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Chairman's Chatter

Once again the Club has been very active over the last few Months.

We had an excellent turnout of Motorcycles of all ages at the Waterfall Methodist Church on 27th April.

At our Main Meeting on 6th May including Tiddlers and Scooters was well represented. Also invited was the Trade to display their Machines.

Tiddlers and Scooters filled up the display area in front of the Clubhouse.

The 1960 Ariel Arrow of Ron Bell took 1st in the Tiddlers, followed by the 1990 Yamaha SDR of Paul Ward and the 1992 SR250 of Dave Stone.

First to receive the New Scooter Trophy for his 1989 SA50 Pasola was Paul Ward. 2nd the 2017 Extreme Electric of Derek Pirie, followed by Alan Young's 2018 SYM Symphony.

The 36th Fragram Natal Classic Motorcycle Rally has just gone and saw 35 Riders and Passengers. Day one started off with a light rain and mist which cleared after Little Switzerland. The Route headed into the Free State, turning at Warden and lunch at the Kestell Golf Club, returning to Drakensville.

Day two was cold but clear with an out and back Route via Colenso for lunch at Drakensville.

1st overall and 1st to two up went to Mike & Glenda Ward riding a 1978 Suzuki GS750 with 301 points.

2nd overall and 1st CMCN rider was Matthew Vacy-Lyle on a 1962 BMW R60/2 with 342 points.

3rd Bill Lance on a 1981 BMW R80GS.

The oldest Motorcycle was a 1934 Norton 18 and the youngest a 1994 BMW R1100GS.

A big thank you to Richard Sawkins and his Team and Sponsors for yet another excellent Natal Classic.

The Natal Classic is second to the Durban-Johannesburg Motorcycle Rally, the only Motorcycle events left on the SAVVA Calendar. Both need your supper to keep them going. The Natal Classic is a no pressure, open and friendly event. Classic Motorcycle's make up the majority of Machines in our Club and our Sister Club's CMC and VMC.

Spread the word and let's get the numbers up next year, without which we could lose the Natal Classic.

Please continue to support the Club at its Main Meetings, Outings, Displays and Breakfast Runs.

On two wheels and sometime three.

Derek Pirie

Chairman

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For access to the Magazines on our website www.ncmn.org.za, the password is
‘ hillcrest ’

Bike of the Month Competition Categories

January:	Best of British including best AJS / Matchless
February:	Golden Oldies (Dec 1936) & Golden Years (1937- 1945) Trophy
March:	Day of the Rising Sun
April:	BMW – Dave Turnbull Trophy
May:	Tiddlers & Scooters
June:	Showbike Trophy
July:	Concourse Competition
August:	Post-Classic (2001 – 2010)
September:	European – including Spain, Holland, France, Belgium, Germany (excl BMW), Italy, Czechoslovakia and Russia
October:	Racing Bike & Classic Off Road
November:	Modern and any make / classic from the USA / Canada
December:	AGM – No Competition

Bike of the Month Competition Guidelines:

Members are reminded that to qualify for the competitions they must be fully paid up members; the bike entered in the competition must be owned by them; it must comply with the category entered and it must be a runner. If the bike is a non-runner it will be accepted for display, but will not be considered as a competitor.

Many thanks and regards,

Alan.

Once again a big thanks to Paul Ward of Startline for his very generous sponsorship
of the prize money.

Winning the April BMW Category (Dave Turnbull Trophy) was
Raymond Meyer's 1934 BMW R11



(Trophy accepted on Raymond's behalf by Alan Young)

2nd place went to Andy Paulsen with his 1977 BMW R75/7,



Winner of the Tiddlers Category in May was Ron Bell with his 1960 Ariel Arrow



2nd place went to Paul Ward's 1990 Yamaha SDR.



The Scooter Category was won by Paul Ward's 1980 Honda Passola



2nd place went to Derek Pirie's 2017 Extreme Electric.



The 2023 Century Run:

This year's Century run was well attended, thanks to all the members who came out for our Club to Club ride around the Bluff!

The highest total was 170 from Hank Raatgever (76) riding his 1929 AJS (94)

The oldest rider was Dudley Schafer (87) on his 2006 Suzuki 1000 GSX which scored a Bronze certificate with a combined age of 104.





SAVVA Indemnity Forms and Cards:

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The form is available for download on the SAVVA website under Forms .

Indemnity forms are legal documents. Both sides of the forms must be completed, signed and witnessed, and after the number of the indemnity card issued has been recorded on the form, the original forms should be posted to the SAVVA Secretary, or brought to the SAVVA AGM each year. Clubs are encouraged to keep copies of the forms.

SAVVA Indemnity applies to all events, socials, fun runs, displays, nothing excluded, organised and promoted by a club affiliated to SAVVA.

The onus rests upon the Club to ensure persons listed in Section 5 of the Handbook complete the forms.

Indemnity Cards It is suggested that when a new member joins a club that an indemnity card be issued to him/her and spouse immediately.

Every single person involved with a SAVVA competitive event where a permit has been issued shall have in their possession an Indemnity Card issued by the Club on behalf of SAVVA, that is all drivers, navigators, passengers of participating vehicles, all officials, marshals and their assistants, including drivers and passengers of tender vehicles and in modern vehicles who are part of the event, and persons representing sponsors, the press, SAVVA or the host club who will be present on the event or who may travel in competing vehicles.

Thus, as Club Members wishing to participate in any Club organised event, please ensure that you have a SAVVA indemnity card, which is issued when you join, and that your Bike is SAVVA dated. Rod Thomas can assist in this regard, as he's the Club Dating Officer.

Other stuff: Adverts, Technical, News etc.



SAVVA Technical Tip 160 -bending Plastic Tubing

SAVVA Tip 160 – Bending plastic tubing and retaining the shape. Some time ago we received this article from Dane Fraser. Thanks Dane and apologies for taking so long to use it: From Dane: If you have ever had to create a sharp bend in the clear tygon tubing you know how easy it can kink. I bought a new replacement carburettor for a small engine the problem was it came with a straight fuel inlet instead of the 90° one the old one had No problem I thought I would just use a piece of 1/4" tygon tubing for the fuel line only when I tried to make it do the sharp bend required to connect between the carb and the gas tank it would kink. I decided to give it a preform by making a shaping mandrel or bendable forming tool that I could insert then bend the tubing. The best thing I have found for jobs like this is lead as it is easily shaped into whatever form you need and will retain its shape as long as needed. and if required it can be straightened out again A couple of years ago I made some half round lead sticks by melting the lead and pouring it is grooves for using in leading in seams and small dents in auto-body work. I found that was exactly the diameter I needed when folded double. I inserted it in the tygon tubing then bent it to the shape I needed. I placed it in a cut open soft drink bottle then poured in boiling water and left it until the water cooled. To remove the forming tool I

had to straighten it out somewhat but the tubing retained its shape due to being heated in the boiling water. Tubing and tool before forming.

Formed and in boiling water note the drink bottle deforming



Tubing and tool before forming.



Lead now removed note tubing retains the formed shape



Lead tool inserted in tubing



Installed on the engine

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Please contact Andrew Mather on 083 309 9233 or andrewmather@telkomsa.net

Wanted:

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