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NEWSLETTER MAY OFFEND  
SOME PEOPLE**

**PLEASE BE AWARE OF THIS AND  
READ THE INFO ON PAGE  
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# **Macedon Ranges Newsletter**

***Social Nights*** are held on the Third Monday of each month at the Sunbury Football Club Rooms “Clark Oval Riddel Rd Sunbury from 6.15 pm onwards. Come along and enjoy a great nights chat and a nice meal.

***Saturday Morning Coffee’s*** are at the “Jolly Miller” in the Gisborne shopping centre, Brantome St Gisborne from approx 10AM onward till about 12.00 noon. Just look for the Bikes and Foxy’s happy smile or even Michaels (yet I doubt it)

***Midweek rides*** are from the Caltex Servo in Station Rd Gisborne on each Wednesday Morning at 10 AM. (Gentlemans hours) Usually arranged on the day

***Calendar Rides*** Sunday rides leave from Mac Donalds Horne St Sunbury at 9.30 AM unless otherwise organised. see ride calender on [www.mrug.net](http://www.mrug.net) for dates  
Saturday rides leave from Jolley Miller about 11-ish

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***Please read this***

*Some jokes may be deemed to be offensive to some people. However, it should be recognised that most jokes, if not all jokes, would be deemed to be offensive to some people. Let's face it; just about every joke ever told contains something offensive that will get right up the nose of someone.*

*Just because jokes offend some people it is no case for censorship. Humour, of all varieties, exists for those who enjoy it.*

**Never forget how to laugh!**

**COVER: Smokey letting a young’un sit on his bike at a turn organised for disables kids in Sunbury**

## **Your Committee**

<b>Position</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Nickname</b>	<b>Phone</b>
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## *A Word from your President.....*

Due to family and work our president Michael was so time poor that he was unable to pass in his report. He apologises and promises that next report will be delivered on time

Cheers  
The Cat





## A Word from our Secretary

As I write this spring has finally arrived! I've changed jacket and gloves and now look forward to a longer ride with warm winds and dry arrivals... well accept for yesterday. So cold yesterday morning I had memories of winter resurrected. Still, that's Melbourne in spring and it will only improve from now on. Just wanted to say that... but now on with my report.

A positive quarter with a slight increase in numbers (we're now at 145 branch affiliates) and some really successful social activities. We've also had a few bumps in the road, but they are normal for any club. Perhaps the biggest problem for the committee was sorting out our meeting venue. Our last meeting required a relocation due to a hiccup with the football club. Our thanks were forwarded to the Sunbury Bowls Club who managed to accommodate us with zero warning. Although that venue may again suit us some time in the future, currently the construction underway at their venue lead us back to the football club. For the rest of the year at least we'll remain with them and the committee is happy that we have negotiated a solution to avoid any further drama.

The other bump was a clash between our Christmas party and the Toy Run. A lot of members like to attend both, so we've changed the date of our Christmas party. I emphasis the "date" part. The venue, Hanging Rock in the same pavilion, is the same place as last year but the new date is Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> of December. The Toy run is scheduled to be held on Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> – Ken Hager will lead it with more details closer to the date.

The committee also settled on a venue for next years Christmas in July. We'll be heading for the Galli Winery which has extended us a great deal. Way too early for all the details but you need to know what the committee get up to. On that topic we do heaps of "housekeeping" chores, planning for social activities and discussing, often at length, what will make us a better more inclusive branch.

So, until next quarter, enjoy the more bike friendly weather and I hope to see you on a Saturday at the tyre kick, a Sunday ride, annual ride to Apollo Bay, Toy Run or our Christmas do.

Fluffy



## Our TREASURERS REPORT

MRUB Quarterly Finance Report				July/September 2018			
				INCOME \$		EXPENSES \$	
MRUG Admin fees				\$40.00			
	1	x singles @	\$ 20.00				
	1	x couples @	\$ 20.00				
				INCOME	EXPENSE	\$ 627.70	\$ 507.60
Raffles				\$ 627.70	\$ 507.60		
Merchandise				INCOME	EXPENSE	\$ 221.50	\$0.00
Ulysses Merchandise				\$ 81.50	\$ -		
Branch Merchandise				\$ 140.00	\$ -		
Name Badges							
Events				INCOME	EXPENSE	\$ 560.00	\$ 1,861.00
X-mas in July				\$ 260.00	\$ 1,430.00		
Lake Colac deposit				\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00		
Hanging Rock Fee (Xmas Dec. 2018)					\$ 131.00		
					EXPENSE		
Admin costs, Hosting, etc						\$ -	\$ 110.00
Website hosting					\$ 110.00		
Stationery							
Other				INCOME	EXPENSE	\$-	\$267.16
2017 GST Refund / Payment							
Club Donations							
Flowers, Cards, Notices & Special gifts for members					\$ 267.16		
Totals						\$1,449.20	\$2,745.76
Balance b/forward as at 1 st April 2018							\$3,508.04
Plus Income							\$1,449.20
Less Expenses							\$2,745.76
Books balance as at 30 th June 2018							\$2,211.48
Bendigo Bank Statement						as at 30/9/2018	\$2,211.48
Petty Cash on hand							
Equals Books Balance							
* Value of stock on hand(at cost price)						* Ulysses	\$363.50
						* Branch	\$1,427.96
Value of Other Assets (at cost price)							\$5,598.66
GST Liability for April/June 2018							
GST payable/Debits on income of				\$1,449.20		\$131.45	
Less GST Credits on Expenses of				\$2,745.76		\$249.61	
GST Payable at 31st December 2018						<span style="color: red;">-\$118.16</span>	
* estimated				E & O A John Barry – MRUG Treasurer			



## Word from your Ride Co-ordinator

Ride Coord –

The September ride was a washout with only 1 turning up (twas I) The weather was a tad dour but the ride to the Riddells Creek Scout Camp in support of their day out for children was well supported with 9 riders attending (the weather improved markedly in the afternoon).

The October ride will be the same as planned for September and hopefully good weather will give a better turn-out.

Jim Atkinson 52150 Ride Coord





## From Your Friendly Editor.....



And so there has been plenty of riding being done so I'm told but unfortunately I am unable to attend rides. Hope to in the Spring. Well we will see hey.

Had a great time at the 10 pin bowling arvo at water gardens shopping complex. Good turn up, good lunch and good fun all around at the alley.

Well didn't our September monthly meeting get off to a great start. Turned up to find 6 people in our room saying they had booked it. Now owing to the fact that we have a permanent booking for the room, that seemed to be stiff shit to us. And management didn't seem to be interested to see our membership gathering outside freezing their tits off with no where to go. But as happened last time the bowling club invited us in for tea and gave us a room to use for the night. Our pres. has had nasty words with the footy club and they have sworn on their mother's life that it won't happen again. We live in hope. Anyway the donation raffle went a head over at the bowling club and it was a real success. We hope to have a few of these each year from now on. And yes I did get rid of that unwanted Christmas present that Michael gave me.

Have changed the Xmas get together to Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> to work in with hey-u's toy run. So now all can go to either or all.

Well that's about all for now

Cheers

Meow





## A Word from our Welfare Officer

It has been very quiet in the last few months, apart from the usual colds and flu's doing the rounds. Now that daylight savings is here, and the beautiful weather has arrived, please be very careful out on the roads

It was very sad to hear the news of Micheal Bevan's mother passing, Flowers were sent with our deepest sympathies. Many messages, facebook messages were also sent with our good thoughts.

As always, the job of the welfare officer is only as good as the information given.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if anyone needs help or any assistance. [04132690222](tel:04132690222)





## A Word from our Paparazzi and Event Co-coordinator



Thanks to Charles for running a fast and furious Trivia night, as usual he makes us all think.  
Also, thanks to NOBODY for sending in the stories that I have continuously asked for. I am just looking for a few lines and possibly a photo of your first bike.  
Believe it or not we are all interested in the written word.

I can I send articles to the Editor if you don't send them in to me.

This rant was longer but....

Regards

Vicki Cronin #63980

Events Coordinator

Macedon Ranges Branch

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## A Word from our Quartermaster

Now that Winter is over, it's time to spring into action again with riding and gearing up properly. I can help. Last meeting at the bowling club I had everything on display again, but sales were overshadowed by the donation raffle, which was a huge success and a lot of fun. Just remember that I can order any Ulysses gear for you if I don't have it in stock. You do unfortunately have to go to the Ulysses web page to access the gear shop, as they have cut it from the Riding On magazine! Not a good move in my opinion, but there you have it. Talk to me if you need something, like the MRUB polo tops and jumpers. I'm usually at the Saturday morning tyre kick and monthly meetings.

Cheers from your friendly Quartermaster.



Here is a pic of the donation raffle. Was a lot of fun and hope to do it again soon

## 2019 AGM Event Mornington

Although 2019 sounds a long way off it will be here sooner than you realise. Plans for the forthcoming AGM Event are proceeding nicely. A recent meeting at Mornington outlined several ideas including themes and ideas for the Tuesday meet and greet and the Saturday night dinner. Colours and design of the memorabilia were also discussed. Managers and coordinators are currently putting together the first draft of their expected budget requirements and, although various aspects of the event are yet to be finalised, this is a NATCOM requirement as they have final say on everything to do with the event.

The current structure for the 2019 event involves 37 positions of which 9 still need to be filled. We are now looking to recruit for the following positions:

<b>MANAGER 4</b>	Team leader of portfolios: Meetings, Catering, Grand Parade, Function & Ceremonies, Decorations and Organised Rides. Coordination of various portfolios reporting to AEC Executive and NAGMEC.
<b>Event HQ</b>	Coordination and administration of the event including providing members support for information desk, phone charging, event awards and lost & found.
<b>Parcels &amp; Laundry</b>	Coordination and delivery of parcels including event PO Box, parcels collection, release to members and re-postal service. Laundry service drop-off and pickup (laundry service provided by willing local laundry service).
<b>Check In</b>	Coordination and support of check in registration requirements
<b>Volunteers</b>	Responsible for recruiting general volunteers and design & management of effective work rosters.
<b>Training</b>	Responsible for ensuring that site and OH&S training has been provided for volunteers and coordinators.
<b>Media &amp; PR</b>	Responsible for ensuring that the event receives a steady and effective level of positive, current and informative publicity and promotion before, during and after the AGM Event. The purpose of this Portfolio is to ensure that the forthcoming Ulysses Club AGM Event is publicised and promoted appropriately and adequately to all relevant audiences.
<b>Functions &amp; Ceremonies</b>	Responsible for coordinating five (5) official Club functions and ceremonies during the AGM Event week. Functions are: Meet N Greet evening, Official Welcome Ceremony, Formal Dinner, Church Service, and Closing Ceremony.

We are also looking for some for following:

<b>Website Administrator</b>	Liaison with National Website Coordinator for the establishment and currency of AGM event website. Liaison with Media & PR Coordinator and AEC on information to submitted to AGM event website.
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If you feel that you could fill one of these roles or, If uncertain, would like to ask some questions please give me a call on 0407 058 058

*Stephen Draper #36741*  
*AGM 2019 Event*  
*Manager 3*





**20180901 Saturday ride** to the Gordon Pub. Mark the leader, Sylvia Tail-end Charlie. Attendees: Dawn, Jim (Frog), Nick, Brath, Michael, Greg, Richard and Vicki.

Good turn out with grey clouds chasing the group, we managed to reach the pub without getting wet. Good meal, great company. I hope that everyone reach home dry. (not me)

Regards  
Vicki Cronin #63980





20180901 Saturday ride  
Some more shots



## Sep 26, 2018

Another glorious day on the scooters. L/R Daryl, Richard, Ron, Macka, Colin, Tony, Bill and Wally on camera. Guildford for smoko, Dunolly for lunch return via Clunes, Daylesford, Woodend. Think we lost one





## Bowling Arvo at Watergardens

A great turnout fronted for the annual ten pin bowling arvo. As usual there was the aces and also the duds. Scores ranged from the one hundreds plus to the below 60. Wont mention who was the stars and who were the duds but I must confess that I was among the lower category  
Lunch was had at hamburger places and after the bowling got underway. Those that didn't turn up missed a great time

Cheers  
Meow



I thought that the

## **Donation Raffle**

was a great success.

Also, giving Moira a well-earned rest. (There was four of us doing Moira's job). I propose that we do the Donation Raffle again in the future, for laugh and a win fall for the club.

Kindest regards... Vicki Cronin.



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I thought it a good idea to thank the Sunbury Bowling Club for their efforts last night so have put together the attached letter. I'll snail mail it to them tomorrow unless I hear from anyone with strong objections.

Cheers  
Mark (Fluffy)

The Manager  
Club Sunbury (Sunbury Bowling Club)  
49 Riddell Rd.  
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Sunbury, Vic. 3429

17/9/18

Dear Sir,

I write this on behalf of my club to express our thanks for the outstanding help offered by your staff this Monday night. As you may be aware we were for many years a regular fixture at your facility, but time and circumstance saw us move on to a new venue. We expressed at the time our thanks for your support and hoped we'd been good patrons.

Tonight our replacement venue let us down badly and we were stranded with about twenty members expecting a meal and a social event. We spoke to your staff and queried whether you would be able to accommodate us at very short notice... like now! The chef was consulted, and I understand, although he had a large function to cater for, he was willing to accommodate our needs. Your staff member Julie was also able to arrange a room for our meeting and was just so helpful.

The food was delivered quickly and our waitress, Lorraine, was simply fantastic. Polite, friendly and quick to deal with the sudden influx of additional people. Please pass on our thanks to the chef, Lorraine and Julie.

Long story short, what could have been an unmitigated disaster was, thanks to Club Sunbury and its staff, a successful evening for our branch. Again, our thanks and I hope your team continues with the great service it offers the people of Sunbury.

Kind Regards

Mark Behan  
Secretary MRUB





## **20180909 Ten Pin Bowling At Watergardens.**

**WOW!!**

What a day! Nineteen MRUB members put their hands up for Ten Pin Bowling @ Watergardens. Work got in the way for two members but the rest of us laughed and cheered at the number of strikes and “gutter balls” that were thrown. The club took over three lanes and the challenge was on. Andy led the way for one of the teams, Gomez raced ahead for the next team and a stiff challenge came from Hey Yu and Ken Barker in the third lane.

Thank you to all who joined in the fun, save the date for the same time next year... I will be practising.

# 63980 Vicki Cronin. Events Coordinator.



One evening after the honeymoon, Bob was working on his Harley in the garage. His new wife was standing there by the bench watching him. After a long period of silence she finally said, "Honey, I've just been thinking. Now that you're married, maybe it's time you quite spending so much of your time out here in your garage. You probably should consider selling your Harley and all that welding equipment; they take up so much of your time. And that gun collection and fishing gear, they just take up so much space. And you know the boat is such an ongoing expense; and you hardly use it. I also think you should lose all those stupid model airplanes and your home brewing equipment. And what's the use of that vintage hot rod sports car?"

Bob got a horrified look on his face.

She noticed and said, "Darling, what's wrong?"

He replied, "You were starting to sound like my ex-wife."

**Ex-wife!?" she shouted, "YOU NEVER TOLD ME YOU WERE MARRIED BEFORE!"**

Bob quietly turned and said "I Haven't"

## 20180919 Wednesday Ride Report:

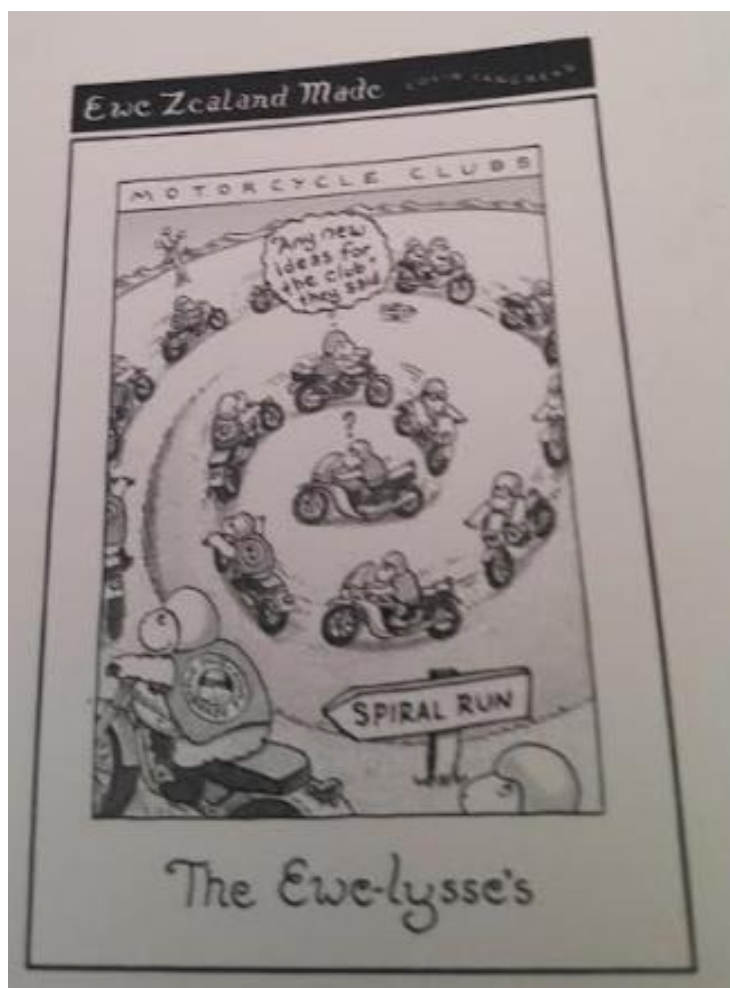
Six riders braved the cold today.


Stopping for smoko in Ballan then back to Woodend.

Regards  
Vicki Cronin #63980









**Girl Rider**  
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 Owner

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The Pastor entered his donkey in a race and it won.  
 The Pastor was so pleased with the donkey that he entered it in the race again and it won again.  
 The local paper read: **PASTOR'S ASS OUT FRONT.**  
 The Bishop was so upset with this kind of publicity that he ordered the Pastor not to enter the donkey in another race.  
 The next day the local paper headline read: **BISHOP SCRATCHES PASTOR'S ASS.**  
 This was too much for the Bishop so he ordered the Pastor to get rid of the donkey.  
 The Pastor decided to give it to a Nun in a nearby convent.  
 The local paper, hearing of the news, posted the following headline the next day: **NUN HAS BEST ASS IN TOWN.**  
 The Bishop fainted.  
 He informed the Nun that she would have to get rid of the donkey so she sold it to a farm for \$10.  
 The next day the paper read: **NUN SELLS ASS FOR \$10**  
 This was too much for the Bishop so he ordered the Nun to buy back the donkey and lead it to the plains where it could run wild.  
 The next day the headlines read: **NUN ANNOUNCES HER ASS IS WILD AND FREE.**  
 The Bishop was buried the next day.  
 The moral of the story is . . . being concerned about public opinion can bring you much grief and misery . . . even shorten your life.  
 So be yourself and enjoy life.  
 Stop worrying about everyone else's ass and just cover your own !!!  
 You'll be a lot happier and live longer!

## 20181003 Wednesday Ride

Small crew today. Kieth, Deet, Brian, Jim, Ron and Terina. Redesdale for coffee, Ron, Brian and Jim left to go home..The rest of us rode to Heathcote for lunch. Kieth is slowly learning where he can't park his scooter



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Moose had just come out of the deli with a meat and potato pie, large chips, mushy peas & a jumbo sausage. A poor homeless man sat there and said 'I've not eaten for two days'. I told him 'I wish I had your f\*cking will power'

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### Caught in the Headlight

By Nickolas Pantelis.

Nickolas and Motorbikes: Why I got into motorbikes. In the 70's it was all about Motorcycle gangs. Hanging around Elizabeth Street on Saturdays was the norm. The pub on the corner, opposite Mars Leather was neutral ground. It was exciting at time being there and seeing what was going on.

Later on it was keeping up with the Joneses that is having a bigger and faster motorbike to have a different image to suit the time.

Then the bike scene changed and it was something I did not want to be a part of and did not want that sort of life.

Some time went by, when I decided to get back into motorbikes because I still wanted that feeling of freedom, riding out on an open road just you, machine and weather.

Now it's the pleasure it brings me when I ride with friends who share similar interests.

That's where I am at the moment in my life.



Five surgeons from big cities are discussing who makes the Best patients to operate on.  
The first surgeon, from New York, says, 'I like to see accountants on my operating table because when you open them up, everything inside is numbered.'

The second, from Chicago, responds, 'Yeah, but you should try electricians! Everything inside them is color coded.'

The third surgeon, from Dallas, says, 'No, I really think librarians are the best, everything inside them is in alphabetical order.'

The fourth surgeon, from Los Angeles chimes in: 'You know, I like construction workers. Those guys always understand when you have a few parts left over.'

But the fifth surgeon, from Washington,DC shut them all up when he observed: 'You're all wrong.

Politicians are the easiest to operate on.

There's no guts, no heart, no balls, no brains, and no spine.

Plus, the head and the ass are interchangeable

I was reading an article last night about fathers and sons, and memories came flooding back of the time I took my son out for his first drink.

Off we went to our local bar, which is only two blocks from the house.

I got him a Guinness Stout. He didn't like it – so I drank it. Then I got him a Murphy's; he didn't like it either, so I drank it.

It was the same with Beamish and O'Hara's and Kilkenny.

By the time we got down to the Irish whiskey . . .

I could hardly push the stroller back home.

## Sundays Ride 20180826





Attached are the photos and the report **for the  
Wednesday ride 20180829.**

Beautiful day for a ride, morning tea @ Castlemaine the  
onto Clunes for lunch.  
Well done Colin.

Report and photos by Macca.

Regards  
Vicki Cronin #63980



**THANKS TO THESE MEMBERS THAT MADE THE LETTER  
WHAT IT IS.....**

**Dennis (Dutchy) Holland (Great Jokes)**

**Peter Maquire**

**Cherry Cole**

**Ron Weste**

**Ken (Hey – you) Hager (Always puts in)**

**Vicky**

**Stud**

**Sylvia**

***Not that many out of a club of 200 plus***

***So.....Where the hell are you ALL***

***So what about it.....***

***Where's your bit.....***

***E MAIL TO ME AND SEE YOUR NAME IN LIGHTS***

***Or are you just like the rest and do Bugger all.....***