

# **Ride Report**

# **By: Alan Stork**

## Saturday 22 February, 2025

### **Kingston Swap Meet**

<u>Attendees</u>: Rob T - 1996 Kawasaki ZR750 Zephyr (Lead), Darren H - 1998 Yamaha XTZ660, Joanne H - Royal Enfield, Allan E - 1975 BMW R75/6, Bohdan K - 1984 Honda CBX750F, Mark R - Harley-Davidson Night Train (FXSTB), David and Belinda E – Husqvarna Norden 901, Alan Stork - 1984 Honda VF400F

The day dawned warm and sunny as predicted. The ride in to the Shell servo was very pleasant for me, the only issue was fear of kangaroos crossing my path as I was not able to see very well as I was riding into the sun.







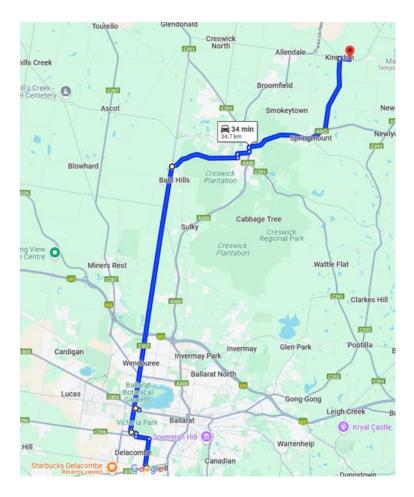






The plan was to attend the Kingston swap meet, which is a Saturday event and knowing that it's not a great idea to arrive too late at swaps, we opted for an early start. It was pleasing that even with the change of day and early arrival and departure times, nine happy souls came along for the ride, with Mark R coming the greatest distance.

The ride to Kingston was fairly straight forward. Our route took us past Stocklands, on to Gillies Road, then turning off to Creswick at Bald Hills, then onto the A300 towards Daylesford.



The swap attracted a large crowd, much more than last year I thought. There were a number of very nice cars on display and many sellers present.

I noticed quite a few sellers using their Club Permit vehicles for commercial use, which is against the regulations. Whilst I don't have much of an issue with this, I raise it out of concern about it jeopardizing the future of the scheme.





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Upon arrival, the group pretty much went their own way, some leaving early to fill in the rest of their Saturday. As I mentioned, lots of sellers, a bit too much bric-a-brac and imported hardware for my liking. I didn't find anything that I had to have.

After we had had enough, the remaining four riders decided to go into Creswick for a bowl of chips and a drink. We ended up at the American Hotel.



A great day out. Thanks to all who came along and braved the heat. Apologies to those who I didn't see again after arrival at Kingston, hopefully you enjoyed the day too.

Details of our next Combined Run are on the next page. The forecast is for fine weather. See you then.

Our March Combined Run has been moved forward a week due to the Labour Day long weekend falling on the second Sunday.

# SUNDAY

02 March, 2025



## **Departure Point**



## **Starbucks**

Delacombe Town Centre 315 Glenelg Highway Delacombe

Arrive: 11:00 am
For an 11:30 Departure

### LUNCH

at the

## **Elephant Bridge Hotel**

2810 Hamilton Highway Darlington

Arriving around 12:30 pm

Tables are Booked



Meet at the departure point at Delacombe, at the hotel, or along the way (Run Sheet will be available ASAP)

Please let us know how many will be attending with you, where you will be meeting us, and if you and your companions will be having lunch at the hotel

## RSVP by Friday 28 February, 2025

To: Alan Stork Mobile: 0401 995 061

Email: classicridesdrivesclub@gmail.com Web: www.classicridesdrivesclub.org (Please use RSVP Form on Calendar Page)



# Motorcycle Only Rides Last Sunday of Every Month



### **Departure Point:**



Ride will depart when everyone is ready to leave

Destinations and Details will be posted prior to the event, if known,

If not, we will decide on the day

All rides are Weather Permitting - Guests/Friends Always Welcome

Contact Alan Stork Mobile: 0401 995 061

Email: classicridesdrivesclub@gmail.com Web: www.classicridesdrivesclub.org "Calendar" page RSVP Form

Next Motorcycle Only Ride will be on

Sunday 30 March, 2025

Details to be provided closer to the date



#### Classic Rides & Drives club Inc

### **CRD Code of Conduct**

To ensure that all members and visitors feel safe and are able to enjoy their time with us, we ask that anyone participating in any event conducted by Classic Rides & Drives Club Inc. follow this Code of Conduct:

- Obey all laws at all times, including COVID, road laws and Club Permit Scheme rules
- Any vehicle participating in a club event should be safe for road use
- Participants should ride/drive within the limits of their capabilities, weather conditions, etc.
- Be respectful to all participants and the public
- Never put anyone or anything at risk by behaving in an unsafe or reckless manner
- Never behave in a manner that would be deemed to bring disrepute to the club

### Guidelines for Participating in a CRD Club Run

If the participating numbers are large (more than 10 vehicles), the run will be conducted with a Leader and a Back Marker. These two participants will have mobile phones and each other's phone number to enable contact in case of any problems or emergencies.

Slower moving vehicles can cause the dynamics of a run to fail. If for any reason you do not wish to, or your vehicle is not capable of travelling at a maximum speed of 100 kph, tell the Leader before departing. We are happy to accommodate by splitting the run into various groups, each with a Leader and Back Marker. The slower group will always leave last, and the first group (usually bikes only, followed by cars) will always wait for them when re-grouping.

If you would rather travel at your own pace, or take your own route, and then meet up with the group at the final destination, or some other point along the way, that's fine. Just make sure the Leader and Back Marker know before the group leaves the departure point

### Remember: You are participating in a fun group event, NOT a race

It is a delicate operation to keep a moving group together, especially when traffic is heavy. Everything that can be done, will be done to ensure no one is "lost" on a run, but it is up to each participant to follow these basic guidelines and respect their fellow travellers:

- NO PARTICPANT SHOULD EVER OVERTAKE THE RUN LEADER
- MOTORCYCLISTS CAN MARK CORNERS ONLY IF THERE ARE NO CARS PARTICIPATING
- Always arrive at the departure point on time with a full tank of fuel. If your vehicle has a limited fuel range, let the Leader know so that they can accommodate your needs
- When travelling in a group, ALWAYS keep the participating rider/driver behind you in your rear-view mirror.
   This may mean slowing down, and even stopping if necessary
- If you see that the vehicle immediately behind you **fails to proceed/disappears from sight**, pull over to a safe spot and wait. The rest of the group and Back Marker will eventually catch up and stop as well. This should cause a chain reaction (known as the "Rubber Band" effect) that should bring the Leader to a halt. The Leader will be updated by phone by the Back Marker. The group should proceed again once the situation is under control
- In the event of a break-down, or emergency, pull over to a safe place and wait for the Back Marker to arrive.
   Explain your situation, and that person will do what is required to provide assistance and to notify the Leader-Please do not pull over unnecessarily. Only the Back Marker is required to stop to assist
- If you have to pull out of the run for any reason and cannot wait until you reach the next re-grouping point, wave the vehicle behind on, and leave a message with the Back Marker to advise you are not proceeding but are not in need of assistance. Do not overtake the run leader to depart group as this is dangerous and causes confusion
- If you take a **wrong turn, or miss a corner**, try to re-join the group in a safe manner, or leave a phone message with the Leader or Back Marker. You will have a run sheet, if possible, do your best to reach the destination or the next stopping point. If not possible, please let either the Leader or Back Marker know your situation and if you require assistance
- If you see the **vehicle behind you take a wrong turn**, **keep going**. If they apply the above guideline, they should be okay. Continue to keep the next participating vehicle in your rear-view mirror
- Never overtake on the left, and please show courtesy when passing other vehicles

### Most Importantly: ENJOY YOURSELF and STAY SAFE

### DISCLAIMER:

The Classic Rides & Drives Club Inc will not be liable for any damage, injury or loss caused directly or indirectly by anyone participating in a CRD event/activity, whether to the participant, or to any other party. Participants will fully indemnify and hold the club harmless in connection with all claims arising from such damage, injury or loss.

Child Protection Policy: Any child participating in a CRD event will be under supervision of their parent/guardian at all times.

# Classic Rides & Drives club Inc





Don't miss out on the fun, stick this calendar on your fridge today

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= Combined Runs = Motorcycle Runs = Public Holidays = Mothers Day = Fathers Day

Combined Runs for March, May, & June have been shifted to the First Sunday of the Month due to Public Holidays/Mothers Day

Please Note: There is a printer's error on the dates in January.

Tuesdays are printed in Red, and Sundays are not. This was a fault with the template used.