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# The Good Oil

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Editorial

I Tried and I Tried!

Another month and I still haven't ridden the Trident to work. After last month's efforts I was all rearing to go. The very next day I got up for work put all the gear on and went outside before the sparrows awoke and it fired on two cylinders and failed to ignite the third then eventually dropped another. I grumpily got back in the Ute and had another look at it when I got home only for it to drop the last cylinder for good.

Time for a complete set of plugs; finding a set close by proved a dilemma and eventually two days later Repco down the road had them. Then to find a sparkplug spanner! Eventually after turning Mike Wooster's shed upside down, buying a socket that wouldn't fit in between the valve covers and then purchasing one somewhere else that eventually did only to find out on reading the manual that the tool kit that came with the bike also has a tube spanner

that fits seemed to indicate that this bike didn't want to be ridden.

Eventually I got the bike sorted; Mike test rode it for me last weekend when we both went for a ride with the Norton Club, me on the Commando sans the yet to be fitted Tri-Spark ignition. In the meantime it's turned cold and with changing jobs again I still haven't ridden it to work. Although the ride up Magill Road and Horsnells Gully Road does look as if it will wear the tyres a bit better than old route.

As with other tasks I have almost completed the shed between the shed so this will give me somewhere to store the bikes out of the weather and a small area to start work on repairs needed to get the race bike back into good nick. So I need time to get the projects up and running and hence the need for a new editor for this great tome.

Trevor has previously made it clear that this position is becoming vacant and I suppose that people need to know how much work is involved in putting it together. First you need an ability type, cut and paste and that that is about it. Regular contributors like Nick Clarke, Geoff Grant, and Danny Ahern, as well as Trevor and Chris Heyward's reports are all sent by email. The lot is compiled on a word document and then converted to a PDF file and forwarded to Len and Judy Smith who

print the copies and bring them along to the meeting. All this process is usually achieved over a couple of weeks and the final document is finalised on the Tuesday night before the meeting, emailed to Len and Judy and that's it.

So, after a number of years I need to give it a rest, besides a bit of fresh look will do the magazine a bit of good. Have a Go!

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### President's Report

Everyone certainly seemed to enjoy our Club Day at Mallala, by the feedback received. Only negative was that we could have had a couple of extra helpers from our side. The weather behaved itself on the day, & everyone should have got ample track time. The number of Members who supported it was certainly encouraging, & we must thank Danny Ahern for organising & driving it, as well as delivering the Riders' Briefing. The Ducati Club were

apparently also happy, so another day on the same lines should follow.

Tonight we welcome Mal Pitman as a Guest Speaker, & his varied experiences should make for an informative & entertaining evening. With this coming up rather quickly, we've had to contact members via phone, email & Advertiser Club Notes to ensure a good rollup.

**Trevor Henderson.**



**MINUTES of the GENERAL MEETING of the HISTORIC MOTOR CYCLE RACING REGISTER of SA held at MSA Clubrooms on Thursday 16 May 2013.**

<u>Meeting opened</u>	8.00pm
<u>Apologies</u>	Les Bell, Lorraine Rake, Bob Glynn, Ronna, Claire Harman, Len Dyson.
<u>New members/Visitors</u>	Paul Herft, Jess and Bon Watson /Jan Baker
<u>Minutes of previous meeting</u>	Moved for acceptance by Phil Baughan, seconded by Dan Ahern. Minutes accepted.
<u>Business arising</u>	Phil announced that the Norton Atlas as advertised in the previous Good oil, is still for sale.

## Reports

### President

- Trevor read email from Julie Lovell who was seeking information re valuation for her late father's 350 AJS 7R 1948. The meeting agreed that somewhere around \$30k was the likely value.
- Trevor provided a verbal report re the Seniors race meeting at Mac Park.
- HMCRRSA claimed the day by 40 points in the Les Diener points.
- Informed meeting of 29th June ride day at Mac Park.
- Provided update re vote to close the mini bike dirt track at Mac Park.
- Trevor informed the meeting that Len Dyson's health was of concern.

### Secretary

- Mal Pitman has been approached to be a guest presenter at future club meeting.
- His preference is to have a Q and A session rather than a formal presentation format
- Meeting supported this proposal. Secretary to coordinate Mal's visit later in 2013.

### Treasurer

- Dean provided an update on current account balances.

### Delegates report

#### *Competition Secretary*

- Verbal report given re Seniors meeting at Mac Park.
- Joint HMCRRSA/ Ducati Owners Club ride day scheduled for Fri.
- 25+ of our members likely to attend.
- Gates open at 8.00am
- Bike checks from 8.30am.
- Sign-in and riders brief prior to 9.30am with kick off following



- Volunteers required
- Catering will be provided.
- Air fence levy will be paid by club for members.

#### MSA

- Phil announced that next meeting will be in July.
- Phil announced that he can provide copies of the Commission's minutes for anyone that is interested.

#### Road Race

- The proposal to incorporate rigid Period 3's into Period 2 category has been quashed.
- Grants are available for clubs although these are for improvements to facilities only.
- Committee meeting held last night.
- Lights have been trialled in place of (in parallel) with flags during the recent Seniors meeting.
- There will be a reinstatement of state titles for moderns next year.
- Phil discussed the issue of mixed historic/modern race meetings.

#### General Business

- Seniors meeting discussed with general consensus amongst those rider attending that meeting that the light system had some inherent faults.
- General agreement that lights should not replace flag marshals who are able to react to protect and recover fallen riders.
- Issues around examples of unattended fallen riders during the meeting were discussed.
- There was also concerns raised that red lights when used were being ignored by some riders.

Meeting closed 9.00pm

<p><b>MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE HISTORIC MOTOR CYCLE RACING REGISTER OF SA: held at the MSA clubrooms on 7 May 2013</b></p>
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**Meeting Opened:** 7.30pm

**Present:** Trevor Henderson, Danny Ahern, Paul Walker, Chris Hayward, Stuart Penn, Dean Watson Neil Watson.

**Apologies:** Geoff Grant.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** These were unavailable at time of meeting.

**Business arising:** See above

#### **Treasurers Report:**

- 2 new members signed up during the month.
- General Acct approx \$16K opening balance and \$15K closing balance.
- Exec Trustee Acct - \$65472 opening plus interest of \$128 - Closing balance \$65601.

- Late sponsorship payments were discussed with 5 payments yet to be received. These payments will be followed up.

**Secretary's report:**

- No correspondence received.
- Secretary informed Committee that preliminary enquiries had been made to invite Mal Pitman to attend a future gen meeting as a guest presenter. Committee agreed to put this to members at the next Gen meeting to gauge interest.

**General Business:**

- Upcoming ride day with Ducati Owners Club discussed.
- Dan agreed to chase up Tony re engaging 'responsible person' for the day.
- Ducati Owners are expecting 40+ of their members and guests.
- Scrutineering from 8.30 am.
- 9.00am riders briefing.
- 9.30 kick off.
- Agreed that there would be no cost to members, (except licensing)
- Non members will have to pay for one day licence and air fence levy.
- Chris agreed to provide his BBQ for the event.
- A general discussion followed re selection of officials for the event.

Meeting closed 9.30 pm

2013 Road Racing Dates

Date	Event	Venue
24 May	Club day	Mallala
25- 26 May	Rnd 3	Mallala
27 – 28 July	Phoenix	Mallala
21 – 22 September	Café	Mallala
5 – 6 October	State Titles (Moderns)	Mt Gambier
9 – 10 November	Phoenix	Mallala
15 – 17 November	Australian Historic Championships	Wannaroo
14 – 15 December	Cafe Club Championship	Mallala
28 – 29 December	State Titles	Mt Gambier

**For Sale/Wanted**

<b>Wanted</b>	Kneeler outfit any power unit considered	Joffre Booth 0434104508 03/03
<b>For Sale Offers</b>	Australian made 1hp 3 phase electric motor forward and reversing switch Runs nice	Ray Stevens 8332 5786 5 Stapleton St Firlle 03/03