MSR Itinerary July 2013

Sunday 7th Powelltown and Spurs

Simon Wastney leading

10 am Officer South BP servo

From Officer South, we'll head east along the freeway to Tynong and Longwarry working our way towards Jindivick to stop at Neerim South for morning tea. (62km) After the break we'll keep on the back roads through Neerim East to Powelltown and Warburton for lunch and fuel. (71km) Next we'll tackle the Reefton Spur, regrouping in Marysville. (60km) Then over the Black Spur to Healesville to finish at Yarra Glen. (49km) Expect around 242 km for the day.

Sunday 14th Goulburn Weir, Nagambie - Poker Run

Ben Warden leading

10 am Yarra Glen

We'll start heading west through Christmas Hills, St Andrews, Glenburn and Flowerdale for morning tea at Broadford after 110 km. Time for your first card – 5 cards during the day, best hand wins a free MSR membership. Then on to Seymour and Nagambie, over the longest curving wooden bridge in the world to visit the Goulburn Weir (bring your camera) and then back to Heathcote for lunch after 138 km. Look out for kangaroos. After late lunch we'll head back down the highway to Tooborac branching off to Emu Flat, Pyalong and Lancefield. Then down to Romsey to finish at finish at Bulla via Bolinda (100 km). A myriad of interesting back roads with lots of ancient volcanic scenery. Expect around 340 km for the day.

Sunday 21st Eildon Lookout

Cliff Peters leading

10 am Whittlesea

From Whittlesea we'll tackle the Kinglake West twisties to Flowerdale before turning left and heading for Strath Creek and Trawool for morning tea at Yea. (75km) Then up to foggy Highlands and around to Yarck and Alexandra along great roads before lunch in Eildon. (117km) After the break we'll check out the views from the lookout before heading to Alexandra, Molesworth, and Yea. (75km) The last leg will be across Junction Hill, left at Break O'Day to Glenburn and up the back road to the Kinglake Bakery. (60km) Expect around 330km for the day.

Sunday 28th Apollo Bay

Bill Simpson leading

10 am Point Cook Shell servo

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

Ben will bring the Melbourne crew down from Point Cook to meet up with the Geelong lads at Moriac. (82km) Then off to Deans Marsh, Murroon, Barwon Downs, Skenes Creek and Apollo Bay for fuel. (100km) Next stop Lavers Hill for lunch. (47km) After the usual tall stories it's off to Deans Marsh, now riding in the reverse direction, for coffee and cake. (111km) We'll finish at Batesford via Moriac, Barrabool, and Ceres. (65km) Total distance 282kms from start to finish. Melbourne crew add 150km.

Thurs. 1st Social Sip

(August) 7 pm Il Gambero, 166 Lygon St Carlton (opposite Argyle Square), Melways ref. 2B F10 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. Free parking nearby.

Sunday 4th Heathcote

Ben Warden leading

10 am Whittlesea

From Whittlesea we'll head out through Wallan to Romsey along volcanic plains and big dippers, heading up Straws Lane (optical illusion, always with cars trying to roll up hill) to Mt Macedon and back down again to Woodend for coffees at the bakery. (82 km) After the break we'll head into the cold towns of Trentham, Little Hampton, Spring Hill, and Kyneton before working our way north through Drummond, Vaughan, Guilford and Newstea. Then we'll turn south to freezing Daylesford for lunch. (127 km) Next leg includes Spring Hill, Trentham, Woodend and Bolinda to finish under the Tullamarine flight path at Bulla. (110km) Expect around 319km for the day.