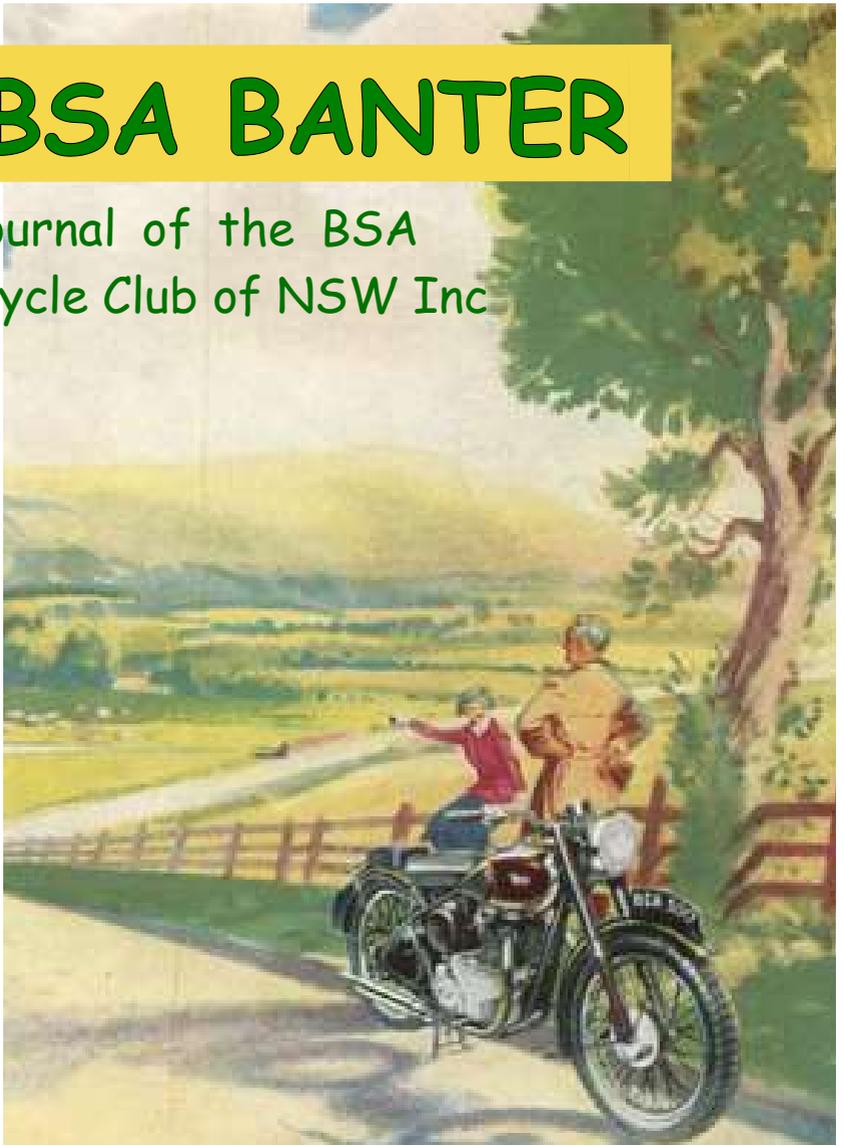


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Well here we are in the “extended COVID “ coinditions. On/off masks, travel all over the place, or not! Club meetings are still on, so come along in a safe environment for a chat and info.

SHEDding...

This month we have a great memorial to Ken Thomson, former past-prez and life member, owner of the most original Golden Flash in existence and all-round good bloke. Also owner of a very dry wit.

Still struggling in the Shed with the head bearings on the Goldie, but of course I need to get the shrouds painted before I can build the front end. Bogging and sanding...

Also sidelined by finding a 1910 Windsor banjo (made in Birmingham!) in poor nick at Salvos, and undertaking a different restoration project. Curiously not unlike a bike...

All the best, The Editor



The Ed and Ken 2006



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Ken Thompson
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Life Member November 2014
Past Vice-President

Being the member who, apart from Victor (who did an excellent job keeping Ken and Audrey abreast of the club), has had the most to do with Ken, it falls upon me to pay tribute to him upon his passing. It is hard to do as so much comes flooding back, so many happy memories and it was a privilege to attend his funeral service along with Peter and Victor. However what was missing from the Eulogy delivered was Ken's rather keen sense of humour.

Engineers tend to have a rather dry sense of humour so it is no surprise that such a highly skilled engineering draftsman should develop a similarly dry one.

My mind drifts back to two such occurrences when Ken was showing his Flash at the Rose Seidler 50s fair. The first one was when the actresses, resplendent in 50s cocktail dresses, asked him, as a real 50s man, what he thought about their outfits.

"Dearie, walk onto a street dressed like that in 1950s and you walk yourself right into gaol "; not quite the answer they were expecting. The other was when a know-it-all started to tell him all that was wrong with his perfect restoration of his Flash. When first asked how long he had owned the bike, "A while " was the answer. When the rubbisher had finished, who by the way failed to spot the only thing that was not exactly as the bike was delivered (Ken did not like the original red pin lining so his was black), Ken followed up with: "Well that is exactly what it looked like when I picked it up " "And when was that, Pops?"

"I will just have to check " Ken then he took the purchase receipt out of his wallet and asked the fool to read the date because he did not have his reading glasses with him. It was a shame that Cheryl had the camera because the chuckle on Ken's face and the look on the idiot's face when he realised it was not only a one owner bike, but probably the first one registered in Australia, was priceless. Ken was rightfully very proud of his restoration and it was my privilege to accompany him on the many times he displayed it .

But it was no show pony and Ken got out on it, very often with Audrey on the back whenever he could. Again I have a wonderful memory of the first ride with Ken and Audrey. Mark and I turned into the Workers Club car park to see Ken, resplendent as he always was in his Sax Altman slacks (he never called them pants) and Raoul Mertons (Ken never wore boots), topped with a black leather bomber jacket and the obligatory white scarf. The real 50s man and Audrey in her 1/2 circle skirt, bobby sox and shoes, they were such a wonderful couple.

On the road with Ken was bliss; he quickly realised that while the bike was exactly as it was in 1950, he wasn't the strapping 1950s young man and settled down to ride in the trilogy of "old men" at the rear, Ken, Brian and myself.

It was an honour to ride with both of them and the glorious sounds of the exhausts, particularly when he would knock the timing back a touch to climb a hill rather than change down, resounds clearly in my head.

I consider myself lucky to have known and ridden with him and my life is all the poorer for his passing.

Trevor



Ken receiving Life Membership from President Peter



Ken, Fred and Brian, and Brian's B32: Club run Bowral 2002



2004 Albion Park Steam Park

Ken with the A10 and M20: 2010 Easter Egg Charity ride



Ken, Andrew and Adrian and their bikes, Carrs Park meeting place for 1999 CEMCC show day



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 2021

2020 membership finished December 31. Last chance to renew for 2021. Thanks to all members who have already done the deed. The simplest way to renew your Club membership is:

The website - www.bsansw.org.au. You can download the renewal form and go paper + cheque, or simply do a direct deposit from your bank account to the Club via the details on the renewal site. Any changes, just fill in the form - it will be sent to me or Andrew the webmaster.

If nothing in your details has changed, simply pay by bank deposit and include your name on the transfer, or pop me an email. Otherwise a short note to the Ed will do for any changes.

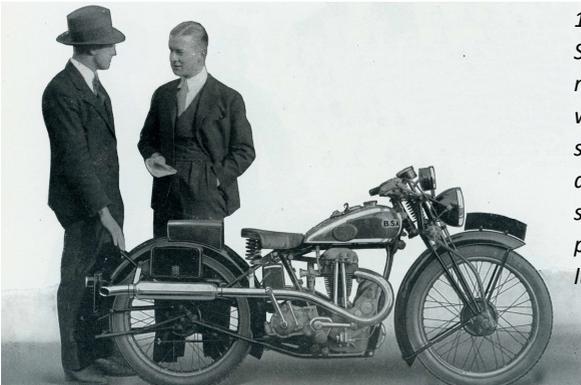
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You can still pay with a cheque -in-mail to Victor (PO box on page 11) or at a Club meeting with cash or cheque. Make sure Vic or I record your donation ☺

Remember, If you are non-financial, any BSA NSW Club-supported insurance is not valid and bikes registered via BSA NSW Club Conditional Registration are considered unregistered.

Unfinancial members will not receive any Banter or Club information after receipt of this issue.

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1933 B33-3 Blue Star or 2.49 h.p. O.H.V. Blue Star. This model was also called Blue Star Junior. This sporting 249cc OHV Blue Star type was fitted with extras like stronger valve springs, special cams, special AMAL carburettor and two upswept exhaust pipes. Engine of the so called sump type, i.e. oil in a separate compartment in the engine castings and dry sump lubrication.

The Moffatt Award - Revised

Following last month's hurried article on the 2020 Moffatt Awards, we are now able (I hope) to clarify who got what for what!

Steve Arthur won the prime trophy for top rallyist, but not the "muffler". His award, and the "official" trophy, is displayed below on his well-travelled A10. The trophy is one the Club received for attendance at the 2014 BSA International in California.



The runner-up was Neil Parker, also a Central Coaster. Neil gets the muffler trophy which was received on his behalf by Steve.



Neil on the 2020 Tour of Tasmania

CLASSIFIEDS

For Sale

BSA B44VS High Level Chromed Header Pipe. To suit early Round Barrel B44 with peanut style silencer. Does NOT suit 1969 square barrel models. Brand new, FREE to member, needs a good home. Also - Emergency 'get home' **bike towbar rack.** See pic. Part was donated to me, but now have a trailer. A little bit of rust, but not structural and item in otherwise good condition. Item located in Sydney, so post is NOT an option given size and weight and price of item, FOC! Contact Peter W on mob 0432322980

1926 BSA B2 250cc Round Tank. Very good condition. A\$10,000 negotiable. Contact Julian Quayle Julian.Quayle@ctfreight.com

WD B40. Partly restored. Bike was fully dismantled, new spares purchased including rear suspension, tyres and peg rubbers, handlebars, chrome exhaust and silencer. Nothing to buy just assembly. New seat, chrome exhaust and silencer, all new rubber including 3 tyres and tubes. Engine is loose assembled, bored with new piston and has spare heads and rocker boxes. Spares manual service sheets and Rupert Ratio books.

Frank Crouch 0409850959 frankcrouch@gmail.com



1971 Thunderbolt. Black/Maroon. Original, 2 owner, electronic ignition, good running condition \$8k ono, and, **1950 M20 with sidecar.** Bored to 600cc. Needs top paint and final assembly. \$10k ono. Other bikes incl. Suzuki 650 twin, (ex-army) \$3k ono. Also Suzuki Virago and DKW scooter Ron Neal 0400597667

Army BSA B40s and miscellaneous parts. From the Army vehicle Registration Books it looks like they were purchased around 1981. Not working but they are largely put together. Set of photos uploaded. <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1p9NW3T7YCDNvMx6eGotSPGywxYK6840> There are more parts lying around too which are not photographed.

John Durrant 0413-525-766 johnd.unsw@gmail.com

Wanted

D14/4 Bushman rear sub-frame. Locate one or possibly drawings on sub-frame to fabricate one. Stephen Leech sandeleech@xtra.co.nz

Small, clean BSA A65 Tank to fit 72ish model. May swap a B44 alloy or a TR5T

69-70 TLS front brake/wheel (19" wheel). 8" or 7" ok. Phil 0403262786

Bantam D1 or D3 in reasonable to very good condition. Must be roadworthy. Please contact 0407 605 742 rolands@adam.com.au

BB31 crank. I'm hoping for some help, trying to build a YB31 rigid with BB31 engine. The crank I have is incorrect. Phil 0410704549



CLUB RUNS

Meeting places:

Prospect Hotel	3 Great Western Highway, Prospect
BP Asquith	Corner Pacific Hwy and Jersey St, North Asquith
Watertower	Wood Park, small lookout carpark on Hume Hwy westbound at intersection of Stacey St, Bankstown
Caltex Heathcote	1344 Princes Hwy, Heathcote, south of railway station
McDonalds Kellyville	Corner Merriville Rd and Windsor Rd, Kellyville
Luna Park	North Sydney
St Ives Showground	Mona Vale Road, St Ives
Leo's Truck Stop	Uncle Leo's Roadhouse, located in Caltex servo, 1 Campbelltown Rd, Glenfield

2021 Run Calendar

Please Note : *If raining on the scheduled ride day, the ride transfers to the following weekend. However, please check with the Club Captain, Victor, to confirm on the actual day as to conditions/ride etc as weather conditions vary in the Sydney region. Also see the webpage for other club invitations.*

January 17th Woy Woy. Lunch. Meet Maccas Mt Colah 9am

February 7th Megalong Valley. Meet Maccas Kellyville 9am

March 12-14th Gloucester. Meet Maccas Mt Colah 9am

April 11th Smokin Café Berrima. Meet Leos Truck Stop Casula 9am.

April 18th BSA/NOC gathering at Kulnura. Meet Maccas Mt Colah 9am.

May 9th Cottage Point. Meet St Ives Showground 9 am.

June 6th Colo Riverside via Maralya, Sackville Ferry. Meet Maccas Kellyville 10am

July 4th Wisemans Ferry via Spencer. Meet Maccas Mt Colah 10am

August 8th Thirlmere via Menangle, Cawdor, the Oaks. Meet Leos Truck Stop, Casula 10am

September 5th Bundeena for lunch via Waterfall. Meet Water Tower, Bankstown 9am, then Heathcote 9.30am

October 10th Corrugated Café at Peats Ridge. Meet Maccas Mt Colah 9am

November 7th Mittagong RSL lunch. Meet Leos Truck Stop Casula 9am

December 5th Fishermans Wharf, Kiama. Meet Water Tower, Bankstown 8.30am, Heathcote 9am.

RECIPROCAL RUN INVITATION

Members of all clubs receiving this magazine are cordially invited to participate in the club events of the BSA Motorcycle Club of NSW Inc (BSA NSW Club).

To satisfy the regulations of the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) of NSW, receipt of the invitation must be in your club minutes or your official "Day Book" or "Move Book".

Please note that attendance at these events must be approved by both Clubs. Attendance by members of your Club are approved by the BSA NSW Club by way of this invitation, however be sure to have your attendance noted by the BSA NSW Club's Club Captain Victor Terry on Ph: 0408 286 434 otherwise your ride could be illegal and may nullify your insurance cover.

For additional details and application forms for runs and rallies, please contact the Secretary, BSA NSW on email: secretarybsamccnsw@gmail.com or Ph: 0408 286 434

Don't forget the regular 3rd Saturday Run

Any queries on runs, please call the Club Captain, Victor, on 0408 286 434

CLUB MEETINGS

THE BSA MCC of N.S.W., Inc

Minutes of the Non-Official
GENERAL MEETING of 6th May,
2021.

The General Meeting was held in the conference room of the Prospect Hotel/Motel, Prospect, NSW.

Please note that this meeting is an 'unofficial' GM as we did not achieve a Committee quorum.' However, the Chair elected to publish these minutes to ensure Members are aware that we are still an active Club and will strive to ensure all information that is available will be issued to Members.

The meeting commenced at 8:05 pm and was chaired by Mr Peter W.

Regrettably the previous GM minutes for the 1st April are not available due to any and all of the following circumstances being the dog ate them, cyclonic conditions ripped the notes away, they were mysteriously spirited away etc etc, but NOT due to the Chair somehow losing them!

Attendance: Present were the following members :

For GM on the 1st April : Peter W., Vic T., Mark F., Gordon H., Trevor H.

For GM on the 6th May: Peter W., John B., Vic T., Gordon H., Joe W., Mark F.

Apologies Received:

For 1st April: Shane P., John B., John M.

For 6th May: Trevor H., Shane P., John M., Peter H., Craig G.

Visitors Present: Jeff G. – Jeff advised that he had come into ownership of a 1947 C11 and was looking for assistance as he believed the bike had not been started for some time.

General Business:

1) New Members: No reports available for this month.

2) Welfare : Advised that Alan Mac was not 100%. Vic T advised that Audrey Thompson had asked him to remove the plates from his A10.

3) Memberships: No reports for this month.

4) Treasurer's Report: Total available funds, as of this month, were \$10,670.00 in bank with no outstanding bills.

5) Correspondence:

Mail (in and out): No mail report available for this month.

Email: (All emails issued by the A/Secretary to the member distribution list).

6) Magazines Received: (Note – hard copy only – refer mail out lists for All magazines)

BSA Burble (Vic) Apr 2021, CMCC Classic Clatter May 2021, VHMCC Vintage Crankpin Mar/Apr 2021, Newcastle Classic Bikes Apr 2021

7) Regalia: No report available for this month.

Ride Reports: Vic mentioned the mid week (if Friday can be considered mid week!) rides.

Upcoming Rides for 2021:

May: Sunday 15th for a ride to Cottage Point.

Meet at St Ives Showground at 9:30 am.

Note: A future ride location has been mentioned as the Illawarra Light Rail. This should be considered in any future ride plans.

This note below is a semi permanent reminder!!:

A quick (and early) note.....the 2023 International Rally is to be held in South Australia. Start your planning and saving!

8) 2022 National Rally:

The BSA Club of NSW is scheduled to hold this in Oct/Nov 2022. Rally to be held on the mid to north areas of NSW.

Gloucester has now been CONFIRMED as our preferred site for the 2023 National Rally.

Ron D, Steve A and Neil P will be our main contacts and co-ordinators with a HUGE amount of support from all members!

General Business and Matters Arising from Correspondence:

We are working towards having a Xmas in July Club celebration to get over the COVID blues around missing out last Xmas! Various locations are being reviewed for this function.

A point was put forward that we look at the possibility of a weekend away ride on a 3 monthly basis to the Gloucester area and also down to Nowra, to meet up with more of the Club members and have a good chat and maybe a drink, or two?

There being no further General Business, the (non official)

General Meeting closed at 8:30 pm.



Weird and wonderful advertising posters from a quieter age

Why is BSA advertising barrels of Danish butter?



A 250cc C10L of the early Fifties. What a goer!!
(She's impressed by the cloth cap)

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