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Committee Members Tony Tildesley and Stuart Penn put on a show at Clipsal 500!



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Club Address	PO Box 90 HINDMARSH SA 5007	0403 841 715 hmcrrsa@bigpond.com
General Meeting Venue (third Thursday of each month)	MSA Office 251 The Parade BEULAH PARK	Committee Meeting (first Tuesday of every month)
Honorary Life Members	Peter WESTERMAN (†Deceased) Richard RAKE Danny AHERN David MANSON Len SMITH Ken LUCAS “Doc” WATSON (†Deceased) Trevor HENDERSON Phil BAUGHAN Len DYSON	1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2007 2009
Editorial	Poor Preparation Provides Poor Performance!	

I believe that Graham Rowley is credited with the above quotation. It seems that I was cursed with that problem before heading off to Philip Island. Having pulled the Velocette down to do a bottom end overhaul, with full intentions to give the bike a complete re-spray but leaving things to the last minute again resulted in re-assembly with out such intentions being carried out.

With the reassembly completed and the small jobs on the Norton completed, I had the utmost confidence that all I had to do was run both bikes up and give them a wash, pack them in the trailer and head off. So with that thought in my head, I proceeded to take things casually on the Sunday before heading off and when I finally did get around to aforementioned plan, it was late morning and Murphy’s Law took over.

The Norton was run up and fired quick smart, given a quick squirt around the block and set aside for washing. The Velo was next on the rollers. It fired up with its usual reliable gusto after I ran it without the spark plug to circulate the oil, then promptly hesitated while trying to build revs. Oh-oh! Quick dashes to try and find a new spark plug resulted in more time disappearing into the past and of course the motor shops open on a Sunday don’t cater for racing type plugs – not the one I visited anyway.

Frantic phone calls resulted in Phil Baughan, dashing over to assist. The rebuilt and serviced magneto was diagnosed as the culprit after timing and carburettor problems were ruled out. So a transplant was on the cards, luckily I have a spare. I run up on the rollers resulted in

confident smiles and instead of a wash the bikes were dry cleaned and packed in the trailer.

The trip over was uneventful, with the new Ute being given its first real outing and it performed impeccably.

Friday saw a cool, dry day where the bikes were unpacked and scrutinised and track time taken up. The Norton ran well but I only managed to get one real good session in and was more of a familiarisation session than trying to do good times. The Velo was next and gave two good strong laps before indicating that something was desperately wrong with my spare magneto. Maybe I haven't yet done the condenser in this unit! – bugger.

Now I recently upgraded the belt drive on the Norton and this required a new belt and of course the gearbox had to be moved which meant the cover had to be altered to cater for the new position. Once again the above principles took over and my clearances in the cover and the bikes ideas of clearance didn't agree so one the second session out on the track the cover decided to test the durability of the \$85 belt and the cover won.

The prospect of sitting the Nationals out without at least one bike performing became more and more real. A couple of phone calls to suppliers revealed that I didn't have enough time to get to Melbourne that afternoon and one didn't have the belt and the other that did have one wasn't open on Saturday morning. Quick thinking by the gentleman on the phone revealed that the man in the workshop who cut the belts actually lived in Tooradin, halfway to Melbourne and he was kind enough to bring a couple home for me. All this running around was cutting into catching up with my brother-in-law and his mates who rode down from Brisbane to watch.

An assessment of the damage done by the broken belt revealed that the back wheel had to come off to clear the debris and the clutch as well. On reassembly the clutch had to come off twice as I forgot to put the retainer back on and the back sprocket revealed several loose bolts and several broken bolts. All of which had to be repaired and replaced and lock-wired again.

Suffice to say once the Norton was back and ready to ride the weather on Saturday had deteriorated. The Velo hadn't improved so my times weren't going to either. The wet was well and truly in but I was determined to have at least one race on the day and got a blinding start and managed to move from 18th to 5th before running wide in MG and subsequently being lapped and finishing last.

My ego was boosted when Dan and Paul both came over to congratulate me on the performance that I put in as they both watched from the pits. Sunday arrived with kinder weather and showers managed to pass over when I was not required on the track so consequently those with more horsepower were back in the lead during my races. I achieved a personal best of 2.20 so the week-end provided a great deal of fun and satisfaction to boot.

Other mechanical problems with the Exhaust retaining rings on the Norton developed over the weekend and consequently the Norton is back on the stand sans head and as usual will probably sit there till the day before I need to have it ready to race. Will I ever Learn?

By the way Tony is looking for Volunteers to assist on our Club day at Tailem Bend. See the notice further on and give him a ring to offer your assistance. See You There!

Stay Upright #77

Presidents Report

Having just had our first committee meeting since the A.G.M, its good to welcome Stuart Penn and Neil Watson to the inner sanctum. I'm sure they will contribute very well to the running of our club. The rest of the committee members are the "same old faces", who are quite happy to continue. Our main focus at the moment is making sure the club day at Tailem Bend on September 26th runs smoothly, followed by acceleration or four efforts towards the State Titles. As happened last year, the 2010 Championships will be run in 2011 (1st & 2nd Jan.), which is simply for convenience.

Danny Ahern has given us a report on this year's National Historic Titles at Phillip Island recently. The fickle island weather did its best to dampen the enthusiasm, particularly on the Saturday, but there was still some excellent racing and quick times, aided by strong

performances from the Kiwi contingent. Apparently the scope and quality of machinery was tops.

Harking back to the A.G.M, I must thank Nick Clarke for efficiently conducting the elections, and once again I apologise for overlooking your mention in "Old Bike Australasia". Although we didn't need to go to a ballot for any position at least we didn't, as had happened before, spend an inordinate amount of time staring at each other whilst awaiting a nomination that would be accepted. I hadn't prepared a full report for the evening, but am certainly grateful to those who have put in over the last twelve months, and those stepping up for the next year.

Trevor Henderson

Trev's Titbits

Washed out three times straight!

Most of you would know that, like Graham Rowley and Terry Hutchinson, I have a play with vintage speedway. One of speedway's biggest enemies is wet weather, and Gillman Speedway runs a "winter practice" on the first Sunday of the month between May and October. Over the last few seasons that we have been involved, we have had precious few times when we've been affected by the elements, but know that they would eventually catch up with us.

Having made a couple of "adjustments" to the Tracey ESO that I hoped would be to my advantage, I was eagerly looking forward to the August 2010 outing. But the man upstairs had other ideas, and the heavens leaked badly leading up to that weekend, rendering the track totally unsuitable, although the junior riders could have sailed model boats around their circuit.

Two weeks later, and the same result. I'd marked Saturday 4th of September, which was to be an evening practice, in my diary, foregoing the Café Racer meeting at Mac Park, as I wanted to get some laps in before the Classic Meeting in late October. But the best-laid plans of mice and men went wrong again thanks to the winter rains.

Now they're planning to try again on Sunday 19th September, so fingers crossed!

Thumbs Up and Change (not on speedway)
Right

Trevor Henderson #55

P.S.- If anyone rode at the Café Racer meeting at Mac Park on 4th & 5th September, contact me and I'll allocate some club points.

MINUTES of the GENERAL MEETING of the HISTORIC MOTOR CYCLE RACING REGISTER of SA held at MSA Clubrooms on Thursday 19 August 2010.

- Meeting Opened: at 8.00 pm. 23 in attendance.
- Apologies: Danny Ahern, Len Dyson, Mike Wooster, Trish Channell, Artie Summer, Richard and Lorraine Rake, Ronna Fisher and Jeff Parkinson.
- Visitors/New Members: Trevor welcomed back to the fold the Frost brothers, Steve and Greg.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting: held July 2010 were moved for acceptance by Phil Baughan, seconded by Len Smith, and carried.
- Business Arising: Nil

REPORTS

1. President's Report Trevor advised that Derry Greeneklee has offered sponsorship again and has forwarded a copy of his new book relating to his racing history. Trevor invited Derry to participate in our Club day at Tailem Bend in September.
2. Secretary's Report
 1. Correspondence Inwards:
 - a. Thank You card from Bill Byles
 - b. Australian Moto Trials Championships – Information brochure
 - c. MSA - Invitation and nominations for; Life Membership; Coach of the Year; Rising Star; Official of the year
 - d. MSA – Agenda for President's and Secretary's meeting Thursday 5 August.
 - e. Len Miller – Freemason's Show n Shine – Swap Meet at Birdwood Motor Museum 3 April 2011.
 - f. Travel Directors – brochure Escorted World Motorcycle Tours.
 - g. Australian Executor Trustees – Statement.
 2. Correspondence Outwards: Nil
3. Treasurer's Report: Bob presented the Treasurers Report stating that we ran a \$171.51 deficit for 2009/10 financial year.
Accounts for payment; Nil
Moved Graham Rowley, Seconded; Nick Clarke that the Treasurers report be received/carried.
4. Competition Secretary's Report Nil
5. Delegates' Reports:

Road Race Phil reported on the business arising at the previous weeks meeting.

 - No further information has been forthcoming relating to the Workcover investigation interstate.
 - MSA Website has the scores for the SA Championships out of sync.

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- There is still ongoing discussion re Lights at Flag points.
- Supp. Regs. for Café Racers - Mt Gambier passed and Atajura – Collingrove Hillclimb sent back for minor adjustments. New timing system will be in force at Hillclimb venue.
- Still issues of clubs not getting copies of minutes.
- No rep was available from Phoenix Club to discuss Juniors.
- An incident at Broadford where a rider was killed on the start line highlighted the fact that the starting light system needs to be reinforced in the Supp. Regs. and at the riders briefing.
- There is a Café Meeting on 3 – 4 September at Mac Park.

MSA Trevor gave a report on the recent Presidents' and Secretaries' meeting.

General Business:

1. Suspension of General Meeting to conduct Annual General Meeting.

MINUTES of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the HISTORIC MOTOR CYCLE RACING REGISTER of SA held at MSA Clubrooms on Thursday 19 August 2010.

Meeting Opened: at 8.15pm

Members Present: 28

Apologies: Danny Ahern, Len Dyson, Mike Wooster, Trish Channell, Artie Summer, Richard and Lorraine Rake, Ronna Fisher and Jeff Parkinson.

Visitors: Ross O'Neil

Minutes of 2009 AGM: As listed in "The Good Oil" were moved for acceptance by Brian Stuart, seconded by P Baughan and carried.

Business Arising: Nil

President's Report: Trevor

Trevor

All positions were then declared vacant, with Nick Clark nominated as returning Officer for the elections.

POSITION	NOMINEE	PROPOSER	SECONDER	RESULT
Patron	Len Dyson	Trevor Henderson	Bob Glynn	Elected Unopposed
President	Trevor Henderson	Bob Glynn	Judith Rowley	Elected Unopposed
Vice President	Danny Ahern	Les Bell	Kim Anderson	Elected Unopposed
Treasurer	Bob Glynn	Trevor Henderson	Vick Parish	Elected Unopposed
Secretary	Les Bell	Graham Rowley	Judy Smith	Elected Unopposed
Competition Secretary	Jonathan Gutte Brian Stuart Kim Anderson	Kim Anderson Kim Anderson Andrew Bannerman	Declined Declined Clair Harmon	Elected Unopposed
Newsletter Editor	Les Bell	Trevor Henderson	Phil Baughan	Elected Unopposed
Social Secretary/Librarian	Geoff Grant <i>subject to Geoff's approval</i>	Graham Rowley	Phil Baughan	Elected Unopposed
Committee Members	Paul Walker Andrew Bannerman			Elected Unopposed Elected Unopposed

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	Tony Tildesley Stuart Penn Neil Watson	Paul Walker Kim Anderson Bob Glynn	Brian Stuart Tony Tildesley Dean Watson	Elected Unopposed Elected Unopposed Elected Unopposed
Club Delegates	Phil Baughan – MSA Trevor Henderson – MSA Proxy Phil Baughan – Road Race	Tony Tildesley	Brian Stuart	Elected Unopposed Elected Unopposed Elected Unopposed

With the elections concluded, the membership congratulated all those elected, Trevor resumed the Chair as President.

Meeting closed at 8.33pm.

2. Paul Walker asked about the issue of using EMD as opposed to SA ambulance as raised by Trevor in his report.
3. Paul also highlighted the reasons for having ambulance cover citing the costs in the thousands.
4. Phil Baughan commented on the recent ride day at Mac Park and the enthusiastic attendance of one rider on motard tyres. He also spoke to Darren Trotter who advised that they are seeking a grant to provide some additional improvements to the track.
5. Ken Hurly advised that there is a swap meet at Willunga this coming Sunday.
6. Trevor advised that an article features Nick Clark and his TX 750 in the latest issue of “Old Bike Australasia”.
7. Tony advised all that he is doing a road trip to Tailern Bend on bikes the week before the Club Day if any members are interested in joining him.
8. Paul Walker has his Racing Licence back.
9. Trevor advised new committee members of the schedule of the committee meetings being 1st Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

TAILEM BEND 26th Sept Club Day

Gates will open at 7.30am, for set up [all hands to help, please]

Practice around 9.

“Events” to start 10ish then on to a BBQ mid afternoon

There will be no entry form, but you will have to sign-in and get your bikes checked, show your licence or get a recreation one on the day, and have number plates (different no. on each bike, please)

Open to all members and friends/family.

Expressions of interest will be called for, to be returned with \$25 for the transponder. Nominate the numbers you want [first in best dressed]. Payment may be given to TONY, BOB or TREVOR. A receipt will put you in the programme, sorry the list - it's not a race.

It is intended to run as a ‘time trial’ in groups of similar speed, at 10 second intervals. Even if you are a slower rider you should have some competition – it's not the speed you do but the improvement from the target speed of your group that counts.

Sidecars will have separate ‘events’.

We will run three or four ‘events’ for each group. The rider setting the best time under target would get a slab of beer, the second a slab of soft drinks, the third a cheese cake. Then there is the BBQ for you to use it up, and share.

You can bring as many bikes as you like, so if your race bike is “off” you can use your road bike.

We will set up a 1.2 km track - Mallala gearing should be OK, but you won't be in top for very long.

One sidecar event will be as the rest but will stop each lap and change passenger, the number of laps determined by the number of ‘volunteer’ passengers

At BBQ time we may have a come and try trials - hopefully there will be a few appropriate bikes available

MINUTES of the COMMITTEE MEETING of the HISTORIC MOTOR CYCLE RACING REGISTER of SA held at MSA Clubrooms on Tuesday 7 September 2010

Meeting opened at 7.30pm.

Present: Danny Ahern, Andrew Bannerman, Kim Anderson, Les Bell, Paul Walker, Stuart Penn, Neil Watson, Tony Tildesley and Trevor Henderson.

Apologies: Bob Glynn.

Trevor welcomed all new committee members. . Trevor mentioned that Geoff Grant had indicated that while he is happy to continue in the role as elected at the AGM, he feels that if someone else wanted to step up he would be more than happy to step aside.

Minutes of Previous Meeting :

The minutes of the previous committee meeting were moved for acceptance by Andrew Bannerman, seconded, Paul Walker and carried.

Business Arising from Minutes: Nil.

Treasurer's Report: Nil.

Correspondence Inwards:

1. e-mail – Ellie Barnatt – Advertising for UK based digital marketing Consulting.
2. Business SA – Registration form for Environment Improver Program.

Correspondence Outwards: nil.

Business Arising:

1. Club Day – Tailem Bend; 26 September.
 - a. Trevor raised the issue of a Junior wanting to participate in our ride day. Tony advised that there may be time constraints, and that MSA have advised that we can cater for junior participants. Provisions are that all protective gear must be worn (leathers etc.)
 - b. Tony wants helpers and organisers to meet after General meeting.
 - c. Tony to get in touch with Colin Benn re- Trials “Come and Try” Demo.
 - d. Trevor advised that Clair is not available that day.
2. Trevor recommended that we purchase a copy of Derry Greeneklee’s latest book – Agreed.
3. State Titles:
 - a. Kim to finalise the Supplementary Regulations.
 - b. Additional wording for 10.1 to read:
 - (ii) Where the Class is not fully subscribed i.e. there are vacant grids and there are more lower class machines wanting to participate than there are vacant grids; then no lower class machines will be permitted.
 - (iii) An additional fee for the lower class entrant will be \$25 per bike.
 - c. Remove wording referring to warm-up on Sunday. (Item 11)
 - d. The group worked through the list of Sponsors and those who will make contact.
 - e. Danny discussed the trophies and use of carry over items from last year.
4. Trevor reminded all of the MSA Awards night on 4th December – Filexstow.

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5. Danny advised that on the recent Australian Titles trip he spoke to MA commissioner re the lack of communication from MA via sub-committee through MSA. Our club to approach MSA – re follow up of correspondence relating to Historic Racing from MA – Dan to action.
6. Tony asked if we have any photos that we can use to promote our club to the Tailem Bend Council and forward on to Jo Molloy

Meeting closed at 9:00pm.

For Sale/Wanted

Any Bantam Engine, Gearbox or Clutch parts	WANTED	Bob Glynn Ph 8263 9133
1973 Honda XL350 4 valve Single in Honda 400/4 frame, excellent condition. Rest of bike, Fork, Wheels etc are rough.	FOR SALE \$750	Jeff Parkinson Ph 8536 2459 07/10
Bultaco Metralla (M23) – Engine or parts thereof. Complete bike considered.	WANTED	Trevor Henderson Ph: 83845284 05/09
Club Shirts – \$35.00 Club Caps – \$15.00 Club Hats – \$18.00 Club Mugs – \$4.50 Cloth Badges – \$10.00 Club Transfers – \$2.50	FOR SALE	

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mac Park Ride Days Last Saturday of the Month followed by Working Bee's on the Sunday. All help appreciated		<i>Mallala Motor Sports Park Open Practice Days</i> <i>Phone 8276 7744 during business hours to confirm dates</i> <i>Saturday – 14 Feb, 14 Mar, 18 Apr, 9 May, 4 Jul, 22 Aug, 17 Oct.</i>
Date	Host Club – Event	Venue
18 – 19 September	Hartwell Interclub Rnd 5	Broadford
26 September	Club Day – Test and Tune	Tailem Bend
26 September	WA Championships Rnd 5	Barbagello
1 – 3 October	Master of Mac Park	Mac Park
15 – 17 October	Moto GP	Phillip Island
30 – 31 October	Allsorts Rally/Ride Day/SA v Vic Interclub	Mac Park
13 – 14 November	Hartwell Seniors	Broadford
19 – 21 November	Kings of Wannaroo	Barbagello
20 – 21 November	Phoenix Interclub	Mallala
11 – 12 December	Café Racers Interclub	Mallala
31 Dec – 2 Jan 2011	HMCRRSA – 2010 Historic Road Racing Championships	Mac Park

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Contact the editor for additions to the following.

Who are they	What do they do	Where are they
Manta Precision Engineering	Cast iron brake disc rotors for historic bikes.	Peter McWiggin, 67A Kolora Road, West Heidleberg 3081, (03) 9455 0255
Full-On Motorcycle Parts	Goodridge metal sintered brake pads for use on cast iron discs	(08) 8374 3588
Amal Spares	Amal Carburetor Replacement Parts	John Parker, 12 Clarke Drive, Ringwood 3134 (03) 9879 3817 (AH)
PBE Engineering	General Machining and mechanical repairs.	Phil Baughan 0412043987
Ken Hurley	Motorcycle Photos	ned@fastphotos.net www.fastphotos.net 8261 9033
SBP Superbike Performance	Dyno Tuning Service	Unit 29/798 Marion Road Phone 8377 0028 Mobile 0407400 074
Murray's Brit Bikes	British bike spares	Unit 5 5 Kingston Ave Richmond 0408 833 511
Birdwood Motor Cycle Engineering	General Machining and mechanical repairs	Martin Adams 0421 874 513
Classic Restoration	Motorcycle Restoration Services	Tony Codrington 20 Bethay Road Tanunda 8563 3095
Maggyman	Rebuilds buy/sell	RAC Johnson Naracoorte 0418852277 (Mornings only)
Bill's Bits & Bikes	Spares and service	Birdwood.
Electrasil (LM Electroplating)	Electrasil/Nikasil bore replating:	7 George Court Briar Hill 3088 (03) 9435 7029
HPC (High Performance Coatings)	Teflon and ceramic performance coatings of internal and external engine parts.	6 Watson Road, Leongatha 3953
The Pitstop Bookshop	For motoring books and DVDs	33 King St, Perth 6000 Freecall 1800 622 422 www.pitstop.net.au
Bike Books and Bits	Books – Manuals – Magazines	Richard Sampson Ph 0438 848 366 email: bikebooks.bits@yahoo.com.au
ChromeMasters	Chrome and Nickel plating restoration specialists Discount given to members.	Steve Provis 11 Barfield Crescent Elizabeth West 5113 8252 6966 0410 337 898
Digital Sports Media	Sports Photographer	Peter Brunner Ph 0402 230 777 Email: peter@dsm1.com.au Web: www.dsm1.com.au
Kris Rowen Signs	Signwriting, Decals, Pinstriping	Kris Rowen 38 George Street Williamstown 0413 516 820
www.cmsnl.com in England, and www.siriusconinc.com in Canada. Good supplies, reasonable prices, but keep in mind freight costs.	Internet parts suppliers for vintage and classic Japanese bikes:	www.mikesxs.net in USA supplies for XS650 Yamaha , but many bits fit across other models. www.m3racing.com for Honda CB750/450/350.