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Steel Horses Cruising Motorcycles Social Club Inc meets every 3rd Tuesday at: Lord Stanley Hotel, East Brisbane, at 7.30 pm. Lord Stanley Hotel is at the intersection of Didsbury St, and Stanley St East, East Brisbane.

Website:

www.steelhorses.com.au

Club Objectives:

The objects of the club are to encourage members to regularly meet, ride, and join together for social enjoyment.

Membership:

Membership is open to Riders and Pillions of Cruiser and Tourer motorcycles, as well as Social Members.

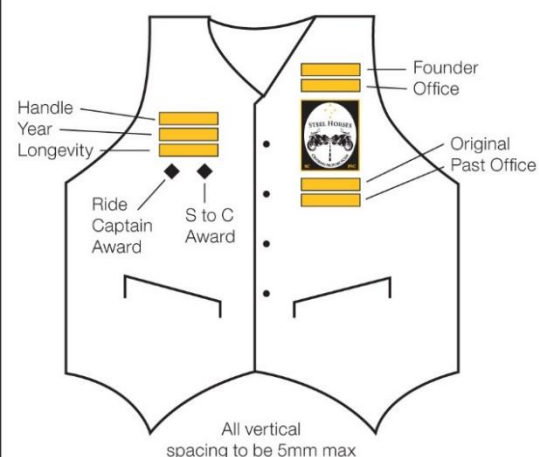
Currently, the annual membership subscription is \$36 for Riders, Pillions, and Social Members. This is applied once only joining fee on top of the annual membership fee. This covers the cost of Patch, Insignia, and other Club costs.

Currently, the joining fee is \$40 for all Members. All Members must wear a vest and Club Patch.

Members can view the Rules and By-laws at our monthly meetings. Just let the Secretary know.

The opinions expressed in this

STEEL HORSES PATCH PLACEMENT





- * Steiny's Spiel (the President's Report).
- * South Ride - Sunday 16th October 2016.
- * West Ride - Sunday 23rd October 2016.
- * Harley Days HOG Rally - 26th October to 2nd November 2016
- * North Ride - Sunday 30th October 2016.
- * South Ride - Sunday 6th November 2016.
- * The USA Ride!!
- * An Invitation.
- * Life Behind Bars.
- * A Harley oddity!
- * The *Emergency+* app - just get it!
- * Birthdays.
- * Riding Tips - How to avoid *Motion Induced Blindness*.
- * November and December Ride Calendar.
- * Some jokes! :-)

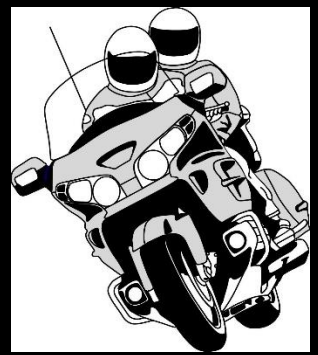
Hmmm ... This feels good! Maybe I should've bought one of these beasts!

Maybe I WILL buy one of these beasts!





STEINY'S SPIEL



Hi all ...

Another month has slipped past and we wonder where it has gone. There has been a few quiet rides with little attendances, but I suppose that's to be expected at this time of the year.

We've had Sarge laid up with his back injury, and hobbling around on crutches and I've been in the same boat for the last few months. Now that I can drive, Sarge and I plan on doing the BBQ thing on some of the rides, and at least I can taxi the both of us up to Mt. Glorious and to Tony's Cafe.

Elsewhere in this newsletter, Kim has an article regarding a smartphone app, which you have on the desktop of your phone, and in an emergency you can do all the things you need to do in a hurry in one go, like give your exact GPS coordinates, address, dial 000, SES Police. This is an awesome app and is potentially a lifesaver. It's free, and I urge everyone to get it asap.

Jak, Hippy, Ace, Kim, Rosie, and Colin had a great trip to the Hog Rally and had a ripper of a time travelling some beautiful, as Jak says, cornivorous roads. There is talk of doing the same trip again in the future but in a lot shorter time.

On a much more sombre note, we tragically lost a former member when "Catfish" had an accident on his way to work one morning. All those members who could make it, attended his funeral to pay their respects, and the secretary organised to send flowers and a card to Catfish's partner, Richelle, on behalf of the Club. This was a terrible tragedy as he left behind four children as well. Our hearts go out to all his family and friends.

At this stage, we plan on having our next meeting at the Lord Stanley, providing they haven't booked our spot out to someone else, but there will be an email out to verify this in plenty of time.

It looks like I wont be on a bike for a while yet, and as you can see by some of the posts on Facebook I am already getting teased about buying a Can-Am Spyder. IF ... IF I did, I don't think life would be worth living.

Look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting.

Cheers ... Steiny.

STEEL HORSES SOUTH RIDE

Sunday 16th October 2016

Ride Captain: Jak

Riders: Drastic, Lucky J, Kim & Ynot (TEC)

We met at Yatala and after coffees and breakfast we headed off over Mt Tamborine on the way to Canungra.

There was excessive traffic on the way up the mountain but at the top there was a traffic jam. There seemed to be a lot of little rice burner cars and figuring there was a car event somewhere we made a Uturn in the stopped traffic to head back down the mountain to Canungra via Tamborine village.

After a cold beverage at Canungra pub we went out through the Numinbah valley for lunch at the Tyalgum pub. After lunch and conversation on the state of the US election nightmare we headed of through Mt Tomewin to our goodbye stop at Coomera. We said our goodbyes and Kim and I stayed for a coffee after the others departed.

Another great day on the road with brilliant weather. Wouldn't be dead for quids.

Cheers ... Jak



STEEL HORSES WEST RIDE

Sunday 23rd October 2016

A West Ride that took us from the meeting point at Goodna to the charming Maryvale Pub for a break, then on to Nobby for lunch at the amazing Rudd's Pub, and then home via Maa Maa Creek. **Ride Captain:** Sam. **TEC:** Hippy.



STEEL HORSES RIDE TO THE HARLEY DAYS HOG RALLY IN WOLLONGONG

Wednesday 26th October to Wednesday 2nd November 2016

Ride Captain: Jak.

Riders: Ace, Hippy, Kim, Rosie, and Jak's mate Colin.

As the national HOG rally had opened up to everyone rather than just HOG members, I asked around and had instant interest from Kim and Rosie, Colin a friend of mine, and eventually convinced Hippy and Ace to attend.

Kim, Rosie, Hippy, Ace and I met at Goodna Maccas on the morning of the 26th October all loaded up and ready to roll. We had a brief stop at Aratula to meet up with Colin. The first two day's riding were down the New England highway, camping in show-grounds in Armidale the first night and Singleton the second night. Both show-grounds were great value at \$10 per tent per night and the facilities were clean and managers bike friendly. I am definitely sold on the show-ground camping. The night in Armidale was freezing but it warmed up from then on. The night in Singleton was threatening storms so the manager allowed us to put up our tents in an undercover bar area. Both nights we dined at local pubs which were within walking distance.

The third day was where the fun riding began. We were all eagerly anticipating the Putty Road and were a bit disappointed that it was wet but still appreciated it as a great ride and one to bookmark for a future run. Half way down the Putty Road we had breakfast at the ultra bike friendly Grey Gums cafe where the coffee was appreciated for its caffeine but also to warm the hands. The second half of this road was less tight but still a great bike road.

We arrived in Wollongong early in the afternoon of the 28th and registered at the HOG rally in Stuart Park, then went to the campground and set up our tents for the evening in the Corrimal Beach camping ground, which would be our home for 3 nights. We caught a cab to the HOG rally and looked at all the displays and vendors tents before settling in to a table with a view of the stage and watched several bands including The Zombies, the Screaming Eagles and Ross Wilson who all played Aus classic rock. We met a local couple there and spent the evening listening to the bands and having a few quiet ales and chatting.

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There were a couple of rides being lead by the local HOG chapter the next day but we opted to do our own thing and ride up the Grand Pacific Drive north of The 'Gong to the Sea Cliff Bridge which was all pretty stunning. On the way back we stopped in a nice cafe on the water then headed back to the rally for a while. We then returned to the camp site and back by cab later to watch the entertainment for the night which was a DJ. It was entertaining but not as good as the live bands the night before.

On Sunday we went down to join in the Thunder Run. HOG rallies always have a Thunder Run at the end, which consist of 1000 to 3000 bikes. Unfortunately this one was a let down as the local constabulary made the organisers split the group into smaller groups of a hundred or so which were further broken up in traffic. The "Thunder Run" was reduced to a "slightly overcast" run at best.

Next morning we said farewell to Rosie who had to fly back home for work and hit the road early bound for Wauchope just inland from Port Macquarie. We spent the night in another show-ground with slightly less clean amenities but a really nice friendly manager. Next morning we searched unsuccessfully for coffee and hit the road a bit earlier than an ideal time for kangaroo movement (luckily we didn't see any). This morning was the best riding road of the trip as we were on the Oxley Highway from Wauchope to Walcha. We all agreed it was one of the best bike roads we had ever travelled and will have to do it again on a future ride. The cafe we went to in Walcha was awesome as the owner was an artist, a biker and obviously a war buff. He had a lot of his art featuring bikes, classic cars and war themes everywhere. It was like a museum really.

After the Oxley Highway we headed up the impressively named Thunderbolts Way on to the Waterfall Way then turned off before Ebor to head for our last night in the Crown hotel Grafton (a bargain at \$40 a night). We had a nice dinner there then were off early the next day to wend our way home via Kyogle and Uki. Our farewell stop was at Coomera where we had coffee and a serious discussion about keeping on heading north for another few nights.

The HOG rally was good, but the ride and the companionship were the highlights of the trip. It was a great trip and a whole lot of fun.

Cheers ... Jak





PLEASE WAIT
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AUTOGRAPHS

STEEL HORSES NORTH RIDE

Sunday 30th October 2016

Ride Captain: Grumpy.

Riders: Nobody else turned up!!! :- (Ride abandoned.



PLEASE WAIT
HERE FOR
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NOBODY
TURNED UP

STEEL HORSES SOUTH RIDE

Sunday 6th November 2016

Ride Captain: Jak

Riders: Boots, Drastic, Suzie Q, Mac, Ynot, Hippie, Kim, Matt (a friend of Mac's on a Vulcan 2000), and Yogi joined us for breakfast but didn't ride.

It was a picture perfect day for a ride and the usual speed camera wasn't in location on the highway, so I thought it may be a police free day. We rolled in for breakfast and Hippie rolled in late having decided to try Maccas at Goodna before joining us at Yatala. Yogi was there when I arrived but broke it to me gently that he was only there for a pre-ride chat. Mac bought his friend Matt on a 2 litre Vulcan the same as Boot's bike.

We headed out over Stanmore Rd towards Tambourine and saw the first of many plods for the day. Out through Canungra and did a loop of Beechmont where we saw two more cops on bikes and two in cars before stopping for a break at the Advancetown pub. Ynot returned home for a lunch date and we set out through Numinbah for lunch at Uki. The pub at Uki was packed and we had a bit of a wait for lunch but after that we took a leisurely stroll over Mt Tomewin to end the ride at Coomera.

We said our goodbyes to Drastic, Suzie Q and Boots and the rest of us had coffee and after solving the worlds problems with the appointment of a benevolent dictator we headed home threading our way through the traffic returning from the Gold Coast, that a sunny day in the south east provides.

Cheers ... Jak.



STEEL HORSES USA TRIP

Jak's version!

On the 12th of June 2016 Sarge, Mac, Drastic and I (Jak) headed over to the US with the main intention of a ride and a few other touristy things thrown in. We flew from Brisbane to Las Vegas and had 5 days looking around Vegas and doing various things there before the bike trip. Drastic went on a "no door" helicopter flight over the Grand Canyon and learnt about a guy who does shooting in the desert so we all went out there and shot various calibre semi automatics and hand guns.

We picked up the bikes (3 Ultras and a street glide) from Las Vegas Harley Davidson on the 17th June and on the morning of the 18th we left Las Vegas bound for Williams Az. (a route 66 town) The roads here were mainly multi lane highways and traffic flowed freely. We looked around Williams and had a couple of drinks that night and left the next morning to head to Sedona Az via the south rim of the Grand Canyon. The Grand Canyon was awesome and so is Sedona which is a beautiful little town surrounded by red peaks which are the backdrop for every John Wayne movie made.

Next morning it was off to Winslow Az which is another Route 66 town and famous for the Eagles song named after it. We stayed in an historic hotel named La Posada which is also the train station for the Amtrack trains. Next day it was off to Albuquerque which is pretty forgettable except for having the worst taxi service in the world. We were seriously nearly killed on the taxi ride home from dinner.



Eager to escape Albuquerque the next day we went to Santa Fe via Madrid which is the town featured in the Wild Hogs movie.

At Madrid Drastic was told about a road up to a ski field nearby which is a perfect bike ride. As it was a short ride that day we took the advice and backtracked to a mountain road that was perfect and had been recently resurfaced.

From Santa Fe we headed north into Colorado and found the stuff that biking dreams are made of. For about four days we rode around the mountains of Colorado and this was the definite highlight of the trip.

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We rode through national parks that were awesome and challenging, as the US is not a nanny state, so at the end of the bitumen there can be drop offs of several hundred feet. But the roads were in great condition and the scenery was awesome. One day's riding in particular included lunch at a diner where all the waitresses carried guns in holsters (we tipped well) and a visit to a marijuana shop. Pot is freely available in Colorado and the guy showed us around all the jars that were set out like a candy shop.

Several more days of riding saw us in the states of Utah, Arizona, and back to drop off the bikes in Vegas. All up we rode for 2 weeks. The roads in the US are well maintained and perfect for bike riding. The police have a genuine safety concern and are not there for revenue raising. Several times we went passed police in the middle of highways watching traffic roll passed them at 15 or 20 miles an hour over the limit. It is so much safer to ride while focussing on other traffic rather than your speedo or speed signs. Some of us also tried riding without helmets at various times as most of the states we were in allowed this. The majority of cruiser riders wear no helmets.

It was a brilliant trip. We all had a great time and created a lot of great memories. Thanks to my travel companions for making it one of the highlights of my life.

Jak.





BBQ at Hippy & Roach's Saturday 19 November 2016

From 4pm onwards

**Please email Roach for
address details from the clubs
updated members list**

**Nibbles, food, tea, coffee &
light beverages provided**

Please BYO alcohol

**RSVP by Wednesday 16 Nov
for catering purposes**

**Note: To assist Steiny & Sarge, parking at
the top of our driveway will be reserved for
their vehicles only please. Off street parking
available at the end of our driveway.**

Cheers peeps



Life Behind Bars: Choosing a Handlebar Style.

Article submitted by Mac.



The stock Harley-Davidson handlebars serve their function fairly well—to comfortably fit the "average" rider and help them safely and securely operate their motorcycle.

The problem is however, not everyone is the "average" rider with average body dimensions. Some people have longer torsos while others have shorter arms. Some people may not be able leave their arms or hands in the stock riding position for miles on end and may

experience dulling pain or numbness after only an hour or two of riding.

And this leads us to one of the reasons why there are so many aftermarket handlebar options available for Harley-Davidsons. Well, that and the fact the majority of the handlebars on most bone-stock Harley-Davidsons are just down right boring looking and do very little for the aesthetics of the motorcycle. Style and comfort are two major reasons why Harley owners will change out the bars on their motorcycle. Heck, depending on how long they own the bike, some salty old road dogs may change out their handlebars two, three, or even four times.

Luckily, there are plenty of options to choose from when picking out Harley handlebars and the list below will give you an overview of some of the more popular styles.

Ape Hangers:

The epitome of chopper styling, Ape Hangers are by far the most popular style of handlebars for Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

Ape Hangers (or just Apes) have been around since that first chopper freak took a cutting torch and welder to his motorcycle.

Easily identifiable by their height, Apes have gradual upward bend just past the mounting point at the risers then shoot straight towards the sky. They have another gentle bend outwards at the top so the bar ends are pretty much perpendicular to the ground. One of the reasons many people like Apes is because there are so many different heights to choose from. The most common heights are the 12, 16, and 18-inch Ape Hangers, but it's not uncommon to see people taking it

to the extreme with 20 and even 24-inch Apes. Another reason why people like Apes is because they look good on just about any style of bike, if done right. From choppers to bobbers, drop-seat customs, rat bikes, and even bone-stock Harley baggers, Apes are a classic style that can give any bike attitude. While the traditional Ape Hanger has smooth radiused bends at the top and bottom, you'll see some tall bars with hard top angles,, points, gussets, or wild Z-like designs incorporated into them, these are still considered Apes, some may call them Z-Apes but they are not Z-bars. One of the most recognizable custom motorcycles to rock Ape Hangers is the Captain America bike Peter Fonda rode in the movie Easy Rider.



Mini Apes/Baby Apes:

Mini Apes or Baby Apes are a shorter (mini) version of the Ape Hanger. Sometimes people may confuse Mini Apes with Buckhorn handlebars. Compared to Buckhorns, Baby Apes have a much more aggressive look with their straight up rise and opened up hand positioning. Mini Apes are traditionally under 8-1/2-inches tall.



Buckhorn:



Buckhorn handlebars have been around for a very long time and have been the stock bars on a host of Harley models including Softails, Sportsters, and Dynas. With a short rise similar to a Mini Ape, the difference between the two is the hand positioning. The bar ends on Buckhorns are angled in towards the rider (which also brings the elbows in) and have a slight dip to them. Many people feel the hand positioning with Buckhorn handlebars is awkward and/or uncomfortable and that the styling leaves much to be desired. One of the most noted uses of Buckhorns on a stock Harley was on the 1952 K Model, which was the predecessor to Harley's longest running production model, the Sportster—introduced in 1957.

Drag Bars:

Drag bars are another style that is often found on many stock Harley-Davidsons. Basically these bars go straight across at the bottom with little to no rise and then have a slight angled pullback. A very simple and basic design, the drag bars put the rider in a somewhat forward and more aggressive riding position.



T-Bars:

T-Bars are similar to drag bars except that they have built in risers. The risers are welded perpendicular to the main bar, making a T-like design. Height can vary anywhere from 4- to 8-inches tall (sometimes even taller). Riser styles vary between straight and those with pullback incorporated into them. Some people may call the bars with pull back style risers drag bars but they are still most commonly referred to as T-Bars. While the Captain America bike typically gets the most attention from motorcycle fans and the general public (mostly because of the American themed paint job on the gas tank and mirror chrome frame) its companion, the Bill Bike, with its chromed T-bars is a pretty sweet ride in its own right.



Beach Bars:

For a more relaxed look and feel there's Beach Bars. Similar to the pulled back style of bars found on beach cruiser bicycles, Beach Bars have long swooping bends that pull way back towards the rider. Most Beach Bars place the hands in a slightly open position and resting apart a little bit wider than the shoulders. And with little to no rise, the bars sit the hands around low- to mid-waist level. While they probably weren't called Beach Bars at the time, the motorcycle that started it all, the 1903 Serial Number One, has the earliest iteration of Beach Bars mounted to its neck.



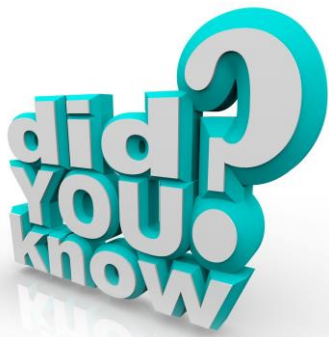
Z-Bars:



Exactly like the name states, Z-bars look like Zs (opposing Zs) at either end of the bar. With sharp lines and hard angles these are very tight and aggressive looking bars. Smaller than most other bars, Z-bars typically look best on Sportsters and narrow choppers/custom bikes. The rise on these bars is very minimal, usually only about four inches. They have very little, if any, pullback, and the width places the hands fairly close together compared to most other handlebars.

We just barely scratched the surface of custom handlebars for your Harley. There are garage builders and major aftermarket manufacturers coming out with new bends, heights, and designs all the time. But now at least now you have a solid understanding of the most popular styles, and the next time you hear someone say "look at those apes" you won't be scared for your life that you're about to get beat up by Donkey Kong and his buddies!





Harley's dirty little secret!!

The Motor Company certainly doesn't brag about it; but from 1959 to 1965 they manufactured a 164cc scooter called the Topper!! With a 2-stroke single-cylinder engine it produced 9 hp (6.7 kW) that scooted it along at a maximum speed of 74 km/h. With a 6.4 litre fuel tank, and an advertised economy of an amazing 100 mpg (2.8 litres/100km), it had a potential range of 230km!

The Topper was the only motor scooter that the Motor Company ever produced. The engine required a premixed gasoline/oil mixture. The starter was of the rope-recoil type similar to lawn mowers. Unlike most scooters with enclosed engines, the Topper's engine did not have a cooling fan. It was expected that the low, horizontally mounted engine would be cooled by air passing under the scooter; but some Toppers developed overheating problems.

The Topper had 5 inch internal expanding drum brakes on both wheels. The front brake was controlled by a hand lever on the left handlebar with a parking brake lock; the rear brake was controlled by a pedal. Storage space was provided under the seat; the manufacturer suggested storing extra containers of two-stroke oil there!



The *Emergency+* Smartphone App

See also:

<http://emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au/>
<http://www.triplezero.gov.au/pages/emergencysmartphoneapp.aspx>
<http://www.ses.tas.gov.au/h/em/awareness/mobile-000/emergencyplus>

Australia's Triple Zero Awareness Working Group has developed a smartphone app for iOS, Android and Windows devices to:

- provide the caller with information about when to call Triple Zero
- provide the caller with information about who to call in various non-emergency situations
 - Emergency (000)
 - State Emergency Service (SES) (132 500)
 - Police Assistance Line (131 444)
 - Crime Stoppers (1800 333 000)
 - Health Direct Australia (1800 022 222)
 - National Relay Service
- assist the caller to dial the relevant number
- display the GPS coordinates (and the street address if applicable) of the phone's location that the caller can simply read out to the emergency operator.



The app is **completely free of charge** and available for download from iTunes, Google Play and Windows Stores.

The app not only establishes your precise location, but also shows the position on a map, and provides links to Triple Zero, state emergency services and police.

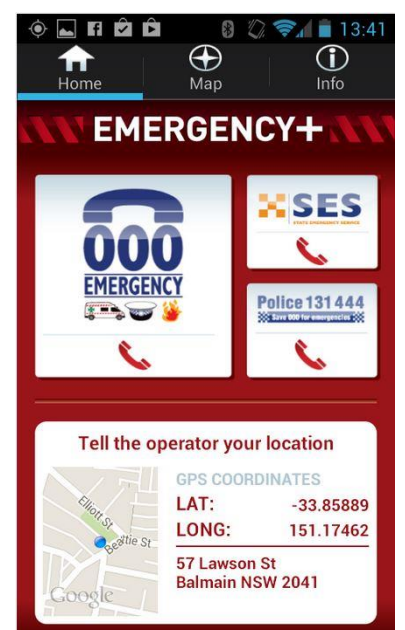
Emergency+ App FAQ

Why was the *Emergency+* app developed?

The *Emergency+* app was developed to address two identified issues:

- More than 65% of Triple Zero (000) calls originate from mobile phones, meaning more callers needing emergency assistance are unable to accurately identify their location so Police, Fire and Ambulance crews can respond, and
- To encourage people in Australia to call the right number for help in emergencies and non-emergencies, and to understand what is required of them when they make that call.

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Who developed the app?

Emergency+ was developed by the national Triple Zero Awareness Working Group, with members from Commonwealth, State and Territory Emergency Services, Government agencies and their industry partners.

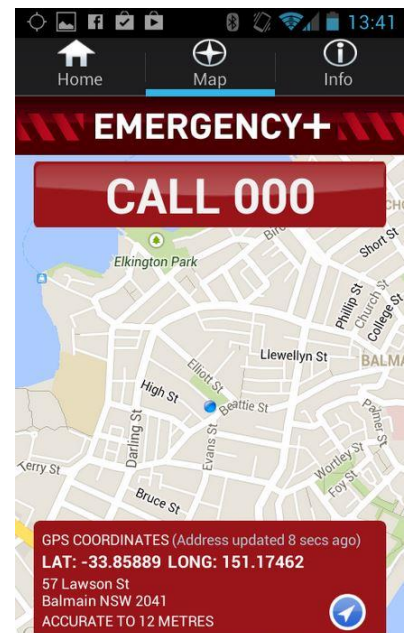
Does Emergency+ work anywhere in Australia?

Yes. Emergency+ is a national app designed to work in all States and Territories, within the limitation of the caller's smartphone (coverage and data).

How do I download Emergency+?

Emergency+ is available in iOS/Apple, Android and Windows phone versions for free download through their app stores, or access the direct links to the appropriate app market place from:

<http://emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au/>



Does the app contain other information that can help me?

Details of other national numbers – including Crime Stoppers, Health Direct and National Relay Service – are available on Emergency+'s Information page.

What GPS co-ordinates does Emergency+ use to display my location?

The displayed map coordinates allow the caller to tell the emergency call-taker their phone's geo-location. The app is designed to present your smartphone's GPS co-ordinates in the format used by Emergency Services call-takers, reducing call-handling and dispatch times.



Emergency+

National Triple Zero Awareness Work Group
Communication

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Quite a few members are having birthdays in November:

Jak
Mac
Princess
Rick
Sarge
Yogi

Happy Birthday and Best Wishes to you all! :-)

OK ... You're a year older, and older than you've ever been before. But you're a year younger than





Riding Tips

How to avoid *Motion Induced Blindness*

<http://www.fightbackwithfacts.com/motion-induced-blindness-sorry-mate-i-didnt-see-you-and-why/>

http://www.wanrosnah.com/motion_induced_blindness.html

In a motor accident, where a speeding car hits a slower moving vehicle coming from the side, the speeding car drivers often swear that they just didn't see the vehicle coming from the left or right.

Well, they aren't lying. They really don't see the vehicle coming from the side, in spite of broad daylight. This phenomenon on the car drivers' part is known as *Motion Induced Blindness*. Armed forces pilots are taught about *Motion Induced Blindness* during training, because it happens faster at high speeds. It is particularly applicable to car and motorcycle drivers also.



Once airborne, pilots are taught to alternate their gaze between scanning the horizon and scanning their instrument panel, and never to fix their gaze for more than a couple of seconds on any single object. They are taught to continually keep their heads on a swivel and their eyes always moving. Because, if you fix your gaze on one object long enough while you yourself are in motion, your peripheral vision goes completely blind! That's why it is called *Motion Induced Blindness*. For fighter pilots, this is the only way to survive in the air; not only during aerial combat, but from peacetime hazards like mid-air collisions as well.

Till about three decades ago, this "heads on swivel & eyes moving" technique was the only way to spot other aircraft in the skies around. Nowadays they have on-board radars, but the old technique still holds good.

So, if you are driving on a highway and if you fix your gaze on the road straight ahead, you will not see a car, a scooter, a buggy, a bicycle, a kangaroo, or even a human being approaching from the side! This is the reason commercial drivers are supposed to check their mirrors every 5-10 seconds. Now reverse the picture: if you are crossing a road and you see a speeding car approaching there is a 90% chance that the driver isn't seeing you at all, because his/her peripheral vision may be blind! And you are probably in that blind zone!

Go to <http://www.steelhorses.com.au> for the latest updates to the Ride Calendar.

Ride

Calendar

NOVEMBER 2016

Sun	6	South	<i>Ride Captain: Jak.</i> BP Servo at Yatala - Kyogle - Home. 334km.
Sun	13	West	Complete information about this ride will be detailed here about 5 days before the event. Check this space during the week before this ride!
Tues	15	MEETING	Lord Stanley Hotel . 994 Stanley Street East, East Brisbane . The meeting proper starts at 7.30pm; but come earlier for dinner!
Sun	20	North	<i>Ride Captain: Hurricane (0438 868 507)</i> Caltex Carseldine Roadhouse - Old Gympie Road - Woombye - Landsborough - Wild Mountain.
Sun	27	South	RIDERS CHOICE! Watch this space for more details.

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Sun	4	West	Complete information about this ride will be detailed here about 5 days before the event. Check this space during the week before this ride!
Sun	11	North	Caltex Carseldine Roadhouse - Kenilworth (lunch at the Kenilworth Hotel) - Home. 246km.
Sun	18	South	<i>Ride Captain: Jak.</i> BP Servo at Yatala - Mudgeeraba - Home. 180km.
Tues	20	MEETING	Lord Stanley Hotel . 994 Stanley Street East, East Brisbane . The meeting proper starts at 7.30pm; but come earlier for dinner!
Sun	25	West	Christmas Day! Complete information about this ride will be detailed here about 5 days before the event. Check this space during the week before this ride!



A FEW JOKES :-)

I was telling a girl in the pub about my ability to guess what day a woman was born just by feeling her boobs.

"Really" she said, "Go on then ... try."

After about thirty seconds of fondling she began to lose patience and said, "Come on, what day was I born?"

I said, "Yesterday."

A couple made a deal that whoever died first would come back and inform the other if there is sex after death. Their biggest fear was that there was no after life at all.

After a long life together, the husband was the first to die.

True to his word, he made the first contact:

"Marion ... Marion"

"Is that you, Bob?"

"Yes, I've come back like we agreed."

"That's wonderful! What's it like?"

"Well, I get up in the morning, I have sex. I have breakfast and then it's off to the golf course. I have sex again, bathe in the warm sun and then have sex a couple of more times. Then I have lunch (you'd be proud - lots of greens). Another romp around the golf course, then pretty much have sex the rest of the afternoon. After supper, it's back to the golf course again. Then it's more sex until late at night. I catch some much needed sleep and then the next day it starts all over again".

"Oh, Bob! Are you in Heaven?"

"No - I'm a rabbit somewhere in North Carolina!"

A man was leaving a coffee shop with his morning coffee and newspaper when he noticed a most unusual funeral procession approaching the nearby cemetery. A long black hearse was followed by a second long black hearse about 50 feet behind. Behind the second hearse was a solitary man walking a pit bull on a leash. Behind him were 200 men walking single file. The guy couldn't stand the curiosity.

He respectfully approached the man walking the dog and said "Sir, I know now is a bad time to disturb you, but I've never seen a funeral like this. Whose funeral is it?"

The man replied "Well, that first hearse is for my wife." "What happened to her?" The man replied "My dog attacked and killed her."

He inquired further, "Well, who is in the second hearse?"

The man answered, "My mother-in-law. She was trying to help my wife when the dog turned on her." A poignant and thoughtful moment of silence passes between the two men. "Sir, could I borrow that dog?"

"Get in line".

This guy walks into a bar in West Virginia and orders a white wine.

Everybody sitting around the bar looks up, surprised, and the bartender looks around and says:

"You ain't from around here, are ya ... where ya from, boy?"

The guy says, "I'm from Pennsylvania."

The bartender asks, "What th' hell you do in Pennsylvania?"

The guy responds, "I'm a taxidermist."

The bartender asks, "A taxidermist... now just what th' hell is a taxidermist?"

The guy says "I mount dead animals."

The bartender grins and shouts out to the whole bar, "It's OK boys, he's one of us!"



MORE JOKES!! 😊

A Texan farmer goes to Australia for a vacation. There he meets an Aussie farmer and gets talking. The Aussie shows off his big wheat field and the Texan says, "Oh! We have wheat fields that are at least twice as large". Then they walk around the ranch a little, and the Aussie shows off his herd of cattle. The Texan immediately says, "We have longhorns that are at least twice as large as your cows". The conversation has, meanwhile, almost died when the Texan sees a herd of kangaroos hopping through the field. He asks, "And what are those"? The Aussie replies with an incredulous look, "Don't you have any grasshoppers in Texas"?

Socially Unacceptable Humour

- * I was in bed with a blind girl last night and she said that I had the biggest thing she had ever laid her hands on. I said, "You're pulling my leg."
- * I saw a poor old lady fall over today on the ice! At least I presume she was poor - she only had \$1.20 in her purse.
- * My girlfriend thinks that I'm a stalker. Well, she's not exactly my girlfriend yet.
- * Went for my routine checkup today and everything seemed to be going fine until he stuck his index finger up my butt! Do you think I should change dentists?
- * A wife says to her husband, "You're always pushing me around and talking behind my back." He says, "What do you expect? You're in a wheel chair."
- * At the Senior Citizens Centre they had a contest the other day. I lost by one point: The question was: Where do women mostly have curly hair? Apparently the correct answer was Africa! Who knew?
- * A buddy of mine has just told me he's getting it on with his girlfriend and her twin. I said "How can you tell them apart?" He said "Her brother's got a moustache."
- * Being a modest man, when I checked into my hotel on a recent trip, I said to the lady at the registration desk, "I hope the porn channel in my room is disabled." To which she replied, "No, it's regular porn, you sick (*&#@."

Shortly after a British Airways flight had reached its cruising altitude, the captain announced: "Ladies and Gentlemen, this is your Captain. Welcome to Flight 293, non-stop from London Heathrow to New York. The weather ahead is good, so we should have a smooth uneventful flight. So, sit back, relax, and.....OH... MY GOD!"

Silence followed.

Some moments later, the captain came back on the intercom. "Ladies and Gentlemen, I am sorry if I scared you. While I was talking to you, a flight attendant accidentally spilled coffee in my lap. You should see the front of my pants!"

From the back of the plane, an Irish passenger yelled "For the luvva Jaysusyou should see the back of mine!"

One day a father gets out of work and on his way home he suddenly remembers that it's his daughter's birthday. He pulls over to a Toy Shop and asks the sales person, "How much for one of those Barbie's in the display window?" The salesperson answers "Which one do you mean, Sir? We have: Work Out Barbie for \$19.95, Shopping Barbie for \$19.95, Beach Barbie for \$19.95, Disco Barbie for \$19.95, Ballerina Barbie for \$19.95, Astronaut Barbie for \$19.95, Skater Barbie for \$19.95, and Divorced Barbie for \$265.95".

The amazed father asks: "It's what?! Why is the Divorced Barbie \$265.95 and the others only \$19.95?"

The annoyed salesperson rolls her eyes, sighs, and answers: "Sir ... Divorced Barbie comes with: Ken's Car, Ken's House, Ken's Boat, Ken's Furniture, Ken's Computer, and one of Ken's Friends!"

A Blonde is out on a hike when she comes to a river. Looking up and down the river she can't find a way to cross to the other side.

Then on the other side of the river another Blonde walks out of the trees. They wave to each other, and Blonde number one shouts: "How do I get to the other side?"

Blonde number two shouts back: "Silly girl, you're already on the other side!"

