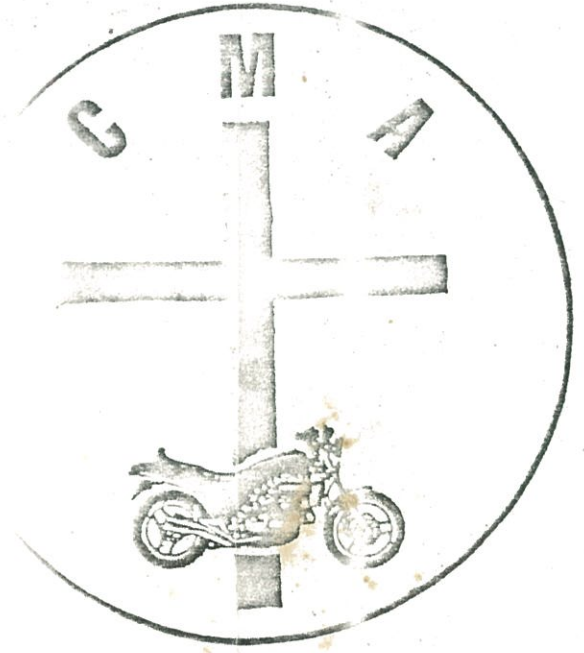


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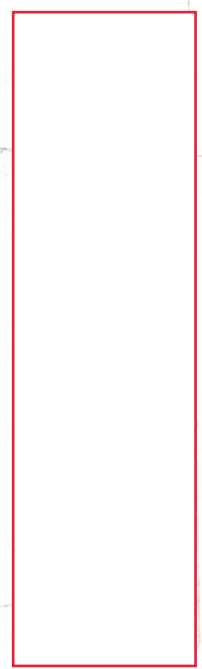


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thinking clearly and taking cautious, wise actions, your brain wants to close up shop and go home. It is up to you get a hold of the situation, for it is very rare that some passer-by will take pity on you as well as know what is required.

But you can fight off the urge to give up and moan. I remind yourself of the importance of getting your head clear for at least ten minutes and avoid later regret over damage not compensated for. The best way to achieve this is to think through the situation beforehand and be aware of what your bodily reaction is going to be - I hope that this article will serve that purpose.

I do not assume nor wish that any of you will come to grief on the road-but apart from a prayer for wisdom and stamina at the time of crisis; the only way you are going near your full mental capacity, is to have previously considered the problem and find yourself saying "Before I go into shock I have to keep my mind clear and"

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and render your brain inoperable (through restricted blood flow). You may experience this also if you have a 'close call' or near miss! Commonly known as SHOCK, this is the body's reaction to trauma or stress.

Having had what I consider as my fair share of motorcycle accidents ('12"). I have been made aware of a need to counter-act the shock reaction in some circumstances, when a bit of crisis management is called for. This situation depends on how badly injured you are, and I am referring to cases where your injuries are minor and there is a second party involved who you are going to hold liable for damages.

Your broken wrist and scraped legs are covered by the premium you pay for third party insurance, incorporated in annual registration - but your bike probably won't be insured due to the prohibitively high premiums most companies charge. This leaves you with the task of initiating legal action against the offending party, which requires a few details to be taken care of at the scene of the accident. (Even if you don't get up from the ground and get someone to act on your behalf) Most important of these-: to identify the guilty party obtain a reliable, co-operative witness and getting the police involved so that a report is made. I am not giving legal advice here - although I have had some experience in these situations and am willing to give my subjective opinion on 'Being fairly compensated in the Aust. legal system'; when asked.

The point here is that at the time when you need to be

Chairman's Chatter

Last month I looked at the verse where God tells be 'holy for I am holy'. Because we are His people, be like him. If we are to be like Him we must know Him we are to know Him we must spend time with Him.

Spending time with Jesus is absolutely essential are to become Christ like. I sometimes notice that people take on the qualities of those they hang around. To be Christ like we need to hang around Jesus. It is not enough to hang around a godly person, or with lots of godly people (church). We must spend time with Jesus, get to know Him, to know what He thinks about the things that are happening around us.

One of the great things about being a Christian is that we have the Spirit of Jesus living in us at all times. Every minute of the day we are able to be in contact with God. How many of us are consciously aware of this as we go through our daily activities? Every minute of every day can be spent in Jesus' company. It is a wonderful relationship.

However, if this type of relationship is not being based in the Word of God, it soon degenerates into self-justification. We need to not only enjoy God's presence but we must also know what He has to say to us. Regular study of the Bible is an essential part of the godly person's life.

The Psalmist says "Oh, how I love your law! I meditate on it all day long. Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are ever with me". Ps119: 97,98.

I am very concerned that a lot of Christians see reading the Bible as a optional extra, or something they do when they feel like it (which is rarely). Spending time in God's word is essential!!!

It is a shame having a daily "Quiet Time" seems to be going out of fashion. (A "Quiet Time" is simply sometime you set apart to be alone with God - to read the Bible and to pray.) Fashionable or not, I reckon it should be a part of every Christian's life. Sure it requires discipline, but that is part of what being a disciple is all about.

Many people find that having Quiet Times regularly over a long period of time is difficult. It more than likely will be because Satan is real keen that you don't read your Bible. But we have the victory over him, in Jesus.

Some things that may help on keeping a regular Q.T.

- set aside a particular time and place each day
- maybe use some study or devotional notes

(I find Scripture Union notes helpful, but there are others).

- Get people to check up how you are going with your Q.T.'s, and ask them about their's.

C.M.A. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

will be held on

SATURDAY, 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1989

3-5P.M.

at the

ELIM CONFERENCE CENTRE,

Lot 17 BENNETT RD.,

LONDONDERRY

(during the 10th Birthday Party)

BE THERE TO HAVE A SAY IN THE RUNNING OF
YOUR ASSOCIATION!

your bike down the road, not just the scraping of flesh breaking of bones; but the sudden realisation that, in scale passage of time you become vulnerable and exposed unfriendly surroundings that you wish only your tyres w make contact with. This feeling is the human bodys' na reaction that involves the sudden introduction of passi chemicals into the bloodstream that can make you feel n

SHOCK TACTICS

You sit perched securely upon your recently polished 'Freedom Machine' as the warm breeze calms your mind and you tune into the pleasures of motorcycling. Making your way slowly through the tree-lined suburban streets, you reserve your speed for the open highway that lies just a few blocks away. The engine is warming up nicely and sounds pleasing, after having spent good time and money on a tune-up and service. A satisfying feeling indeed.

But not everyone shares your calmness.....
From the corner of your eye, where you last saw an empty driveway, a large black shadow appears. You really don't see the vehicle reversing angrily out onto the road, but feel the bow wave of its ugly, chrome plated bumper-bar as an ill driven V-eight monster sets its sights on your back wheel.

From then on it's all a blur, the violent twisting of your bike below you and the sudden thrusting of your self along the road. The sound of shattering plastic and grinding metal remains with you, as do the twists and bruises but you but you recall little else of how you ended in such an unenviable situation. It happened far too quickly for the human senses to absorb fully and worst of all, it ruined what was going to be a perfect day...

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Some of you will know the sickening feeling of putting

- if you have trouble reading, a lot of the Bible on a cassette tape.

I know all the above is basic and one of the first you tell a new believer. Yet I know that some are not daily with God & grappling with what He says in the Bible. Attempting to love as a Christian without spending time with God is a recipe for disaster. We can't afford to risk particularly in the bike scene where we are so often in enemies territory. The best defense against Satan is living the word of God in the power of Jesus.

C.M.A. TEACHING DAY

Hear Les Harrison (Ambassadors C.M.C.) speak on

TRUTHS

at the

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CENTRE

Corner AUDLEY and TRAFALGAR STREETS,
PETERSHAM

(Secure bike parking available)

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ATTENTION VICTORIAN MEMBERS

The organisers of C.M.A. Victoria have requested the names and addresses of all our Victoria members.

If you object to your details being passed on, please contact Greg Pendlebery by the end of August.

Lone Rider Representative Nominations

The three Lone Rider Representative positions on Committee become vacant as at the A.G.M. on 9th September, 1989. These positions are of vital importance, as Lone Riders play a vital role in the ongoing functioning of C.M.A. Strong Christian men and women are needed. You need to be a current financial member of C.M.A., and be nominated and seconded by two current financial Lone Rider members of C.M.A. Sign the nomination so we know you agree and mail it as soon as possible to:

The Chairman,
C.M.A.
P.O. Box 2081,
NORTH PARRAMATTA. 2151

Commitment requires attending one meeting per month, contributing with ideas and helping with organised activities. Now that's not too hard, is it??

If You're Interested.....

- * In the World's End Rally to be held at the Warren Gorge (near Quorn in the Flinders Ranges) send \$8 per person to the Motorcycle Touring Club of S.A., P.O. Box 12, Goodwood. S.A. 5034. To be held on 30th Sept. to 1st October. Register by September 15.
- * In the Moondyne Rally (one for the ladies, fellas tolerated) held by the Women's International Motorcycle Association (W.I.M.A.) on October 14-15 at a point about mid-way between Shepparton and Murchinson East (yes, that's Victoria!!) send \$8 to W.I.M.A., Moondyne 89, P.O. Box 376, Carnegie, Vic, 3163, and give ya relevant details.

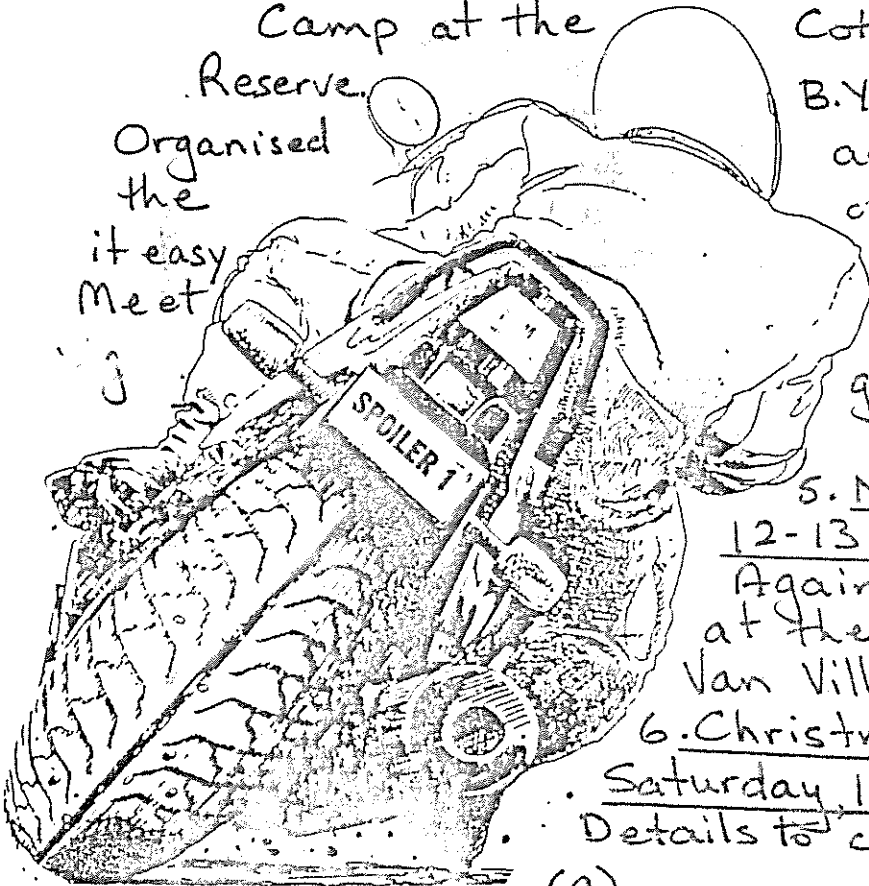
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UP and COMING...

1. Teaching Day - see ad. page 4
2. 9-10 September - 10th Anniversary Party
- see leaflet in centre of mag.
3. Saturday 23rd September - Bike Working Day at Dave Sharp's.
(043) 836 488. Meet North Parramatta Post Office 9am. BBQ lunch.
4. 7-8 October Weekend Run to Canberra.
Camp at the Cotter River Reserve.

Organised
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Meet



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B.Y.O. everything,
activities, plus
chance to take
as well.
at the camp-
ground around
12 noon.

5. National Run.

12-13 November.

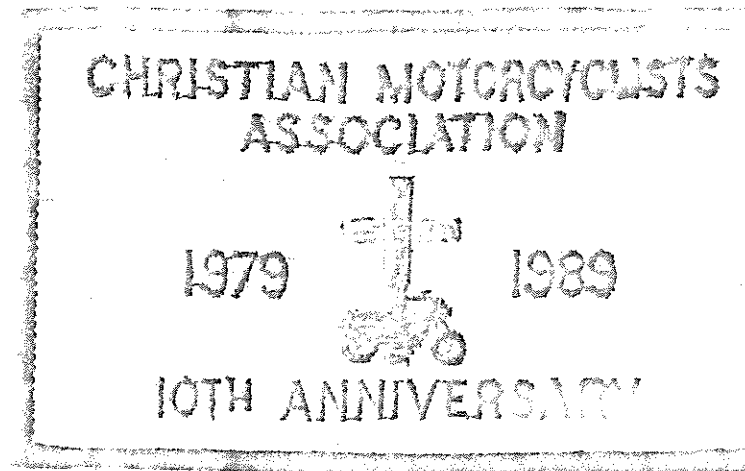
Again this will be
at the Riverglade
Van Village, Tumut.

6. Christmas Party

Saturday, 16th Dec.
Details to come.

Prayer Points

- * Planning and preparation of C.M.A. N.S.W.'s 10th Birth on Sept. 9th-10th.
- * Continued growth of C.M.A. Qld., - Praise God for the ment of this group, and the Holy Spirit's guidance of
- * C.M.A. Victoria - that God will guide those involved continue to consider its establishment.
- * The planning and preparation of runs for C.M.A. membe those interested in the A.C.T.

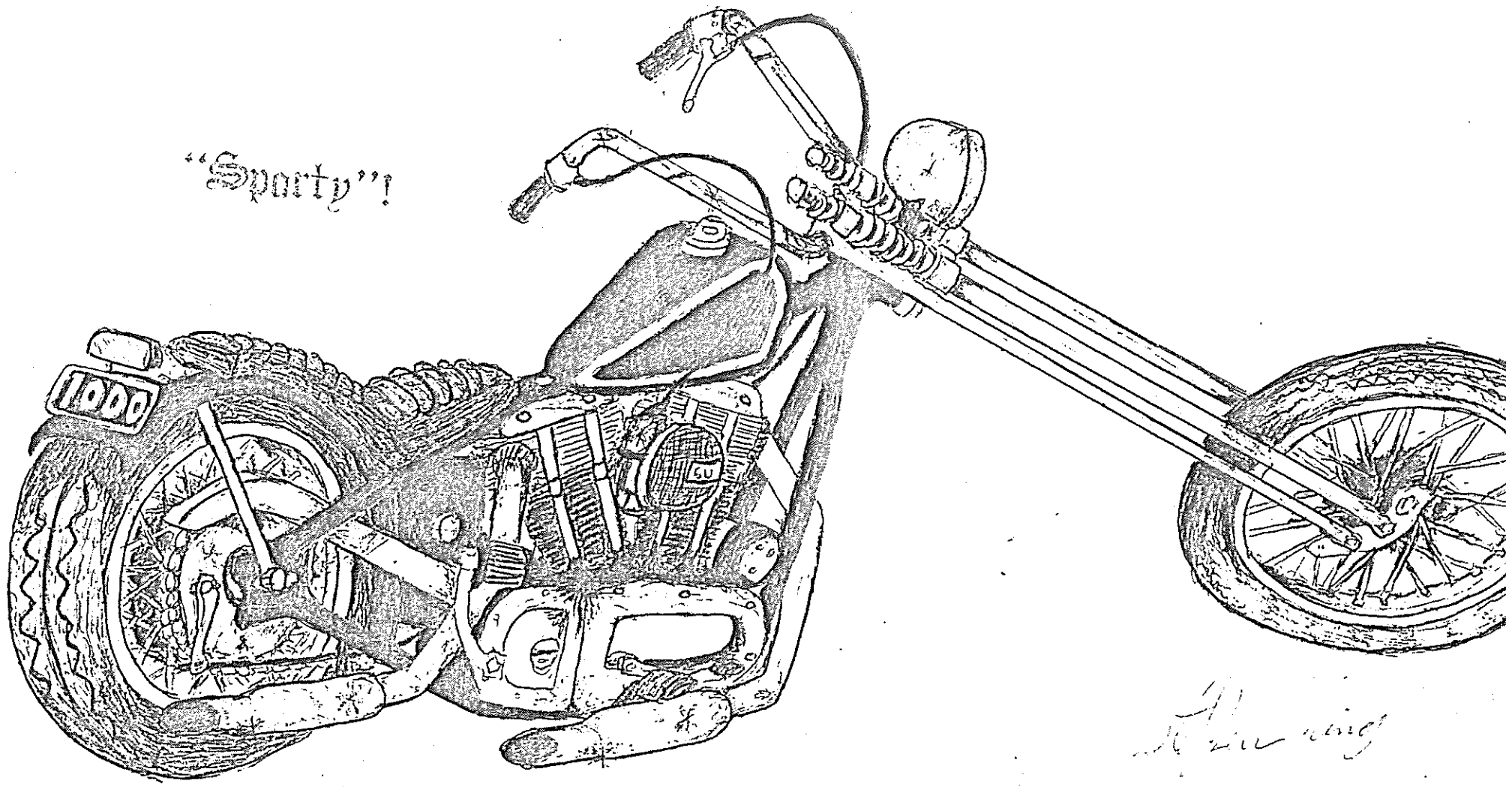


Tenth Anniversary Badge

Join in the celebration and buy the Tenth Annivers badge shown here (actual size shown) and wack it on you off, jacket etc. Only \$6 plus \$1 postage, or buy yours Tenth Anniversary Party.

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