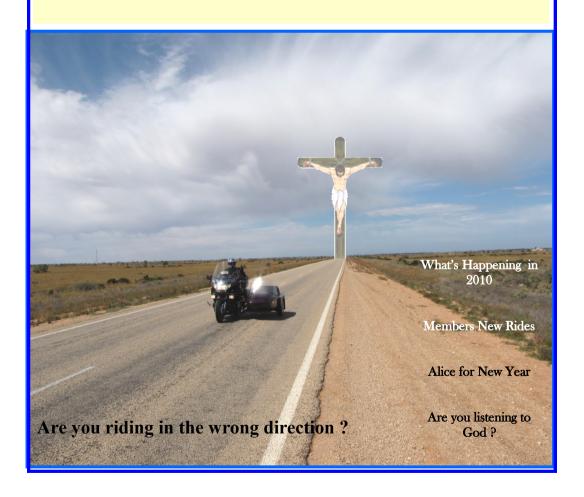


## March 2010 Newsletter



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#### Motto

## "Unity In Diversity"

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Please send all articles for the Newsletter to:

The Editor: 116 Hill Street, Quirindi NSW 2343

or



## Chairman's Chat

We had a great time on the weekend of February 13/14 (even in rain) with a committee meeting on Saturday, with great fellowship around the BBQ in the evening, sleep over at Lisa's house built on a lake with a natural waterfall running under the house. The drive in was a little

challenging, with some taking a close look at the slippery surface. This was followed on Sunday with a brisk ride up to New Hope Community Church at Caves Beach, where we shared with many who rode bikes and those who didn't.

The committee meeting was opened with a reading from 1 Corinthians 3 v1-9. Now is the time to get your Bible out and read verses 1 to 4. On reading this, one may think, "now who is he picking on?" Or, "Who does he think he is, saying this to us?"

Paul wrote to the church at Corinth to encourage & I guess correct them in their ways. The rest of the passage is beautiful which you may read now, - as he draws them together in their God given ministries – to do God's work in His Kingdom.

We worked on creating a calendar for 2010 and we are conscious of cost involved, with getting together, travelling to places, accommodation etc. We see value in the Teaching Weekend where we can share God's Word together. We also acknowledge we are busy people. In the near future our website will have a list of events you may be interested in, and with the National Run in SA this year on October 8-12, we have placed the AGM & Teaching Weekend at the end of October, 30-31, with the idea we may hold it in a caravan park, with self catering, with possibly a camp kitchen. I would like a little feed back on your thoughts about this. We would be able to share in cabins or bring your own tent, (after all we are bikers & we can rough it ??) This would reduce personal costs, get us back to basics, for a great time together. This would be 3 weeks after the National Run for those travelling to SA.

This is your CMA, talk to the committee members, Co-ordinators, share your ideas so we can bless each other.

God Bless, Roy.

#### **Newsletter Submissions**

#### Next Cut Off Date; 20th May 2010

Please forward by email anything you would like published in YOUR newsletter. Stories, Testimonies, For Sales, Jokes or Photos. Etc.,

To kimbo@reborn.com

## **ALICE 4 NEW YEAR**

The Dayz, the Taprells (CMANSW) & the Underwoods (CMASA), better known as Barry & Margie, Les & Laurel, Noel & Kaye went to *Alice Springs* for New Year, & this is how it came about, Barry said to Les "you have not

been on a ride for awhile" "no" was the response. "do you want to go somewhere" Barry asks. "yes" Les replies. "do you think you can ride to Alice Springs, Margarita", "Yes" she says, Barry turns to Les & Laurel and asks "are you coming then" "OK" Is the reply and the rest is now history,



In the planning for us to go we decided we were going to travel

up to 500ks per day, 1st stop from Griffith was Mildura where Noel & Kaye live, so off goes the email, Can we stay over night at your place? And if you want, come with us, So we did & they did.

The journey begins 8am Boxing Day, 2 Triumphs & a Yamaha with sidecar ride out of Griffith *Alice bound*. Ist stop Mildura where the Spyder joins the journey, then onto Port Augusta day 2, Coober Pedy day 3, Day 4 we were supposed to only ride to Erldunda in the Territory(520ks), but because of time changes & ease of travelling we arrived in Erldunda about 10.30am so we decided to press on to Alice just another 180ks. So at the end of day 4 we had



ridden 700ks and arrived in Alice a day early.

29<sup>th</sup> Dec. Laurels birthday 1<sup>st</sup> night in Alice, we better celebrate, So we find a quaint little English style pub called "Furkin and Hound" great food, cold beer & good company, life doesn't get much better on earth than that!! (according to Barry that is). The next few days(5&6) were spent exploring the Alice area. New

Years Eve was spent at the RSL Club enjoying more good food etc.

2010 & day7 begins @ 5am & 35deg temperature with a 450k ride to Ayres Rock, stopping in Curtain Spring to fuel up @ 10am it was 48deg in the shade, but we pressed on to Ayres Rock an hour up the road. We checked into the caravan park, got cool in our cabin, went to lunch, had a swim in the pool, had a snooze, went and rode around the Rock, took a hundred pics, went to slept, got up @ 5am day 8 and head for our next stop on the road home, the next 5 days were spent on the road with 2 nights and a day(10) in Coober Pedy (what a interesting place) another night in Port Augusta (11) and on to Adelaide (12,13)where we meet up with many CMAers from SA, & repaired the clutch on Les's bike & sidecar. Thanks Wayne & Kaye for the hospitality. Margie & Barry left Les, Laurel, Noel & Kaye in Adelaide and headed home a day early via Toolebuc ( do you know where it is!!!)

5400ks & 14 days of great scenery, fellowship & great wonder @ our awesome God's Creation.

I am not that sure Les will say yes that quick next time,

#### Barry



## Members New Rides





Kimbo & Mick admire Leon's 76' Shovelhead

#### RANTING FROM THE EDITOR

## ARE YOU LISTENING TO GOD ??

Last issue I mentioned that I went on a journey, a trip to West Australia, but, a journey in my walk. I would like to share what I meant by that. Those who know me will know that I don't get into deep stuff very often if at all and I find it hard to express what I feel because it's personal, but I feel lead to tell this so maybe it will help someone.

Although I have travelled quite a bit around this country and spent most of my working life driving about, when it came to travelling across to Perth I have to say I was a little concerned. My concern was mostly based on the logistics of dealing with any problems (mechanical, health or even injury) when one is so far from home. When things go wrong near home we always have someone close by that we know or are family that can rescue us or help us. The actions I took to reduce this concern and apprehension was to pray and make sure all I could do was done to make the bike and my gear ready before we left.

Once we were past Broken Hill we were basically at the point of no return, it was Perth or bust! While droning along the road (there really is not much to do but think & ponder on most of those roads) I began to wonder if I would actually make it there and back, or would this be my last ride? I decided to do something that most of us would like to say we do, but rarely do. I asked God if He had a plan for me. I put it to Him that if He had a plan for my life He would need to make sure I got to carry out those plans. In return I agreed to do everything I could to help Him get me there even if it meant I didn't get back to Quirindi. After all He may have had plans for me in some other part of the country. I agreed to listen and follow His advice. Of course I didn't really think He would speak to me and I never did hear a audible voice from the heavens.

#### "A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps." (Proverbs 16:9)

As I travelled along I prayed. Things went along fine. As we approached Kalgoorlie things went bad! Decisions needed to be made and fast, what to do?! One of the first things I did was to contact the WA team (Family!!!!) and let them know we were broken down and would be late if we made it at all. The response was, "we'll get the group to pray". The search for mechanical help was proving fruitless through normal channels, then a most unlikely helper was sent to us (and I say <u>sent!</u>), parts were located and arrangements made to make sure we could join the group and continue on the trip to the National Run.

While waiting for the unlikely helper ( who's name was Mark by the way!) to work out the problem with the bike, I started to see what was going on here! I think for the first time in my life my ears were opened! While deciding which avenue to take re what to do, we often have several options in our minds, and need to work out which is the better option in the circumstances. Now we will nearly always make a decision based on knowledge or experience, to solve the problem. I was getting conflicting messages as to the best option. My choice, to me was correct, but I kept getting overpowering feelings that I was to take a different option!! When I followed these ( unnatural ) feelings everything turned out fine! And after several things went better than I had imagined they would I made a huge decision! I would listen to these feelings and follow whatever I had to do.

Was this God Talking to me? I have no physical proof that it was, I heard no voice from

There were so many things on that trip that just fell into place it is beyond doubt in my mind that Jesus was with us.

Just a couple of things that happened that have no secular explanation;

A Harley Davidson Chopper builder stepped up to repair a Goldwing when no one else would ( not even the Honda dealer )

A hire car was found when there were none available to hire.

I road through a very violent storm against my own better judgment without incident and without hardly getting wet.

My driving lights came on when needed even though they had not worked for over 12 months.

A bike was provided so we could take part in the Post National Run. And, even though the rear tyre blew out at speed on a curve it did not crash.

A collection was taken up that matched exactly the amount *Mark* charge to fix the Goldwing even though the donators had no idea what he charged as it was collected before this was known. (I think I learned to *Fear* God through this!! To *me* this is powerful stuff!) The entire trip was covered with prayer from all over the country and apart from just a few very minor spills there was no injuries nor incidence! That in itself is a miracle! As I was very very aware of the dangers of the home run I prayed like crazy most of the way home that Jesus would send the Holy Spirit to make our path clear and remove all obstacles that may delay us. Even though we did have a few minor problems like loose spokes, a rider nodding off whist traveling! And a delay while repairing a wheel we all made it home safe and sound.

After checking my bike over a few days later I know I would not have made another 100 km without a major breakdown!!

All coincidence? I think not!

#### What did I learn on my journey?

- Prayer is powerful! And always answered ( even if not how *you* thought it would be!)
- If people offer to pray for you, except their offer with grace and be thankful.
- CMA and your church *are* your family! Always be prepared to help your family and others. We are called to do this!
- LISTEN! Listen to God. Listen with you heart as well as your ears! If you keep getting a feeling you should be doing something, it may just be someone trying to talk to you. It's a sad and disappointing feeling to learn later that it was the Holy Spirit trying to steer you and you ignored it!
- Give thanks to God for all His blessings each day.

"But whoever listens to me will dwell safely, and will be secure, without fear of evil." (Proverbs 1:33)

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## **2010 Events Calendar**

These are state organized events and take precedence over Local events. Please check with your Local Co-ordinator for Local events in your area.

Calender discussed and dates set plus dates for potential CMA involvement as following

Feb	21 <sup>st</sup>	Communion on Cliff	
March (Roy)	12 <sup>th</sup> 13th 21 <sup>st</sup> 21 <sup>st</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup>	Nowra Crossroads (Sth Coast CMA) Silverwater Show (Brotherhood) (Ian) Communion on Cliff Biker's Church (Brotherhood) Ride North taking in 2 motorcycle museums at Tamworth and Nabiac	
(Roy)			
April	18 <sup>th</sup> 18 <sup>th</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup>	Communion on Cliff Blue Ribbon Ride: "Mean Fiddler", Windsor Rd (Terry) Ridge Crest Auto Camp (\$130 pp or \$250 couple) (Roy)	
May	1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup>	Mudgee Weekend (Wayne W) Committee meeting at Mudgee Communion on cliff	
June	5 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup> -14 <sup>th</sup> 20 <sup>th</sup>	Combined Christian Clubs Gathering TBA (Lisa) Tri-states gathering (CMA) Communion on Cliff Bikers Church (Brotherhood)	
July	18 <sup>th</sup>	Communion on Cliff	
Aug	6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> 14 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup>	King's Rally (Ambassadors) Committer Meeting (Kenthurst) Communion on Cliff	
Sep	11 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup> 18 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup>	St Luke's Car and Bike Show (Ambassadors) Remembrance Ride (Brotherhood) Medowie Bike Show (Longriders) Communion on Cliff	
Oct	8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> 17th 24 <sup>th</sup> 30 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup>	CMA National Run Communion on Cliff Pink Ribbon Ride CMA AGM and Teaching weekend	
Nov	5-7 <sup>th</sup> 21 <sup>st</sup>	Snowy Ride (The Disciples) Communion on Cliff	
Dec	12 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup>	Bikers' Carols (Brotherhood) Communion on Cliff	



#### Children Understanding The Bible

These quotes came from a Catholic elementary school. The children were asked questions about the Old and New Testaments and the following statements contain their answers. Look closely, the incorrect spelling has been left in:

- In the first book of the Bible, Guinessis, God got tired of creating the world, so He took the Sabbath off.
- Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark.
   Noah built an ark, which the animals come onto in pears.
- Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day, and a ball of fire by night.
- Samson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.
- Samson slayed the Philistines with the axe of the Apostles.
- Moses led the Hebrews to the Red Sea, where they made unleavened bread, which
  is bread without any ingredients.
- The Egyptians were all drowned in the dessert. Afterwards, Moses went up on Mount Cyanide to get the Ten Ammendments.
- The first Commandment was when Eve told Adam to eat the apple.
- The seventh Commandment is 'thou shalt not admit adultery'.
- Moses died before he even reached Canada. Then Joshua led the Hebrews in the battle of Geritol.
- The greatest miracle in the Bible is when Joshua told his son to stand still and he obeyed him.
- David was a Hebrew King skilled at playing the liar. He fought with the Finklesteins, a race of people who lived in Biblical times.
- Solomon, one of David's sons, had 300 wives and 700 porcupines.
   When Mary heard she was the mother of Jesus, she sang the Magna Carta.







### CMA Member Statement of Belief

- 1. I believe God to be the true creator of all things.
- 2. Jesus Christ is the only answer to everyone's spiritual needs.
- 3. Jesus Christ's death for our sins and his resurrection are the basis of all Christian Life.
- 4. The Holy Spirit is the source of power for Christian living.
- 5. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are three persons, yet one God.
- 6. The Bible is the authoritative Word of God in all circumstances of life.
- 7. I have repented (turned) away from the sins of my past life, confessed them to God and asked Him to forgive me for them.
- 8. I have committed my life to Jesus Christ and now acknowledge Him as my Lord and Savior.
- 9. I will endeavor to remain faithful to the gospel of Jesus Christ as revealed in the Bible and to the Aims of the Christian Motorcyclist's Association.

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