

Victory Times

Ho Ho Ho



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Dear CMAWA members and friends,

It's been a big year - again. I know for many of us that the years are flying past and there have been many conflicting things vying for our time, attention and finances. Something that has really been great for CMA this year has been our country church trips and the way the local communities have rallied around, supported and encouraged us in this ministry. It's been great to have so much support from our members on these trips and that has made it even more special. One of the highlights for me was the Saturday morning street 'raids' as we spoke to whoever we could in the town, giving them a personal invitation to come to church the next day.

A standout thing that happened on the Dowerin weekend was after the 12 noon town shutdown, half the town went either to the bowling club or the local watering hole which was where we were booked in to watch the footy grand final. After the footy was over Peter B and I were upstairs on the balcony and we could hear a conversation between people leaving the pub and it wasn't about the footy, instead it was about Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Wow! many people in fact almost every one we spoke to was aware of our visit and was very interested in what we were doing and why.

That night we spoke to a young local while we were waiting for a dinner to be served and invited him along on Sunday. Even though he was quite tipsy, he still managed to turn up the next morning and stayed for the entire service. We will catch up with him again in the near future.

We have survived a few scares this year with Bruce having an accident and Bob getting very crook but we also had many great moments, one of which was catching up with Michael and Karen on their around Australia ride for the Steven Walter Children's Cancer Foundation. They were overwhelmed by the CMA WA turnout for them and even enjoyed the fish n chips dinner we got for them in Freo. A very recent event was the Mandurah Christmas charity ride and this year saw us very involved in assisting the organisers. A mighty big THANKS to all who turned up and helped get things done at both ends of the ride!

The national run this year was held at Neerim South in Victoria and the CYC was a beautiful place with great staff.

We had a great drive through the mountains on the Saturday and it was great to see the way the forest has recovered after the devastating bush fires but also very sad to see the huge number of eucalypts that are normally so fire proof but that have died due to the intense heat of those fires.

A few of the more important things to come out of this national run were an agreement to have a national CMA Facebook page and also a link to the CMA USA FASTLANE website

specifically for CMA Australia. As part of that we in WA need to find two people who have a passion for the fast lane side of motorcycling to be part of our national moderators group for that forum, so if you're interested please contact me. We were blessed to have Kerry and Becky Gibson from CMA USA with us again and doubly blessed as he spoke to us on the Saturday. You can download his message to hear what he had to say. I will send out the link by email. We are seeing real progress toward a truly unified CMA in Australia and each national run sees us being drawn into ever closer fellowship with our brothers and sisters from the other states.

In closing let me wish each of you a blessed Christmas and a great new year as we seek to serve Jesus Christ through CMA. Thanks for your involvement and encouragement along the way.

God's richest blessings,

Colin



Dowerin Out Reach 29/9/13

The weekend started on the morning of the 28th with a meeting in Midland and riding to Dowerin via Toodyay and Goomalling. After weeks of rain we actually got to enjoy a beautiful sunny ride. Add a bit of spring colour to the paddocks and some nice undulating hills and presto you have the perfect riding experience. It was great to have Neil Beacham join us after such a long stint off the bike with his ankle injury.

On arriving in town I must admit to wondering if we had jumped the gun and wasted our time as the streets looked very quiet. However we walked over to the coffee shop and immediately realized that there was a steady stream of people going to and from the bakery and at the other end of town the hardware and local IGA.

Game on! Thinus headed to the IGA and hardware while Colin, Neil and Rod based themselves at the bakery. I joined Thinus after grabbing some more pamphlets from my top box. You can't help but get great satisfaction out of talking to people and finding out about their lives and taking the opportunity of inviting them to a biker's church service. The responses are many and varied from a gruff no, to warm and open conversation to a few really good laughs with people who are being friendly. It was obvious that advertising in the local community newsletter as well as the posters in shop windows and word of mouth had most people informed of our impending visit.

In the afternoon we sat at the pub and watched the grand final (enough said) then it was over to the hall to set up for the service then back to the pub for some fellowship. It was a real blessing to be sitting on the pub balcony listening to people below on the street talking

about Christianity and Christian bikers. It shows that just being there sparks an opinion whether it be a positive or a negative. Still people were talking.

In the evening Colin and I got talking to a bloke in the pub about his life in Dowerin. He is the local one hat fits all mechanic. I can't remember his name but after some lengthy conversation we challenged him to join as at church on Sunday and that's exactly what he did.

The music team arrived from Perth between 8.00 and 8.30am and headed straight to the hall for some fine tuning. During the course of this a bloke approached me and introduced himself as Ray Mai. The Mai family are the ones we were put in contact with via CMA connections in the USA and asked to pray for them as they battle through extremely challenging health issues. I had sent Rai an email a couple of weeks prior inviting them to join us in Dowerin on the day and that's what they did. After the service Rai again approached me and told me he recognised me. I straight away new who he was, as we had crossed paths on a few occasions about 24 years ago within the smash repair industry. Rai was totally blown away on the day as we not only had the opportunity to pray over him and his family but he also came across people who were linked to his extended family. And so the story continues.

The Dowerin church of Christ has a normal congregation of about 20 to 30 people. We had the side hall packed with about 100 and some I have been told by Lynne, one of our music team volunteers, had either never been to church or as in one guys case, had not been in 20 years. Praise God they heard the gospel.

Colin did his usual impeccable job of relating the scripture in his message while Terry Long did a great job on the MC roll. I headed up the music team and learnt that we will stick closer to well-known songs in the future. Having said that I think the service went very well.

After the service we had a great lunch, more time for talking then a few good byes and head home again. We may have left Dowerin but I know we are more than welcome back and the hospitality from our church family was wonderful. Seeds have been sown and through the power of prayer our awesome, wonderful, beautiful, powerful, and holy God will see them grow.

Dowerin and the people we met will remain in my prayers as will all who joined and helped on this weekend.

Bring on next year.

Blessings

Peter Beanham
CMA Events Coordinator
Metro Branch Ride Captain

Christian Motorcyclist Association of Australia (WA) inc.

Annual General Meeting results 14/9/2013

Chairman.....	Collin Kleinig moved by Charmaine Claassens	Elected
Vice Chairman.....	Barry Cleminson moved by Craig Wilson	Elected
Treasurer.....	Craig Wilson moved by Barry Cleminson	Elected
Secretary.....	Thinus Kruger moved by Bruce Warrington	Elected
Ministry team Coordinator.....	Charmaine Claassens moved by Colin Kleinig	Elected
Events coordinator	Peter Beanham moved by Barry Cleminson	Elected
Newsletter editor.....	Brian Coffey Moved By Craig Wilson	Elected
Merchandise Manager	Craig Wilson moved by Barry Cleminson	Elected
Web Master	Glen Kleinig moved by Colin Kleinig	Elected



National Run Report by Johan.

Charmaine and I were blessed to be able to attend the National Run in Victoria, an event we've been looking forward to for a long time for various personal reasons, and off course the opportunity to ride one of the greatest motorcycle touring routes in the world. For me the Nullarbor is right up there with Canada's Alaskan highway and Argentina's Ruta 40 (route 40). The prospect of crossing the Nullarbor is always an exciting one for any motorcyclist who loves the open road

We left home (Southern Cross) on Saturday the 2nd of November at about noon. From the word go fought a strong headwind all the way to Ceduna, it played havoc with the bikes fuel consumption. My normal 400 plus km range towing the trailer was down to just over 300km. The trailer did not seem to like the headwind much as it was swaying a little; luckily the bike handled it well enough not to bother me so we kept at a steady pace of about 100km/h. The first night we set up camp 20km outside of Norseman at a 24hour camp spot. Our main reason for camping in the bush and not at a caravan park is to be as close to nature as possible, without human interference. Here you get to experience the Australian bush and wildlife, not to mention the display from above. Looking at the millions of stars in the Outback just reconfirm our faith and trust in the almighty God, as it could only have been created by Him. Unfortunately our first nights peace and quiet was spoiled soon after we settled in when two guys in a caravan set up their camp near us and started a generator.

Sunday morning we got up at sunrise and got on the road good and early. The stretch of road between Norseman and Eucla is just magic, it is hard to describe. Everyone experience it differently, something you just have to do at least once. Knowing our ride has a purpose other than our own enjoyment made the ride even more special. We are riding for the Son, and we were out on the Fathers business, to encourage and be encouraged by our CMA family from across the country. We had dinner at the Nullarbor Roadhouse as the sun was setting. The wind was howling and on the Nullarbor there is nowhere to get shelter, so after consulting my Camping book I decided to keep riding another 45km to a sheltered camp spot.

After our accident with a kangaroo in August at Meekatharra I upgraded the bikes headlights to HID's, and replaced the damaged halogen spot lights with high powered LED spots. In addition to that, and added another two wide angled LED spotlights on the two corners of the trailer. This was the opportunity I was waiting for to test my new lights in the real world. We've crossed the Nullarbor twice before at night time, so was familiar with the risk, except this time I am towing a 120kg camper trailer which is reducing my braking distance a fair bit, so I continued at a very conservative 60km/h. About 3 or 4km from the roadhouse we saw a dingo walking next to the road. 40kms further I saw something crossing the road that looked like a wombat, but as we came closer it turned out to be another dingo. We praise God for this opportunity to see not just one, but two dingoes, we've never seem them in the wild before. We arrived at our planned camping spot and sure enough it was well sheltered from the howling wind and we slept like babies.

Monday we rode on to Ceduna, and turned off towards Streaky Bay and ended up staying two nights at the Lovely Elliston Caravan Park. Elliston's bakery is exceptionally good, and it seems a popular spot for the grey nomads too.

Wednesday morning soon after sunrise we were on the road again, heading south to Coffin Bay and Port Lincoln, just to have a look, as we do intend to come back and spend more time there. We rode onto the ferry at Lucky Bay at about 2PM to cross the Spencer Gulf. The ferry ride was very good, and was a time to meet some locals and share our faith in Jesus and the vision of CMA. When we arrived the other side at Wallaroo we hit the ground running and rode towards Renmark. The roads were noticeably more bumpy and it did not suit a bike towing a trailer at all. That night we set up camp soon after we saw a few kangaroos hopping next to the road. We had another quiet an peaceful night under the awesome Aussie stars.

Thursday was a long day for us and we followed the Murray River for most of the day as we went through Mildura, Swan Hill, Echuca and Shepparton. We found this road a bit uninteresting and very bumpy, not ideal for towing. From Shepparton it became more scenic and just before dark we rode into Mansfield after a 900km day in the saddle.

On Friday we rode the most scenic ride of the entire trip past Jamieson, Eildon, Marysville, Warburton and on to Neerim South, where the Nat Run was held. In Warburton we stopped at the bakery and saw a whole lot of bikes parked outside, which could only mean one thing, CMA'ers? Yes, it was the CMA Tasmania group and it was great to know so many of them from previous meetings, of course we remember Norman and Phyllis that used to live in Geraldton.

As we arrived at the venue, we received a very warm welcome and lots of hugs and greetings were exchanged before settling in our rooms. Friday evening started off with a very informative talk from a Vic member and professional rider trainer about safety with interesting statistics. It was very appropriate as the next day's ride would turn out to be a challenging and risky ride. I think the safety chat made us all think about the risks we take while riding and if it is really worth it taking unnecessary risks while out on our bikes.

Saturday morning started with an exceptional praise and worship session and short message from a guy I only remember as Frog. His message was to see God's greatness in creation. We were in a very scenic part of God's creation, and it was easy to feel God's presence in this setting. Saturday's ride and BBQ went well, despite of the continuous rainfall. I was glad we decided to stay at the camp as it was a great time to meet and get to know some other members from Vic and NSW better. and we stayed dry! Saturday evening was a proper dress up restaurant dine-in experience. Kerri Gibson from CMA USA shared a message of unity in Christ, and how we all play a part in reaching people for the sake of the kingdom of God. CMA worldwide has truly done amazing work to bring in the lost to a loving and caring Father. We all have a role to play as well as a responsibility to do what God is expecting from us sharing the news of salvation in Christ Jesus.

Like Saturday, Sunday's morning praise and worship was exceptional, and the presence of the Holy Spirit could be felt in the room. The rest of the day was spent fellowshiping and some fun and games.

Monday was time to say good bye and we spend the next two days with friends in Melbourne.

Wednesday we rode out of Melbourne towards Ballarat and the Grampians. That evening as we set up camp I saw that the trailer wheel is out of align. After further investigation I saw the wheel axle has broken loose from the swinging arm. We could not do anything that night, so settled in for the night to deal with it the next morning.

Thursday morning we removed the Trailer axle and rode it to Natimuk, the nearest town, where we got it welded up and new bearings fitted. By 12 we were on the road again and rode all the way to Wallaroo, to catch the ferry the next morning. On the ferry we met a nice guy from Adelaide who saw our CMA logos and started a conversation with us. We spoke the entire 2 hour journey time and shared our testimonies and encouraged each other in our faith in Jesus. This was not the first time, and many people in Vic and SA came up talking to us about God and shared with us. Another instance was in a shopping centre in Melbourne when an elderly German migrant came up and talked to us, he shared that he too was a Christian and was encouraged to see us proclaiming our faith on our riding jackets. It's a good enough reason for me to keep wearing the CMA logo on my riding jacket.

We decided to stay at Elliston again, as it had a too good bakery and caravan park to ignore.

Saturday we rode to about 20km short of Madura roadhouse. This time we had a tail wind and it was a pleasure cruising along at 100km/h with a great fuel consumption to make up for what we lost on the way over there.

Sunday morning about 1 or 2 km before Cocklebiddy Roadhouse our ride came to an end. The bike felt strange and as I came to a stop I smelt burnt gear oil. Praise God it was only 1km to the roadhouse. I rode on slowly and we arranged to leave the bike and trailer there.

God is good and he provided a lift for us within minutes to Norseman with a couple on their way home from a caravan holiday over east. From Norseman the Lord again provided a lift within minutes and we were on our way to Kalgoorlie, where we stayed the night. Next morning I caught the train back to Southern Cross to get my ute to ride back to pick up Charmaine in Kal and the bike in Cocklebiddy.

Tuesday evening we were back home safely and despite the setback of a broken gearbox, we had a blessed trip. The general feeling was that CMA Victoria did an outstanding job hosting the National run, and a special thank you must go to John, the manager of Forrest edge camp and his team, who did a great job. We also need to thank the Lord our God, who have brought us all together in this family of CMA. We pray that He use us in this organisation to touch the hearts of the unsaved.

I can't wait for next year, where we will have the opportunity to ride to New South Wales for the National Run.

Johan.



Charmaine and the bike on the Nullarbor



Praise and worship at the National Run



Nullarbor at night



CMA WA members attending this year's Nat Run



Nothing better than camping in the Australian bush.



Back home stripping the bike.



The cliffs at the Bight lookout.

Merchandise Specials

As the new merchandise manager I would like to give you an idea of some of the stock that we have.

At the moment our stock is rather low but we are planning to fix this for the New Year. We will also be looking at having a new range of Club shirts soon.

In the mean time I have some specials for you. We have some t-shirts for \$10 each but the problem is that most of them are only in medium size.

I also have a range of badges and stickers. If you would like any of these please contact me at cawilson13@hotmail.com or see me at the next ride.



Merchandise Manager Craig Wilson



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Statement of Belief

1. I believe that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church, and therefore this Association.
2. I believe in the divine inspiration and infallibility of Holy Scripture as originally given and its supreme authority in all matters of faith and conduct.
3. I believe God to be the Creator of all things.
4. I believe in the Unity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in the Godhead.
5. I believe our sin nature, since the fall, separates humanity from the love and presence of God.
6. I believe in the conception of Jesus Christ by the Holy Spirit and His virgin birth.
7. I believe in the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
8. I am set free from guilt, penalty and power of sin, only through the sacrifice by death of our representative and substitute Jesus Christ, the Son of God. I have turned away from the sins of my past, confessed them to God and asked Him to forgive me for them.
9. I believe in the necessity of the work of the Holy Spirit to make the death of Christ effective in the individual sinner, granting him or her repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ, the indwelling and work of the Holy Spirit in the believer.
10. I have committed my life to Jesus Christ and acknowledge Him as my Lord and Saviour.

11. I will endeavor to remain faithful to the Gospel of Jesus Christ as revealed in the Bible and to the aims and objectives of CMA WA.

12. I live with the promise of the personal return of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ready to Pray

John Ogden Sr.

December 19, 2013



“Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it” (Colossians 4:2, NKJV).

All of us will agree that prayer is very important; yet, how many of us really commit to a fervent prayer life? The busyness of life seems to rob us of our time to pray. In my own life, making prayer a high priority is an area that I must constantly fight for. I realize that it is only through prayer that I can know the mind of Christ.

Prayer does not change God, but does change us. It puts us in touch with His direction. In our fast-paced and hectic lives, we have the tendency to try to handle things ourselves, carrying them to God as a last resort. In 1 Peter 5:7, it says that we are to cast all of our anxieties on Him because He cares for us. In Philippians 4:6, it tells us to be anxious for nothing, but to let our requests be known to God. How many times have we prayed about an issue only to go and pick it up again?

It is only through a continuous prayer life that we are able to release and place our cares in God’s hands. When we have committed our life to Him and desire only His will, then and only then, can we cast our cares upon Him and leave them there. Prayer is the greatest tool the Christian has. Continuous prayer produces faith, moves mountains, and moulds us into the character and image of God. May we examine our prayer lives and make prayer a priority

CMA National Co-ordinator Lisa Clarke’s Address at National Run 2013

What is CMA?

That was one of the issues brought up for our leaders’ meeting. Though I know what was being asked was: What do the initials “CMA” stand for and is it clear to people who read it that CMA stands for Christian Motorcyclists Association? ... I couldn’t help thinking:

What is CMA? What do **we** stand for and is it clear to others who “read” **us**?

So, in our dealings with others, Christians and non-Christian, is it clear who we are?

Where are we going? Where have we been?

What are our goals? These are questions I’ve been asking myself.

And one thing is clear to me. Jesus is paramount: He is the reason I’m here.

Spreading the Gospel; winning souls should be our aim.

I know that everyone is not happy with where we have gone in last few years, or where they think we are going.

To those who say “Why do we need to change anything?” Our logo, our vision, our goal? I say:

Yes, we serve an unchanging God. But, though, God is unchanging, He does not want us to be!

He sends challenges and situations to shake us out of our apathy and comfort zones so we can grow in grace and better serve Him.

I have heard some say: "We don't want to be the same as the Yanks" No, I agree, we are Aussies!

I am of the generation whose father sailed to war and left the "yanks" behind on leave in Australia saying "We'll take care of your women, Aussie!"

I know the anger he and his mates felt. But I know he forgave and had some wonderful American friends later in his life.

If his generation can let it go, we can.

So let's not throw away all that they are offering and all the good that they have done. The example they have set in growing CMA and in serving others.

To those who say: "Let's jump in with both feet". Let's do everything that the U.S. and South Africa are doing. I say: We have our own history. We have our own culture. We understand our country better than those coming in. We have our own unique Aussie flavour, so let's use it for the Gospel.

Am I just taking the middle ground? Am I advocating wearing the back Patch? Am I saying let's forget International? I am suggesting each individual seek God....

Go home and seek the Lord's will. Don't just decide you know what that is, automatically.

Don't go along with the crowd or follow your own agenda. And if you are leaders, listen to your members.

Personally, I would like to wear the back patch. Why don't I?

2 reasons: First, I am a member of CMA NSW and our ruling is that those joining us from countries where they have already been wearing their Colours may continue to do so but the rest of us may not. This ruling may and probably will change, but that is it right now.

Second, I have had members say that if we wear the patch they will leave. Whereas I don't see this as a helpful or graceful attitude I will not be the stumbling block that causes them to abandon CMA.

Grace, brothers and sisters! Grace is what is needed in all our dealings.

Grace, not legalism! When legalism creeps into Christianity it turns my opinion into your obligation and breaks down fellowship.

Grace is not saying I don't care what others say I'm going to wear this patch. Grace is not saying "I'm leaving if you do that!" Grace is not plotting to achieve our own ends.

Be open! Be transparent!

Apologise where there is offence, even if you think you didn't start it.

Seek the Lord. We are here to serve Him, or we shouldn't be here at all.

Lisa Clarke.

Prayer Point. Forwarded by Peter

URGENT; Calling all faithful friends & family, Can I please ask you to pray for a young boy by the name of Noah Barlow. He is 4 years old, & very very sick, with many different conditions, including internal bleeding which makes him need constant blood transfusions, & severe pain. He has had another stroke recently & I have asked the family for permission to begin a prayer chain for him. Please look his page up under his name for more info. The family is in despair, & I believe if we all get together & lift this boy's name up to the Lord, He will hear us. I know it's such a busy time of year, but your prayer for Noah Barlow, could be the gift for him & his family this Christmas. Let's believe for a miracle! Jesus came to this earth to save, to restore, & to heal, & sometimes the only thing that stands in the way is our lack of prayer & faith. Please also if you attend a church, can you ask them to pray for this boy, Thankyou beforehand for your willing hearts, Have a blessed Christmas, Mon.

Thank you and God bless

Peter Beanham
CMA Events Coordinator
Metro Branch Ride Captain



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Editor's note;

Thank you to all those who have contributed to e-news.

I wanted to insert a Hinze recipe that I had been saving for months to share, but after turning my room upside down I cannot find it. However If anyone has an easy to make recipe that the ingredients can be carried on a motorcycle, has some good nutritional values and can be made either on a camp fire or caravan park camp kitchen then please send them in to me to share on the next edition.

To all CMA WA members and friends, have a safe and happy Christmas and prosperous new 2014 year ahead.

Brian Coffey News Editor. bricof@iinet.net.au



Colouring in competition for the younger motorcycle enthusiasts.

Prizes will be given.

Rules:

1. Must be Hand coloured, NO Photo shop / computer generated material.
2. Only 1 entry per person.
3. Please look at page number, and tell printer to only print that page that is required. (i.e.: 16-16)
4. Winners will be judged by committee members at next meeting.
5. Prizes for 2 classes 1-3 year old Page 16, and 4-5 year olds page 17.
6. Judged on choice of colours, neatness, and artistic i.e.: contrasting or striking artwork.
7. Competition closes end Feb 2014

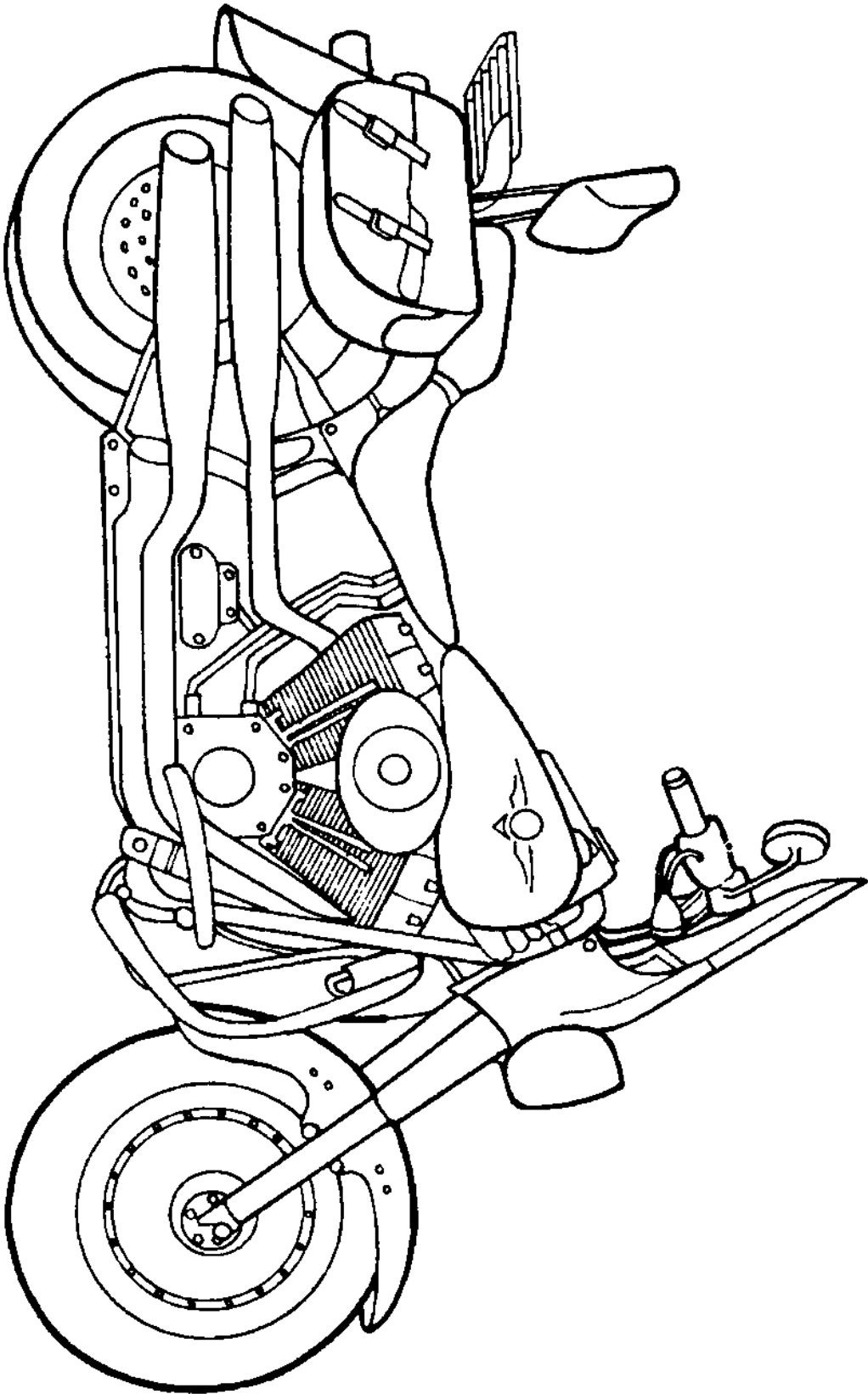
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