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Flatchat

Nov - Dec 2018



Southern Classic

General Meeting

**Presentation
Dinner**



Behind the Bars

The Presidents Report

President's Christmas Message

As usual I hope that this issue of FLATCHAT finds you all well and looking forward to Christmas time and a challenging New Year.

The Club Presentation Dinner evening at the Manhattan Hotel Ringwood was a great success by feedback received, with great food and great atmosphere. 71 members and their understanding better halves and families attended. The general consensus is that we will be returning to this venue next year.

I must make an amendment to the Club Championship sidecar points – Tiny and Greg were actually in third place. The breakdown of points is:

Solos

First - Michael Beaumont 290

Second - Daniel Sandler 260

Third - Bob Rosenthal 243

Sidecars

First - Tim Loone & Clint

Chegwidden 255

Second - John Clancy & Warren

Grubb 195

Third - David Wain & Greg Ditchfield

189

Congratulations to Wayne Donehue for receiving the 2018 President's Award, and also to Brad Gorrie who was presented with the Dave Large Encouragement Award. Thanks to

Marg for the photos of the evening.



Thanks to the committee for backing me in my latest dealings with MV regarding the proposed increase of track hire for 2019. Many emails and discussions have been going back and forth over this issue and as it stands at this stage it may look as though the Come and Try Days will no longer be on our 2019 calendar. Our correspondence on the hire agreement will be tabled at the upcoming MV Board meeting and I will keep you all in touch of the outcome (NOT HAPPY JAN!)

2018 has been another fantastic year and we are looking forward to an even greater 2019. I would like to thank the committee for their countless hours of dedicated work, also to our wonderful sponsors, volunteers, medical staff, marshals and all those who work so hard behind the scenes to make this club the best in the WORLD!!!

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year from Capital Hill and Triumph Sub-Headquarters!

See you in the winner's circle!
Toddy

LOOK! Santa has come early to the Todds



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Presentation Dinner

Manhattan Hotel, Friday 7th December



Far Left: Patsy Beaumont accepted the Club Championship Solo Award on behalf of winner Michael Beaumont



Left: Club Championship Sidecar Passenger Clint Chegwidgen receiving his award - Sidecar Rider was Tim Loone



Above: Brad Gorrie receiving the Dave Large Encouragement Award



Above: Garth and wife Amelia Rhodes receiving one of the many raffle prizes - a meal gift voucher donated by the Manhattan Hotel Staff

Left: Doghouse Dave Philpots was presented with the "I've seen the (Indian) Light" award. Judging by this photo he's had plenty of experience being photographed holding a placard!



Above: Wayne Donehue received the President's Award for his efforts on the Norton Commando

In the Chair

From the Editor

The camaraderie between competitors at our events is the stuff of legends. There are always stories of racers helping each other out so they can keep their bikes running, often battling against the competitor who helped them out. It doesn't matter whether it's advice, a vital spare part or a couple of tools, the generosity around the racing paddock is the glue that holds our sport together.

But when you lend an entire race bike to a couple of tools, that's taking things to a whole new level. And so it was that Doghouse Dave and I found ourselves of the Marchy's P4 Norton kneeler. Dave and I are currently "between bikes" and Brian and Leanne were anxiously waiting to fulfil the only role that rates higher than bike racing, grand-parenting. With their daughter Emily and husband Darren due to bring their second child into the world right around Southern Classic time, there was a bike going begging. (Congratulations on the birth of Lucas, he's already familiar with the smell of 80w gear oil).

A big thanks to Brian for the use of the Norton, we only broke it a bit....snapped a throttle cable in one race, electrical gremlin in another race. We finally decided to pull the pin when an imminent blown head gasket

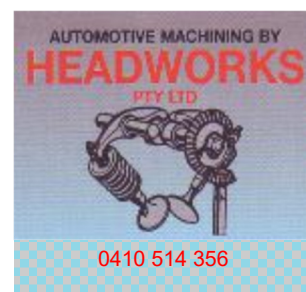
looked likely. It was a great experience and it allowed Dave and I to compete instead of moping around the pits.

I'm always keen to get material for Flatchat whatever it happens to be. This is the clubs magazine and the club is its members, so if you've competed at an event let us know about it (I'm talking to you if you've been to Mac Pack, the Island Classic or even Throttle Stomp!). If you're building a bike, if you've come across some scandalous skeleton hanging in a fellow members closet, let me know. It's always great to get different material to publish so please send it through, I need all the help I can get!

Finally it's a great time of year to be out and about on a motorcycle of any description and I'm sure our Club Permit riders are making the most of the nice weather. So why not plan a ride to Mitcham for a General meeting? The address is the Mitcham Angling Club - 11 Brunswick Road, Mitcham and meetings are (usually) held every 2nd Monday of the month from 7pm. Just check the Facebook page and we'll see you there.



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Front Cover:

Action at the Southern Classic, Fred Schafer on the magnificent Honda CR

Thanks to Russ Murray from Foot In Bowl Photography

Southern Classic

Results from the Southern Classic held at the State Motorcycle Complex Broadford on the 3rd & 4th November 2018. Congratulations to everyone who competed and made it such a great event

	1st	2nd	3rd
Classic 125	Jonathan HOUSTON		
Post Classic 125	Des HEANEY	Stuart GORRIE	Stacey HEANEY
Forgotten Era 125	Darren TINDALE	Lindsay RUSSELL	Melissa FOOT
Classic 250	Darrell BAILEY	Peter FORKES	Jonathan HOUSTON
Post Classic 250	Davey KEENAN	Kevin YOUNGSON	Ron MATTHEWS
Forgotten Era 250	Glen WEDDALL	Ben SHAW	Tony SARA
Classic 350	Greg WATKINS	Eric SALMON	Colin MEREDITH
Post Classic 350	Keith CAMPBELL	Ben JAMES	Bruce MEREDITH
Forgotten Era 350	Hayward CHRIS	Ben SHAW	Peter LARGE
Classic 500	Keith CAMPBELL	Bob ROSENTHAL	Garth FRANCIS
Post Classic 500	Christian CARLSON	Robin WILLIAMS	Garth WILLIAMS
Forgotten Era 500	Glen WEDDALL	Chris HAYWARD	Richard OLBRICH
Forgotten Era 600	Daniel SANDLER	Steve ELFORD	
Class C	Michael BEAUMONT	Ross BOLDING	Keith CAMPBELL
Unlimited Classic	Garth FRANCIS	Keith CAMPBELL	Russell CRADDOCK
Unlimited Post Classic	Darren TINDALE	Simon COOK	Wayne DONEHUE
Unlimited Forgotten Era	Bernie LEEN	Mick MOLONEY	Glen FOSTER
Vintage	Stan MUCHA	Dan GLEESON	Rob URQUHART
Classic 650 Sidecar	P. LARGE / W. ROWE	N. FERNANDO / P. WATSON	M. LARGE / T. LARGE
Classic Unlimited Sidecar	G. FRANCIS / P. KENNY	L. ROCKLIFFE / J. ROCKLIFFE	C. LARGE / P. HEYWOOD
Post Classic 836 Sidecar	D. CHIVAS / S. POUCHER	T. LOONE / C. CHEGWIDDEN	M. HOLLINGSBED / A. TURNER
Post Classic Unlimited Sidecar	M. HOOPER / B. GORRIE	J. CLANCY / W. GRUBB	
Forgotten Era Sidecar	D. ROGERS / M. FOOT	M. KNIGHT / D. RUMBLE	E. POUCHER / B. POUCHER
Formula 2 Sidecar	M. ALTON / C. CLANCY	P. CLANCY / S. BONNEY	T. GOLDIE / J. McCABE

Fastest 40	Garth FRANCIS	Keith CAMPBELL	Craig HEMSWORTH
Lindsey Urquhart Post Classic Sidecar Handicap	T. LOONE / C. CHEGWIDDEN	T. HEWITT / K. HEWITT	D. CHIVAS / S. POUCHER
Ray Kelly Classic Sidecar Handicap	G. Allport / T. FRISCH	D. WAIN / G. DITCHFIELD	G. FRANCIS / P. KENNY

Southern Classic

The 'I've seen the light' award is awarded to a HMRV member who, during the course of the year has had a 'light bulb' moment. It may be as simple as finally sussing out a particular corner, after much fiddling sorting out the jetting on a carb, managing to trace that elusive wire which intermittently causes the engine to stop or deciding on what is the best



bike. The inaugural winner of the 'I've seen the light award' is Dave 'Doghouse' Philpots who was seen racing an Indian at the Southern Classic.

Chrissy, a familiar face amongst the sidecar fraternity and in the 'office' at race meets, mentioned that the only photos of her are her backside hanging out the back of the sidecar. It was pointed out that the photographers were only trying to photograph the Southern Cross on her leathers. So, for the benefit of the HMRV photographers, this is what the 'other end' of Chrissy looks like



After a minor mishap at Mt Tarrengower Julie Skews invested in some new rather shiny black Dainese leathers and was even kind enough to model them for the camera. No doubt, the thumbs up means that she is wrapped (not literally but then again they do seem to fit quite well) in them.

Thanks to Russ Murray from Foot in Bowl Photography who was kind enough to add some stories to a few of his images from the Southern Classic.



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Southern Classic



Left: Peter Large and Wayne Rowe keeping very close company with Luke and James Rockliffe

Below: Wayne Donehue, winner of the President's award on the P4 Norton Commando



Left: Club Permit Organiser, Life Member and Indian stalwart Mick Chegvidden on the 1939 Indian Sport Scout



Left: Team Africa Norton *Ellie May*, (not sure if it's Mick or son Chris Panayi at the bars?)

Below: Glen Weddall gets vey low on the 1976 Yamaha XT 500



Above: Tony Martin on the 1000cc Norvin



Above: Glen Walch on the 500cc 1939 BSA M20



Left: What is the collective term for a group of Vintage and Class C bikes, a wobble? Not sure but Dan Glesson is leading this pack on the Norton Inter

Southern Classic



Above: Mark Hollingshed gives his passenger a bit of air on the Tranzac Honda



Above: Geoff Allport & Toby Frisch on the Triumph Thunderbird



Robert "Buck" Peters was remembered during the Southern Classic with a sidecar parade lap to honour his life and love of sidecar racing. The parade lap on Sunday was lead by Buck's brother Tony on the Pink Pig with his nephew in the chair, and Buck's son Luke with John Clancy both followed by all the sidecars competing at the event . Buck's wife Jill was on hand with the rest of the family and brought the chequered flag down on an emotional and fitting tribute.



Meeting Minutes

November 2018

Date: 19th of November 2018

Time: 7.00 pm

Venue: Mitcham Angling Club

Present: Brian March, Toddy, Pete Large, Doug Hicks, Paddy and Chrissie Clancy, Mick Chegg, Paul Stevenson, Doghouse and Aneta Philpots, Mick Large, Phil Watson

Apologies: Keith Campbell, Marg Todd, Glen Dane, Leanne March

The meeting opened at: 7:00 p.m.

ITEM 1: MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MINUTES:

Last meeting's minutes read. No matters arising.

Moved: Paddy Seconded: Mick Chegg

ITEM 2: PRESIDENTS REPORT

Broadford C&T track hire – Prices going up – from \$1600 to initially \$2500 – MV then dropped the price to \$2000. HMRV are the only road race club running Come and Try's. C&T's have added 20 new racers in 2018. Toddy is going to speak to MV.

We are happy to pay a 2.5% increase but 1600 to 2000 is a 31% increase. Committee voted to cancel C&T's if MV insist on the 31% increase.

John Daly emailed Toddy regarding the clubs Facebook page. JD asked to leave the administering of the club's pages to the committee.

The club dinner – numbers currently sitting on 70.

Doghouse: 3 helmet bags purchased for raffle prizes at the dinner.

Dave needs a cheque for the Manhattan Hotel. Dave Dixon is "re-doing" the club logo....to make a clearer J Peg.

MCAS are becoming a sponsor in 2019.

Coldstream Brewery donating glasses to be presented at the Vic Titles.

Moved: Chrissie Seconded: Doghouse

ITEM 3: SECRETARIES REPORT

Brian: Indian Club has sent out emails to members promoting the Dec. C&T. Lots of phone calls before NATS – people thought we were running it. A few entries for C&T sent to Secretary email....forwarded to Phil.

Race Secretary for 2019 – Brian to be pre-Race Secretary for Vics.

Discussed - Race schedules for 2019....Cancel warm ups/Hand shifters to get their own race. Sub-Committee to look at Winton....cannot continue to increase numbers – 135 in 2018 almost unworkable.

Brian: would like to sort all the supp regs/permits for 2019 asap.

Request from Hand shifters to have the Skeleton hand back on merch and could the Indian and HD t shirts be different colours – maroon for Indian, Orange for HD. Easier to pick from the sidelines and creates more of a "team" ethic. Mick stated that Pete Birthisel is arranging this.

Dinner – Brian to contact: Russ Murray, Yvonne Barker, Gayle (Trophies), Doug Dukes, Vic O'Driscoll, Roger Lawrence

Moved: Doug Seconded: Phil

ITEM 4: DELEGATES REPORT:

No meetings/no minutes.

Moved: Paddy Seconded: Phil

ITEM 5: RACE SECRETARIES REPORT:

SC went smoothly. Brendan Ferrari and Tony Bolin work well together.

Moved: Aneta Seconded: Chrissie

Meeting Minutes

ITEM 6: TREASURERS REPORT

Southern Classic - Bills are coming in/
Sponsors are paying up

160 rider levies to be paid to MV
Refunds – will now accrue a \$30
admin fee to cover credit card fees
and the cost of transponder hire.

\$1200 in gold coins taken at gate.
\$825 paid to scouts.

Moved: Phil Seconded: Brian

ITEM 7: PROMOTION OFFICERS REPORT

Nothing to report.

Moved: Paddy Seconded:
Doug

Item 8: MERCHANDISE OFFICERS REPORT

Sales at the SC:
Saturday – quiet
Sunday – good
Total: \$3441
Vouchers prepared for Xmas Dinner.

Moved: Doghouse Seconded:
Chrissie

Item 9: Mt TARRENGOWER

All good

Moved: Brian Seconded: Doghouse

Item 10: SOUTHERN CLASSIC

All good – er....

Moved: Phil Watson Seconded: Mick
Alton

Item 11: DECEMBER COME AND TRY

SUPP REGS: On Website

OFFICIALS: Grumpy's crew – Booked.

SCRUTINEERS: John Clancy

SIGN ON: Chrissie

VOLUNTEERS: Tony requires 6
currently has 3 that will definitely turn
up. Mick Large to help out

PERMIT: Applied for – not yet
received. Brian will call MV/forward it
on to Chrissie

MEDICAL: RACESOLUTIONS
BOOKED – Brian to email.

Moved: Pete Seconded: Mick Chegg

Item 12: GENERAL BUSINESS

END OF YEAR DINNER? Christmas
Party on 7 December 2018 at the
Manhattan Club.
Morgans: Can't attend but very
grateful for the invitation.

NSW HRR to give Keith Campbell the
perpetual "Keith Campbell Trophy" as
the club is disbanding.

RED Plate insert needs to be put back
into Flatchat, (and to remain).

An invoice needs to be sent to SDPics
for a trader spot at the SC.

Need to change the club address to
current secretaries.

Moved: Mick Large Seconded: Phil

Next meeting: 14th January 2019



HMRAV Club meetings are conducted at the

Mitcham Angling Club - 11 Brunswick Road, Mitcham
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Club Permits

Attention all Club Permit members of the HMRAV.

The club has hundreds of members with Club Permits (Red Plate) which means there are hundreds of renewals to process by members of our volunteer committee.

To ensure that your renewal application is processed, you must include the following along with your renewal notice from Vic Roads:

- You must send a photocopy of your current membership card to show that you are a financial member of HMRAV. This is essential and a Vic Roads requirement for red plate renewals. (In regards to family membership, It is important that each person who is part of that family membership, is known to the club and has been allocated a membership card)
- You must send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to ensure that your renewal gets back to you in a timely fashion and arrives at the right address.

Failure to adhere to these conditions will mean that we can't process your renewal and will lead to delays and frustration for all concerned.

If you have any questions, our Club Permit coordinator, Mick, is only too happy to give out advice. Please call Mick on 0401 819 609 if you need some assistance with Club Permit issues.

The Club Permit scheme is one of the great things about belonging to a club like HMRAV, so please ensure we are supporting the club by getting our renewal processes right the first time.

Please remember you need the following items for successful renewal:

- Renewal notice from Vic Roads;
- Photocopy of current HMRAV membership card;
- Stamped self-addressed envelope.

Any questions please call Mick or a committee member!

Put these dates in your calendar now!

13th & 14th April - Victorian Titles

17th - 19th - Historic Winton

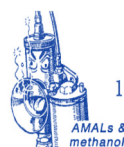
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