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HARLEY CLUB  
(Bunbury)  
INC.

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## CLUB FOUNDED 1971

### Foundation Members

Fred PITTER (Deceased), Harold BRAUND (Deceased), Norm HART, John HEAD, Rob MENZIES, Colin PITTER, Ian INGLES & Len GLEN.

### Life Members

Norm & Margaret HART, Harold BRAUND (Deceased), Laurie BRIGGS (Deceased), Bill BEATON, Bernie MC CORMACK, Ray & Anne BUCK, Glen BRITZA, Brian FITZGERALD (Deceased), Glenda PATTERSON, Doug BAKER, Syd TAYLOR, Larry ALLEN & Richard CLARK.

### Deceased Members

Fred PITTER, George HALL, Doug BRITTAIN, Merv CURGENVEN, Max SHARPE, Jim WALLACE, Peter GROUCOTT, David O'KEEFE, Ken HASTIE, Don ROOKE, Terry SHAND, Peter JEROME, Brian HARTLEY, Vern KARLSEN, Bill HAWKINS, Tom RUDLER., Harold BRAUND, Murray CAMPBELL, Laurie BRIGGS, R (Jim) BULLOCK, John WEBB, Bruce LENEGAN, Lloyd GREEN, Phil MURRAY, Bob JONES, Dennis NOONAN, Brian FITZGERALD, Bill McDERMOTT, Bill WAKE, Tom TALBOT, Alexander (Roy) MELVIN, Thomas (Howard) WHALEN, Richard TOWNEY, Laurence McCREED, John HIGGS, Ross PAYNE, Ron GILL, Stan RODGERS, Vic RICHARDSON & Colin (Westy) WEST.

## CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2017-18

Nomination Fee.....\$25.00

Annual Subscription.....\$45.00

Family Member.....\$50.00

Due and payable by December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year

### 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 8.00pm*

### Club Magazine

Advertisements for inclusion in the club magazine will run for 2 issues Only unless prior arrangements are made. Articles/advertisements are to reach the editor no later than the fourth Thursday of each month, for publication. These articles/advertisements may be edited to fit the available space. **Articles/advertisements for inclusion on the web page can be forwarded direct to the Web Site Manager.**

### Disclaimer on Letters to the Editor

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## MINUTES OF THE G.M. 12/9/2017

### THOSE PRESENT

Eric Lawrence, Neville Green, Jeff Smith, Leigh Creswell, Rob Harold, Peter Whiteside, Frank Barron, Terry Germain, Brian Cartwright, Glen Britza, Wilma Little, Paul Whalen, Norm Hart, John Anderson, Ray Buck, Bob Mitchell, Ross Eaton, Amanda Bernhardt, Dennis Herrick, John Keenan, Bernie Ward, Carl Rogers, Lloyd Brockman, Lindsay Gellard. Richard Clark, Glenda Patterson, Bert Sykes.

### APOLOGIES

Brandon Pratt, Greg Pratt, Terry Skinner, Trevor Whittle, Darryl Warner, Woodie, Dave Basten, Allan Basten, Dave Basten Jnr, John McDermott, Peter Jeffrey, Russell Jeffrey, Sue Jeffrey, Murray Rudler, Sharon Rudler, Kellie Owen, Dave Summers, Michael Rock, Dave & Fill Hart, Ken & Ali Hart, Margaret Hart, Ryan & Stacey Hart, John Clapp.

Welcome everyone to the September meeting of the Indian Harley Club, and thanks for coming.

### Vale Colin West (from the President)

Once again, we have to begin our meeting with some rather sombre news. A week ago today, our member Colin West died quite suddenly of an aneurism. Westy joined the club in 2008 and was a regular rider on many of our rides over the years on his trusty BMW. You may remember he usually came armed with his thermos of coffee! He was a good old boy and will be missed. Perhaps we could have a moment's silence in respect and remembrance.

### VISITORS

William Thomas

### NEW MEMBERS

Membership applications from **Edward Todoroff** and **Paul Griffiths** were both approved by the committee last month. If no one has any objections to these gentlemen becoming members of the Indian Harley Club, I declare them both duly elected. Edward Todoroff – not present new member pack to be posted, Paul Griffiths not present new member pack to be posted.

### MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

As printed in the **September** edition of Classic Vibrations were tabled and accepted by Terry Germain, Seconded: Ross Eaton - Carried.

### BUSINESS ARISING - Nil

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### Publications In

The Vintage Motorcycle Club of UK  
**Newsletter Wimmera Mallee Historical Vehicle Society**  
Historic Competition Motorcycle club WA  
**VMCC Vintage Chatter.**

#### Correspondence In

Email: City of Bunbury requesting a copy of our Insurance Certificate.

**Email: Receipt from Ricoh Business Centre**

Email: Mandurah Mob Minutes from 15<sup>th</sup> August

**Email: Invitation for VMCC TT commemoration run 15<sup>th</sup> October**

Email: CMC Meeting Minutes

**New member nomination for Paul Griffiths – Mandurah**

New member nomination for Gerard & Michelle McGrath – Australind

**Post: Thankyou letter from Barry & Julie Ray**

Email: Letter from Naturalist Freemasons Lodge re Fred Pitter

**Email: Letter from COB regarding review of their Leases Policy**

**Correspondence Out**

Card sent to Barry Ray

**Email: to COB with Insurance Certificates**

Motion: That the Secretary's Report be accepted, Moved: Brian Cartwright Seconded: Neville Green - Carried.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Term Deposit acc \$46,000 invested 4 months @ 2.45% PA matures October 17<sup>th</sup> 2017.

Opening c/book balance \$7,347.56

Income \$247.88

Expenditure \$3,324.73

Closing cheque book balance \$4,270.71

That the Treasurer's Report be accepted, Motion: Moved by Jeff Smith, Seconded: Frank Bar-ron - Carried

**PRESIDENTS REPORT**

We have a slightly altered line up tonight as our illustrious secretary is away slumming it in America somewhere, so Vice President Bert Sykes is acting as stand in, part time secretary until his return.

I don't have much to report tonight, it's been a fairly quiet month, I couldn't find anything to do for a change.

The Spring Rally was run last Sunday, ending up at Muriel Melvin's place for a big feed of pies, sausage rolls and hot beef rolls, a chat and a natter. It was four years ago, on the 8<sup>th</sup> September that Roy lost his life, so Sunday was both a day to remember the old bloke and have a drink to his memory.

At the last committee meeting, we talked about the Waroona Show, that's all arranged now. Eric will travel up early with the tents and get them erected with the help of the Mandurah Mob, and Eddie Laing will bring up the rear with the club trailer as back up.

Finally, we talked about awarding a new Honorary Membership to one of our more senior members, more of that in General Business.

**CAPTAINS REPORT**

### **Mid-Week PM Ride 9/8/17. Three Brave Riders.**

With pretty bad weather forecast I gave people the option of riding and then coming to our house for afternoon tea or forgoing the ride and coming straight to our house at 2.15pm for afternoon tea, 3 brave souls took the ride option while 5 + 2 helpers came just for afternoon tea.

JC, Leigh C. & John P. completed the ride around Dardanup West, Crooked Brook, Ironstone Rd, Ferguson in clear weather, only encountering rain on Willinge Drive close to home. I might that they were mighty wet when they arrived. After soup (Glen's order) and sandwiches plus a few scones, warm drinks and a warm around the heater everyone departed about 4pm.

### **Busso Mid-Week Ride 16/8/17**

The weather was kind to us again today considering the past month or so. Phil had a ride organised but called in sick, so we put it to the 10 members who turned out for the ride as to where they would like to go, Rex came up with a ride to Donnybrook and was duly elected leader (or should I say railroaded to be leader) either way he did a good job.

We headed out Vasse Hwy into Cundinup Rd L at SW Hwy through Kirup (the Kirup servo we have stopped at in the past has now closed so no fuel or pies there now, pity!) to Donnybrook for morning tea.

The much-enjoyed coffee and pies came to an end all too quickly and we headed home via Goodwood Rd to Capel then along Bussell Hwy R into Tuart Dr R at Layman Rd to Busselton arriving about 12.30pm.

A good ride and we managed to miss all the rain but only just, some places the road was very wet it had been raining only minutes before we went through so lucky. **Peter Whiteside**

### **Mid-Week AM Ride 23/8/2017**

New vice captains first day on the job , 13 riders turned up on a nice sunny day, ride was to Preston Valley store for morning tea all started off well ,while heading down Hurst road Pommy John told me to stop and explained I was running out of corner markers ,unknown to me president Richard our back man had helmet issues and went home to repair we waited at side of road for 20 mins , then some bikes started turning up , we carried on to Preston Valley store , where we found a few bikes had turned up including Richard before us, all worked out well and all enjoyed morning tea in the sun. **Leigh**

### **Mid-Week AM Ride 23/8/17**

13 riders started with a ride to Preston Valley Store at Lowden. Small hiccup when we lost our tail end Charlie (El Presidentato) – consequently our lead rider ran out of corner makers as we were all sitting on our corners waiting for Richard to come along.

Richard's helmet malfunctioned at the start and he went home to fix the problem. Some delays along the course but all ended well as we re-grouped and continued on to Lowden – only to be met by Richard and few others already there And enjoying the sunshine. Good ride in great weather.

### **Busso Impromptu Ride 25/8/17**

Only 2 turned up, (see attachment) went for a ride to Yallingup & back Cheers. **Peter Whiteside**



### **Busso Impromptu Ride 30/08/17**

5 Riders turned out for the ride, it was a partly cloudy day and no rain so a nice day for the ride. It was decided on a run down to Witchcliffe for morning tea. We headed off down Chapman Hill Rd. Ambergate, Boallia, Rendezvous, Kalooryup, Payne, Jindong Treeton, Rosa Brook, Rosa Glen, Davis Rd, Bussell Hwy to Witchcliffe where we enjoyed our coffee and goodies. We headed back along Bussell Hwy turning into Carters Rd just through Margaret River, Right at Caves Rd, Tom Cullity Dr, Harmans Mill, Puzey, Abbeys Farm, Wildwood, Chain, Vasse Yallingup Siding Rd, Bussell Hwy to Busselton arriving about midday.

A good ride with no mishaps “but” I did hear on getting home that there was a motorcycle accident south of Busselton, however we did not see anything, there was one motorbike pass us along Ambergate Rd at breakneck speed. **Peter Whiteside** Busso

### **Busso Mid-Week Ride 6/9/17.**

As predicted a perfect day for a ride, 16 members turned out for the ride with Bunbury being well represented. Darryl had to go home to change his bike as it had an oil leak, but when he got home discovered that he didn't have a key to get in! and Jenny had taken off in the car! So, he sat and fixed the oil leak and caught us up at Nannup.

We headed out Layman Rd and all went well for the first few Ks when Richard had a problem with his helmet and had to stop for just a few minutes to fix it, unfortunately the corner marker did not wait for the tail end charley to come along! So, the group got split up. Lesson; please wait for the tale end Charley to come along even if it is 20 minutes.

Meantime we turned Left at Tuart Dr, right at Ludlow Hithergreen Rd crossed Bussell Hwy where we stopped to let the group catch up, we waited for some time, when they didn't turn up and after trying to phone them it was decided for the group to carry on and Bert and another rider to back track to check on them. Needless to say, they did not find them, we caught them up at Nannup and Burt and his mate went straight to Nannup along Vasse Hwy. we carried along Ludlow Hithergreen Rd L into Vasse Hwy to Nannup, cutting out a loop we were going to go on through Cundinup, as we had lost a bit of time.

After morning tea at the Blackwood Café (where the pies and coffee are great) (Terry G had 2) Dan led us out to Vee Two factory about 3 Ks out of Nannup in the bush (It's amazing what you find in the bush) and introduced us to Andrew Cathcart who gave us a tour of the factory, unfortunately Brook Henry was not there at the time.

I will not try to tell what they are doing there except to say it is truly amassing, I will just put in the link to Dan's article he wrote about them. <http://www.bikeshedtimes.com/hes-back-ducati-whisperer-brook-henry-returns-with-a-moto-masterpiece-and-his-eyes-on-america/>

From there we headed back to Busselton via Mowen Rd and Sues Rd (some went back by Vasse Hwy) arriving about 1:30PM. It was a good ride and a good day out even if we did get a bit split up, and a big thank you to Andrew for sparing the time to show us around. **Peter Whiteside.**

### **Spring Rally (from Captain Leith) 10/9/17. 37 Riders Approx. 40 for lunch**

As I was far away on the other side of the world, I would like to thank everyone who contributed to make the spring rally such a success this year. Enormous thanks to Muriel and family for hosting the club on this particular ride, to all her willing helpers and to the club members who rallied while I wasn't there to ensure a successful day. I am told everyone enjoyed themselves so **THANK YOU** for your support. The poker winner was Ray Buck with 2 pairs.

### **Spring Rally (from Vice Captain Lee)**

Great to see some riders from the Mandurah Mob and Busselton attending – great turn out as stated above. Two bikes ended up on the trailer – Glen Britza had a flat front tyre (after morning tea thankfully) and Chick Dimmick put his M21 on the trailer at Brunswick due to excessive vibration. A big thankyou to Janet Creswell, Lindsay Gellard, Josh Gellard for organising the Poker Run and to Eddie Lang for back up duties. Also another thankyou to Muriel and her band of helpers for the fantastic spread at her place.

### **LIBARIAN'S REPORT**

Nothing to Report

### **PUBLICITY OFFICERS REPORT**

Nothing to Report

### **PROPERTY OFFICERS REPORT**

Eric Lawrence requested assistance on Saturday 23<sup>th</sup> September to load the trailer with tents etc for the Waroona Show on the 24<sup>th</sup> September. Eric said that he was intending to go the day before and camp at the grounds.

### **LICENSING LIAISON OFFICERS REPORT**

#### **Over 85's**

Jeff Smith reported that the issue of over 85 motorcycle riders having to re-sit a driving test each year is now resolved. Over 85's only need to do a medical check-up each year where the doctor makes the decision on "fitness to drive / ride". Those having this medical check-up need to make sure that the doctor does not tick the PDA required box. (Practical Driving Assessment)

President Richard announced a vote of thanks to Jeff and his band of helpers for pursuing this issue on behalf of the general membership of the club – "I think the club as a whole owes a huge debt of gratitude to Jeff and his team, both from this club and some from the VMCC, who have beavered away for about 18 months to achieve this outcome. It's an even better result than we could have hoped for, so please show your gratitude for a job well done". – a round of applause.

### **Imported Vehicles & Asbestos**

Some relaxation of the rules – prohibition may not extend to vehicle components – check with Jeff if in doubt

### **Concessional Licensing**

The 001 condition which requires you to carry a copy of your vehicle licence on your bike has been discontinued due to the Police having in car computer records.. This will only be effective when your next licence is issued – check your current licenses to see if it still carries this condition – if so you still need to carry a copy of your license.

### **WEBSITE MANAGER REPORT**

As John Presland was away in England – nothing to report

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

#### **Colin West Funeral**

The President advised the meeting that Colin's funeral service will be held at the Bunbury Crematorium next Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September. A request from the family for any IHC members attending to wear their club shirts and turn up on your bike.

#### **New Honorary Member Nomination**

From the President. As I mentioned earlier, the committee talked about Honorary Membership and we propose offering Honorary Membership to one of our original founding members. We haven't seen too much of him lately, but many of you will know him as the rider of that pale green Harley Davidson on most of our 2 Day Rallies. Mr Lenny Glen was indeed one of the founding members of this club back in 1971 and has been an active member for most of those years between then and now. His health is now not so good and I believe he has parted company with his bikes. I think the club should show its' collective respect for him by awarding him Honorary Member status.

Before I propose the motion, would anyone like to say anything either for or against the proposal? The Motion is: that Mr Len Glen be made an Honorary Member of the Indian Harley Club, with consideration for renewal at the next AGM. Proposed by Jeff Smith, seconded by Richard Clark Motion carried

#### **Lowden Store**

Norm Hart mentioned that the proprietors of the Lowden Store are very appreciative of the club stopping at the store for our morning tea stops on those runs that go that way. Norm requested permission from the Club to place a sign in the store saying "Indian Harley Club – Coffee Stop" – or similar. Meeting agreed and Norm to proceed.

#### **Wheat Belt Run**

Ross Eaton reminded the meeting about the Wheat Belt Run over the long weekend 23 – 25 September. Members to make their own accommodation arrangements for Dumbleyung & Beverley. Start is at McDonald's Carpark 9.30am. Backup Vehicle fee \$20 per rider. Rest of info is on the webpage.

#### **Auction**

Frank Barron auctioned various odds and ends donated by club members.

### **NEW MEMBER NOMINATIONS**

The following people have applied for membership to our club. If any member believes is undesirable for the applicant to be a member they should make their objections known to the Secretary 5 clear days before the next ordinary meeting on 97971709 or PO Box 317 Bunbury WA 6231. **William THOMAS, Gerard McGRATH.**



Meeting Closed - at 8.42 pm

**Bert Sykes** acting for  
**Peter Hume**  
IHC Secretary

**Richard Clark**  
President

### **NOTICE OF NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

There will be a General Meeting of the Indian Harley Club (Bunbury) Inc. Held at BMCC, Shrubland Park, South Western Highway, Bunbury on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2017 commencing at 8.00pm

### **AGENDA**

Welcome  
Minutes of previous meeting  
Matters arising  
Correspondence  
Reports  
General business  
Close

### **FOR SALE, WANTED & INVITATIONAL EVENTS.**

All for sale, wanted and invitational events will be advertised for a total of 2 issues only unless advised accordingly by the advertiser or organiser.

### **INVITATIONAL EVENTS**

#### **VMCC TT Commemoration Run.**

15<sup>th</sup> October 2017

#### **Black Dog Ride Tasmania 2017 4/ 2.**

October 28<sup>th</sup> to November 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 Registrations are now open on the Black Dog Ride Website [www.blackdogride.com.au](http://www.blackdogride.com.au)

#### **FOR SALE 1/ 2**

Arthritis forces sale of my immaculate **2007 Honda Blackbird CBR 1100**. Once the fastest production bike in the world it makes a great tourer and club run bike that will leave you smiling! \$4000. Firm, Call John on 0409 395 249.

#### **FOR SALE 3/ 2.**

**Rover 1913. TT** For sale any interest \$18k any Interest Contact Me. Sharon Rudler  
M: 0429 418 854, H: 08 97 315 406 E: [shaz.muzza@westnet.com.au](mailto:shaz.muzza@westnet.com.au)

#### **FOR SALE 2/ 2**

Don't know if there is any interest in this machine it is a **Raleigh 3 wheeler** approx. 1930 good start to a rare machine what you see is, what's there, any interest I can put u in touch with the owner in NSW. Sharon Rudler. [shaz.muzza@westnet.com.au](mailto:shaz.muzza@westnet.com.au)  
M: 0429 418 854

**FOR SALE 3/ 2.**

**1937 Norton 16H** 490cc, Civilian colours, ground up restoration. \$7,000.00 firm. Contact Eddie 08 97911020

**WANTED 3/ 2.**

1HC Motorcycle number plates wanted if anyone is de-registering a bike that has one on it. Please contact John on 0417567059."

**FOR SALE 1/ 2**

**1959 250cc BSA C15 Star**, Bike in rolling condition with many new parts, paint, chrome, workshop manual and original BSA books, new stainless rims and spokes, motor, carbie and gearbox rebuilt and wiring harness with big boxes of spares.

Works carried out by Stuart Binni and Ray Buck. Bike to be sold to enthusiastic owner. \$5000. ONO. Please call Brian on 0428392967.

**WANTED 3/ 2.**

**AJS 16M (rigid) parts.** The following parts are required for an AJS rigid project that I am working on; Chain case - complete AJS part number 014534, or Chain case - back half AJS part number 013679, Prop stand - AJS part number 014715, Footrest - AJS part number 015386. If you have any of these parts, and would be willing to sell them, please give me a call. Steve Armstrong 0438 597 290

**FOR SALE 3/ 2.**

**2011 Kawasaki W800** \$7000.00, Allan Woodward (Woody). Ph.: 0418932781

**FOR SALE 3/ 2.**

**2009 Triumph America**, 7200km. Heaps of Extras \$7000.00. Allan Woodward (Woody) Ph.: 0418932781

**FOR SALE 3/ 2.**

**2007 Kawasaki Super Sherpa 250cc** Road/Trail Bike, Very low Klms (11200km). Good condition for a rare/hard to find bike. Very easy to ride, Great for learner, Registered until 12th November 2017 \$3,300 ono Contact 0947698646. Cheers Dan

**WANTED 3/ 2.**

To buy for a **1910 Triumph**, complete motor or good motor parts and a rear hub clutch or one to borrow to enquire about having the major parts made. If you can help or give some advice please phone Martin on 0422385220.

**FOR SALE 3/ 2.**

**1979 Yamaha SR500.** Looks good, runs well. Easy to start. LAMS approved. Some spares included. \$5,500 ono. Contact Richard 0432 973 837.

**FOR SALE 3/ 2.**

**2013 Can Am Spyder RSS**, black and gold in colour. It has 26,000 Klms on the clock, is always garaged, dealer serviced, and never goes out in the rain. Located in Hammond Park, south of Perth. Asking \$12,000. Please contact Richard on 0432 973 837 or chip-py45@iinet.net.au for more details.

## **WANTED 2/ 2**

**Triumph 1929/30 CN500 S/V, CO350 OHV, CTT500 OHV.** Any parts and or information regarding these 'C' series models will be much appreciated. Contact Mark Bearman, Bunbury. PH 0419956684. Email mark@daimlerrubberco.com

## **FOR SALE 21/ 2.**

**Triumph Bonneville T100 2005** Model, Excellent condition, 15000kms, one owner, Full Service Records, 2 new tyres new sealed battery, centre stand, windshield, soft rear pannier. Licensed till Jan 2018. \$8,500.00. Please Call Mike on 08 97251021

## **LADIES LUNCHEON**

Dates & Restaurants for Ladies Luncheon's Booked under IHC name for 12.00 midday Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 **Prince of Wales Hotel.**

**Note** There will be no Ladies Luncheons in the months of November and December.

## **TT RUN GREENBUSHES 15/10/2017**

Joe Zappa has advised that on behalf of Murray & Sharon Rudler, he will be organizing TT Run to Greenbushes this year whilst they are away. This will also involve a change of date for the event.

The new proposed date for this **Pre-48 Run** is **15<sup>th</sup> October 2017**. Commencing at **9:00 am** from **Joe Zappa's in Argyle** – and returning to Joe's at the end of the route. Joe's phone can be published for further enquiries 97 315 233.

## **AN END TO AGE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST MOTORCYCLISTS OVER THE AGE OF 85** (By Paul Barfoot Velocette Owners Club of WA & Jeff Smith IHC).

About 5 years ago in Western Australia our then Minister for Transport removed the requirement for a person over the age of 85 to undergo a Practical Driving Assessment (PDA) in order to retain their drivers licence for a car because it was considered possibly discriminatory, though it was still necessary to complete the medical with your G.P.

No change was done for motorcycle riders nor was it considered, so in recent years we have seen a number of our members having to take a PDA. This we thought was wrong on the grounds of age discrimination, a complaint was lodged by Dick Taylor and Max Mardardy with the Equal Opportunities Board only to fail based on a legal precedent that the Department of Transport does not provide a service when issuing a licence.

We discussed this at a Velo club meeting and as a result Max Mardardy, Dick Taylor and myself arranged a meeting with one of the commissioners of the Department of Transport, this was held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016.

At the meeting we produced photographs of Dick and Max riding their Velo's and explained how they attended the National Rallies, yet still had to prove their ability to ride because of a policy requirement, there is nothing in WA law about a person reaching a maximum age only minimum requirements.

One of the Transport people present expressed his surprise at how active Dick and Max are for their age and when asked stated that 18 people in WA had undergone a PDA in the previous 12 months. They listened to our arguments and said that they would research our request.

In the meantime the Indian Harley Club in Bunbury was also tackling this issue on the grounds of age discrimination through the Human Rights Commission. Subsequent inquiries with the officer in the Transport Department who had been allocated this “problem” revealed their first line of defence was to refer to accident statistics, these revealed no reported accidents for a motorcycle rider over 85 years but many recorded for car drivers in the same age group some where the wrong pedal was pushed resulting in a fatality. They also argued that they had a duty of care, but this did not hold up given nil accidents.

To maintain momentum on this we sought a meeting with the then Minister of Transport. We managed to see his senior advisor who told us that when they made the change for car drivers that “they didn’t think anyone over the age of 85 would want to ride a motorcycle” we were then told that the Minister would look favourably on removing the requirement for a PDA.

All was going well so we thought then the State Election was held and the Liberals lost and a new Labor Minister appointed. We then got bogged down in process.

The Indian Harley Club was successful in lodging an application with the Human Rights Commission in Canberra and a date in November was set for a face to face hearing. The Transport Department’s basic defence was a duty of care and that they do not provide a service which to us seemed to have nothing to do with our argument of age discrimination. We followed up with the Commissioner with whom we met previously and things started to happen, then finally common sense prevailed and we received emails indicating a favourable outcome.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017 the requirement for a rider in WA over the age of 85 to undertake a PDA was removed. This was done previously in 2013 in Tasmania only after their Department of Transport was taken to court for age discrimination.

A victory for all riders, The Velocette Owners Club and the Indian Harley Club. This issue should now be pursued in the two remaining States that discriminate, NSW and S.A.

**Footnote:-** this has “saved” the motorcycle licences of 4 IHC Members who were up for a PDA before Christmas and 7 Members all up before the Two Day Rally.

### **Rides n Rallies on T’otherside of the Country**

Dick Taylor and 7 other enthusiastic “Velo Fellows” from WA are over east at present taking part in the “Southern Downs Good Companion Rally” at the Cherrabah Resort ( near Warwick in SW Qld ). All the bikes were loaded into a container and shipped over prior to the group flying in. There are 155 entrants and as the resort can only cater for 150, Dick thought he might be sleeping on a veranda somewhere. The Rally runs from 8 – 14 Oct with daily runs of around 100 miles – these guys are an inspiration to us young blokes. Dick tells me he also attends many of the Velocette Owners Club meetings in Perth as well — and a bit later we have Doug Craigie heading over to Lake Hume on the border of Victoria / NSW for the JAMPOT RALLY 10-12TH November 2017. I take my hat off to all the OBE’s (over bloody eighty’s) and those nearing it, who consistently live life to the full. Good on em!

Also over there recently are John & Kate Coleman, Murray Rudler, Michael Rock and some of the Mandurah Mob attending a big rally in South Australia We look forward to hearing all about their exploits on their safe return.

With nearly 400 current members in the IHC, let us all take a leaf out of their book and get those bikes out of the shed and onto the road by taking part in our well run rides. Keep the rubber side down & the shiny side up - **Jeff Smith**

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4 Bike Custom Built Trailer 8' X 5' in size. New wheels, tyres, bearings, LED lights, etc. great condition, licensed. \$3000. Please call John Mc Dermott on Mob 0429977531.

**LADIES CHRISTMAS DINNER**

**EPICURE RESTRAUANT - (Bunbury Tafe)**

**28th NOVEMBER 2017 - 6:00pm**

a LA CARTE`  
Three course menu  
Licensed venue

\$30.00pp

Please note the Epicure Restaurant has a \$20 pp  
Non-Refundable policy

This year ladies we have decided to drop Secret Santa gifts.

Please contact Glenda Patterson 0417 018 225, with any queries and special dietary requirements before 20th October 2017  
Book early - limited vacancies!!!







## Two Monthly Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT	START TIME	START POINT
Sun 01/10/17	Quiz Ride	9.00am	Carpark behind Hall, Pratt Road, Eaton
Wed 04/10/17	Busselton Mid-week AM Run	9.00am	Marine Rescue Park Geographe Bay Rd Busselton
Tue 10/10/17	General Meeting	8.00pm	BMCC Clubrooms
Wed 11/10/17	Mid-week PM Run	1.30pm	Carpark behind Hall, Pratt Road, Eaton
Sun 15/10/17	<b>Greenbushes TT Run Pre-48</b>	9.00am	Joe Zappa's 0897315233
Tue 17/10/17	Mandurah Mob Meeting	6.00pm	TBA
Wed 18/10/17	Busselton Mid-week AM Run	9.00am	Marine Rescue Park Geographe Bay Rd Busselton
Wed 18/10/17	Committee Meeting	7.30pm	BMCC Clubrooms
Sun 22/10/17	Roy's Hamburger Run	9.00am	Carpark behind Hall, Pratt Road, Eaton
Sun 22/10/17	Mandurah Ride	9.00am	Carpark between Shire Office & Cicerello's
Wed 25/10/17	Mid-week AM Run	9.00am	Carpark behind Hall, Pratt Road, Eaton
Sun 29/10/17	Ignition South West Car & Motorcycle Show	10.00am	Bunbury Recreation Ground
Tue 31/10/17	Ladies Luncheon <b>Prince of Wales</b>	11.59am	G Patterson 0417018225
Wed 01/11/17	Busselton Mid-week AM Run	9.00am	Marine Rescue Park Geographe Bay Rd Busselton
Tue 14/11/17	General Meeting	8.00pm	BMCC Clubrooms
Wed 15/11/17	Busselton Mid-week AM Run	9.00am	Marine Rescue Park Geographe Bay Rd Busselton
Wed 15/11/17	Mid-week PM Run	1.30pm	Carpark behind Hall, Pratt Road, Eaton
Sun 19/11/17	Tiddlers Run	9.00am	Boyanup Hall
Tue 21/11/17	Mandurah Mob Meeting	6.00pm	TBA
Wed 22/11/17	Committee Meeting	7.30pm	BMCC Clubrooms
Sat 25/11/17	Bridgetown Show. (Starting time and location TBA.)	9.00am to 4.00pm	Bridgetown Showgrounds
Sun 26/11/17	Mandurah Ride	9.00am	Carpark between Shire Office & Cicerello's
Wed 29/11/17	Mid-week AM Run	9.00am	Carpark behind Hall, Pratt Road, Eaton

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