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president's podium



Well, it's good to look out the window and see the weather on the mend - just as Secretary David and I prepare to ride to our meeting with members in Tauranga and Te Aroha. Then on 15 August we head to Turangi to catch up with our North Island Area Reps. I will let you know more about those meetings in next month's newsletter.

So in the meantime, what's happening?

First of all, Paul Edlington, from Auckland, tells me that planning is going well with our display of BMW classic bikes for the 2012 National Classic

Motorcycle Show in Manukau City over the weekend of 4th and 5th August. On behalf of the Register, I'd like to say a 'BIG THANK YOU' to Paul and everyone who is assisting him with the show. Please make sure you get along if you're around the area that weekend - with bikes dating from vintage to 1992 there will be much to see. It would be great to have as many of our members there as possible to see our display.

This year's AGM is being held in Palmerston North on Saturday 13 October and our guest speaker will be none other than John Glasswell from BMW NZ. John has arranged with Motomart, in Lower Hutt, for a good number of demonstration bikes to be there as well. These bikes will be available to ride from Friday 12 through Saturday 13, until 3.00 pm, and again on Sunday 14 until 12.00 pm. Here's your chance to try out that model you have been thinking about. I reckon it might pay to bring your cheque book along.

Still on the AGM, I'd like to thank those members who have dropped me a line with their thoughts on the remits published in last month's newsletter. Following up one of the questions I've been asked, I thought I'd just explain what is meant by "voting by proxy" (as it's mentioned in the blue box at the top of page 13 of that newsletter).

The proxy voting system is a tried and tested method, often used when members are unable to attend the annual or special meetings but still want their vote to count. 'Voting by proxy' means that as long as you are a paid up member of the Register, you can appoint someone you trust to vote on your behalf at the meeting - that could be a friend in the Register, your Area Representative or a member of the Executive. The general mechanics are that you would receive a proxy form in your newsletter with the notice of the annual or special meeting and the issues to be voted on. If you want someone to vote in your absence, then you put their name on the proxy form and send it back to the Secretary. The Secretary will keep track of the delegated proxy votes on the day. The proxy system is more versatile than a straight postal voting system; that would need an early close-off time for nominations for officers, not allow those delegated as proxies to hear discussion of issues on the day and it would also create too heavy an administrative burden for the Secretary.

Finally folks, thanks again for all your feedback. I am truly heartened to hear someone say that they feel the Register is "one group" - a national club rather than a bunch of loosely connected regions. That's great to hear.

So, with warmer days approaching ... wheels down - feet up!

Peter

President Peter reunites Folker Liebenow with the FLY Trophy (received at the 2012 Annual Rally) at the June meeting of the Hawkes Bay branch of the Register. Applauding are Tony Jericevich (rear) and Ann Tibbs (foreground).



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, pillioners, 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

bmwor national events

National Committee Meeting: Monday 13 August - Monthly National Committee meeting in the Anzac Lounge, Petone Working Men's Club, 47 Udy Street, Petone, Wellington at 7:30 pm. All BMWOR members welcome. Sign in noting BMWOR as your member club. Bistro dining available from 5:30 pm. After the meeting, a guest speaker.

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Annual General Meeting: 4:00 pm, Saturday 13 October 2012 at the Kingsgate Hotel, 110 Fitzherbert Avenue, Palmerston North.

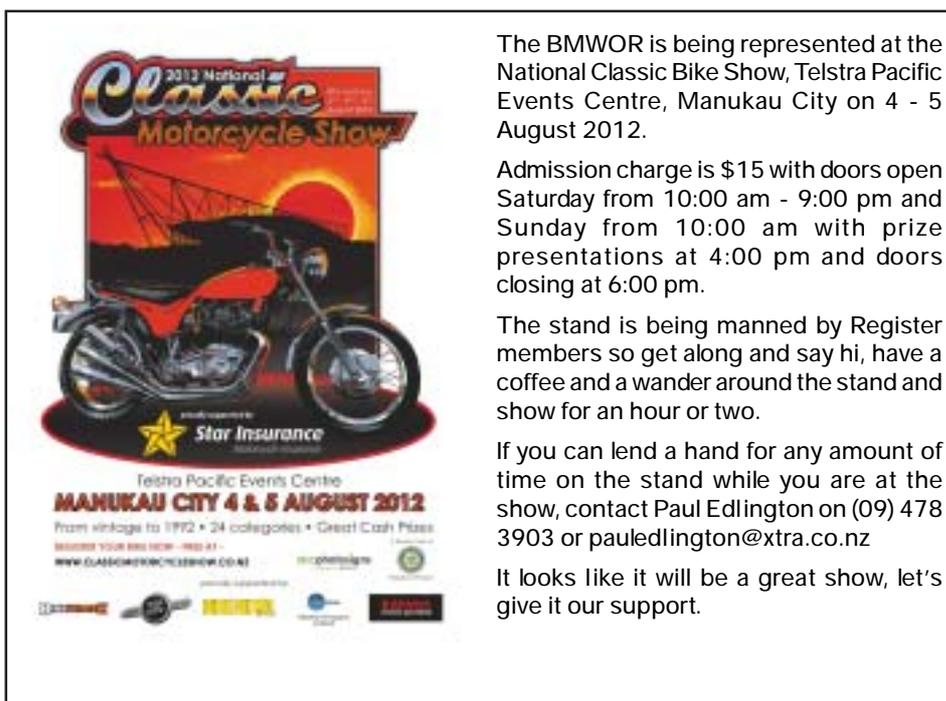
Annual Rally: Friday 4 - Monday 7 January 2013 at "The Park", SH4, National Park township. Bookings open. Registration form on page 19.

other events

BRONZ Ride Right, Ride Safe. A great way to get to know your new bike. Usually 3rd Sunday of the month at the Whenuapai Airbase. Contact Peggy on (09) 638-9227 or Finn on (09) 625-5533 for details.

Learners - Rider Training & Basic Skills Testing for learner license, Thursday evenings @ A.M.C.C Club's premises in Eilerslie. For bookings and information contact: Craig (09) 444 6261

Cover: Part of the South America expedition undertaken by Joe Vella and friends. His story on page 16.



The poster for the 2013 National Classic Motorcycle Show is vibrant, featuring a red and black motorcycle in the foreground. The background shows a sunset over a body of water with a bridge. Text on the poster includes '2013 National Classic Motorcycle Show', 'Star Insurance', 'Telstra Pacific Events Centre', 'MANUKAU CITY 4 & 5 AUGUST 2012', and 'From vintage to 1972 • 24 categories • Great Cash Prizes'. It also provides contact information for Paul Edlington and the website www.classicmotorcycling.co.nz.

The BMWOR is being represented at the National Classic Bike Show, Telstra Pacific Events Centre, Manukau City on 4 - 5 August 2012.

Admission charge is \$15 with doors open Saturday from 10:00 am - 9:00 pm and Sunday from 10:00 am with prize presentations at 4:00 pm and doors closing at 6:00 pm.

The stand is being manned by Register members so get along and say hi, have a coffee and a wander around the stand and show for an hour or two.

If you can lend a hand for any amount of time on the stand while you are at the show, contact Paul Edlington on (09) 478 3903 or paul.edlington@xtra.co.nz

It looks like it will be a great show, let's give it our support.

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 (www.bmwor.org.nz) for current information on events or contact the local Area Rep if you have any questions.

Rides are generally led by a Rider in Charge (RIC).

If you think of, or fancy leading, a ride and would like it published as an event ask your Area Rep to let the Editor know by the 15th of the month prior.

northland

Sunday 19 August - Ride to Russell with a stop off at Helena Bay Café. Meet at the Whangarei town basin at 10:00 am ready to leave 10:30 am.

auckland

Monday 13 August - Social get together, bring your spouse/partner along from 7:00 pm @ Normanby Hotel (the old Cardrona Hotel), Normanby Road, Mt Eden. Great open fire atmosphere, different pub, food at reasonable prices. Note the different venue, this takes the place of our normal club night at the Vintage Car Club.

Sunday 19 August - Winter ride (not too far) departing Westgate Starbucks promptly at 10:00 am. To Kaipara (through Helensville), South Head and Shelley Beach Café for lunch. Some GS material en route. Again, spouses/partners welcome.

waikato

Sunday 12 August - Round the lakes ride, leaving Cambridge BP at 10:00 am, lunch in Rotoura somewhere. If it rains, we'll try again on the 19th. Enquiries to Graeme on (07) 827 8778.

bay of plenty

Sunday 5 August - Monthly club ride to the Classic Bike Show in Manukau. Meet at Robert Harris Café in Matamata at 8:45 am, fuelled up and ready to leave at 9:00 am sharp.

Wednesday 15 August - Social night from 7:00 pm at "The Quarry" in Te Puna. A new venue so come along and give it a try.

taranaki

Sunday 5 August - Ride to Te Kuiti for lunch at Boscoe's Café leaving McFarlane's Café, Inglewood at 10:00 am. The return ride includes a gravel options for GS riders via Marakopa Road.

rangitikei

Sunday 12 August - Club ride around the Rangitikei. Route and destination to be determined. Watch your email and the Forum calendar.

Tuesday 31 July - Tea meeting. Watch your email and the Forum calendar.

east coast

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

Sunday 12 August - A ride around the block to Tikokino for lunch, including a detour for a stunning vista and photo opportunity. Meet at Caltex Omaha Road for an 11:00 am departure. As it is now our winter riding series, please feel free to come by car. For booking purposes, please let Norm know if you intend going on (06) 877 3383.

Sunday 9 September - Roundabout route to Tuki Kitchen, Te Mata Road for lunch. Meet at Caltex Omaha Road at 11:00 am. Details in the next newsletter, enquiries to Norm on (06) 877 3383.

Saturday 13 October - Ride to Palmerston North for the BMWOR AGM. If you intend going and would like to ride with a group, please phone Norm on (06) 877 3383.

wellington

Sunday 12 August - Ride via the back roads of Te Horo to lunch at the Winemaker's Daughter in Otaki. Meet at BP Mana for a 10:30 am departure.

Sunday 9 September - Ride to the Hau Nui Wind Farm followed by lunch in Martinborough. Meet at Caltex Rimutaka for a 10.00 am departure.

membership renewal

This newsletter is the last one you will receive if you haven't renewed your membership by 31 August 2012. Go to bmwor.org.nz, click on 'Membership' and click on 'Rejoin'. If there has been a change to your address, marital status or bike ownership you can make alterations via this page (link provided). You must provide your name and membership number so we can trace your subscription payment when you pay, the bank account number is listed on the website. Your membership card has the detail you need (see below). If you've decided not to rejoin this year, the Membership Secretary would appreciate an email to that effect at membership@bmwor.org.nz

welcome

A warm welcome to our new members this month:

Steve and Glenda Kirk - Ashhurst

Warwick Eves - Wellington

Bob Anderson - New Plymouth

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.



Southern Rider

4th annual southern rider escapade

The Escapade is a road rally with a slight difference. You are given a route to take, and along this route you must answer questions that are given on a question sheet. You then return the question sheet with your answers, and your badge is sent out to you after the close off date for completing the Escapade.

The dates are not set in stone for a weekend that you do it on. You have from 1 September until 30 November, a period of 3 months, to complete it. You can do it in your own time, by yourself or with a group. You can do it in one day or a couple of days and make it a holiday away. You can do it in any order you like as long as you get all the questions. You can start the loop anywhere and finish anywhere.

The important things are;

You must get as many of the answers as you can. (Don't be too worried about getting a question wrong or missing one...)

You must have fun doing it.

Here are some FAQs that will help answer any questions you have.

<http://southernrider.co.nz/ocportal/index.php?page=catalogues&type=category&id=32>

The Entry Form for 2012 is here.

<http://southernrider.co.nz/ocportal/index.php?page=downloads&type=entry&id=4>

area reports

auckland

Having had more than a week of summer sun (sans usual temperatures) the rain had to return, pity it had to be the day Richard planned for a ride. The rain radar looked pretty grim so we chickened out and took the tin top; planning to do some shopping after or if the ride didn't go ahead.

A few brave souls were there ahead of us including Terry, our new Area Rep on his new wheels 🏍️ but courting a bout of the BOT poor soul. Henry, of course, was late by at least a flat white. It was decided by consensus (let's all have a say in the decision making) to call off the run to Warkworth and spend an hour chatting in Starbucks.

When we'd had our fill, Olin and Kevin (hardy souls) pushed on north as Kevin had to go up to Snell's Beach to pick up a parcel. I know by the time we had finished the shopping therapy the low system was pushing ever eastward and suspect they had a wet ride. Hope you took great care on the bends lads.

Thanks Richard for organising this for us. It is a lottery at this time of year and occasionally it doesn't go to plan but it was great to see a few friendly faces and just to get out of the house.

Malcolm Gibbons

bay of plenty

July was a month to remember for all the wrong reasons. The weekend of the club ride was the same weekend I lost my father so that obviously put paid to that. The following weekend, when I rescheduled the ride, the heavens opened and I had to cancel again! However, it was not all bad as I managed to purchase another bike to add to my collection, which no doubt you will all get to see at some point.

This month's ride is to the Auckland Classic Bike Show. Hopefully it will appeal to most and we will have a good turnout. The cost to get into the show is \$15 per person and it's open on Sunday from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. We will not be going to Auckland via main roads as that would be very tedious and uninteresting. I'm sure I can find some fun roads to ride and



A few brave Auckland souls

they will all be sealed. For the return journey we might take the Clevedon-Kaiaua-Kopu-Hikuai-Whangamata route to give us some satisfying riding time.

Also during August, I will be attending an Area Representatives meeting in Turangi. I will keep you informed with any news from that in next month's newsletter.

Peter Lyner

taranaki

"Be careful what you wish for" springs to mind. After almost a month of early morning frosts and glorious winter's days, I was becoming concerned about the possibility of "black ice" forming on the road between New Plymouth and Te Kuiti. "Hmmm", I mused, "a day of rain wouldn't go astray to sort that!"

We got rain - lots of rain - in fact it's only just stopped pouring down and has become overcast with showers instead. Toyota is a word that springs to mind.

Never mind, if at first you don't succeed, try again. We're going to head up to Boscoe's in Te Kuiti on Sunday 5 August.

See you all there. This time I won't ask for rain!

Colin Lister

rangitikei

It was a cold winter's night but nevertheless a group of about 13 members met at the 'Steak-Out' in Palmerston North for our June tea meeting. The good company made up for what was somewhat disappointing fare.

Being the middle of winter, Malcolm Bowling and yours truly decided on a short ride in July terminating at a café where we could all enjoy each other's camaraderie over lunch. With this aim in mind we plotted a course south to Paraparaumu. Not by SH 1 though, by as many back roads as we could manage - surprisingly there are many.

We awoke to a glorious, sunny, if not cold day and a group of seven bikes and 11 members turned up at Z Pioneer for the 10:30 am kick-off. Malcolm led us through Rongotea, Glen Oroua and back across to Shannon before heading to Levin to meet up with Barbara and Barry Petherick and John Christie, making a group of nine bikes and 14 members.

From Levin, we headed on down through Ohau, Manakau and Waitohu Valley Road before rejoining SH1 at Otaki for the ride out to Peka Peka Beach. It was then only a short run to Paraparaumu for lunch at a beachside café. All in all, a pleasant day out - and no rain!

Robin Wood



east coast

Winter in Hawkes Bay can be a lot more pleasant than in some parts of New Zealand. Nevertheless only four riders, one pillion and a ute load ventured out for our July ride on a calm and mild overcast day.

We all met at BP Bay View in the usual spot where it expressly says "No Parking" and marked with a dotted yellow line.

Dave, Margaret and Lucy headed off in the ute with the four bikers following shortly after. We caught up with Dave pretty quickly and passed

him as he was stuck behind a fifth wheel. Apart from that there was very little traffic and we arrived at Putorino in short time.

We had a pleasant time catching up over what seemed to be the lunchtime favourites of pies, hot chips and coffee, followed by a decadent caramel slice.

The Harley and Buell riders sat outside and we admired their bikes as we left, heading back home the way we had come. We travelled just 158km door to door – a pleasant ride in good company on a winter's day.

Marie Nicol

Left: East Coast lunch at Putorino

wellington

Our July ride was a short, mid-winter ride. Due to the weather at this time of the year, nobody really feels like riding too far. I arrived at Caltex Rimutaka to find two riders had arrived just before me. We sat inside chatting and enjoying a coffee while waiting for other riders to join us.

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photo archives



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We welcome all photos (electronic or printed) of members and events, in particular from 1999 onwards, for the Register's photo archives.

Please include the DATE, the PLACE and the NAMES of any people in the photograph.

How can I send photos?

You can digitalise your old photographs (present pictures are fine too!) and email them to pauledllington@xtra.co.nz or hard copies of photos can be sent to:

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Browns Bay
Auckland 0632

Hard copies will be returned if a self-addressed, postage paid envelope is included with the original.



Wellington winter ride to the Short Straw Café

Ten riders eventually headed north to Te Marua, turning right for a quick trip through the Mangaroa and Whiteman's Valleys to get to the Short Straw Café for an early lunch.

The Short Straw lived up to its high standards and we all enjoyed the ambience of the location and their hospitality.

David Oldershaw

nelson

Sunday 17 June was not a typical Nelson day even for the middle of winter being overcast and very cold! Seven riders; Trevor on his R1150 GS, Craig on a Honda Gold Wing (his K100 had fuel injection problems), Graham on his F650, Don on his sparkling new F800, Dale on his newly repurchased (couldn't live without it) R1100 and Sue and I on our trusty R1100, headed off after the ceremonial handing over of the leader's fluoro vest. Graham was finally able to pass the Area Rep baton on!

Graham has done a sterling job of representing Nelson organising rides, keeping in touch and writing excellent ride reports. I have promised to carry the baton for the next year. Sue, my steadfast pillion rider was given the privilege of wearing the vest.

We collected Mark on his K1300 at the Glen turn-off and Steve on his R1200 GS at Hira before negotiating the grit (rolled into marbles by the heavy trucks) to Ngakuta Bay in the Queen Charlotte Sound via the Whangamoia and Rai Saddles and Queen Charlotte Drive's rally corners.

Due to a later start, we didn't stop for our usual refreshments so we were gasping by the time we pulled into the Bay. No sign of Peter, our honorary Nelson member (and Ngakuta Bay resident) though.

Mark was dispatched up to Peter's place on the hill while Craig filled us in on the details of the Gold Wing. Peter Snell once owned this giant of a machine and Craig's young son is a fan of riding pillion. As this was Craig's dad's bike, that makes three generations of fans. Better get that K100 fired up Craig!

Due to our low numbers, Peter invited us up to his home and fired up the BBQ and the coffee machine. Peter's lovely 'mum in-law' negotiated the

many stairs from next door to deliver a plate of cream filled brandy snaps, many thanks to you both!

Tony (on his F650) joined us during lunch with some excuse about having had to work. As usual there was talk about the "ins and outs" of riding, especially in the cold. Demonstrations of heated jackets, etc. were given and I remembered belatedly my heated handgrips. Well I am a reformed vintage bike rider!

The day ended with riders drifting off – not nodding off or doing burnouts – however Mark stayed on to help Peter tidy up.

The heated handgrips were the solution to frozen digits. Shame I didn't have any newspaper to shove under my jacket like the 'good' old days!

Revti Verma

canterbury

At the end of June, a group of hardy GS riders met at the Russley service station planning to ride to Hinds Gorge in South Canterbury and stay overnight in a musterer's hut. We intended to ride to Lake Lyndon through to Lake Coleridge then down across the Rakaia Gorge and follow the inland road to Hinds Gorge.

It was a clear, sunny winter's morning typically to Christchurch as we headed out the Old West Road but within 45 minutes we were getting pounded by a ferocious nor'wester

Making a splash!



driving down from the main divide. Then the rain came! We stopped briefly under a shelter-belt of Old Man pine and decided to push on to have lunch at Springfield. The storm was worse by the time we got there and the town had lost its power so we settled for a cold lunch and a cup of tea.

We sat in the café and debated the wisdom of heading on over Porters Pass to Lake Lyndon. It was a short debate though and we agreed to turn around and try heading through Colgate to the Rakaia Gorge. As it turned out, by the time we approached Windwhistle, which is notorious for its strong winds, the wind had disappeared and we enjoyed an unusually calm ride through the Rakaia area.

We rode on in steady rain to Hinds Gorge and found that the river was in flood and too deep for our bikes to cross. So we parked up and walked the last half kilometre around a bluff above the swollen river to get to the hut where we settled in with the fire roaring and tea cooking.

We woke Sunday morning to a big, blue sky and a fresh dusting of snow on the hills around us. After breakfast we headed out to the Dunsandel Café for brunch with other Canterbury members before a leisurely ride back to Christchurch via the Greendale Fault.

Ralph Moore

otago/southland

We're in hibernation down south. It's certainly been cold, although it rained recently for the first time in months so it got a bit warmer.

Barry Richardson

Hoar Frost and Road by Butchers Dam, near Alexandra, Central Otago



*Above: Canterbury GS riders enjoy a brief moment in the sun
Below: Musterer's hut, Hinds Gorge*



TWO DAY GUIDED BIKE RIDE

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"your new motorcycle is ready sir!"

words/photos: Dave Morris

If you've ever ordered a new BMW motorcycle, you may have had this call.

Did you ever wonder what happened before you rode off as proud owner of this new bike? Let me outline typically what happens. If you ordered a bike and perhaps "personalised" it with BMW accessories, the order is sent off to Germany and the bike is physically made. Once it has arrived through Customs and BMW (NZ), it is forwarded on to the shop that placed the order on behalf of you, the customer.

When it arrives, a check is carried out on the crate - externally and internally (lid off) - to establish that there is no damage done to the contents. The consignment note is signed and the bike is in the custody of the BMW shop.



Currently, the bikes come one per carton. The bike has both wheels assembled and is securely attached to a wooden base with built-in chocks, to brace the bike squarely into position, and expandable straps to keep it upright. There is a wooden framework incorporating cardboard side walls to give the carton strength and form. The sides are actually two long pieces of strong cardboard locked together with a number of plastic clips placed in strategic positions around the surface (the white squares in the photograph).



When the spring loaded clips are taken out the sides simply fall away to reveal one brand new BMW.

The bike is unsecured and rolled off the base to be relocated into the workshop for final assembly and preparation.

The operations from here to showroom floor are really quite unspectacular - but essential! The BMW quality standards are in place to the time the bike is in private ownership.

In this particular case the Bike is a 2012 R1200 GSA. To minimise crated space, the handle bars are packed in a downwards position. These are adjusted to the riding position before the securing straps are released.

The first task in the workshop is to remove the seat and take the sealed battery to the charger for charging.



While the battery is receiving its charge, the speedo/tacho unit is installed.

Put the hoist up and fit the sump guard.



Hoist down. Fit the windscreen, taking care not to scratch or mark the surface.

Next to assemble are the hand guards over the hand grips and including the brake and the clutch reservoirs.

Then the mirrors. Fit on the rack and pillion hand rail frame.

By now, the battery is charged, returned to the bike and secured in place. Where will this bike go off-road? Just make sure the "Gel-box" is well secured before re-fitting the seats.

Now to put some fuel in the tank, start the engine and run. The engine fires up straight away given time for the fuel to meet the spark. What a lovely sounding exhaust! - sweet as!

After 10 - 15 minutes running, the pipes are changing colour.



Check ABS setting. Code the panniers and top box locks to the ignition key and fit the boxes to the bike.

Now the road test!



And that's it - all in a morning's work. "Your new motorcycle is ready to be picked up, Sir!"

Thanks to Todd, Gareth and Robert at Motomart, Lower Hutt for their co-operation and friendly assistance in preparing this story.

usa may 2012

words/photos: Peter Lyner



Bryce Canyon, Utah

When we live in the best motorcycling country in the world how can you possibly better it? That was the dilemma facing my wife, Catherine, and me back in 2011 while planning an overseas vacation. We were interested in touring somewhere in America and knew of mountains, lakes and miles of open space to explore but it had to be radically different to NZ.

We decided that 'cowboy country' could fit the bill, so we looked more closely at Arizona, New Mexico and Utah. In any of these states you could have found John Wayne or the Lone Ranger hiding out in "them thar hills!" So this is where we would go and explore.

Our next question was what time of the year to travel? In these parts there are desert temperatures to cope with and snow and ice at 7,000 – 8,000 feet above sea level. May started to look good, it would be spring and we banked on most of the snow and ice having gone and the hotter areas not quite at their peak.

Fast forward nine months and we sat on one of Air NZ's newest 777 aircraft flying to Los Angeles. A short domestic flight took us to Phoenix, Arizona where we picked up the R1200GS we were renting for the next 10 days.

We weren't alone on our vacation as a couple of good friends from Tauranga came with us to share the fun and excitement and they too hired a R1200GS. It made sense to go with another couple as some of the roads in the USA are very remote and the country is absolutely vast.

Phoenix is on the edge of a desert and I don't understand why anyone would want to build a city in the desert, but they did! The temperature at 9:00 am was 35C so we were keen to leave that behind and head into the hills, the temperature being a far more pleasant 25C.

I had a fear of forgetting to keep to the right, but in reality I found that the surroundings were so dissimilar to home that this was never a problem on the bike. Crossing the road on foot though you had to remember to look left first before stepping out - and that took some serious thought!

If motorcycling in the States you are well advised to look for mountainous areas where the roads are far more fun, otherwise you will be stuck on incredibly long, straight, boring roads for hour after hour - the country is huge! We got good advice from friends who had already travelled this area, so it wasn't hard to plan a great route and maximise the vacation.

Rather than a day to day summary of the route we took, I thought I'd just outline generally where we went. As

mentioned, we hired the bikes from Phoenix, Arizona then headed up into the hills travelling east through Arizona into New Mexico. We gave ourselves a day off from riding in Santa Fe (shopping day for the girls!) a truly picturesque city and one we really enjoyed.

From Santa Fe we passed through Indian reservations and through Monument Valley, numerous cowboy movies have been made around here. From there it was into the canyon country of Utah, where to our amazement we rode past huge crevices in the ground that were 50 to 100 metres deep, winding their way through the countryside for mile after mile, as well as huge mountains on both sides of us. Bryce Canyon was an amazing place with outcrops of rock in red that look like they were man made.

Still in Utah, we rode through Zion National Park, with more fascinating rock formations and mountains with a long tunnel through the middle of one! US\$25 was the entry fee, but we found out later you can pay \$40 - \$50 for a National Park Pass that gets you into all US National Parks! Of course we had to visit the Grand Canyon too. This is an unbelievable, indescribable place - 10 miles across and a mile deep, it truly is a wondrous sight.

Crossing back into Arizona we headed south to another pleasant city called Flagstaff. We rode along a short section of Route 66 just to say we had, then headed south again through the old trade routes and mining towns back to Phoenix where the temperature gauge on the bike was showing 110F (40 degrees centigrade!).

We tried hard to avoid travelling on Interstate freeways and the back country roads we found were in a very good state of repair. We found other bikers acknowledging each other all the time and, on the occasions where we would stop for a break or fuel, bikers would always come over for a chat and give good advice if we needed it.

We were most impressed with all the Americans we came into contact with, they were very welcoming and helpful and you can't ask for more than that.

Out of our 10 days on the bike, most was spent at or around the 7,000 feet above sea level. When we had to walk anywhere, we easily got out of breath! Fortunately at this height the temperature is around the 25 - 30 degrees, just right for touring on a bike. Every day we enjoyed blue skies with not a cloud to be seen. We were told that this is the norm here rather than the exception, another good reason to visit.

We returned our bike in Phoenix after completing 4,000 kilometres before another short flight to San Francisco. We spent a couple of days visiting all the usual tourist sights like Fisherman's Wharf, down on the waterfront, which is very pleasant and the boat trip over the harbour to Sausalito is a must, along with a boat trip to Alcatraz. We also got to drive over and walk back on the famous Golden Gate Bridge!

Colorado will be on our list for the next trip. If it's a US biking holiday you are looking for, then head to the hills and you won't be disappointed. With great bikes, great roads and very friendly locals you won't go wrong. Now, where to in 2013?

Monument Valley, Utah



Zion National Park, Utah



Great views in canyon country



new F700GS/F800GS

words/photos: BMW Motorrad

When BMW Motorrad extended the GS family with an entry-level and medium category in 2007 in the form of the F 650 GS and the F 800 GS, there was no doubt as to the message: lots of riding fun based on light, safe controllability over all surfaces, plenty of drive power and endurance on trips - even when there are only gravel tracks left to get you where you're going. This has proven to be a concept in two versions which many motorcycling fans responded to enthusiastically.

BMW Motorrad now continues this chapter of the GS success story with the updated versions of these two successful Adventure models: the F 700 GS and F 800 GS. As always, BMW Motorrad has faced the challenge of taking something that is already good and making it even better, consistently focusing on building on the characteristic strengths of the GS in refining the concept.

The new F 800 GS combines suitability for road use and touring with superior off-road qualities, bringing the two worlds together to an extent not previously seen in this

class of motorcycle. By contrast, the new F 700 GS is geared more towards motorcyclists who do not yet need quite the same level of off-road expertise. Its strengths are a lower seating height, all-round capabilities for everyday use and more than sufficient power while also offering outstanding economy.

Both models feature Automatic Stability Control ASC, switchable system (Factory option), Electronic Suspension Adjustment ESA, rear shock damping only (Factory option), the latest generation of BMW Motorrad two-channel switchable ABS as standard, newly designed body features in a more dynamic, masculine look, new handlebar switch units and brake fluid containers up front and a cockpit with new dial faces for speedometer and engine speed display and an extended range of information. A Comfort seat is also now available as a Factory option.

Exact New Zealand standard specification, pricing and availability will be confirmed closer to the launch date (late 2012 - early 2013).



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bmw gs safari: the great divide beckons

Places in the 2012 BMW GS Safari are filling up quickly and there are now only a limited number of places still available.

This year's BMW GS Safari will set out from Ballina in the Northern Rivers region of NSW on Sunday September 16 and head off into The Great Dividing Range for an off-road GS odyssey that will conclude in Forster on Friday September 21.

The original programme had the weeklong GS adventure ending Bathurst, but due to road closures and the opportunity to sample some more great GS roads, it will now finish on the coast in the beautiful town of Forster. The mid north coast NSW resort town will be the perfect location to wind down and enjoy a meal and a well-earned drink, reflecting on a great week's riding with some great mates.

With only limited places still available BMW GS riders should not hesitate any longer and avoid disappointment by booking their place in what promises to be one of the best BMW GS Safaris ever.

All detail and further information at the recently upgraded BMW Safari website. www.bmwsafari.com



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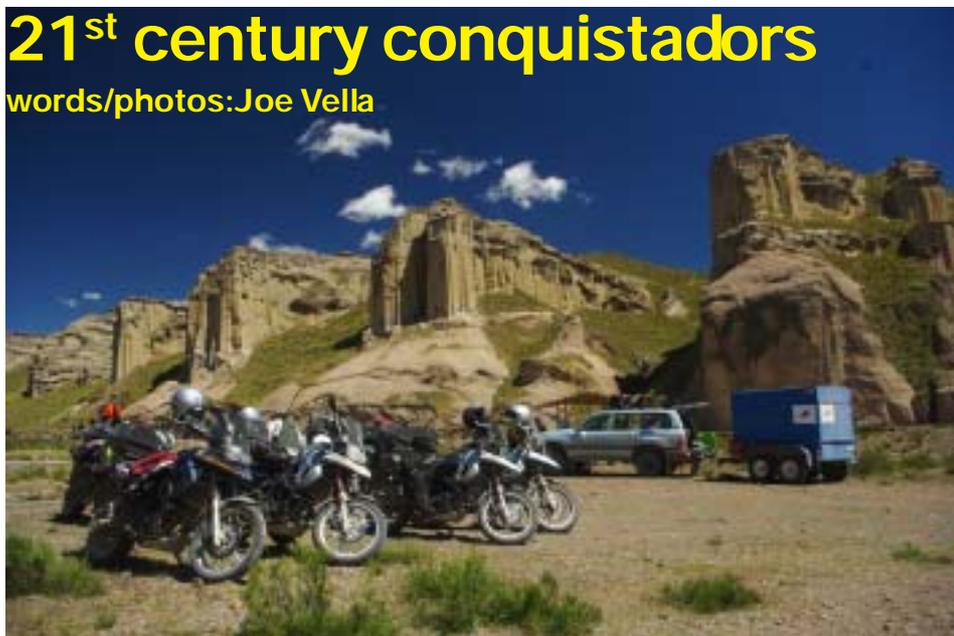
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21st century conquistadors

words/photos: Joe Vella



We all know the feeling - "one day" I will ship my bike to a far away exotic destination and live the adventure, "one day". Only problem is work commitments and a growing family - "one day" seemed as remote now as it was thirty years ago.

It was now or never, but like all great plans, things change. Instead of that one year round the world motorcycle adventure reality set in and so began my search for a reputable motorcycle tour company who offers short rides to my "must ride" destination, South America.

Two months later the flight across the Andes was simply breathtaking. Spectacular snow capped peaks disappeared off into the distance in a maelstrom of tormented rocks and vast valleys. My spirits soared as I anticipated the upcoming ride.

I had eventually settled on joining an Australian company, Compass Expeditions, on their 14-day Conquistador ride from Santiago, Chile to Cusco, Peru. Okay, it's not quite a one year round the world ride; however it's a lot better than watching everyone else have all the fun on pay TV.

The small group of seven bikers gathered at the four star hotel and, far from being thrown the keys to the motorbikes and told to "follow us", we were given a comprehensive bike briefing along with an introduction bike ride around the leafy suburbs of Santiago. Our ride leader Leo and "team Colombia", Micho and Danny, (Colombia being their country of birth), took safety very seriously.

Fully briefed with the expected ride day conditions, re-grouping points and detailed maps we were soon in the rhythm. What a magnificent feeling it was to be riding out of Santiago on new BMW F 650 GS twins with the snow capped Andes on our right and the Pacific to our left. The anticipated moment didn't disappoint.

The days were spent effortlessly cruising the legendary Pan American Highway, a highway that stretches from Prudhoe Bay, Alaska to Ushuaia, Argentina. Huge picnic lunches were prepared by Team Colombia or wonderful local restaurants were chosen. At night dinner was included at some incredible restaurants and the trend of fantastic hotels continued.

I can hear the moans now "how soft is this guy?", but to be honest after a full days riding it was always a welcome relief to roll into an excellent

quality hotel and get treated to some fine dining with a few beers or red wines to see the day out.

The ride progressed ever further north on Ruta 1. This was an amazing road that wound and twisted its way along the stark and remote Chilean coastline. The road ran so close to the ocean that any decent size wave would have knocked us off our bikes, I was sure.

A detour to Alto Del Carmen provided all with some riding memories to last a lifetime. We never managed top gear as the paved road snaked it way through narrow canyons and olive plantations before eventually coming to a halt at the plaza de Armas in Alto del Carmen. The local police were so amazed by our presence that a police escort was soon underway to a "sitio de picnic, hermoso", "great picnic sight" that they knew of, it certainly didn't disappoint.

The ride continued on into the Atacama Desert, the world's driest. We packed away any remaining wet weather gear with great confidence as it hasn't rained in the Atacama for 400 years.

Riding the Atacama isn't what I expected, instead of flat featureless plains that stretch on forever, the Atacama is home to huge sand dunes, yawning valleys and UNESCO world heritage sites, everyday somehow managed to get better than the last.

Reaching the Peru/Chile border it was as if someone had had drawn a line in the sand. As soon as we entered Peru the desert sands gave way to stands of Eucalypt, wandering Llama's and lofty passes.



We visited the stunning Peruvian city of Arequipa, spectacularly set at the foot of the snow capped El Misti Volcano, before climbing to over 5000mt pass deep within the Andes, (it is amongst these very mountains the mighty Amazon begins its epic journey) . We were on our way to the world's deepest canyon, Colca Canyon to witness the giant Condor as they glide on the warming thermals in the early morning.

Two days of utterly stunning and remote dirt riding ensued as we took the "short cut" to Cusco. These days were spent at over 4000mts riding amongst dormant volcanos, bizarre rock formations and relentlessly climbing and descending fantastic passes. Even the late afternoon snow storm couldn't dampen our spirits, it was biking nirvana.

The road and rail links into the legendary Machu Picchu had been destroyed by recent flooding and we all waited with anticipation to see if we could reach this "highlight".

Four days before our scheduled arrival into Machu Picchu a limited rail service was re-established. As the world's touring companies clamoured for the few tickets that were available the boys from Compass Expeditions came through securing enough for the entire group. We spent a magnificent day riding the Sacred Valley of the Incas and walking amongst the epic ruins of Machu Picchu. It was an appropriate location to end this incredible ride.

The BMWs proved faultless and were more than enough for the prevailing conditions, even with two people on them. Compass Expeditions had on hand a stock of BMW spares that would make most BMW dealerships blush. The preventative was astounding and was performed every night.

The crew of Leo, Daniel and Micho clearly loved what they did and were true ambassadors for the company.

My choice of who to ride with had been vindicated; the food was superb, varied and plentiful, hotels were excellent and there were no nasty surprises.

Yes, it was 351 days shorter than my thirty year old plan, but it was an adventure, no doubt, and besides I am not twenty years old anymore!



G 650 GS
RRP\$15,295 with factory rebate
now \$12,750

The ever-popular G 650 GS has been revamped, the multi-talented bike for everyone now has a new look and improved ergonomics. Styled to join the GS family, it has an asymmetric headlight and new lines thanks to the redesigned windshield and instrument cluster.



F 800 GS
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Letters

Dear Editor

There will be a meeting of North Island Area Reps at Turangi on 18/19 August, a reprise of the meeting held at Ohakune last year. I attended that meeting on behalf of Auckland; I thought much good stuff derived from it.

History relates I blew it as an Area Rep and my services are no longer required. So be it. I remain, however, a member of the Register and I am concerned by the (unconfirmed) rumour that there will not be an Auckland Rep at the meeting in August.

Before anybody else gets into the politics, let me state plainly that I was asked to attend the Turangi meeting as Webmaster, but I refused to do so lest that position be confused as in some way making me a proxy Auckland Rep. As Webmaster, my role is to check our website is functional on a (several times a) daily basis. I endeavour (oftentimes without success) not to make editorial comment on the website, only to moderate discussions, which mercifully requires very little on our site. I am not the Auckland Area Rep in any way, shape or form.

BUT I do not think that the best interests of the Auckland membership is well-served by adopting an isolationist attitude to the rest of the Register and would appeal to those that currently maintain stewardship of BMWOR interests on behalf of Auckland members to attend at Turangi. Surely no harm can arise - and possibly some good?

Yours faithfully,
Bruce Crowther



2013 annual rally

The 2013 Annual Rally is in National Park on the afternoon of Friday 4 January and concludes on the morning of Monday 7 January. Put these dates in your diary now and get your registration form in.

We have managed to get a discounted rate for you at at The Park Travellers' Lodge, and there will be ways for you to cut down the cost still further by sharing a room. All rooms have ensuite facilities. Please book directly with The Park.

When completing your registration form, nominate and pay for the meals you wish to have on-site.

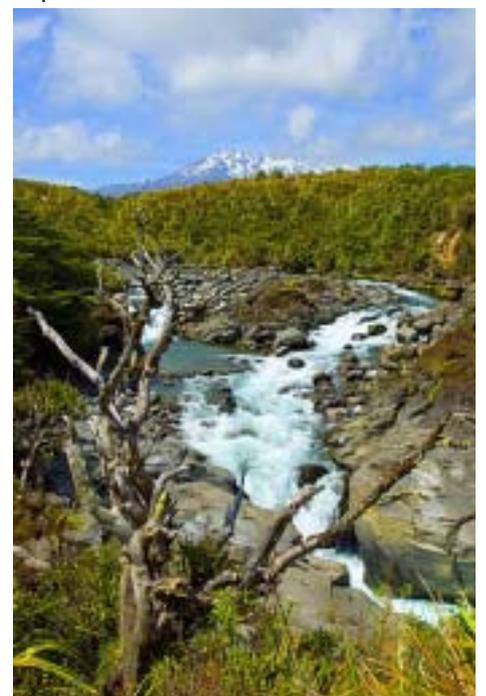
To provide increased flexibility for the "long rides" we have a "packed lunch" option. These lunches are currently provided for "hungry mountain bikers" and they come securely packed, and contain good quantities of food. Coffee stops will be included in all the long rides, but a picnic lunch is probable. Vegetarian

and gluten free options are available in the packed lunches and we will ask riders to identify these preferences at a later date.

We have also arranged for a buffet meal to be available for booking on the Friday evening you arrive at the Rally. Please include this option on the form, however, if you prefer to eat out, there are two excellent restaurants in National Park, but it would pay to book ahead.

Over the Rally Weekend there will be road rides, adventure rides and other events you won't want to miss.

Once you have registered, you will be sent a Rally Pack, which will give you advance notice of what you can expect.



BMWOR Annual Rally 2013
The Park, National Park
4 ÷ 7 January 2013

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Programme

<i>Friday, 4 January</i>	<i>Registration from 2:00 pm</i>	<i>Dinner</i>
<i>Saturday, 5 January</i>	<i>Group photo Ö} & ~ ; • A Ö Elegance Gymkhana Short rides . road and gravel Prizegiving</i>	<i>Breakfast Rally Dinner</i>
<i>Sunday, 6 January</i>	<i>Rides (road and gravel) or free day All Sunday gravel riders should order a packed lunch as there will not be a café lunch stop. Optional for road riders, but recommended as a picnic option.</i>	<i>Breakfast Packed Lunch Evening Barbecue</i>
<i>Monday, 7 January</i>		<i>Breakfast</i>

Please make your accommodation bookings direct with The Park . www.the-park.co.nz
 0800 800 491 or bookings@the-park.co.nz

REGISTRATION FORM

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Phone: BMWOR #					Badge	ö ö ö ö .	\$12	ö ö ö .	
Email:					Polo Shirt	ö ö ö ö .	\$42	ö ö ö .	
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register business

Minutes of the National Committee meeting held Monday 9 July 2012 at the Petone Working Men's Club, Petone, Wellington.

Meeting commenced: 7:30 pm

Attendance: President Peter Tibbs, Secretary David Thomson and 16 Members

Apologies: Peter Mitchell, Bruce and Virginia Frost, Lance Nixon.

President Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting: A motion was put that the minutes of the National Committee meeting held on Monday 11 June 2012, as published in the July 2012 newsletter, be confirmed as a true and correct record passed. (*D Thomson/Cheryl Morris*)

Matters arising: Nil

Correspondence: Correspondence includes membership renewals; Breakwater Motel, Pahia, discounted accommodation offer; Turangi Bridge Motel correspondence re NI Area Rep weekend; three Australian BMW Club magazines; and two BMW Club of North America magazines.

Treasurer's report: Nil

Editor's Report: Apologies for the heavy administrative content in the July newsletter pertaining to the upcoming AGM. The available content for the next newsletter is looking good.

Membership report: Membership Secretary John provided data showing that subscription renewals equal 45% at the end of this first month of renewals. He asked that we remind members that 31 August is the cut-off date for renewals – after that no newsletters will be forwarded and membership will lapse. He also advises that he will be writing a short article for the next newsletter, including illustrations of the membership card and newsletter label, as some members seem to have trouble working out what their membership number is. Members with fairly common surnames cause problems when they do not include their membership number with their subscription payments.

Gear Shop report: Bruce and Virginia are overseas, no report this month.

Area Rep's report: Dave Oldershaw spoke of the short winter run to the Short Straw Café. Next three runs are organised and will include an overnight camping trip to Mt Holdsworth for November, with other members able to meet up with those camping on the Sunday as an option for the one-day riders.

General business: President Peter reported that the North Island Area Rep meeting has been arranged for 15 August at the Bridge Motel, Turangi. The objective is to give Area Reps an opportunity to be brought up to date with issues and to use their input to create a handbook for new Area Reps.

The AGM is advertised in the newsletter. Accommodation bookings direct with the Kingsgate Hotel, Palmerston North. Members staying on for a meal will need to book. If

staying at the hotel, members can book the meal when making their accommodation booking. Booking options for others not staying in the hotel will be advised in a newsletter shortly.

President Peter is looking for a volunteer to run a 5 day tour of Lower North Island that would conclude at the AGM. Bare bones of a possible tour are available for anyone interested in undertaking the tour leader job (advertising for a tour leader in the last newsletter).

John Glasswell has accepted our invitation to attend the AGM as Guest Speaker, and in turn John is organising (in conjunction with Motomart Wellington) to have an extensive range of demo bikes available for the Friday afternoon, most of Saturday, and the Sunday morning of the AGM weekend. How to get a ride on the BMW of your choice will be explained in a newsletter as soon as arrangements have been finalised.

President Peter urged members to attend their Register's AGM if at all possible.

The National Rally is also being advertised in the newsletter. Again, accommodation bookings direct with The Park, National Park, and registrations for the rally to go by post to Marie Nichol. Issues arising to be taken up with David Thomson, Rally Coordinator, at david.thomson@xtra.co.nz.

President and Secretary are riding through to Tauranga and Te Aroha for the weekend 21-21 July to visit members.

It was suggested that the Secretary put the detail of the InterIslander discount contract in a newsletter so that members could work out what times of the year the discount was worth having. With this suggestion was comment that there were times when the "Seniors" discount was better than our arranged discount. Secretary undertook to look in to this and include comment in a newsletter shortly.

Next meeting: Monday 13 August at the Petone Working Mens Club, Petone.

Meeting closed: 8:03 pm.

Guest Speaker: Member Bill Croasdale who used telling and graphic video material to demonstrate the value of helicopter rescue services in getting prompt medical attention to motorcycle accidents in the UK. By inference, the Westpac Helicopter Trust and other rescue services were discussed as being worthy recipients of our charity here in NZ.



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F800ST - (2008). Silver, in excellent condition, only 1,518 kms! One owner from new, an unfortunate change in circumstances forces regretful sale - owner's loss your gain. Complete with ABS, on-board computer and Givi top box. All the benefits of a new bike at a second-hand price of \$16,000. Contact Iona at ionavespa@ihug.co.nz or 021 427 468 (2)

R1200RTSE - (2009). Nice looking in light silver and only 50,000 kms. Full spec, ESA, traction control, cruise control, heated seats, tyre sensors, full Staintune exhaust, K&N filter, rear mudlap. \$19,990 or make an offer to Richard Kuysten on 021 993 708 (1)

wanted

Tour Leader - for potential multi-day road ride beginning culminating at the AGM on Saturday 13 October 2012. Must have own bike, excellent communication skills, practical route planning ability, outstanding navigation skills and loads of patience. Interested? Give President Peter a call.

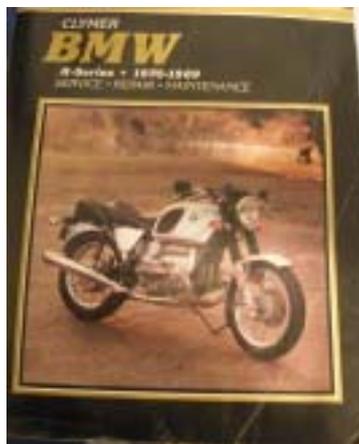
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Service Manual - BMW R Series 1970-1989. Offers near \$30 would be accepted. Contact Pam on 07 884 9999 (2)

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FLY spots

Have you recorded FLY spots from your annual rally trip? It's a good start to accumulating points between 1 Dec 2011 - 30 Nov 2012.

- 1 point is scored per kilometre travelled to, from, and during any event published during the year in the newsletter

- 150 extra points if the trip involves a ferry crossing between the islands (300 return trip)

- 200 extra points if the event is for charity

- up to 300 extra points (at the discretion of the Secretary) if you can demonstrate you've promoted the Register in a positive way during the event.

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Entries are called for in November each year, you simply provide the details of your rides, the points you have accumulated and any demonstrative evidence of how you've promoted the Register on any event to the Secretary by email before the close off date that is set.

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