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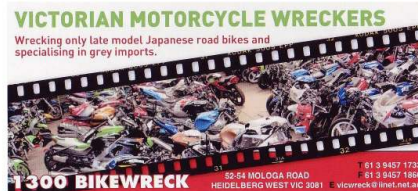
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Presidents Report

G'day everyone,

Enjoying your racing? I know we are. Things in the historic racing world are really on the up. There just seems to be so much available for the classic racer these days.

We've just finished the Southern Classic and before that we had Tarrengower and the Maryborough Sprint. But you could also have taken up the option of being an international superstar and racing at the Trans Tasman in NZ. There just seems to be so many great events on the calendar at the moment and I haven't even mentioned the Nats at Barbagallo yet.

But you know, even with so many exciting meetings being run at brilliant tracks, it's events like Tarrengower that I enjoy the most. The way all the HMRAV people get on together, the fun and laughter that seems to just echo round the campground, the hospitality from all our friends, the help and support if you have a bike problem and the head down bum up attitude when the flag drops is what it's all about for us.

A story from Tarrengower best sums all this up for me. Dave Betteridge had dramas with his motor. After blowing a head gasket on his freshly built Atlas Sidecar, (I think Dave needs to sack his engine builder.....that'd be me!) it was all hands on deck to rip the engine out and do a quick rebuild to get him on track. I remember standing with Toddy at the campfire, copper head gasket on the coals – bucket of water at the ready, thinking “this could be the fifties and here we are annealing a head gasket”. It was cool explaining to some of the younger crew exactly what we were doing and it felt even better when the bike fired up first go in the morning and finished all its runs. Brilliant! I think just about everyone in our campsite had a hand in helping get that bike sorted and there were a lot of happy faces at the end of the day when Dave won the President's award for all his efforts over the weekend.

So the serious side of racing is over for the year and we only have the Come and Try, (01/12/13) and the dinner left. We'll be at both and I really encourage you all to get along and join in the fun. The C&T's are a great way to bring your family and friends along to the track and maybe have a spin on one of your mates' bikes. And the dinner.....well these nights are pretty legendary. Come along, have a few laughs and a good feed.....just stay out of a shout with Doghouse, it never ends well!

Cheers, Marchy.

Upcoming events and committee meeting dates (subject to change!)

<u>November</u>	Monday 11 th Committee/General meeting (Mitcham) Last one for 2013! Monday 11 th HISTORIC PRACTICE DAY (Broadford) Friday 15 th - Sunday 17 th Australian Historic Titles (Wanneroo WA)
<u>December</u>	Sunday 1 st Come & Try Day (Broadford) Friday 6 th Presentation Night (Kew)



HMRAV Club meetings are conducted at the

Mitcham Angling Club
11 Brunswick Road, Mitcham



Meetings are (usually) held every 2nd Monday of the month from 7pm SHARP:

Come along and join us!

October General Meeting



Date 7/10/2013

Time 7.00

Venue Mitchum angling club

Present; Doug Hicks, Phill Watson, Rebecca Betteridge, Kelly Spargo Marg Todd.

Apologies; Leanne March, Brian March, Dave Philpots, Robert Todd, Mick Cheg.

Meeting opened at 7.10

Item 1 Matters arising from last minutes.

MV Affiliation All is ok, Phillip needs to email in members list
Scrutinering- the Morgan brothers will be at Broadford on Friday.

Moved Phill 2nd Doug

Item 2 Presidents report.

No President's report but Brian did email in some questions which we have tabled.

Kelly- Can we use the pit bays opposite the race secretary's office for scrutineering if weather is bad? Yes we can.

Beccy- I have 4 more "pre orders" to hand over. Will give them to you on the weekend.

Doug- Vic O'Driscolls payment for Maryborough hasn't been paid yet. I emailed you the details straight after the event - can you get onto it please. Doug was waiting for the figures which he now has and will send it off.

Can you give some (30) free SC tickets and about 10 flyers to Bec so she can bring them to the Girls Day. I'm going to a Geelong Ulysses club meeting on the 16th.

Can you give to Bec or post to me two cheques so I can pay for the trophies for Tarrengower and S'Classic.

Marg- Happy to give free membership to interstate competitors at Tarrengower. Just email me there details.

Phill- Haven't looked at the "incorporation " document yet.... Is there a time frame? No time frame is mentioned.

Moved; Bec 2nd Doug

Item3 Secretaries report

No correspondence to mention

MV Affiliation- They have all the paper work needed, just need the members list.

Received permit for Tarrengower and waiting on S'Classic.

Moved Marg 2nd Kelly

Item 4 Delegates report

No Report

Moved Doug 2nd Phill

Item 5 Race secretaries report

So far we have 185 entries for the Classic.
Need permit for S'Classic.

Moved Phill 2nd Bec

Item 6 Treasurer's report

\$61785.39 in Term deposit Acc.

\$ 13521.05 in savings account.

Term deposit rolls over on the 14/10/13 interest at 3.75% rolls over every 7 months. Would it be worth moving some money to Q saver account 2.65%?

Moved Phill 2nd Doug

Item 7 Promotions officers report.

No Report

Moved Kelly 2nd Doug

Item 8 Merchandising officers report.

All the merch has been collected and is ready to go.

Bec will post some photos of new items on face book and have a display at the Girls track day.

Moved Phill 2nd Marg

Item 9 Maryborough and Tarrengower

Permit- Done.

Vic O'Driscoll is all set to go.

Officials: Maryborough-Race secretary Marg, C of C Toddy, Steward Vic, Scrutiners- John Clancy.

Entries currently have 14. Will take entries on the day. Marg will need a float \$100.

Moved: Marg 2nd Bec

Item 10 Southern classic

Steward-Robert Todd.

Medical- Done.

Officials Phill to talk to Kelly

Scrutinering- Can the Morgan Brothers get there Friday Arvo? As discussed already yes.

Passes -Done

Flyers/Posters- Done

Program / Sponsors- Dave needs to respond to Mid Life cycles and Lucky thirteen garage. Need there information by the 17th .

Trophies- Done.

Volunteers – Still a few more to call but numbers ok.

Merch- Done

Band- Done.

Pens- Done.

Moved Doug 2nd Marg

Item 11 Come and Try Day.

1.Permit- Phill to organize, Just need to confirm the date and then will apply for permit.

- 2. Medical- Cannot use same crew as last year. Need to get other option and book in.
 - 3. Scrutineering- Brian to ask John Clancy.
 - 4. Officials/Flaggies- Broadford crew, Phill to call and book.
 - 5. Catering- Tess Brian will call.
- Who's coming? We will need help with sign on and general duties.

Moved Phill 2nd Bec

Item 12 General Business

Kelly- Asked that all emails be sent out to everyone on the committee.

- 1. Marg- Trevor May cannot come to the S'Classic.
 - 2. Marg- Robby Phyllis- Wants to help promote the S'Classic in return for free entry. It is too late for the current meeting, but will consider for next year if he has a proposal of what he will do.
 - 3. Bec- Pay mate. Phill will look at signing up in time for the S'Classic.
 - 4. Doug- George Campbell wrote in. Would like a list of lap records for the different classes in the program. We will try to get a list together.
- Marg- Christmas Party? Need to set a date and book before it's too late. Date discussed and the 6th of December was chosen. Marg will call the Kew Hotel and book.

Moved Doug 2nd Kelly

Next Meeting will be a general meeting at 7.00 pm, Monday 11 November 2013.

Meeting closed 8.05 pm.

Mitcham Angling Club
19 Brunswick Road, Mitchum

Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb 19th & 20th October 2013

Report by Marg Todd

Maldon weather was perfect for the annual Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb with 26 members enjoying the weekend of great racing, fun and entertainment. Mike Panayi retained his King of the Mountain title for the eleventh time, which was hotly contested by Stacey Heaney, Guy Brown and Daniel Gardner. It was great to see Lee & Bronwyn Foran with son Lewis all racing against the clock for best times, Lewis taking the honours on Dave Gittus' Suzuki in the All 125cc class. First timers to the hill climb were Paul McGahan, John Beckley, Guy Brown, Tim & Michelle Loone and also Darren Robertson who alternated as passenger with Brian March, Dave Betteridge & Tim Loone over the weekend. Local Maldon resident & HMRV Club member John Burchell entertained us once more, along with Sandy Rasmussen who happened to be staying at Maldon with her husband. John & Sandy's musical talent was much appreciated while everyone donned weird and wonderful varieties of headgear for the hat party! Paddy Clancy & Ellie Betteridge were winners and both were presented with vouchers at presentation on Sunday. The President's award was given to Dave Betteridge in recognition of a motor rebuild overnight (with lots of help and advice from nearly all those present!) after blowing a head gasket on Saturday's practice run. A good weekend of racing and festivities was had by all!



Mt Tarrengower Hill Climb ~ 19th & 20th October, 2013

Competitor	No.	Machine	Best Time	Trphy Award
John Beckley	56	1948 P2 BSA M21 600cc	86.1	
David Gittus	140	1939 P2 AJS 18C 500cc	65.9	P2 Up to 500cc / Best Presented Solo
Mike Chegwiddden	475	1941 P2 Indian 750cc	60.9	
Chris Beaumont	741	1941 P2 Indian Scout 750cc	60.1	P2 Unlimited
Paul McGahan	2	1955 P3 AJS 7R 350cc	51.6	P3 Up to 500cc
Mike Panayi	16	1961 P3 Norton Atlas 750cc	44.5	KING OF THE MOUNTAIN
Nairne Elder	54	1960 P3 Norton 500cc	61.6	
Guy Brown	59	1959 P3 Royal Enfield 612cc	48.2	Encouragement Award
Martin Gratton	546	1953 P3 Royal Enfield Bullet 612cc	60.3	
Dave Philpots	22	1972 P4 HD Sportster 1000cc RED PLATE	58.1	Fastest Red Plate
Daniel Gardner	27	1976 P4 Honda CB 750cc	50.6	
Phillip Watson	40	1972 P4 Suzuki 250cc	58.2	P4 Up to 350cc
Stacey Heaney	62	1971 P4 Honda 750cc	49.7	P4 Unlimited
Lewis Foran	77	1972 P4 Suzuki 125cc	82.5	Solo Up to 125cc
Des Heaney	162	1971 P4 Suzuki T500cc	56.6	
Lee Foran	701	1971 P4 Honda SL100cc	69.5	
Bronwyn Foran	702	1971 P4 Honda SL100cc	83.6	
Brian March & Reg Boeti	42	1962 P3 Sidecar Norton - 750cc	59.4	P3 Sidecar
David Wain & Greg Ditchfield	43	1958 P3 Sidecar Triariel - 650cc	60.2	
David Betteridge & Leanne March	942	1962 P3 Sidecar Norton - 750cc	65.9	President's Award / Best Presented Sidecar
Tim & Michelle Loone	28	1970 P4 Sidecar Honda Urquhart - 750cc	56.6	P4 Sidecar

King Mike Panayi



Brian March with Dave & Ellie



Tim & Michelle Loone





Great use for a Norton Sidecar!!!



Paddy's best headgear in the hat competition



John Burchell & musical traveller Sandy Rasmussen entertaining Club members on Friday evening



Lewis Foran on Dave Gittus' 125cc Suzuki



Daniel Gardner



Tiny & Greg always consistent



Mt Tarrengower first timer Guy Brown



Chris Beaumont



John Beckley testing the climb



Dave Gittus on his Best Presented Solo



Stacey Heaney's best time of 49.7 is 4.5 secs ahead of the fastest lady driver on record!



Paul McGahan



Tim & Dave working through the festivities!



Best Presented Sidecar - Dave Betteridge & passenger Leanne March



John Beckley, Chris Beaumont & Mike Panayi enjoying a quiet ale or two or . . .



Maryborough Sprint ~ 15th September, 2013

No.	Rider (& Passenger)	Machine	Best Time	Trophy Award
475	Mike Chegwiddden	1941 P2 750cc Indian Scout	17.9	
741	Chris Beaumont	1941 P2 750cc Indian Scout	18.0	
1	Mike Chegwiddden	1946 P2 1200cc Indian Red Plate	18.7	President's Choice Award
11	Jeff Hoinville	1958 P3 350cc AJS 7R	16.5	
12	Alan Landers	1939 P3 500cc JAP	15.6	
54	Martin Gratton	1960 P3 500cc Norton Dominator	17.2	
546	Martin Gratton	1958 P3 612cc Royal Enfield	17.5	
7	Alan Landers	1954 P3 650cc Triton	13.6	
623	Stacey Heaney	1959 P3 650cc Triumph	18.0	
62	Des Heaney	1972 P4 250cc Suzuki	15.2	
65	Brad Gorrie	1971 P4 650cc BSA Lightning Red Plate	16.0	Fastest RED PLATE
05	Doug Gorrie	1971 P4 750cc Rocket 3	15.0	
127	Alan Landers	1972 P4 750cc Triumph	13.2	Fastest Solo & Spirit of the Meeting
42	Brian March & Dave Betteridge	1962 P3 750cc Norton Sidecar	17.2	
43	David Wain & Greg Ditchfield	1958 P3 650cc Triariel Sidecar	17.4	
44	David Large & Stacey Heaney	1949 P3 1000cc HRD Sidecar	17.9	
70	Chris Large & Peter Heywood	1951 P3 750cc Triumph Thunderbird Sidecar	15.9	
28	Tim Loone & Michelle Loone	1970 P4 750cc Honda Urquhart Sidecar	16.9	
69	Max Hooper & Kevin Burns	1972 P4 750cc Honda Sidecar	15.0	Fastest Sidecar
88	Lyn Jones & Ray Griffiths	1968 P4 998cc Mini Cyclecar	21.6	Slowest Time 94.4

Alan Landers had the two fastest times on his 750 Triumph & also on his 650 Triton. Alan was also awarded the ***Spirit of the Meeting*** trophy with his 3 bike entries.



The inaugural WINGS & WHEELS Historic Sprint was held at the Maryborough aerodrome on 14th & 15th September. Vintage aircraft both flying and static were a huge drawcard for spectators on both days, with the car and motorcycle sprints on the Sunday.

13 solos, including 3 competitors with multiple bike entries, and 7 sidecars raced the 400 metres along the well maintained secured airstrip in perfect weather conditions (albeit a bit blustery at times!)

Alan Landers entered 3 machines and clocked the fastest times of 13.2 seconds and 13.6 seconds on both his Triumphs. A great effort! Doug Gorrie, Des Heaney and Brad Gorrie had very competitive times.

It was good to see Dave Large back in action on his HRD sidecar with Stacey Heaney as passenger, also Lyn Jones riding a mini cyclecar with Ray Griffiths as passenger. Max Hooper and Kevin Burns were hard to beat on Max's Honda sidecar with a quick time of 15 seconds flat.

A well organized event by the Austin Seven Club, and great commentating by Toddy!



Peter Heywood & Chris Large taking the long route back to the pits!



Doug Gorrie - fastest Red Plate machine



Dave Large & Stacey Heaney



Mike Cheg received the President's choice award for his Indian Red Plate



Des Heaney



Max Hooper & Kevin Burns



Stacey Heaney



Martin Gratton



Jeff Hoinville



Lyn Jones & Ray Griffiths on the mini cyclecar

HMRAV Presentation

Come and celebrate HMRAV's end of year presentation dinner at Hotel Kew,
corner of Studley Park Road & High Street South,
Kew Junction
(Melways ref: Page 45, B6)

Date: Friday, 6th December, 2013

Time: 6:30pm for dinner,
followed by Club presentations

non-HMRAV members are welcome at own cost
alcohol served at bar prices

please RSVP:

Toddy & Marg AH: (03)5967 2480

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