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# How's your spiritual Pituitary gland?

God has a way of teaching us the very lessons that we think other people need to learn. I think it shows His sense of humour, but also it's His way of keeping us humble. So what has been my biggest lesson lately?

## Growing up!

The Pituitary gland sends out hormones responsible for triggering growth and maturity, among other things. So it would be good if we had a spiritual Pituitary to get things moving. Unfortunately we don't! So if we don't stimulate spiritual growth somehow we'll stay as adolescents or even infants, in the faith. What are the signs of spiritual maturity in the people that **you** look up to?

**GROWING UP**



The mature Christians that I admire:

Are in **Unity** with other Christians

Display **Authority** in ministering to others

Show **Generosity** in their giving

(Acts 4:32-35)

So what's the key to stimulate these three to grow?

C. Swindoll says that it requires considerable **humility** to maintain unity. In other words:

making ourselves **accountable** to others, no matter our position. We need to keep close to our church family and be open with brothers and sisters who can mentor us. (Mk 6:7, Ecc 4:9-12)

"And there is strength in staying close together." (C. Swindoll)

It takes **obedience** to have authority: that is understanding who is really boss: the Lord! And submitting to him. He, in turn, gives the **power** to do His work. (Mtt 10:1, 7-8, 24)

It takes **letting go of worries** of our future and security to have freedom in generosity. (Mtt 6:21ff, Mtt 10: 8, Is 44:9, 1 Tim 6:19, Prov 11:25)

"If you want to live freely, give freely." (C. Swindoll)

Corrie Ten Boom said she had to learn to hold things loosely or it hurt when God pried open her fingers to take what was His.

How does this reflect on us as CMA?

1. We need to “make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace” (Eph 4:3.) Nothing harms the Gospel more than breakdown in Unity. Are we prepared to give up some of our rights to maintain unity? You need wisdom to both give and take.

2. Let’s keep in mind who is boss and constantly refer to Him for His way (not ours). We need to be in the throne room to learn how to obey. If you are a leader, your authority comes from Him.

“Are we church people or kingdom people?” H. Snyder asks.

Are we just concerned with church activities and religious behaviour or with Kingdom behaviour?

Are we just concerned to get people into the church (or CMA) or in getting the Kingdom into the world?

Are we scared the world might change the church (CMA) or are we working to see the kingdom change the world?

3. Let’s not get caught up in what we have but what we can give.



Which of all these have I had to learn more of in the last few years?

All of them!

Lisa Clarke

CMA NATIONAL CO-ORDINATOR

“...well there is a degree of mechanical noise but only when the engine is running.”





**CMA Address National Run WA 2015**  
**LOOKING OUTWARD AND UPWARD**

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2 CORINTHIANS 4:7

“But we have this treasure in Jars of Clay to show that this all surpassing power is from God and not from us”  
2Cor 4:7

I have learnt more than anything this year that I am a very “earthen” vessel. I feel like I have failed in so many areas and I have not been able to focus on CMA as much as I would have liked either. But I am in the Potter’s hand and as long as I keep letting Him mould me I will become what He wants.

Our purpose has to be to live and speak for Him, I truly believe we are living in the last days and the harvest is ripe. The time for just being a social club is over.

We need to be purposeful in all our endeavours within CMA. We are very much NOT alone as Christians within Australia and as CMA’ers in the world. I believe we need to work together with other Christians and other CMA groups around the world to achieve the goal of spreading the Gospel. I know as individuals many of us do this.

CMA is now in 30 plus countries.

We were able to support one of these countries earlier this year for which they were extremely grateful...

As Christians let's not forget what a privilege it is to live in Australia! It is not just Greece that has been affected by the economic crisis in Europe.

CMA Portugal put out a plea to support their "Love Europe Ride" a quest to raise money for a biker's bible. I am proud to say that we were one of only 3 countries to respond. In fact we were the only country to respond as a country! The other 2 donations were personal donations from the CMA leaders. So there you go CMA Oz! The only CMA country in the world that is not legally a country and we did it.

I know quite a number of you have aspirations to go to the Colors Rally in the US. It is a great experience and I would recommend it, but I also want to assure you if you travel to any one of those 30 countries you will be welcomed and cared for, even though there are half a dozen members or less in some of the younger countries.

We have a significant connection with CMA Portugal in that one of our newest CMA Australia members has been working closely with my counterpart there, Eddie Fernandez.

Helen is from Alice Springs and has returned from Portugal a few weeks ago. She is here to give a short presentation of the "Love Europe Ride" which we supported



2 CORINTHIANS 4:7

# CMA Portugal says "Obrigado"

Last August (2015), while volunteering for CMA Portugal (which was one awesome experience. of many for me) I was attending the EMC (European Motorcyclist Contingent) in Finland. In response to two pressing needs CMA Portugal launched the **"Love Europe Tour"**.



1. Purchasing a wheelchair: after a bike crash many years prior, CMAer Isabella required a specialised wheelchair that pulsates electronic messages to her muscles to help expediate her recovery.
2. 10,000 precious biker bibles could not be shipped from the printers until payment was received.

So the **"Love Europe Tour"** pursued Worldwide fund raising through **sponsorship** of three bikers who would ride the 8000km return trip to Finland, and also through **donations** at our gazebo in which we ministered at numerous huge biker rallies (truly amazing God experiences).

On behalf of **Eddie Fernandez** (President CMA Portugal) I say **"Thank you (Obrigado) CMA Australia"** as we were delighted with your generous donation. This was the only one from outside of Europe and you were the only CMA country to respond Nationally to the need.

We see this as an outward expression of your motto  
**Unity in Diversity.**

In His grip  
Helen Webb  
CMA SA/NT



# Tattsy's Talk (VIC)

Greetings CMA'ers,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! WOW, what a year we have had! Church visits, "ride to" meetings and Bikes for Pastors is going great guns as well, raising over \$3,500 in the last 6 months.

2016 here we come! Now being mid – January, we have just completed our latest committee meeting and have planned out our next 12 months of rides. You will see all the dates in this newsletter, on Facebook and on our website. You will also notice the National run later in the year is in S.A. The committee is really excited about the year ahead, as are the area co-ordinators. We welcome you to be excited too.

I am keen for CMA'ers to extend our welcoming arms to new people and invite as many as you can to our 'ride to meet' days. These have been a great success with 40-50 people attending. It's a perfect way to ride, fellowship, eat and receive encouragement from others. Not forgetting to check out each other's bikes and share titbits'.

I want to encourage you all to remember our slogan "Unity in Diversity". We are one in Christ.

On another note, please ensure you have your membership payments up to date. We want to make the administration of membership easy and not a chore. No one likes chasing others down to ask for payment, much like we don't like the embarrassment of being chased!

I look forward to seeing you all out on the rides again this year. Stay safe.

Blessings.

Tattsy.

**For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. Romans 12:3 – 5 (NIV)**



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# Church Raids and Bikes for Pastors (VIC)

By DAVID GRAHAM

Church Raids are going gangbusters down here in Victoria, with our most recent rides to Hamilton Baptist Church, Portland CRC Church, Waurm Ponds CRC Church in Geelong, and Bairnsdale Baptist Church. Folk love it when we all rock up on our bikes, We offer to share a testimony or preach during the service, then chat over a coffee afterwards. We also offer rides on our bikes for those who are keen.



Bikes for Pastors Appeal has been amazing this year, folk are so generous and happy to give to a worthy cause. One church donated their entire Sunday morning offering to the appeal. We've just approved applications for funding on two more bikes - one will go to "Hope of Eternal Life" church in Lagana Philippines, and the other will go to "Risen Lord" church in Darago Philippines



Our PNG recipient's motorcycle.





# The Bairnsdale Bash (VIC)

By PENNY VAN HOUTS

We called the meet The Bairnsdale Bash. Bairnsdale is to be found on the Eastern end of Victoria around what is colloquially known as The Lakes District. Bairnsdale is 280 K's or 4 hours East of Melbourne. It is an especially beautiful part of Victoria with rich fertile river flats that grow anything, rich dairy country, big robust rivers running into the sea flowing from the mountains in The Great Dividing Range and a

marvellous lakes system that provides the area with fantastic fishing, tourism and quality waterways for boats and ferries. To add to all that speciality, the area has an almost a Mediterranean climate. Certainly a southern NSW climate. So much milder than more westerly parts of Gippsland.

Peter and I have moved to this area from the Latrobe Valley 18 months ago and wanted to showcase it to our CMA brothers and sisters. We were due our bimonthly meeting in May and so decided to make a weekend of it and have a get together/meeting in this distant region.

A total of 28 folk turned up Friday evening till the Saturday lunchtime. This is a fantastic turnout for what we call our "ride to".... The weather was superb and The Lord's blessings were all over our weekend together.

The house was full; CMAers in the shed and the rest at motel and caravan park accommodation. Fellowship was sweet and the bikes all looked a treat. Our neighbours were curious but also very supportive. A good witness.

Cuppas and sunshine filled in the morning, then after a simple lunch we set off for a scenic ride through the countryside, led by the able Peter VH. We travelled 125 K's through God's own country on bikes and some cars. Home again by 4pm for our meeting and another successful Bikes for Pastors application was approved by our committee. We all enjoyed a yummy meal together at our local pub called The Wy Yung Hotel. All together a really enjoyable day. So far this venture has been a great success



Sunday morning found us at church - Bairnsdale Baptist. Our Bikes for Pastors man Pastor Dave ( frog ) Graham introduced us all as a group and then handed over to Jackie Waterman who took us all through the history of CMA and what we do and why we do it. A captivating presentation and people really had their eyes opened about Christian bikers, I am sure.



A very honest and moving testimony followed by Stephen Clewenden and then Dave showed the Bikes for Pastor's presentation. I always love to watch this DVD and to especially hear the warm modulated voice of our past esteemed CMA member, Barry Huggett. It was good to share with folk after church and a very generous donation towards B f P's was handed over.

We had lunch together in the sun at our place and then everyone saddled up or drove, heading home. Peter and I rode back to The Latrobe Valley with one group going Melbourne way and showed them our secret back route avoiding much of the highway.

It was a fantastic weekend together and I am sure a very inspiring " ride to " destination for all who came. Can only recommend this concept for getting around our very large Australian states.

Cheers and blessings...

Penny van Houts

CMA Victoria



# VICTORIA Ride Reports

## North East Area – by Neville Weeks

On the 12th of December we had our Christmas break up ride. We had 5 bikes meet up at Jo and Butch's. We headed over to Shepparton, then on to Tatura, where we had a quick break and drink before we headed off to Rushworth to meet up with Ian, Harold and Liz. There was a bit of discussion about how to get there, whether

go over Kerwin's Bridge or not. The majority won out and we went up the freeway. We then had our evening meal at the Yacht club. It was a very nice meal and catch up, after which we all headed home our own ways.



**North East members lunching together for their Christmas Break Up.**

## Gippsland Area – by Gordon McPhee

Gippsland group finished off the year with:

Blessing of Bikes on the 10th October in Mirboo North, which was sponsored by Inline 4 Café, and with CMA having a display with 4 bikes on show. Many Bike manufacturers and suppliers of parts/accessories attended this event. All the exhibitors were situated in the park next to the main street, which was closed to provide parking for all the bikes that attended - over 2,000 in total! Very busy during the day talking to all sorts of people- including several Christian bikers. One from Brisbane CMA who was wearing his Harley stuff having travelled from the Harley event in SA and was heading home via this direction. Thanks to all who came along.

Combined ride to Flowerdale Hotel on Sat 21st Nov was well attended by our guys and girls with a few new people along. We travelled via Gembrook-Launching Place Rd, Healesville, Toolangi Forest Rd, Kinglake to lunch. Our return trip home was via Glenburn, Chum Creek, Yarra Junction, Powelltown and Neerim South. It was a great day out.

Our final ride was around Korumburra area, with morning tea at the Tiny Teapot café. 85kms (1hr ride) returning to Coleman Park (Korumburra) for a BBQ lunch. 20 people attended, including Penny who came up from Bairnsdale and picked up Thomas, Bob and Kerri from down Yarram direction. Thanks to Jen for getting to the park early to get the gazebo ready, while we were off riding , and to those who provided the food and it's preparation. A great get together to end the year.

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## **Western Area Report (and other bits and pieces) – by Ted Byrne**

CMA West has a very small core of members, comprising myself, Greg Grist and Merv Webster. As much as we plan our 'Ride to . . .' event, inviting other members to our region, we have found more fulfilment and effectiveness in working with other Motorcycle CMA areas, joining with them in their activities.

There are certain shared interests particularly Greg and I use in choosing the types of rides and events we attend, We often encourage and invite other members to join us, through semi-regular emails to our CMA West group. We attend meeting and rides organised by the Classic Club, for instance. Merv has his Yamaha XJ650 (1982) – which I have been riding regularly (thanks, Merv ) – and I am 'between 'bikes'; I am awaiting the completion of a 1991 BMW R100. Greg sold his own R100RT last year. As a core group we like to attend classic racing – 'bikes, yes, but also cars - mainly at the Broadford complex . In March last year we attended Classic Winton for the first time, and will probably do the event again this year. Winton is an opportunity to catch up with NE types, including the Henderson's and John Cass(idy). We like to catch up with them, usually staying the Friday or Saturday night.

We attended other regional "Ride to's . . ." , including Healesville, and very much enjoyed and continue to look forward to the "Bucky Pub" run in September. This was very well supported. We rode up through Yea and Alexandra and then back through Healesville and Kinglake. I was disappointed that the Bonnie broke down (again) with over-charging issues on the way to Yarra Glen. I was committed to the Melba Tunnel on the Ringwood bypass, when I lost ignition and finally rolled to a stop at the bottom of the tunnel. Interesting, to put it mildly. Noxious smoke from the brunt and collapsed Li-Ion battery, a long and potentially dangerous uphill push out of the tunnel and, finally, being trucked by the RACV to Peter Stevens Ringwood.

I finally 'blew up' the Bonnie one sunny Sunday morning in October. I attended St. Thomas' Werribee for our early service, and then headed onto the freeway south of Werribee, on the way to a rendezvous with the triumph Owners' on the Geelong Ring Road. Well, I accelerated onto the freeway, changing up at a lazy 3500 revs, and settled into a 100 kmh cruise. Just short of the Little River exit, there was a bang, and loud rattling and grinding noises from the engine, and I rolled to a halt. Thus endeth the Bonnie . . .

I began riding Merv's Yamaha XJ650 shortly afterwards, and have borrowing it regularly since. Thank you, Merv! We rode to Ballarat again for the "Spirit of Anzac" exhibition, which was a really excellent fully-interactive audio/visual experience. I arrived a bit later than I had expected thanks to an exploding pannier bag on the Western Highway. Didn't that give me a fright! I hadn't tried the soft panniers on the XJ650 and, perhaps typically for me, hadn't thought it through properly



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I had an overnight bag and two aerosol cans in the bottom of the left-hand pannier. I had them lying over the back of the seat, because I realised the 4-into-1 exhaust was mounted too high, and pointing upwards at a fair angle. I was in a hurry to leave home, and threw them over the seat, balancing the load on either side. All seemed to be going well, with the bags sitting nicely in place until, past Ballan, there was a loud bang and what felt like an impact behind me on the left. I thought something had come adrift from the trailer in front of me. I was in the right lane at the time, and realised a short time later that the bags were no longer behind me. They had left the 'bike, and were indeed behind me – back down the road. I pulled over, skipped across to the central median strip, and walked back down the road. I recovered the panniers from the centre of the right lane, and then wandered further back, picking up bits and pieces of my kit as I went. My "Air Crash Investigation", in consultation with Greg and Stu Armstrong, strongly suggests that an aerosol deodorant can was heated by the angled exhaust to ignition temperature and pressure. It is likely that the air inside the pannier was heated, expanding the bag, and finally resulting in an explosion. The outside seam of the pannier was split wide open, and the bottom of the bag, burnt and melted. The white dust of the deodorant was evident inside pannier, and on the recovered contents. Wow! That such a thing should happen to me! (Well, who else would it happen to – really?). I had only used the panniers regularly – just about every time I ran the Bonnie on a longer trip, over the previous seven years . . .

The next morning, the Sunday, we had a bacon and egg breakfast at the Armstrong's, and headed off to the organised CMA visit to Sebastopol Kardinia Church. My mate Malcolm Arber and his daughter Tess were able to come down from Nerrina to share the breakfast. Malcolm proudly showed off his recently acquired 1968 MGB, a beautiful pale yellow example, in very good order.

The church visit went very well. Members and friends attended from the Ballarat area, and came up from Geelong. The pastor of the Warrnambool church gave an excellent message. There was a good turnout of 'bikes. Bianca and Frank from Lal Lal, whom we knew from Scotsburn Union Church also came along. They had been our hosts, producing an abundance of wood-fired pizzas, on two previous visits to Scotsburn. We remember the recent fires in the Scotsburn area, and pray that they and their neighbours were spared the worst of the disaster.

In early December, I met Tattsy and Frog (Adam and Dave) on the Hamilton Highway turnoff, on the Geelong Ring Road. We started nice and early, at a quarter to seven, and rolled towards Hamilton itself. The visit on this occasion was to the Hamilton Baptist Church. After a mid-way coffee stop, we arrived in town in good time for the 10.30 start. Pastor Trevor Walmsley and his congregation were very welcoming, and Trevor's message very encouraging, on a motorcycling



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theme. Folk arrived on 'bikes from Ballarat, Nhill, Warrnambool, Portland and even Mt Gambier. After a BBQ lunch at the church, we were led on a tour of the locals area, going through Coleraine and on to Dunkeld, in the foothills of the Grampians. There we had coffee and snacks at a friendly cafe. Trevor himself rides a Suzuki GS500E – a machine I have long admired personally.

The year was rounded out with participation in the Ballarat Toy Run. I ended up driving Greg's classic Saab 900 coupe, as I had rendered the XJ unrideable. Sorry, Merv! I managed to roll his 'bike off its side stand in Greg's driveway. Don't ask! These things happen to me. Yes; I fixed the broken clutch lever and front indicator. Jackie and Stewart Waterman attended the Toy Run, which they have even helped organise over the years, with numbers of the Ballarat crew. We do seem to spend a bit of time in Ballarat, don't we? (I even managed to break an inside door handle in Greg's car on the way up . . . Yes; also taken care of).

Here we are now, looking forward to effective and productive ministry and fellowship in this New Year of 2016. I am also looking forward to the delivery of my next 'bike – a 1991 BMW R100. In the meantime, I will continue to ride Merv's XJ650.

Last Saturday, Greg and I attended the CMA Vic planning meeting at St. Aloysius' Yarra Glen. Matters discussed included the kind of events and rides we will organise as the year unfolds. The "Ride to . ." event dates have been agreed upon, and taken up by the various Area Coordinators who will host the rides. The mid-year "Gathering of Bikers" was also discussed.

May god bless all CMA members and friends in the coming year. We look forward to seeing you on the road

## Ballarat Area (brief) Report

Here are pics of the 2015 Ballarat Toy Ride held in December. It's an event which some of our CMA members have made quite a tradition to come along to and us Ballarattians love having them amongst us. This was one of the largest turnouts since 1994 with around 430 bikes participating. Bikes stretched for over 2kms travelling from Buninyong into Ballarat, around Lake Wendouree and culminating at Victoria Park with a BBQ. Who of our members would dare dress in a Santa suit?!



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## Wimmera/Western Vic Area Report

I'll try and keep my report brief – there have been so many reports (both long and short) that everyone will be sick of reading them! Ha ha.

After a busy start to October (which I wrote about in the September newsletter) things quietened off for a couple of weeks. It wasn't until the end of November – 28th & 29th – that we had our next area get together, and we had people coming from everywhere! Our weekend involved a visit to the Hamilton Baptist Church. I had ridden down to Portland on the Saturday 28th (after doing the Horsham Toy run) where I stayed with my good friends Wayne & Sharron and their family. On Sunday we rode from Portland to Hamilton to meet up with a bigger group of CMA'ers than I expected. There were CMA members from Werribee, Geelong, Creswick, Ballarat, Mount Gambier, Portland and Nhill. We had a wonderful time worshipping at the Hamilton Baptists Church and they put on a lovely BBQ afterwards. The pastor – Trevor Walmsley – also rides a bike (as per Ted's report on the previous page) and he lead us on a lovely ride from Hamilton to Dunkeld via Casterton & Coleraine. We enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea in Dunkeld then all headed off in our various directions to get home. Thank you to all who came. It was great catching up with you all and fun riding with you too.

I headed home via Halls Gap and Zumsteins – the weather was beautiful and I managed to avoid a couple of wallabies who were grazing on the side of the road. We couldn't have asked for a more glorious day.



This was the only 'official' ride for the Wimmera/ Western Vic group. Things got pretty busy after this and soon Christmas & New Year were upon us. I am hoping to be a bit more organised this year and get riding together more often. It's a large area to cover and there aren't many CMA'ers in this region, so we really appreciate it when we get riders from other areas joining us.



# Doddles Doodles(NSW)

This newsletter represents the growth in unity between the states as we reach across borders, both territorial and philosophical. Whilst there have never been any issues between the states, apart from the time honoured dispute between NSW and Victoria about which state is better, an organisation united under God is more powerful than likeminded groups all reflecting Him slightly differently. And as I type this I laugh quietly at the irony that in NSW we are trying to make each of the districts more independent – united as CMA but each ministering to their own areas particular needs.

This year has bought forth challenges, sorrow, joy and triumph already – so we are in pretty good shape to deal with the remainder. At our AGM and teaching weekend we focussed on the teachings of sending out the twelve, then sending out the seventy two – ministering to the saved and to the world. Since then we have enjoyed the Tail of the Snake Rally at Bylong and the outreach at Gloucester Motorcycle Expo where we operated our Shoe Shine service. For those that haven't been part of that service or seen it in operation we set up our display, complete with tins of shoe polish and brushes and offer to clean peoples shoes, this gives us a wonderful chance to just chat and get to know the people at the show. We don't preach at them and we don't take donations – we just offer our time and effort for their benefit.

At Gloucester we were invited to conduct a church service on the Sunday morning in the dining hall – the eight of us that were there from CMA formed about 95% of the congregation but that didn't matter, we were proclaiming Christ through song and the word. And this is what matters, that you are consistent in your service to God regardless of whether anyone is watching or not.

At that service I spoke of Zacchaeus – the stumpy little tax collector who climbed a tree to see Christ. The message was simple, if you want Christ to see you for who

you are you need to look for Him first, He will be waiting for that to happen. Zacchaeus knew that being short he would be swallowed up in the crowd and he just had to get to where he could look on the man Christ. And each of us is likewise called to stand out rather than fitting in.

Position yourself to be see Christ – the scourge of the motorcyclist is the SMIDSY – Sorry Mate I Didn't See You. How sad would it be if the time that Christ is looking for you, that you are too busy looking elsewhere and end up being a SMIDSY. Keep your eyes peeled, stay vigilant and you will see Christ more and more.

Lastly, as I mentioned at the AGM after having served five years as Treasurer followed by six as Chairman I have decided I need a break and will be stepping down, now is the time to start praying and seeking out who will lead CMA NSW into a bright future from 2017 on.

Bless ya all heaps and ride forth to victory  
Doddles

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# Local women help break world record in Dubbo.

THE AREA NEWS

HANNAH HIGGINS

April 24, 2016, 11:45a.m



ACCORDING to 73-year-old world record breaker Merelyn Bardney, people are astounded when a convoy of women on bikes pulls up. "People are amazed when you pull up and take your helmets off, because you can't tell who's what and they are always surprised when it's women," Ms Bardney said. She was one of 10 women from the Griffith area who helped to break a world record on April 9, smashing previous records for the number of women on motorcycles and most women at a female bike meet.

Converging on Dubbo, 1002 female motorcycle enthusiasts came from as far as Western Australia and northern Queensland to take part in the record attempts organised by the group '2WheelBabes'. The record of 221 women was previously set in Australia in 2014, and was beaten by 246 women on bikes in the United Kingdom last year.

The women said participating in the world record attempt was a once-in-a-lifetime experience. "It was an unbelievable atmosphere the camaraderie was the best," Ms Bardney said. "When you get that many people interested in the same thing in the same place, it's just a buzz. "There were all types of bikes from all walks of life," fellow rider Heather White said.

The 23-kilometre long convoy rode through Dubbo and it's surrounds. "People were all on the streets cheering us, it felt really good we were waving like the Queen," participant Sue Campbell said. "It was so long that when the first bike left and arrived, the last bike was leaving," Ann Foscarini explained. "It was a powerful feeling."

The group said they jumped at any excuse to get out on their much-loved bikes. "It's the freedom, it clears your mind," Margarita Day said. "I didn't get a bike until I was 50, but it's a great experience, you can smell everything – living and dead," Ms Bardney said.



**WORLD RECORD BREAKERS:** Margarita Day, Heather White, Sue Campbell, Merelyn Bardney, Ann Foscarini and Dorian Radue helped to break a world record in Dubbo.



We are proud of the large group of CMA ladies that took part in breaking the world records.

While some like Dorian Radue had been riding since the age of 16, others in the group had found their passion later on, with Ms Campbell buying a motorcycle only six-years-ago and with no idea how to ride it. "I got it home and thought 'what do I do now?'" She hasn't looked back since.



## CMA Report Breaking a World Record in Dubbo

By Karen Nieuwendyk

During April of this year a group of female CMA riders headed off to Dubbo to participate in breaking a world record. It was organised by the '2WheelBabes'. Actually 2 world records were broken on the day. The most women on motorcycles and the most women at a female bike meet.

The final tally was 1,002 women riders. There were also thousands of people who gathered, watching, lining the streets, waving and cheering on the procession. It had been a long ride to get to Dubbo and a few of the bikes decided to play up. Thankfully we had our one male supporter whose mechanical expertise and brawns helped to get the trouble making bikes back on the road. Actually much of our time on the day of the event was spent with waiting. Waiting in line to register. Waiting for the right moment to join the long line around the oval. Waiting in that line and pushing our bikes a few meters before having to stop and wait again. Everything had to be accurate with numbers checked and rechecked. Finally, we made it onto the oval, to again wait in the hot sun for the ride to start. Would it have been a good idea to have had water or food? Yes, but we hadn't thought of that. Still, we meet up with some awesome riders and it seems that the CMA banners caught people's attention. I guess it would be accurate to say, before, during and after the event there was a lot of celebrating. 'Girl/female power' at it's best.

The weekend was topped off nicely by Dubbo Baptist church graciously inviting us to share about CMA during the service. Yes, the weekend was definitely one for the memory books



# Tamworth Christian, motorcycle lover Wayne Witchard farewelled in wheel style

by Jillian Doyle (The Northern Daily)

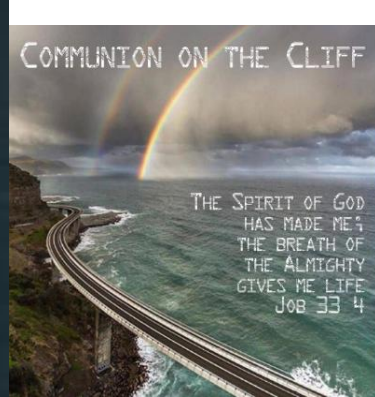
TAMWORTH man Wayne Witchard was honoured with a cortege of 50 motorcycles following a funeral service in his home town on Monday, January 18. The service for Mr Witchard, a life member of the Christian Motorcyclists Association (CMA) of Australia and a long time member of Tamworth's Ulysses motorcycle club, was held at Tamworth's Liberty Church on Goonoo Goonoo Road. He died last week aged 67, a well-known and -respected member of the NSW motorcycling community. He volunteered at the Powerhouse Motorcycle Museum and was also a regular on Tamworth's 89.7 FM Radio Rhema. CMA NSW chairman Ian 'Doddles' Dodd said members from across NSW, Queensland and South Australia had travelled to attend the funeral. He said Mr Witchard had held many positions in the club over the years and he would be sadly missed. "One knew that Wayne would always have a word to say, a message to preach and a story to tell – but you never knew what bike he'd turn up on, as he changed them so regularly," Mr Dodd said. "His legacy of always being willing to listen, chat and accept will live on."



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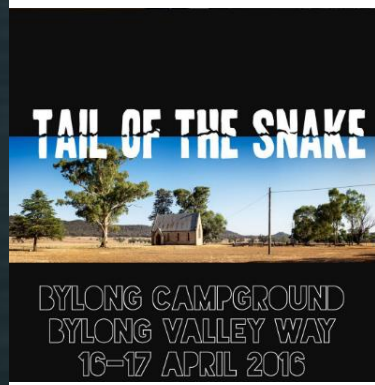
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## Cruisin with Chris (QLD)

Freedom. A word that I have been thinking of lately. One simple word but so full of meaning. What is freedom? Marketing gurus love it, evocative, powerful, desirable to make their offerings more attractive to consumers. Many people will have a different perception of what freedom means to

them. For an incarcerated person having served their time released back into society. An appreciation of our society, resulting from sacrificial service of our armed forces. Ability to choose our government, where we will live, I could go on. Many will joyfully share their experience of freedom in riding a motorcycle. I think we can all identify with that! However this is a temporary separation from our normal worldly experience. While there is nothing wrong with any of the above they are limited. We can look to the Bible to find many references to real freedom. Here are just two. John 8:36 So if the Son sets you free, you are free indeed.

Romans 8:1-4 .1 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, 2 because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, 4 in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. Worldly "freedom" does not last. It is based on our own efforts. The freedom Jesus gives is Eternal, seek Him first and He will satisfy the longings of your heart.

Keep on Riding for the SON

Chris



# Bikers Blessing (QLD)

A good attendance by CMA riders was very pleasing, but only 12 from Ulysses was disappointing. I know TJ, who put a lot of working into the organising of the Service was sad since the date was fixed with the Ulysses club a year ago. Riders from the Sunshine Coast included Derek and Irene, Peter, Pinky and two new faces whose names we missed. Chris led the Service.



**The LORD bless you  
and keep you;  
Number 6:24**

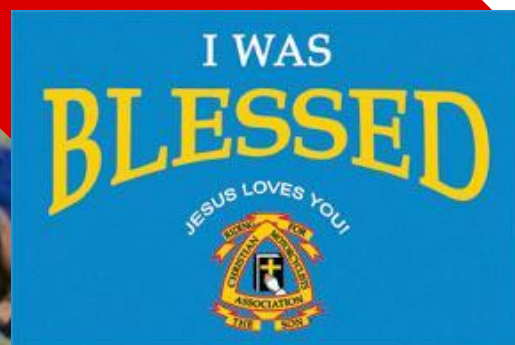
From Brisbane there were Chris & Judy, Suze, (Suze's friend), Regan & Corali, Jim, David & Narelle, George, Ken, Steve and Gail, David, Nev & Jennifer, Paul & Kathy, Viv, Warwick & Fran, Debbie, TJ and Bill.



Charlie Harrison brought as a good message and the Old Boys' Gospel Band presented a set of excellent songs with some brilliant work on the electric guitar from their newest member.

The congregation of the Nazarene Church laid on their excellent morning tea which gave ample opportunity for fellowship after the Service.

The impressive line-up of machinery was then led by Dave through a mysterious route to Lota for a Fish and Chip lunch by the water.  
Bikers



# Esperance Course Report - First Aid for Motorcyclist

BRAD LANDERS

The First Aid for Motorcyclists course is an extremely relevant and practical course that I think anyone that rides a motorcycle should do. It was packed with information revolving around motorcyclists and we got to practice and be guided through all the techniques.

We learnt about crash site management, how to prioritise and treat injuries, when and how to remove a helmet and the importance of noting down details for police and insurance purposes. I think it was a brilliantly laid out and run course and I highly recommend it.

Big thanks to Roger and Tracy.



# Perth Course Report - First Aid for Motorcyclist

BRIAN COFFEY

It was good to finally meet Roger and Tracy (course administrators) after 3 months of correspondence both by e-mail and over the phone, getting as many of our CMAWA family in this important training opportunity as possible.

Roger -12 CMA members in this booked out course

This course as Tracy said, was designed specifically for motorcyclists, so items you would find in your normal work place first aid course, were not discussed. i.e. drowning, snake bites. This allowed the course to be shorter 4hrs and not 1-2 days as per the normal accreditation first aid courses which are required to meet government requirements.



# Perth Course Report - First Aid for Motorcyclist

Continues...

Things covered on the course which really helped me were Abrasion Injuries – Think twice about your riding jacket, pants and gloves. Don't go for the cheap China made gear with all the bling. An Abrasion injury (sliding down the road) can keep you in the hospital for many months of pain and skin grafts. Tracy had the best quality leathers on at time of her accident, and suffered No Abrasion injuries, which allowed her to leave hospital a lot sooner.

Helmet Removal – Probably the grey area going into this First Aid course for most of us, but definitely the Black and White area coming out.

Using the helmet left on but strap opened, to support the neck.



Tracy demonstrating on Sean how to stop arterial bleeding.



John removing Brian's helmet.

Open face and swing up jaw protector helmets should be left on as access to airway is not restricted.

If patient is Not breathing, or bleeding at head/face or vomiting, Full Face helmets should be removed as instructed, with No twisting.

Helmet Identification – There are many types of helmets on the

market, it is important to identify the helmet before attempting to remove it. As removal may not be required if the helmet has a swing up jaw protector, or the jaw protector releases with two clips on either side.

Some helmets like Annette's, are air inflated once put on, and this air must be released before removing.



Brian removing Wayne's helmet

# Perth Course Report - First Aid for Motorcyclist

Continues...

It just wouldn't be a First Aid course without CPR. The CPR approved procedure has changed over the years but it was good for me to know that it is still the same since my workplace First Aid course 6 years ago, being 30 chest compressions, and two breaths....repeat...

It is difficult to get all that was covered in the course into one report without going too long, but some other Motorcycle specific items worth mentioning were,

When /How to remove patient – i.e. if there is fuel spilling out of bikes fuel tank, and running towards patient. Possibility of being run over by traffic or other dangers to patient which may endanger his/her life.



Wayne, Steve and Peter showing off their breath of life



How to lift a Motorcycle off of a patient – Some helpful how to videos were shown. As we may be at the end of a hard days ride and come across a fully loaded road tourer which could weigh upwards of 400Kg with a fallen rider trapped underneath. (can view these videos free at the MRA website we were told)

Tracy demonstrating on Mal, how to insert blanket under patient

Emergency + This government approved Free App, (go to your app store to download) can be installed on your smart phone. As long as you have mobile phone coverage, open this app at an accident site, and it will tell you where you are, GPS coordinates, and street address (if applicable). It also has speed dial 000 and police phone number buttons.





# Perth Course Report - First Aid for Motorcyclist

Continues...

I have already installed on my phone last night and it works better than my Navman car GPS which wont pick up my house number but next door.

It was great to see the majority of this class CMA, well done to those who took this opportunity to sharpen their skills. when Tracy asked all CMA to stand up and greet someone they haven't met, the search was on.

A special Gold Star goes to Annette for coming all the way down from Jurien Bay for this course, and also for her input into the class with her vast medical knowledge and experience. A Gold Star goes to our CMA dummies who participated in the demonstrations of the course, Sean and Mal.

First Aid for Motorcyclists  
Accident Scene Training



Tracy removing Mal from leaking motorcycle fuel hazard.



A big THANK YOU to Roger and Tracy for selling their house and committing several years to take this First Aid for Motorcyclist course around Australia, well done on a great course.

Also thank you to all the sponsors who are supporting this course. (refer F.A. for Motorcyclists website)



"I'm afraid one thing led to another, and before Lydia and I realized it was happening we'd fallen deeply in love."

One, two three, BREATHE

He's dead, Jim





# My New Bike Story

On a wonderful Saturday morning, 24 October 2015, we set off on a ride. It was the weekend of

the CMA Australia National run held in Busselton Western Australia. The ride took us through beautiful areas in the south west. After a pit stop in Bridgetown we took the winding roads back to Busselton. This is

where things went wrong. I found myself following a brother off the road. Unfortunately my BMW F800ST was broken. I was really saddened by losing my first proper bike. But, I trusted something better will follow.

While I was making up my mind over what to get next I set out on a project. I bought a 1986 BMW K75C from Colin Kleinig and started making some changes. This kept me busy for a few months. Off course, no riding during this time. I really enjoyed the project and was impressed with the final product.



Unfortunately, due to my limited space and needing a bike I can trust on the long road, I finished my project and put the bike up for sale. The old beamer was great but needed continues loving attention.

I finally test drove the Yamaha Tracer, 850 triple, and made it my new mate for the road.



I thank the Lord for making it possible for me to be back on the road again and part of this ministry.

See you on the road; possibly in Victor Harbour, SA.

God Bless

Thinus Kruger  
CMA Western Australia





# CMA NATIONAL RUN 2015 Western Australia

Well here we sit, another National Run done and dusted. What have we gained ?

A lot of photos, a lot of sore muscles, a lot of callouses on our hands, not to mention our backsides, and for most a lot of debt. If not debt at least exhausted funds.

Why do we do it?

We ( the sensible ones ) start saving for the next run from the first pay cheque we get after this one. We wait with anticipation, the months and weeks roll by, next thing it's time to pack! We spend weeks if not months preparing our bikes, sorting, sourcing, and piling up our gear. Practice packing, unpack it, throw out what is not needed or wont fit, repack, again and again till it's right.

Check the bike, load the gear, check who is riding with you, do you need a map? Fill the tank, check the oil, check the tyres. What have you forgotten ? You always forget something!

At last we are on the way! Wonder who we will see along the way? Sure to meet up with other CMA riders, aren't we? We ride for days, stopping to check out things we have never seen before, places others have told us about or we have read about. Time, places, roads, people, all become a blur..... too many time zones, what time is it? What day is it?

What?..We are here?...Already?...Oh Oh !...my legs wont work !!

Now we are like pups just let off the chain, running madly about, seeing who else has arrived, when did they get in? Where's what's his name? Did his wife come? Did you ride or drive? You flew!!? And then there he is, that huge giant of a man, Theo. A hug that will crush your ribs, and yet make you feel this man really loves you, each and every one of you. There are others, each with their own special ways, some peculiar, some overpowering, some embracing and accepting. Some expose talents you never dreamed they had!

For the next few days you are cramped into a small room with people you may or may not know very well, but you soon will! The rooms are dated, small, nowhere to stash your gear, double bunks!! Who is going to sleep up there! Not me! A shower, I need a shower! Sometimes the showers are nice and roomy, clean or even new, sometimes they are not. But they are showers, lovely divine running water showers.....





# CMA NATIONAL RUN 2015 Western Australia

Dinner time?...Already? Line up and chat to anyone who will listen, catch up on where they are in life, have you been well?...Have you heard from so and so, thought he was coming? Sorry to hear she is not well, will pray for her.

The food is usually basic but good solid tucker, enjoyed by anyone who realizes they didn't have to cook it! The noise in the dining room is deafening!! Each one having to talk a little louder to be heard over the next one. You think, if everyone talked at a normal level each could hear the other.

Over the next three days this pattern continues, intertwined with maintenance on the bikes, washing of the clothes and the odd short ride thrown in as the locals hope to show off their home town. Prayer meetings, devotions and church services. Personal get togethers for encouragement and prayer.

Now the end is here. It's all over for another year. Long sad goodbyes, enough hugs to kill a bear, arm waving, trying not to fall off as you ride away waving, promises to write, call or "friend" on the social media. Some will just slide away without notice, not because they don't like you, but just because they never want to say goodbye.

The trip home can be a fast direct line, no time to waste or it can be one of seeing what you missed on the way over, catching up and passing other CMA members, then them passing you, meeting for a meal, to camp together overnight or just wave and smile as they ride passed.

Why do we do it?

If you haven't done it, you will never understand. Those who have done it understand completely.

Thanks for being part of it.

Kimbo





# CMA NATIONAL RUN 2015 Western Australia

What a great ride to WA for an equally great National Run! (by Jackie Waterman)

Stewart and I love attending National Runs, this being our 19th since 1992 and our 3rd to the Nat Run in WA. We again totally enjoyed the ride there and back, 500 – 600 kms riding sensation per day, the joys of meeting others from the eastern states along the way, the National Run itself and the post run tour. On the way over we stayed with Lyn at Nhill, Berri, Whyalla, Penong, Madura, Norseman and Merredin. We opted for mattresses in rooms with showers while a number of others camped and swagged totally immersed in God's creation, including rain at Penong!

We have a magnificent country. The scenery and vegetation along the Eyre Highway, including the Nullarbor, changes constantly and many times it defied us where the changes occurred. Even along the 90 mile straight, there are sights to see and sensations to enjoy. This year the weather was a surprise. Many cold mornings and riding under cloud cover made riding rather pleasant in that part of our country. As we met up with others along the way, food and fuel stops provided great social fellowship, so in a sense the Nat Run began way before our arrival in Busselton.

The Western Australian wild flowers were out in fine form with different varieties and intensities in different areas. Husband was very patient when wife stopped to take photos – on more than one occasion! The WA guys met us in Merredin which increased the Nat Run momentum considerably with around 50 of us from all states there. Some of us enjoyed a welcome cool off in the pool and in the evening we were spoilt to a well catered BBQ. From here we were guided through 475kms of beautiful hilly, undulating scenic countryside and farmland which was a motorcyclist's mecca. One huge big dipper had a strange impact on many throttles and the chase was on!

This year's National Run had around 110 attendees with around 1/2 from the eastern states. It was an incredibly noticeable cohesive National Run. The state leaders meeting sensed an amazing movement of the Spirit bringing us together as a nation. Our place within the international realm of CMA was also evident. It was wonderful seeing so many people wearing the international logo which is now widely accepted by us Aussie CMA'ers. This year we had Ramon and Natalie Changuion from CMA South Africa and Helen from CMA Portugal, now living in Alice Springs, amongst us. This further highlighted to us that we are a significant part of the international CMA world.

As usual at National Runs there was the annual reconnecting with many established friends from around the country which is what I love best about Nat Runs. Meeting new CMA'ers and now seeing the years of representation is a special part of our CMA journey in Australia. And it's all because of our unity in Christ and our passion for motorcycling that provides this privilege.

About 30 of us continued with the Post Run Tour. Again many kms travelled through beautiful scenery and roads throughout the south western area of WA. Cave Creek at Walpole was a campsite with cabins in the bush alongside a quiet bay. On arrival in Albany, Jim from the area guided us on a tour to the amazing War Memorial which received significant upgrades for the ANZAC anniversary. We spent two nights at the very peaceful Kalgen River Camping ground outside Albany which allowed us free time to explore as we wished. Then it was 450kms to Esperance in 3 legs - first stretch was 188kms, then 110, then 197kms. By that time we were used to long stretches between breaks so the total distance was covered in relatively short time. The expanses in the west change perception of time. Plus who cares when on bikes and with a bunch of others we love being with!



# CMA NATIONAL RUN 2015 Western Australia

There is a small group of excited CMA'ers starting up in Esperance so it was great for them to connect in with the WA members and the national and international context of CMA. A BBQ plus pizzas and evening fellowship was held in a member's tyre business shed with plenty of space inside for parking our bikes. We were well looked after.

Next morning we met at the magnificent Whale Tale sculpture on the newly refurbished foreshore. Wozza and his team organised a fabulous program of riding and local attractions including a most scenic ride along the Great Ocean Ride - a fabulous road, beautiful turquoise water, white sand and rocky outcrops. Later in the afternoon some ventured to a national park which included riding on sand along a bay, kangaroos included!

After 2 nights in Esperance we all began our journeys eastward, this time with more varied individual itineraries and the usual meeting up with others along the way. We stopped at Balladonia, Mundrabilla, Penong, Kimba, Claire, Berri then home.

Glad we had a 2nd layer, scarf and thick riding pants throughout the trip and especially on the way home even more grateful for our Ballarat wet weather riding gear even though it couldn't keep out the saturation of God's full drenching blessings on more than 1 occasion through the storms which passed through South Australia. When we checked in at Kimba and said "Waterman" they thought I was being funny! Luckily overall the temperatures were comfortably cool to warm so the thought of being more comfortable in a car didn't enter our minds despite being asked. This is our passion and we're real motorbike riders!

I often note that when we ride, we ride the road, we ride the scenery and we ride the sensation. Often it's a combination. This time we added that sometimes we ride the weather!

We've been a part of the CMA Australia journey for a long time and we're very much looking forward to being a part of where we're being led as CMA Australia.

We encourage everyone to make it along to the Nat Run In SA .It's just down the road for us Vic CMAers! The experience of being a part of the wider context of CMA is amazing.



Jackie & Stewart leaving Ballarat.





# CMA NATIONAL RUN 2015 Western Australia

We left Benalla early on Sunday 11th October for the ride over to the WA National Run. This was our first time riding the Nullarbor and we had plenty of time to enjoy the sights. We made a slight detour down through Port Lincoln and Streaky Bay and had opportunities to stop at the whale lookouts and the York Motor Museum. We arrived in Fremantle at my aunt's place dripping wet from the pouring rain, fortunately it was the only rain we encountered while riding. Whilst staying in Fremantle we enjoyed a walk around Perth Kings Park, a trip on the ferry to Perth, a visit to the Maritime Museum as well as the dentist to remove my tooth.

We headed to Busselton Thursday to enjoy long walks out to the end of the jetty. It was a short ride to the camp to catch up with everyone Friday afternoon. The camp site was lovely by the sea, basic but comfortable. The entertainment on Saturday night was a highlight, a talented WA member, had us laughing with his jokes in between songs before Bruce Warrington, another WA member, joined him on stage to play rock & roll music. Ramon from South Africa was coaxed to sing and CMA South Africans joined in later for a song that required 'actions'. Church on Sunday was awesome, guest speaker was Ramon. We had many opportunities to relax around the camp or walk along the beach. We said our goodbyes and left Monday morning with the large group of riders and pillions for the post run down to Walpole, Albany & Esperance. We left Friday the 30th with the Tassie group and arrived home Tuesday morning after a stop at Bendigo overnight. We had an awesome time riding nearly 8000km in total, enjoyed the Nullarbor and its open stretch of space and the people we encountered along the way



Cocklebiddy – Fuel, food & fellowship



Quite a bunch of us by now



# Christian Motorcyclists Association of Australia

## National Run 2016

### Hosted by South Australia



Friday, 14th - Monday, 17th October 2016  
at the Adare Campsite, Wattle Drive,  
Victor Harbor (80 kms South of Adelaide)

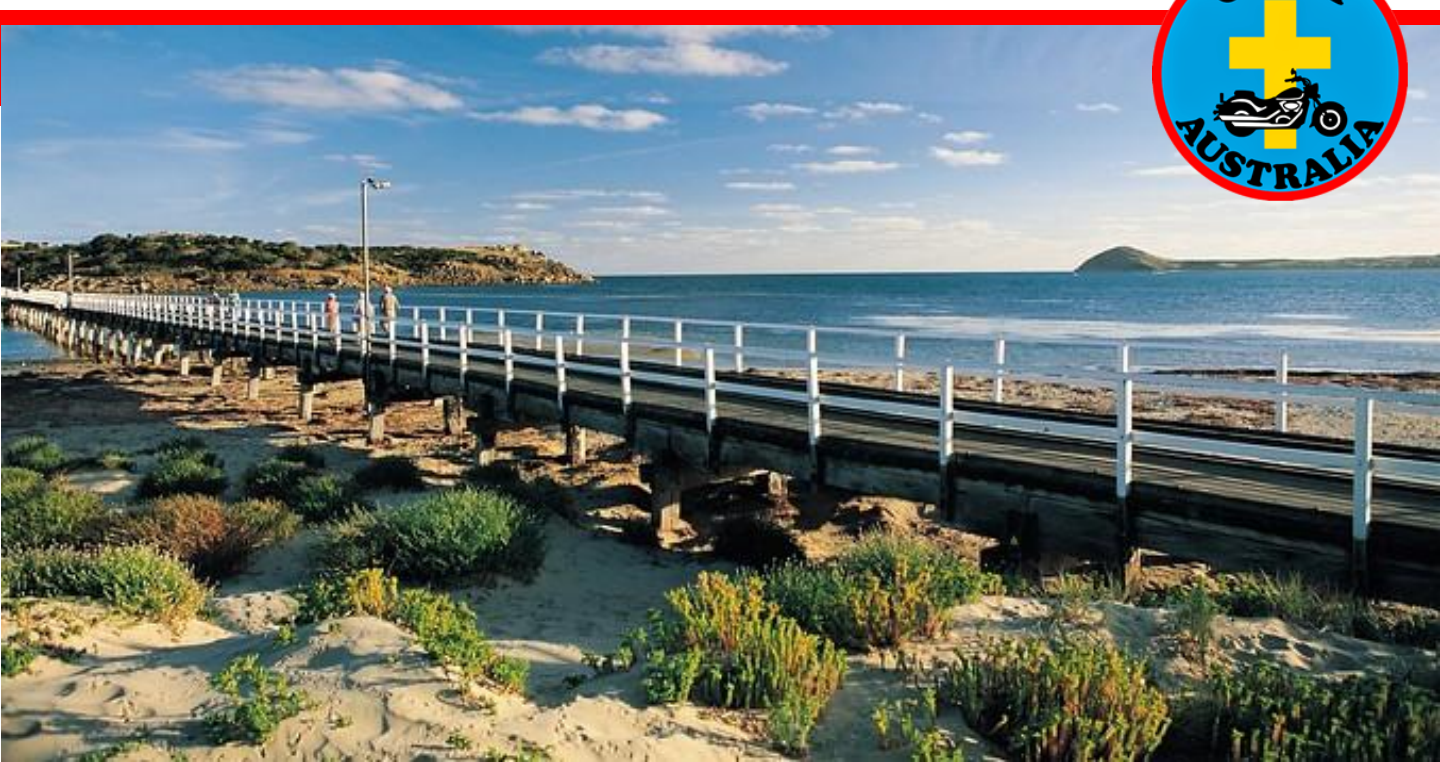
Accommodation: Ensuite unit, Dormitory or Camping/Caravan

We look forward to welcoming you to the 2016 National Run and we are already praying that you will be blessed by the experience and will be refreshed in your Christian journey as a member of the CMA. We are praying for God to bless us all at this year's National Run. What a privilege to share with like-minded people from all over Australia. We are excited to host this National Run and we think you will love the charm of this amazing campsite at Adare. We have searched for a place that offers something for everyone at an affordable price. Victor Harbor is only an hour from Adelaide, a beautiful place to visit and is in the midst of some wonderful roads for motorcycling. All we need to make this a successful weekend is you. Please come - ride carefully and plan your route wisely.

**National Run Registration open now & Post Run details will be available soon – check the website for updates.**

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## *The Gypsy Tip*

Looking for a camping chair small and light enough to carry on the bike but still feel comfortable sitting around the campfire?



Try out **Helinox** chairs. I've had "Chair One" for 3 years. There are now 5 chairs to choose from. There is also now a table and stretcher made from the same strong but lightweight materials. Chair is rated to take person up to 140kg.

