



THE Albany Chapter of the Patriots Australia had their 1st Annual Christmas Charity Poker Run. About 85 riders including Harley, Chester, Dave, Robert, Ronnie and I turned up at the Old Goal on Saturday the 20th of November. This is where we picked our first card. We took the Lower Denmark road to Young Siding for the 2nd card. The weather was absolutely great but it got pretty hot when we rode back to Albany on the South Coast Hwy. We turned off onto Link Road and took the Albany Highway to Narrikup where we picked the 3rd card. It got even hotter when we turned into Yellanup Road, a sheep ran onto the road right next to me which scared the living daylights out of me. It got cooler as soon as we rode south again on Chester Pass Road. We picked the 4th card at Bakers Junction and went via Bon Accord Road, Lower King Road and Mercer Road back to Chester Pass Road. The ride ended at the King River Tavern where we had a nice cold drink, the sausages were sizzling on the BBQ and it was great catching up with people. The ride was very well organized and we hope to join the Patriots again next year.

LEFT: Antoinet with her new bike. ABOVE the 1st Christmas Charity Poker Run.

BRIDGETOWN RIDE

IT WAS a nice sunny day and eight of our member's gathered to ride to Bridgetown. Numbers where down as a lot of the members went to Wagin on the pre 70's bike. We travelled to Mt Barker, were we picked up Harley, and then on to Frankland via the Martagallup Rd where we stopped for morning tea. There was a noticeable absence of a couple of riders we waited and only one out of the 2 turned up it was Jack he had visited some friends on the way. Mick S was still missing we imagined he had carried on, so we carried on to the Winnejup Rd turn off and on to Bridgetown nice ride through there. Arrived at Bridgetown about 1 pm, hot, thirsty and hunger Ray Mac, who was travelling to Augusta, was supposed to be there to have lunch with us but we didn't see him, so we all headed off to the park to eat our lunches. Still no Mick S. At about 2 pm we decided to make a move to Manjimup where all fuelled up, Harley stayed behind to visit his son and family, we carried on to Walpole for afternoon refreshments beer, coffee, tea, etc. cooling down but still warm. After a chinwag and some revivers we all headed for home. Later I found out that Mick had followed the mag directions and went thorough Rocky Gully and waited an hour for us, lucky he did as Chrissy also planed to meet us there, hence they did the ride together, and, found Ray, Bruce, John S and a few more who came across from Wagin. Sorry



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we missed ya's. Apart from that glitch all had a great ride in some nice country on a brilliant day.



