

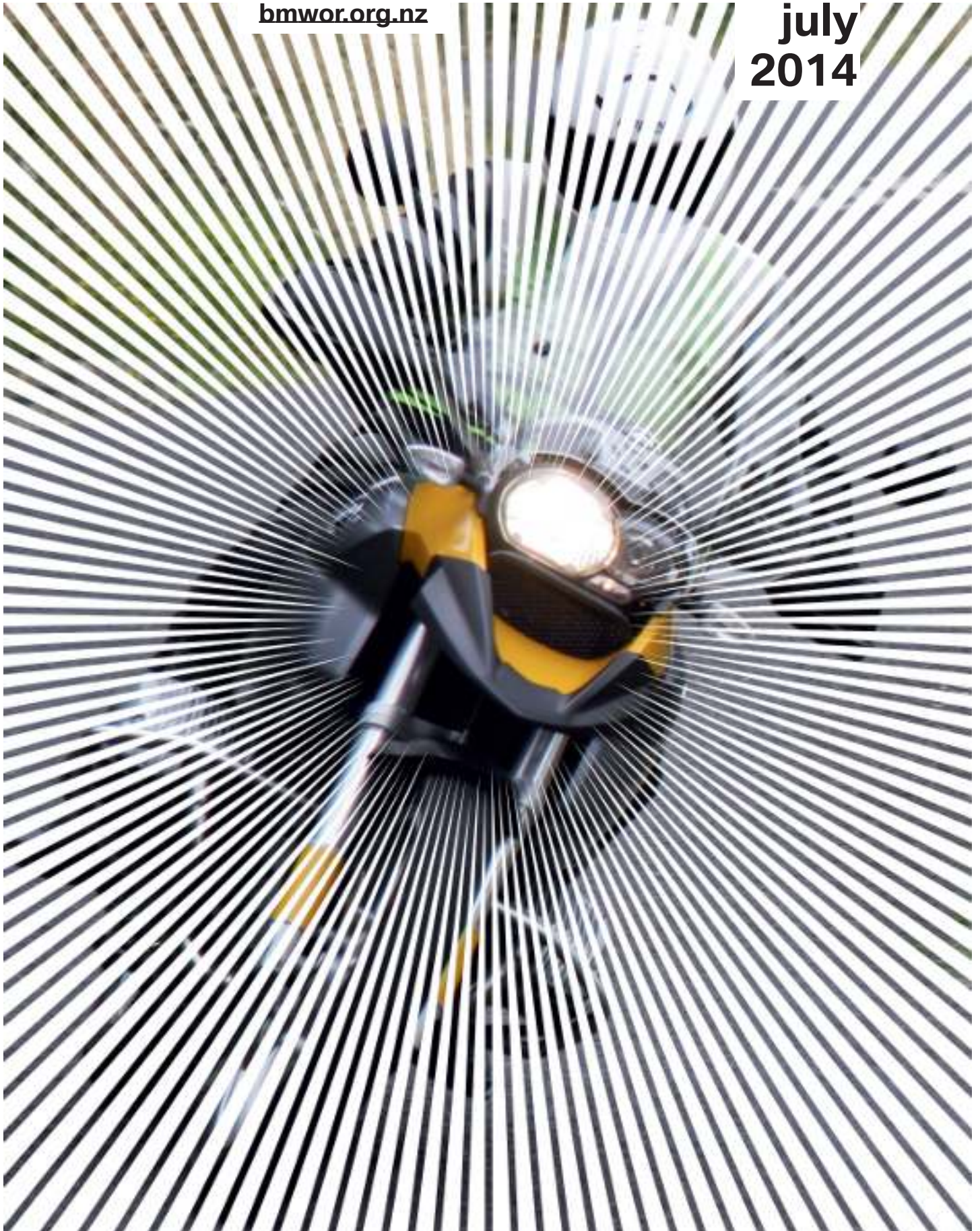
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president's podium



I am pleased to inform you that as agreed at the A.G.M. held in Nelson we went looking outside the meeting for a Vice President. The position of Vice President has been filled by Peter Bath, a Canterbury member. Peter and Lesley are no strangers to many of our members. They have travelled extensively throughout New Zealand on their bike. Peter's R90S is a stunner: one he has owned from new. Along with his 1150GS these two bikes allow Peter and Lesley the benefits of riding the main roads as well as venturing into the backcountry on their GS. If you care to check back on the cover page of your May issue of the Newsletter you will note Peter carrying a camera person during the National Elite Cycling Championships held in the South Island.

Peter brings to our Club many skills and I am sure he will be a very valuable member of the Executive Team. Please feel free to drop Peter a congratulatory email on becoming the first Vice President of the BMWOR. His email address is vicepresident@bmwor.org.nz. You will read elsewhere in this Newsletter where Peter has taken the opportunity to introduce himself to you all.

We will soon be coming to the end of winter, and the opportunity to get the bike out of the shed will be there for you to take advantage of better riding weather. Here are three opportunities that spring to mind outside of your normal area rides.

First off is the Hot August Night which will be held in Omokoroa, on the night of Saturday 9th August. You can read about this event in your June Newsletter or why not drop Mike and Geri an email at bayofplenty@bmwor.org.nz for any further information you may require.

Then in November we have the South Island Rag Rally held over the weekend of the 22nd and 23rd November in Haast. Tony is to be congratulated for the foresight in staging this event the weekend before the Bert Munro allowing members to travel from all over the country to enjoy the Rag Rally. Then to take a tiki tour around the bottom of the South Island before heading off to the Bert Munro and then returning home. For any further information you may require please contact Tony: tony@kaka.co.nz.

And then of course our Annual Rally combined with the A.G.M., another event not to be missed. You will find your registration form for this event elsewhere in this Newsletter. The Rally will be staged on the weekend of the 23rd 24th and 25th January 2015 and will be based in Wanganui. Rangitikei members are working very hard to make this an interesting and exciting event for all. At the helm of this event are Barry and Jeanette Hawthorn. If you have any enquiries Barry and Jeanette would be pleased to hear from you. Contact Barry or Jeanette on 06 344 8063 or email jeanandbarry@slingshot.co.nz.

WEB MASTER. Our Web Master Bruce Crowther who has been keeping our website under control would like to take a break. Do we have anyone willing to take over from Bruce and keep the web site up to date? Bruce can be contacted by email at webmaster@bmwor.org.nz. Bruce would very much appreciate hearing from you.

Membership renewals were due by the 1st July. If you have not already completed your renewal, would you please attend to this matter as it will make life much easier for our Membership Secretary as well as our Treasurer.

Look forward to catching up with you on one of our Club's rides.

As always – wheels down, feet up!

Peter.

Cover: Cattle-Beast's View of Richard Kuysten

This isn't the scene of the crime (it's shot on Quine Road, Tahuna, not on Limestone Downs, Port Waikato) it may not even be the bike of the crime (who knows, Richard has so many?), but to the Limestone Downs steer, this is probably what Richard looked like.

Just before the impact.

Photo: Bwucie (again), Waitangi Day, 2010. Had the photo out for another job, looked at it and had an "AHA!" moment. No **Photoshop** (I used the **GIMP**.)

BMW Owners Register Risk Management Plan

Introduction:

The BMW Owners Register is an organisation whose members join together for rides to nominated venues and for other social occasions. The organiser nominates the destination and regrouping stages along the way, but otherwise has no influence upon the way that riders behave on the road. There is no element of organised competition in the rides.

Riding Code:

1. All register members on register rides shall do so as individuals responsible for their own safety and shall take into account the safety of others they encounter on the ride.
2. Register members are responsible for ensuring that their motorcycles are in a safe and legal condition, the minimum being to Warrant of Fitness standards.
3. Riders, pillion, and sidecar passengers where required, shall have as a minimum Standards New Zealand approved motorcycle helmets, and stout footwear, gloves and clothing that will be capable of protecting their body in the event of a mishap.
4. Register members are to go to the aid of any others suffering a mishap.

5. Ride organisers shall nominate the destination for the ride as well as any regrouping locations or other stops. The organiser is not responsible for other riders' behaviour or safety.

6. Riders shall ride at a speed and in a way that is comfortable for them. Do not ride outside your personal comfort envelope.

7. If a rider is unfamiliar with the route, they shall arrange to follow another rider who does know the way and who travels at a comfortable pace.

8. Riders who decide to travel as a group shall adopt a staggered riding formation such that there is an accepted following distance to the rider immediately in front. A reasonable following distance is indicated by a time of two seconds between riders for dry conditions, and longer for inclement conditions and on loose surfaces.

9. The Organiser and or the Register are not responsible for participants' safety, and all participants participate at their own risk. All participants are aware that they are travelling on open public roads and are responsible for their own safety and compliance with all Road Rules and Laws.

events calendar

Hot August Night

August 9th - 10th. Ad Page 17

South Island RAG Rally

November 20 - 22 Page 16

other events

BRONZ Ride Right, Ride Safe. A great way to get to know your new bike. Usually third Sunday of the month at the Whenuapai Airbase. Contact Finn on 09 625 5533 or 027 484 6326 for details.

More detail at rrrs.org.nz - and they can **BRING THE COURSE TO YOU** if you can come up with the numbers and a venue: speak to Finn.

bmwor area events

Please note that rides start at varying times and/or places. Read the event notices carefully and, if in doubt, contact the Area Rep (details on rear cover) or ride organiser (if noted) for assistance. On most rides there is a rider briefing 5 minutes prior to departure, at which point riders are expected to be ready to go with bikes fuelled and bladders empty.

Every effort is made to ensure that details of events are correct at the time of printing. Please check the website (<http://bmwor.org.nz>) for current information on events or contact the local Area Rep if you have any questions.

northland

Sunday 13 July - Pub Grub, Paparoa Hotel Leaving Kawakawa War Memorial Car park at 1000, Main drag to Otaika Shops. Leaving 1100 from there, then Oakleigh/Paparoa. Or make your own way to Paparoa for midday.

Tuesday 22 July - Ride 'n' Dine. Shiraz, 58 Walton St, Whangarei. 7:00 p.m. Indian! Yum! I'll be there.

auckland

Monday 14th July 2014 Meeting 7-30pm. Vintage car club Fairfax Ave Penrose. Quiz night!!! Details yet to be finalised and will be advised by email to you, and on the forum.

If anyone has something of interest to contribute to our Monday nights please let Rob Hargreaves know. He will be most

grateful.

Sunday 20th July. Ride to Te Aroha. Meet BP Southern Motorway, 0900 for 0930 departure. Details: Tiki tour and lunch. This is a great ride through the Waikato and Thames Valley.

RIC TBA

Mid Week Ride for the retired and tired. Day: TBA, depends on the weather.

Terry

bay of plenty

Sunday 13th July - EAT - FLY - RIDE 9:30 - 11.00am Bring your partners and come for brekkie, brunch or coffee at the AvGas Café and Bar, 9 Jean Batten Drive, Mt Maunganui.

- Option to visit the museum

- Or go for Ride out around the Lakes (short or long route as weather and time permits)

Note: Just one event this month as Mike and Geri are away, motorcycling around Cairns, the last few weekends in July (Enquiries : ph Mike 0274989739)

Aug 9-10th - Hot August Night registrations are rolling in from out-of-towners as well as our BOP locals. Come for bbq & boogie, don't forget to mark this date and register as numbers are definitely limited. (see Page 17).

rangitikei

Sunday 13 July Thompsons Museum, Rongotea. Paul Roxburgh

Tuesday 29 July 7.00 pm. Dinner at Speights Ale House Palmerston north. Grant McRae
east coast

Monthly gathering at the Puketapu Hotel, 679 Puketapu Road, Puketapu. Last Tuesday of each month from 6:30pm onwards.

Sunday 13 July - Ride to Porangahau for lunch. Meet at Caltex Omaha Road at 10:30am. All enquiries to Norm on 877 3383.

Friday 8 - Sunday 10 August - East Coast attending **Hot August Night** at Omokoroa. Make your booking separately and contact John on 844 4751 to let him know.

wellington

Monday 14 July, Meeting, Petone Working Men's Club; Speakers, Messrs Nash and Tibbs. "The Six Day Tour".

Monday 11 August, Meeting. Speaker: Brian Zemanek. "My Excellent American Adventure" (not his title, Bwucie just made that up to drag you through the door.)

"As for rides - I intend to put something in the newsletter along the lines - 'Volunteers required to organise and lead July, August and beyond rides' - post your intentions to Coordinator - Stephen and he'll ensure details of planners rides are promulgated to members" Stephen is off to the lucky country, but he will coordinate via email. wellington@bmwor.org.nz

welcome

A warm welcome to our new members this month.

- Roger Allen, Whanganui
- Ian McCartney, Ruakaka, Northland
- Nick Gisborne, Hamilton
- Greg and Michelle Hill, Auckland
- Lynette Shepstone, Paihia
- Wade Riley, Otane, Halwke's Bay
- Mike Barber, Auckland
- Jamie Sinclair, Napier

We hope you'll take part in many of your local and national events. Your Area Rep will be pleased to introduce you to other members in your area.

Our monthly newsletter is an open forum for all members. If you fancy having a story (and photos) published about your ride, the rebuild of your bike, a book you might have read or a movie you have seen lately, or just want to get something off your chest about how the club is going, then get in touch with the Editor no later than the 15th day of the month preceding publication. We welcome your contribution.

Peter Bath, The Newly Appointed Vice President.

By Peter Bath (our latest reporter!)

At this time of my taking office I may not be known to many of our members, so by way of introduction I have been asked to tell you a bit about myself.

Perhaps I should start by saying that for the past forty years I have been a very passionate and loyal BMW motorcycle owner. Attached are a couple of pictures of my bikes, which some of you may recognize (unfortunately I do not own the S1000RR. It was a demo bike that I had the honour and privilege of doing over a thousand 'dream' kilometers on. I do however own the S1000 jacket which my club colleagues suggest I bought to wear while sitting alone watching and cheering the WSBK Beemers on Sky at 3.00am in the morning.) In 1975 I bought my R90S new and I have had it ever since. My wife Lesley and I went on honeymoon on it 35 years ago and there wouldn't be many tar sealed roads in South Africa that it hasn't been on.

We brought the bike with us when we came to New Zealand 20 years ago. It did spend a good few years in storage while our young family were growing up and I also became fairly heavily involved in racing bicycles as an alternative. Our sons are grown up now (one rides a F800ST and the other is still racing bicycles and kayaks), the 90s has had a full rebuild (I perhaps enjoy working on and cleaning bikes almost as much as I do riding them) and we have bought an 1150GS to expand our range of touring options.

I very seldom ride without Lesley on pillion and we have done over 100,000 kms around NZ in the past five years. Les enjoys snapping pictures of the scenery from pillion and we have an extensive record of our trips on an internet photo site called Flickr (currently the site records over 205,000 views of the various pics).

I also have the role of "Official keeper of the Canterbury BMWOR club photos" and these sets are all up on the Flickr site -

www.flickr.com/photos/geckoracing/sets if anyone is interested (album names prefixed with BMWOR)

That's perhaps enough about me. What we need now, is for me to get to be able know more about you and about what you need from the club in order for your membership to be meaningful and enjoyable - especially the South Islanders. I think that it is a great move forward for us South Islanders to now have representation and a voice on the National Executive. However, I need to be sure that I know what you want that voice to be saying and what you would like me to be working on to "try to make



happen". I'll need to get over a bit of my natural shyness (some might say that when I know something about a topic, I'm a bit inclined to talk (too much) but I plan to try to get around and meet and chat to as many of you and your representatives as I can (I'm hoping some of this can be on rides).

I tend to be a little more of a back room worker (front office not really being my forte), so it would also be good if you felt free enough to contact me to share anything you would like me to be aware of. It may even be to bounce an idea off me. My contact details are published in the box to the right. (Emails are great. During the day there are frequent periods when I am unable to take a call. If you find this is the case and you sent a text/SMS message, I can text back and indicate when I will next be free.)

As you can see from the pic, both my bikes (or at least their number plates) are fairly distinctive, if you do see us out and about on either of the islands please come over and introduce yourself as I would enjoy the opportunity to meet you.

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Letter To The Editor

Bruce could you please place in next newsletter, maybe in the LOST and FOUND column?

HAS THE GUN TROPHY BEEN STOLEN, MISPLACED OR IS IT A FIGMENT OF MY IMAGINATION?

I was dismayed, and quite annoyed to find out at our wonderful monthly meeting last night that the recipient (Jill Evans) of the "GUN TROPHY" 2013 is still awaiting to view her reward for literary excellence.

Apparently no one has informed Jill why, why not, when and if, she will have the chance to proudly display her award....the prestigious GUN TROPHY.

I did view it once, was I dreaming or does it not exist?

It has nearly been 6 months since Jill found out through the newsletter that she was the winner of this award, but to date there has been no correspondence and Jill has not seen sight nor sound of it.

Surely it is not rocket science on the part of the BMWOR executive to have the

trophy couriered to Jill. She receives a newsletter so apparently you have her mailing details. Courier Companies do travel this far North.

It would have been nice to display this Imaginary Trophy, but the process seems to be as slow in delivering it, as obtaining Planning Permission for a 10 foot deep fenceless swimming pool in a children's play centre.

Half of the year has now gone, still no Trophy, and friends and family starting to question Jill's honesty and integrity in ever winning this coveted award at all..

C'mon Guys, someone take responsibility.

Malcolm Sargent

Reply:

Malcolm,

As a member of the Executive I was dismayed to discover, via your Area Rep's post on the Web Forum, that Jill had not yet received her award. I have enquired about this, and now know that the Trophy was, indeed, misplaced.

In terms of responsibility, as a member of the Executive team, naturally I am disappointed this has occurred. I sincerely hope the public exchange of messages about it has not caused Jill any discomfort or embarrassment.

I can confirm the Trophy has now been found, and I trust that by the time everybody gets to read this it will be in Jill's possession.

There was an unfortunate lack of clear communication about the absence of the Trophy, for which I was partly responsible. There was a flaw in our email system, which I had asked users to work around - which they didn't, so we didn't receive any notification prior to the post on the Forum. I have since invested some more of my time in working out a permanent cure to replace the work around. Closing the stable door after the horse has bolted, to be sure.

Bwucie

Stoppess 0949 18 Jun:

I've just received a message confirming Jill has the Trophy in her hot little hands.



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area reports

northland

Sunday 08 June Ride 'n' Dine to Helena Bay Cafe was a washout for bikes. Two carloads of us made it to lunch. The Librarian and Bwucie because we woosed, and Snow and Cathy because his bike is still in hospital in Auckland waiting for parts so it can be made to go, so it can one day come home from the RAG, which it set out for but never got to before it became ill.

Keep the shiny side up,

Luv'n'XXXXX, Bwucie and Rusty

rangitikei

We have returned to form with a ride 'n' dine on the last Tuesday of the month. This month saw a delightful dozen venture out on a cool but calm evening to the Rangoli Restaurant in Levin. Local member John C was our Diner in Charge. Peer N and Rob G arrived wearing helmets so we know what they were doing. We use this gathering to update each other about events past and pending. And of course we catch up on those special things that some might call gossip. We call it information exchanging. One piece of information that was shared was my heads up about the need to us to select a new Area Rep from 1 March 2015, as I will be stepping aside from that date. There was no stampede for the door as I looked expectantly from one diner to the next, so that was promising.

We decided to re-run the Poker Run for our June ride. The one we tried exactly a year before was smitten by a storm that was enough to stop the Ferries crossing Cook Strait. This time, by the time we had gathered to inhale caffeine and exchange information at the Woolshed Café in Sanson, the weather was fantastic. The poker run cost per person was an extravagant \$2 and the winner would take all.

The rules were simple. Just pick a card, and at each stop where a card was drawn, the person with the highest scoring card became the RIC, and the



Rob, having picked a Queen in the first hand, leads us on our way



Yes, Yes, we know that these are not BMWs.

Lunch stop at the Bent Horseshoe Cafe. Clockwise from bottom left: Shane, John, Neville, Barbara, Barry, Barry, Don, Peer, Rob, Peter. The First Aid kit was about to be presented to John for safekeeping on the final leg. He did not have to use it, much to the relief of the crew.



Only a miserable, lousy 3!!!! And Don got a King!.



person with the lowest scoring card became TEC for the next leg. And so it was that Rob, Peter (twice) and Shane lead the way and Barry P, Peer, and John C were ready with the First Aid kit. Barry H, Barbara P and Neville P, Peer N, Barry P, made up the middle of the pack.

We had clues to guide us around the circuit. These were canine (Hunterville), pickle (Vinegar Hill), equine (Bent Horseshoe Café), and porcine. As in Hog, as in the H-D franchise in Palmerston North.

The winner (drum roll please) was Don C who drew a King at the last stop to guzump the opposition with a total of 54 points. He was closely followed by Peter T (48) and Shane O'B. (41). Don was presented with the "pot"a princely \$20.

I said at the Sanson Café that if a player drew the Joker they had to buy me a coffee. I did not tell them that there were no Jokers in the pack. Silly me!!

An idea over lunch was to do it again some time and make it a game of Pontoon. Should be interesting!!

Yes, we are still pushing ahead with the Rally planning (see update elsewhere). Barry hopes to be able to report next month that plenty of registrations are arriving and the Top Ten Holiday Park is busy processing bookings. Its over to you to make his dream come true.

Lance Nixon

east coast

It was quite a weekend. Around 15 of us met at Scholars Training Restaurant on a cold winter's Friday night for Mid Winter Christmas Dinner. We had an enjoyable time, which set us up for our weekend ride to Morere Hot Springs.

11am on a lovely sunny Saturday morning and a dozen of us, most of those who enjoyed Friday night's dinner,



Above: parked up, Morere Lodge.
Below: Is it a bird? Is it a Plane? No, it's Super TramplerWuts.





with a couple of new faces, headed north on eight BMW motorcycles. We had a lovely leisurely ride to Café 287 in Wairoa, where we were met by new member Kevin who had ridden down from Gisborne. There was very little traffic about, but one kindly motorist flashed his headlights to warn of traffic police ahead. As Folker later remarked, we were more likely to have been fined for loitering than speeding!

After lunch we suited up and set off for Moreere and the lodge we had booked for the night. The lodge was comfortable and we soon unpacked and had a fire going. Kevin saw us settled in and then headed home to Gisborne. We hope he will join us on rides in future.

While John and Pam tramped the Ridge Track, the rest of us relaxed in the Nikau Pool, where they later joined us. Back at the lodge again, we opened the bottles, unpacked the nibbles and had a lovely social time, until 6.30pm when our barbecue awaited us back in the hot pools barbecue area. Wendy put on a superb spread – chicken, lamb, meat patties, a medley of roast vegetables and salads, followed by a fruit dessert with raspberry coulis and cream.

The fire was warming, the wine relaxing, the beds comfortable and the only disturbance during the night was what we decided could have been possums but was more likely the noise of rats.

Next morning we breakfasted at the lodge together and after the sun had warmed the bikes, headed for home, or, in our case, Gisborne for another night. All in all it was a great weekend with special thanks to John and Pam for taking care of all arrangements.

Marie Nichol



Pam Wuts strides out to look for her missing garden gnome.

Bottom right of the previous page, Pam!



There's worse places, and worse roads, to pedal your scooter than Northland.

auckland (by proxy)

I knew that Auckland had a ride into my 'hood today, so at the time they set off north, I set off south, with Rusty and Otto Phocus along for the ride. Trying to keep a pace on so I didn't pass them in t'other direction before I got set up with the camera was a challenge - roads are still badly dinged up from the floods, and from Twin Bridges down to Maungatapere was very thick fog. Not ideal for dodging holes that are as deep as your front wheel is tall.

Anyhoo, I got a possie to set up with the camera, and they took so long the sun had moved enough that I would have been on the dark side of the bikes, so as I was walking back down the road to set up elsewhere, the inevitable happened. So I have had to a bit of skulduggery to enhance the dark sides.

I completely missed one of the Bee-ems, but managed to get the Ducatis and Hondas: go figure. I got a couple of good frames of Richard on his rubber duck coloured GS, but he's the poster boy on the front cover so he misses out.

I trundled down to the Town Basin in Whangarei, where Auckland were lunching, said hello and goodbye and headed back home. Whangarei is too

stressful, it has traffic, and traffic lights. I couldn't wait to get back to NgaBush. (And I had no money for lunch, pension day's next Tuesday.)

Cheers,
Otto (and Rusty).



Clock Tony O'connor coming at you in that vest, think Suzanne Paul: Natural Glow!

It's a real Beemer. But the rider (I'm sorry) is Mr ECKS.



Campbell on his not-BMW VFR800 - don't believe me? Check his number plate.

Kevin on the Buell - don't beleive me? Check his number plate.



Paul Edlington on his K1100 - thought it was a flying brick, through the viewfinder.

Space is like a fish's bum this month, tight, and I don't want to drop stuff I've placed. Late-ish stuff gets jammed in where possible. Sorry BOP, you are it. **Area reports continue P14.**



photo archives

Got Photos? The BMWOR maintains photo albums as a record of the social fabric of our community.

But, Paul Edlington, the Archivist, has relinquished the role after downsizing his house (You Can't Get A Quart In A Pint Pot Syndrome).

Paul reports that printed photos had dried up from a trickle to nothing, possibly the ubiquity of digital devices the cause.

The existing Photo Albums will be retained and preserved: they are a Register taonga. But it's probably well worth our while to consider the many thousands of images of BMWOR that exist in a zillion corners of the electronic multiverse.

I have a couple of thoughts I have asked be included in agenda of the Executive Meeting which is unfortunately just after this has gone to print. Watch this space in August? (read the minutes in August, anyway.)

Bwucie

Remit For 2015 AGM

The following remit is proposed to amend the Constitution and Rules of the BMW Owners Register of NZ (Inc) at the next Annual General Meeting:

That Rule 5 (1) which currently reads:

Elections will be held annually for the following honorary positions:

- (a) President
- (b) Vice President
- (c) Secretary
- (d) Treasurer
- (e) Editor
- (f) Membership Secretary

Be amended so as to read:

Elections will be held annually for the following honorary positions:

- (a) President
- (b) Vice President
- (c) Secretary
- (d) Treasurer
- (e) Membership Secretary
- (f) And one other Committee Member.

Proposed by Bruce Crowther, #1861, Kaikohe, 13 Jun 14

The remit above was meant to be in for this year's AGM, but a Bwucie that will remain nameless slept past the date for submission (not used to retirement, lost track of the date.)

I propose a remit that would take the editor role outside the Committee. This would allow the Editor the liberty to report on matters affecting the members of the Register without possible conflict of interest caused by confidentiality of the business of the Executive.

The Editor would not be privy to the inner workings of the Executive, but would be able to comment on any matters independently.

There would be an issue for the Committee to consider if this were passed, and that is the Editor currently manages contact with the advertisers. As that involves finances, it is a function that properly should remain with the Committee. My remit proposes a Committee Member to maintain the

numbers to share the workload, and that management of advertisers and liaising with the Editor could remain within the Committee. This could possibly lighten the Editor's workload, and the extra, non-specifically tasked Committee member could spread the Committee's workload as well.

My proposed amendment does not preclude a Committee Member being Editor, but it enables having an Editor outside of the Committee. I find that sometimes I am aware of things I would very much like to report on, and if I was simply the Editor I would report on if I got a sniff of them, but I am having to refrain from doing so because of Committee responsibility. Since Thomas Carlyle first documented the use of the term "Fourth Estate" in 1787 (Edmund Burke apparently used it in Parliament), the value of a free press to monitor the other three estates of governance has been recognised.

RALLY UPDATE

The Registration form was in the last Newsletter and already we have some registrations to hand. Well done.

The bookings at the Top Ten Holiday Park (06 343 8402 and ask for Ben) are open to the public now so it will pay to be quick to capture a bed for the Rally nights. Remember to mention the BMWOR and where possible maximize the spaces at the camp.

The Rally committee is looking at several ride options. Some will be only on sealed surfaces and some will include some gravel sections.

There will be options for those who prefer not to go off on a ride.

We are still keen to hear from a member to take the official photographs. Please contact Barry.

Barry Hawthorn

Chef de Mission

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Huzadick?

Once upon a long time ago a register member got so excited about buying a new tractor, he hopped in the wagon and headed for home, leaving Mrs Tibbs in the motel at Rotorua.

Wonder who that was?

Nice one, Ann!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL INVOICE

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PAYMENT IS DUE ON 1 JULY 2014

This form is not to be used for a new application. Please contact the Membership Secretary membership@bmwor.org.nz if New Member application forms are required.

Note: Partners may be registered if they actively participate in Register activities. Both names appear on Register records but only one newsletter will be posted to the address.

Please print legibly.

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(as printed on your membership card)

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Surname: _____

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The month of May brought more stunning sunny calm weather to the Bay of Plenty with some great weekends for riding. An impromptu ride (4 BMWs and 3 Ducatis) to Whangamata one Sunday was a great opportunity to meet up with fellow BMWOR members from Auckland as they rendezvoused in the opposite 'south coromandel loop' direction. Lots of catch up chat and bike admiring as well as a great day's riding.

We were lucky the weather held out for us on the ride up to Kaiaua in May with about 9 bikes turn up. Yum brekkie at Te Puna and nice to have a few non-riding members join us for brekkie too (Good opportunity to catch up with other riders,

even if you can't come on the ride that day). A few wet, shiny corners through the old Tauranga Rd with group catchup at Paeroa, then a mild and dry ride through the back roads behind Ngatea with scenic stop at the beach past Miranda. Arrived at The pub at Kaiaua and whoooo...!! there are about 200 motorbikes in the carpark! Seems the Auckland HOG club were doing their annual pink ribbon ride. Decided fish and chips next door might be a quicker option - and was a good feed in the sunshine. Home via the old Back Miranda Rd as various members peeled off home, while the last few of us stopped for a beer at "One3One Bar, Kitchen, Cafe". Paeroa. (This used to be the old "Father's Tavern" and has been nicely refurbished - worth a stop).

Our June pot luck dinner turned out to be quite a night of hilarity with tales of ancestry and regails of laughter - so much so, that a spoon needed to be passed to the speaker to hold the floor and get a word in edge ways! Many thanks to Robyn and Mel for providing us all with a warm and welcoming venue.

Plans are well under way for the Hot August Night and we are looking forward to having fellow BMW riders from all over NZ coming to Omokoroa. If you come for the Friday night as well, we can organize a scenic ride Saturday morning for those interested. "Lunar events" kick off in the afternoon - a few surprises for attendees here! - watch this space...

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 Mike Long and Geri Goodman
A few pictures P22.

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From Our Occasional European Correspondent

"Hey there,

At the time we were living in Taupo when my wife and I got involved with the BMWOR in the Waikato Region in 2008/09 and since then we have continued to take an active interest in the events on BMWOR even whilst living in Europe. I personally have been a BMW addict all my adult life.

I am a Swiss National and my wife (Sintija), a Latvian National. We sorely miss New Zealand but it won't be long till we are on New Zealand tarmac again and what better machine to be on except the BMW. It is an honour to represent the organisation of New Zealand in Europe and I often spread the wisdom of the organisation amongst biking friends here.

Writing columns and sending accompanying photos to the Newsletter there is targeted at Kiwis who intend to visit Europe and I would like to organise some trip for Kiwis intending to tour here.

One of them is what I call the Scandinavian run that takes us beyond the Arctic Circle, up through Norway/Sweden and down through Finland and ending here in Germany where we are currently based. This is around 5500km and would take around 2 weeks I think. I intend to do this trip on my own the first time and then send a suggestion to the organisation but it shall have to be in warmer temperatures of course so that at least there is little chance of getting snowed up. I hope to accomplish this in this year but definitely shall be doing this next year."

Now there is a different chunk of the World Map to think of touring!

"Well hello to everyone again. We have been concentrating on our little daughter and there hasn't been time for us to get

Looks like Sintija might have been looking for a handhold when she took this photo....



out and about on the bike. It's been a long time since I have placed an article in the paper of BMWOR but better long time coming than never again.

This is a short trip that we have done in the Schwarzwald region of Southwest Germany. Basically the Schwarzwald region which is in the German state of Baden Wurtemberg consists of many smaller towns surrounded by very picturesque scenery, winding roads of a variety of quality and expensive stopover B and Bs. Though as a one off trip it was worth it.



The heavy BMW K1200LT is very cumbersome on such roads due to the high centre of mass of the machine and two up makes the task harder, so maximum concentration was needed whilst my wife Sintija took the photos.

Our next trip swill be to Europe's highest and I believe, longest viaduct bridge so the next article will be much more in depth. I hope that all is well there with our riders in New Zealand and that everyone is riding safely.

Till the next time and this time it won't be ages till we write."

Yossi, a.k.a. Joe Allen



Tibsy's Six-Day Tour

(Continued from June Edition.)

Words, Bruce Frost, Photos from various "Tourists"



It was a cool morning we awoke to at the Awakino Hotel and sadly we said goodbye to the Nash's who were going straight home due to Jennies ill health. Heading south we regrouped at Urenui before heading inland. After negotiating some little used magic back roads that took us through Tarata and onto Tariki Rd, Ratapiko Rd, Makara Rd heading in the direction of 636 Stanley road. This is Lori Ellis's residence which consists of 6 acres of trees and gardens that surrounds her home which she used to run as a B and B. This was supposed to be a morning tea break but the pre-arranged fare was more like lunch. These gardens are only open by prior arrangement before hand.

Our next destination was to have been a ride up Mount Egmont. As the mountain was shrouded in low cloud the ride up Mount Egmont was forgone and instead we headed directly to the Inflamm Cafe and Bar in Eltham. This was the lunch break and rendezvous point with the Rangitikei riders. It was here that Steve had an interesting time trying to get the coffee he had ordered over one hour previously and proceeded to give Oeang,

the owner an earful, after asking Tibsy for permission first. Lance, Peer and Barry turned up and after a coffee and a good old fashion story swapping session, Lance took over the leader's role for the remainder of the day's journey. We headed south to Patea via SH3 where we stopped for a photo opportunity under the maori canoe and paddlers. A few kms down the road we headed inland and completed a circuit of a once

the same time the logs broke free. The tour then continued on back roads arriving at the Whanganui River north of the city and not too far from our overnight stop and venue for next year's Annual Rally, the Top Ten Holiday Park at Aramaho. The evening meal was at the Brick House and we joined a very good turnout of Rangitikei club members who had put their monthly meeting off to coincide with our arrival. Next morning we were treated to a lovely breakfast put on by Lance and Barry in the holiday park kitchen. But not before Tibsy managed to split the side of his head open by tripping on the top step while carrying the breakfast for eight to the kitchen. I have to hand it to him he never spilt or broke any of the breakfast in the fall while also managing to maintain a good sense of humor along with that big smile of his



BMW a Capella: all together now!
"PATUA TAKU POI PATUA KIA RITE
PA PARA PATUA TAKU POI E !"

used motorcycle road racing circuit. Quite a ride! Lance tells us it is proposed that these races be resumed in the near future. What a great attraction it would be for this struggling area of the country. It was about here that we came upon a logging truck that had lost most of it's load. Many of the logs were strewn across the road taking out a power pole and farmer's fence in the process. One shudders to think what might have happened if a car or motorcyclist had been passing at

throughout. The blood was washed off the porch with two or three buckets of water but leaving Tibsy with a big black eye. On the road again, the back roads weren't done with yet and the next part took us through Fordell, the Turakino Vally Rd (sealed section) and on to Hunterville on SH 1 for a coffee break at the Green Plum Cafe. Then it was back onto SH1 but not for long, a left turn onto Porewa Rd and back into the back country once more. We by-passed Sanson crossing SH 3 onto Penny Rd where we continued to enjoy meandering through the back roads to Shannon for our lunch stop at the Horse Man's Cafe.

From there it was onto SH57 to Kimberly Rd where Murray and Jeanette left us to visit Murray's bother We rejoined SH1 at Ohau then continued onto Paekakariki





where we exited on to the hill road and stopped for a break at the top to admire the view. Down the other side and the tour finally split up at Pauatahunui to get to our various destinations.

This excellent tour wound up with a meal that night at the Petone Working Mens Club.

This tour was a great idea for the Club and the serious, and time consuming, effort put in by Peter and Ann Tibbs has to be acknowledged.

An Irish Miracle

Murphy drops some buttered toast on the kitchen floor. It lands butter-side-up.

He looks at what he has done in astonishment, for he knows it's a law of nature that buttered toast always falls butter-down.

He rushes round to the presbytery to fetch the priest. He tells the priest that he thinks a miracle has happened round at his flat.

He won't say what it is but wants Fr Flannigan to see it with his own eyes.

He brings Fr Flannigan into the kitchen and asks him what he sees on the floor.

"Well," says the priest, "it's pretty obvious what we have here. Someone dropped some buttered toast, and then for some reason flipped it over so that the butter was on top."

"No , Father, I dropped it and it landed like that."

"Well," Fr Flannigan says, "it's certainly a natural law of the universe that dropped toast never falls butter side up. But it's not for me to say it's a miracle. I'll report the matter to the bishop, and have him send people round, to interview you, take photos, etc."

An investigation of some rigour is conducted, not only by priests of the archdiocese, but by scientists sent from the Curia in Rome .

The final ruling is a negative, however. it reads:

"It was certainly an extraordinary event that occurred in Murphy's room, quite outside the normal run of the phenomena.

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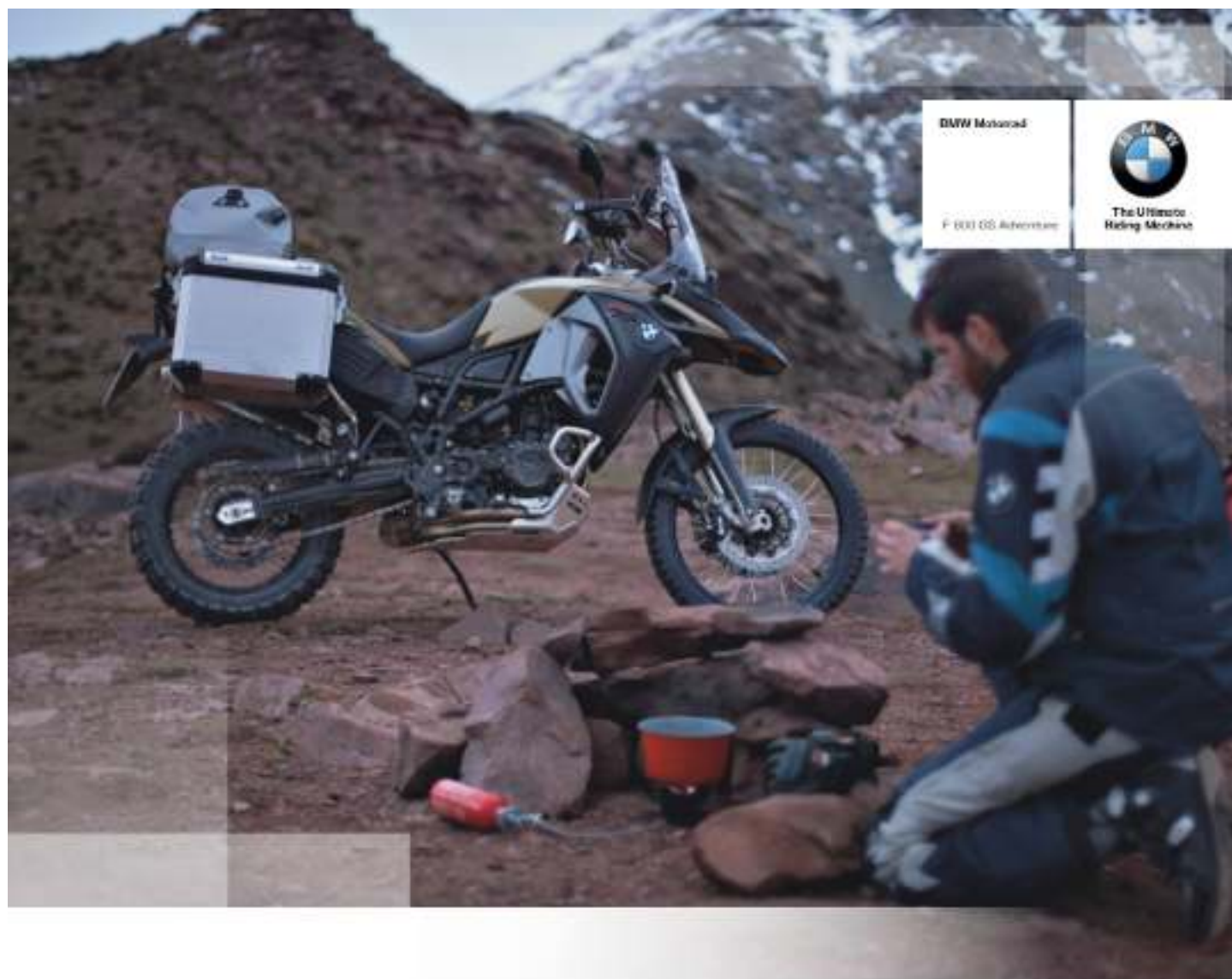
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