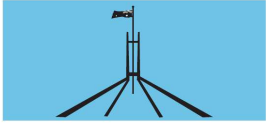


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February 2014

What's On

- 2 March, Alternative Breakfast, Long Track Pantry Jugiong
- 21-23 March, MRA ACT Capital Rally, Blue Range Recreation Area (new site).
- 23 March, Black Dog Ride, leaves CMC ~0900.
- [29 March, BMWCCACT AGM 2014, 1500 @ Rolfe's](#)
- 6 April, Alternative Breakfast, Boorowa Hotel (yes they do breakfast), Boorowa
- 12-13 April, Overnight Ride to Orange, NSW

**2014-15 Membership's
are now due!**



ABOUT THE CLUB

Meetings: Club meetings will start at 0930 on the fourth Sunday at different Park/BBQ locations across the ACT. The President will advise the location by email and on the Club's website <http://bmwmccact.org.au>. Alternatively, you can contact the President directly at president@bmwmccact.org.au.

Membership: You can apply to join the BMW MCCA CT online at <http://bmwmccact.org.au>

Web Site: Check the Club's website <http://bmwmccact.org.au> for updates to rides and social events and keep in touch by joining one of our Yahoo groups:

- BMW MCCA CT: <http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/actbmwmcc/>
- ACT Gravel surfers: <http://autos.groups.yahoo.com/group/ACTGravelsurfing/>

Activities: Club rides, social events and other organised events are listed on the 'What's On' web page <http://bmwmccact.org.au>. The Ride Coordinator (rides@bmwmccact.org.au) and Social Secretary (social@bmwmccact.org.au) welcome suggestions and can be emailed directly.

The webpage <http://bmwmccact.org.au> has the most current information. The Ride Coordinator and Social Secretary will email members reminders and late changes to events. Email is the principal means of communicating with Club members; it is up to you to ensure that your email contact address is up to date and mailbox not so full that messages don't get through.

You can update your personal details by logging on from the Club webpage <http://bmwmccact.org.au>.

Charity Support: Profits from the Club's *Kosciuszko Rally*, held each October, are used to support a nominated charity. Unfortunately there was no profit in 2013 due to low numbers.

PRIVACY OF CLUB MEMBER INFORMATION

The Club's *Privacy & Spam* policy is available on the webpage or on request.

SHAFT DRIVE LINES

Whilst the Editor has absolute discretion, the Club welcomes contributions to the Club's magazine 'Shaft Drive Lines'. Email is preferred to the editor@bmwmccact.org.au or by @mail to:

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For emails, do not embed pictures or compress their size to less than 200 dpi.



Cover Photo:

On the trail and Club ride to Blue Waterholes & Cooleman Homestead, Kosciuszko National Park. G.Smee

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PRESIDENT'S BANTER

Hi fellow members,

We are now entering the best riding time of the year; so I do hope you are all getting out on your bikes in the company of fellow BMW enthusiasts. There is no reason to stay at home if you lack companions or ideas for destinations, as the past month was typical of our calendar. In addition to the usual Sunday run to Bungendore, we had a ride to Eden for lunch, a GS adventure into the Snowy Mountains to overnight at Blue Water Holes, the NSW Touring Club's annual Karurah Rally and many of us attended the International Classic Races at Philip Island, all in blazing sunshine.

What all these events do show is that the club has an event to suit everyone's calendar, spare time and riding style. However, these events do not organise themselves, so if you would like to assist the club in a formal way, please look at the committee and supporting positions and put in a nomination for a role. As Dave Morgan is taking a rest after two year's of organising the Club's ride calendar, we are especially after a Ride Coordinator. Please contact me for a profile and responsibilities of any committee position or supporting role. The AGM will be held at Rolfe BMW on 29th March where elections for all the management positions will be held.

If you aren't able to assist the club via the Committee, you can still help at the General Meeting Breakfasts or lead a ride on your favourite route. The Ride Coordinator would appreciate these ideas and assistance. Also our Editor is always looking for ride reports, adventure stories and product reviews to share in the club's magazine. Ideas and suggestions for club activities, whether they are social gatherings, rides or magazine stories are always appreciated. So talk or email any of the committee with your suggestion and we may all benefit from the idea.

See you all at the AGM

Martin Robertson



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AMENDMENTS TO THE BMWMCCACT CONSTITUTION

Some time back a Club Member pointed out that our published constitution was titled as a draft and had the old club name. On closer inspection your committee found that the Club had not voted to approve the name change to BMW Motorcycle Club ACT Incorporated or to approve the associated changes to our constitution. I remember the discussions and voting to select the new name, but unfortunately the necessary administrative actions to amend our constitution did not occur. These changes will now be put to a vote at our March AGM.

A copy of the proposed Club Constitution is now available on our web site on the "About Us" page. Here is a short summary of the changes to the constitution;

Replace ACT BMW Motor Cycle Club Incorporated with BMW Motorcycle Club ACT Incorporated throughout the document.

Simplify the wording in numerous sections and sub-section, using the ACT Office of Regulatory Services, *Model Rules for Associations* as a guide.

Remove the requirement for a prospective Club Member to be proposed, people can now join by applying online and paying the appropriate fee.

Adding the ability for members to renew their membership online or resign from the club via an email. This is just a reflection of how people communicate now.

Simplifying the process for the Committee to expel or discipline a Member. To my knowledge only one member has ever been expelled, so an exhaustive discussion and appeals process within the constitution does seem redundant.

Reducing the number of Members to form a quorum in view of the smaller size of the Club.

Please review the proposed constitution and send any feedback before the 8th of March to our Vice President, David Prest
vicepres@bmwmccact.org.au

Regards

Martin Robertson – President

David Prest – Vice President

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Brian Delamont

We look forward to meeting you on a ride or at a Club event

CLUB MEETINGS

Club meetings for 2013 will be roving and held at 0930 (or 1230 in winter) on the fourth Sunday of each month, following a 0830 (1200) BBQ breakfast and before a ride decided on the day and leaving ~1000. The venue will be advised by email to members and on the Club webpage or contact the President president@bmwmccact.org.au.

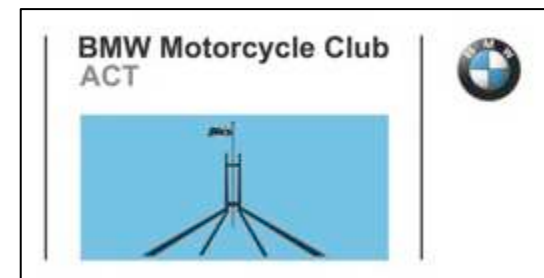
You can find the next location here <http://bmwmccact.org.au> and 'What's On' tab.

CLASSIFIEDS

BMW MCCACT members can advertise their BMWs and motorcycling related goods on the Club's web page. Send your contact details, advertisement and picture to the web@bmwmccact.org.au. The Webmaster has the right to modify (for space not content), refuse or reject any ad without reason.

CLUB IDENTIFICATION

Looking for a sticker of the Club logo for your bike or badge to wear? Small Stickers \$0.50, large ones \$1.00 and enamel pin badges \$5.00. Send an email to members@bmwmccact.org.au to arrange for pickup, delivery and payment.



WHAT'S ON

Club members meet for an informal breakfast each Sunday from 0845 at the [Thymes Thirty Three Café](#) 3/33 Ellendon Street Bungendore. Everyone is welcome from 0830-1000 and often an ad-hoc short ride is arranged on the day for afterwards. Please free up the tables from 1000 if you are not eating to make way for other customers.

The Clubs webpage <http://bmwmccact.org.au> and 'What's On' tab details Club rides and activities, as does the [Ride Coordinator](#) by email to members. Do not forget an article and pictures of your ride for the magazine! Send those to the [Editor](#)

Date	Detail	Contact
4 th Sunday each month	Club monthly meetings start at 0930 on the fourth Sunday at different locations. A BBQ breakfast from 0830 is available to members and visitors (\$5 for an egg & bacon roll and a coffee) beforehand and followed by a ride agreed on the day.	The President will advise the location by email and on the Club's website. Alternatively, you can contact the President directly at president@bmwmccact.org.au .
Riding events	The webpage http://bmwmccact.org.au lists Club riding activities and reminders emailed to members. If you are going on a ride and want company, then email the Ride Coordinator before hand with ride and contact details and he/she will send an email to members.	Contact the Rides Coordinator (rides@bmwmccact.org.au)
Social events	The webpage http://bmwmccact.org.au lists Club social activities and reminders emailed to members. If you are coming along or want to host a social event then email Social Secretary of your attendance (for planning numbers) or details of your event and he/she will send an email to members.	Contact the Social Secretary (social@bmwmccact.org.au)

BLUE WATERHOLES RIDE 1-2 FEBUARY 2014

Garry Smee, F800GS

The Club met at Rolfe's showrooms for a 0800 breakfast of hot croissants and fresh coffee put on by Josh and Michael before President Martin (ex-BMW Husky 610) led Simmo (F800GS), Andrew (G650GS), Dave Morgan (R1200GS) and me off on the long route to Brindabella Road and the dirt to our overnight camp at Blue Waterholes in the northern end of Kosciuszko National Park.

In a warming day we made short work of Brindabella Road to Piccadilly Circus before pausing to check that everyone was comfortable with the pace, general route and corner marker system V3.4.5.7 to be used this weekend. Yes; carry on...



The unimaginatively named but nonetheless scenic 'Blue Waterhole'.

Traffic to this point was very light, perhaps reflecting the weekending of the ACT school holidays or forecast 38°C. We pressed on past Brindabella and up on to the Tumut road before turning off onto Barnetts Road, Boundary Road, Broken Cart Fire Trail, Long Plain Road, Blue Waterholes Fire Trail and Cooleman Homestead and Blue Waterholes; our overnight camp.

We were not to be alone, with a number of cars and other campers in the area, leaving us the only shady spot adjacent the empty trail-horse hitching rails. A light lunch and tents set, it was down to the river for a cooling dip, as it was now in

the high 30's. Any thoughts of a lounging swim in the Blue Waterhole, creek or other pools were quickly dispelled with a water temperature of not far off zero. This resulted in short plunges into the very clear and bright blue water, the result of leaching mineral deposits, before quickly making for shore and the warmth of adjacent rocks. Maybe the water dragons were on to something?



(L-R) Andrew, Simmo, Dave, Garry and Martin retelling the day's highlights and other motorcycling myths. Many problems were also analysed and solved as the night wore on under a starlit sky and new moon.

We took a scenic walk along the trail to the limit of our endurance – 500m – before braving the icy waters once again. There was some talk of beating ourselves with the branches of riverside gum trees, but given we were in a national park, made do with watching a Platypus go about his or her business. I had not seen a platypus for some years, so was suitably impressed by this middle of the afternoon sighting and its apparent disdain from what was really cold water. The overnight temperature dropped to



Not quite the okay corral, but impressive for it's era, Coolman Homestead (L-R, Dave, Martin, Andrew & Garry. Simmo was now feeling the day's heat)

single figure, not the high teens some were expecting which made for an early rising to what promised to be another bright, sunny and hot day. With Dave's promise of a hot breakfast at the Adaminaby Bakery, we were soon on our way with a stop off at the original Coolman Homestead. The buildings have had some sympathetic care over the years, but reflect a considerable amount of effort from an era that relied on horse and cart and human perseverance.

The three separate herds of Brumbies making their way at the gallop across the grassy plains broke our ride out to Long Plain Road. I am no fan of the brumby in national parks, but they do have to be admired when on the gallop across the grasslands.

Suitably inspired, we made short work of the well made, open and flowing gravel road to the Snowy Mountains Highway passing another mob of brumbies that apparently didn't mind grazing less than 20m off the road.

Having made our way onto the Snowy Mountain Highway, we re-grouped with Simmo making for Adaminaby and breakfast, whilst Martin, having failed on our group, tried to convince a couple on a Harley the merits of only having one cylinder.

We then made the quick ride to town and breakfast before tackling the Bobeyan Road and our return to Canberra. Our group thinned as first Simmo then Andrew peeled off leaving Martin, Dave and I to close the last few kilometres of dirt. Martin even convinced Dave to swap bikes and try out the Husky 610.



The Snowy mountain Highway / Long Plain road junction and the look of happy GS riders (L-R) Garry, Andrew, Martin and Dave. Simmo had taken the quick trip to Adaminaby and breakfast. D Morgan.

Our run back to Canberra was without incident and another ride consigned to memory with enough of the afternoon light left to do some gardening.

A great ride and well worth putting on again in the future. And for those that like the map, unfortunately Google Map struggled with the interesting part of the route, but here is where we camped, [Blue Waterholes](#).

LITHGOW RIDE

by David Morgan, R1200GS

Under threatening skies, seven Club members - Bill Brown (R1200GS), Garry Smee (R1200ST), John Kemp (R1200GS), Ian Hahn (K1200LT), Andrew Snelling (R1200GSA), Sue Morgan (R1200R) and myself - departed the BP servo at Watson, intent on making the Small Arms Factory Museum, at Lithgow, shortly after lunch. Our route out took us via the Federal Highway to the N turnoff for Collector. From there it was a more interesting run up to Breadalbane and then via various back roads, through the Parkesbourne district, to reach Goulburn. Clearing Goulburn, we had a short break for "mornos" at Taralga.



From Taralga, we proceeded directly via Black Springs to Oberon (fuel) and then on to Lithgow. As we didn't want to leave it too late to visit the Small Arms Factory Museum, we figured we should knock lunch over pronto, so it was decided that the easiest lunch solution was to avail ourselves of an efficient, good quality restaurant. So McDonald's it was. With impeccable timing, just as we pulled into the parking places at the Lithgow McDonald's,

Club President Martin rolled up on his R1200R, having come across the Blue Mountains from being to the Sydney Motorcycle Show the previous day.

Lunch done, we all safely escaped the chaos of the Lithgow “Macca’s” parking lot to do the short 5 minute run to the museum. On arrival in the museum, we were taken in hand by the knowledgeable Ted, who after taking our cash escorted us through the various exhibits, historic photographs and other paraphernalia involved in an operation that has providing Australia’s Defence Forces with small arms for the best part of a century. The Small Arms Factory (SAF) was established in the early 20th century at Lithgow, with the contracted assistance of the United States’ aircraft manufacturing firm Pratt & Whitney. Pratt & Whitney were adjudged to be among the best in the world in terms of modern manufacturing and assembly line methods. One thing that surprised many of us was how many different facets of production the SAF was involved in. In addition to small arms, such items as golf clubs, tools (spanners, wrenches, etc), railway rolling stock, the Sunbeam mix-master kitchen appliance, and treadle sewing machines (ie Singer), to name a few standouts.



After filling the best part of two hours at the museum, we thanked Ted and made our way out of Lithgow, retracing our journey back towards Oberon. Just after leaving Lithgow’s eastern outskirts, we had turned off the Western Highway and the black cumulonimbus in our path to Oberon caused us to make a quick stop to pull on the waterproofs, just as the heavy drops began. Good timing. For most of the way to Oberon we had constant heavy rain.

By Oberon it had backed off to a steady soaking rain. Six of our group accommodated in the comfort of cabins at the Jenolan Caravan Park. Andrew and Ian opted for the Royal Hotel and a motel, respectively. The Caravan Park was a short couple of blocks walk direct to the pub where we were intending to relax. After waiting for the rain to back off further, Garry, Sue and I walked the 5 minutes to the pub in a “Scotch Mist”. Ian arrived on his bike outside the pub, having ridden it in from his motel on the far end of the town. The evening was spent just relaxing after the day’s ride and activities, recounting various stories, slaking the thirst and of course, sampling the fine pub food on offer. Garry also caught up with his brother and friends at the pub.



The following morning we set off for the main street and the popular DJ’s Cafe & Takeaway, which took care of our breakfast requirements. After a top-up of fuel, we parted company from Garry, who was off to visit his brother’s place. The remainder of us left Oberon via the SE along Edith Road, turning off for Shooters Hill Road. Shooters Hill was “up in the clouds” at times as it’s at a reasonable elevation above 1200 metres, nonetheless, yesterdays rain seemed to have left our area.

The further south we travelled the sunnier and warmer it became. The return run was pretty much uneventful, with a stop at the Clifford Street Cyclery for lunch, before taking our various ways home. Martin, Sue and I headed S along the Goulburn-Braidwood Road, turning off for the more interesting road through Currawang, which jobs the Bungendore-Tarago Road, some distance S of Tarago. Once again, the riding in this region didn't disappoint.

Likewise, if you have never visited the Small Arms Factory Museum, I'd recommend it as encapsulating a significant aspect of our local history. Thanks to all who came on the weekend making it into a memorable Club ride.

Here's some links:

- Our route, <http://goo.gl/maps/F444Y>
- Lithgow Small Arms Museum, <http://www.lithgowsafmuseum.org.au>
- Oberon Tourism Information, <http://www.oberonaustralia.com.au>



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Did you hear the story of the two grey haired gentlemen driving their S60 Green Volvo estate (looks like a wagon) to the Island Classic whilst listening to ABC 666 and discussing matters of most import were flashed and hand signalled by the NSWHP to slow down on the Monaro Highway between Cooma and Nimmitabel. Now if it had been two weeks before and the driver was on his bike and Club ride to Eden for fish'n'chips, well then...

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THE EDITORS FILL

Wanted: Pictures of Members, their bikes and their trips for the Magazine and Christmas Party. Send them and articles to the Editor@bmwmccact.org.au with captions and photographer credits.

Hi Riders,

This copy of *Shaft Drive Lines* is destined to be a collector's edition. My earlier attempt at using the Club's Wild Apricot based website and newsletter format was a dismal failure, likely due to my online e-skills than any software issue, and this reformatted online widescreen PDF version, has proven equally difficult. However, it should be easier to read online as an emag; so let me know what you think or it will be back to A4 paper design

next month.

The Club AGM is on 29 March and you will find the formal notice on the Club webpage 'What's On' and in this issue along with the Agenda, Financial Accounts and Committee Nomination form. The AGM is an important & mandatory part of the Club's existence, so please try to make it to Rolfe's showroom in Phillip, enjoy the snacks, take a demo bike for a ride, buy a new bike or pick up some 'on the day' specials.

That's my fill,

Garry Smee,

Editor@bmwmccact.org.au

BMW Clubs Australia Delegate

21ST AMCN INTERNATIONAL ISLAND CLASSIC

Garry & Mitchell Smee, Prado or Chair with a spare



A better use of a R75/5 than just a V or H-plated café transport.

Whilst 2014 was the 21st Island Classic, it was Mitchell and my first, prompted in part by Dave Morgan's glowing rendition of his experiences in years gone by.

With Jane offering to dog/house sit and daughter Morgane invited to join Jane's cousins in Moama for an Australia Day weekend of water-skiing on the Murray River, son Mitchell & I opted for a 3 day pass to Phillip Island dropping Morgane off on the way and camping at the Track Visitor Centre.



Whilst not super competitive Rider Brian Carroll and Passenger Eve Stein both from the US gave their R75, one of two BMW chairs at the meet, a good work out in every race, so reliability wasn't an issue compared some of the other chairs.

Arriving on Thursday had the benefit of picking a shady spot under the trees close to amenities, although for reasons apparently thought on the day, the Visitor Centre didn't want any cars parked on site; unless they were part of your accommodation, held up your tent, or in our case was required to run the fridge...in case my new ebay solar panel and battery failed to run lights, fridge, USB chargers etc.

As the afternoon turned to evening there was a steady stream of campers arriving by bike up to 5th Wheelers.

Friday, under grey overcast skies and occasional showers, saw the first practice and qualifying session's start at 9AM with each race a maximum 4 laps with the international legs 6 laps. With 400+ bikes and 200+ riders entered, there was full day's racing with a new race every 15 minutes or so finishing at 5PM.

The Classic has a far more relaxed style than either the Superbikes or MotoGP, in part to the smaller audience and you are allowed to walk, ride or drive around the track with the pit paddock open allowing you the opportunity to talk to riders and look at the various bikes being raced. The oldest bike was a c1919 and 'newest' December 1990.

Saturday dawned bright, clear and hot with practise turning into qualifying into racing following the same format. Not having a great interest in who was riding what, modified with this or that, I personally found the 4 lap format great with plenty of racing - of varying competitiveness within each race – and with small crowds, allowing plenty of opportunity to walk the track for ever different views interspersed with visits to the paddock and commercial vendor displays.

Sunday was again hot and dry with another day of 9 – 5 racing. It was apparent by now that some riders had paid their \$200 registration fee to relive their misspent youth on the far safer environment of a racetrack, others were giving it a red hot go with no quarter given.

I only saw two BMW's, both R75/5 sidecars with Rider, Passenger and chair brought over from the US for the weekend. Running in every race, they were never at the front even in a multi-period class, but not last either.

Monday saw us pack up the Prado, drive back through a very quiet Australia Day public holiday Melbourne to Moama to pick Morgane up and make the most of the Hume Freeway and Victorian fixed cameras, mobile unmarked cameras and 2 marked cars before crossing the border and gauntlet of 3 NSWHP.

Whilst the racing may not be to everyone's taste, the 22nd AMCN Island Classic will definitely be on my 2015 riding calendar.



Mitchell with Club life member, Friend of the Marque, past President and now sales executive - Ron Andrews lamenting the slow turnover of bikes at Doncaster BMW on hearing that Rolfe Classic BMW had taken ownership of not 1 but 4, 2014 R1200GSA 'wasserboxer's'.

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IMPROVING MEMBER RIDING SKILLS

Hurry this offer closes on the March 2014 AGM.

One of the Club's objectives is to improve club members riding skills. In recent years, the Club has sponsored and organised rider skills training and motorcyclist first aid courses. This year the Committee has adopted a different approach where you book, pay and attend a selected rider training program and on completion present your 'certificate' to the Treasurer who will reimburse you \$100 off the course cost. Sorry no reimbursement for travel, accommodation, meals or entertainment: only the training course.

The Committee has approved the following training providers and courses. If you find another one, please send the details to the Committee@bmwmccact.org.au for consideration.

- Stay Upright ACT @ Sutton, <http://www.stayupright.com.au/stay-upright-act-0>
- Academy of Off Road Riding @ Nelligen, <http://www.academyofoffroadriding.com.au/adventure-bike-courses/>
- Top Rider Motorcycle Rider Training @ Marulan, <http://www.toprider.com.au/Pages.asp?PageID=42> (occasionally in Canberra, check the web).

In anticipation of the massed enthusiasm, for 2013 the subsidy has a 20-member course cap. We will keep you up to date on where we are at and if you are concerned please email the Treasurer@bmwmccact.org.au before booking your course.

The rules!

- You must be a current financial member of the BMW MCCA ACT Inc. Yes, we will check.
- You must book, pay and attend a course with one of the 3 rider training organisations listed above.
- You, having successfully completed your course send a copy of your certificate to the Treasurer@bmwmccact.org.au with your contact email and bank details who will reimburse you \$100 (maximum).
- You can claim only one reimbursement for this program cycle, April 2013 to March 2014 AGM.

2014 CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & COMMITTEE ELECTION

The March Meeting and AGM is an important event on the Club calendar with all members encouraged to attend and fulfils a number of important functions to maintain our incorporated status including (1) President's report (2) presentation of the clubs financial accounts, (3) vote on any constitutional amendments (4) election of a new Committee for 2014-15.

You must be a current financial member of the Club to nominate for a committee position and vote at the AGM. Annual memberships are due on 28 February 2014. Look out for the email or paper invoice and please pay on time so you can practise your democratic rights in how the Club operates.

Want to be part of the Committee and help run the Club? No prior experience is required but enthusiasm is, as is a small commitment of time to attend the various committee meetings. The Committee positions and functions include:

- **President.** Holds the formal position representing the Club and members to BMW Clubs Australia, other BMW and motorcycle clubs and community.
- **Vice President.** Deputises for the President if away or unable to fulfil his or her duties.
- **Ride Coordinator.** Coordinates the Club's riding calendar. Members are encouraged to submit their own ideas for rides or lead a ride to their favourite destination. Club rides are posted to the website and emailed to members.
- **Secretary.** Responsible for taking and publishing the Committee, AGM and Monthly meeting Minutes; monitors the Club's post office box and responds to correspondence and other matters pertaining to the Club.
- **Treasurer.** Maintains the Club's financial accounts including membership applications and renewals, advertising and other revenues, whilst paying accounts as required. A financial balance sheet is required at the AGM and submittal to the ACT Registrar's office through the Public Officer.
- **Public Officer.** Is responsible for the maintaining the Club's incorporation with the ACT Office of Regulatory Services. For more information see here: <http://www.ors.act.gov.au/community/associations>
- **Membership Secretary.** Manages the Club memberships register and

processes new and renewing membership applications. From 2013 this is on-line using the Club's new website www.bmwsmccact.org.au.

- **Social Secretary.** Responsible for arranging the Club Award & Christmas dinner, alternate year mid-winter Club dinner and weekend with the BMWSMCCVIC and infrequent social activities not necessarily motorcycle related.
- **Webmaster.** Looks after the Club's online presence
- www.bmwsmccact.org.au that requires some back of house IT skills or enthusiasm to learn.
- **Editor.** Edits and arranges online publishing of *Shaft Drive Lines*, the monthly magazine of the BMWSMCCACT. An opportunity to put into practice your hidden or latent journalistic talent.
- **BMW Clubs Australia Delegate.** Nominated by the President and represents the Club at BMW Clubs Australia that provides a formal link between BMW Australia and the various BMW motorcycle and car clubs in Australia. There is generally one formal meeting per annum in Melbourne.

If standing for a formal position is not for you, yet, then why not volunteer to assist in other regular club activities like the Club's *Kosciuszko Rally*, Club concourse run concurrently with *Shannons German Auto Day* or monthly breakfast and meeting. Or contact any of the Committee members to find out what is involved. You will get more from the Club by contributing to it rather than sitting on the sidelines. Why complain when you can do!

The AGM Agenda and nomination form will be included in February's *Shaft Drive Lines*. Please contact the President (President@BMWsmccact.org.au) if you have any agenda topics or questions before hand.

CLUB 2013 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Important! This is only an extract (1 of 12 pages), the complete financial statement of accounts are available on the Club webpage [here](#).

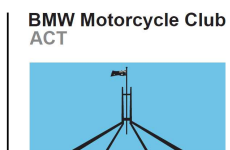
You, being a financial member of the BMWSMCCACT Inc. must vote to accept the financial accounts at the AGM. If you have any questions bring them to the AGM.

ACT BMW Motor Cycle Club Inc

Statement of Cash Flows Year ended 28 February 2013

Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Membership subscriptions	2,900	5,615
Other	4,010	3,305
Payments to suppliers	(8,701)	(8,010)
Interest received	206	132
NET CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES 2(b)	(1,586)	1042
CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of equipment	-	-
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Loans received	-	-
NET (DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH HELD	(1,586)	1,042
ADD: OPENING BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	9,116	8,074
CLOSING CASH CARRIED FORWARD 2(a)	7,530	9,116

This Statement of Cash Flows is to be read in conjunction with the Notes to and Forming part of these Financial Statements



BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB ACT AGM 2014-2015 COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM

Only a current financial member of the BMW Motorcycle Club ACT Incorporated (the Club)

can nominate and be elected to the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Editor, Ride Coordinator, Social Secretary or Membership Secretary. See the Club Constitution for details at www.bmwmcact.org.au.

Club members do not elect the Club's Public Officer or delegate to BMW Clubs Australia who are appointed by the President having consulted the Committee. However, nominations are accepted from financial members interested in appointment to these two positions.

I (print name)

of

(print address), being a current financial member of the BMWMCCT (the Club) wish to nominate for election to the following 2013-14 Committee position(s):

Position	Tick	Position	Tick
President		Ride Coordinator	
Vice President		Web Master	
Secretary		Editor	
Treasurer		Public Officer	
Membership Secretary			

You can nominate for multiple positions.

A financial member of the Club must second all nominations.

I

(print name)

of

(print address)

being a current financial member of the Club second this nomination.

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(signature of nominee)

(signature of seconder)

.....

(print date)

Return this completed page to the secretary@bmwmccact.org.au as a scanned copy or @mail marked for the Attention of the Public Officer, BMWMCCT PO Box 4042 Weston Creek ACT by 14 March 2013.



BMW MOTORCYCLE CLUB OF THE ACT INCORPORATED - NOTICE OF 2014 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Financial members of the BMW Motorcycle Club of the ACT Incorporated (BMWMCCT, the Club) are invited to the 2014 Annual General Meeting of the Club commencing 1500 (3.00PM) at Rolfe Classic Motorcycles showroom 2 Botany Street Phillip on Saturday 29 March 2014.

Bring your own chair and enjoy the snacks provided by Josh, Michael and Rolfe Classic Motorcycles.

The meeting is conducted jointly with the March monthly meeting, chaired by the President and AGM by the Steve Hay the 2013/14 Public Officer.

AGM Agenda

1. Welcome by the President
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting
4. President's Address
5. Treasurer's Report for the financial year 1/3/13 – 28/2/14
6. Election of Committee and office bearers for 2014/15:

President	
Vice President	
Secretary	
Ride Coordinator	
Membership Secretary	
Treasurer	
Public Officer	
Webmaster	
Editor	
Social Secretary	
BMW Clubs Australia Delegate	Appointed by the President

Financial members of the Club can nominate for election to the Committee. A nomination form is available on the Club website www.bmwmcct.org.au and in the February edition of *Shaft Drive Lines*.

7. Declaration of election results and naming of the Club Committee for 2014/15.
8. Notified AGM Business
 - 8.1. Accept the 2013-14 Financial Accounts of the BMWMCCT Incorporated. These are available on the [web site](#).
 - 8.2. Revision and amendments to the BMWMCCT Constitution. These are available on the web site.
 - 8.3. Other matters, raised and accepted for discussion on the day
9. Meeting Closed.



Stuck for a Valentines or Mother's Day gift? Then why not give this necklace and pointed out to me at Costco Majura Park; and yes your reading this correctly, one cent shy of \$160 000.00 in a shop that sells 40kg of dog food for \$40 and AA batteries by the gross..

A guaranteed way not to have to explain any bike purchase after you gift this one over.

**BMWCCACT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
THE KINGSTON HOTEL - THURSDAY, 16TH JANUARY 2013**

1. Meeting commenced at 7:30 PM.
2. Attendees: Martin Robertson (MR), President; David Prest (DP), VP; Bruce Barter (BB), Membership Secretary; Steve Hay (SH), Social Member; Garry Smee (GS), Editor SDL & CA Delegate; David Morgan (DM), Ride Coord.
3. Apologies. Bob Ellison (BE), Treasurer; Dennis Littame (DL), Secretary; Alan Walsh (AW), Webmaster.
4. Previous Minutes. Nil
5. Social. SH presented a calendar of social activities, including
 - a. 2 Feb 14 – Alternative Breakfast – The Trappers Bakery, Goulburn.
 - b. 2 Mar 14 - Alternative Breakfast – Long Track Pantry, Jugiong.
 - c. 6 Apr 14 - Alternative Breakfast – TBC, Boorowa.
 - d. Christmas-in-Winter. Location will be Lakes Entrance. Dates to be negotiated with BMWCCVic.
 - e. 2014 Christmas Party. 5 Dec 14 at the Mawson Club.
6. Ride Calendar. DM presented an updated ride calendar for Feb & Mar; to include a 3-day ride over the Canberra Day long weekend (8-10 Mar). GS suggested a 3-day ride in the NSW/Vic high country, inclusive of GS and TS machines.
Action: GS to send Google Maps proposal to DM for consideration/inclusion in Ride Calendar.
7. AGM. At Rolfe BMW Motorrad, Saturday, 29th March 2014, commencing at 3 PM, with snacks and drinks.
Folks to bring their own chairs.
All committee positions were discussed. DM indicated that he would stand down as Ride Coordinator.
Action: GS to “fine tune” arrangements with Josh / Michael at Rolfe.
Action: GS undertook to place a notice in the next SDL seeking prospective committee members for 2014.
8. Club Constitution. DP gave a brief on the status of the draft constitution.
Action: SH undertook to check for a copy of a MS Word version of the current constitution
Action: DP to seek a MS Word copy of the Rules of Association.
9. Treasurer's Report. BE provided a report via telephone. Outstanding monies owed to GS & SH. Current balance in the order of \$8,000.
10. Memberships. Discussion centred on the issues with trying to get PayPal to work on the Club website (to no effect thus far). Accordingly, it was decided to continue with EFT to the Club bank account, as the means by which members paid their dues. This system however requires

monitoring by both the Membership Secretary and Treasurer to ensure that payments match renewals/start-ups.

11. Clubs Australia. GS provided a status report of where certain issues were at within the CA community.
The next Annual CA Meeting was scheduled for April 2014.
The Club should expect an invoice at \$1 per member, as dues for our continued CA membership.
GS resurrected the National Rally as something the Club would take a lead on and to that end, would commence the process by contacting the other BMWCCs as to their support – in-principle or in-fact.
Action: GS to contact CA MCCs re support for a National Rally during the October long weekend.
12. Other Business.
 - a. Club Rally Prize. GS suggested that a Club ride to Orange be arranged, in order to present Dave Barlow, the winner of last year's Kosciuszko Rally main prize, with his BMW helmet.
Action: DM to look at a weekend in the ride calendar for this to be scheduled.
 - b. Motohansa Presentation. The Club would look to engage the services of Rob Dunstan, Motohansa, to provide a presentation sometime during the winter months.
13. There being no other business, the President declared the meeting closed at 9:15 PM.



When men-were-men and bikes had no alloy; what, there's 5kg limit per pannier?

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CLUB MEMBER RIDING PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Having difficulty in putting fingers to the keyboard or finding the words to accompany your riding picture? Well then this is the section just for you. Send your picture to the Editor@bmwmccact.org.au along with your name and a caption. If that is too hard, then your picture will go in without credit!



For every classic bike on the track at the 21st AMCN (Phillip) Island Classic there were three around the track, like this R100 Krauser.

Garry Smee