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ENERGETTE





MEETINGS

Held on the ;

1st Monday of the month,
Except Public Holidays when
the meeting will be held on
the following Monday.

NO MEETING IN JANUARY
8.00pm start.

We meet at the :

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**On behalf of myself and the members of the Norton Club,
we wish to pass on our deepest condolences to our
librarian Mal, on the loss of his wife Della, in August,
our thoughts are with you and your family and
we offer support and friendship into the future.**

Club president, Con Desyllas.

WEB SITE:

www.nortonownersclubsa.org.au

Editors space, The rain is always welcome just not on the week-ends! It's been drying out & getting warmer and there has been the usual increase of bikes on the road. The club ride to Mannum was a good 'un it has been a while since I've seen so many Norton's together doing what they do best.

It was with much interest that I watched a report on TV regarding the reopening of the Adelaide Raceway and promoting it as a 1/8 th drag strip. There is also a mob intending to build a international standard drag strip between Murray Bridge & Monarto! Although plans have been lodged with the Murray Bridge Council they still need to go to the Councils Development Assessment Panel, oh my, how the wheels of government turn in slow and mysterious ways, it could be a long wait.

Any-way, if I can just figure out a way to get that Clevo into that Dynamite Atlas that Dave R has, (mmmmm! he is going OS) it could make for **some interesting ET's, mind you being a Cleveland it would properly drop its guts on the first run!!**

We have a new sponsor (next pg.) have a look at the web site, Nick has a large range of parts to suit many British models. See you on a club run, and remember BE GOOD AT IT,
Regards, Ian.

PS. As a service to members only I am happy to run free ad's.

COMMITTEE 2011—2012

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COVER SHOT:

**Nothing like flying the
flag for the club.**

For Contributions, please contact editor;

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Members wanting any events, services, bike parts, rides, etc. in the ENERGETTE please contact editor with details for inclusion in future issue's.

Presidents report,
 Recently I finished my
 1950 500 cc Norton
 International which was
 suppose to be finished 5
 years ago, but because
 of work and family com-
 mitments this was not
 the case. **Finally... It's**
 finished and up for sale,
 and the asking price is
 offers over \$22K.* →
 So if u want to own a
 piece of Norton history
 see me at a club meeting
 or give me a call.
 In the meantime enjoy
 riding your Nortons and
 stay upright!



Your president,
 Con Desyllas

*(Con not included)

Andrew Brown is always looking for club related material to add to the clubs web site.
 You can contact him at;
 AndrewB@freight-biz.com.au

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As promised the second part of Jeromes experience out lining the import process.

Unless you trust the seller implicitly, never pay upfront! Although it will cost you, look at using an escrow or similar service. Ensure the seller gives you a receipt (also known as bill of sale in the US) and, especially if you are buying from the US or Canada, a copy of the certificate of title (Ideally you should see this before you commit to buy).

Assuming your vehicle passes all the necessary requirements, apply for approval to import the vehicle with the Department of Infrastructure & Transport. Fill out the application form and supply 1) a copy of the purchase receipt, 2) a clear, current picture of the vehicle, 3) a complete list of any modifications, 4) a copy of your Australian drivers licence, and 5) a \$50 application fee. Be prepared to wait up to 6 weeks for approval - and don't even think of shipping your vehicle until then!

Find a reputable shipping company! Prices and quality vary considerably, but take into consideration that some offer a more complete end-to-end service than others. Will they collect the bike (preferable) or do they expect the seller to drop it off? Do they ship to a port local to you, or will they be required to truck the vehicle as well? Don't forget marine insurance - get your own or ask them for a quote. If the bike is being crated, ensure the crate is of the correct material or you will be up for fumigation costs. In my case, the crate was so poorly constructed that it collapsed on itself and (fortunately?! only) smashed the wind shield. I had to pay for a replacement as the cost of repair was less than my insurance premium. Needless to say I was very disappointed. Expect to pay shipping fees of between \$1,000 - 2,000. The shipper will require copies of your import approval, drivers license, bill of sale, certificate of title, and details of you, the seller and the vehicle. In return, the shipping company will post to you the Certificate of Title, Insurance Certificate and a Bill of Lading. The Bill of Lading is an important document containing all details of the shipping consignment.

As your vehicle nears its destination you will be contacted by the local agent for the shipping firm. They will require you complete a form authorising them to act as your Customs Broker and will want copies of your 1) import approval, 2) purchase receipt, and 3) driver's license. When your vehicle finally arrives (after around 3-6 weeks) the agent will contact you to organise collection. In the meanwhile both Customs and Quarantine Services will want to inspect the vehicle. Expect additional costs if steam cleaning and/or fumigation is required. Drive your trailer down to the agent with your paperwork and ID. And credit card. You will be charged GST on the vehicle purchase price PLUS shipping cost and then (get ready...) entry processing fee, quarantine fees, port service charges, terminal handling charges, delivery order fee, CMR fees, security fee, document management fees, etc, and finally, the agent's fee. Excluding the GST component expect to fork out around another \$1,000. And be thankful motorcycles (and boats!) do not attract an Import Duty or the Luxury Car Tax! Finally the bike is yours to collect - but don't forget to call your insurer and organise the appropriate cover!

If you want to ride your new mount you will have to register it first. Will it be on historic rego? If so, take the bike around to your club registrar who will scrutinise it before giving you some paperwork (Many thanks to Andrew Brown for his prompt, thorough & professional service!). Proceed to your nearest Government Vehicle Inspection Station with all your paperwork for a Vehicle Identification and/or Roadworthy Inspection. If the bike passes scrutiny, you will be given more paperwork(!) which you must then take to the nearest Department of Transport office to finally obtain registration. Present your paperwork and expect more charges for stamp duty, registration, insurance and number plates. Figure around \$400 for historic registration, or (much) more for standard registration.

As you can see, it is a relatively arduous, time consuming, costly & bureaucratic process. Would I do it again? For the right bike at the right price - hell, yes! In fact, I am expecting a 1981 Ducati 900 Mike Hailwood Replica to arrive from California in May... Take advantage of the strong Aussie dollar while you can!

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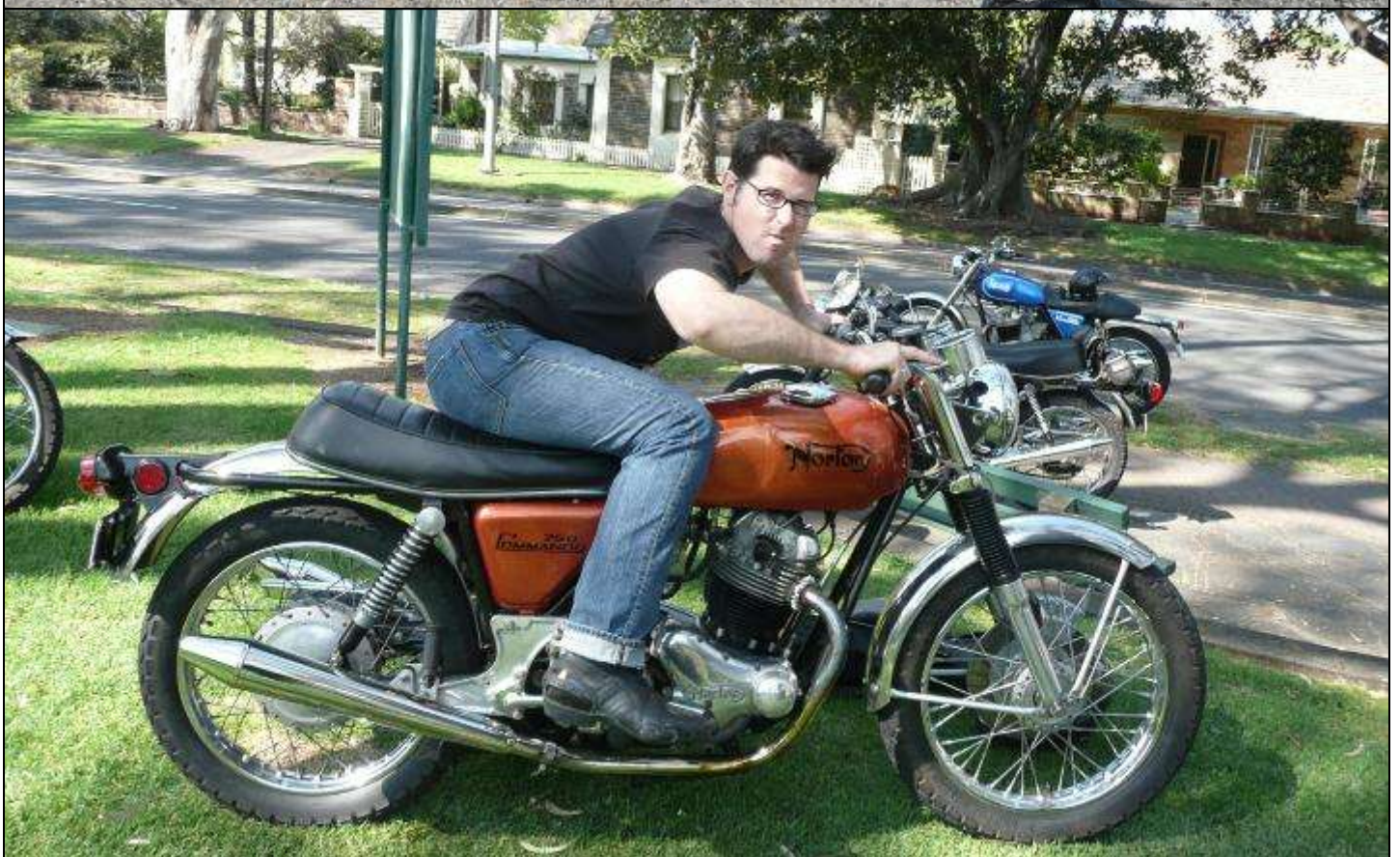


PS. Happy to answer questions at jyrate@gmail.com

Regards, Jerome Munchenberg



Jerome's JPS on a Club ride to Victor earlier this year



Some-times in the blink of an eye, or in this case a flash of a camera we reveal our true selves! Meet the clubs new Regalia Officer, Don on his latest Norton, another bike brought to Australia by Andrew Brown. Any-way Don would like to hear from members regarding their ideas on what they would like to see in the way of club regalia, what you would pay for etc. *your input is needed;*
contact Don by email at: noetics@hotmail.com

14-8-2011 August Norton Club Run

Sunday morning once again, fine all day 16c, 9.30am off I go to today's meeting place at Gepps Cross Go Cart's, in the car park waiting was Rick, Peter, Paul, Nick, Jerome, Terry, Doug, and then me. Around 9.30am we headed off via Grand Junction Rd to Tee Tree Gully then Inglewood to Chain of Ponds onto Gumeracha, Birdwood arriving in Mount Pleasant at 11.30am where Ray and Darren M were waiting. Coffee and food time as well as more talk Norton. 1.00pm leaving to Springton, Eden Valley, Keyneton, Angaston, Nuriootpa then on to Greenock for more refreshments (*sounds like beer o'clock! ed.*) and lunch. After lunch the ten of us headed for home all up around 190 km covered by six Norton's, two Honda's one Suzuki and one Ducati. Another good day to be riding Norton's and other bikes.

Yours truly Steve M



4 Sale \$15,000 ono 1975 Mk III V/Good con
Steve Ph 0422039571



Jerome's Duke. Transport,
crating & import organised
by Andrew Brown.



Aw my Gawd!!!
What's that smell?



Hazelwood pk. Start of the ride to Mannum.

18-9-2011 September Norton Club Ride

Sunday morning and a fine 27c all day. About 08.40 into my shed to fire up (Betsy) my Mk III 850cc Norton Commando, Second kick and (Betsy) is alive, her heart is beating well, five to ten minutes warm up time. Its time to head for Hazelwood Park arriving about 09.45 waiting there was Rick, Con, Donald, Steve, and soon after came Bruce, Andy M, **Darren M, Ian D, Mark, Andy Brown, Jerome ,Doug and myself, Steve M. 13 Norton's in all** what a great turnout. About 10.35 we all left for Mannum via Summertown, Balhannah, Woodside, Mt Torrens, Tungkillo, Palmer and arriving in Mannum at the reserve by the Murray River at midday. Thanks to the *VVMCCSA (55 yr anniversary)* for letting us park **our Norton's with their impressive club display of 180+ Vintage and Veteran Motor Cycles.** After a good look around I left for home. On the way to Mannum I stopped and watched 12 **Norton Commando's and Con's 650ss Norton go past what a sight to see,** its pleasure to ride a Norton. Yours truly, Steve M



Above a few Injun's for Dave M and Mark.
Also, Mark at left with his Mk111,
and below a couple of wan'na be Norton's.



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For the information of Norton Club members,

The president of the V & V, Brian Forth, is importing tyres from U.K., (he has an A.B.N. number) and selling from home at a price cheaper than available here in Adelaide. Brands of Avon, Cheng Shin and several other ones I can't remember right now. **I have ordered 5 for myself, (Avon's 3.50 X 19 approx \$110 each) Fitting is not available.** Brian is currently taking orders for his next shipment, the more orders he gets, apparently the cheaper they will be.

Contact by email at: forthy@picknowl.com.au or mobile 0409 514 213,

Regards Paul Knapp.

Dave R and his wife Lesley are planning to do another Motorcycle Safari with Ferris Wheels.

"This time we visit the, Incredible Inca's, heading off in September 2012. The trip lasts about 3 weeks and is an inclusive deal visiting Peru, Bolivia and Machu Pichu. Hire bikes, back up vehicle, hotels and meals all organised.

Just buy your plane ticket and turn up with helmet and beer money.

The full itinerary and details are available on the Ferris web site.

Mike and his wife Denise run fantastic tours around the world to suit us Aussie motorcyclists and there is still room for you to join us lot from Adelaide on this one!!! We have 9 committed people at this stage, but there is room for more! But you need to contact us asap.

They have one trip fully booked out, don't miss this one!

Don't be the one to say "gee if you had only told us—we would have come too!!"

Check out the Ferris website for more info—and call Dave or Lesley on 0423498781.

DO IT NOW!!!"

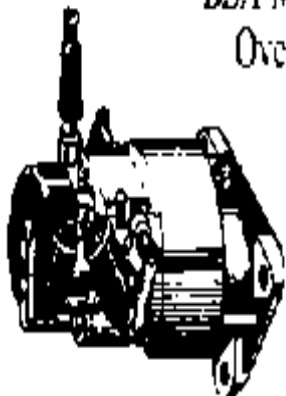
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Darwin early 1980's, Current club member dressed with the very latest in protective clothing and the special safety foot wear that was available at the time.

*But then Mick would say **“YOU MAY AS WELL BE NAKED”** (the old perve) Guess you had to be there! (nice bike, but then I'm biased)*

I have been in contact with Steves Motorcycles in WA and spoke to Murray West the sales manager.

In Murrays words: **“At the time of writing, STEVES is the only re-seller of Norton's in the southern hemisphere, we hope that based on our performance we will be the Australian distributor. I have been talking with Norton for three years and on a recent trip to the IoM I arranged a limited number of new bikes. These are almost sold out, new orders will delivered mid/late 2012.**

This will be dependant on the ADR issued from Canberra.”

Models: 961 SPORT, 961 CAFÉ RACER, @ \$27995 & \$30995 respectively,
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Meeting 137

1 / 8 / 11

OPENING: President Con Desyllas opened the meeting at 8 pm & welcomed members & friends.
PRESENT: Bill, Darren M, Andrew M, Paul Knapp, Andrew Brown, Steve Mulhern, Ian DeLaine, Mal Hamilton, Con, Jason Ward, Jerome Munchenberg, Dave Rocklyn, Dave M, Steve A, Tim, Murray, Lyndi, Bo Isberg, Terry Salter, Ray Sims, Barry Miller.
APOLOGIES: Donald
PREVIOUS MINUTES: Plans for Bay to Birdwood to be discussed.
MAIL IN: **July "Roadholder" has article "New oils for old Nortons?" - it's very technical; says modern multigrades** are better for old Nortons than old monogrades;
APC Motorcycles does aftermarket parts for all British bikes, huge range, get parts catalogue, www.apcycles.com.au **also wants to advertise in "Energette" & on our website, passed on to Ian & Andrew** for consideration;
Email message for Barry from Matthew Spencer, not known to Barry, mystery;
Classic Targa Adelaide Sept 14 - 17, competitive rally of classic cars across SA, run by CAMS (Motorsport) www.classictargaadelaide.com.au
Rock & Roll Festival Sept 17 - 18, Victor Harbour, Rock & Roll bands, cruise, dinner, Sunday is free entry for motorbikes www.rocknrollfestival.com.au
Black Dog Ride to Red Centre, August 21-27, raising funds to fight depression, from Caltex Starmart, 664 South Rd, Wingfield, 11 am, Aug 24th www.blackdogride.com.au
Letter from Ivan Venning, MP, sign petition to support changing law so historic number plates stay with vehicle, petition passed around & signed: Federation special meeting, to change constitution, allow more than 2 terms on committee, Aug 20th, CCC Clubrooms;
Tri Spark: Stephen Kelly, 25 years experience in electronics engineering, electronic ignitions & accessories for classic singles & twins, includes single & double output coils, voltage regulators, high output alternators, plug leads locally (Adelaide) made & tested for Australian conditions, installation is easy www.trispark.com.au ph 83711664;
Gawler Auto Swap Meet changed date to Sept 11th, \$5 entry www.perry.net.au/gawler.htm
Old Car Day Sept 1st, Bethany Reserve, 12.30, BYO lunch.
MAIL OUT: 32 letters to remind members to pay subs.
TREASURER: \$542 in; \$0 out; Balance: \$2753.01
CLUB CAPTAIN: Last ride July 17th, wet, fog, nobody rolled up, short ride; next ride is Barossa ride to Chain of Ponds, Birdwood 10 am, Gepps Cross Go Kart Track.
LIBRARY: Roadholder & Burnt Piston in.
EDITOR: New mag out, couple of typos; Club needs a sub-editor for mail-outs, etc., Ian unable to attend meetings Nov & December, Andrew M volunteers, thanks Andy.
REGALIA: no report.
FEDERATION: Cut-off date for historic rego looks like remaining 1978 for now; plans to allow Stat Decs as alternative to club inspections of vehicles, Stat Dec a legal document, heavy penalty for false Dec.
GENERAL BUSINESS: Historic racing at Mallala November, Club plans to make \$100 donation to prizemoney, race normally won by Norton, donation gets big mention in program, looking for volunteers for marshalls on the day; big historic meet at Mac Park, Mt Gambier, Christmas to New Year;
Brand new Nortons for sale, Commando 850, also Mk 2, also Mk 2A, both in John Player colours, also Bonny, Fastback, all brand new or near new, contact Ray Renwood 0425843106;
Member Mark Harvey has bought a few 961 Commandos in UK & is having trouble bringing them back to Australia, import restrictions;
BSA Club changed Historic Registrars, but the former Registrar signed a MR334 after losing his status, & the Department picked up on it & said please explain, so remember, Big Brother is watching you;
Andrew has entered Bay to Birdwood, others will ride along;
Christmas Lunch discussed, meeting decided last year's venue was good, Birkenhead Tavern approved for this year.
Tin passed around for \$38.45 Meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Meeting 138

5 / 9 / 11

OPENING: President Con Desyllas opened the meeting at 8 pm & welcomed members & friends.
PRESENT: Bill, Dan, Cozi, Mal Hamilton, Paul Knapp, Andrew Brown, Darren, Andrew, Dave M, Con, Fella, Eddy S, Murray N, Donald H, Jason Ward, Bo Isberg, Dave Rocklyn, Mick Pratt, Terry Salter, George Kinsey, Barry, Steve.
APOLOGIES: Ian, Lyndi, Tim, Steve Adkins.
MAIL IN: Historic Vehicle Gathering 4th March 11 am - 3 pm, old netball courts near Keswick Bridge, Anzac Highway, free, catering;
Pink Ribbon Ride 23rd October 10 am Arkaba Carpark, Fullarton to Mannum Footy Oval, \$15, proceeds to breast cancer research, Womens Int Bikers SA, usually get 350 bikes along, prizes;
MRA Toy Run 11th Dec from Victoria Park (Clipsal Track) to Callington (note new start & destination) www.mrasa.asn.au
Veteran & Vintage M/C Club Motorcycle only Swap Meet, no car stuff 2nd October Balhannah Oval 7 am, prizes, merchandise, catering;
Millie's Bakery caters for Club runs, gourmet pastry, great coffee, secure parking, Main Rd, Nairne;
For Sale 1968 Atlas with Commando engine, café racer style, \$8,500 ono, ph Chris 0400192950.
MAIL OUT: letter to new member, petitions to MP
TREASURER: \$443.45 in; \$210 out; Balance \$3109.37
CLUB CAPTAIN: Last ride to Barossa, 8 bikes (4 Nortons), Mt Pleasant through Greenock, great ride; next ride Adelaide Hills September 18th.
LIBRARY: new Roadholder, BSA Journal.
EDITOR: no report.
REGALIA: Donald asking for new ideas for regalia, what do you want? What will you pay for? Email Donald to let him know noetics@hotmail.com
FEDERATION: Still planning to move cut-off dates for historic rego further forward; planning to have stat decs as alternative to vehicle inspections: changes to Club Constitution nearly ready.
GENERAL BUSINESS: Swap Meet at Balhannah: open invite to display HV bikes & promote Club, more the merrier, some members will display;
big BSA event will clash with Barossa Valley Classic October 16th, Club will ride to Williamstown Oval;
suggestion to get guest speakers, suggestions Penrite Oils & Tri Spark Ignitions, Murray will contact them & invite;
Veteran & Vintage M/C Club anniversary tour Barossa Valley 17th - 22nd Sept open invite to all classic bikes to ride along at Nuriootpa or Mannum <http://vymccsa.org.au>
Tin passed around for \$35 Meeting closed 8.45 pm.



RIDE CALENDAR 2011/12



16 October:

BAROSSA VALLEY CLASSIC RALLY.
Depart 10:00am Gepps X Go-kart Track.
Finish at Williamstown Oval.

20 November:

XMAS CLUB LUNCH AND RIDE.
Depart 10.00am Hazelwood Park
Birkenhead Tavern Port Adelaide

11 December:

SOUTHERN RIDE.
Depart 10:00am Top of Taps.



12 January:

HILLS RIDE.
Depart 10.00am Hazelwood Park
Hahndorf Swap Meet.

12 February:

ALL BRITISH DAY.
Depart 10.00am Hazelwood Park
Club display????

NOTE!! Ride calendar is prepared in advance, subject to change if a clash of dates occurs. Check Thursdays Advertiser, club notes or call the club Captain.....