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Velcome to our New Members
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 a story and/or 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 please email/phone the Editor no later than the 25th day of the month preceding publication. We welcome all contributions.

## Welcome to:

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# President's Podium Chris Souness

BMW Motorcycle Club
Antegrog New Zegland



# May 2022

Now that we're moving into winter, with colder days and longer nights. It's an excellent opportunity to hunker down and undertake some of that much-needed maintenance and tlc our motorcycles require. Some we may have put off over summer.

Some of you may have noticed that we have made a minor change to our club logo (above). During our last combined Board/ Area Representative meeting, it was observed and favourably commented on, that the logo on our Club flag had a white kiwi. Leading to the guestion and overwhelmingly supported to lighten our current black kiwi.

Without delay the new logo with the light grey kiwi approved, is now being changed across all club material and communications. This times in nicely with some new BMW Club material currently being printed. And fortunately, in time to catch our new membership cards currently being printed.

The board is continuing to work through some new initiatives to help up the profile of our Club and further enhance our suite of member benefits. Many discussions are now underway which we will of course confirm once the initiatives/benefits have been finalised. To that end, please let us know if there's something that you might like to see or you think would be well received by our members.

For my part, May was a slow month on the motorcycle-riding front. Work has thankfully been busy and I've not had the opportunity to get out and ride as much as I'd like However, earlier in May I ran a slow speed riding workshop which is a session of about 2½ hours. It usually involves participants running through five to seven exercises ranging from riding as slowly as they can in a straight line without putting a foot down (harder than you think when being watched) to 12 cone weaves and figure of eights. It's very rewarding to see riders' confidence and skill level grow during the sessions. I note also that many riders who have excellent open road and highway riding skills, struggle when asked to perform a tight U-turn or complete a full lock 90-degree corner, especially from a standing start.

Motorcycle safety is always of course prevalent, but now the weather is changing and mindful of all this season throws at us e.g., slips, potholes, wet/damp roads. On top of the essentials (tyre and brake checks etc.) I strongly recommend finding a safe place (empty carpark, very quiet road etc.) and practice some speed riding and emergency braking. If you haven't been minded to recently, start cautiously and build up, you will surprise yourself at how much your riding improves with a little practice. There are some excellent training videos online if you need a guide as to where to start, perhaps with a fellow rider to support one another. You could also consider contacting the Rideforever providers (and get a \$200 cashback on your rego), IAM RoadSmart and/or a licensed trainer for bespoke training.

If this is perhaps something you would like to see the Club offer, please let us know emailing feedback@bmwmc.nz

Until next month, safe riding everyone.



## BMW Motorcycle Club of Aotearoa New Zealand - Risk Management Plan

The BMW Motorcycle Club of Aotearoa New Zealand 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 Club members on Club 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. Club 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, Pillions and sidecar passengers where required, shall have as a minimum standard 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. Club Members are to go to the aid of any others suffering a mishap.
- 5. Rider organisers shall nominate the destination for the ride as well as any regrouping locations or other stops. The organiser is not responsible for the 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.
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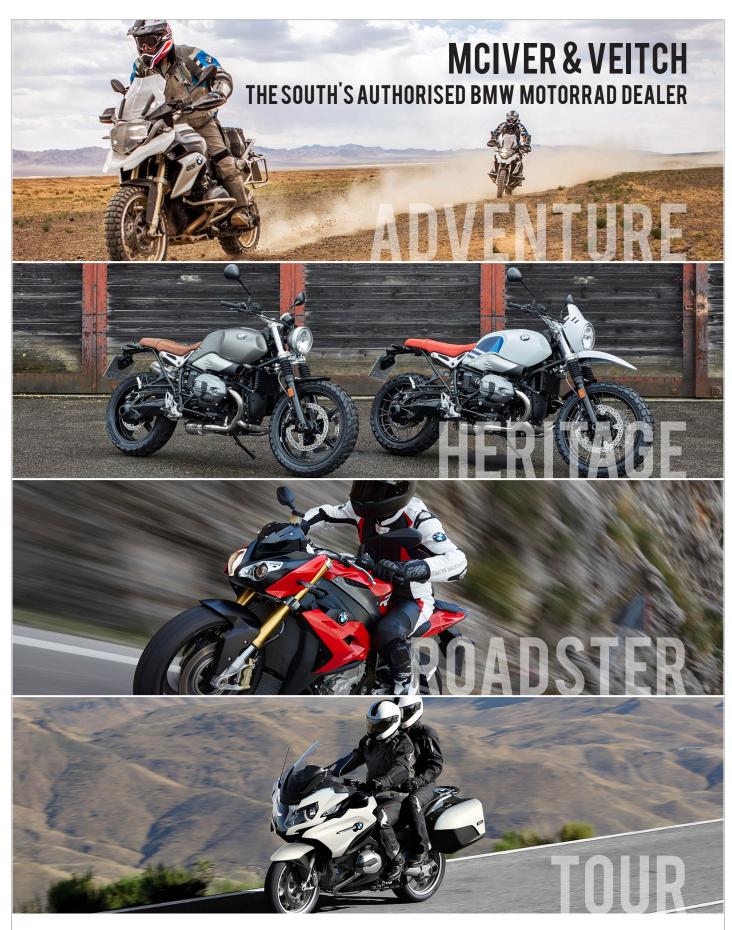
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# **Area Report: Wellington & Wairarapa**

By Denis Hulston



## Pongaroa Gravel - Weekend ride 1st May



ed by Peter Tibbs, this ride was a gravel bonanza for both Wellington and Wairarapa riders.

Meeting up with the Wairarapa riders at Masterton and riding 145km of gravel from Masterton to Pongaroa, and after a late lunch, out east and south from Pongaroa back to Highway 52.

Thanks, Peter for organising and leading the ride. It was great to ride with both BMW and Ulysses riders from both Wellington and Wairarapa – sixteen riders all up. Really good company and plenty of grubby riding. Two "offs", but no significant damage to bikes or riders.

There is a wide choice of gravel riding in the Wairarapa and there always seems to be something new – Tibsy knows it all I reckon. Some of these small, isolated roads leave you surprised when you find a house or shearing shed and yard. This is magical country that most will never see as it's well off sealed roads.

Wellington riders rode home over the Remutaka hill in the dark, grubby, tired, but very satisfied having clocked up 450km with an 11-hour riding day.



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# **Area Report: Wellington**

By Denis Hulston



# **Social Meal & Get Together -** evening 9<sup>th</sup> May

This month there were eleven members who returned to the old haunt, the Petone Working Mens Club for food and chat.

# Club Ride - Sunday - monthly run 15th May

Our Club Ride on Sunday 15th May, a combo gravel and seal ride to Martinborough and on to Tora and Ocean Beaches was cancelled due to bad weather out towards the coast.

We also cancelled our combo gravel and seal road ride scheduled for the 21<sup>st</sup> May to Pohangina Valley due to poor weather.

On 29th May, five Wellington riders met three Wairarapa riders for a back road sealed ride to the Mangatainoka Brewery where there was a British and Euro Car Show. We also caught up with riders from Rangitikei and Hawkes Bay. Great weather, great riding on the back roads there and back.

May was a relatively quiet riding month due to weather, and, for me and Annie, a ten day Covid isolation period.

Here's to plenty of impromptu riding in June!

Denis #3184









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# Area Report: Top of the South/Te Tau Ihu

By Gretchen Holland



# Pelorus Sound - Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May



Moetapu Bay jetty (Photo by Rick)

Destination - Kaiuma Bay (gravel) & Moetapu/Double Bays (tar seal), Pelorus Sound

Six 'hardy' riders were at the meeting place and one not-so-hardy Dale (unwell in the car to see us off). It was already overcast and mild but forecasted to rain later in the afternoon, which I suspect, put a few people off. Can't understand why...

Tony ventured over the Maungatapu Track to meet us at our first stop at the Pelorus Cafe. Six of us took the gravel option to Kaiuma – although on this occassion, we found not so much gravel but hard-packed clay. Rick was our only tar seal rider choosing instead to head for Moetapu and Double Bays (as he'd been to Kaiuma several times before but never to Moetapu).

The tide was about three-quarters in with no takers for a swim. We sat on the pontoon to have our lunch and tried to spot Rick on the headland opposite, on the other side of Pelorus Sound. Nature called when it started to spit, so we headed for home. The front bikes going straight home, with the back three stopping at Rai Valley for the, now almost traditional ice cream and debrief. And that's when the rain got a wee bit heavier for our ride home (behind a police car at the painful 80km speed limit). Scribe – **Gretchen # 949** 



Gretchen, Richard, Peter W , Anja, John + Tony (taking pic).



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# **Area Report: Rangitikei Roundup**

By Murray Petherick



# Monthly Ride - Sunday 8th May



Our monthly ride for May was held on Sunday 8th and was based around a ride up the Whanganui River Road. Had thought we might see a bit of autumn colour on the exotic trees in the valley but as it turned out most of the autumn leaves had already dropped so there was not a lot of colour to be seen.

We gathered at the "Behind

The Door On Four" café in Upokongaro, a village a few kms upstream from Whanganui on SH4 and after waiting a bit for a couple of late arrivals (diverted from their route by what transpired to be a single car, fatal accident) headed out, bound for lunch at Ohakune. The group consisted of 11 bods on 7 bikes, most of which were beemers, although we were happy to tolerate the usual couple of interlopers.

The route is an interesting one that is generally quite tight and windy as it follows the Whanganui River. It is sealed all the way but for much of the journey it is little more than single lane and demands a bit of respect, especially around blind corners and when approaching oneway bridges. Sections of road wide enough to qualify for a painted centreline are rare! With a couple of viewing stops along the way we had an uneventful but enjoyable trip that took us past Jerusalem, where James K Baxter made his home for many years, and then on to Pipiriki.



From Pipiriki the road passes through quite a bit of exotic forest and gradually opens up as it heads towards Raetihi. Despite a slightly late start we arrived at Ohakune pretty much at the planned time and lunched at the "Mountain Rocks Café and Bar". Weather along the way was quite pleasant for riding although temperatures were only 'modest' and skies largely overcast, but no rain.

After lunch the Whanganui crew headed home via Fields Track and SH4 while the rest of us headed to Waiouru and then down SH1. Traffic became heavier as we headed down SH1 and the small group became a bit fragmented, with each of us effectively making our own way to our respective homes. An uneventful trip home but had to watch out for silly manoeuvres from others, such as the last of three Harley riders (no, not mob members) passing me on my side of the centreline while I was cruising along the middle of my lane. Potential carnage if I had inadvertently veered a bit to my right!



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# **Area Report: Rangitikei Roundup**

By Murray Petherick



# Sunday Brunch - May



Despite a number of or 'regulars' being away in other parts of the country, or off-shore (in one case), a group of nine met at the Woolshed Café on Sunday 22nd for our regular brunch gathering (no picture).

Thanks, all.

Murray # 2690





# **Area Report: Canterbury**

by Ralph Moore



Monthly Ride. - May...



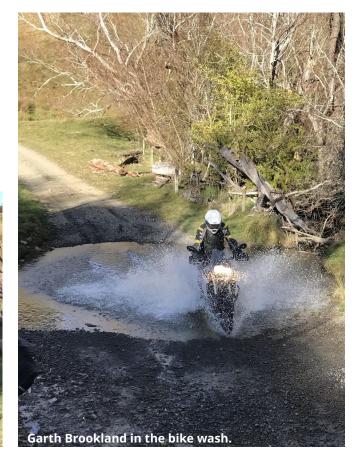
We are definitely getting into winter riding mode now. Our group met up at Ravenswood on a beautiful sunny Sunday morning with the thermometer reading 3°. Heated grips on "high". We were joined another five riders on various bikes. We headed up the main highway to Greta Valley and stopped in at Fossil Point Cafe for coffee and to thaw out. Then it was into the fun stuff, out to Motunau and

then through Blyth Valley. Nice smooth gravel through to Cheviot. A short ride up the main road, then back onto gravel through Spotswood, Leamington, and over the Kiawara Road to Culverden. By now the temperature had hit a respectable 15°. Then we rode through Medbury, and Pyramid Valley, and on back home.









# **Area Report: Taranaki Tales**

by Scott Mills



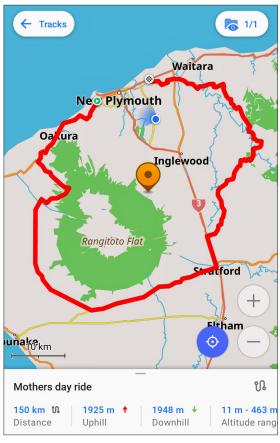
## Mother's Day, May

We had 9 riders participate in the around the mountain ride on Sunday the 8th of May.

The weather was good, and the roads were twisty which set us up for a great day. The Autumn colours in the trees were so beautiful. We had a little break in Stratford to pick up a couple of pillions and to have a coffee before we commenced the last leg of the journey through to Bell Block, via Otaroa Road and Tikorangi. Some of you will remember these roads from the National AGM last year.

We got to our Café lunch stop bang on time for our reservation. As it was Mother's Day, some of our local club mums joined us for the lunch. It was a really pleasant lunch stop made better by the company. We also celebrated two birthdays. Kevin's daughter Caitlin turned 16 on the day and his son Theo 12 the day before. It was fun to embarrass them by singing happy birthday.





Earlier in the month I attended the area reps meeting. It was great to catch up with the other reps and board members to discuss what is happening in the regions. There was a lot discussed and some really exciting plans made for the future. The details will be shared in the coming months as the come into fruition.

Winter is almost upon us with Mount Taranaki starting to wear its snow cap. Next months ride

will be a bit cooler, I'm sure. Might be time to find the thermal liners for my Jacket and pants.

Happy travels everyone.

Scott Mills # 3542

# Area Report: Wiararapa

by Peter Tibbs (Tibsy)



## First Wairarapa Ride Report #1 - May



Our numbers maybe small here in the Wairarapa, however enthusiasm for riding our bikes can only be measured by the passion we have for our motorcycles.

On a cool Sunday morning member's from the Wairarapa turned out for their first official Wairarapa ride. We were joined on the start line at the Farrier's carpark in Masterton by riders from Wellington. From here we rode through a combination of sealed back roads to the Brewery at Mangatainoka where we were able to team up with riders from Rangitikei and the East Coast I counted a combined total of eighteen members.

Now you may ask motorcycle riders and a Brewery what sort of a result will this combination produce. Let me put your minds at ease. The Brewery was hosting a Car Show. Yes, that's right, a Car Show for British and European cars. So what made this car show so appealing to BMW riders? It was free!

The lack of an entry fee aside just goes to show you can't put a price on good company good back roads tied together with the fellowship generated on these outings, and coupled with some great stories that should remain at the Car Show.

Well the "car" that took first place for me was coupled to the side of Johan and Wendy 1150 BMW.

A special thanks must go to all those who shared their day with us which included other motorcycle clubs.

If you would like to join one of these outings just make contact with me.

Peter Tibbs (aka. Tibsy)

Wairarapa BMWMC Area Rep.

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by Ian Macartney



# The Distinguished Gentlemen's Ride - 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Today 124 riders raised around \$18k for mens health.

Our BMW Club had a good turnout with Phil King, Grant Asailbie, John Rutherford, Lee Hoggard and myself taking part.

We rode a 60km loop around Tauranga suburbs ,The Mount, Papamoa, Bethlehem and back to the Rising Tide Brewery at the Mount where some very diverse beers and the finest dumplings are served if your ever in the area-recommended.







All manner of motorbikes from a Honda 50cc monkey bike to Multiple Triumphs, Royal Enfields, Moto Guzzi & everything in between.

Cont...

by Ian Macartney





Bayride Motorcycles (top guys) ran the event and did a superb job considering the threatening rain clouds and parking challenges due to multiple road construction projects and wall to wall plastic cones.

Dress code was dapper tweed suits ,waistcoats , bow ties, waxed moustaches , Gandalf beards - all good fun.





lan Macartney #3190

by Ian Macartney



# The Motorcycle Show, Auckland - 15<sup>th</sup> May

ast minute trip to the Auckland Motorcycle Show via Highway 16 - rude not to really.

A huge number of bikes were out on this excellent bikers road, although the surface imperfections take serious monitoring at all times.

Fantastic collection of mostly Classic bikes plus some impressive Custom Choppers.

It was a walk down memory lane seeing the large number of 70s machines such as the fearsome RD350, Suzuki 750 Water bucket with 67hp! GT380s, TS 250, Elsinore trail bike & the Kawasaki Z900 still sublime.

You have to admire the intense passion to create the stunning Custom Choppers giving new definitions to the word Bling.

I felt a bit out of place in my adventure gear as a plaited goatee & a black leather clad torso adorned with Cub Scout badges of impressive past rides to the corner dairy were 'de rigueur'.

Andrew Stroud was beside his infamous Britten motorcycle being interviewed by the MC. Legend

Our own club members Paul & Joy Quilter & family had a stand selling their fine range Macna motorcycling clothing if anyone's in the market for some.

Surprisingly there were no main Dealer Stands or Tobacco chewing outlets, a missed opportunity for sure.







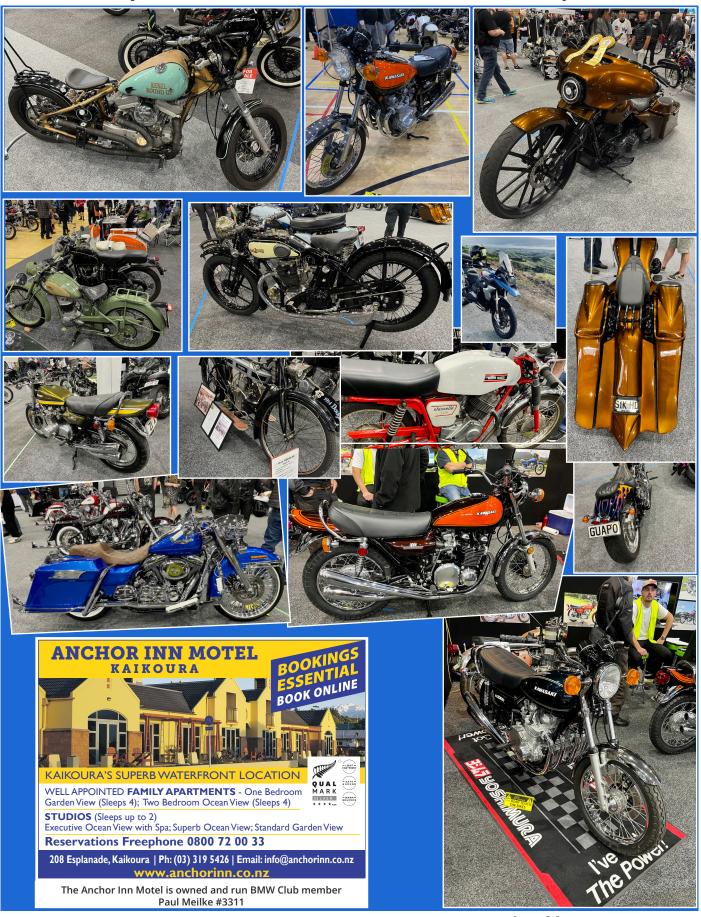


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by Ian Macartney



# The Motorcycle Show, Auckland - Various Pictures 15<sup>th</sup> May



lan Macartney #3190

# **Area Report: AUCKLAND**

by Stephen Parkinson (on behalf of Bradley)



## May update

The month of May had a bunch of stuff going on, probably the most notable from an Auckland Area perspective was Bradley Festraets stepping onto the role of Area Rep. A small social function at my home set the stage for this transfer of responsibility or handing over of the

mantle so to speak. Due to ongoing home renovations, our indoor fire has been removed leaving us with no "mantle" to symbolize the hand over. Fortunately, a sledgehammer was nearby so this was pressed into service

as a "man tool" for the hand over photo opportunity.

Bradley brings BMW training credentials to the role and a strong IT skill set which will benefit Auckland and the Club nationally once he gets his feet firmly under the desk. He shares the role with David Pestrana who has International GS Trophy experience. This pair have enormous potential to elevate the Auckland experience so watch this space.

Our May ride was two rides in one, one had gravel as it's primary focus whilst the other was seal only. The object was to depart Westgate separately, head north, and meet up for lunch at Mangawhai Tavern. The challenge around this plan was trying to coordinate our arrival at Mangawhai, there is a lot of gravel between Westgate and

Mangawhai but not so much seal. Potentially the road riders were going to get to the Tavern about an hour before the gravel types. This mismatch was solved by the road riders traveling up SH16, heading west at Brydrewyn then north from Paparoa to Oakley, east to Waipu then down the coast

to Mangawhai. As it turns out the two groups arrived with 5 minutes of each other, in a piece of good luck, almost as soon as we entered the tavern, the rain which had been threatening across the day, absolutely

bucketed down. Time constraints following lunch saw most riders taking a direct route home whilst a few turned the homeward leg into a shortened version of the intended route.

Late June and into July should see the post covid reintroduction of our more socially focused events. The key to this will be selection of venues affording plenty of space, preferably outdoor, weather permitting.

Till next time

Stephen #3201 (on behalf of Bradley)



# **Members Gallery**

These finely dressed gentleman, supporting a great cause and enjoying the sun are some

of our very own:

From left - right:

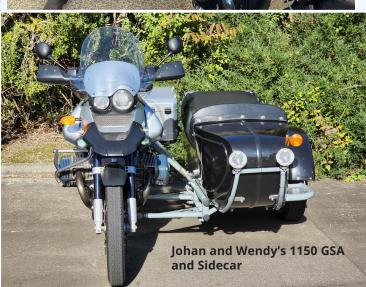
- 1: John Rutherford, Club Member
- 2: Ian Macartney, AR Northland



- 3: Phil King Area Rep Liaison
- 4: Grant Aisalbie, Honoray Legal Advisor











# **BMW Presents Urban Collection Luggage For City Riders**



Be it in day-to-day riding, on a long tour or on an adventure trip - for decades, the BMW Motorrad range of luggage storage has been offering perfect solutions when it comes to optimally stowing luggage and travel utensils. With the new Urban Collection, BMW Motorrad is now presenting another generation of tank bags, a backpack and side and rear bags alongside the existing Black Collection. Made of highquality and easy-care materials (outer material 100% PA with TPU coating, lining 100% PES), they combine high durability and functionality with cool design.

## **Urban Collection Tank Bags.**

Available in different sizes and shapes, the three new tank bags in the Urban Collection cover almost all motorcycle-specific requirements. Available in various sizes (5-16 litres).

Thanks to the anti-slip foam padding on the underside and the strap fastening, the tank bags, which are equipped with removable waterproof inner bags, can be fastened easily and securely. Plug-in clasps at the front and rear also make refuelling easier. Tethers can also

Tank bags are equipped with a water-repellent and lockable two-way zip on the main compartment, zippered lid pocket, cable aperture for a charging cable to the inside and coloured inner lining for better overview. The **Tankbags Urban Collection Large / (GS)** also offer a touch-capable, waterproof transparent compartment. Motorcycle-specific belt attachments are available

be attached to the luggage rack or the pillion seat.

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## **Urban Collection Backpack**

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The Urban Collection Backpack with a volume of 20 litres is the ideal companion for a day trip or travelling to work and features many practical functions. The waterproof main compartment with water-repellent, rubberised two-way zip is equipped with a laptop compartment (up to 15"). Two outer pockets offer

practical storage space for things that need to be at hand quickly. A mesh pocket on the inside lid, coloured lining to provide a better overview, a carrying handle and adjustable shoulder, chest and hip straps round off the range of functions. Reflective stripes provide improved visibility.



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# **NEW BANK HOLIDAY! Matariki Day Friday June 24th**

Matariki is a star cluster that appears in the early morning sky in New Zealand during the mid-winter months.

The star cluster is well known throughout the world and at different times of the year can be seen around the globe. It is one of the brightest clusters in the sky, containing hundreds of member stars.

Matariki has different names around the world. In English, it is called by its ancient Greek name, Pleiades or the Seven Sisters. In Hawaiian it is Makali'i, 'eyes of royalty', and in Japan it is Subaru, meaning 'gathered together'.

The rise of Matariki signals the Lunar New Year. It is a time to acknowledge the year past, celebrate the present and plan and prepare for the year ahead.

Historically, the stars were closely tied to planting, harvesting and hunting. If the stars appeared clear and bright, it signified an abundant season ahead.

As one of the star clusters nearest to Earth, this constellation is one of the most obvious to the naked eye.

To find them, look to the northeast horizon before sunrise.

Then, search for the distinct line of stars that forms Tautoru, or Orion's belt. Keep moving your gaze north of these three stars until you see a cluster of tiny stars that are roughly as wide as Tautoru is long. These are the Matariki stars.

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# Mini Recharged by Paul Smith:

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The British designer converts a classic Mini from the 1998 MINI Paul Smith Edition and reinvents the classic in the process. The customised car is part of the MINI Recharged project, which celebrates the fusion of tradition with pioneering technology, by installing an electric motor in the original model. In June 2022, this unique car from the iconic designer will celebrate its world premiere at the Salone del Mobile 2022 in Milan.

Only last summer, Paul Smith presented the MINI STRIP at the IAA motor show in Munich: a radically reduced, sustainable concept car. His MINI Recharged model now revisits this idea to explore the possibilities of sustainable design. "Three things describe this car perfectly: quality, sustainability and functionality," the designer explains.

"This car also respects the past," Smith adds. With this one-off, Paul Smith is revisiting an even older project that has linked him to MINI for over 20 years: in



1998 he created the MINI Paul Smith Edition, limited to 1,800 vehicles. The prototype of this unique edition was painted a bright blue based on a swatch taken from one of Paul Smith's favourite shirts. The new unique model retains this unmistakable, memorable shade of colour, while the lime green battery box recalls a 1990s colour palette. Despite the redesign, however, the original ethos of the car remains.

The project is also about respecting heritage and timeless design – in particular, the iconic work of Sir Alec Issigonis, creator of the first Mini. "When you

move into your old aunt's flat, out of respect you don't change everything, but you do some modernising," is how Smith puts it. Sir Alec Issigonis developed the classic Mini in response to the

oil crisis of 1959. Minimum fuel consumption, maximum use of space – that was the idea that convinced millions of people over many decades to invest in a Mini, and is still partly responsible for the success of MINI today.

The radically reduced and sustainable concept of the MINI Strip continues in the interior of the newly designed car. By deliberately leaving out trim parts, the bodyshell with its bare, unclad floor pan dominates the interior, with rustic floor mats made of recycled rubber on top. In addition to innovative, resource-saving materials, Paul Smith's design leaves out entire instruments in other places: a magnet next to the steering wheel accommodates the smartphone, which, apart from the speedometer, replaces almost all the old buttons and





# Mini Recharged by Paul Smith: Cont...

functions on the dashboard. The steering wheel in his exclusive model can be completely removed to facilitate getting in and out of the car – both an innovative solution as well as a tongue-in-cheek quip symbolic of Paul Smith's trademark wit.

"We have made a 1990s car totally relevant for today," is how the designer describes it.

"Ideas are never the problem, you can find them everywhere. The challenge is to implement them. Here it worked. A dream has come true," he says. The engineers from 'Recharged Heritage Limited' are also responsible for making this dream a reality.

The new MINI partner converted the classic Mini into an emission-free vehicle by installing a 72-kilowatt electric motor.









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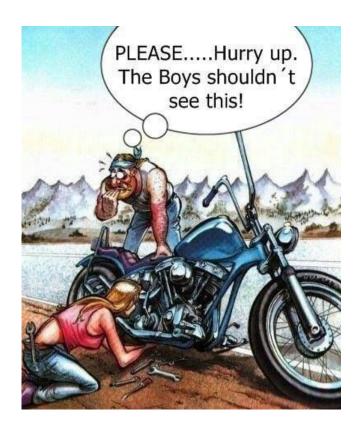
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