

Motorcycle Riders Association

P.O. BOX 64, COLLINS STREET, VICTORIA. 3000.

The M.R.A. is a new group that works for better conditions for Australian Motorcyclists. It is not a club and does not interfere with membership in any club. It is for all Motorcyclists and those interested in Motorcycling. You should be a member for your own protection.

The aims of the M.R.A. are:

1. To work for ROAD SAFETY mainly through ROAD USER EDUCATION but also through fair and sensible legislation. Education rather than legislation saves lives.

2. To work for an improved image for motorcyclists by showing the public "no hassle activities". For example by doing a community service, like the TOY & BLOOD RUNS and having them covered accurately by the media.

3. To work for FAIR & SENSIBLE LEGISLATION. We have been second class citizens for too long. We need laws that protect us physically and also protect our rights as 1st class citizens. The people representing Motorcyclists to Government in the main, are the big companies & organizations and P.S. armchair experts. The M.R.A. represents the rider.

The M.R.A. supports organizations working for the good of the Motorcycle Community such as the Federation of Australian Motorcyclists.

Once the public sees Motorcyclists as responsible people who care about conditions on our roads and demand their rights as 1st. class citizens then we have real bargaining power. If the M.R.A. is to gain strength & credibility the BEHAVIOUR OF M.R.A. MEMBERS MUST BE ABOVE REPROACH AT ALL TIMES.

Anti "lights on" & M.R.A. stickers are available at 30¢ each.

"Mr. Motorist, Motorcycles are not Mirages". posters are \$1.00 each plus 20¢ postage.

Members woven badges are \$3.00 each.

All proceeds go to the Fighting Fund. Dealers are invited to sponsor stickers, posters or functions. It's good advertising and in many cases will benefit organizations such as the RED CROSS or the SALVATION ARMY. The M.R.A. is working on 10% discounts for badge wearing members on tyres and parts from dealers. The BE BOP RECORD SHOP, 382 Chapel St., Sth. Yarra (ask for Nod) he gives 10% off to M.R.A. members, as well as selling stickers & posters. Eastend Music, Upper Level, Forest Hills Shopping Centre also gives 10% on records & tapes to M.R.A. members. M.R.A. Secretary, Angie, sells stickers, posters and badges at the AMERICAN MAID ICE CREAM 1149 Toorak Rd, Hartwell, she can give you information and sign you up. There is an M.R.A. column in each issue of the Aust. Motorcycle News.

It is important that as many Motorcyclists as possible see this so please display it at your club or shop or pass a copy on to someone who may not have seen it. Where practicle the committee would like to speak at club meetings etc.

To join the M.R.A. send \$5.00 for 1 years membership with your name and address to the above Post Box. Lady members are welcome

SEPTEMBER

5th. TUESDAY. M.R.A. meeting at the St Kilda Inn Hotel on the corner of Barkly & Grey Sts., St Kilda. The meeting is from 8 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. and a ONE DOLLAR CONTRIBUTION is asked of those attending to defray expenses and aid the Fighting Fund.

23rd. SATURDAY. PILLION SPEED LIMIT PROTEST. Motorcyclists have tried all the appropriate channels to have this dangerously out of date law repealed as it has been in other states. Letters & petitions to, and interviews with politicians & authorities have failed. Likewise have newspaper articles & letters to Editors failed to remove this discriminatory law. ITS TIME TO RIDE. We must show the Government that we are responsible citizens who care about ROAD SAFETY & OUR RIGHTS by demonstrating our solidarity in opposing this law in a peaceful & orderly protest. The Protest is from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the corner of TOORAK & AUBURN RDS., HAWTHORN.

OCTOBER

3rd. TUESDAY. M.R.A. meeting 8 p.m. Because of growing numbers this and future meetings will be held at the hall on the corner of Ormond Rd, & Tiuna Gve, ELWOOD.

7th & 8th. ROAD RACES at Winton. A social weekend for members & friends but also a good opportunity to do some P.R. work with the Motorcycle Racing Fraternity.

NOVEMBER

7th. TUESDAY. M.R.A. meeting.

12th. SUNDAY. SWAP MEET. A large, roofed area will be provided so motorcyclists can buy, sell or swap anything to do with motorcycles. Leather goods, jewellery, old magazines, parts and so on. Music & refreshments will be on all day. Proceeds will aid the RED CROSS.

26th. SUNDAY. BLOOD RUN. The M.R.A. urges all those who can to give blood regularly. Let the media know about your next CLUB BLOOD RUN.

DECEMBER

2nd & 3rd. H.A. CONCERT at Broadford, Vic. Rock & Roll weekend with two M.R.A. Bands, The Black Velvet Band and The Jivers, playing on Sunday. The M.R.A. will have a stand and talk about Safety & Legislation and so on.

5th. TUESDAY M.R.A. meeting

9th. SATURDAY. TOY RUN. The Salvation Army has offered the M.R.A. a city car park and they will be delighted to distribute toys that motorcyclists donate amongst needy kids at Christmas. Music and refreshments will be between 8 a.m. & 5 p.m.

22nd. FRIDAY 7 a.m. BREAK UP BREAKFAST ON THE YARRA.

1979. FEBRUARY. MOTORCYCLE BALL . MARCH M.R.A. RACE MEETING.

Some events may alter during organisation. Information sheets will be available or write to the M.R.A.

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