BMWMCCACT News



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Dear {Contact_First_Name},

Welcome to your winter news and a warm welcome to Rodney Martin Kingma (K1600 GT Sport), Ryan Lloyd (R1200GS) and Ashely Sked (R1200GS) continuing club members enthusiasm for the 1200GS. There is a good mix of other variants and brands in the Club, so make sure you check out <u>What's On</u> for an upcoming ride or event and if you are not seeing something that suits <u>you</u> then let Ride Coordinator Pete or Social Sec. Steve know so that the Committee can look in to it. Details on who and how are on the website <u>{Organization URL}</u>.



The <u>BMWMCCACT Concessional Registration Scheme (CRS)</u> is up and running for those owning a BMW 30+ years old and restricted riding <3000km per annum. You **must be and remain a financial member** of the Club along with some other rules to maintain your registration. There are significant fines if caught riding an unregistered motorcycle and civil liabilities if involved in an accident on a unregistered motorcycle. The Club must notify Access Canberra as soon as you are un-financial irrespective of your registration expiry date.

Another 'faction of interest are the Club member DIY technicians. Rolfe Classic BMW are offering discounted genuine parts to members, click to go and <u>BMW Technical Information for the DIY Owner</u>.



Congratulations to Martin and Rebecca for completing the (US) 2019 Iron Butt Rally on their modified R1200RT. Short story - ride 1600km days x 9+ days whilst collecting points by visiting places and themes. Don't worry there are other Australians and groups involved locally and overseas.

Envy prize goes to Olaf Moon and his recent motorcycle adventure ride through Tibet and Nepal with some pictures on the Club Facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups</u>/BMWMCCACT/.

The point Prez? I am working with Rolfe's on having a meeting where Martin, Rebecca and Olaf can regale us with their adventures and shared experiences along with some pictures.

So if you have been on a recent motorcycle trip, BMW Safari or other ride, have some pictures and would like to share your tips and tricks with Club members and the public for about 15 minutes email me your short story.

Ride Coordinator Peter has re-awakened member's enthusiasm for shorter rides and Social Sec. Steve having knocked over Christmas in Winter (our joint dinner with the Vic's) is working on the Club Awards and Christmas lunch and social functions in-between. Some members including me like to rally (camp) or tour and you can find your Club and other clubs rallies on the calendar if you are interested. Want to try rallying? Look for a follow up story for the beginner or email me.

On reflection, that leaves the Club's GS membership. Our web platform Wild Apricot has a poll feature. So look for your invite to complete a GS ride poll, type and duration in your mailbox and I encourage all members to complete it (so we can claim statistical relevance). Historically members have not shown strong interest in hard-core / singletrack riding, but if there is sufficient interest in other variants, the Committee will see what we can do. If nothing else, I should get in some pre-training for the 2020 Off Centre Rally.



If you have not seen it 2019 BMW Level 1 Off Road Skill Foundation Course in Canberra (Club <u>Event</u>) are coming to Canberra for the first time. This training is very well regarded and worth checking out, if you want to up-skill yourself. You need to own a BMW but they will also hire you a bike for the 2 days and I expect the course will be booked out, so get in early.

Finally, I like to think the website has lots of information of interest to members and public and your Committee are offering up events that make you want to ride your motorbike, so why not.

Enjoy your ride

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