

# M.R.A.

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*Received by  
phone to Adelaide 18/4/83.  
Friedman 27 April 1983.  
Damien*

Dear Damien

The purpose of this letter is to request an explanation on the following matters:

1. Why in a telephone conversation to Stephen Wiggins of FAM NSW did you state that as from 1 July 1983 M.R.A. Australia would come into operation? Is it not the role of delegates attending the next M.R.A. National Conference to decide this?
2. Why during the same telephone conversation did you state that as from 1 July 1983 M.R.A. Australia would take over the role of the Australian Motorcycle Council, and there would, therefore, no longer be a need for the AMC? Is this not a decision for member groups of the AMC to make?

At the last M.R.A. National Conference held in Canberra it was decided by delegates that "There was a need for a national body". The same delegates agreed to forward to Hal Caston, Secretary of the A.C.T. Branch, no later than 30 April 1983 their members' views and opinions regarding M.R.A. Victoria's proposal for a national body. This information is to be correlated in preparation for the Special National Conference, which the same delegates agreed to attend in Melbourne on 25/26 June 1983.

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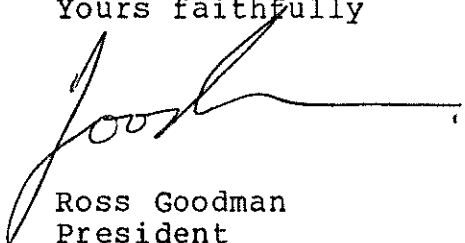
**Let those who ride decide**

M.R.A. NSW has taken a great deal of time and effort to appraise this proposal and formulate its views by circulating and voting on it at Branch and Register level. We are adamant that NSW members be given the opportunity to decide their own future.

We also feel that all M.R.A. members throughout Australia should have their say in this matter, and only then can it be decided whether M.R.A. Australia should exist, what format it will take and what function it will serve.

By giving advance notice of something that has not yet been decided you have infringed upon the rights of all M.R.A. members. Until the matter is discussed and voted on at the June Conference by the delegates chosen to represent the members of each State, there can be no national body, and obviously nobody from the M.R.A. is entitled to speak as a national spokesperson. Is not the rest of Australia, and even your own members, entitled to decide this issue?

Yours faithfully



Ross Goodman  
President

cc All M.R.A. Branches and Registers