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# The Steel Horse

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It's almost a year since we kicked off, and things continue to develop and mostly for the better.

Our rides, social events and meetings are well populated and seem to be giving everyone what they want. We are getting close to celebrating a year's anniversary and almost everyone is getting on well.

There has been a lot of activity to set this Club up. It has been deliberately done so that we have a working structure that allows for every member to have a say and so that no individual can become a dictator. This, in my opinion, has been achieved.

I am looking forward to our end-of-year celebrations and the details of this will be discussed at the next meeting or the one after.

If anyone has suggestions on events or ideas to improve how we are doing things then don't hold back, let's hear them.

I must mention how concerned I was when I heard that some of our members had been told by another Club they were in, that they could not hold dual membership due specifically to their membership in Steel Horses. I have no understanding of why this would be an issue, however it seems that it was an issue for this other Club.

Let me just say that within Steel Horses we are here for everyone to have fun, not to dictate who you can ride with, or what additional Clubs you may be a member of. That is not one of our club values or beliefs. You are free to make choices and associate with anyone that you chose to do so, and with our blessing.

So enough from me this month, I need to prepare another ride for next weekend.

See Ya on the next one

Sarge

## Member's Birthdays

Happy birthday to all members who celebrate their birthday this month. Members include Huffy and Steiny.

## VIP dates

- ♦ **12-13/6/2010**—Weekend Away
- ♦ **18/07/2010**—Laverda
- ♦ **05/09/2010**—Father's Day
- ♦ **27-29/9/2010**—Mild Hogs Ride
- ♦ **5/10/??** — Debbil's Birthday

## Deadline

**2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every  
month**

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See Event Calendar for details

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See Event Calendar for details

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See Event Calendar for details

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## Club objectives

The objects of the club are to encourage members to regularly meet, ride, and join together for social enjoyment

## Membership

Membership is open to Riders and Pillions of Cruiser and Tourer motorcycles, as well as Social members.

Currently, the annual membership subscription is \$36 for Riders, \$24 for Pillions, and \$12 for Social Members. This is applied pro-rata for new members.

For new members there is also a once only joining fee on top of the annual membership fee. This covers the cost of Patch, Insignia, and other Club costs.

Currently, the joining fee is \$30 for Riders and Pillions, and either \$20 or \$30 for Social Members depending on whether they elect to wear a Badge or a Vest.

Members can purchase a booklet of the Rules and By-laws at cost .

## Monthly Meetings

**Steel Horses Cruising Motorcycles Social Club Inc** meets every 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at Broadway Hotel, Woolloongabba, Brisbane at 7.30 pm. The Broadway Hotel is at the intersection of Logan Rd, Wellington Rd, and Balaclava St, Woolloongabba.

## Club Merchandise

Please contact the **Merchandiser** (see **Other Roles** to the left) if you are interested in **Steel Horses Cruising Motorcycles Social Club Inc.** merchandise . See the last page for NEW merchandise.

## Internet presence

THE CLUB WEBSITE IS:

**steelhorsesinc.com**

( steel horses inc dot com )



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## Ynot's Blurb—June 2010

Hi all,

The weather is still very encouraging for motorcycling and members are taking advantage of it, if the number of riders attending our rides is an indicator. The last couple of rides I have attended have attracted in excess of 15 riders. We must be doing something right. I wonder if the fact that some of our rides resemble magical mystery tours is adding to their attractiveness? Discovering different ways to arrive at the familiar destinations, adds to the enjoyment of the ride, so don't be too harsh on the poor Ride Captain or Ride Leader when it appears they may have lost their way. They are merely adding to our enjoyment. Remember the Ride Captain or Ride Leader always has final say on the chosen route, so they are always right!

Whilst on the subject of Ride Captains, the Management Committee in consultation with the Ride Captains, has decided to slightly change the way in which the Ride Captains report each month. Currently the Ride Captains submit a written report of the rides they have led over the preceding month for inclusion into the monthly newsletter, and submit an oral version of the same report at the monthly meeting. In an attempt to increase the variety of reporting and to retain the interest of members, the Ride Captains in future will provide a written report of rides conducted for the previous month for inclusion in the newsletter, and will also provide an oral report of rides they will lead in the next month at the monthly meeting. This will allow members to discuss the coming rides with the Ride Captain in advance and allow them to make an informed decision whether to attend or not. Ride captains will also access feedback from members for use in designing future rides.

An important issue was raised at our recent management Committee Meeting concerning the long term planning of our club. The issue was succession planning. This issue involves planning and preparing for inevitable changes to the office bearers of the club. At the AGM in 2011, the current positions of G.M, President, Secretary, Treasurer, Coordinator, and Riders' Delegate will be declared vacant, and elections will be held for these positions to be filled. The current incumbents may renominate for the position, but the positions are open to all qualified members who would like to nominate. There are restrictions on which type of member can nominate for the various positions, and this is clarified in the Rules, pages 8, 18 & 19. The roles of each office bearer are clearly given in the By-Laws, pages 16 to 22, By-Laws 20(a) to 20(i).

If any member thinks they may be interested in taking on one of these roles in the future, they should contact the person currently in that role and express their interest. The current office bearer will then answer any questions the member may have regarding the duties and responsibilities of the role, and act as their mentor. It is inevitable that from time to time a current office bearer will become sick, or be absent for prolonged periods, and this will provide an opportunity for a candidate to gain experience in the role to see if they like it. This issue will be raised in future monthly meetings, so if you would like to contribute to the running of our club, this is an opportunity to get involved.

The club Rules and By-Laws are available for viewing on our website. If any member wants a hard copy of these documents, they can be purchase from the Secretary.

Whilst on the topic of Rules and By-Laws, I have heard comments from members saying that they are too complex and comprehensive. The necessity for the Rules and By-Laws was previously explained in the February 2010 newsletter, so I will not repeat that message here. What I intend to do in the future if time permits, is to include in the monthly meeting an explanation of a specific Rule or By-Law in an effort to reduce any confusion. The first topic will be an explanation of the Directory on page 4 of the By-Laws. An understanding of how this works can reduce the amount of time taken to locate a specific Rule or By-Law. Future topics will depend upon requests from members. If you want to have a Rule or By-Law explained or discussed please let me know and I will include it in the agenda for a future meeting. As I have repeatedly said, the Rules and By-Laws are intended to help, not restrict or impede your enjoyment of the club.

I would like to remind members that current membership expires on 30/06/2010. Renewal of membership is achieved by paying the annual fee of \$36 for Rider members, \$24 for Pillion members, and \$12 for Social members. Time will be allocated during the next three meetings for members to pay their fees to the Treasurer. The deadline for members to pay their fees is 31/08/2010.

Whilst the bank balance is starting to look quite healthy, the prompt payment of your fees will assist the Management Committee to budget for the subsidising of future club events, and further increase your enjoyment of the club.

That's all for now. Safe riding.

Ynot

## Treasurer's Report June 2010

As at 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010

Balance Commonwealth 1 <sup>st</sup> . May. 2010			<b>\$217.07</b>
<b>Plus Income 20<sup>th</sup> April Meeting</b>			
	Raffle	\$80.00	
Glasses – 2 off	Glasses	\$30.00	
Sale of apparel – Caps – 4 off	Caps	\$68.00	
Sale of apparel – Shirts – 2 off	Shirts	\$70.00	
Membership BC	Membership	\$33.00	
	Calendar	\$2.00	
Plus Income 15 <sup>th</sup> . May Meeting			
B-B-Q Marquee Erection	Proceeds	\$44.75	
Sale of apparel – Shirt – 1 off	Shirt	\$35.00	
Membership Pedro and Mozzi	Membership	\$70.00	
Calendars – 2 off	Calendars	\$4.00	
Glasses- 5 off	Glasses	\$75.00	
	Raffle	\$85.00	
	Patch	\$10.50	
Sale various items donated by Rowdy	Items	\$3.00	
	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>\$610.25</b>	
<b>Less expenditure</b>			
Embroidery Excellence	Patches	\$19.80	
Purchases for B-B-Q	Goods	\$17.00	
	<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$36.80</b>	
Balance Commonwealth Bank 30 <sup>st</sup> . May 2010			<b>\$790.52</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b> cheques not yet presented			
<b>Income:</b>			
	<b>Sub total</b>		
<b>Total Funds available</b>			<b>\$790.52</b>
<b>Stock</b>			
Caps - Value \$135-50			
Patches - Value \$ 62-30			
Kmac—Treasurer			

# Minutes of meeting—18 May 2010 @ Broadway Hotel

- Meeting Opened:** ☐ 7.36 pm by Ynot.
- Attendance:** ☐ 19 members attended. They were: Apples, Baz, BC, Boots, Debbil, Drastic, Gem, Kmac, Loges, Princess, Rowdy, Sarge, Shadow, Sparra, Steiny, Sugar, TT, Ynot, and Yogi.
- Visitors:** ☐ There were 4 visitors. They were: Mozzi, Pedro, Peter, and Rhys.
- Apologies:** ☐ 6 members sent apologies. They were: Cougar, Helen, Jenny, Kaz, Lace, and Phil.
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:** ☐ **TT** moved that the minutes of the previous meeting published in the May Newsletter and distributed to all members be accepted as true and accurate. Sugar seconded the motion. 15 were in favour; 0 against; 4 abstained: motion was carried.
- Business arising from minutes:** ☐ **Club Banner: The Banner** was on display at the front of the meeting room. **Ynot** thanked both Loges and Debbil for its design and organization of its purchase.  
☐ **Hervey Bay weekend away: Sarge** said that accommodation was much too expensive that weekend and it has been postponed.  
☐ **Capalaba Tavern. Ynot** reported that he, Sarge and Sugar had visited the tavern and found that in many respects it was similar to the Broadway. Additionally it was run-down and needed some refurbishment. Prices also were similar to Broadway.  
☐ **BC** mentioned that “another club” had returned to the Capalaba Tavern.  
☐ **Boots** suggested the Jubilee Tavern on St Pauls Terrace and volunteered to “check it out”.  
☐ **Apples** volunteered to “check out” the Pineapple Hotel on Main St.
- Correspondence in:** ☐ **Debbil** said that the club had received an Email via our website from a female rider who was interested in riding with us but has a Kawasaki ZX9R Ninja sports bike. As he was away at the time he had referred it to Ynot
- Correspondence out:** ☐ **Ynot** emailed the rider with a Kawasaki ZX9R Ninja sports bike and invited her for a ride with us when she has a cruiser or tourer.
- Business arising from** ☐ Nil.
- 1. GM’s report:** ☐ **Sarge** raised the issue of people at monthly meetings talking at the same time as club business is conducted. He said that some members continue to talk loudly creating a lot of noise. This extends the meeting time and frustrates a large number of people.  
☐ He asked everyone to show restraint so that the Management Committee can get through the meeting agenda.
- 2. Ride reports:** ☐ **Yogi** described his North.... errr South ride .. from the Central meeting which went to Sparra and Ginger’s place to wet the Marquee’s head and for a Sausage Sizzle. It was a top event. Ynot then thanked Lace for buying the marquee; and Sparra and Ginger for the Sausage Sizzle and for storing the Marquee.  
☐ **Yogi** then described his North ride ... also from the Central meeting – why am I confused? Apparently Ynot went out of his way to check that no other riders inadvertently went to the South meeting point. The ride wandered north pretending that the Freeway didn’t exist and finally met BC. It then went onto Kenilworth and stopped at “Bell Bird Creek” – a cafe that’s been closed for years but has reopened.  
☐ **Sarge** reported on his Central ride which went North. Ynot needed coffee at Catchment Cafe at Somerset then they continued on to Kilcoy for lunch.  
☐ **Sarge** took Sam’s West ride but couldn’t remember anything about it.
- 3. Treasurer’s report** ☐ **Kmac** delivered the Treasurer’s report. Shadow moved that it be accepted. Yogi seconded the motion. 18 were in favour; 0 against; 1 abstained: motion was carried.

- 4. Coordinator's Report:**
- ❑ **Sugar** said that the Lawn Bowls on Saturday 24th April at Coorparoo Lawn Bowls Club was a great success and that Sparra won the day.
  - ❑ She wants to conduct a Poker run which will finish with a Sausage Sizzle at Sarge and Sugar's place. This will be instead of the Rider's Choice on 27 June.
  - ❑ **Ynot** told the meeting about the Laverda Concourse. There will be 10 stickers available and ONLY those bikes with stickers attached will be allowed at the club site. He asked who might be willing to sleep-over to secure the site.
- 5. Merchandiser's Report:**
- ❑ **Loges** said the Sunglasses were still available and a number of members expressed interest in purchasing them; all Tee shirts had been sold; he still had some calendars at discount; there were still some Caps. He said that the Bandanas/Scarves were on their way
  - ❑ **Boots** explained the construction of the Masks and that \$10 went to the club for each.
  - ❑ **Ynot thanked** Loges for the Brochures and asked for a very few to be distributed to allow members to become familiar with them. He also said if members wanted Tee shirts to place their names on Loges list, and when there were enough for a bulk order, they would then pay for them so they could be ordered.
  - ❑ **Debbil** spoke about Club Calendars and that Sugar had found the list of those people who had paid for them – so see Loges.
- 6. Distribution of Merchandise & Raffle**
- ❑ Distribution of Merchandise & Raffle Sales were carried out during the break.
- 7. Welcome to new members:**
- ❑ **Ynot** welcomed Gem (Honda Shadow) to the Club and she spoke a few words to members.
  - ❑ He welcomed Pedro (Suzuki C50) and Mozzi to the club, and Mozzi spoke a few words to members about herself and Pedro.
- 8. New By-Laws:**
- ❑ **Ynot** informed the meeting that the Management Committee had passed the three new By-Laws – specifically 03 Behaviour – General, 20(d) Roles – Pillions' Delegate; 20(i) Roles – Social Delegate. These would now be incorporated into the By-Laws.
- 9. Special resolution to change Club Rules:**
- ❑ **Boots** proposed a motion (with 28 days notice to the Secretary) that Rule 5(1)(a)(i) which currently reads, "commence and complete a minimum of two and a maximum of four motorcycle rides as a Rider, and..." be amended to read, "commence and complete a minimum of ten motorcycle rides as a Rider within the first twelve months as a prospective member, and...", and that Rule 5(1)(a)(ii) which currently reads, "attend a minimum of one and a maximum of three monthly club meetings" be amended to read, "attend a minimum of four monthly club meetings within the first twelve months as a prospective member" and stated his reasons for the motion. Kmac seconded the motion.
  - ❑ After explaining to the meeting that discussion would alternate between FOR and AGAINST views, **Ynot** brought members' attention to the need for Rules 9(2), 9(3) and 9(4) to also be changed otherwise they would conflict with the proposed changes to Rule 5. He proposed an amendment to the original motion which read, "Consequently, rules 9(2), 9(3), and 9(4) will be altered to include the above changes". Rowdy seconded the motion. The proposed amendment was put to the vote. 14 were in favour; 2 against; 3 abstained: As it was part of a Special Resolution and as 19 financial members were present, the amendment needed a minimum of 16 votes in favour to be carried, therefore the motion to amend was denied.
  - ❑ Following considerable discussion, Boots was given closing reply and the original motion was put to the vote. 2 were in favour; 17 against; 0 abstained: the motion was denied.
- 10. Brave Hearts Ride:**
- ❑ **Drastic** spoke about the Brave Hearts Ride. He would bring material to the next meeting.



- 11. Rider's Choice – 23/5/10:** ☐ **Steiny** told the meeting about his proposed ride. It would meet at the Central point and go to a mate's property near Killarney for a BBQ. Sugar recorded the names of those going to allow Steiny to organise catering.
- 12. membership renewal:** ☐ **Ynot** informed the meeting that annual membership fees would be due at the end of June and membership would end if the fee was not paid before September 1 [ Rule 10(3) ]. Fees are \$36 for Riders, \$24 for Pillions and \$12 for Social members.
- Other Business (without notice):** ☐ **Debbil** pointed out that what members saw in the reports page of the newsletter was the result of people taking rides and NOT submitting reports of that activity to
- Raffle:** ☐ **Gem** won the Basket of Beauty products donated by Lace and Boots.
- Next meeting date:** ☐ 15 June 2010
- Meeting closed at:** ☐ 9.27 pm

## Coordinator's Report—June 2010

Hi All

Coming up on the 27<sup>th</sup> June is the Poker Run. It'll be a FUN day and the chance to win a fantastic prize. You can buy as many Poker hands as you want at \$5 per hand or just buy a single hand if you want. Prizes are valued at:

Best Hand: Prize \$150

2<sup>nd</sup> Best Hand: Prize \$50

Worst hand: Get your money Back

I would like to know at the meeting who are going so we know how many cards and snags to get for the sausage sizzle for last card draw at Sugars place.

Thanks to Princess and Yogi for the donations of the raffle prize for June.

Happy Birthday to all Steel Horse riders with a birthday in June.

There is some discussion about having a social event racing Go Carts, please let me know if this interests you and I will start arranging it.

Go The Blues - Sugar

Go the Maroons- Sarge



**If you dream in colour is it just a pigment of your imagination?**

# Ride— Central —Sunday, 23 May 2010

## Steiny's treat

We met up at Maccas at Mt Gravatt as usual. We had a good rollup. There were. Sarge & Sugar, Phil, Gem, Ynot, Sparra & Ginger, Kmac & Kaz, Drastic, BC, Pedro & Mozzi, and Rowdy.

We got away at a little after 9 am. Sarge suggested we head down the M1 to Yatala, Tambourine village, and onto Beaudesert. We stopped there for a short bum rest. Sarge had to take Sugar into the ladies room to do a bit of chiro-practing on her (that must be a new name for it these days) although it must have been good, because Sugar came out a much happier little camper. Coincidentally, we met up with Phil (a visitor on his Harley) at the servo there. I think it was Sarge, or Ynot, who invited him along with us and away we went. Sarge and Sugar went ahead alone... (Hmmm... By now we were starting to wonder about these two), to meet up with Shadow at Aratula, who had arranged to join us there.

In Beaudesert, Ginger decided to try out the Goldwing's pillion seat between there and Aratula, and loved it.

Just outside of Beaudesert, I signalled a "breakout" and the boys cut loose to get it out of their system. They went ahead and waited for us just outside of Boonah.

At the top of the range, Jewels and Ger were waiting for us at the Ampol garage. We gave them a wave as we went past and they soon mounted the old Trumpy and quickly caught up to us. We all stopped at Aratula, where some had coffee and something to eat. Sarge then took the lead and led us on a wild goose chase... oops I mean short cut, to the Warwick-Killarney road. When we found that, I took over the lead again and led us to our final destination.



That was Kerry and Marilyn's farm - 240 acres of beautiful, peaceful country with great views, and wide-open spaces. When we arrived we noticed we were missing a few riders and Sarge, who had hung back to monitor the stragglers, went back to direct them to the spot. Some riders were a little nervous riding on the dirt road into the farm, but everyone got there safe and sound.

We were then treated to the best steaks I have eaten in a long time. Kerry and Marilyn had everything set out and ready for our arrival, with nibblies, beer, soft drinks, coffee and tea, and a lovely desert of baked rice and trifle to top off after our burgers. They really went out of their way to make things nice for us, and they know we appreciated their efforts.



After we had eaten, we then had a photo session and after much chatting with our hosts, we left for home.

We came back through Warwick, stopped in at a servo for fuel then said our "goodbyes". We split up, and headed off down the range for home. We stopped again at Aratula. Pedro and Mozzi needed coffee to help them thaw out, because it was starting to get a bit nippy by this time. We headed off and soon went our separate ways home.

It was after dark when I got home, but what a great day, riding in great country, with a great bunch of people. I'm

looking forward to doing it again already.

There were 19 members and visitors all up, on 14 bikes. A good effort.

Steiny

[ There are a number of photos of the ride on [www.steelhorsesinc.com](http://www.steelhorsesinc.com) - Editor ]



## **Ride— South —Sunday, 6 June 2010**

The phone ringing at 7.30am woke me and after answering I was answered by this raspy voice saying, "Sarge it's Yogi. I'm SICK and the Princess won't let me out today!" Oh well, I was going anyway so no prob. I headed off to the South meeting point to meet any prospective rider thinking that I will just do the tourist route though Redland bay and be home by Lunch. WRONG! While waiting at the meeting point my plans fell in a heap when rider after rider drifted over to greet me and the number kept growing until we had 16 Bikes ready to rock. (could NOT get Sugar out of Bed - it is winter after all)

I quickly ditched the idea of a slow leisurely ride though Redland Bay and Vic point - no way was I taking this many through Sunday traffic and many sets of traffic lights. We needed open road. I consulted Debbil and Ynot, and Debbil made the excellent suggestion of a route that I promptly accepted.

The ride instructions were superbly communicated to all other attendees: BC, Boots, Cobb (visitor), Dave (visitor), Debbil, Drastic, Gem, Hooch (visitor), Harley Phil (visitor), Rhys (visitor), Rowdy, Steve (visitor), Tink, and Ynot. There was also Tinks' mate on a Go-Faster.

We headed off with Debbil bringing up the Tail, and rode towards Jacobs Well for the first stop at the pub there. I figured that it would be just on opening time when we arrived. However the roads were clear and the weather fantastic so we arrived at the Pub 30 minutes after we left the servo - too soon for the first stop. AND before you ask, yes we were within the speed limits because we passed 3 separate Police Cars and they had no issue with us at all. However, I was told one did turn around and followed us just to make sure we were safe - I think.

After a quick smoke for some and getting a briefing from BC regarding his new Video Glasses and his intention to video the ride (on ya mate), we left Jacobs Well and rode towards Dreamworld and Oxenford. The traffic was light and we made it to Oxenford without any issues and everyone looked to be enjoying the ride. After crossing the Highway, we reached Canungra and the coffee shop. Fortunately this was open so I made this the first stop. Half of us decided the Pub was a better option so they headed off for a coldie and the rest of us ordered a Cup of Tea and a milk arrowroot Biscuit. Harley Phil really enjoyed the Biscuit!

I must admit it was a little bit like trying to catch Guppies in a large Fish tank getting everyone back onto their Bikes but we managed, and after this 30 minute Pit stop we headed off the Beaudesert and then onto the Beaudesert to Boonah Road. The ride was Sweet and the weather just incredible so a few decided to leave the ride and meet us at the far end. There were a few cattle Trucks in our way but we managed to get around these eventually. NEVER ride behind a cattle Truck is a rule, and anyone who needs an explanation as to why should just try it once and you will know.

We stopped at the Boonah Pub for Lunch and a coldie. Hooch took delight in demonstrating his remote control start on the Chopper - Very Impressive! It was now 1pm so we headed off after a quick stop to refuel before we left Boonah. I knew exactly where I was going but couldn't remember the name of the town (Peak Crossing) to tell everyone so simply told them to follow me.

The roads in this part of the world are just excellent, if a little narrow, and we made good time to Ipswich city limits where we pulled up and said Goodbye.

An Ffing good ride and a good day with getting home by about 2.30pm.

See ya on the next one

Sarge for Yogi

## **Ride— Central—Saturday, 12 June 2010**

### **Tail-end-Charlie's point of view**

On The Thursday Sarge broadcast an email saying that he was taking a central MOUNTAIN TOP RIDE (or the F\*in COLD ride) on the Saturday.

So I thought, "Hmm where are the Long-Johns?" Found them - emailed back - I'm in!

Saturday 9 am at Maccas Mt Gravatt. There were Ynot, me, then Steiny, Boots, Sarge, Rowdy, and Tink.

Off we went over the Gateway Bridge to the twin servos at Burpengary where BC was waiting – and so was Barney who'd come along to say "Gudday". Not sure if his doctor said it was alright to ride but Barney said it was Okay for Barney to ride – and Barney won the argument. While we were talking to Barney, Phil pulled in for a pitstop on his way to a 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

North we went. Left on the Glasshouse Mountains Rd then left to come into Woodford from the North.

We had a cup-o-tea and a bum break at Woodford, and then we headed south to the Mt Mee turn off. Ooop! That was the plan but why are there only five bikes in front of me? Mmm, best go back and see where Steiny and Rowdy are. So back on the Woodford outskirts were the two bikes with riders wondering where Tail-End-Charlie was. So after rounding up the two lost chicks away we went again, The rest of the group was – of course – waiting for us before the turn off.

Over the hills we went to the Mt Mee Lookout. There was bunch of all sorts of bikes there including a 1982 Honda GB400 Limited Edition cafe racer – twin pipes but single-cylinder. It was in very nice condition.

After that we went down to Dayboro to refuel and on and up to towards Mt Glorious. Steiny decided to inspect the grass from very close range at the Tee but the battle ship wasn't hurt. When we arrived at the Cafe at Mt Glorious, a table had been reserved for us INSIDE which was lovely.

After a fair while the kitchen set off the smoke alarm, which drove us outside, so Sarge decided to take us down the hill to the Gap where we said our goodbyes.

It was a COLD ride but a top ride. Thanks Sarge

**Tail end Charlie (also known as Debbil)**

PS: Tink gave me a CD with about 90+ photos he took at the Marquee erection. Some really good shots on it, which I intend to use.

Just remember – if you're in a Steel Horses photograph, Debbil owns your soul!

## **Ride— West — Saturday, 29 May 2010**

Rain! Sam rode; Cosmo drove—no ride.



**Double your computer's drive space.  
Delete Windows!**

# Event Calendar

Where it says “**Rider’s Choice**” or “**Pillion’s Choice**” or “**Member’s Choice**”

We would like you to volunteer to lead a ride along your favourite roads.

If you want to take a Riders Choice, email the relevant Ride Captain at least two weeks before to let him/her know the meeting point (you decide), the route, the distance, and approximate ride duration.

If everything is OK, the Ride Captain will approve it and let you know ASAP.

When the Ride Captain lets you know, you **MUST** then email all members to give them advanced notice of the ride details.

(if you can’t do that, ask the Secretary to do it ASAP).

**YOU** must then lead the ride.

If nobody volunteers, the relevant Ride Captain will take the ride as usual.

**You must phone the relevant Ride Captain by 7.30 pm the night before a ride to confirm you wish to do that ride.**

## Meeting Points & Ride Captains

<b>South</b>	M1, Exit 38, Yatala (BP Service Centre)	<b>Yogi</b> — 11yogi11@gmail.com Mob: 0418 692 277; Ph: 07 3206 0440
<b>West</b>	McDonalds, 2 William St, Goodna	<b>Sam</b> —samhobden@hotmail.com Mob: 0419 174 201; Ph: 07 5464 1066 <b>Cosmo</b> —cutidea@bigpond.com.au Ph: 07 5464 5275
<b>Central</b>	McDonalds, Logan Rd & Norton St, Upper Mt Gravatt	<b>Sarge</b> —sarge44@bigpond.net.au Mob: 0417 636 425; Ph: 07 3272 5981

## June 2010

Sun 6	South	9.00 am	Yatala, Cleveland, Redland Bay, (tourist drive)	180 km 5 hours
Sat-Sun 12-13	Central	9.00 am	<b>TBA</b> Weekend away	? 2 days
<b>Tues 15</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sun 20	West	9.00 am	Gatton, Toowoomba, Oakey, Goombungee, Hampton, Esk, Fernvale	278 km
Sun 27	South	9.00 am	Poker Run and Sausage Sizzle	?

## July 2010

Sat 3	Central	9.00 am	Samford, Dayboro, Mt Mee, Maleny, Burpengary, Home	210 km 5 hours
Sun 11	West	9.00 am	Aratula, Maryvale, Allora, RUDDS Pub, Ma Ma Creek, Laidley, Walloon	280 km
Sun 18	South	<b>Early</b>	Laverda Concourse—Captain Bourke Park, Kangaroo Point	<b>ALL</b>
<b>Tues 20</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sat 24	Central	9.00 am	Rider’s Choice	?

## August 2010

Sun 1	West	9.00 am	Pillion’s Choice	?
Sun 8	South	9.00 am	Mt Tambourine, Canungra, O’Reilly’s Rainforest Guesthouse, Canungra, Coomera	122 km
Sat 14	Central	9.00 am	Samford, Mt Glorious, Esk, Kilcoy, Home	300 km 6.5 hours
<b>Tues 17</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sun 22	West	9.00 am	Flagstone Creek, Cambooya, Pittsworth, Oakey, Toowoomba, Gatton	352 km
Sun 29	South	9.00 am	Rider’s Choice	?

September 2010				
Sat 4	Central	9.00 am	Beaudesert, Mt Lindsay, Kyogle, Lions Road, Beaudesert, home	350km 6 hours
Sun 5	West		Father's Day	
Sun 12	South	9.00 am	Mullumbimby, Montecollum, Rosebank, The Channon, Nimbin, Blue Knob, Kunghur, Murwillumbah, Tweed Heads, Coomera	317 km
Sun 19	Central	9.00 am	Beaudesert, Boonah, Harrisville, Rosewood, Black soil, Home	300 km 5.5 hours
<b>Tues 21</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sat 25	West	9.00 am	Rider's Choice	?
Mon-Wed 27-28-29	Debbil (West start)	8.30 am	<b>Mild Hogs Ride—ALL GENDERS—</b> Leyburn, Texas, Inverell (overnight) Uralla, Tamworth (Powerhouse Museum), Walcha, Dorrigo (overnight) Tyringham, Nymboida, Grafton, Woodburn, Casino, Beaudesert, Home.	1,400 km 3 days
October 2010				
Sun 3	<b>CENTRAL</b>	9.00 am	<b>South but Central start</b> —going north: Caloundra, Mooloolaba, Noosa, Home	?
Sat 9	Central	9.00 am	Esk, Yarraman, Nanango, Kingaroy, Kumbia, Bunya Mountains, Bensenville, Maidenwell, Blackbutt, Esk	550 km
Sun 17	West	9.00 am	Peak Crossing, Boonah, Queen Mary Falls, Killarney, Yangan, Clintonvale, Aratula, Ipswich	295 km
<b>Tues 19</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba *** AGM ***</b>	
Sun 24	South	9.00 am	Rider's Choice	?
Sun 31	Central	9.00 am	Pillion's Choice	?
November 2010				
Sat 6	West	9.00 am	Fernvale, Wivenhoe Dam, Esk, Lowood	123 km
Sun 14	South	9.00 am	Yatala, Beaudesert, Kyogle, Lismore, Bangalow, Coomera	350 km
<b>Tues 16</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sat 20	Central	9.00 am	Landsborough, Nambour, Cooroy, Noosa, Caloundra, Burpengary	295 km
Sun 28	West	9.00 am	Rider's Choice	?
December 2010				
<b>TBA</b>	<b>ALL</b>		Christmas Party !!!!! on a date to be decided	
Sun 5	South	9.00 am	Mudgeeraba, Neranwood, Springbrook, Ingleside, Tallebudgera, Dungay, Murwillumbah, Tumbulgum, Coomera	204 km
Sun 12	Central	9.00 am	Mt Nebo, Glorious, Somerset, Kilcoy, Toogoolawah, Esk, Hampton, Toowoomba, Murphys Creek	400 km
Sat 18	West	6.00 pm	Christmas Lights ride and Dinner	
<b>Tues 21</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sun 25			Christmas Day	Prezzies
Sun 26	South	9.00 am	Rider's Choice	?
January 2011				
Sat 1	West	9.00 am	New Year's Day: Redbank Plains, Greenbank, North Maclean, Jimbour, Mundoolin, Canungra	<b>Hangover ?</b>
Sun 9	South	9.00 am	Advancetown, Natural Bridge, Byron Bay, Home	?
Sat 16	Central	9.00 am	Samford, Dayboro, Mt Mee, Maleny, Burpengary, Home	210 km 5 hours
<b>Tue 18</b>	<b>All</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Meeting at Broadway Hotel, Woolloongabba</b>	
Sun 23	South	9.00 am	Rider's Choice	?
Wed 26			Australia Day	
Sat 29	West		Rosewood, Gatton, Murphys Creek, Hampton, Esk, Fernvale	?

February 2011				
Sun 6	Central	9.00 am	Blacksoil, Fernvale, Esk, Splityard Creek, Mt Glorious, Samford, Home	?
Sat 12	West	9.00 am	Peak Crossing, Boonah, Queen Mary Falls, Aratula, Ipswich	220 km
<b>Tues 15</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sun 20	South	9.00 am	Yatala, Cleveland, Redland Bay (Tourist Drive)	180 km 5 hours
Sat 26	Central	9.00 am	Beaudesert, Boonah, Rosewood, Blacksoil, Home	320 km 6 hours
March 2011				
Sun 6	South	9.00 am	Beaudesert, Lions Road, Kyogle, Nimbin, Murwillumbah, Home	289 km 6 hours
Sat 12	Central	9.00 am	Rider's Choice	?
<b>Tues 15</b>	<b>ALL</b>	<b>7.30 pm</b>	<b>Broadway Hotel Woolloongabba</b>	
Sun 20	West	9.00 am	Advancetown, Natural Bridge, Byron Bay, Home	?
Sat 26	Central	9.00 am	Rider's Choice	?

## Marquee Erection— Story in pictures

Unfortunately there wasn't a Ride report for this memorable day, but fortunately, Tink was able to supply a pictorial record. Thanks must go to Lace who located the marquee and organized it's purchase. Thanks also go to Ginger for organizing the day, and thanks to Sparra for agreeing to be it's custodian.



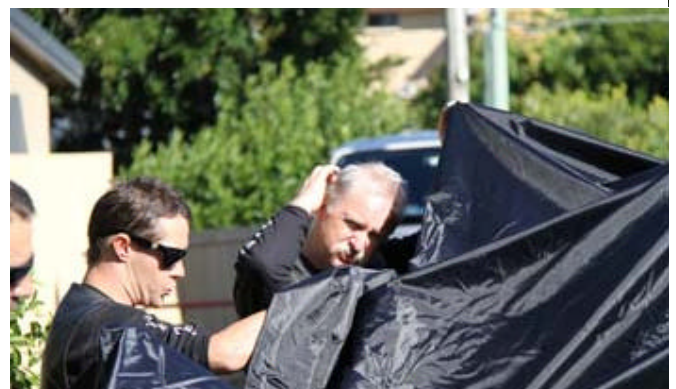
I'm tellin' ya—it's this big! Yeah right, Tink.



Ynot and Shadow introduce the marquee to the club.



Personally, I think it would look better over there...



I'm sure it said "This side up" somewhere"





Why doesn't that fit in there? I think I'll have a cuppa.



I thought it'd be much higher than that!



Do you REALLY think it'll stay up?



You know it'll never fit back in the box, don't you?  
Yeah, but it'll make a great garage for the M109 !



Pedro: "Do you think I should help?"

Mozzi: "I reckon there are enough cooks already."



Shouldn't we have put that in first?



See, Steel Horses CAN SO put up a Marquee!



It's not really supposed to make that noise, is it?



# History of Motorcycles—part 5

Within a few years after 1900 there were quite a number of motorbikes being offered to the public. While multi-speed transmissions and electric headlights were some years away, the choices being offered for sale continued to rise each year. These early machines had, for the most part, very low power, low compression engines. And what an adventure riding those early machines must have been!

## A sampling of early motorcycles



This 1901 NSU had a 1.2 kW engine clipped to the down tube. The engine displaced under 500 cc and was built by Zedel, a Swiss company that manufactured engines based on the DeDion-Burton design. The initials NSU stood for Neckarsulm Strickmaschinen Union (Neckarsulm Knitting-machine Union), but they soon adopted just the initials—NSU.

Indian built its first motorcycle in 1901. This small 260 cc machine had a single speed chain drive. George Hendee and Carl Oscar Hedstrom built only three that year—two were offered for sale, while the third was the prototype itself.



In 1903 FN (Fabrique Nationale) of Belgium built this motorcycle with an 188 cc, 1.5 kW engine with a Bosch Magneto and carbide headlamp.

Also in 1903, William S. Harley and Arthur Davidson (Harley Davidson) introduced their first line of motorcycles. They also built three during the first year. This model, designed for racing, had a single cylinder 436 cc engine, and used a belt drive.



In 1905 FN built another machine—this time an FN-Four. It had a 360 cc 3.8 kW, 4 cylinder engine with shaft drive.

In 1909 Pierce built America's first four-cylinder motorcycle. This was heavily influenced by the FN four but the low-slung Pierce looked far more modern than the FN. It was a high-quality machine built around a heavy tubular frame that doubled as the fuel and oil tanks. Power came from a T-head engine displacing 700 cc (42 ci).

The engine was a stressed part of the frame and drove the rear wheel through an enclosed shaft. Early models were direct drive, with no clutch and no gearbox. In 1910, a clutch and two-speed transmission became part of the package.



*To be continued*

## Merchandising—contact Loges—see p. 2 for details



**Steel Horses Caps \$17.00**



**Chopper sunglasses \$15**

LADIES  
Jeni B  
3/4 Sleeve  
Black



LADIES  
Jeni B  
3/4 Sleeve  
White



### **Tee-shirts \$36**

The club does not stock these but will put your name on a wait-list.

When the Merchandiser decides there are enough for a bulk order, you will then pay for your order.

MENS  
Johnny Bobbin  
Long Sleeve  
Black



MENS  
Johnny Bobbin  
Long Sleeve  
White



## How to wear your Patch and Insignia

