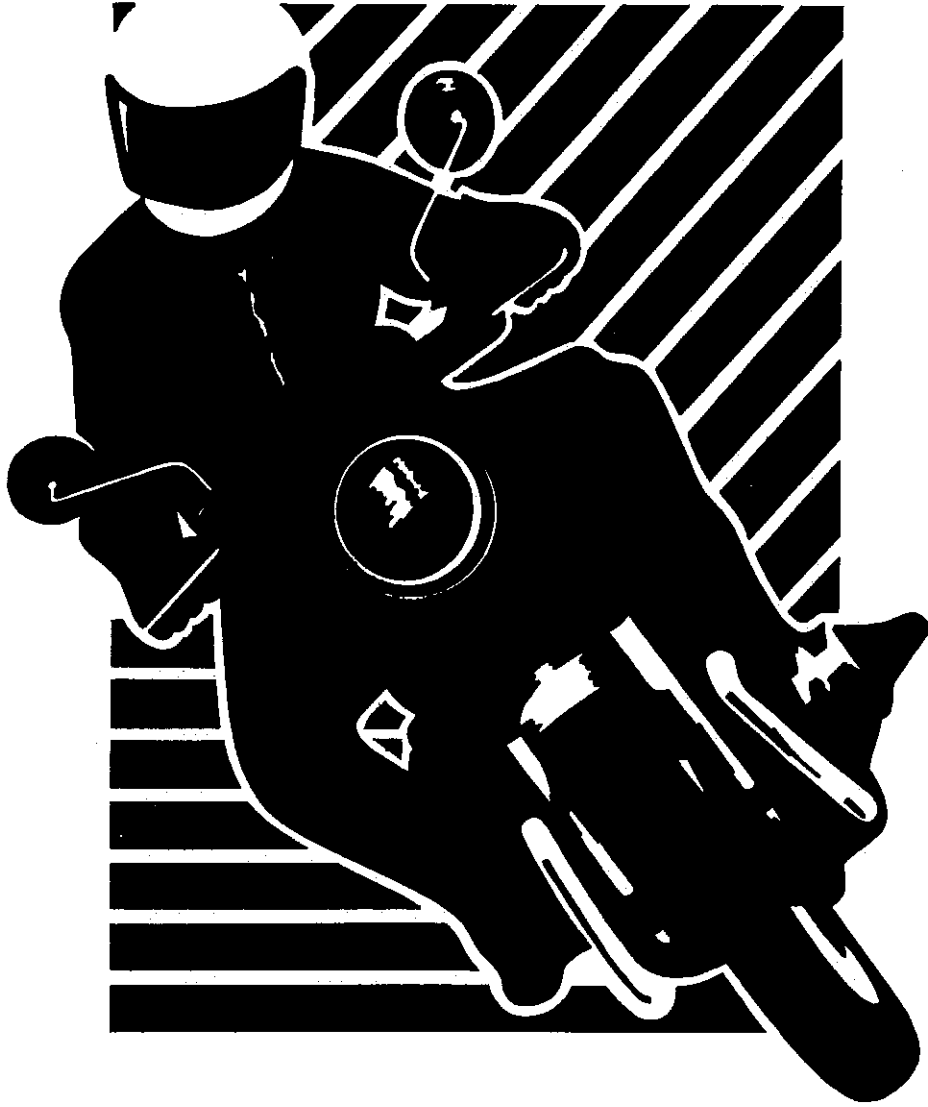


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ITINERARY

MARCH 94

- SUNDAY 6th. HORSE RIDING
Marysville
via Reefton & Black Spurs
9.30 KBCP
10.30 Yarra Glen
Andrew Kennedy leading.
- This popular event will again be held at Marysville where Andrew has organised an excellent deal. If your interested in the 2 HOUR horse ride at 12.45pm please contact Andrew to enable a booking to be made.
- SATURDAY 12th to MONDAY 14th. BLUE LAGOON CAMPING
(near Maffra)
10am Hallam - Saturday
Tom Saville leading
- This camping weekend will be an ideal way for some Rest & Riding as it is right in the middle of some of the best riding roads in Gippsland. See details elsewhere.
- THURSDAY 17th. SOCIAL SIP
6.30pm Onwards.
- Once again at the Anchor & Hope Tavern at 481 Church St Richmond.
- SUNDAY 20th. NAGAMBIE
9.30 KBCP
10.30 Whittlesea
Craig Morley leading.
- Come with Craig as we explore some of his favourite roads around this pastoral township situated about 130km north of Melbourne.
- FRIDAY 25th. UPPER BEACONSFIELD
Night Ride
7.00pm - Hallam Hotel
8.30pm - Leave
Ian Payne leading
- This evening excursion around the hills will begin with a meal at the Hallam Pub (Mel 96-G1). Note: Dress Neat/Casual in Pub
Then at 8.30pm we leave to view the high lights in and around the Dandenongs.
- SUNDAY 27th. WALHALLA CRICKET
9.30 KBCP
10.15 Hallam
- Our annual match will once again be played on the HIGH oval at this historic gold town situated 180km east of Melb.
- APRIL
- FRIDAY 1st to MONDAY 4th. TALLANGATTA WEEKEND
Victoria Hotel
9.30am Whittlesea - Friday
- This Easter break will be spent up at Tallangatta which is situated 350km north of Melbourne and close to the NSW border. See all details elsewhere in this magazine.
- THURSDAY 7th. GENERAL MEETING
St. Pauls Church Hall
8.15PM Sharp.
- Come along for our last meeting in this old hall before it is demolished and replaced by an office/shops complex.

Mt Buller Roll Race

Sunday 16th Jan. '94

19 People, 17 Bikes

GSXR1100	Michael Chan	CBR1000	Tony Schrader
GSXR1100	Alec & Kylie	K100RS	Andrew Dunn
GSX750	Ian Payne	FZR1000	Sam Sirianni
Tengai	Ben Warden	ZZR250	Thomas
GPX750	Marty Thompson	YZF750	Tom Saville
YZF750	Andi Sirninger	Z1000	Andrew Douglas

Visitors:

CB250	Damien	907EI	John
FZR1000	Paul & Carol	XJ900	Richard
FZR1000	John		

I joined the ride at Whittlesea, the second pickup, at 10 am. The weather was threatening: overcast, drizzly rain, though quite warm. On wet roads, with Michael leading and Andrew Dunn rear rider we were soon away. I corner marked at the Wallan "Y" junction and directed the group towards Yea.

Passing through Kinglake West a large group of bikes were parked, notably a number of YZFs. Tom and Andi waved and I nodded. Sitting behind Michael now the roads magically dried. Blat, blat! Tom and Sam slotted in right behind Michael, appearing as if from nowhere. Good. Now the Tengai motor had to work a little harder!

I love sweeping down Junction Hill. All too soon we were in Yea, the rain closing in. Michael called the group together to discuss his planned route (pre-riden the day before) across to Alexandra via Molesworth, on to Eildon and Jamieson (dirt equals mud equals fear!), pick up the highway near Mansfield and on to Mt Buller. Somewhere in the vicinity of a 650 km round trip. When a show of hands was called for, it appeared as if Michael and I were the only takers. So Michael reluctantly bowed to wishes of the group and took the direct highway route to Mansfield.

It was going to be a day of high attrition: already we had lost Damien on his CB250, and with the discovery of a blown rear shock absorber on Tom's bike, Tom and Andi departed as well. We proceeded to Mansfield for lunch where Andrew Douglas and Richard caught us up. Then on to Mt Buller after refuelling.

The road up Mt Buller was dry and inviting. Michael, though giving his beast the berries, waved me by. Marty came too and then he also disappeared from view, just as Sam loomed up in my mirrors. There was nought I could do, altitude sapping the meagre horsepower. He swept by. The road turned wet and slippery and Sam slowed. We travelled together to the summit where visibility dropped to 10 metres in the thick fog and pouring rain. It was atrocious weather, so bad it was fun, in a masochistic sort of way.

We were now on the rough, boulder strewn, steep dirt road heading to the summit car park. Then I was alone. And lost! The sign said 6 km to somewhere I had never heard of. Oops. I turned gingerly around and headed back.

The group was sheltering at the end of the bitumen, helmets on. We "gridded up" at a relatively safe spot below the summit township for the roll race. Michael headed down to what would be the finish line which felt like only a couple of kms away. Once everyone was settled we were off. Alec was never headed, Tony Schrader pipping me for second by a few metres. We carried on rolling for many more kilometres until I saw Ian and John (black FZR) making ground. I tipped the bike into a left hand corner carrying a little excess speed and the front tyre wasn't up to the task. I got a bit muddy, broke a blinker lens, and bent the gear change lever. Thanks to those chaps who heaved the bike back onto the road.

Back to Mansfield for afternoon tea and more fuel. It was still pouring rain so we then headed straight for Yea to break up. Around 4 pm on the Goulburn Valley Highway between Yarck and Molesworth I noticed a car "parked" in the reeds off in the swamp. It turned out that Andrew Dunn witnessed a poor overtaking move (by a car), forcing the oncoming vehicle off the road. He gave pursuit, informed the driver of the situation, and later made a police report. The driver was charged with a number of serious offences.

Marty followed me back home from Yea through Flowerdale and Kinglake. He was in a high state of excitement when he took his helmet off. I thought it was a bit slippery. Suffice to say he put a Sportmax on the front for the following week's Clipsone ride day at Winton where he got into the 1 minute, 14 second bracket.

Thanks Michael for leading on such a dismal weather day and congratulations to Alec (and Kylie) who rode smart and well, and Tony for coming out of nowhere, and everyone else for taking part.

Ben Warden (Tengai)



WHO's NEWS

Our ride day at Phillip Island on April 25th is COMPLETELY BOOKED OUT in fact it is over booked with a list of hopefuls waiting for any cancellations.

Want to do a hot lap around Sandown Race Circuit in a FERRARI at \$25 per lap? Well the opportunity will be available on April 1st when the Ferrari Register will hold a Charity Day at the track. For details Ph 0055 25043.

Interested in MODELS???...No the toy type. A Model Expo will be held at the Melbourne Showgrounds on the weekend of March 12th.

RACING:

March 5th & 6th. ARRC SUPERBIKES and TOURING CARS (2+4 meeting) at Sandown race track.

March 26th & 27th. Australian Grand Prix - Eastern Creek NSW.

April 1st & 2nd. Australian TT - Mt.Panorama, Bathurst.

Last chance to submit ideas and destinations for the April to July itinerary.

DARWIN or BUST - 1994.

Last February my brother-in-law Eddie suggested a trip to Darwin at Christmas, so I agreed and here we are.

Boxing Day and after bacon & eggs at my sisters, we start off on a Melbourne Summer Day - windy, cold and wet - something that was to continue until well past Ballarat. I was on the Dominator and Eddie was on a 30,000km old Suzuki Dakar 600, 1987 kickstart model. The Dakar had already done this trip before with its previous owner. After much consideration I'd rejected the idea of a peaked full-face helmet although the advantage of keeping the sun out of your eyes was weighed up against the wind trying to rip your head off during the whole trip. Instead I duct-taped the top of my full-face helmet visor so that the tape line almost touched the horizon when being worn and then bought a good pair of sunglasses. This proved perfect throughout the trip and also saved the cost of a new helmet, Eddie had an open-face with peak and goggles plus face scarf but unfortunately still suffered first from the cold and then the heat.

Gear taken was light; a tent, foam bed mat and a few clothes. Even so, at Alice Springs I did a re-think and sent home 8 kilograms including the lock and chain. I'd decided that the Abo's weren't going to steal my bike after all. We made Ballarat cold and damp so coffee and munchies were had. I'm cold moaned Eddie but after many kicks of the Suzuki when it came time to leave this was no longer the case. I suggested plug removal, kick-over to clean out mixture, refit dry plug and kick. IT WORKED, and continued to do so for the remainder of the trip when the Suzy got a bit stubborn. The Suzuki was to prove to be like a good wife to Eddie, You kicked it in the morning to get it started and swore at it during the day when it got temperamental.

The run to Adelaide became drier and went smoothly until Norwood where we stopped at my cousins for a few drinks then off to an Italian Restaurant for tea and two bottles of wine followed by some Drambuie. That wrote me off for the night however my cousin was fitter and while Eddie and I slept he called up a hooker to come and keep him company. Showed us some of the TOYS used the next morning! Ham & eggs fixed us up ready to leave, except the Suzy wouldn't start. Remove plugs, etc, and off we go.

Into Port Augusta and food from the local supermarket. Eddie is amazed at how black the "blacks" are, he's ex-German and hasn't seen up country before. Seeing them laying around he sensed a business opportunity and started on about the possible large sale of gas ovens! We talked with a Z1300 outfit rider from W.A. His Bull-terrier had got too far into hanging out of the chair and had bounced down the road. It was looking a bit sad and grazed but still alive. The second day ended 125km short of Cooper Pedy with us camping in a parking area beside the highway as darkness fell. The cold weather was gone and summer here at last. Our tents were the modern easy to erect dome types, with a tent each to avoid each others snores and farts. We wanted to get sleep and still remain friends.

Cooper Pedy was an easy hour ride next morning in the clear warmth of 38°C, which was cool for Cooper Pedy normally 45°C. Shops abound and are worth visiting for history and wares. The Opal Cave Motel wouldn't look out of place in central Melbourne its so smart. Tourists about are mostly Japanese and Germans, not many Australians. The night before our arrival someone blew up a car and house - NOTHING LEFT! A local sticker says "No explosives to be taken into the theatre please"! The underground houses are brilliantly done and control the temperature just right, we spent night 3 at the Caravan Park at \$5 a night.

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DARWIN or BUST cont;

Day 4 and we're off to Ayers Rock, photos at N.T. border, fuel at Eridunda and drinks for us before the short 250km sidetrack to the rock. Heat is already a problem with at least a litre of liquid consumed every hour. Costs more than fuel at \$3.20 for a 1½ litre bottle of mineral water. Fuel is now at 94¢ a litre. We view the rock but its too early in the afternoon to climb. Heat is still too high with climbing time early morning or before 5pm. We ride off and circle the Olgas 50km away, all the roads are excellent bitumen to suit the tour buses. After a short walk through the Olgas back to the Rock for the 800 metre high climb to the top, following the white line and it's easy, provided you have a few short breaks. It's easy to see why some would die climbing as heat exhaustion can be a problem. Again most on the Rock are German, Swiss & Japanese. I find 2 Aussies at the top. Great views from here and what took 1 hour to climb takes 30 minutes to descend.

Night 4 at the Resort Caravan Park then next day into Alice with Camels sighted on the way here we feed up from the Coles Supermarket which is open 7 days and 24 hours a day. Next off to Honda Alice Springs and some bike maintenance where the staff were very helpful and provided oil pans and washup facilities. From here to the Caravan Park and its pool. Up north all self respecting parks have a swimming pool which is included in the \$6 a day fee.

Day 5 is planned for a tour of the sights. First out to Glen Helen Gorge, a 240km round trip. The Suzuki is difficult to restart hot and kicking in this heat is exhausting. Eddie spits the dummy and goes back to camp when he learns we will be stop starting all day. For me it's a breeze, press the button and the Dominator starts, hot or cold. The Glen Helen tour is worth doing with many gorges and waterholes to see, along the way I found a German couple stranded with a burst radiator hose on their hire car. They had 2 cans of soft drink between them in the 40°C heat, a passer-by with a mobile phone soon fixed the situation. New Year's Eve passed quietly in the Park pool feeding the nocturnal wallabies.

Day 6 and we are off to Darwin, Eddie with a new rear road tyre. I'd fitted a new rear road Metzler when the trip started in the hope that it would last out the trip. Darwin took 1½ days with a stop at Katherine. Day 7 and we are in Darwin with friends watching a football match! Its their wet season. Three excellent days are spent around Darwin including visiting Litchfield Nat. Park - lots of waterfalls, gorges and swimming holes and FANTASTIC, a road with BENDS in it. Temperature about 32-35°C but 100% humidity! Darwin is a modern large city with about 85,000 people living here, jobs are relatively easy to get and houses large and expensive. Well worth a visit!

Next day we ride to Kakadu Nat. Park and Jabiru with my rear Metzler dissolving in the heat. Only about 2mm of tread left, so much for plans! Jabiru is about 250km away and has an excellent Caravan Park with pool, waterslide, Spa and pool side meals if you wish! Charges are \$8/day but the first 2 days are the price of one. To see Kakadu you must either pay for boat cruises or fly over the area, both expensive options but the only ones available in the wet season, so with that and all the heat and humidity I decided that would do for the trip and prepared to head home the next day.

Thursday 6th January and I start back towards Darwin as floods have closed one side of Kakadu. I attempt the 250 + 1650km run to Alice Springs in one hit but get caught late at night in a storm and shelter in a parking bay about 300km north of Alice. Next morning I'm into the back of the Honda shop for another oil change, 3000km comes quick out here!

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DARWIN or BUST cont;

I'm soon off and running for Port Augusta, again I don't make it! Cold and tired, in the dark I quit at Glendambo and sleep on the grass behind the Service Station in my damp sleeping bag wearing my Dri-Rider oversuit and my helmet for a pillow. During the night I wake up with ants in my helmet so I shift position on the grass. It seems to work. Next day into Port Augusta and the back tyre is breaking up so into the local bike shop who fixes me up with a \$95 Dunlop. The weather is now cold, very windy and a few showers, still I think I can make Melbourne by midnight, can't I! Thats 300 + 300 + 750km in a day - easy.

Tea-time at Bordertown and as I leave I hear squeaks and rattles, the O-ring chain has died! Very carefully and at 100km/hr I continue on, expecting the chain to break at any moment. But it doesn't and I make it home at 1.30am Sunday morning, although it was a bit touch and go travelling through Ballarat where it was so cold that I'd wrapped my sleeping bag around my body inside the nylon oversuit to stay warm.

The Dominator behaved perfectly with only a new spark plug at trip start and untouched for the remainder. Economy was about 20km/litre which gave about 300km per tank, quite enough for this trip as we did not carry any extra fuel. On our return the only things that required attention was an oil change and filter, a new chain, a new front sprocket and a new front tyre. Not too bad considering the tyre and sprocket had done 30,000km. Now the next task was to clean and clean and clean the bike.

Andrew Kennedy

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More Who's News

WEDDING BELLS, Congrats to Les and Jane who tie-the-knot on March 4th.

CRASHES:

Jack's Daytona suffering from a mild case of GRAVEL RASH after a Christmas excursion off the road. Only mild damage to both man and machine.

Tom having a fiddle with the YZF had it over-balance in the garage causing some BLEMISHES to the fuel tank.

Tony Schrader out testing a CBR600 at Phillip Island recently found the limits of adhesion on one corner and added a few scuff marks to the test bikes paintwork.

Danny Kosinski found ABS brakes not to his liking after a Mercedes took him out after coming through a STOP sign. Danny suffered a broken FEMUR and COLLAR-BONE and is residing in Royal Melbourne for a short time before he shifts to a Rehab Hospital.

NEW BIKES:

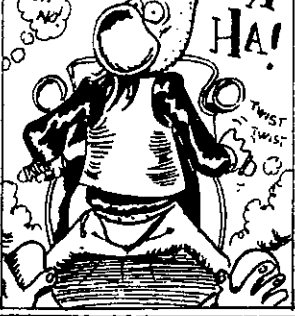
Ray Thomas has swapped the KLE for a new Honda Dominator. Seems the Dominator is a popular mount with another long serving member ready to make the switch to this style of bike.

Not really a new bike, just the performance of one or thats what Craig hopes after fitting a CARB KIT to his big FZR1000.

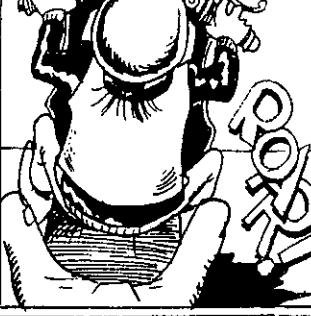
COME FOR A 'BURN' WITH FRED, THE DANGEROUS DRIVER



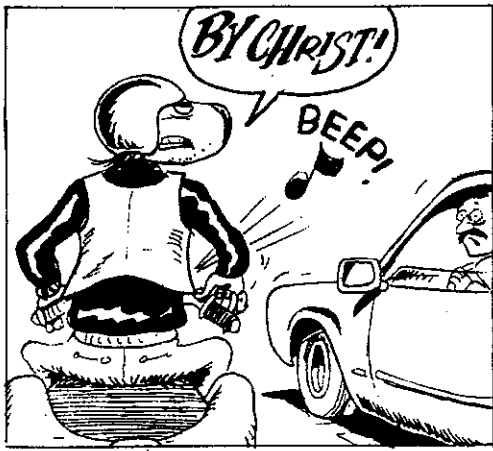
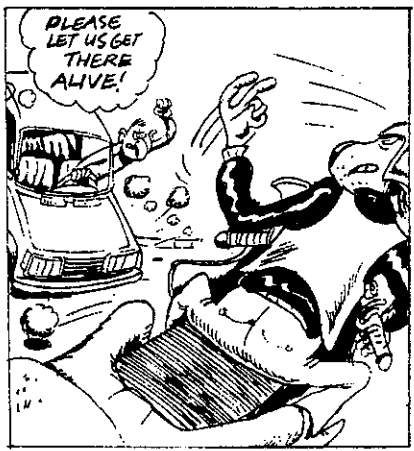
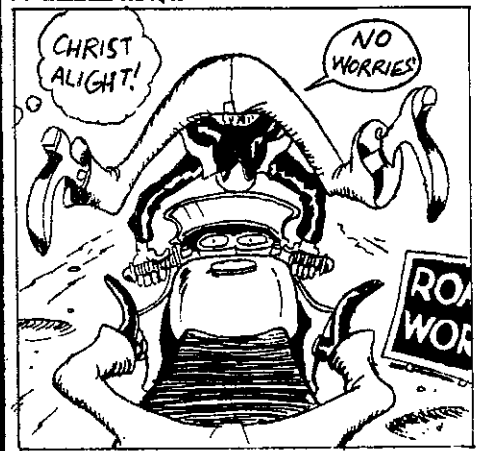
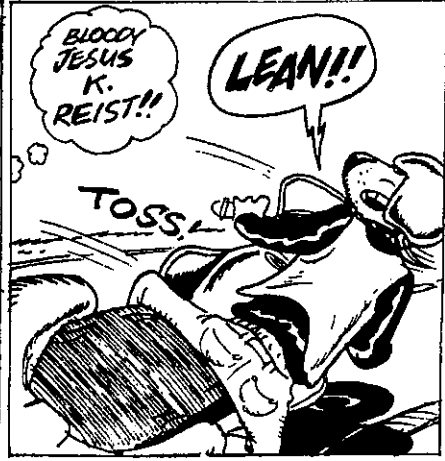
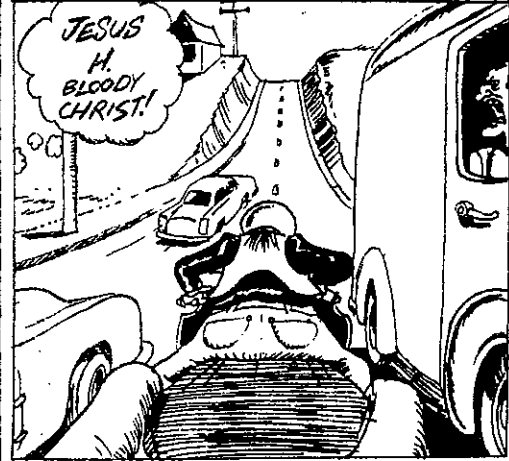
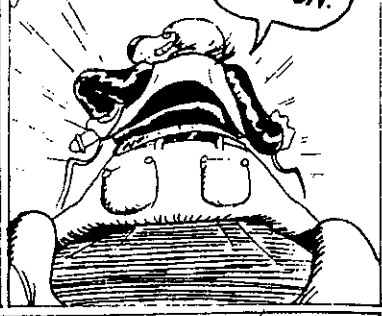
AROOWOO! HA HA HA!



BLOODY HELL!



GOD, WHY DIDNT I GO ON THE BUS!



Eildon Poker Run. Sunday 13 February 1994.

Rather than meet at KBCP, I proceeded directly to Yarra Glen, via the Clubs usual route through Christmas Hills, to test and acclimatise to the questionable, front-end suspension settings hastily made having replaced fork oil and seals some weeks before. Suffice it to say that I scared myself silly as the bike bounced and bucked around a few corners. By Yarra Glen the tools were out and with a few turns here and there I was half-satisfied with the changes.

As I pulled into the small car park, I thought that 'our' reserved meeting place had been taken over by the 'YZF Owners Club', but not so; Eric, John and long time, non-member Alex Oberhofer were the proud owners (*the latter still running-in*). As 10:30 neared, bikes arrived from different directions until, at last, the KBCP group arrived. With Tom and Andy's arrival the YZF total was five (*how common they look all together*). The next 20 minutes was spent; taking a list of riders/bikes, dealing card one of the day, recording the results and listening to Jack's preamble. 'Don't pass on the left, don't ..., don't...'. Posted strength was 30 bikes and 32 people (25 members).

On this bright, sunny and verging hot day, with Jack leading, Rod East rear riding and the rest somewhere in between we left Yarra Glen and travelled through Healesville, Woori Yallock and Yarra Junction. At Warburton we stopped for the prescribed 15 minute, morning tea break and drawing of card two. By this early stage Jack was holding a pair of Queens, Alec a pair of 10's as was Mary (pillion of Tom D). As fast as you could gulp down a big Big M, we were quickly on the road heading for Reefton (Jack was determined to not deviate from the planned ride schedule one iota. There was even a 7.5 minute warning cry!).

A few riders lagged at the Reefton turn-off hoping to score a clear run, whilst others continued straight through. The twisty sweepers before the turn off put everyone in the mood for the resultant 19 or so kms. of tight left/rights. Personally, I enjoy going up rather than down the Reefton as I always seem to run out of brakes in the other direction. For the first few kms. Andy, Rob L, Eric and myself found ourselves together though it wasn't long after that the pace was on the up. Let us say that there wasn't time to admire the scenery or smell the clean, country air. Before long, with a few less bikes between us and the leader, now, the Daytona finally came into view. Until the end of the run, Jack maintained an enjoyable, safe, 7/10th type pace with only one, small hiccup (*which I will let him describe when you next see him*).

Cumberland was used as a re-group and a chance to inspect tyre, and in some cases, fairing wear (refer Patrick and others). Tyres weren't the only things that were hot; after all of that 'hard work', it seemed the temperature had risen by about 10 units, not to mention heart rates and adrenalin levels. Everyone had raised a sweat. Relentlessly, Jack continued toward the 6 kms. of easily negotiable gravel en route to Marysville which was earlier stated to be the lunch destination. Not so. At Marysville, we proceeded through Buxton, Taggerty and then Alexandra for lunch.

The long stretch of Maroondah between Buxton and Alexandra saw the ride spread out but not enough to alleviate the usual MCTV sandwich shop rush. By this stage, the heat saw many a little zonked. We parked and ate under the shade of trees and picnic shelter in a nearby park. It was here we were joined by someone, whose name I cannot recall, aboard a GS 1000. His denim cut-off vest sported the Peninsula M.C Club name and logo. It was now time for the drawing of card three, and just to show how easily fortunes can change; I too, now held a pair of Queens, Eric a pair of Jacks and Tom S a pair of 10's. At this half way mark, Jack and I shared equal lead. I was looking forward to the prize already. Little did Jack know that the leader of a Poker Run is ineligible to win.

Lunch over, we headed over the white bitumen of twisty Fraser National Park road to 'Skyline' then Eildon. I found the 'pinging' of loose stones from leading bikes against my fairing a little un-nerving. Years ago, I lost the rear big time on this stuff; you can't see the loose stuff until you're in it. We meandered through Eildon township and turned off at the

Jamieson road. If this wasn't a hoons ride, I don't know what is. For those who haven't done this road, imagine the equivalent of Black and Reefton spurs put together, double the length, set the flame to high and wait to boil. Oh, and watch out for the oncoming four wheel drives that don't know why there's a white line in the middle of the road. Thankfully, Jack had it in mind not to go as far as the dirt, like I did a few weeks ago, and we ended up on a track by a small, running stream (off the Tobreck River) which was ideal for a bit of a splash. Next time Steve goes in. Here, was also time for the drawing of card four. Alex's and Andy's hands, near straights, were starting to look pretty unbeatable but I was still in with a chance with 2 pair. Alec, too, was a danger with his three 10's, a possible full house. But the day wasn't over yet.

We returned the way we had come, heading finally toward Thornton, Taggerty then Buxton en route for the Black Spur and Healesville for break-up. Without detailing the dirt or nitty gritty of what may have happened through the Spur by whom, to whom, on what or by how fast (refer any Black and Reefton, Ocean Road ride report, because it's always the same) we reached Healesville and parked near the Don Road bus shelter. At the end of the day the scores were;

Rider	Bike	Card 1	Card 2	Card 3	Card 4	Card 5	hand
John van Dorp	VF1000FII	8H	10S	QC	7S	AS	
Jack Youdan	Daytona 900	QC	QH	7D	JD	8C	1 pair
Patrick Tayeh	GSXR750K	KH	8H	7C	7D	7S	3/kind
Steve Leyland	GPX750	AD	7D	7C	KC	9S	1 pair
Martin Thompson	GPX750	JH	KD	7D	QD	8H	
Denise Brand (1st)	CBX250	KD	7S	JC	QC	QH	1 pair
Gary Clifton	ZZR1100	JH	9H	AS	left		
Michael Chan	GSXR1100	7S	QS	QH	7D	AC	2 pair
John Clowes	YZF750	8C	QH	7H	JH	9S	
Eric Makin	YZF750	JD	7C	JS	9C	10D	1 pair
John Morley	FT500	AH	8D	10C	9S	8C	1 pair
Alex Oberhofer	YZF750	9C	QD	JD	10H	QC	1 pair
Ben Warden	Tengai 650	9D	QC	JC	7D	7S	1 pair
Alec Brown	GSXR1100	10H	10D	JH	10C	AH	3/kind
Rod East	CBR1000	QD	AC	8D	7D	8H	1 pair
Rob Matricianni	GSX750	8S	7S	QD	left		
Mandy Flower	pillion	10H	7S	?	left		
Diane Welsford	GPZ250	JD	9H	10D	9D	10C	2 pair
John Riddett	K100RS	10H	KD	AS	JC	left	
Tom Saville	YZF750	QC	10D	10C	8D	KC	1 pair
Andrea Siminger	YZF750	JS	QC	10S	9S	8D	straight
Tom Demosthenos	VT250	10S	7H	JC	10D	AS	1 pair
Mary	pillion	10H	10S	AH	KS	QC	1 pair
Thomas Athanasakos	ZZR250	7S	8S	9H	KH	QC	
Ian Payne	GSX750	9S	AD	8S	9C	KH	1 pair
Harry Miller	FZR600	JS	10H	8C	AH	9S	
Paul Clissold (1st)	GT750	KD	AH	AC	JD	9C	1 pair
Andrew Douglas	R100RS	10C	7H	9S	QC	9C	1 pair
Rob Langer	CBR900	8H	9H	JS	JD	10D	2 pair
Shane O'Dwyer (1st)	FZR1000	KD	left				
Leslie Benson	VFR750	AH	left				
unknown	GS1000						

At Healesville, Andy was announced the winner holding a straight, scoring \$30 cash and free Club membership for '94/95. One may have thought that the competition would have been a little closer given that only 7's and higher were used for the day. That's poker I guess. Thank you Jack for an exciting day and to Rod for rear riding.

Michael Chan GSXR 1100M.

PORT CAMPBELL WEEKEND - SATURDAY 19th FEB 1994

Who was there?

Members:- Tony & Tracey - CBR1000 Rod - CBR1000 Alec - GSXR1100
 Craig & Lisa - FZR1000 Rob - CBR900 Ian - GSX750F
 Gary - ZZR1100 Chris - FZ750 Jack - Daytona (R)
 Andrew - FZR1000 Andi - YZF750 Tom - YZF750 (L)
 Sam - FZR1000

Visitors:- Dave - CBR1000 Tony - ZZR600 Steve - ZZR600

What happened?

Shortly before 9.30am Tom, our leader gave the usual spiel about the weekend, the route, the stops and the rear rider. Weather cool and overcast. We head off to Werribee, with Ian staying at Laverton until 9.50am to make sure no-one was left behind as there was now only one group of riders. We head to Meridith for morning tea via Anakie and Steiglitz. Coffee food and petrol are consumed, with Ian arriving from Laverton by himself.

Next stop Lorne via Shelford, Winchelsea and Deans Marsh. Petrol and a snack and now its time to get enthusiastic enroute to LaversHill for lunch, its also here where Sam joins in after making a late start due to work. Plenty of bikes here as a Christian Bike Club is stopped also heading to Port Campbell. Lunch over and we head back inland towards Gellibrand but not far from town Sam's backpack decides to spew forth its contents with Gary and Ian fortunately picking up the scattered pieces of clothing. Through Gellibrand and Carlisle River then a short section of good dirt and finally a really bad section of bitumen that certainly had the suspension working overtime. It also gave Sam and Andrew a chance at seeing how well FZR's go as Moto-Crossers!

Somewhere around Simpson Craig goes pillion with Sam and allows Lisa to take control of the Fizzer, we learn later that Craig and Sam tried out a new cornering technique at a T intersection which apparently was quite INTERESTING! Not far to Port Campbell now with the group arriving at about 4.00pm, check into the Motel, clean up then across the road to the Pub for a cleansing ale or two. Meanwhile the two ZZR600 riders depart back to Melbourne!

With a bit of time to kill people do their own thing with a bit of a walk around town then back to the Pub for tea at 6.30pm, but a large crowd of hungry Christian bikers beats us to the food, so with most of US pretty hungry a mass exodus sees us dining at the Pt Campbell Cafe. Its also here that Alec arrives.

After dinner we decide to work off some calories with a few beach games so Ian obtains a tennis ball and foam bouy for us to through around. This last's for a short while before we head up the Pt Campbell Discovery Trail with various members going this way and that, but all eventually arriving back at the Pub for a couple of drinks before heading to bed at a fairly early hour.

Tony - CBR1000

PORT CAMPBELL WEEKEND - SUNDAY 20th FEB.

Saturday night was not a good one, the Pub across the road was open till all hours and the noisey patrons were extremely excited. Andi and I shared a room with Rob and Jack so when the Pub finally closed we were only confronted with the ZZZZ's and Rob occasionally screaming "Muther F'ers in his SLEEP. Alec didn't have a good sleep either as he slept on a mattress base on the floor. I think Tony and Tracey had the right idea, they took the HONEYMOON suite in the Motel up the road!

Rob woke around 6am & made us cuppers in bed, thanks Rob then by about 8am everyone was up and heading for the local Take-away for breaky. We lined the bikes up for a photo session, with the bay in the background and the Motorcycle group we met the day before (The Kilsyth Fast Baptist Group) came over and Oohed and Aahed over the bikes, the Oohed and Aahed over our tyres and then said "they'll pray for us"!

Around 9.30am we head off to Peterborough for a look at the Bay of Islands, and where Andrew Bakers oil light comes on, this he can't understand, why his bike used oil as he NEVER revs it above 7,000 RPM! Back through Port Campbell for a look at Loch Ard Gorge and the Twelve Apostles (not that I could count twelve!) and somewhere along the way we lose Gary!

Lavers Hill for morning tea and talk about the great piece of road just travelled, seems Andrew's throttle jammed open on one section! From Lavers Hill to Lorne for lunch and where we meet up with ex-club members John - ZXR750 and Jackie - CBR600, they decide to ride to Anglesea with us where at one point John almost has a head on with an oncoming car. I guess someone must have prayed for him!

Next stop is Geelong and somewhere enroute we all pass a 4WD, clearly marked POLICE seems all of us did the right thing when passing except Rob. He didn't see it and overtook on a corner with double white lines, Naughty, naughty. He's still looking in his letterbox everyday for that Ocean Rd memento.

Geelong was breakup & as it was still quite early we sat around and pondered over the great weekend just had and came to the conclusion that the Go Road is definitely better in the early hours of the day as later on the traffic becomes diabolical and difficult to pass. Andrew, who's throttle was still sticking open, came up with a suggestion that road tyres should have side knobs on the edge of the tread so that when you run off the bitumen into the dirt the knobs would still give you plenty of grip!!! Now why didn't the tyre companies come up with that? And where was Ben on this not-to-missed-weekend, you may ask. At home preparing the babies room of course!

Tooronga Falls, Noojee

Sunday 27th Feb. '94

7 People, 6 Bikes

CBR1000	Tony Schrader - leader
GL500	Les Davis and Ben Warden - rear
R100RS	Rob Langer
GPX750	Martin Thompson
CBR1000	Dave - 2nd ride
ZX10	David Ward - 1st ride

I left for Bon-Beach (near Chelsea) at 8.45 am in pouring rain. The plan was for me to ride the Tengai to Les's (and Jane's) house and then pillion Les for the rest of the day on his GL500 Silver Wing. The northern end of Springvale road was flooded in various places which made for slow going. I eventually arrived right on time, gloves ringing wet, the rest of my riding gear in a damp condition.

Les greeted me and soon we were off to Hallam to meet the others. It was still pouring rain, a dismal forecast for showers throughout the day. Despite Tony's hope of calling the ride off, we left right at 10.15 am, the scheduled departure time, much to Rob's astonishment when he arrived 5 minutes late. He caught us in Drouin for morning tea. (He took the highway, we travelled the usual back roads from Pakenham.)

Les and I hummed along at the rear. The final drive (shaft) is geared for a fairly high 6500 rpm at 120 km and maximum power seems to be around 8500 rpm. It needs this sort of gearing to push the huge tinted screen and panniers through the air. The air pocket behind the screen is relatively still and quiet for both the pillion and rider. I rode with my visor partly open for the whole day. This also prevented visor fogging. Water droplets tended to "bounce" straight into my eyes if left fully open.

After morning tea we headed south towards Poowong taking the more open western road through Athlone, across to Ranceby and south towards Korumburra before turning onto the Arawata Road and its tight twisties. I was surprised Tony took this route, considering the two km of downhill, dirt road. Much to my surprise we caught the two new Davids, going very slowly and carefully in the slippery conditions. Not surprisingly, David (CBR) left at Leongatha.

Meanwhile we headed for Dumbalk and Mirboo North. It was still raining.

I was being more inventive in coping with the tinted screen. With water on the helmet visor, water on the bike's tinted screen which was designed to be looked through, not over, the sky completely overcast and gloomy, and the black, twisting, narrow road blending in with the dark green surrounding trees, it was a tad difficult to see. At times, I was climbing all over the bike, out to the left or right looking around the screen, standing on the footpegs to pick our way through the gravel section, or just stretching tall to peer over the top. But it was fun and challenging. And the tyres (Metzler Marathon rear) just made life that bit more interesting, especially over the cattle crossing (equals cow shit all over the road).

We lunched at Mirboo north, refuelling as well. Buckets of chips were the order of the day, and good they were too thanks Les. I helped Rob take his Tote rubber overboots off to release about a litre of water which had run down his legs into them! Rob ran his engine to dry out his socks and boots. Everyone was in a bright and cheery mood, as we sat under a porch out of the rain. Group suffering is wonderful phenomenon. Marty had obviously survived his Adelaide jaunt, though the previous night's partying had taken its toll as he attempted sleep in the doorway.

Tony gave us 10 minutes warning so that Rob could dress himself in time, and then it was off to Trafalgar and Narrewarren via the backroads from Drouin. We had given up on the idea of going to the

falls. We need look no further than Rob's boots.

The esses before Thorpdale are good even in the wet. Rob particularly enjoyed them, having never ridden on them before. (This road and the one into Mirboo North get a favourable mention in the current MotorCycle News in the ZXR, GSXR test. Now don't get distracted by the four photos of your's truly which appear elsewhere in the Phillip Island Spectacular article.)

As we spiralled down the road into Trafalgar I pointed to the large quantity of diesel on every left hand corner. Les, enjoying the ride and scenery, hadn't noticed it till then.

We broke up at Narrewarren service station at about 3.30 pm. Tony informed me that the round trip from KBCP was 330 km. Les and I continued back to Bon Beach for magazine swapping and freshly baked fruit cake and coffee. Thankyou Jane.

Home by 6.00 pm. The Tengai never felt so comfortable or powerful. Thanks Tony for leading in the difficult and unpleasant conditions.

Ben Warden

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TALLANGATTA, APRIL 1st - 4th

Tallangatta is situated 350km north of Melbourne on the shores of Lake Hume and is close to the Victorian Alps and the NSW Border.

ACTIVITIES:

Tallangatta is an ideal base for trips to Mt.Kosciusko (chair lift to the Summit), Lake Eucumbene, Albury, Canberra, Falls creek, Dartmouth Dam and the great Snowy Mountains Highway.

ACCOMMODATION:

The Club has booked out the Victoria Hotel for Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Apart from the modest tariff for bed & breakfast, the publican will put on a spit roast for the Saturday evening meal. As beds are limited (2 doubles at \$30/night & 16 singles at \$20/night) a deposit must accompany the booking slip to secure your bed.

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Send to:- Ian Payne, 6 Peter St, Springvale 3171.

Name.....Phone.....

I wish to book the following;

.....Double/Single bed for Friday night, April 1st, at \$30/\$20 per night...\$.....	
.....Double/Single bed for Saturday night, April 2nd, at \$30/\$20 per night..\$.....	
.....Double/Single bed for Sunday night, April 3rd, at \$30/\$20 per night...\$.....	
TOTAL	\$.....
Less a deposit of \$10 / night	\$.....
BALANCE	\$.....

SOCIAL SIP

17 February 1994

Jennifer Burns
Dot & Tracy
Diane Welsford
Mandy Flower

Members = 32
Visitors = 9
Total = 41

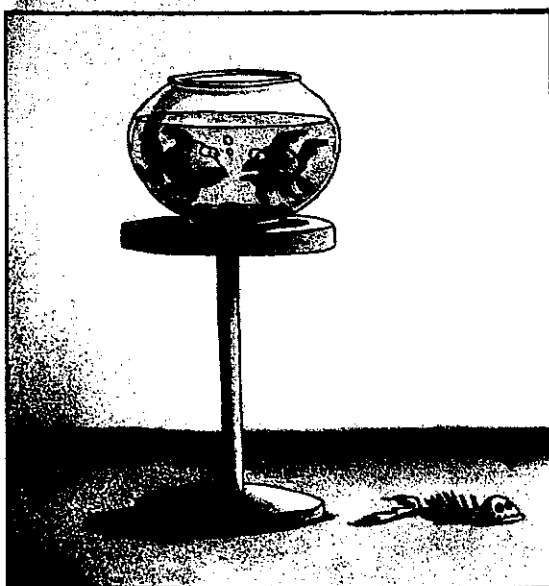
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Sam & rita
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Kylie & Ferdi
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Rob & Mandy
Ben & Vicki
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Bear & Justine

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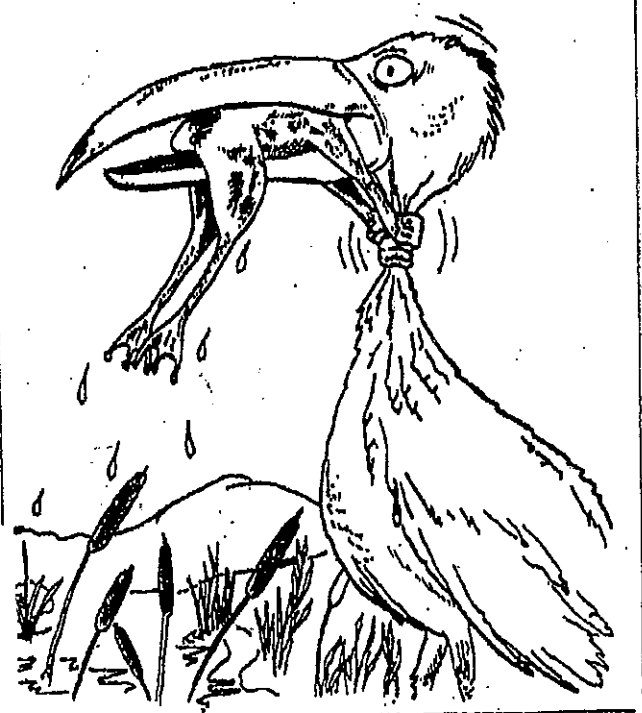
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Something I should do.
Study of paintings.
Back door of cafeteria.
What doctors do when treatment fails.
Letters like A, E, I...
District in Rome.
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Searching for kitty.
Made eye contact with her.
Sheep dog.
Near the suitcase.
Punctuation mark.
Friendly.
Where Washington is.
To live long.
Not a friend.



"I guess he made it . . . it's been more than a week since he went over the wall."

NEVER EVER GIVE UP



Members	Address	Home	Work	Motorcycle(s)
n Athanasakos, Thomas	16 Chivers Ave Glen Waverly 3150	561-6293		Kawasaki ZZR250
Baker, Andrew	33 Spruzen Ave East Kew 3102	853-6062		Yamaha FZR1000
Barnes, Mick	5 John St Williamstown 3016	397-1640		Kawasaki KLR650
Barta, John	28 Pine Rd Bayswater 3153	729-1712		BMW R100GS
n Baszak, Steven	11 Dalston Rd Oakleigh 3166	569-4195	509-3522	Kawasaki GPz900R
Bastock, Martin	1/4 Swinton Ave Kew 3107	853-7628	018-175-979	Honda CBR1000
Bear	263 Springvale Rd Nunawading 3131	877-6914		Kawasaki GPz900R
n Becker, Warren	3/135 Glenhuntly Rd Elwood 3184			
Bradshaw, Ross	10 Wollhara Plc Heathmont 3135	720-5317	603-4664	Kawasaki GTR1000
Brown, Alec	155 Power Rd Doveton 3177	791-1297		Suzuki GSXR1100N
l Brown, Ken	294 McKinnon Rd, McKinnon, 3204	578-3403		Honda 175CD
Buddingh, Ferdinand	6 Tyas Plc Carrum Downs 3201	782-0119		Kawasaki ZZR1100
Burns, Jennifer	36 Alice St Mt Waverley 3149	807-4766		Honda CB250RS
l Carron, Fred	38 Valentine St, Ivanhoe, 3079	49-2776		
+ Chan, Michael	7 Prentice St Elsternwick 3185	523-5986	697-0390	Suzuki GSXR1100M
Clifton, Gary	21 Stennis St Pascoe Vale 3044	354-8837		Kawasaki ZZR1100
+ Clowes, John	17 Auburn Rd, Healesville 3777	059-622-309		Yamaha YZF750
Cole, Daryl	PO Box 920 Dandenong 3175	704-7663		Yamaha XT600
Corrigan, Mandy	2A Bristol Cres Lilydale 3140	735-3521		Kawasaki ZZR600
Cowling, Belinda				Yamaha XJ600
Crussel, Ron	28 Burwood Ave Ringwood 3134			Honda CB900F2
Davies, Colin	9 Baradine Tce Donvale 3111	842-5098		Yamaha FZR1000
+ Davis, Les	28 York St Bonbeach, 3196	772-0689	783-5231	Honda CX500
Davis, Mike	12 Rolland Crt., Montmorency, 3094	439-2378		Kawasaki ZZR250
Demosthenous, Tom	19 Reynard St Coburg 3058	384-0447		Honda VT250
Dennis, Mark	17 Alvena Cres. Heathmont 3135	870-8869		Suzuki GSR750WN
+ Douglas, Andrew	59 Vista Dve Chirmside Park 3116	727-2765	585-0444	Kawasaki Z1000
Dunn, Andrew	16 Foch St Ormond 3204	578-9705		BMW K100RS
a Dunn, Pam	16 Foch St Ormond 3204	578-9705		
Dwyer, Peter	P.O. Box 57, Altona, 3018	398-2322	398-2322	Yamaha XJ900
East, Rod	63 Old Belgrave Rd Upper F'tree Gully 3156	758-7738		Honda CBR1000
Forsaith, Doug	3 Toulon Crt Carrum 3197	772-4355		Kawasaki ZZR1100
Forsaith, Stuart	14 Elvie St Doncaster East 3109			Kawasaki ZZR1100
Gooding, Kerrie	6 Peter St Springvale 3171	558-4740		
Gouthro, Anita	4 Ralph St, Blackburn, 3130	878-5657		
Hillier, Kylie	6 Tyas Plc Carrum Downs 3201	782-0119		Kawasaki GT550
Hosking, Ian	6 The Brentwoods, Chirmside Park 3116	735-4951		Yamaha FZR600
a Johnstone, Lisa				Yamaha TT250
n Johnson, Anthony	58 Edwards Ave Garden City 3207	646-1681		Kawasaki ZZR1100D
Jones, Geoff	34 Argyll Circuit West Melton 3337	743-3164		Yamaha RZ350
Kennedy, Andrew	79 Hull Rd Croydon 3136	725-9267		Honda CBR900RR
King, Ross	23 Nicholson St, Essendon, 3040	370-9479	688-3400	BMW R100RS
Kosinski, Danny	78 Haldane St Niddrie 3042	379-1959		Kawasaki GPz750
Langer, Robert	390 Burwood Hwy Burwood 3125	888-8977		Honda VFR750
Lardas, George	51 Fortuna Ave North Balwyn 3104	859-1904		Suzuki GSX750
l Leahy, Les		889-6505		
Lee, Chris	66 Ormond Rd, Clayton, 3168	543-2807		Yamaha FZ750
Lennox, David		467-2349		Kawasaki GPz900R
Leyland, Steve		369-5330		Kawasaki GPx750
Locke, Adam	29 Grange Rd Sandringham 3191	598-0510		Honda CBR1000FM
MacInnes, Ian	6 Wenden Crt Glen Waverley 3150	561-7695		Honda VFR750
+ Makin, Eric	17 Auburn Rd Healesville 3777	059-622-309	287-1627	Yamaha YZF750
Matricciani, Robert	50 Majorie St Bulleen 3105	850-8519		Suzuki GSX750F
Miller, Harold	33 Day Cres., Nth Bayswater, 3153	761-4126		Yamaha FZR600

	Mountney, Terry	6 Lambassa Grv. Keon Park 3073	460-1519		Kawasaki GPz900R
	Morley, Craig	47 Japonica St Bundoora 3083	467-7334		Yamaha FZR1000D
n	Morley, John	47 Japonica St Bundoora 3083	467-7334	619-8127	Honda FT500
	Otzen, Daryl	12 Moray St Diamond Creek 3089	438-1087		BMW R65
	Parker, Angus		754-5123		Honda CB900F2
l	Payne, Ian	6 Peter St Springvale 3171	558-4740	550-6428	Suzuki GSX750F
l	Philferan, Peter	19 Aird St, Camberwell, 3124	813-3518		Kawasaki GT750
	Platt, Andrew	11 Weighbridge Lane Kensington 3031	376-8512		
	Pope, Wayne	39 Fraser Crt Wantirna Sth 3152			
	Riddett, Jon		808-0173		BMW K100RS
l	Saville, Tom		848-9988		BMW R80 G/S
	Schrader, Tony	7/25 Newport Rd Clayton Sth 3169	543-8608		Honda CBR1000
	Schwarze, Dot	57A Hubert Ave Glenroy 3046	306-2576		
l	Shearer, Len	798 F'intreegully Rd, Wheelers Hill, 3170	561-2857		
	Shelley, Margaret		799-8156		Kawasaki GPz550
*	Sirianni, Sam	7 Surrey Close, Hallam, 3803			Yamaha FZR1000
*	Sirianni, Rita	7 Surrey Close, Hallam, 3803			
	Sirninger, Andrea		848-9988		BMW R80 G/S
	Smith, Andrew	9 Clinton St East Brighton 3187	592-5072		Kawasaki GT750
	Stanley, Michael	PO Box 1880 Cairns 4870			BMW K100RT
	Stephens, Campbell	8 Ferguson St Mitcham 3132	872-4428		Suzuki RGV250
	Tayeh, Patrick	81 McBride St Fawkner 3060	359-6958		Suzuki GSXR750K
	Thomas, Ray	PO Box 242, Rosanna, 3084	458-4984		Kawasaki ZX10
n	Thompson, Martin	103 Mitchell St Northcote 3070	482-2113	015-314-845	Kawasaki GPX750
	van Dorp, John	6 Leakes Rd Laverton 3028			Honda VF1000FII
	Warden, Ben	12 Timor Parade, West Heidelberg, 3081	457-4479	344-5733	Kawasaki KLR650
	Warden, Vicki	12 Timor Parade, West Heidelberg, 3081	457-4479	867-1666	
	Welsford, Dianne	8 Highview Drv Mooroolbark 3138	726-9066		Kawasaki GPz250
a	Wurster, Ann	15 Redwood Drv, Hoppers Crossing, 3030	749-5575		
	Wurster, Hans	21 Medford St, Altona, 3018	398-5575		BMW K100RS
	Wurster, Ken	15 Redwood Drv, Hoppers Crossing, 3030	749-5575		BMW K100RS
	Youdan, Jack	22 Fort St, Mt Waverley, 3149	802-3564	311-6555	

* changed address or phone number + new bike

l life member n new member a associate member

Life Members - 7

Associate Members - 3

Full Members - 76

Total - 86

Blue Lagoon Camping Weekend

DATE..... March 12th, 13th and 14th. (Labour Day Long Weekend)

LEADER.....Tom Saville.

DEPARTURE...Hallam at 10AM on Saturday the 12th of March.

LOCATION...The campsite is at a place called QUARRY RESERVE which has toilets, showers, large shelter shed with fire place (ideal to sleep in if no tent) and a good swimming hole in the river. Only \$3 per night. It is only 4.7km north of Briagalong (which is 20km north of Maffra) which has a Hotel and a Milk Bar that sells groceries and take-away food. Refer to Melways 252-B10 or Vic Roads Country Directory 83-C7.

Location is ideal for trips to Dargo, Omeo, Buchan Caves, Orbost, The Gippsland Lakes and Lakes Entrance.