

Wendy and Andrew on the 250cc BMW. Wagin via Narrogin. We had a laugh with Raelene in the sidecar

trying to take photos of everyone as they rode past. After arriving back at the camping area we must have been looking a bit rough & ready sitting around relaxing and having a few refreshments because the local constabulary (who were driving past) whipped into the park in their patrol car stopping right at our site, but of course they were only there to admire the fine machinery we were all riding!

We had a BBQ that night using the campground facilities and were joined by Jack and Margaret Macdonald, well known from previous Hill Climbs and Bunbury/Collie clubs. Margaret also brought along some yummy salads which went down well with our BBQ. The "beer police" (Chris) took charge of the esky as it seemed too much Export was being consumed and after some frivolity with the ice blocks the boys were allowed to get back at the esky. Jack had some good yarns from days gone by "involving bikes" of

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Sunday we packed up and headed back to Albany via Katanning, and Huw was heading back to Perth via York.

We stopped for coffee at Oscars and when leaving Ronnie noticed a bolt on the ground, which he quickly placed under Bob's BMW and after a good laugh we discovered that it had fallen out of the Ariel rear stand! We managed to fix it with a "Whitworth hammer and Whitworth crescent!"... and a couple of cable ties.

Continuing on to Albany and yet another food and fuel stop at Mt Barker bakery. When we left Ronnie was still as the service station without Raelene realising but he managed to get home safely. All round it was a successful and enjoyable weekend without incidence and no one needing to use the trailer.



Garry attending to his loose bolt problem.

FUTURE CLUB EVENTS IN DETAIL

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11:

Albany Charity Ride: Meet at the Old Gaol at 10 am (or earlier) and leave at approx 10.15 am for a ride around Albany before delivering toys/food/money to the Salvation Army at Alison Hartman Gardens, York Street. Support this great event organised by the VMCC. Our Club supports all the Charity Rides in the State and you can ride your Club licensed bike on any of these rides.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19:

Cheynes Beach Ride: A great ride to bring out the old/slow bike. Ride along the Lower King Road to Hunton Road, stopping at the Upper Kalgan Tea Rooms for a coffee/ice cream before heading out to Cheynes Beach for a BYO lunch. Should be nice enough for a swim ha ha. Meet at the Mercer/Chester Pass info bay at 10 am BACK-UP AVAILABLE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 26

Boxing Day Ride: Get rid of that hangover by hopping on the bike and riding over to Denmark for a bit of a chat by the river. If you wish to have a bit more of a ride a blast around Scotsdale Road is a good idea. Leave Mercer/Chester Pass Rd info bay at 2 pm. NO BACK-UP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

Bring Your Oldest Bike Ride: To encourage the use of your old bike and get it out of the shed - this ride is designed for you. A ride out to Youngs Siding for a break before heading back into Albany to Emu Point for lunch. We'll head for the same spot as last year, the road where we parked the bikes was Roe Parade, but you can always park them on the beach side of the boat carpark, but if it turns out its blowing a gale there we'll most probably change to the other side of Emu Point. Of course if your oldest bike is your newest bike bring that! Leave Mercer/Chester Pass Rd info bay at 10 am. BACK-UP AVAILABLE.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

Stirlings, Boxwood Hills, Wellstead Ride: Leave Mercer/Chester Pass Rd info bay at 9.30 am stopping at Kamballup for a coffee before heading through the Stirlings to Boxwood Hills for lunch, then Wellstead and home. NO BACK-UP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 23

Tuning Day & Sausage Sizzle: From 10 am on there will be a Tuning Day at Bob & Chris' place (13 Stewart Street). The shed and its contents will be open for the use of Club members to tune and hopefully fix any problems they're having with their bikes. On hand will be plenty of advice and help from Club members who've been involved with bikes for a long time. We can't fix everything, but we can have a bit of fun trying. It's also an ideal time to iron out any problems with your concessionally licensed bike before Inspection Day in April.

A Sausage Sizzle lunch will be supplied by the Club together with tea and coffee. Even if you've nothing to fix come along and enjoy the day. If you have an special tools which you think would be useful bring them along.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Breakfast at Cosy Corner: Meet at the info bay at Mercer/Chester Pass Rd at 8 am to make the most of the morning summer sunshine. We'll head out to Cosy Corner to light the BBQ's for a BYO breakfast, at this time of the year it is empty of campers and caravanners, but not for much longer, so make the most of it. Might get someone to check the BBQ's beforehand this time around. BACK-UP AVAILABLE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Kamballup/Kendenup/Porongurups Ride: Leave Mercer/Chester Pass Rd info bay at 10 am stopping at Kamballup for a break before continuing down the Woogenellup Road to Kendenup where we'll have lunch. Return to Albany along the Porongurups Road. NO BACK-UP