

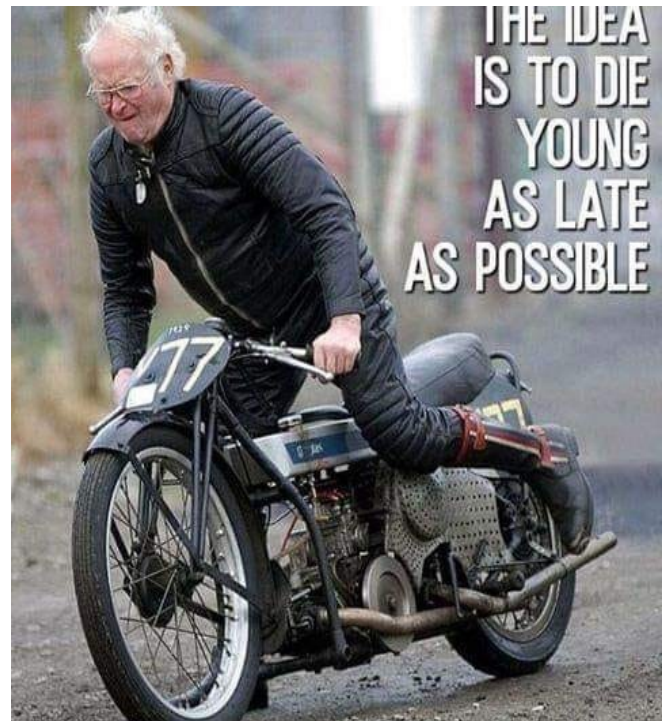
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February 2019

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AS CAN BE SEEN THE CLUB HAS LAUNCHED A NEW CLUB CAP. IT IS IN STYLES AS SHOWN HERE AND IS NOW ON SALE

Contact David Huddy 0424738276

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the new year. I hope everybody had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year and able to take a break from the stress of every day living. By the time we have our meeting on 3rd Feb the holidays will be over; the tourists gone home and ankle biters back in school. Life will return to normal and we can get on with the important activity of riding motorbikes.

For this newsletter to appear we have to thank Ken Madsen for taking over the role of the newsletter editor. "Cometh the hour, cometh the man" Ken will be assisted by Carla in his office and hopefully we will get to meet her on Sunday. Jill has already distributed Carla's email address, so please keep the reports and articles coming.

Barb and I managed to get away for a 10 day cruise in January, to Tasmania and Adelaide, visiting Port Arthur and Hobart. Not perhaps the ideal way to see Tasmania with its excellent biking roads but. Did you know that of Peter Thoeming's 200 top Australian rides, 16 are on the island of Tasmania and they are amongst the best we have. What I'm looking for next is a cruise ship that will let me take the motorbike. I'm sure there's an opportunity there somewhere for an enterprising cruise line. As a club, we have not got into long distance touring. Perhaps that's something we might look at.

Interestingly, it is the Tasmanian Motorcycle Council which is calling for ID for cyclists under the age of 18, so that the offences can be reported and fines issued. Needless-to-say cyclists are strongly against the proposal while everybody else is in favour. The proposal is being supported by academics who believe the growing use of electric powered cycles will blur the distinction between bicycles and motorcycles. (*MotorbikeWriter.com*).

Also there is a petition being raised to force cyclists to ride in single file.

The committee will be meeting more frequently this year, starting at 7.00am before our Sunday breakfast meetings. Visitors are always welcome. Hopefully we will progress the Wild Apricot project and we will be looking at better ways to promote activities.

May all our members have a great 2019 and I hope the club will be a big element of it.

Keep on keeping on

David



[Some links for touring Tasmania](#)
[Tasmania Motorcycle Council Inc.](#)
[Spirit of Tasmania](#)
[Hema Australia Motorcycle Atlas 200](#)
[Rides : 6th Edition](#)

Upcoming Events

[Click here to access Calendar online](#) *

February

Sunday 3rd– 7am– Committee Meeting, The View café, Hinze Dam

Sunday 3rd—8am– Members Breakfast, The View Café, Hinze Dam

Friday 15th– 12noon– Ladies Lunch, Salsas on the Promenade, Robina

March

Sunday 3rd– 7am– Committee Meeting, The View café, Hinze Dam

Sunday 3rd—8am– Members Breakfast, The View Café, Hinze Dam.

Upcoming Proposed Rides

3 February*	John & Julie
17 February	Gordon & Jenny - Alstonville
3 March*	Steve
17 March	Gordon & Jenny - Esk & Crows Nest
7 April*	Gordon & Jenny - Koralbyn for Carrot Cake
21 April	John & Julie

* Online Calendar will be updated once rides are confirmed and any additional dates will be added.

BMWMOCGC CLUB NEWS

Breakfast

Sunday 6th January 2019

Being another very warm Sunday, the plan should have been to have an early morning ride finishing at the View Café, Hinze Dam, for breakfast. We really have to look at that plan for future summer time rides.

However the forecast heat did not stop everyone and those at breakfast were: John Vassallo, Marion & Martin Bell, Ivan Peres, Lyn Dyne, John Simpson, Erik & Robyn Lorentzen, Greyden & Jill Tapp, Scott Browne, John McKeon, Jim Papan-dreas, Wally Janczewski, John Vanzino and Barry Settree. (16) Apologies were received from Nic Mercieca, Glen & Leanne Galloway, David Huddy, Wayne Staunton, Ian Proctor, Murray & Jann Collier and John Eacott.

My apologies once again for forgetting to take photos. However everyone was there for the earlier breakfast time of 8am and the ride departed shortly after 9am. John Vassallo led the ride with John McKeon as TEC. The other riders were Wally, Greyden and Jill, Adrian and Cherie, Barry and John Vanzino. The ride went over Numinbah to Murwillumbah where Greyden & Jill departed but the rest of the group were stopping for refreshments.





Ladies Lunch

Presented by Jill Tapp

Friday 15th February

12noon

Salsas on the Promenade

Robina Town Centre

(located on the outside of the Centre near the David Jones Entrance)

All Ladies Welcome... Love to see you there

For Menu Details click [here](#)

Editor's Note

I think I may have bitten off more than I can chew. After hearing about the need for an editor, I thought, well we have capacity at work, I have a very good creative admin person in Carla, what could be so hard. Its only after you work out the big shoes left by John Simpson and Mick Holford that you realise....help!

Carla and I would welcome any suggestions on making the magazine even more "a must read", I have not been with the club that long and don't know members as well as I would like. Would a review of a couple of members a month add to the clubs knowledge and comradery?

I would also welcome any ideas, articles, jokes or relevant bike videos or rides that we could insert the link into the magazine. It's only once you start putting it together that you realise the work others have gone, to make it seem so easy.

Carla is not a biker, but is keen to help and together we hope we can provide you with something that maintains the past efforts.

A bit about Carla

Being the Ken's Admin assistance I accepted the Challenge to work with him on Editing the newsletter. It has been a while since I have created Newsletters so it is like learning to ride a push bike again and getting the grey matter to remember how to use Microsoft Publisher.

I look forward to learning more about your bikes and your adventures, you never know you may find one of my camping adventures slipped in.

Please email myself carla@madsenproperty.com.au for any contributions.

Cheers

Ken & Carla

KEN'S CHRISTMAS RIDE

The period between Xmas and 4th January allows me time to get away and drive the cooler areas around the Victorian highlands, this year was no different, except it would have been cooler in Qld. On the ride down I rode with Steve, another real estate agent that I have known for many years. He was on the way to Tasmania to meet up with his wife and then ride two up around Tassie for a few days. Whilst we zig zagged through New South Wales we did as many of the winding non highways as possible and then discussed bike rides and real estate of a night. I think Gordon would agree that that could qualify as a work trip.



Leaving Steve after Cooma put me on track for the Barry Way, but as the winds of 60-80Kmh made the day very unpleasant I stopped at Jindabyne in hope of doing the Barry Way on a more pleasant day. A day later and having done the Barry Way (and it never fails to impress) I was stopped on the Great Alpine Road taking a photo of the bike and scenery when who comes the other way, Steve who had just done Mt Hotham. He complained of excessive grit on the road at the top of Mt Hotham. I came through the day after and for 15km they had put grit down to bind the melting tar.

During the time away, it was mid to high 30's every day and got to a maximum of 42.5, doesn't the helmet smell good when putting it on the next day.

The standout accommodation was the [Blue Duck Inn at Anglers Rest](#) near Omeo. One of Victoria's oldest operating pubs. Crystal clear water where people fished for trout and separate room for accommodation. Spent 2 nights there I liked it that much, new years eve with the publican and the few locals playing trivial pursuit was a hoot and I even made it to 9:30 Victorian time.

Having done the high Country Safari earlier in the year I came across some of the ride sections, in particular Mt Benambra, (a shortcut which usually means the longest way back) from Dartmouth toward Corryong. On the Safari, I remember it as rough rocky road, but no big issue, when by myself and running a softer tyre and only seeing 3 vehicles in the 2 hours I was there, I felt very alone. The 41.5 degrees and less water than needed didn't make the day any better although the locals at Corryong certainly helped.

Local knowledge said there was a great ride from Adaminaby to Tharwa (toward Canberra). Went via Cabramurra (highest inhabited township in Australia) and being repopulated as the site for staff for the Snowy 2.0, they were expecting site huts to arrive the following week.

The road to Tharwa took me through Namadgi National park and into Canberra. It was a well graded road and I think most of the road bikes could do it, but there was about 70km of gravel.

During the ride I had decided to break the trip and rather than rush home for my daughters birthday, actually slow down and break the trip. I called in to meet a couple of my agent friends in Canberra and of course we discussed real estate, so again I would class that as work. I even took one for a ride around the outskirts and through the surrounding hills. I then left the bike at Canberra airport and flew home for a few days. This enabled me to see my son who had come up from Melbourne so I had the 4 kids at home and Nicks partner, plus I got to host an 18th birthday and do some work just after new year before flying back down.

I am going to do this in the future. It made the ride feel like two separate holidays and there was no temptation just to get home. I Zig Zagged back up as if I hadn't been on a bike for a while and needed to get some miles done.

All up 4605km, 207 litres, 6076 gear changes and 51.74 hours on the bike = huge fun. I also got 2 deals agreed whilst away.



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Newsletter Content Wanted

Under new management



Ken Madsen has generously taken on editorship of the newsletter, with the help of his staff member Carla. Our first edition for 2019 will be February and we are now in search of material.

The email address for contributions is:

carla@madsenproperty.com.au

Please submit your contributions ASAP but no later than Friday 25th Jan.

Articles

News

Ride reports

Loves

Hates

Letters and comments

All are welcome.

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BMW MATTERS

From Lyn Dyne

2018 Bike sales - 3 Awards for BMW Motorrad

[BMW Motorrad's K 1600B](#) - Grand America has been awarded 'Bike of the Year - Touring Segment'.

The 364kg K 1600 B Grand America is a 'full-dress' version of the K 1600 B Bagger. Standard features include: heated seats, feet-forward footboards, cruise control, electric screen, keyless ride, adaptive headlight, electronic suspension, reverse gear, bi-directional quickshifter and central locking. Also added are a top box with integrated passenger backrest and a higher level of standard specification compared to the donor.

In the Adventure Sport Segment, for the 3rd year in a row, the *S 1000 XR* was awarded 'Bike of the Year - Adventure Sport Segment'. Standard features include: BMW Motorrad Race ABS, Heated Grips, On Board Computer, Centre Stand, ASC and Rain and Road Riding Modes.'

The [BMW G 310 GS](#) awarded **Bike of the Year** in the **Adventure Sport LAMS Segment**. Included as standard are: BMW Motorrad ABS, Gold brake calipers, low-wear standard tyres and a luggage carrier.

Once each category winner is settled, nine of them (excluding motocross and Enduro) are taken on a three-day road ride to Tasmania to gain a greater appreciation for their relative strengths and weaknesses.

BMW Group remains world's leading premium automotive company in 2018

The BMW Group has achieved its eighth consecutive annual sales record with a total of 2,490,664 (+1.1%) BMW, MINI and Rolls Royce delivered around the world in 2018.

BMW Group delivers over 140,000 electrified vehicles in 2018

BMW Motorrad achieves record sales again

BMW Motorrad achieved an eighth consecutive record year, with more motorcycles and maxi-scooters delivered to customers than ever before.

Sales across the range increased by 0.9% with a total of 165,566 units delivered worldwide. 2018 was an important year with a total of nine emotional and innovative new models starting production.

BMW Motorrad to Showcase Rider less Motorcycle at 2019 Consumer Electronics Show (CES)

At the Las Vegas Convention Centre on January 8th, live demonstrations took place of the first-ever rider less BMW Motorcycle. The BMW R 1200 GS, developed by BMW engineers as a research prototype for future mobility innovations, demonstrated its ability to start, ride off, accelerate, corner, and slow down to a standstill completely independent of its rider. The demonstrations were held during the Global Consumer Technology Event.

Motorcycling tip

For those who have hard panniers with a smooth inner surface and have the problem of the contents therein sliding about, a cheap solution (if one doesn't have inner bags), is to purchase self-adhesive rubber mats for the insides. A 450sqm rubber mat may be purchased from Bunnings at \$4.98 each.

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Engine: Air/oil-cooled, DOHC, eight-valve four-stroke Boxer flat-twin
Capacity: 1170cc
Bore x Stroke: 101mm x 73mm
Compression ratio: 12.0:1
Fuel System: Electronic fuel injection
Claimed maximum power: 110hp (81kW) at 7750rpm
Claimed maximum torque: 116Nm at 6000rpm
Type: Six-speed
Clutch: Wet, multi-plate
Final drive: Shaft
Frame: Tubular-steel space frame, engine as a stressed member
Front suspension: 43mm conventional telescopic fork, non-adjustable
Rear suspension: BMW Paralever, adjustable for preload
Front brakes: Dual 320mm discs with four-piston Brembo callipers
Rear brake: Single 265mm disc with twin-piston Brembo calliper
Tyres: Metzeler Roadtec Interact - 120/70ZR17 front, 180/55ZR17 rear
Claimed wet weight: 220 kg
Seat height: 805mm
Wheelbase: 1491mm
Fuel capacity: 17 litres
Price: \$19,150 (plus on roads)
Colours: Light white Uni
Warranty: Two-year/unlimited kilometres
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See: bmwmotorrad.com.au

UPCOMING EVENTS - 2019

8-10 February - [42nd Karuah River Rally](#) at Frying Pan Creek, Chichester State Forest by *BMW Touring Club NSW*.

22-24th February - Superbike World Championship at Phillip Island

14-17 March - The [2019 QBE International Festival of Speed](#) will be held at Sydney Motor Sport Park featuring all the major historic racing categories including Veteran, Vintage, Classic, Post Classic, Forgotten Era and New Era racing.

7 - 12th April

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[BMW Motorrad 2019 TS Safari](#) to take place in the New England region of NSW around the high country roads to the coast. Dates to be advised.

17-19th May - [Pelikan Rally by BMW Owners Club of South Australia](#) at Camp Kedron on the banks of Lake Bonney, 4.7 km from Barmera and 221 km N/E of Adelaide.
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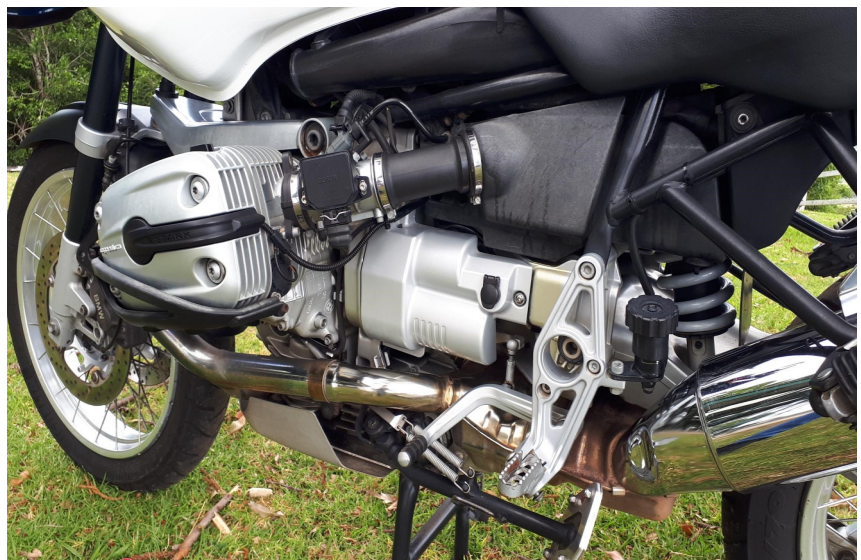
8-10th June-50th Alpine Rally at Yarrangobilly Village Campground, Snowy Mt H'way - hpj333@gmail.com

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NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

First name:	Surname:	Class of membership (see over):
Family member's first name:	Family member's surname:	Relationship to member:
Current address:		
City:	State:	Post Code:
BH:	AH:	Mobile:
Email:	Motorcycle type:	Occupation (optional)

I would like my name and contact number to appear on the Membership Grapevine List: YES / NO

EMERGENCY CONTACT

Name:	Phone:
Name:	Phone:

SIGNATURES

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

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

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Ordinary Member:

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This class of membership is available to an applicant who is not an owner of a BMW motorcycle. They enjoy all the benefits of the Association but are not eligible to vote on any matter and are not eligible for election to the Management Committee.

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This class of membership is available to bone fide immediate family members of an ordinary or associate member. Such members enjoy the benefits of the Association but are not eligible to vote on any matter and are not be eligible for election to the Management Committee. Only one family member is permitted for each ordinary or associate member.

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NOTE

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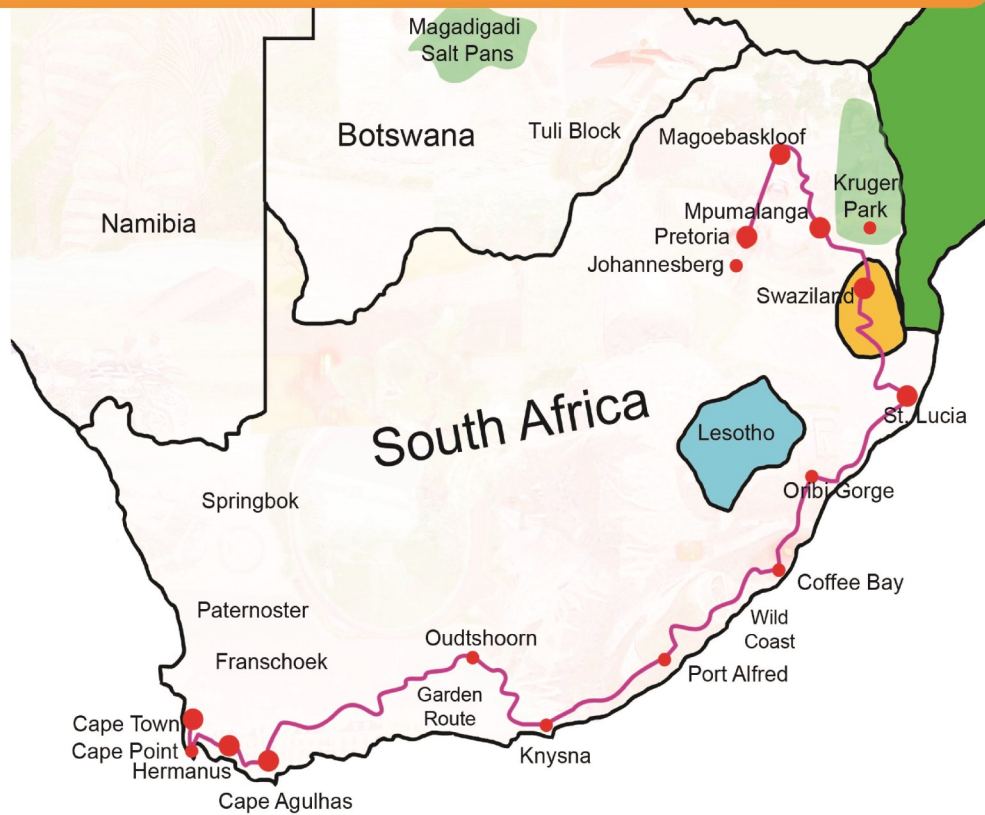
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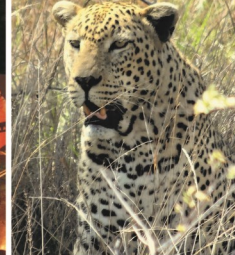
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Date _____ Destination _____

Ride Leader _____

Tail End Charlie (TEC) _____

Next week's Ride Leader _____

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