

Illawarra Branch Minutes 10th June 2019

Meeting Opened: 7:40 pm (7:30 from now on)

Jim Cummins in the chair

Attendance: 59 + 1 visitor = 60

Apologies: Ian Richardson, Ken Kermode, Denis Tobler, Peter Marselos, Kim Gilgannon, Ron Hodge, Don Blacklock, Alf Tremain, Richard Stock, Kevin Brown, Ron Marshal, Emma Foye.

Visitors: Andy Morrison.

New Members: Phil Hall

Correspondence In: "Tweelers" and Macquarie Towns M.R & P. C. magazines; List of parts BSA from Bill Green.

Previous Minutes: Moved (Steve Ansell/ Mick Hockley) "...that the minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting". Passed.

Business Arising: Nil

Treasurer: Balance at May 30th \$5,344 Moved (John Morris/Brian Martin) "that the Treasurer's report be accepted". Passed.

Welfare Officer: Nil to report.

History: Steve Ansell brought another display folder from earlier years of the Debenham Rally.

Library/Technical: An Index of all club magazines/books/manuals now available. Many Suzuki manuals available from the late Noel Shipp collection. A Gilera motorcycle currently undergoing repairs with parts sourced from Slovakia! (thank goodness for the Internet).

Regalia Bill and Marie have sloppy joes, name tags, shirts and belt buckles.

Events: *****For the latest correct/updated information on rides, look up the club site.*****

Coming Rides/Events

* 15/16 June Debenham Rally. Bundanoon for lunch. Marshalls at Moss Vale by 8:45 please.

* Monday 17th June Coffee Ride to Belmore Basin. Meet at Levendi's Café at 10a.m.

* Wednesday 19th Dam Ride . Leaves Key Batteries 10A.M. Finishing after supplied BBQ lunch. Details Brian 0408835139

* Tuesday 25th Two Stroke Tuesday Ride. Meet at Wollongong Lighthouse top level carpark 10a.m. Details Jim 0414379419

* Show Day date is 15/9/2019 at Engadine.

* Oberon November (first week)

Ride Reports **Wednesday 15th Dam Ride.**

Ride was to Picton Botanical Gardens under fantastic riding conditions. The Victoria Bridge along the way was explored with many forays into the back country roads in the region. The BBQ lunch was gratefully consumed and cooks thanked for their fine efforts. 41 attended, 3 in 2 cars, 39 bikes of which 21 were historic registered.

Saturday 18th Tortoise Ride

Nineteen bikes took the casual ride to Bulli Beach for a coffee/chat. Bike of the ride was Mark Aquilina's 1929 Ariel 500. Just the bike these runs were set up to feature. Slow and steady rides are the perfect opportunity to get that project out for a shakedown ride.

Sunday 19th Oil-Steam-Kerosene at Menangle

Five riders set out for the biannual showcase of everything not electrically powered meeting a good contingent of Sydney based members at Menangle display grounds. A great show, especially for the family as it truly is a step back in time!

Monday 20th Off Road Ride

Six riders, dusty trails, heavy sand sections and 54 kilometres covered!

Sunday 26th Breakfast Ride

Thirteen bikes and fifteen enthusiasts met in the main street of Jamberoo for a breakfast start.

Tuesday 28th Two Stroke Ride

This was the third in the series with eleven members assembling at the Lighthouse, with a brief but interesting ride through rain forest settings of Mt Keira, Mt Kembla and Windy Gully, returning to Figtree for a concluding coffee. Nine machines were two strokes, with a newly acquired DT175, DT250 and GT750 appearing for the first time. Brisk westerlies lowered any chance of EPA monitoring stations going into alarm mode!

Monday June 3rd Off-road Ride

Five riders assembled for this ride in the State Forest. Weather threatened but good riding experiences were available until rain and hail stones put a dampening effect on proceedings which were prematurely terminated for the day!

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General Business:

Outstanding unpaid fees by members was again discussed, with all members to check their 2019 card.

Debenham Rally marshal requirements were discussed.

Member Max Lopeman explained that his workshop was broken into recently with a Yamaha FJR1300 stolen, along with a treasured one of a kind imported Arai helmet. The Log Book Trial Survey was discussed, with member feedback appreciated.

A suggestion from the floor was tabled by Merv Henderson that the first Wednesday ride be named in honour of the late Ron Foye who had so capably and enthusiastically

arranged and led the ride for so many years. Motion was raised by John Morris to rename the ride, "The Ron Foye Ride" from here on in, seconded by Bernie Eather. Office Bearers for 2020 were discussed. Members urged to consider standing for election as the positions of Illawarra President and Secretary are to be vacated as the three year terms will expire.

Raffle: Tim Seiber, David Powell, Steve Ansell, Brian Martin, Mick Daly, Adrian Wallace.

Programme Officer: Ron Sumskis presented 2 new Royal Enfield Interceptor 650s for display from his Fairy Meadow business. Ron was able to provide an extensive background briefing on history of the Enfield in India and how recent expertise has been expatriated from the UK in developing the frame and engine for the newly released twin. Thanks were extended to Ron and his son for presenting the machines in such a professional and enthusiastic manner to the assembled members.

Meeting Closed: 8:30 pm

Next Meeting: July 8th

President: _____
(Jim Cummins)

Secretary: _____
(Acting Mick Mellin)
