February 2012

Sunday 5th Yarra Ranges

10 am Berwick

Rob Langer leading

The ride will pass through Gembrook and Launching Place with the first break at Warburton. From Warburton we'll head around the Reefton Spur, over the Black Spur and up to Toolangi Roadhouse for lunch and the end of the ride. Then back to Warrandyte for high tea. Expect around 300 km for the day.

Sunday 12th Heathcote

Paul Southwell leading

10 am Whittlesea

From Whittlesea we'll head out through Flowerdale, Yea, Highlands and Seymour for our first break after 110 km. Then on to Pyalong, Lancefield and up the Burke and Wills Track to Mia Mia and directly to Heathcote for lunch. After a leisurely break we'll head back to Mia Mia and then north along the back way to Axedale and around Lake Eppalock before heading back to Lancefield. Then on to Romsey to finish under the planes at Bulla. Expect around 330 km for the day.

Sunday 19th Mirboo North

Ben Warden leading

10 am Berwick

This ride suits sports bikes - it strings together the best roads in central Gippsland. First stop Korumburra Bakery via Drouin if you miss the start. Then up through Arawata (3 km of dirt) and Leongatha along endless twisty roads looking for the perfect sweeper, touching on the Grand Ridge Road with spectacular views of rugged mountains and glimpses of the sea. Nearly three years later and we will still see remnants of the fire damaged areas around Boolarra. Mirboo North bakery for lunch. Then we'll do a loop down to Hallston and back to Mirboo North, before pressing on to the famous Thorpdale corner sequence and Trafalgar for fuel. The Hallston loop offers the chance to skip 60 km of twisties and have a breather for 35 minutes before rejoining the main group. Or jump on the back of your partner's bike. After Trafalgar we'll cross the Prince's Highway and head for Old Sale Road and Jindivick to finish at Officer. Expect around 400 km for the day. Good tyres are essential.

Sunday 26th Phillip Island World Superbikes

Ron Johnston leading

10 am Berwick

Rob Langer will host a BBQ and generously allow us to watch the Superbikes on TV. 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 Ashburton and the BBQ. Expect around 140 km for the day.

March 2012

Thursday 1st 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 4th Licola

Damir Djikic leading

10 am Berwick

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

Leg 1 will include Longwarry, Jindivick, Crossover, Old Sale Road, Hill End to Moe for morning tea after 110 km. Leg 2 picks up Yallourn North, Tyers (everyone must get fuel at this point as it is a 210 km return trip) on to Glengarry, Toongabbie, around Lake Glenmaggie and up to Licola for lunch. Some will take a run up the hill to the end of the bitumen and back, a total of 140 km for this third leg. The return trip retraces our tracks from Licola back to Tyers for fuel bypassing Lake Glenmaggie, another 70 km. Leg 4, the final leg, includes Yallourn North, Hill End, Old Sale Road, Crossover and Jindivick to finish at Longwarry North after another 100 km. Expect around 420 kms for the day. Brilliant roads all day.