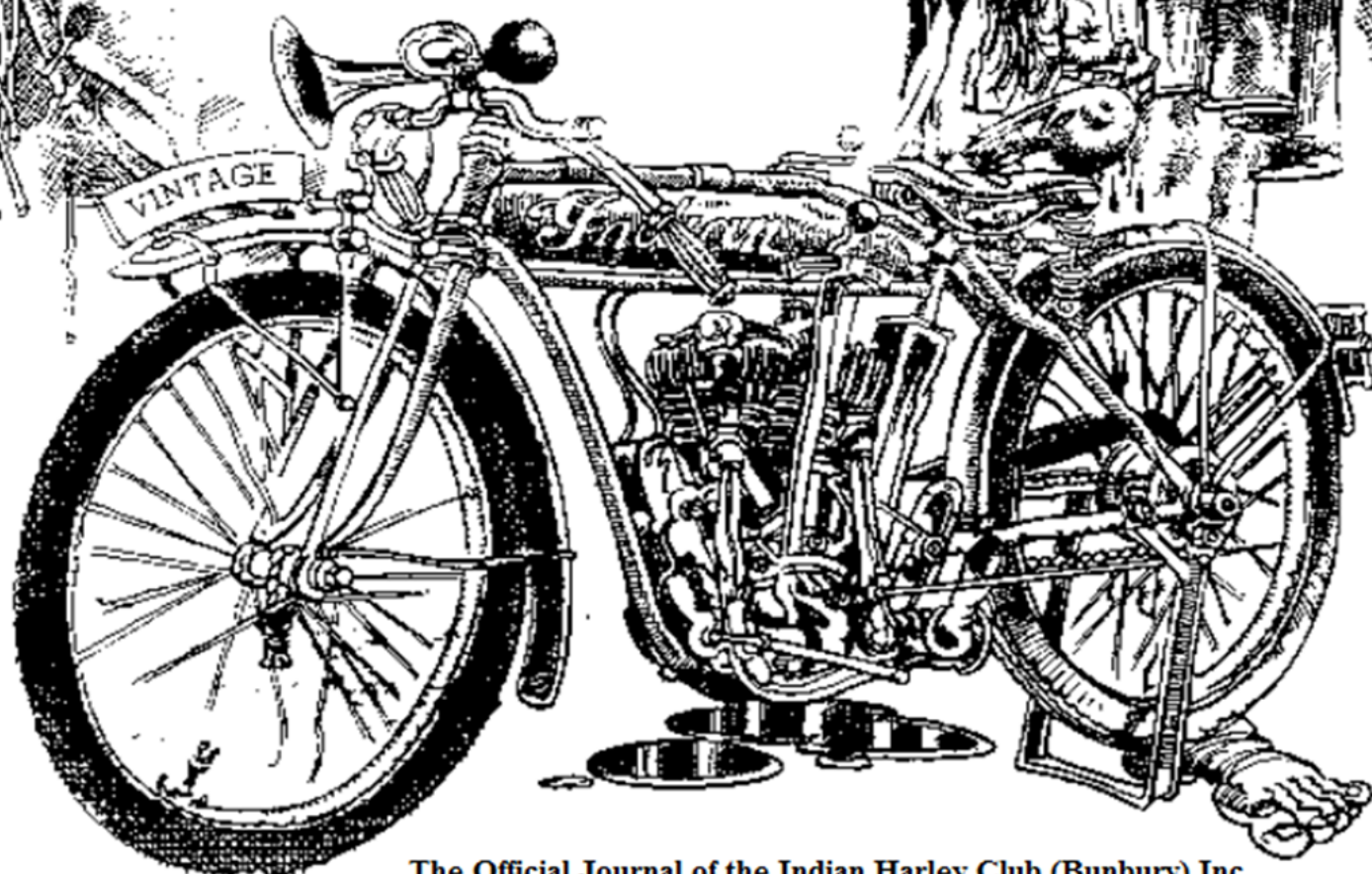


INDIAN
HARLEY CLUB
(Bunbury)
INC.

Established 1971

Classic Vibrations



The Official Journal of the Indian Harley Club (Bunbury) Inc

CLUB FOUNDED 1971

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Fred Pitter (Dec), Harold Braund (Dec), Norm Hart, John Head, Rob Menzies, Colin Pitter, Ian Ingles (Dec) & Len Glen.

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CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2023-2024

Nomination Fee.....\$25.00

Single Member.....\$55.00

Family Member.....\$60.00

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Club Magazine

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Members Please Note

Monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Bunbury Motorcycle Club Rooms Shrubland Park, South Western Highway, Bunbury commencing at 7.30pm.

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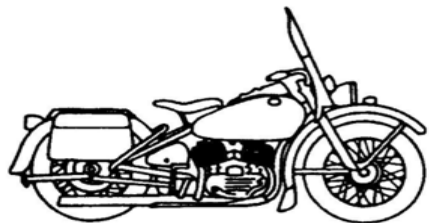
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INDIAN HARLEY CLUB (BUNBURY) INC.

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MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING Tuesday November 14, 2023.

Declared open at 7.30pm.

Present.

Apologies.

As recorded in the attendance book. The attendance book is available for members to read at each General Meeting.

Visitors.

The meeting had one visitor, Chris, who is a local. He has a couple of bikes, well a few anyway. CB 750, couple of K series BMWs. His intention is to join the club.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING.

As printed in the Classic Vibrations, November issue.

No business arising from the previous minutes.

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting are accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: -Richard Clark, **Seconded:** -Bill Pike, **Carried.**

NEW MEMBERS

Introduced by Dan Talbot.

Peter STACEY-Tutunup, Bruce BUSSANICH – Lesmurdie, Joshua DEKASTE – Burekup. Brian & Cara-HOTKER – Stratham, Paul PICKFORD – Millbridge, Gregory SMEATHERS-Manjimup.

Dan called all new members forward however none were in attendance at the meeting.

SECRETARYS REPORT.

Incoming Electronic Mail: -

1. Email for club member re condition of Dowdell's Line. **(Email sent to all members advising of the road condition).**
2. Email advising of the Early American Motorcycle Club Election Results for 2024. President: Travis Fairweather. Vice President: Mark Robertson. Secretary: Glen McAdam. Treasurer: Jeremy Bromley. Editor: Glen McAdam. Ride/Events Coordinator: John John son. Safety Officer: Tim Creighton. Property Officer: Rex McCrae. Social Media Coordinator: Mike Tolj. General Committee Members: Rob

Veitch, Chris Geilis, Barry Pollard, Peter Kruger, Paul Winchester, Zack Carnegie-Smith, Lachlan Matthew, Steve De Mol. **(For Members information)**.

3. Email advising that member Barry Ray apologised for his late membership renewal due to being in Hospital in Perth.
4. Email from the Bunbury Motorcycle Club confirming that IHC will have access to their facilities for the 2024 Two-Day rally. **(Two-Day Rally committee advised)**.
5. Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society November Newsletter. **(Posted to Website)**.
6. Notification from CMC of the Northam swap meet to be held Sunday 18th February 2024. **(Flyer is posted to website)**.
7. Email from John Oldland, Chairman, Veteran Section, VCCC WA. Appreciation to those who organised the Veterans Vehicle Muster. **(Read to members attending meeting)**.
8. 2023 Tyrepower Joondalup Festival of Motoring - Car Club Invitation Event is being held Saturday 25 November: 12:00 noon – 9:00 p.m. and Sunday 26 November: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **(For members information)**.

Outgoing Electronic Mail: -

1. Email forwarded to Cloe Rees advising that IHC would not be attending Collie Show to display their bikes. This was due to prior commitments.

Motion: That the Secretary's Report be accepted. **Moved:** -Neville Green, **Seconded:** -Doug Baker, **Carried**.

TREASURERS REPORT.

Opening Balances 1st October 2023

CBA Bank Account.	\$ 17,521.54
Pay Pal.	\$ 4,835.90
Zeller .	\$ 72.51
TOTAL.	\$ 22,429.95

Trading Income Gross Profit.	\$ 3,508.84
Operating Expenses.	\$ 1,516.63
Net Profit.	\$ 1,192.21

Closing Balances 31st October 2023.

CBA Bank Account.	\$13,825.81
PayPal.	\$ 523.84
Zeller.	\$ 72.51

Total \$14,442.16

TERM DEPOSIT.

10,000.00 from CBA Account reinvested with the P&N Bank To increase the Term Deposit from \$70,000.00 to \$80,000.00. Invested at 4.45% matures 19th April 2024

\$80,000.00

Motion: That the Treasurers Report be accepted, **Moved:** -Peter Whiteside, **Seconded:** -Dave Edmunds, **Carried**.

PRESIDENTS REPORT.

Please remember to pay membership fees that are now due.

Bunbury Motorcycle Club will be holding their Best in The West event the week before the Two-day Rally. This will limit busy bee opportunities to midweek. Their date is yet to be confirmed by Motorcycling WA.

Bunbury Motorcycle Club is on track to have a bar installed in the corner of the club rooms that will allow for serving both inside and out.

They are also waiting for grant funding to come through so that they may install new fencing around the track and clubroom/Canteen grassed area. The existing fence will be replaced with black metal poles and top rail chainmesh fence.

They intend to purchase and install pop-up sprinkles and irrigation with a timer running off the mains to supply water to the Canteen grassed area. The mains were recently upgraded. The Indian Harley Club, through the Committee will contribute to this and hopes members will donate some time to assist with installation of the system and levelling and top dressing the grassed area.

Donnybrook Applefest has asked for The Indian Harley Club to display on the Easter Saturday. This will go to the committee. Last time we attended this event it was a success.

Rumens Auctions will be listing Phil Bussanich's motorcycles and tools etc with week. Includes 1951 Ariel 350 and a 550 Suzuki Multi. You need to register to bid.

CAPTAINS REPORT.

October/November 2023.

Bunbury Mid-Week AM, 11th October 2023.

Great riding weather, 16-18 degrees out on the road today, so Daniel Lock organised for us, a big day out on the bikes. We had nineteen members on eighteen bikes, turn up for the day's activities.

Following Daniel's riders briefing, we set out on the first leg of our ride to Kirup, for a regroup and toilet break, via Hurst Rd, Upper Capel Rd. Then it was on to Balingup, along Grimwade Rd, for our morning tea stop. Following morning tea, nine members returned to Bunbury. The remainder, proceeded to Greenbushes, Marrinup Ford Rd, Brockman Hwy and on to the Blackwood Cafe in Nannup, for our lunch stop.

We all sat around one table, enjoying each other's company, over lunch. Then it was time to head for home. The course selected was Cundinup Rd, Brookhampton Rd, Willdmere/Charlie Creek Rd's, Ferguson Rd. Total distance 280 klms.

Thank you, Daniel, for organising and conducting this event.

Club Captain.

Capel River Classic Rustic Off-Road Rally Show & Shine Swap Meet and much more. 14th October 2023.

A large turnout of entrants for the Rustic Rally (possibly 40 bikes/riders), as well, the Show and Shine was very well supported, with an impressive assortment of bikes from all eras. The public also was there in large numbers, as the weather gods turned on clear skies for the day's activities. Many accepted the opportunity of the free camping on offer and stayed for the weekend.

A kiddies animal farm, mechanical bull ride, bar, live music, food vendors and more, were in attendance, to keep everyone entertained and fed. Well done Jeremy and his committee of organisers and volunteers, in putting this event together.

Club Captain.

Bunbury Mid-Week AM, 25th October 2023.

Perfect riding weather today, therefore we had thirty members in attendance, on twenty-six motorcycles, for Michael's ride to the Willow Grove Cafe in Busselton. Michael conducted the riders' briefing and then we were away, through Waterloo, Boyanup, Capel, Tutunup and on to the cafe.

A farm dog on the road in the Tutunup area, caused a few problems for the ride group, but not for the dog, as he had made himself quite at home in the road's centre. Part of his daily schedule.

The cafe food, looked like everyone enjoyed, together with the usual conversation. Then, time to go after an hour or so, for our return trip along Tuart Drive, Ludlow N Road, etc, back to Bunbury. Ride distance approximately 160 kms.

Thank you, Michael, for an enjoyable day out on the bikes.

Club Captain.

W.A. Veteran Vehicle Muster, 4-5th November 2023.

This was a jointly conducted event, by the Veteran & Classic Car Club of W.A. and the Indian Harley Club, for Veteran Vehicles (Pre 1919). I attended the Saturday start at Donnybrook, as a non-participant, not having a veteran vehicle, but to cover proceedings on behalf of the IHC.

A cool morning presented but warmed up as the day progressed. My sources told me that there were 25 motorcycles and 16 cars registered for the rally. The oldest (running) car was a 1907 Rover and oldest bike was a 1903 Minerva/Romania (Belgium manufacturer). Although, co-organiser Andrew, brought along his 1898 De Deon (France) motor tricycle, as a non-running display.

Of note was a 1908 Clément-Talbot (UK) van, decked out in red Arnott's Biscuit livery. Also, a 1910 Deasy (UK), with its owners looking the part, attired in period Edwardian costume, were cars that caught the eye. Co-organiser Michael conducted the rider/driver briefing and then it was start your engines and away.

At this point, I was going to head back home, having completed my club duties, but Andrew and Sally kindly offered me a ride, over the pre-lunch leg of the course, in their 1913 Napier

(UK). This was a first for me, as the oldest car I had ridden into date, was our family FJ Holden, back in the early 1960s. I climbed in the back seat with Albany resident Nick (94 years young). Nick and I were each handed a paddle (hand shaped), mine was red and Nick had a white one. We were instructed that on command from Andrew upon approaching a turn, one of us was to wave our paddle outside the car (no windows either), signifying our intention to turn. Quite effective really.

Unfortunately, I noticed the 1903 Minerva/Romania on the side of the road, just before Capel, requiring backup support. The backup trailer already had its first customer by then, being the Abington King Dick V Twin or was it The Lewis V Twin, not sure which, as I didn't get time to get a good look at it, as we sped past in the Napier.

Our first stop was for morning tea, kindly hosted by and at Murray Cooper's farm in the Elgin area. Mick was there with the urn nice and hot, for a cuppa. Murray has an amazing collection of fuel bowzers and automotive paraphernalia, well worth a look, but by invitation only.

Then it was back in the Napier for our return journey to Donnybrook for lunch and where an impromptu vehicle display was arranged, at the old train station. I left the event at this point and returned home.

The rally continued to Gnomesville after lunch and on the following day, a trip to Balingup was scheduled. Plenty of organisation went into the running of this event, a big thank you to all those involved.

Club Captain.

Neil's Run, 12th November 2023.

With the weather threatening a little, a great turnout of 15 or so old bikes faced the starter. Leaving the Pratt Rd start point, we encountered a shower or two on our way to Koombana Drive, but by the time we reached Ocean Drive, all was fine again. The route took us through the back of Gelorup and into the Elgin area and back to the highway and into Boyanup via Boyanup West Rd.

After morning tea at the store and the world's problems solved, we headed to Dardanup area and eventually back to Southwest Hwy, via Clifton, Hynes and Martin-Pelusey to Southwest Hwy and again onto Koombana Drive, Ocean Drive, Hastie St, to Neil's emporium of motorcycles.

The riders and passengers were then treated to a tasty lunch thanks to Neil's wife Barbara, while Neil was on hand for a guided tour of his collection of motorcycles.

Thanks to Neil and Barbara for a great ride and hospitality. Also, Neville and Margret for the back-up, which thankfully was not needed.

Club Vice Captain

Two Months' Upcoming Events.

Leigh & Janet's Ride, 26th November 2023, Eaton Hall 9.00am.

Ladies' Christmas Dinner, 30th November 2023, Eaton Tavern, 1 Albatross Cr, Eaton 6.30pm.

Pemberton Overnighter, 2nd-3rd December 2023, Eaton Hall 10.00am.

Memorial Ride, 10th December 2023, Eaton Hall 9.00am.

Bunbury Mid-Week AM, Christmas Lunch Ride, 13th December 2023, Eaton Hall 9.00am.

Christmas Eve Breakfast Run, 24th December 2023, 7.00am Manjimup to Nannup or 8.00am Eaton Hall to Nannup.

Pre 48 Over Christmas Ride, 31st December 2023, TBA.

New Year Rally, 7th January 2023, Eaton Hall 9.00am.

In addition to Captains report Vice Captain Frank Barron advised members that Hamish Cowan had organised a side valve display at the Brunswick Show. He thanked the Marshall that assisted at the Veterans Muster.

Importantly he also highlighted the need to pre-register for rides. This is important as it allows the organisers to know numbers for catering. It is poor when 7 register for a ride and 20 turn up. It creates unnecessary issues for people who are kindly donating their time and money for your benefit. Please go online and register it is simple.

Even if you are computer illiterate you can still make a phone call as the organiser's phone number is always listed on the event.

He also reminded members of the Albany Hill climb on next weekend.

He would also like to see the club reach out to the windows of passed members and assist them to the memorial ride. Wayne will be the MC and it is to take place from Eaton Hall our to Dalyellup.

Lastly as the club is growing in membership, please wear your name badges as it assists everyone to get to know new members and each other.

Ross outlined the route for Friday tortoise ride but wasn't too optimistic due to the number of members attending the Albany hill climb. Nevertheless, the tortoise ride was still on.

LIBRARIANS REPORT.

No report not present.

PROPERTY OFFICER REPORT.

Neville thanked those who had utilised club property as all had been returned except for two marshal vests, which were being followed up.

LICENSING LIASSON OFFICERS REPORT.

Nothing to report.

IT MANAGER REPORT.

Available memory within Wild Apricot website has been addressed and 50% of the space cleared. Most of the space was cleared by removing newsletters from other clubs. Our newsletter has not been touched. If anyone wished to see an old newsletter from another club, please access via the other club's website.

Old ride reports and photos that had no descriptions or were not relevant to the club were removed.

To enable the website to function as it should the newsletters from other clubs will be removed from the website after 3 months.

For sale and news items will be assessed as required. This will be done monthly. Ride reports and photos should only be put on the Facebook page. There is not the availability of space on the website to allow these.

WELFARE OFFICERS UPDATE.

Rob updated the meeting on member Dick Taylor wellness. Dick is doing all right after being moved into Bethany Fields Eaton. He is in a room with his wife, Connie, and has limited exposure to outside world. He would love to see visitors so if you get an opportunity, please consider giving him a visit.

GENERAL BUSSINESS.

Leith indicated that numbers for the ladies Christmas Luncheon were low and requested members to encourage their wives/partners to consider attending. Please let Lieth know.

John mentioned the 9-day Bathurst Rally was on next year. It is being run commencing the Sunday before Easter and concluded Easter Sunday. It is for motorcycles 30 years and older.

Ross then gave an account of an incident that occurred when he attended the rally years ago. He was rear ended by a female Valiant drive, but all ended well. He thoroughly recommends attending the rally.

AUCTION.

There was no auction.

There being further business, the President declared the meeting closed at 815pm.

Minutes complied by George Loverock. Reviewed by Dan Talbot.

Dated November 14, 2023.

FOR SALE

The bike is a 1979 Suzuki GS1000L that has been restored in the US, I imported it 10/11 years ago, hasn't been ridden much, been sitting in an insulated, carpeted air conditioned shed.

I do have an engineer's inspection report that was done in Perth, the bike is on club rego. The bike has been rewired with an OEM wiring loom by Bernie McCormack, and the front brakes and the forks reconditioned by Danny at Motorcycle Engineering.

I am asking \$,9750, bike has been sitting around for 4 years, have drained the carbies and fitted new battery and keep it charged.
Gary Green 0417901019



NEXT MONTHS DEADLINE

The Deadline for inclusion in the **January 2024** edition of this magazine is the **21st of December 2023**.

Can you help?

To make your magazine more interesting for our members we need your help. Please give some thought to submitting an article to Classic Vibrations to share your experiences riding, restoring or repairing your motorcycle. Any photos also would be appreciated. Also any hints or tips or advice or anything else that may be of interest to our readers. Please send via email to editor@ihc.asn.au or via snail mail to The Editor, Indian Harley Club (Bunbury) Inc PO Box 317, Bunbury WA 6231

MEMBERSHIP NOMINATIONS

The following people have applied for membership to our club. If any member believes it is undesirable for the applicants to be a member, they should make their objections known to the Secretary 5 clear days before the next ordinary meeting on 0417 914 096 or PO Box 317 Bunbury WA 6231.

Scott & Corine **RAPLEY** - Bouvard (Mandurah), Glenn & Christine **GORDON**—Australind, John, & Peta **WILLIS** - Busselton, Neville **BROWN** – Ambergate, Ruben **GLEADELL** – Bunbury & Codey **THOMSON** - Bunbury..

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The next monthly General Meeting of the Indian Harley Club (Bunbury) Inc. will be held at the BMCC clubrooms, Shrubland Park, South Western Highway, Bunbury on Tuesday the **12th of December 2023** commencing at 7:30 pm.

AGENDA

Welcome
Confirmation of Previous months, Minutes
Correspondence
Reports
General Business
Close

LADIES LUNCHEON

The next ladies luncheon event will be held in 2024, date and venue to be advised. Please contact Leith Presland on 0409 291 260 or leith49@hotmail.com for more information on this event.

FOR SALE

Kawasaki Vulcan Cruiser, 1500cc, extras include Vance and Hynes exhaust pipes (Ive silenced them), cruise control, jell seat, removable panniers. I've travelled to Victoria on it. In excellent condition. No longer using it so time to sell. Some spares e.g. seat etc. Price is \$6500.

Martin Mach

0897912664

Email.marty.mach@gmail.com



STOLEN

Vintage, BSA 500cc 1936 Model W33-7 Engine Number D7.757. Stolen from Boxhill, Victoria, September 2023.

A family heirloom having been in the owner's family for over the past 55 years. See attached image.

If you become aware of or have heard of such a bike offered for sale.

Please contact, Rowan Hore, VMC of Vic Member on 0428709708 or email tennihore@bigpond.com



FOR SALE

CAFE RACER, HONDA CX500 1981, - VIN: 14449
– very good condition, starts well, good tyres, new battery, Full Licence. \$4,800.00 o.n.o

Terry Germain AT BIKE
BUNKER BUSSELTON
0419554735



FOR SALE

Matchless 7B 770 Matchless, Collier JAP engine cases, fitted with the correct “CV” variable speed rear hub and rare “castor wheel” side car.

An older restoration and registered in the UK before 2003, since its importation to Australia in 2010 the bike has undergone extensive mechanical refurbishment with a fully rebuilt engine and hub.

Asking A\$60k.

Contact Andrew Bartleet – (on Tasmanian Time – 3hrs ahead)
M: 0418 467 242

FOR SALE

Indian frame and forks 1924 \$2,500, Clean frame. Also available 1940s Chief engine and gear box Contact Frank 0412 033 588

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Chris Gaff

Narrikup, 610418590132, email ctgaff@iinet.net.au

FOR SALE

Suzuki GS 650G Katana, 6/1981. Not licenced. Pulled off road 3 years ago to restore. Needs full restoration. Engine turns over. Can supply more pictures of the motorcycle on quest.. \$1800 ono

Travis Parke, Manjimup 0477671019, email trparke17@gmail.com



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FOR SALE

motorcycle boots, 1950's calf length motorcycle boots, leather-soled, pull on, approx. Australian size 10 1/2 - 11. Good condition. \$100

John Rooney 0428 910 365



Busselton Mid Week Ride : 1st November 2023

Twenty of us fronted for this ride. Perfect weather and few bugs – excellent. The start was a free ride to Geographe Marina, then back roads to Boyanup to pick up a few Bunbury Mob members. The Ferguson Valley never disappoints and nor does the Dardanup Bakery. All up, a shorter ride than usual, about 108klms. At Dardanup, we got into discussing bikes and solving the world's problems over coffee, pies and other delights. We know so much, we have the answers; pity no-one seeks us out.

Thanks to Steve Smith for volunteering to be our TEC. Great job mate.

John Lewin

Standing in for Peter Mitchell, our Busselton Group Liaison Officer

RIDE REPORT FOR NEILS PRE-48 RIDE 12/11/2023.

With the weather threatening a little a great turn out of 15 or so old bikes faced the starter. Leaving the Pratt Rd start point we encountered a shower or two on our way to Koombana Drive, by the time we reached Ocean Drive all was fine again.

The route took us through the back of Gelorup and into the Elgin area and back to the highway and into Boyanup via Boyanup West Rd. After morning tea at the store and the worlds problems solved we headed to Dardanup area eventually back to the Southwest Hwy via Clifton, Hynes and Martin Pelusey to Southwest Hwy again onto Koombana Drive, Ocean Drive, Hastie St to Neils emporium of motorcycles.

The riders and passengers were then treated to a tasty lunch thanks to Neils wife, Barbara while Neil was on hand for a guided tour of his collection of motorcycles. Thanks to Neil for a great ride and Neville and Margret for the back up which thankfully wasn't needed.

**Vice Captain
Frank....**

FOR SALE

1944 Indian Chief Outfit, restored recently by mechanical engineer. No expense spared, fitted with near new military spare engine, many spares. very strong compression. located in Bunbury. Spare drive train available via negotiation. \$65,000.00

Martin Mach

0897912664

Email.marty.mach@gmail.com



MEMBERSHIP FEES NOW OVERDUE

Members are reminded that membership fees are due before the 30th of September each year. All members should beware that they can renew their membership online. If you have any other membership questions please contact our Membership Manager Glenda Patterson on 0417 018 225 or email membership@ihc.asn.au

If you wish to pay by cheque or money order please post to:

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PO Box 317
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Or you can pay by direct bank deposit:

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A/C 00904209

Please include your membership number or full name

TORTOISE RIDE FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17/11/2023.

To Capel Bakery for morning tea.

With many of our regular Tortoises away at the Albany Hillclimb, it was expected that numbers would be well down. Not so. We had 12 solos and 1 outfit for today's ride which was a very pleasant cruise to the Capel Bakery for morning tea. The Bakery is back in good hands and there is once again an excellent selection of goodies on show. Highly recommended.

The ride took us to Dardanup and along Ferguson Rd turning right into Ironstone Rd and proceeding via Crooked Brook Rd and Dillon Rd to the Boyanup Picton Rd then on to Donnybrook along Hurst Rd for a short break.

We then proceeded to Capel along Goodwood Rd to the days destination for coffee, pies and chatter. There was a good mix of old and newer bikes today. The standard of ride preparation must be improving as Charles has not had a breakdown on the trailer since becoming our permanent back up earlier this year.

Standout bike today would have to be John's 1968 Bonnie which is original and unrestored and with less than 3000 miles on it from new. It was his first ride on the bike since purchasing it quite some years ago. Once again thanks to all who attended and to Charles as backup.

Ross Eaton

BEREAVEMENT NOTICE

It is with sadness we farewell another club stalwart in Mr Dick Taylor, who passed away in his sleep last Sunday at 94 years of age.

Like many of us, I have fond memories of the brothers Taylor, Syd (dec) and Dick riding their beloved Velocettes well into their nineties. According to his family, Dick's greatest pleasure was riding his motorcycle, enjoying the camaraderie of the motorcycle community and spending time with fellow club members.

Dan Talbot
President
Indian Harley Club
(Bunbury) Inc.

Syd Taylor left (Velocette
75) and Dick right
(Velocette 76).JPG



TALES FROM THE SHED - CLIMBING A HILL IN ALBANY

By Dan Talbot

After a year off, the Albany Vintage and Classic Motorcycle Weekend has returned in a dazzle of chromium and the tantalising whiff of Castrol R in the air around the port town. Referred to genetically as the ‘Albany Hill Climb,’ the event is more than motorcycles tearing off up Mount Clarence.

The weekend kicks off with a Saturday morning motorcycle display on Stirling Terrace in the heart of Albany. Shortly after midday on Saturday a rally, taking in the roads and sights of Albany, kicks off for some two hours before finishing at the Rifle Club for afternoon tea. Then, on Sunday we race.

In truth, we don’t actually race, that’s an exaggeration to add flare to this report. The event is in fact run on regularity and this year proved again that a ‘steady as she goes’ approach will increase one’s chances of leaving with the silverware. Sure, there is a start line and the commentator keeps referring to Marine Drive ‘as the track’ but cresting the finish line too soon or too late will result in the rider being sent packing. That said, you would have to be travelling pretty hard to go under the 40-second limit.

The event has a limit of 100 riders who are divided into three groups. This year around ninety competitors made it. When a group is called, thirty-odd riders are corralled into the starting chute, eventually being sorted into pairs as you inch forward. When you get to the start line proper, each bike is held in place by a wooden block placed against the rear wheel. This prevents the chocks the machine and allows you to rev the engine and act like an actual motorcycle racer without having to worry about rolling backwards down the incline.

You can get a good look at competitors leaving the start line from within the chute, seeing who brakes traction, who makes the most noise and who botches the start. Scores of spectators line each side of the road so my greatest fear is making a hash of the start. My second-greatest fear is my wife would do the same – I need not have worried, out of five starts, Catherine got her little 650 Triumph away cleanly every time.

This year I was lined up with fellow IHC member Kenny Britza. When we were teenagers, Britz and I used to race each other in motocross at the Scrublands Park circuit. In those days, you started with your left hand on your helmet until the flag dropped before jamming your bike in gear and racing towards the first turn. On our last run up the hill, Britz and I re-enacted our seventies-something starting procedure. Sure, we looked like a couple of clowns but we did amuse ourselves.

The ‘track’ consists 1.1 kilometres up Mount Clarence on Marine Drive. There’s a left-hand bend, followed by two right handers, all of which can be taken at a pretty good speed. I was on the right side of the road and, out of five different runs at the hill, I had five different lines into that confounded left-hand bend. It was just wrong. There was both rough and smooth patches, a dead lizard on one or two runs and I was half expecting a car to come the other way, despite the roads being closed. Out of turn one and laying on the power saw my bike jump out of third a couple of times, which is something that I’ve learned to live with after

10,000 miles on my bike. This had me choosing fourth gear sooner than I might otherwise have done. The bike never jumps out of fourth so I can concentrate on negotiating the next two right-handers at full tilt, gathering speed as I go.

After we cross the finish line, all competitors must wait at the top of the hill until escorted down by a marshal. This allows plenty of time for banter and to allow or vital signs to return to normal levels.

I highly recommend this event!

RESULTS

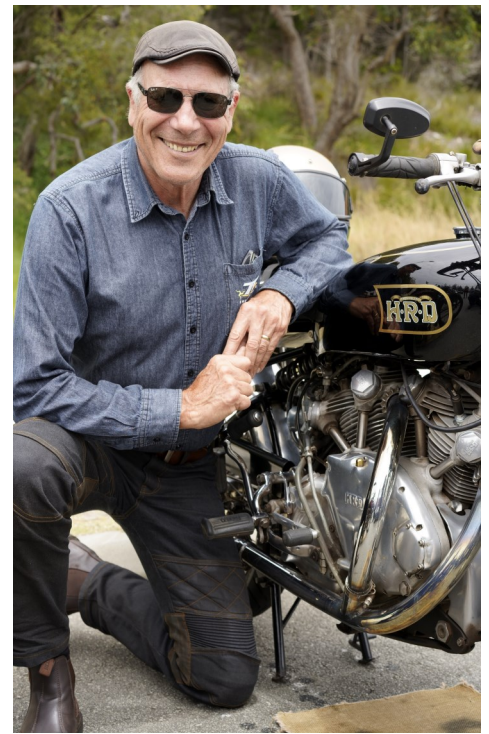
As usual, the IHC had a good showing with over 20 members competing. Results are as follows:

Outright winner: Glen Oliver riding a 1926 Indian Scout.

Best female: Sandy Hewitt riding a 1973 Honda CB750.

Best sidecar: Bob Mitchell and Wilma Little in a 1979 Yamaha 750.

Best presented machine: yours truly.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

The Calendar of Events is correct at the time of publication but maybe subject to change

Sat 02/12	Pemberton Overnighter 2 Day Event	10.00am	Theatre Carpark Pratt Road Eaton
Wed 06/12	Busselton Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Wed 06/12	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Wed 06/12	Committee Meeting	6.30pm	Bunbury Motorcycle Clubrooms
Fri 08/12	Tortoise Ride Busselton	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Sun 10/12	Memorial Ride	9.00am	Theatre Carpark Pratt Road Eaton
Tue 12/12	IHC Club Meeting	7.30pm	Bunbury Motorcycle Clubrooms
Wed 13/12	Bunbury Mid-week Christmas Lunch Ride	9.00am	Theatre Carpark Pratt Road Eaton
Wed 13/12	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Fri 15/12	Tortoise Ride Bunbury	9.00am	Dolphin Centre Carpark Bunbury
Fri 15/12	Mandurah Mob Christmas Dinner Meeting	6.00pm	Dudley Park Bowling Club
Wed 20/12	Busselton Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Wed 20/12	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Wed 20/12	Mandurah Mob Meeting Sundowner	6.00pm	Alan & Tammy Lewis' House
Fri 22/12	Tortoise Ride Busselton	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Sun 24/12	Christmas Eve Breakfast Ride	7.00am	33 Ipsen Street, Manjumup
Sun 24/12	Bunbury Mid-week Ride	8.00am	Theatre Carpark Pratt Road Eaton
Sun 24/12	Mandurah Mob Ride	9.00am	Council/Cicerellos Carpark, Mandurah
Wed 27/12	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Sun 31/12	Pre-48 Christmas Ride	TBA	TBA

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Wed 03/01	Busselton Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Wed 03/01	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Wed 03/01	Committee Meeting	6.30pm	Bunbury Motorcycle Clubrooms
Sun 07/01	New Year Rally	9.00am	Theatre Carpark Pratt Road Eaton
Tue 09/01	IHC Club Meeting	7.30pm	Bunbury Motorcycle Clubrooms
Wed 10/01	Bunbury Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Theatre Carpark Pratt Road Eaton
Wed 10/01	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Wed 12/01	Tortoise Ride Bunbury	9.00am	Dolphin Centre Carpark Bunbury
Wed 12/01	Tortoise Ride Busselton	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Wed 17/01	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Wed 17/01	Busselton Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Wed 17/01	Mandurah Mob Meeting	6.00pm	TBA
Sun 21/01	Mandurah Mob Ride	9.00am	Council/Cicerellos Carpark, Mandurah
Wed 24/01	Bunbury Mid-week Ride	8.00am	Theatre Carpark Pratt Road Eaton
Wed 24/01	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Fri 26/01	Australia Day Breakfast & Ride	7.00am	Fettlers Park, Bridge Street, Boyanup
Fri 26/01	Tortoise Ride Busselton	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton
Wed 31/01	Mandurah Mob Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Wed 31/01	Busselton Mid-week Ride	9.00am	Caltex Service Station Causeway Road, Busselton

To all our members, families and friends of the Indian Harley Club, and enthusiasts every where. We wish you a very, Merry Christmas, a safe riding season and a Prosperous New Year

