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5th to 7th September 2008 on

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Minutes of BSAOC of Qld. held on the 13th. April 2008 at Coomara Mobil Service Station.

Open:- At 9-06 A.M. 11 members . opened by the President
Minutes:- Passed for the March meeting
Correspondence:- {1} Motor cycling Queensland A.G.M
{2} Ballot Papers Motorcycling Qld.
{3} Monthly report Motorcycling Qld.
{4} Letter NRMA Sponsor cheque for rally
{5} Email L. Smith Qld. Museum re brochures for placing in the Rally Packs.
And a Trophy for Show & Shine.
{6} email from England re BSA.C15T & B40X.oil in frame to 1970-71.
{7} Email from Brent Leneham re restoration of 1936 BSA Q7 seeking some support with parts.

{8} Email Rex Bunns re prize for the B40 class at The Rally a Breathing Kit.
{9} Email Tony Morisset re a number of C11 riding from S.A. to Gold Coast Rally.

{10} Letter Bill Green offering A \$100 a Trophy for the M20 Class at Rally.
Moved R Jupe second John Simpson carried.

Treasurers Statement:- As at the 13/4/08.

Main Account.....Pass Book \$1868.08
Ch. Acc. \$603.63
P cash \$60.30 ...\$2532.66
Passbook \$2688.17

Rally Acc..... P cash \$47.00...\$2735.17

Income:- M.Ship. donations NRMA British Bikes Sale T Shirts
Expenditure:- Postage Meeting Refreshments. Kangaroo Clothing\$346-50 12 Club Shirts.

This statement was presented after the meeting and will be presented at next meeting.

General Business:- {1} discussion on Rally entries.
{2} Discussion on Rally Rides re number of Marshals that will be needed.
{3} Fred said he would be going All British Rally in Victoria last week in April.

{4} Several New Zealanders were coming to the Rally and the club was trying have a bike for them to ride.

Meeting Closed at 9.30 am. and we all went on the Rally Ride. .

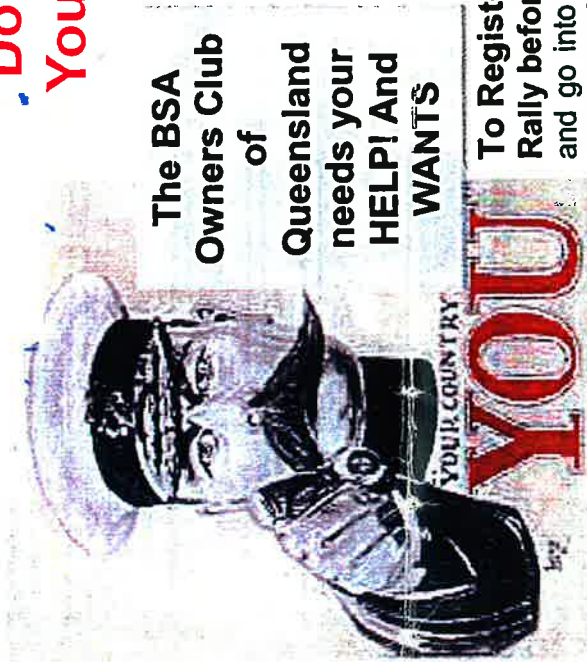
Sec. Fred Jupe



THE ROCKET

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**Don't Forget
Your National
Rally
5/7 Sept
2008
Here on
the Coast**



The BSA Owners Club of Queensland needs your HELP! And WANTS

To Register for The National Rally before 30 June 2008 and go into the draw to win back your Rally Fee and Regalia order.
Worth up to \$200.00 Conditions apply

The Club Ride and Monthly Meeting is on the second Sunday of the Month. This Month it is Sunday 11 May 2008. (Mothers Day)
Meet at the Mobile Service Station Coomera.
Start time 9:30AM

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THE OLD FART EDITORS CHATTER

Hi Beezer Boys and girls.

You may remember that in last months Rocket there was our first Ad, which was for the sale of "Old Farts" BMW. Well I am pleased to advise that the BMW now has a proud new owner and home.

So where are your ads? Please don't be shy. They are Free and you never know you may either find that part or bike you have always dreamed of, or on sell parts or bikes that are surplus to requirements. The National Rally committee held a meeting last month to check on progress. Things are moving along nicely but they will need help in the running of the Rally in September. So don't be surprised if you get a "tap on the shoulder" sometime soon. Some members have been very helpful and proactive and for that we are appreciative but there will be more help needed either on the day or nearer the event.

If you, like the Old fart, subscribe to the Old Bike Australasia magazine you will have seen the article that was published promoting our upcoming Rally. I encourage you to take this excellent magazine as it is possibly one of the best that I have come across in recent times.

The All British Rally took place in Victoria over the Anzac Day weekend and our intrepid Secretary was there promoting our Rally so that will translate into more attendees. So also was our newest member Terry Henschel on his mouth watering Rocket 3.

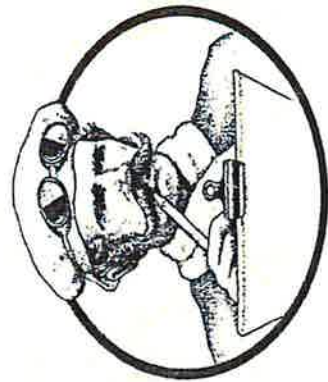
The April ride was a "Dress Rehearsal for the ride proposed for the National Rally and what a great ride it was. Wonderful scenery and superb weather. We rode at about a max of 80 KPH getting a bit faster on some stretches and more sedate on others but generally a very comfortable pace. If you were not there then you missed a treat...see you next month?

You may remember that the "Old Farts" bike was named "pushbike of the year in 2007. Well on the April run it was just wonderful and rode just as a venerable 1954 BSA should and that is down to the help and assistance from Classic Bike in Burleigh. Dave is the man there and what he don't know about our British bikes aint worth knowing. So if you have a heart wrenching problem, as I did, I recommend that you go and see Dave. On 5593-5355, 3 Hutchinson Street Burleigh Junction

Don't you just love it when your Beezer starts!.....first kick is even better

The Old fart

John Simpson



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DA FONSECA

THE PRESIDENTS PIECE

A perfect Autumn Sunday morning and nine bikes set off on their run with Bob Jupe as ride captain and yours truly as Tail-end Charlie. This run was a trial for one run being planned for our September Rally.....using quiet roads and heading for Beechmont then home using Mt.Nathan and Maudsland Roads. Sad news again for Harry.....set off on one bike (B40) and had to change to a second bike (Suzuki) to finally appear at the Garage ready to go. Good to see John back out with us on his Flash! Welcome to Terry....visitor today on his BSA triple Rocket Three and now our newest member. The ride finished at our home in Coombabah for light refreshments and another talk together. Hope to see more members out next month....remember that the May run re- turns to the 9.30 am starting time....this will be another trial run for the September rally in mind.

Pres.. Bill

THE SECRETARIES BIT

Hi Beezer boys well the Rally is a month closer and I am starting to lose a little sleep, hope you all have your accommodation booked by now.

I suppose the next thing will be the weather and the way it has been this year anything goes I think. We can only hope !!!.

The club has decided that each member is to purchase some small item for a raffle eg. Tube of grease. Screw driver. Spanner, Packets of:- Washers, Nuts, Spring Washers, Electrical ends, split pins, or anything you feel would be handy in the shed, the price subjected is \$ 5-6. which would be placed in a box for raffle, what do you think. send the items to our mail box please or hand in.

I will be going to the All British Rally at Campbell Creek Victoria on 24-26th April. I am hoping the weather remains good although it will be a little cold I think, if any members are going hope to see you there.

By the way a few members have not paid your subs so if you are one please do your best to have it complete this month.
So I will leave you for now happy beezering

Spit fire Fred sec.





New Member Terry Hentschel's beautiful 1969 Rocket Three. This bike has 30000Miles and is in superb condition, so much so Terry is off to the All British Rally in Victoria. A round trip of > 4000Km. Welcome to the club Terry



Two of Secretary Spitfire Fred's Bikes. 1936 Empire Star and 1927 BSA Flat Tanker

There are a number of A10's and A10 derivatives in the club so we have located a number of Tips which can be applied to A10's and in fact many of the Pre Unit BSA twins. Hope that these are of interest and of help to our members. The first one gives some hints and wrinkles on Timing the beast. So enjoy!

A10 Timing

The engine is timed at 13/32" before TDC. To ensure that the timing is always spot on I put some timing marks on the engine. This is done in the following way:- With the outer timing cover removed, bring the engine to its correct firing position before top dead centre. This varies for each model. Then with a centre punch, make corresponding marks on the timed breather which turns at engine and its surrounding boss in the inner timing cover. The breather is hardened so you will have to use a sharp punch. Now, when you want to time the ignition you just line up these two marks and set your magneto.

How many times have you set the timing then tightened up the magneto nut and found when you recheck, that the timing is slightly out? My solution to this is to elongate the three fixing holes in an arc around the armature. This can be done by placing one leg of a set of spring dividers in the end of the armature and, using the other end scribe an arc on either side of each hole. Using a round file elongate each hole either side by about 1/16" Keeping between the scribed lines. You should then mount the magneto in position with the studs in the centre of the elongated holes. Time the bike as normal and if, when you check, the timing it is out, all you need to do is loosen the fixing nuts and rotate the magneto in whichever direction necessary, to give perfect timing, then retighten the fixing nuts, after checking that the magneto and timing pinions mesh correctly.

Fred tells us that the Empire Star Q8, was purchased off the estate of Mr J White Sydney about 2 years past. The bike had all its parts except for primary chain problems. The primary chain had broke which changed the shape of the alloy primary case. (Not in very good shape!) The reason for the chain brake was no cush drive. Unable to find the special cush drive for this bike, so with some modifications to an early M20 made up one and it works. A friend welded the primary case and all was well. New rings, mag checked, and some paint, tank and rims chromed now once again a Bike. Ooo! and some new pipes. I have been told maybe only 3 in Australia, left The BSA factory on the 15th. March 1936. sent to shipping agents in Birmingham for shipping to New Zealand or Australia. If it came to Australia it would have been sold by Oniome and Finch Pty Ltd the agents for BSA Australia at the time.