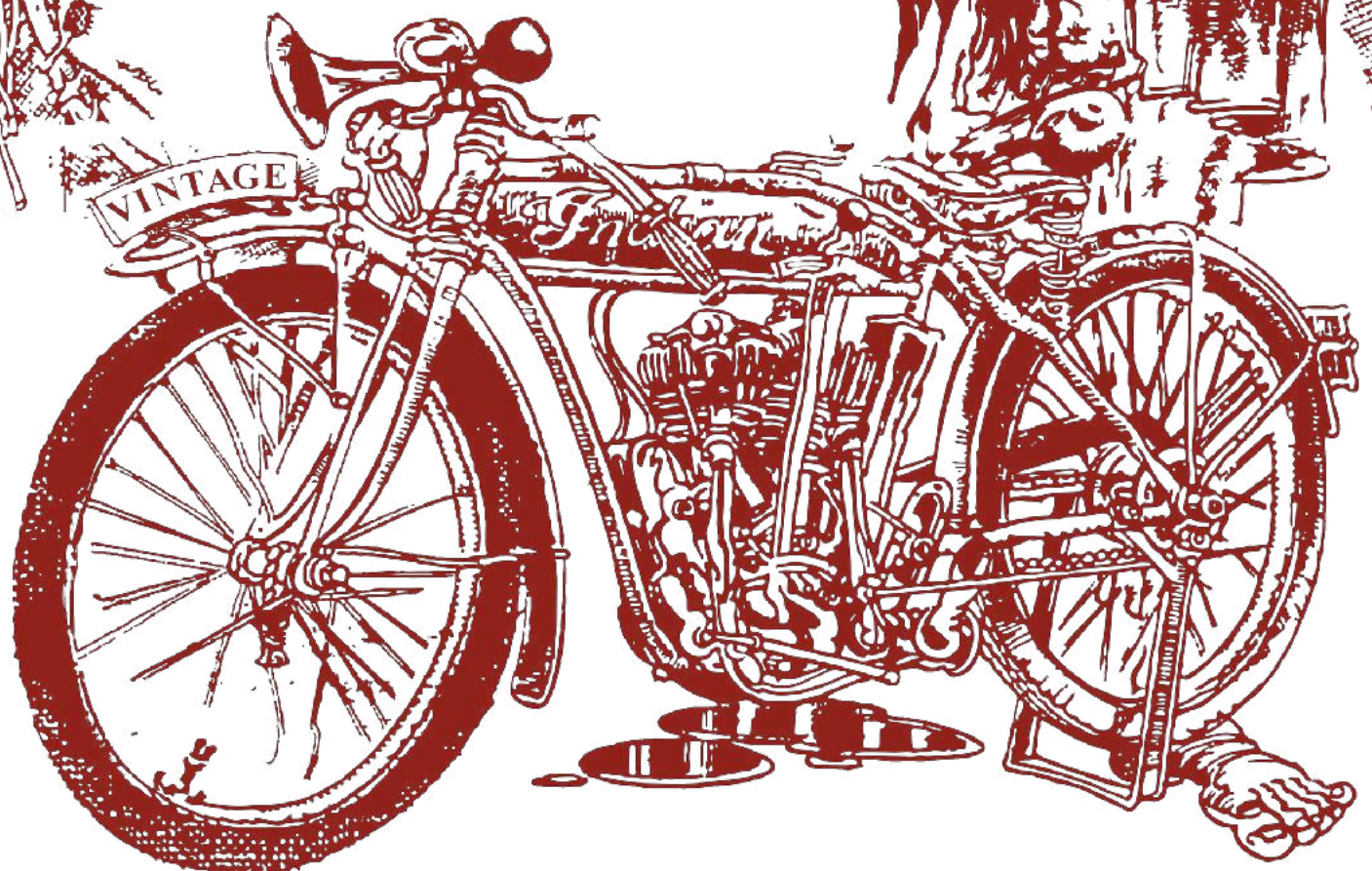


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REGISTRATION FOR RIDES AND EVENTS

As is usual this time of the year, the Club's events calendar is pretty full. With perfect weather for riding our great roads, there's a lot on.

And with more rides now involving some sort of social gathering, it's important members Register for events when requested.

Very often, members hold off on this, waiting to see what the weather holds closer to the date, or they just delay and then forget to do it. As a result, we sometimes end up with more bikes in the event than expected.

This makes it difficult for those organising catering.

Therefore, if you do intend to take part in a ride and Registration is indicated, can you please go into the website and register. If you don't have access to the web, or things change after registering, please phone the ride organiser and let them know.

And to assist with this, the Events Calendar in Classic Vibrations will now highlight when Registration is requested.

Thanks.

DEADLINE FOR ADVERTISEMENTS AND ARTICLES:

FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2025

CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES 2025/26

Nomination Fee	\$50
Single Member	\$75
Family Membership	\$80

NOW DUE

Events Calendar for November 2025

DATE	EVENT	START TIME	START POINT
Sat 1st Nov to Sun 2nd Nov	Albany Hill Climb	7:00 am	Albany
Tues 4th Nov	Committee Meeting	6:30 pm	BMCC Clubrooms
Wed 5th Nov	Mandurah Mid Week Ride	9:00 am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Sat 8th Nov to Sun 9th Nov	Donnybrook Veteran Muster (Registration)	7:00am	Transit Park, Reserve St, Donnybrook
Tues 11th Nov	Club Meeting	7:30 pm	BMCC Clubrooms
Weds 12th Nov	Bunbury Mid Week Ride	9:00 am	Eaton Hall, Pratt Rd, Eaton
Weds 12th Nov	Busselton Mid Week Ride	9:00 am	Caltex Service Stn, Causeway Road, Busselton
Weds 12th Nov	Mandurah Mid Week Ride	9:00 am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Fri 14th Nov	Bunbury Tortoise Ride	9:00 am	Dolphin Discovery Centre Carpark, Bunbury
Fri 14th Nov	Busselton Tortoise Ride	9:00 am	Caltex Service Stn, Causeway Road, Busselton
Sun 16th Nov	John McDermott's Sidecar Run	9:00am	Old Railway Station Bunbury
Tues 18th Nov	Mechanical Workshop	9:00 am	211 Garvey Rd, Crooked Brook
Weds 19th Nov	Mandurah Mid Week Ride	9:00 am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Weds 19th Nov	Mandurah Mob Meeting	6:00 pm	Dudley Park Bowling & Recreation Club
Sat 22nd Nov	IHC Christmas Dinner (Registration by 7 Nov)	5:30 pm	Mantra Lighthouse Hotel, Bunbury
Sun 23rd Nov	Leigh & Janet's Two-Stroke Ride (Registration)	9:00am	Dudley Park Bowling & Rec' Club, Cnr Comet & Eden Sts, Mandurah
Sun 23rd Nov	Mandurah Mob Ride	9:30 am	Council/Cicerello's Carpark, Mandurah
Weds 26th Nov	Busselton Mid Week Ride	9:00 am	Caltex Service Station, Causeway Road, Busselton

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Weds 26th Nov	Mandurah Mid Week Ride	9:00 am	Ampol Foodary, Oakleigh Drive, Erskine
Fri 28th Nov	Busselton Tortoise Ride	9:00 am	Caltex Service Stn, Causeway Road, Busselton
Sat 29th Nov to Sun 30th Nov	Pemberton Overnighter (Registration)	10:00am	Eaton Hall, Pratt Rd, Eaton

Get Your IHC Friends Together!

INDIAN HARLEY CLUB



Christmas Dinner Party!

SATURDAY | 22 NOV. | AT 5:30 PM



BUNBURY MANTRA LIGHTHOUSE HOTEL
2 CAREY STREET, BUNBURY

TWO-COURSE MEAL- \$50.00PP (EXC DRINKS)

BOOKING AND PAYMENT BY 7 NOVEMBER
(SEE OUR EVENTS PAGE FOR DETAILS,
INCLUDING OF THE MENU)



ENQUIRIES: CALL HELEN GREENMOUNT
0419 158 569



Come along in something festive for a fun night!

Around the Club

Of Tortoises and Hares: The Evolution of the Busselton Section

The Busselton section of the club has seen a gradual growth and increasing numbers of old bikes taking part in its rides. The section's growth has been an evolutionary process over a number of years.

The Club has long had a good number of members from the Busselton and surrounding districts and, in the days when events consisted of regular fortnightly club rides starting from the Entertainment Centre carpark in Bunbury, many would trailer their old bikes up to Bunbury to join in.

And for many years, the Busselton crew contributed with what became a much anticipated event on the IHC calendar, the annual 'Coastal Run' which, for some 25 years, was organised and hosted by Darryl Warner and his wife Jenny.

The seeds for today's section as we now know it were sown some twenty years ago when some of the Busselton members would ride to Terry Germain's for a coffee. Eventually, these rides were made official with the club, allowing concessional bikes to take part in a decent local ride.

More riders joined in, and the rides started getting longer and faster; less suited to old bikes. Given this, in a discussion with Peter Whiteside who was the informal Busselton leader at the time, the then IHC President, Richard Clark suggested (around 2016), that it'd be good to formally establish a ride liaison officer and look at regular rides.



Some of the Busselton crew enjoying morning tea at the Hippo Lakes Cafe, in Chapman Hill, while on their October Tortoise ride.

Following on from this, largely with the late Phil Bussanich taking initiative to get things rolling, the Busselton Tortoise rides came into being.

The group came up with three rules for their Tortoise rides; keeping speeds down to around 80km/h, courses between 80 and 120km and, most importantly, if you overtake the lead rider, you're up for a carton of beer.



Tony Griffith is the Ride Liaison Officer for the Busselton Tortoise Rides.

The Tortoise rides commenced, and gave the opportunity for members to get their old bikes out, while the longer rides also continued, giving members choice.

The Busselton section has focused mainly on rides. It doesn't hold meetings, but instead has two ride Liaison Officers who share responsibility for organising rides. Tony Griffiths takes on the Tortoise rides, while Stephen Pidgeon arranges the longer mid-week rides.

Both ride types are well attended, with 10 to 15 bikes taking part, including regular attendances from several riders who come from Bunbury to participate.

For the October Tortoise ride, held on 10 October, about 15 bikes attended, with nine being older concessional machines. The ride stopped off at the Hippo Lakes Cafe, one of their favourite stop off points.

Around the Club

A Return to the Capel Bakery: The Bunbury Tortoise Ride

News at Tuesday's general meeting that the Capel Bakery had reopened led to a quick change of venue, from Collie to Capel to check out their offerings. We were not disappointed!

We had a good turnout of 12 solos, 2 pillions, 1 outfit with a passenger, and left the Dolphin Centre car park in beautiful weather for what turned out to be the long way around to Capel, which was somewhat of a miscalculation on my part.



Some of the participants at the start of the October Tortoise ride.



Ride leader Ross Eaton at the rider's briefing in the Dolphin Discovery Centre car park.

After meandering through the Ferguson Valley and a 10 minute pit stop at Donnybrook we headed along Goodwood Road to the very busy Capel Bakery. Tracy, our official pie taster, gave the Bakery the thumbs up.

I'd recommend it as a venue for any of our rides.

Thanks to Wayne and Denise for acting T.E.C. and to Charles for providing trailer backup. No incidents, and only 1 bike ended up on the trailer.

Ross Eaton (Tortoise Ride Leader)

NEWS FLASHES - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Pemberton Overnighter

The Club Captain, Frank Barron, would like to bring to bring member's attention the forthcoming Pemberton Overnight Ride, which will be held on the weekend of the 29 and 30 November, 2025.

This event is primarily arranged to get old bikes and pre-48ers out on the road and, as such, a back-up trailer will be in attendance.

Everyone is welcome to attend the event, including those on more modern machines. It's also been suggested that those not riding as much these days and gravitating to classic cars (as several are these days), might like to join in as well.

Frank has checked with the Pemberton Hotel and accommodation is readily available at present, but likely to fill up fast as time draws near.

So, check your calendar and please register for the ride and book your accommodation asap.

Christmas Dinner

Club members certainly enjoy social occasions and the lead up to Christmas is a perfect opportunity to get together.

Our Christmas Dinner on 22 November is bound to be a fun evening. Why not get a group together, **but make sure to Register/Pay by 7 November.**

All outlying sections are welcome and encouraged to come along if possible.

70th Anniversary Veteran & Vintage Rally - South Australia (12 to 16 October 2026)

If you are interested in attending this event, please get your **EOI** in asap. The SA Veteran & Vintage Motorcycle Club has reserved accommodation for participants.

Please refer to *Invitation Events* (on our website).

Around the Club

Three Days on the Road: The 2025 Wheatbelt Run.

The weather gods were smiling at us for this year's Wheatbelt Ride....

It was a bit chilly when we set out from Eaton at 9am on the Wednesday morning, the start of the three day ride, but by the time we got to Jarrahdale, some warm layers of clothing were stripped off.



First morning tea stop and muster point with the Busselton Crew was stop the Jarrahdale General Store.



We all had a good morning tea stop at the General Store and then took off for lunch at the Mundaring Hotel.

Some of the Busso' mob got lost near Kalamunda because of a dodgy GPS waypoint, but they eventually found a turning point and got back on track.

After a good old pub feed at Mundaring we headed for the famous O'Brien Rd and stopped at Brocky's memorial for a while.

From there we took a few nice backroads into Toodyay and checked in to our accommodation.

We all gathered at the Victoria Hotel for a night of tall stories and plenty of laughs.



Paul Lampo, Dave Gaunt, Mal Watson and Tom French enjoying a beer at the pub in Toodyay.

After a night of great snoring and reports of wind in some cabins, we headed for the Toodyay bakery on the Thursday morning for an early coffee. Some of the more cultured riders had croissants!



Charles Smalley, Dan Lock and Ross Carn enjoying a break in Wongan Hills.

Three Days on the Road: The 2025 Wheatbelt Run cont'd.

Dave rounded up the group, and we headed for Wongan Hills via Calingiri and Yerecoin, where we were accompanied by about 6 trillion Kamikaze bugs along the way. The weather was perfect, and the crops and vistas were magnificent.

After filling up with fuel, food and coffee in Wongan, we headed eastwards to Dowerin. That was except for me and the three bikes that were following me. I'd missed the turnoff with the biggest, newest, most obvious sign!

My group of followers (who strangely didn't follow me again for the rest of the ride) made it to Dowerin where the rest were having a beer or an ice cream.



The scenery throughout the wheatbelt was magnificent and the crops were looking good; but the bugs!

After a bit of a look around town and cleaning the bugs off our helmets we headed south for the shaky town of Meckering. Dave Gaunt must have ridden through an earthquake on his BMW because his phone bounced out of its cradle and skidded along the road for about 50 metres. The guys he was riding with turned around and luckily found the shattered but still alive phone (legend has it that when it was found it was playing "Hit the Road Jack" on iTunes).

After a break and a refuel at the bustling Meckering roadhouse we headed north back along some more fantastic roads towards Toodyay (via a supposedly closed but now very open Jennacubbine Tavern) for another night's festivities.

On the Friday morning, we woke up to the soothing sounds of chortling Magpies, Willy Wagtails and a Honda VFR800 and Triumph Thruxton. Stu and Glenn headed back home early to beat the crowds.

The rest of us again headed to the bakery for more coffee (and croissants for the cultured ones).

After packing up and saying cheerio to some, we headed out for Northam where we were overtaken by a Camry driver that thought double white lines over crests and around bends meant that it was safe to overtake.



Rocky (2) had the 'Presidential Suite' and this was his view. At least he could keep an eye on the bikes.

Despite the odds, we made it through Northam (shaken but unscathed) and onto the famous Spencers Brook Road to York. It was too soon to stop in York, so we went ahead along the Top Beverley Road; where we played chicken on the narrow road with a new harvester on a low loader - we lost.

At Beverley we topped up for morning tea and coffee. From there we went to Brookton for a final fuel up then on to Pingelly, and Boddington where we farewelled Paul on his nice new Moto Guzzi. It was then on to Dwellingup for a late lunch.

The wind was picking up and the skies were starting to look a bit ominous, but we all made it home without getting wet.

It was another fantastic few days of riding around this beautiful region, covering just under 1,100 kilometres with a great group of people.

Thanks to everyone who participated (21 riders, 5 pillions and Faye and Ross in their mighty Outback).

A special thanks to Charles Smalley who was our back up driver and cat herder.

Bring on the 2026 Wheat Belt Ride.

Rocky 2.

Around the Club

Party Time in Cuballing - This Year's Mandurah Meander

Spring is always a busy time for the Club and this year has been no exception, with some milder weather offering great riding opportunities.

And one of the biggest events during Spring on the Mandurah Mob's calendar is their annual two-day ride, the Mandurah Meander, which was held over the weekend of October 11 and 12.

This year the event was attended by some 37 people, with 24 bikes ridden on the event, including several concessionally licensed bikes.

The overnight destination on day one of the weekend classic was the small wheatbelt town of Cuballing, which lies on the Great Southern Highway between Pingelly and Narrogin.



Mandurah Meander revellers at Cuballing.

On the Saturday morning, the Mandurah Mob headed off to Waroona, where they stopped for morning tea and were joined by eight members from Bunbury (some bikes and some in cars).

From there, they took a scenic route up through Nanga Brook and then on to Boddington, where riders stopped for lunch.

After lunch, the riders rode through to the Cuballing Tavern, where most were accommodated. Because of the popularity of the Meander, the hotel couldn't accommodate all, so overflow accommodation was found in Narrogin, which the others rode through to. Taxi transport had been arranged between Narrogin and Cuballing to shuttle those staying in Narrogin to the dinner event.

As is customary these days for the Meander, the dinner was a fancy dress event, with the theme being the letter 'P'. This added to the atmosphere of the event, with all getting into the spirit of things.



The Cuballing Tavern put on a good meal.

The pub provided an excellent meal and there was considerable revelry well into the night.

Several did party a little too hard and paid the price, pulling up on the Sunday morning feeling worse for wear.



Sue West & Marg Hill from the Mandurah Mob.

After breakfast in Cuballing, the crew prepared to head over to Collie. Unfortunately, one of the older bikes struck some problems and had to be loaded on the back-up trailer. After Collie, those from Bunbury parted ways with the Mandurah riders.

Once again, the Meander was a great success, and a highlight event for the Mandurah mob.

Other Events & Information

Warriors of the Dust!



The Red Dust Revival at Lake Perkolilli

'The bike is pitching and moving about over the ruts and small corrugations as you round the sweeping bend, and there is nothing but red dust ahead.

Coming out of the bend, the corrugations ease and the track becomes smooth. You know how to read the breeze and find the line where the dense haze from the bikes in front has dissipated and is drifting to the outside of the track, so you move to the inside and find yourself riding in a tunnel of clean air, with a clear view of the main straight ahead, and give the old JAP 500 its head.

The bike is surging forward and pulling more than 70mph. You are closing in on the bikes ahead, but out of the corner of your eye you see a vertical dust cloud, twisting and spiralling upward in the dry heat, and it's making its way toward the track. You keep the throttle open, hoping to pass ahead of it, but the willy-willy crosses just in front, causing the bike to weave. Suddenly you get "dusted out" and all you can do is hold your line and maintain speed to ride it out until the air clears, all the while hoping the riders around you do the same in this blinding red haze.

This is motorcycle racing on Lake Perkolilli, just as it was almost a century ago, on an ancient clay pan that lays claim as the most remote race circuit in the world and one of the earliest in Australia.

Held over four days in September 2019, the first of the Red Dust Revivals was a unique event that sought to capture the spirit of our early motor racing pioneers on this lakebed near the fringe of the Great Victoria Desert in Western Australia.' *

The above was an extract from an Old Bike Australasia article I wrote in 2019 – as recounted by Murray Rudler.

These days, while the lake might be best known for car racing, it was actually motorcycles that first raced on the lake-bed following establishment of the Goldfields Motorcycle Club in 1914.

Over the years, many riders made their way to 'Perko' to race, and the competition was fierce.

One of the colourful characters of the era was Harry 'Cannonball' Baker. He was the first to crack 100mph on the lake in 1927, riding a 1000cc Brough Superior.

This was hailed as an Australian dirt-track record at the time.

Following on from that, Ed Metcalf managed to circulate at 99.3 mph on an AJS and several others have been credited with laps where they topped the ton, including Ron Duke (Harley), Bill Dunn (Rudge), Ed Metcalf (Denley), Jim McMahon (AJS) and Gil Ford (Douglas).

Fast Forward - October 2025

It's hard to imagine a much more anticipated event in WA this year than the Red Dust Revival at Lake Perkolilli.

The Revival has been held every three years since 2019 and is growing in popularity each time. This year's was certainly the biggest field with 135 cars and 47 bikes registered.

With motorcycle racing on the lake playing a big part of its history, a number of IHC Club members have been great supporters and regular participants of the Revival from the get-go. In fact, in the previous two events, the club was very well represented, making up the largest proportion of motorcycle participants.

Our members come in force and camp up around the lake for the duration, enjoying some hard bike riding as well as one another's company in a way that is reminiscent of the early days. It's a special and unique time.

This year though, some of the regular bike participants, Steve Turner, Chick Dimmack and Alan Wells, went 'over to the dark side' and each built a car for the event.

Steve built a replica of 'Wizard' Smith's Essex, Chick and his son Ray a 1928 Model A Ford, Alan and son Alex a 1926 Dodge. In addition, Ryan Hart built up a 1926 Rugby Durant with his father Dave, while Matthew and Robyn Cook from Mandurah brought along a 1928 Whippet. All had a great time, although Steve had trouble getting there, firstly with a breakdown of his tow vehicle, followed by trailer issues. He and Kathy didn't arrive until the Wednesday as a result.

In terms of the bikes, several club members attended, including Dan Talbot (Ariel 500), Mick Turner (1938 BSA M20), Gary Probin (1939 BSA M20), Joel Turner (1939 BSA M20), Matt Cook (1940 BSA M20), Hamish Cowan (1928 Indian 101 Scout), Damian Morey ('AMAC'), and John Rooney (1928 Ariel). Tony Davis rode the oldest bike and only vintage in the event, a 1915 GCS.



Tony Davis rode the oldest bike in the field, a 1915 GCS.



Damian Morey blasted around the track on his 'Special' (AJS/Matchless).

Damian Morey on his 1000cc 'AMAC' (a hybrid AJS/Matchless with a 1927 Matchless M3S engine) took out the fastest lap on a motorcycle, which was quite an achievement for an old side valve, especially when up against more modern powered machines.

The event was held over a week and, for the most part, the weather was perfect. This year's event was run by Variety, with proceeds going to this very worthwhile children's charity.

The increased number of participants did mean there were challenges at times with the event's organisation, but having said that, the Volunteers at the event worked tirelessly and did a great job; including the Club's own Tony van Beuningen, who was a flag officer throughout the event.



Matthew Cook from Mandurah enjoying himself on his 1940 BSA M20.

The Goldfields Motorcycle Club also did a great job, stepping in to ensure that the bike events ran well.

Rain was forecast for the Sunday, the last day of the programme, so organiser's wisely brought the event to a close on the Saturday evening. This was a good move as from Sunday morning, 60mm of rain fell in the district and Perko became an actual lake, stranding some who get away quickly on Sunday morning.

At its conclusion, it was evident how much the Red Dust Revival was enjoyed by those who'd made the trek to attend, and it lived up to its reputation as a unique and exciting event at an international level.

While the Red Dust Revival is primarily a celebration of bikes and cars from yesteryear though, it was also as much about the people and community that has built up around this event.

Everyone who made it there to participate had a unique and interesting story, which adds to the fabric of the Revival and makes it so special.

Bring on the next one!



Mick Turner about to head out on his 1938 BSA M20.



Top L to R: Camping out on the lake-bed, Kathy Turner brings out her BSA 20 to challenge Mick Tolj and Joel Turner: Ryan and Sophia Hart with the 1926 Rugby Durant: Alex Wells going hard in the 1926 Dodge: Some of the riders, including Dan Talbot (#40) coming onto the home straight.



(Left) Zane Wren provided lots of entertainment as he blasted past the spectators on his 1939 Harley.

(Right) Gary Probin and Dan Talbot preparing to head out from their pits shelter.



Capel River Classic

The weather leading up to this year's Capel Classic, held on Saturday, October 18, had been pretty miserable, but the rain cleared and the day turned out to be fine.

A smaller than expected group from the Club headed off early in the morning to take part in the activities, which included a stunning Show and Shine of bikes and cars, a Swap Meet and the 'Rustic Rally'. Many other club members made it to the event throughout the day.

Despite the weather forecast, attendance was the highest ever, with around 2,000 people, exhibitors, Rustic Rally participants, and spectators, through the gates.

The Rustic Rally had 42 entrants, with 36 riding in the event. Almost half the participants were IHC members. Mick Turner received the Rally Award for the oldest bike to complete the course.

In the Show and Shine, several Club members took off awards, with Winners' Awards given to Dan Talbot (1939 Ariel 'Special') in the pre-1945 section, and Darryl Warner (1975 Norton Commando), in the 1972 to 1978 category. Chris Spence (1957 Manx Norton) was runner up in the 1947 to 1971 category.



Photos Top Right Down: Bikes on display at the Capel River Classic. Darryl Warner's Winning Norton Commando (above) and Dan Talbot's Winning Ariel 500.

Below (LtoR) - Gary Probin, Clint Franke and Kenny Britza taking part in the Rustic Rally.



Photo Credits: Bike Shed Times and Jessica Pacini.

A shadow has been cast over future Capel River Classic events by Main Roads WA, which threatens the future of the event. The Department has given the organising Ironstone Adventure Riding Club an ultimatum that if the access to the event property isn't asphalted by September 2026, they won't approve traffic management for entry to future events. It should be noted there are more than 50 other comparable accesses to private properties on Goodwood Road, none of which meet Main Roads current standards. The request is unreasonable and unnecessary and will cost more than \$16,000.

The Ironstone Club has lodged a formal complaint with Rita Saffioti, Minister for Transport, Sport and Recreation but **needs your help by emailing your support to the following politicians:**

minister.saffioti@dpc.wa.gov.au

minister.punch@dpc.wa.gov.au

jodie.hanns@mp.wa.gov.au

South West British Auto Classic

The British Auto Classic was held on Saturday, 25 October, at Signal Park in Busselton.



Club bikes at the British Auto Classic.

Nine bikes from the Club attended, which was down on what was hoped, but it was still a great event, with the weather being superb and the event was well organised.

Charlie (Neville) Brown took out the People's Choice Award with his '73 Triumph Bonneville.

The People's Choice Award went to Charlie Brown's Triumph.



For Sale and Wanted

Suzuki GR 650. This bike was donated to the club and has been worked on via the Club's regular bike workshop sessions. Extreme thanks to Tammy for her tireless work. Through her expertise and attention to detail the bike is now up and running and purrs along. She resealed the forks, connected all the electrics, cleaned and reset the carburettors and tuned the engine to perfection. All the wheel bearings checked. Tank has been cleaned out and is in good condition. The bike is now up for sale to Club members only. Asking price is \$2500.00

Those members interested please email the Secretary, George Loverock at loverock5590@hotmail.com with your expression of interest. The new owner will be drawn at the November General Meeting. Sale proceeds will be going towards our building account.



Also being sold under the same conditions is the donated Suzuki Katana 1100, donated by George Johnson. Asking price \$1500. Proceeds to the Building fund. Again expressions of interest to loverock5590@hotmail.com

Both bikes can be viewed by contacting George on 0417 914 096.



PLEASE NOTE - IF INTERESTED, PLEASE GET YOUR BID IN TO GEORGE BEFORE THE NEXT MEETING FOR EITHER OF THESE BIKES! WINNING BIDS WILL BE ANNOUNCED THEN.

Life and Deceased Members

Life Members

Norm Hart, Margaret Hart, Ray Buck, Anne Buck, Glenda Patterson, Doug Baker, Larry Allen, Richard Clark, Leith Presland, John Presland, Jeff Smith, Ross Eaton, Darryl Warner, Jenny Warner, Murray Rudler, Sharon Rudler, George Johnson, Bert Sykes, Faye Carn.

Deceased Life Members - Harold Braund, Laurie Briggs, Bill Beaton, Bernie McCormack, Glen Britza, Brian Fitzgerald, Syd Taylor.

Deceased Members

Fred Pitter, George Hall, Doug Brittain, Merv Curgenvin, Max Sharpe, Barry Shand, Jim Wallace, Peter Groucott, David O'Keefe, Ken Hastie, Don Rooke, Terry Shand, Peter Jerome, Brian Hartley, Vern Karlsen, Bill Hawkins, Tom Rudler, Harold Braund, Murray Campbell, Laurie Briggs, R (Jim) Bullock, John Webb, Bruce Lenegan, Lloyd Green, Phil Murray, Bob Jones, Dennis Noonan, Brian Fitzgerald, Bill McDermott, Bill Wake, Tom Talbot, Alexander (Roy) Melvin, Thomas (Howard) Whalen, Richard Towney, Laurence McCreed, John Higgs, Ross Payne, Ron Gill, Stan Rodgers, Vic Richardson, Colin (Westy) West, Trevor Whittle, Clive Marwick, Sandy Vladich, Joe Zappa, John Wright, Bill Beaton, Bruce Fowler, Jane Cassels, Ron Leech, John Roberts, John Olsen, Glen Britza, Wally Turner, Mike Oakley, John Hilton, Lois Collins, Martin Basten, Alma Jarvis, Jack Lewis, Syd Taylor, John Bridson, Bernie McCormack, Patrick (Joe) D'Arcy, Jeffrey Adamson, Doug Craigie, Chris Butler, Michael Fleay, Vincent (Vinnie) Britza, Phil Bussanich, Robert (Bob) Turner, Raymond (Ray) Karlsen, Richard (Dick) Taylor, Robert (Bob) Ecclestone, Jan McDermott, Peter Jeffrey, Frank Andrew, Dave Roberts, Nigel Bolt, Matt Hudson, Helgo Huebner.

Minutes of the General Meeting

Tuesday 14th October 2025

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

Declared open at 7.30pm

Minute Silence for the passing of Member Matt Hudson

Presentation on Battery Maintenance.

Guest speaker Tony Kennedy, Battery Power Centre, presented to the meeting on batteries and chargers. Whilst he promoted products available through Battery Power Centre, he also informed the meeting in relation to battery care.

The biggest take away from his presentation was – do not leave trickle charges, charging your batteries continuously, if there is no draw from the battery. Typically, older style motorcycles without modern alarms etc. do not have any draw on the battery. If you leave the trickle charger, charging the battery continuously, damage may be caused to the elements connecting the cells. This reduces the life of battery.

The suggested work around is to connect the trickle charger and then once the battery is fully charged, disconnect and wait until there is some discharge of the battery. Time is at your discretion. Maybe a couple of days or weeks to ensure some discharge and then repeat cycle.

Of further note to our members is that Battery Power Centre, Bunbury, offer all Indian Harley Club members a substantial discount on all batteries, motorcycle or not, and chargers. To obtain discount please advise staff of your membership prior to purchase.

Present, Apologies and Visitors.

As recorded in the attendance book. The attendance book is available for members to read at each General Meeting.

Mike Henderson attended the meeting, as a visitor for his second occasion, and has indicated that he intends joining the club. Rides a Moto Guzzi.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING

As printed in the Classic Vibrations

No business arising from the previous minutes.

Motion: That the minutes of the previous meeting are accepted as a true and accurate record

Moved:- Richard Clarke.

Seconded:- Bernie Ward.

Carried.

NEW MEMBERS

No new members presented to the club.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Chris Spence and George Loverock's attendance at the ATO office presentation. As the IHC is an assessable Not for Profit Organisation for taxation purposes, and we must submit a tax return. Income and outgoings are to be assessed into assessable and non-assessable.

Due to a family funeral, next weeks Mechanical workshop will have to be postponed and rescheduled for the following Tuesday 28th October 2025.

Incoming Mail:-

1. Incident report from Mandurah mob involving Ben Romeric.
2. Email from resigning member Peter Stone.
3. Had several members nominate to go into draw for Katana. One for the Suzuki.
4. Letter from Eric Austin. Thank you and the club for your letter of appreciation, but as I said to Chris I do it for the club and the cost of running the batteries up to Bunbury is part of my contribution. I am still getting heaps of batteries to go towards getting this project off the ground therefore the quicker we raise the funds the quicker it happens.
5. New five-year lease agreement for our shed with option for another five years.
6. Email from Elizabeth Willams thanking the club for restoring her donated Suzuki 650 motorcycle. She is extremely happy that it is being placed into a lottery for club members.
7. Flatchat issue 290 October 25. Posted to Website.
8. Newcastle Vintage Motorcycle Club Newsletter - The Throttle Lever October edition. Posted to Website.
9. Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club of South Australia. Smoke Signal 675. Posted to Website.
10. VMCCWA Vintage Chatter Newsletter October edition. Posted to Website.

Outgoing Mail: -

1. Letter of thanks to Bunnings for their reimbursement of our Sausage Sizzle c cancellation due to inclement weather.
2. Letter of thanks to the Good Guys for discounting the cost of a freezer for the club.
3. Letter of thanks to Frank Fiore, Mangles Corner store, for allowing the Club to utilise his freezer to store unused food due to Sausage sizzle cancellation.
4. Thank you email to Eric Austin, club member, for his contribution to our battery recycle fund raiser.
5. An advisory letter to Elizabeth Willams, donator of Suzuki 650 to the club, advising her of the completion of the restoration. Also attached were photographs of the bike as it is now.

Motion: That the Secretary's Report be accepted.

Moved:- Bill Pike.

Seconded:- Brian Cartwright.

Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Opening Balance:- \$ 23,148.86
Income:- \$ 8,654.90
Expenditure:- \$ 3,213.26
Closing Balance:- \$ 28,590.50
Term Deposit. \$100,000.00 Term Deposit Matures 9/10/2025.

Additional \$10 000.00 is to be added to the fixed term deposit when it matures at end of month. It will then be reinvested for another 4 months.

Motion: That the Treasurers Report be accepted.

Moved:- Faye Carn.

Seconded:- Ross Carn.

Carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Bunnings Fund Raiser sausage sizzle was cancelled due to bad weather. Bunnings refunded to the club the costs that we had incurred.

Sunday rides. Whilst it is appropriate that Pratt Road is used as a ride starting point it does not serve the club well for an end point. If possible, it is preferred that a ride concludes at a location where club member interaction can take place. Should a ride organiser require an end destination George Loverock is quite happy to have rides conclude at his premises. Members can then have a break, drink and conversation before heading home. Happy to have sausage sizzle or similar. Events that have concluded at a members residence seem to create more camaraderie. Events that conclude at Pratt Road rarely see any riders return.

CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The club captain Frank Barron announced that the Spring Rally ride was won by Leigh Cresswell.

He thanked Dan Lock for stepping in a managing the mid-week ride.

The wheat belt ride was a great success. He deferred to Dave Gaunt for the report.

Richards run to Capel was another success with a good roll-up.

The Mandurah Meander was also an outstanding success. Lot of photographs have been posted to the facebook site.

Dave Gaunt provided an overview of the successful Wheatbelt run. It was a three-day ride with lodging being in Toodyay. There were 21 bikes with 5 pillion passengers. Faye and Ross travelled in a vehicle, and Chas as back-up. Luckily back-up wasn't used.

Day 1, we travelled up to Jarrahdale, Byford and through the hill to Gidgegannup Road and O'Brien Road. Some stopped of at the Peter Brock memorial and then it was on to Toodyay.

Day 2 was off to Northam, Bolgart, Wongan Hills for coffee. Great ride but the bugs were disastrous. That bad they stopped your vision. Then it was on to Dowerin and Jennacubbine.

Day 3 was to York, Beverley and then ride to home. They were fantastic day with great accommodation It was a wonderful event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Mid-week ride is off to Collie finishing at the Wokalup Tavern for lunch. Bring out you 80's and 90's Jap bikes.
2. Capel Off Road Rally ride will start at 7.30am from Pratt Road. We will be riding as a group and returning at around 4pm. There will be no back up.
3. Tuesday workshop is postponed until Tuesday 28th October 2025.
4. Neil's all British Bike run is on Sunday 26th October. Please register for this one for catering purposes.
5. The next midweek run will be run by Des. It leaves Pratt Road at 9am and will be meeting with the Busselton rider at Ludlow Forrest for morning tea.
6. Saturday 1 and 2nd November is the Albany Hill Climb.
7. 8th and 9th November is Veteran Muster in Donnybrook. They are still requiring Marshall on Classic Bikes.
8. 22nd November is the Club Christmas Dinner. Register and pay for tickets on-line by November 7th. All information is on the website.
9. 23rd November is Leigh and Janets Two-Stroke run. This run will finish with lunch at Leigh and Janets premises.
10. 29th November is the Pemberton overnight run. There is nothing on in Pemberton that weekend so get in and book your accommodation. Departure will be at 10am from Pratt Road. Ride any bike but older bikes preferred.
11. 7th December is the Memorial Ride. Please attempt to connect with older members and bring them along. Ride will commence in Dardanup and conclude with a visitation to the Geographe Motor Museum and then concluding with a Ceremony in the council park.
12. Capel Bakery is up and running again so it is a consideration when planning a run.

Ross then gave an overview of the Tortoise run for Friday. It was planned for Collie but now that the Capel Bakery is up and running it will now be diverted through the Ferguson Valley to Donnybrook and onto the Capel Bakery.

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LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Apology.

PROPERTY OFFICER'S REPORT

Nothing to Report

LICENSING LIASON OFFICER'S REPORT

Apology

IT MANAGER'S REPORT

Nothing to Report

WELFARE OFFICER'S REPORT

Vacant position.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Bike Pike provided information on an original FJ Holden for sale in Queensland. Any interested parties please contact Bill.

AUCTION

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| 1. | Riding Boots | \$25. |
| 2. | Carburettor | \$25. |
| 3. | Toolbox and tools. | \$ 5. |
| 4. | Lucas switch | \$15. |
| 5. | Bottle | \$10. |
| 6. | Trick or Treat doll | \$25. |
| 7. | Gift Voucher | \$75. |

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting closed at 8.20 pm

Minutes compiled by George Loverock.

Reviewed by Bob Brittain