

The Magazine Of the Historic Motorcycle Racing Association of Victoria (inc)

# Flatchat

Jan - Feb 2019



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# Behind the Bars

## The Presidents Report

I trust that everyone is keeping well and looking forward to the season ahead. It has been a bit quiet at HMRAV headquarters so not too much to report on my behalf, that is, besides the normal rev up prior to the Eddington Sprints in March and the Victorian Historic Championships in April. Supplementary Regulations and Entry Forms for both of these meetings are now on the HMRAV website.

Entries for Eddington are filling fast but we are still taking a few more so get your entry in quickly if you are interested in this HMRAV Club member event. If you have not ridden here before, you are missing out on a great day (similar to our ever-popular Mt. Tarrengower Hill Climb in October) as an enjoyable, social one-day event. It is well catered for and camping areas are provided beside the main street where the sprints take place. All in all, a great venue!

The Victorian Championship entries are available on the HMRAV website until close-off on 15th March, so get in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. This great race meeting, one of our biggest of the year, is just too good to be missed - either as a competitor or a spectator! Please remember that late entries are no longer accepted. Unfortunately, all pit sheds are booked out, so if you need pit shed space it might be an idea to post on the HMRAV FB page requesting someone to share with you.

As reported in the last issue of FLATCHAT regarding the HMRAV Come and Try days were no longer to be run, but I'm happy to let you know that we

have been in negotiations with MV and now have one booked for 28th July, so mark this date on your calendar.

Take your time and enjoy this issue of FLATCHAT and hope to see many of you at either Eddington Sprints or our big event Vic Champs,

See you in the winners circle!  
Toddy



*Right: Nourish Head  
on Toddy's new toy*

*Front Cover:  
Action at Throttle  
Stomp, Clint  
Chegwidden grabs a  
gear on the drag strip*

*Thanks to Russ  
Murray from Foot In  
Bowl Photography*

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# In the Chair

From the Editor

## Tasmania Road Trip.

Sometime last year a couple of Tim Loone's mates started talking about a trip to the Ulverstone bike show in February. Word started filtering through about a possible Tassie road trip and as numbers grew an expedition evolved.

P3 sidecar regular Luke Rockliffe has been making his way to the mainland for our events for a few years now, first as a spectator and now as a competitor at the pointy end of the field and he took on the role of fixer and guide. He's been around long enough to know what he was getting himself in for but he jumped at the opportunity to show a dozen misfits and freaks on the most eclectic group of machines ever assembled around Tassie.

(And a very special thanks to Luke's wife Claire and boys Will and Austin for feeding and putting-up with us)

Tim Loone was also instrumental from the mainland supplying no less than 4 bikes for people to ride and working with Luke on accommodation and organisation.

It didn't take long for the challenges of a ride like this to start to appear. Tim's neighbour Bruce had been busily building an XS650 for the trip and a number of inevitable teething issues had appeared. After thinking the bike was good to go, the night before departure the motor was out...not ideal. Confidence was high as some

of the riders left Inverleigh for the rendezvous at Port Melbourne but 5 minutes later with a dead bike by the side of the road it was decided to replace the 650 with Tim's mighty XS1100.

Planning what riding gear to wear and what to bring on a trip is always a challenge. Looking cool is obviously a high priority and with a record dry spell and warm weather it looked like a pretty safe bet that being water proof wasn't a priority. But day 3 saw a number of riders heading to the hardware store for whatever over-pants were available – would sir like bright yellow or fluoro yellow.

After a couple of beautiful dry days the remaining days saw us dodging showers but still having a great time. Riding around Tassie is fantastic, the trip over and back on the boat is easy and well organised and we were only part of a large number of bikes make the trip over and back. I can't wait to get back over again

Above left: a temporary stop, semi-sheltered, under a couple of large trees seemed like a good way to avoid the hail..

Left: A photo from The Longford Hotel famous as the inside corner of a road course used for the Australian GP for cars and bikes in the 50's and 60's



Below: The Ulverstone Bike Show. The parking area held just as many great bikes as those in the show





# Throttle Stomp

And now for something a little bit different. A contingent of HMRAV members descended on Bairnsdale for Throttle stomp. A Pre 69 traditional Kustom Kulture weekend that included Heads up racing on bitumen and dirt where you could race your mates and party into the night at the Stomp Bar with bands and on-site camping available. What's not to love about a weekend like that! Our regular photographer Russ Murray was there to capture the event.



Above: Tim giving Shelby some stick and the crowd some, actually a lot of dust



Above: Ross, Clint, Jason skews and Tim.



Right: Clint Chegwiddden's '33 coupe & '39 Sport Scout,

Below: Tim Loone having a bit of trouble going straight



Below: Mick Chegwiddden having some fun on his 1941 Scout,

Far Right: Ross Bolding on the Harley WR



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# Mt Tarrengower History

Dave Gittus has compiled some information on the return of Motorcycles to Mt Tarrengower.

Motorcycles returned to the Tarrengower Hillclimb in 2001 after the Vintage Sports Car Club of Victoria approached me and asked if I could get a few bikes along to liven things up a bit. At the time I was the owner of The Motorcyclist's Emporium in Maldon. The HMRAV agreed and planning began.

Bikes last competed at Tarrengower in the early 1980's.

Right is the entry list for 1982

CLASSIC SOLO MOTORCYCLES.		
Trophy Donated by Castlemaine Motor Cycles. Yamaha Dealers.		
RIDER	MACHINE	CC.
J. Todd	1937 Ariel	600
D. Hicks	1948 BSA	500
M. Large	1958 Triumph	650
D. Large	1952 Vincent	998
N. Fenelon	1932 AJS/JAP	650
D. McLellan	1950 AJS 7R	350

CLASSIC OUTFITS		
Trophy Donated by Castlemaine Motor Cycles. Yamaha Dealers		
RIDERS	MACHINE	CC.
G. Watson/P. Gallus	1957 BSA	650
D. Large/M. Large	1956 Triumph	650
J. Todd/R. Todd	1940 Ariel	600

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MALDON**

*The bikes  
are back!*

**SUNDAY 21st OCTOBER, 2001**

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THE VINTAGE SPORTS CAR CLUB OF VICTORIA (INC.),  
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AND HISTORIC MOTORCYCLE RACING ASSOC.

Admission: \$ 7.00 Adult - \$3.00 Child - \$15.00 Family.

ADMISSION BY PROGRAM

## Results 2001

Fastest Classic Unlimited:

**Brett Rose - Norton 500cc -**  
Fastest run 49.57

Fastest Classic up to 350cc:

**Calvin Merlo - BSA 350 -**  
Fastest run 54.12

Classic up to 350cc 2<sup>nd</sup>:

**Mark Seeger BSA 350 - 71.69**

Fastest Post Classic:

**Aaron Sava - Honda 750 -**  
Fastest run 46.96

Post Classic: 2<sup>nd</sup> **Keith Roberts**  
**Suzuki TR500 53.92**

Post Classic: 3<sup>rd</sup> - **Noel Egan -**  
**Honda 450 - 51.98**

Fastest Pre-war - **Dave Gittus -**  
**1936 AJS 250cc - 64.96**

Pre-war 2<sup>nd</sup> **Darryn Geoghegan -**  
**AJS 250 1938 - 78.18**

Sidecars 1<sup>st</sup> -

**Dave Large / J. Greenwood -**  
**HRD1200 - 52.96**

2<sup>nd</sup> - **Mike large / Geoff Neill -**  
**Triumph 650 - 55.81**

3<sup>rd</sup> - **Peter Large / Peter Summers**  
**- Triumph 650 - 57.93**



# Mt Tarrengower History



SOLO up to 500cc				
No.	RIDER	MACHINE	CC	YEAR
44	Sean Kenny	BSA	350	1958
84	Trevor Hurrey	Honda Four	350	1972
77	Lewis Gittus	Suzuki	125	1969
116	Paul Erwin	Honda	450	1972
155	Noel Egan	Honda	450	1970
10	Dave Gittus	Matchless	500	1937
31	Graham McDonald	Rudge	500	1932
32	Brendan O'Neill	JAP	500	1957
21	Lloyd Collins	Norton Inter	500	1950

SIDECARS				
No.	RIDER	MACHINE	CC	YEAR
4	R. Todd / T. Spiers	Triumph S/car	650	1954
05	D. Gorrie / TBA	BSA S/car	650	1953
43	D. Wain/G. Ditchfield	Triarrel S/car	650	1962
88	L. Jones/C. Panayi	BSA B33 S/car	530	1957
70	C. Large/P. Heywood	Triumph S/car	800	1954
74	M. Large/G. Neil	Triton S/car	650	1954
79	D. Large/T. Diprose	Triumph S/car	700	1954
87	P. Large/C. Trounson	Triumph S/car	700	1955

SOLO over 500cc				
No.	RIDER	MACHINE	CC	YEAR
87	Colin Will	Norvin	1000	1948
23	Dave Cordy	Vincent Black Shadow	1000	
51	David Thompson	Vincent	1200	1954
55	Mark Eyre	Honda	736	1972
62	Des Heany	BSA A65	650	1963
101	Stephen Bain	Norton Commando	750	1972



Lining up at the start of 2002 Tarrengower Hillclimb,  
**10** Dave Gittus – 1937 Matchless 500, **05** Doug Gorrie BSA 650, **79** Dave Large/T. Diprose Triumph 650,  
**31** Graham McDonald Rudge 500, **101** Stephen Bain, Norton 750

# Meeting Minutes

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## February 2019 GENERAL MEETING

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> February 2019  
Time: 7.00 pm  
Venue: Mitcham Angling Club

Present: Brian March, Leanne March, Craig Longhurst, Nina Longhurst, Bob Rosenthal, Glen Dane, Dave Philpots, Aneta Philpots, Mick Large,

Apologies: Phil Watson, Robert Todd, Marg Todd, Doug Hicks, Pete Large, Chrissie Clancy, John Clancy, Mick Chegwiddden

The meeting opened at: 7.05p.m.

### ITEM 1: MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST MINUTES:

Last meeting's minutes read and approved.

Moved: Glen      Seconded: Craig

### ITEM 2: PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No president's report.

Moved: Mick      Seconded: Aneta

### ITEM 3: SECRETARIES REPORT

Tabled email from Rutherglen Wines. Email from Buller Wines. Requested if any interest in members displaying some bikes. Tabled at meeting. Will put a mention on Facebook and also in FlatChat.

Tabled email from VMRAV. Dinner and Drinks on 3 May 2019 with the Veteran Motorcycle Racing Association of Victoria.

All officials, Medical and Computime booked for HMRVAV Open events – see list.

Have Marshals/Grumpy's crew been booked?

Email sent to A7 regarding Bike schedule.

Moved: Leanne      Seconded: Dave

### ITEM 4: DELEGATES REPORT

MA looking at a ruling that you don't need to be in a club to race. Pay directly to MA and bypass clubs. Discussion.

Moved: Glen      Seconded: Nina

### ITEM 5: RACE SECRETARIES REPORT

Entries for Eddington and Vics on the website

Moved: Craig      Seconded: Bob

### ITEM 6: TREASURERS REPORT

Refer to attachments from Treasurer.  
Discussion on rationale for use of different banks

Moved: Mick      Seconded: Aneta

### ITEM 7: PROMOTION OFFICERS REPORT

Posters provided.  
No passes – gold coin donation to enter.  
Marg and Pete to chase up if all sponsors have paid from the Southern Classic.

Moved: Leanne      Seconded: Brian

### Item 8: MERCHANDISE OFFICERS REPORT

All merchandise on order.  
Unveiling of new flag.  
2 banners which will be kept in the van to use at race meetings and other events, i.e., Christmas party.  
Copy of design for new T Shirts circulated.  
Jackets will also be available.

Moved: Dave      Seconded: Glen

### Item 8: GENERAL BUSINESS

Michelle Loone asked whether stickers can be available for inclusion in everyone's membership – with the new logo. Mick Cheg to chase up – black and gold; black and silver. Would like stickers available by May as people will begin to pay membership.

Discussion on social memberships – are they still required? To remain - "Social" to be stamped on membership.

Mick to show Craig the Southern Classic trophy with a view to repairs to clean it up.

Brian to follow up with Grumpies crew for marshalls for the year.

Moved: Nina      Seconded: Craig

### Next meeting: 18 March 2019

Meeting closed: 8.18 pm.



# What else is happening....



The Veteran Racing Motorcyclists Association will be holding their annual dinner on Friday 3rd May 2019.

The VRMAV was formed some years ago to ensure the friendships made through Motorcycle racing could continue in a social manner through it's annual dinner held on the first Friday in May each year.

The key criteria for membership is you must have held a competition motorcycle or racing officials licence 20 years or more ago, or be a spouse, family member or carer of an eligible member or a key

supporter of the motorcycle racing industry.

Registration forms and any other information can be found by contacting Karen Lambert-McKay [veteranracingmotorcyclists@gmail.com](mailto:veteranracingmotorcyclists@gmail.com)

Wakefield Park will be hosting the All-Historic racing event for two, three and four wheels. Including pre 1963, Period 3 & Older Solos and sidecars for bikes and for cars pre 1961 and older racing and sports cars.

racesecretary@wakefieldpark.com.au'. Logos for sponsors like Goulburn Workers, LAT, and others are at the bottom."/&gt;

## 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  
**Come along and join us!**



# 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 FULL financial member of HMRAV (Racing and Red Plate member only - Social membership does not entitle members to Red Plate privileges). 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 you 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!**

**30th March - Eddington Sprint**

**13th & 14th April - Victorian Titles**

**17th - 19th May - Historic Winton**

**28th July Come & Try Day Broadford**

**19th & 20th October - Mt Tarrengower Hillclimb**

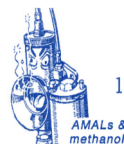
**2nd & 3rd November - Southern Classic**

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