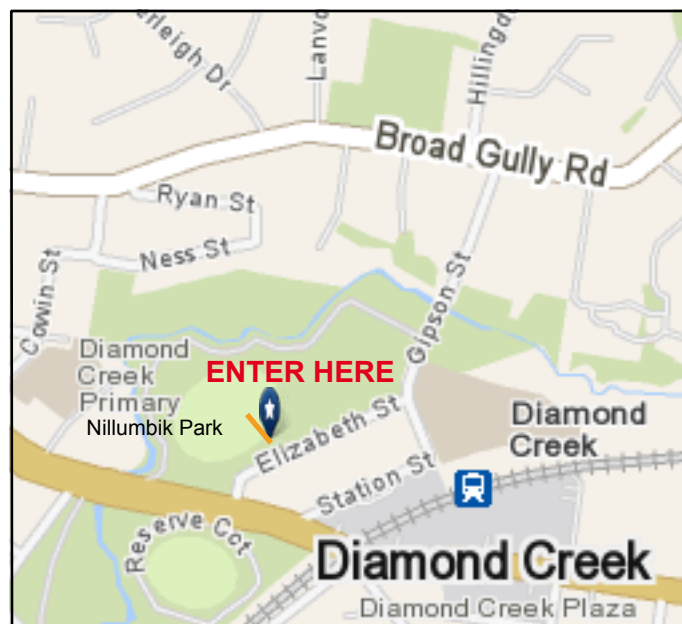
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Definitely and positively, the deadline for the next issue is: **Friday 18th March 2022.**



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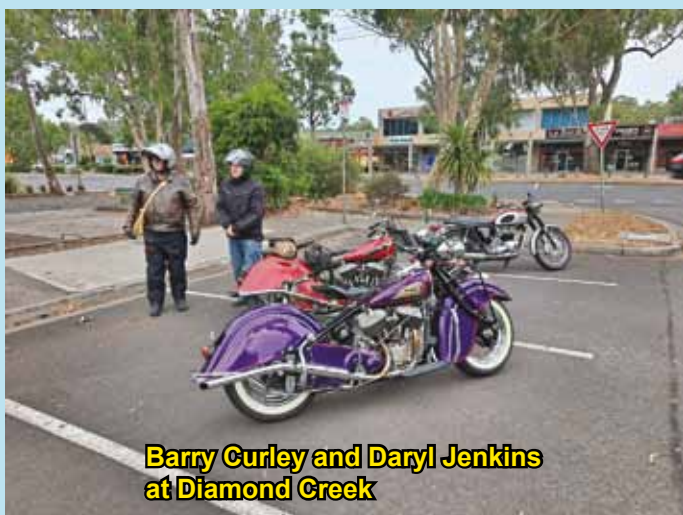
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Adjusting the rear brake on Jim's Chief

It appears that the Covid problem really affected the turn-out for the Peter McAliece Memorial Run starting from Lilydale, with only six bikes fronting up. On the road up to Healesville there was an eerie absence of red-plated vehicles on the road, on a perfect Sunday morning with Healesville almost deserted at 7.45am - something I haven't seen before. Most Sunday mornings it's a smorgasbord of classic vehicles.

Up the Black Spur to Narbethong and then on to Marysville for breakfast, still on almost empty roads. No parking problems at the Marysville Bakery. After breakfast we headed back via Healesville, Toolangi and Kinglake, a magnificent ride on a great road in perfect weather.

We had a couple of mechanical issues with Daryl's Chief losing the rear hub drive studs and rolling to a halt near the Kinglake - Toolangi corner and then Jim's bike suffering a rear brake issue locking up the rear wheel, but at least he was close to home.

I covered 148 miles (240km) on the round trip from Tullamarine, between 6.00am and about 12.30pm.

Participating were Scott Clark '48 Chief, Jim Parker '39 Chief, Stan Mucha '47 Bobber, Daryl Jenkins '46 Chief, Daniel McAliece '44 Chief and Barry Curley '68 Triumph Bonneville. Gary Jennings did back-up duties and Clare and John Lynch saw them off before heading off to work. *Barry Curley*



Mick Guilfoyle admires Andrew Masalski's 1941 Harley Davidson FL at the Xmas BBQ



Mick Guilfoyle's newly restored 1942 WL Harley Davidson