

The Magazine Of the Historic Motorcycle Racing Association of Victoria est.1986

Flatchat

July - Aug 2018

**Come & Try
Day**

**Annual
General
Meeting**

Rule Changes



Behind the Bars

The Presidents Report

G'day I trust that everyone is well and sick of the cold weather and coming out of hibernation.

The AGM was poorly attended this year and I urge all club members to please have a more active involvement roll within the club, after all it is your club.

Here are the positions for 2018 / 2019

President-Robert Todd

Vice President-Dave Philpots

Secretary-Brian March

Assistant Secretary-Phillip Watson

Treasurer-Peter Large

Assistant Treasurer-Doug Hicks

Flat Chat Editor-Glen Dane

Race Secretary-Chrissie Clancy-Ingpen

Assistant Race Secretary-Andrew

"Doc" Lewis

Volunteer Liaison-Tony Greenwood

Promotions Officer-Mick Large

Red Plate Coordinator-Mick Chegwidden

Merchandise Officer-Aneta Philpots

Membership Officer-Michelle Loone

MV Delegates- Dave Philpots, Brian March, John Clancy.

General Committee- Marg Todd (Race sec for Mt Tarengower and Eddington Sprint), Craig Longhurst,

Patrick Clancy.

I would like to thank Phil Watson on behalf of us all for his outstanding work

as Secretary over the past years and wish him and his family all the best with their move.

The good news is Brian March has put up his hand taking on the roll as Secretary, his appointment to the position is a good choice.

It's also great to see young Paddy Clancy put up his hand for General Committee having a younger member with young ideas at the table is a step in the right direction.

Entries are now available on the web site for Southern Classic and Mt Tarengower. Remember that Mt Tarengower is limited to the first 20 entries so don't delay and get your entries in ASAP.

For those traveling and competing at Wakefield (1st/2nd Sep) I wish you all the best at the meeting travel safe and ride safe.

And one last thing before I sign-off, a very big thank you to David Hoy for his kind donation to our Club, which is most appreciated.

See you in the winner's circle,

Toddy



I received this picture of a ... "modified Vello" the other day.

Some people have too much money.

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Garth Rhodes, Dave Large
Graham Harder, Doug Hicks
Shirley Luke, Robert Todd
Marg Todd, Mick Chegwidden
Brian March

In the Chair

From the Editor

So what does being part of a club mean to you?

Growing up my parents were in a number of different car clubs, and still are, so I've been around different club cultures for a long time.

My Dad has always been involved in the running or different aspects of behind the scenes work, so that's what I've seen and what it means to me to be part of a club.

And it's this commitment to helping out and being a part of the running of our club that I share with everybody who's ever held a committee position or volunteered or made themselves available for anything that might need doing. And we all get a great sense of satisfaction seeing our club go from strength to strength.

But the question that keeps coming up is why can't we get a few more people to be a part of this successful and cohesive team? In a club of well over 250 members the AGM saw the lowest turnout of members I've ever seen. Is it that nobody cares about the direction of the club, or the club members who continually re-stand for positions because there's nobody else too?

We are fairly unique as a sporting club in that the committee members are virtually all competitors. This means that not only are we dealing with bikes and racing and everything that goes with competing at a meeting we are also working on all the administrative stuff behind the scenes that most wouldn't even be aware was happening. To achieve this it's not uncommon to miss out on practice sessions and spending time on our own bikes. It also means we are the first to arrive, often the day before an event and the very last the leave after everything has been put away and packed up and stored

safely away ready next time. The point here is that with a few more people to share the load everybody's life becomes a lot easier.

And another note on time. We all have jobs and/or partners and/or kids and/or other commitments and/or any other excuse that can be added, but we all find half an hour here or there each week to keep the club running smoothly.

As a club succession planning is vital. Ideally we would have a few members join the committee each year in deputy positions and learn the ropes, then after a couple of years take on the main role and continue the process. It's an easy, seamless way of keeping our club at the forefront of Historic Racing in Australia but we need to get members involved. If we don't the real danger is that committee members holding positions for too long become jaded and disinterested in the sport that they've committed so much time and effort too. This really isn't a satisfactory reward for members who have worked passionately for many years for the sport they love.

The good news for anybody who's been considering getting a bit more involved is that it's not too late. Even though the AGM has come and gone we'd love to have people turn up to committee meetings and just see what it's about. (It's really not that difficult, you get an hour or two away from home each month with some likeminded people, do a bit of administrative work, talk some shit, have a refreshing beverage and that's it.)

So the next time you put on some of your quality HMRV apparel have a think about what being part of such a great club means to you.

Mt Tarrengower Update:

Entries have closed for this years Hill Climb as we have reached our maximum number of entries. The HMRV have also been notified that the safety chicane installed last year will once again be used for this year's event. It will be tighter than last year in an effort to ensure the safety of all competitors



Front Cover:

Come & Try Day action!

Thanks to Paul Stevenson
Photography

Come and Try Day

Long time HMRAV member Tony Marjorm attended a cold and wintery Come & Try Day at the State Motorcycle Complex Broadford, but his day didn't exactly end how he had hoped.

HMRAV C&T Day - afternoon crash on Turn 1 - any witnesses?

At the Come-and-Try Day at Broadford on 29 July I had a session on my 250 Ducati, then, after a break for other accidents and lunch, took my 650 Triton out for the first time in >20 years. I had recommissioned the bike with Tickle 2LS front brake etc, but had not changed the Dunlop 591 race-compound tyres - they did not seem too bad (no cracks or crazing), were treated with Octopus tyre softener, and I only intended some slow laps to check the bike, your Honour. Got on to the track in middle-order, accelerated down the start-finish straight, touched the front brake and changed down for the uphill right sweeper, all OK, then ... woke up in a dreamy state, being transferred to the ambulance, Apparently I was talking, asking questions (where did I fall, what bike), again and again ...when it was realised I was not quite myself. Away with the fairies!

All I remember is going off down the straight on the first lap. I fell half way up the hill, landed on my brand new helmet, was unconscious for 10secs (so they said), then concussion/MBTI) for 20/30min, then into the ambulance and taken to North Melb hosp emergency. CT scan looked OK, nothing broken/cracked, about to be released, then another doc thought I should have an MRI on Monday. Also clear, some bone-bruising. Further delay, then discharged and off I went, with sore neck, dented pride, and wondering what happened.

The bike and I fell on the right side, I reportedly either went over the bars or high-sided, the



bike had light damage, and I am lucky that I did too - it could have been far worse. I didn't know if I fell due to the tyres, front brake locking (doubtful), rear wheel twitch due to gear change etc. Forensic inspection revealed scratch marks across right side of the front tyre, with only a few similar marks on the rear tyre - indicating that the front tyre broke away first and a low-side frontal fall? Right side exhaust got a grind.

I would be grateful of any news from anybody behind me who saw what happened. Reward offered - new used Arai flower pot and following advice.





Moral of the story - its great to ride old bikes, but don't ride on old tyres too. I now discovered that race compound tyres degenerate quicker than road tyres (maybe especially Dunlop's), due to a higher proportion of the volatile compounds that make them sticky, but evaporate more quickly, and should be changed at least every two/three years, as opposed to 5/6 years for road tyres.

Thank you HMRAV, friends and ambo's - sorry if I was less logical than usual. And

sorry to hold up C&T Day!

Also thank you HMRAV committee for the Get Well Soon card - a delightful touch and most appreciated. Far better than the "Licence Suspended" email I got from MA! After my Licence expired two months ago.

Tony Marjoram

**Special Thanks to Paul Stevenson
Photography for all the great shoots**



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Meeting Minutes

Date: 13th of August 2018
Time: 7.00 pm
Venue: Mitcham Angling Club

Present: Brian March, Leanne March, Glen Dane, Dave Large, Craig Longhurst, Paddy Clancy, John Clancy, Chrissie Clancy, Laura Clancy, Pete Large, Doug Hicks, Dave Philpots, Aneta Philpots, Mick Chegwidden, Bob Rosenthal, Ian Richards, Andrew Lewis, Mick Large, Paul Stevenson

Apologies: Tony Greenwood, Marg Todd, Robert Todd, Phil Watson, Chris Large, Keith Campbell

The meeting opened at: 7.10 p.m.

ITEM 1: MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MINUTES:

Dates for 2019, email to MV, waiting for a response.

Moved: Doug Hicks
Seconded: John Clancy

ITEM 2: Presidents report/AGM.....

No President's report.

Elections resulted in the following positions being filled:

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Assistant Secretary:	Phil Watson
Treasurer:	Peter Large
Assistant Treasurer:	Doug Hicks
Flat Chat Editor:	Glen Dane
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Assis. Race Secretary:	Andrew Lewis
Volunteer Liaison:	Tony Greenwood
Promotions Officer:	Mick Large
Red Plate Officer:	Mick Chegwidden
Merchandising Officer:	Aneta Philpots
Membership:	Michelle Loone
MV Delegate:	Dave Philpots Brian March John Clancy

Ordinary Committee Members:
Margaret Todd
Craig Longhurst
Paddy Clancy

Moved: Craig Longhurst
Seconded: Chrissie Clancy

ITEM 3: SECRETARIES REPORT

Supplementary regulations for Tarrengower and Southern Classic. Will follow up with Phil. They should go up on website.
Only 20 bikes allowed at Tarrengower this year.
Club voted on arranging a sign to put up at Broadford. Brian to speak with Mick Beaumont.
John Clancy to attend meeting at Broadford on 18 August 2018.

Veteran Motorcycle Racing Association of Victoria – want to donate \$500 towards trophies at the Southern Classic. Will promote their annual dinner in May 2019.

Moved: Mick Chegwidden
Seconded: Craig Longhurst

ITEM 4: DELEGATES REPORT:

Meeting last week about MV sorting out arrangements for joining MA umbrella. Properties will be kept under the control of MV.

Moved: Glen Dane
Seconded: Brian March

ITEM 5: RACE SECRETARIES REPORT:

Come and Try? 55 entries.
3 casualties

Moved: John Clancy
Seconded: Peter Large

ITEM 6: TREASURERS REPORT

Refer to attachments from Treasurer.

Moved: Dave Philpots
Seconded: Mick Large

ITEM 7: PROMOTION OFFICERS REPORT

Discussion on sponsors who have not paid sponsorship dollars.
Posters for Southern Classic.

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Matt Lancaster contacted for ad in Just Bikes.
Mick to follow up.

Moved: Glen Dane
Seconded: Doug Hicks

Item 8: MERCHANDISE OFFICERS REPORT

Design for Southern Classic T Shirt circulated.
Will do some patches with HMRAV logo.
Moved: Craig Longhurst
Seconded: Chrissie Clancy

Item 9: Mt Tarrengower:

SUPP REGS Sent out/on website?
OFFICIALS: Vic and Toddy
SCRUTINEERS: All will assist
RACE SECRETARY: Marg Todd
VOLUNTEERS: Not required
PERMIT: PHIL
MERCHANDISE: Toddy to bring some up
Who's going?

Moved: John Clancy
Seconded: Mick Chegwidden

Item 10: SOUTHERN CLASSIC

SUPP REGS: Sent out/on website?
OFFICIALS: Brendan Ferrari, Vic O'Driscoll and Ross Martin

SCRUTINEERS: ?
RACE SECRETARY: Frances Conroy
VOLUNTEERS: Tony Greenwood
PERMIT: PHIL
MERCHANDISE: Sorted
MEDICAL: RACESOLUTIONS BOOKED
TROPHIES: Michelle Loone

Moved: Dave Philpots
Seconded: John Clancy

Item 11: GENERAL BUSINESS

Doug put forward bringing Morgans down for Christmas dinner.

Pete – phone call from Sarah Panayi. Would it be ok to set up a stall at the Southern Classic. All agreed.

Mick queried fuel issue – banning of avgas. Dave spoke about running 3 state challenge at Wakefield Park.

Brian to speak with John Daly about facebook page.

Vote on administrators of facebook page need to be members of the Executive Committee. Vote passed unanimously.

Moved:
Seconded:

Next meeting: 10 September 2018
Meeting closed: 8.25pm.



Put these dates in your calendar now!

20, 21 October - Mt Tarrengower

3, 4 November - Southern Classic

2 December - Come and Try Day

7 December - HMRAV Presentation Dinner

The Work Bench

**The latest rule change from MA:
please see <https://www.ma.org.au/>
For more information on all changes**

INFORMATION BULLETIN

Rule Clarification #1863 30 July 2018

Affected Discipline: Historic Road Racing

Information Pertains to: Rule 10.26.1.2 Wheel Rim Widths for P5 Sidecars

Explanation:

As part of the review of the Manual of Motorcycle Sport in 2017, MA received a rule change request for rule 10.26.1.2 to be removed from the Manual of Motorcycle Sport.

It was decided by the Rules and Technical committee to conduct an investigation into the original intention of this rule to determine if it should be removed.

As a result of the Rules and Technical Committees investigation and with input from the Historic Commission and P5 Sidecar competitors, it has been determined to remove the rule from the Manual of Motorcycle Sport.

Effective from: Immediate

Feedback contact: rules@ma.org.au (03) 9684 0512

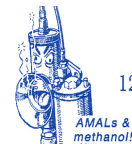


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