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# Gordon's Idea of a Quiet Ride

Due to the high fuel costs lately Gordon decided to lead a short ride today. Apparently a \$20 tank of fuel only gets you about 3km.

So our ever budget conscious Treasurer thought he would hitch a ride home on a tow truck to save some cash.

Onya Gordon. Your rides just get more entertaining each week. 😂 😊



# Club Calendar

## 2022

- 1 May** 8.00am **Breakfast meeting**, View Cafe Hinze Dam.  
Followed by a ride of 250k approx.
- 15 May** 8.00am **Club Ride**,
- 27 May** 12 noon **Ladies Lunch**– Location to be decided
- 5 Jun** 8.00am **Breakfast meeting**, View Cafe Hinze Dam.  
Followed by a ride of 250k approx.
- 10-13 Jun** **National Motorrad Rally Kooralbyn**
- 3 Jul** 8.00am **Breakfast meeting**, View Cafe Hinze Dam.  
Followed by a ride of 250k approx.
- 19 Jul** 8.00am **Club Ride**

The club normally has two organised rides each month: on the first and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays. The rides on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month may change according to the ride destination. Changes from the above will be notified to members via email.



**All Newsletter Submissions  
are due to the Editor before  
the 25th of each month**

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

May 2022

April is the month of long weekends & rain or seems that way to me. Club activities were fairly scarce this month due to the holiday season. Some members travelled interstate for The BMW annual meeting, the GS Safari, and a few just took some time for Tassie trips and family catch-up.

Thankfully Australians are able to move around again as we like to do, many have been separated from loved ones by Covid borders and restrictions for too long.

We have an open club committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday 17th May at the German Club 6.00 pm. This will be our last one before the NMR and EOFY. Please let me know if you will be attending for catering (at minimal cost to participants).

We will also be finalising Rally plans on the night.

See you all soon.

Steve



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Best regards,

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# NATIONAL MOTORRAD RALLY KOORALBYN 10- 13 June 2022



To be held at the iconic [Kooralbyn Resort](#) set in the middle of some of the best Southeast Queensland- Northern NSW motorbike riding country. Southeast Queensland in winter would be a welcome journey for many southern bikers, average temperature in June is minimum 7 and maximum 21 degrees and only a chance of slight rain for 4 days in the month. The roads in this area offer magnificent winding routes and off road for the more adventurous.



With travel between States now that much easier and likely to be even easier in the months to come, it is more important than normal to lock in accommodation as people roam this great land. We recommend that you secure your accommodation now as space will be limited and many will miss out. For those still in serious lockdown, you are yet to experience how busy non lockdown destinations have become.

We have been able to secure a special accommodation deal at the spacious Kooralbyn Resort based on a 3-night stay.

\$378 gets you 3 nights' accommodation in a Double/Twin room or \$398 for a King Room

There are no camping options in the area, but each room can sleep 2, so based on a double or twin room and 2 sharing, that works out at \$63 per person per night and you get to use the great facilities and have a comfy bed.



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### To be part of the Rally, you must do two things

#### 1. Visit <https://bmwclubsaustralia.org.au/event-4427426> to register

Registration includes:

- Welcome pack
- Friday night Welcome Dinner
- Saturday night Gala Buffet Dinner
- Registration cost is \$97 per person

#### 2. Contact Kooralbyn Resort directly to get the special deal TO BOOK ACCOMMODATION

You must **PHONE** Kooralbyn Resort reservations directly on (07)5544 6688 and quote Booking Code 91169

A DEPOSIT is required equivalent to one night's accommodation at approximately \$120 per room.

**NOTE.... ONLINE BOOKINGS WILL NOT RECEIVE THE SPECIAL RATES OR BE REGISTERED AGAINST THE CLUB GUEST LISTING HELD BY THE RESORT.**

We will also be providing more detail on some of the planned events, guided and non-guided rides and optional activities should you wish to bring non riders along or make this part of a bigger trip.

Get in Register, book your accommodation so you don't miss out.



## CORNER MARKING

### MANY RIDES WILL UTILISE CORNER MARKING.

- The Ride Leader will indicate, by pointing, a safe location where he/she would like the rider directly behind him/her to mark a corner.
- The corner marker should stop in a safe place that is visible to following riders, indicate with the turn signal to following riders the route and remain in position until Tail End Charlie indicates to re-join the ride. Re-join the ride safely.
- If there are inexperienced riders the corner marker may need to wait for a while but remember other riders' enjoyment is dependent on your effort.
- Corner marking is utilised to allow a ride to progress in an orderly and systematic way regardless of factors that could cause a disrupted ride.
- Some of these factors include the following.
- A wide range of rider experience that would cause frustration to more experienced riders by frequently stopping to allow slower riders to catch up.
- Traffic conditions, e.g. frequent traffic lights, or congestion, that cause the ride to break up into groups that lose touch with one another.
- Some riders who just want to "amble" along having a leisurely ride while others go ahead.
- More often than not, especially on mid-week rides, the ride leader will decide that ride members have similar experience and ability and so corner marking can be dispensed with. This means that the ride leader needs to be able to see following riders in his/her mirrors and may prevent the ride breaking up by introducing occasional stops.

## THE RIDE GUIDE

Our branch rides are all about the journey and sharing experiences and fellowship with branch riders and visitors. We should be aware of the varying experience of riders on the day and make allowances for that. In appreciation of the range of bikes and the range of rider experience we ask that each rider to do the following.

- Arrive with a full tank of fuel and an empty bladder.
- Complete the Ride Register, it is for your own safety
- Listen to the briefing by the Ride Leader.
- Know who Tail End Charlie is and what bike they are riding.
- Keep a safe distance at all times - the 3 second rule is a good guide.
- Ride responsibly, obey road rules and ride at the pace that matches your own ability and skill level.
- Do not pass the Ride Leader unless the ride leader has indicated that this is acceptable. If you do pass without approval you are on your own.
- Overtake only in a different lane.
- if you leave the ride notify the Tail End Charlie and/or The Ride Leader (preferably both); and

If a visitor or new member make sure that the Ride Leader and Tail End Charlie are aware of the bike you are riding and your riding experience and ability.

# Ladies Who Lunch

Friday 27th May

Location to be Decided

12noon

RSVP 25th March

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## LODGE TO LODGE

Binna Burra to O'Reilly's via Canungra

Distance: 70km



# EDITORS NOTE

There is something seriously wrong with my work/life balance, I have had to spend far too much time doing the Work thing lately, so have very little to offer in terms of Editor stuff. Fortunately this Work nonsense has been for a good cause, I am now able to undertake the BMW GS Safari in Tasmania. So I write this as I sit relaxing after a fantastic day of inspecting brilliant engineering infrastructure and roads around the Snowy Mountains hydro scheme.

This area offers so much for riders and I think we need to look at doing a multi day ride down here. Riding and good coffee is my usual priority, but today I set aside a couple of hours to visit the Snowy Discovery Centre at Cooma, well I could have stayed longer as the whole story is amazing and to be here now as the extend the scheme just adds a contemporary overlay to an inspiring earlier story.

Cooma is pretty full of contractors needing accommodation whilst working on Snowy 2.0. The Snowy Mountain Highway is just corner heaven, but is being heavily trafficked by large trucks servicing the Hydro sites. Off course I have had to visit the outside of the tunnel segment manufacturing facility, 9 segments are needed to make the enclosed tunnel circle. On the ride across to Tumut I got the opportunity to be stuck behind the 3 trailer rigs struggling up the hills, each truck carried 9 segments so each truck represents about 2metres of completed tunnel. I will work out how many meters they average a day and that's how many trucks need to cycle through the 260km round trip each day. Of course that's just the start, there are massive earthmoving machinery creatin access roads off to the sides and accommodation camps that I never had time to visit.

One of my friends was born In Corryong, her father was a surveyor on the scheme, the funny thing is her husband is the grandson of Prime Minister Arthur Fadden, who opened a stage of the scheme at some stage. During the ride, my mind wandered to thought of remote possibility that these 2 men may have met, but never knowing that their offspring would eventually marry. Maybe the altitude was depriving my brain of oxygen and I was hallucinating to start this line of thought.

Tomorrow brings further challenges, do I turn right or left at the T intersection. I end to get to Melbourne for Sunday to meet up with my son Nick, but the roads between are soooooo enticing that it may be a mid afternoon arrival into Melbourne in time for dinner. The ferry leaves Monday night for Tasmania, this gives me time to potentially meet a couple of Melbourne clients before boarding.



# Ride Report

## Sunday 17th April 2022

Conditions looked promising for a great ride after our club meeting. Gordon had this cunning route in mind and at that point the plans went out the window. Gordon decided to extend his fuel range by diluting slightly his fuel with a few drops of water. The 1600 didn't like that and wanted to show him who was boss. It spat the dummy and left him and Jenny on the side of the road waiting for a tilt tray. John and Julie were there to offer whatever assistance was possible, this extended to send photos of a sad looking 1600.

Having only the vaguest idea of the new brewery that Gordon had heard of, I was asked (told) to lead the ride.

14 of us left, but only 11 arrived in Boonah with 3 advising of early leave passes.

How good is the Kerry Valley countryside looking.....absolutely first class, unfortunately the 3 automated stop lights at road repairs were set to go red at warp speed and this had a few riding through on very doubtful green colours.

Turns out the new brewery that Gordon was referring to is the Scenic Rim Brewery at Mt Alford. I think Gordon may need to update his subscription to news as I believe this has been open for a few years as was evidenced by the number of people enjoying themselves and taking up space that we needed. They advised a minimum wait of 90 minutes so we headed to Boonah for a very nice lunch at Flavours.

It was such an enjoyable day, we all forgot to take photos, so you will just have to take my word.



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# BMW MATTERS

From Lyn Dyne

**BMW Motorrad Days** being held for the first time in Berlin at the Exhibition Grounds on 2nd & 3rd July.

In 2001 the event was held for the first time in Austria, followed by eighteen in Garmish-Partenkirchen. The 2020 and 2021 events were cancelled due to the global corona pandemic.

International BMW Motorcycle production has been operational for 53 years at the Berlin Plant. (Almost every BMW Motorcycle has been produced there).

This year, a highlight is the Plant tours as part of the BMW Motorrad Days.

<https://www.bmw-motorrad.com/en/experience/stories/brand/bmw-motorrad-days-2022.html>

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## Club Name Badges

are now available to all financial members (plus a few paying partners).

They will be available for collection at the next Club Meeting being held at the *View Cafe* Hinze Dam on **6th March**.

## EVENTS:

**1-6th May** - BMW GS Safari 2022 - Hobart to Launceston

**21st May** - Sat - "*Caffeine, Banter & Bikes*" presented by Espresso Twenty5 at 1 Boatworks Drive, Coomera from 7.00am to 11.00am.

This is an event open to motorcycle clubs from the Gold Coast and the South side of Brisbane.

**21/22 May** - Ruptured Budgie Rally at Mingoola 60 km west of Tenterfield by the Moto Guzzi Club of Qld

## 10-13th June

The **BMW National Motorrad Rally** is being held at Kooralbyn Resort Qld

The event is being organised by your BMWMOCGC at Kooralbyn Resort Qld

There is a limited time for rooms to be held so it is advised to get your registrations and bookings in early so you don't miss out.

**13/14 August** - Off Centre Rally at Adels Grove Nth Qld. See Facebook page - 2020 OCR (rebooted for 2022)

**14th August** - Gold Coast Bike Show at Mudgeeraba Showgrounds 7am - 3pm. - everything on wheels: cars, bikes & trucks. 0439 170 882 / 0498 054 140 [info@goldcoastcarshow.com.au](mailto:info@goldcoastcarshow.com.au)

**16-18th August** - Far Cairn Rally at Tottenham by the *BMW Touring Club of New South Wales*

**3-13th September** - Postie Bike Challenge, Brisbane - Alice Springs - 3,500 k [www.postiebikechallenge.org](http://www.postiebikechallenge.org)

**4-10 September** - (International) BMW Motorrad GS Trophy 2022 Southeast Europe - in Albania

## 2023 - 1st - 7th July

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First Name:	Surname:	Class of Membership (see below):
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City:	State:	Post Code:
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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.

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

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### Ordinary Member:

This class of membership is available to an applicant who is an owner of a BMW Motorcycle. They enjoy all the benefits of the Association and are eligible to vote on any matter and are eligible for election to the Management Committee.

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