MSR Itinerary

October 2011

Sunday 9th Poowong

Ben Warden leading

10 am Berwick

Ride will not suit inexperienced riders; not recommended for first time Club riders.

Back roads parallel to the freeway to Drouin, and then down towards Warragul diverging at Ranceby and heading around through Nyora to Loch for morning tea (115 km). Then we'll continue south 16 km before peeling off towards Anderson, Almurta and loops within loops, the risk of the ride lead intersecting with the group ever present, chaos the likely result. Glimpses of the sea will appear occasionally and totally in the wrong place. Woolamai, the triple K, (Kernot, Kilcunda, Kongwak) and finally (K4) Korumburra Bakery for lunch. (115km) After a leisurely break, it's back up the Korumburra Warragul Road to Lardner, bypassing Warragul and its lights, to Nilma and the Crossover twisties to the Neerims, Nayook and the Powelltown sweepers to finish. Expect around 330 km for the day - plus start and finish commutes. A hard ride, enough to get you through the next week, taking two days to recover.

Sunday 16th MotoGP BBQ at John Rousseaux Home

Ron Johnston leading

10 am Berwick

John Rousseaux has kindly offered his home as the place to finish the short ride and watch the Phillip Island MotoGP on TV while enjoying a home cooked BBQ. If intending to participate, then please advise John on mobile number 0412-880-537 for catering purposes. The route will include Harkaway, Upper Beaconsfield, Cockatoo, Pakenham Upper, Gembrook and Warburton for coffee after 85 km. If there is enough time we may venture up Mt Donna Buang. Otherwise it's back a similar way to Ferntree Gully and the BBQ. Expect around 140 km for the day.

Sunday 23rd Strathbogie Ranges

Rob Langer leading

10am Whittlesea

The first leg will include Whittlesea, Flowerdale, Strath Creek, King Parrot Road, Goulburn Valley Highway, Highlands, Gin Gin, Caveat Terip Terip, and Ruffy for morning tea after 110 km Then on to Gobur, back onto the Maroondah Highway for a smidge to Merton. Then left and up through the Merton twistys, then right towards Strathbogie and in to Euroa for lunch and fuel. (90 km) After a leisurely lunch we'll head back through Ruffy, Highlands, Yea and over Junction Hill to break up at Kinglake West after another 120 kms. Lots of rarely travelled and interesting roads. All up 320 kms or so.

Sat. 29th Melbourne Cup Weekend, Towong

Ben Warden leading

to Tues. 1st 9.30 am Yarck

Refer to web for route details

Sunday 30th Trentham via Seymour

Geoff Jones leading

10am Whittlesea

The route is Whittlesea, Flowerdale, Strath Creek, Trawool, Highlands, and Seymour for morning tea after 112 km. After the break we'll continue through Pyalong, Emu Flat, Baynton, the Burke &Wills Track to Lancefield for fuel, and then Cobar and the Macedon twisties to stop at Woodend for lunch after another exciting 107 km. After lunch we'll ride through Trentham, Blackwood, Greendale, Ballan, Mount Egerton, Dungal, and Morrisons to Meredith for a break after 100 km. The final leg will include Steiglitz, Anakie and Werribee to finish after 66km. Expect around 385 km for the day.

November 2011

Thursday 3rd Social Sip

7 pm **Il Gambero**, 166 Lygon St Carlton

Collect your magazine and get all the news first. Catch up with your fanatical motorcycling enthusiast mates, share a meal and still be home by 10.30 pm.

Sunday 6th Licola

Damir Djikic leading

10 am Berwick

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From Berwick we'll head down through Longwarry, Jindivick, and Crossover, taking the Old Sale Road to Moe for morning tea/early lunch. (110 km) After the break it is on through Yallourn North, Tyers (fuel - it is a 210 km return trip), Glengarry, Toongabbie, around Glenmaggie Weir and up to Licola for lunch. The route will include the 23 km of National Park up to McCalister River and the end of the bitumen before returning to Licola for lunch. Note: food supplies are minimal (pies and pasties, chocolate bars) at the Licola General Store. After lunch we'll retrace our tracks back to Tyers for fuel bypassing Glenmaggie. Then on to Yallourn North, Willow Grove, Icy Creek and Noojee for late afternoon tea. (70 km) Finally through Powelltown to break up at Noojee. (24 km) Expect around 415 kms for the day.