



# STEEL HORSES

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Motorcycles Social Club Inc  
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held by SHCMSC Inc.

### **Club Objectives:**

The objectives 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.

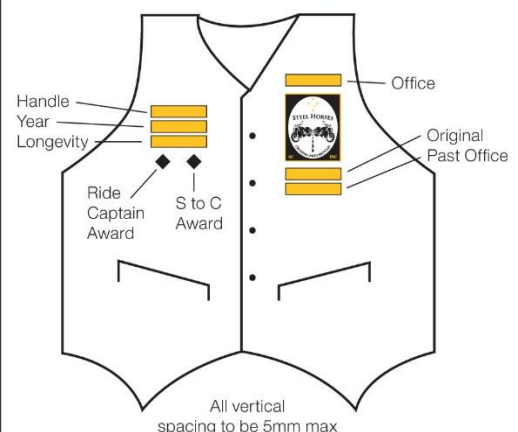
The annual membership  
subscription is \$36 for Riders,  
Pillions, and Social Members.

There is a once-only joining fee  
(\$40) on top of the annual  
membership fee, which covers  
the cost of Patch, Insignia, and  
other Club costs.

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.

### **STEEL HORSES PATCH PLACEMENT**

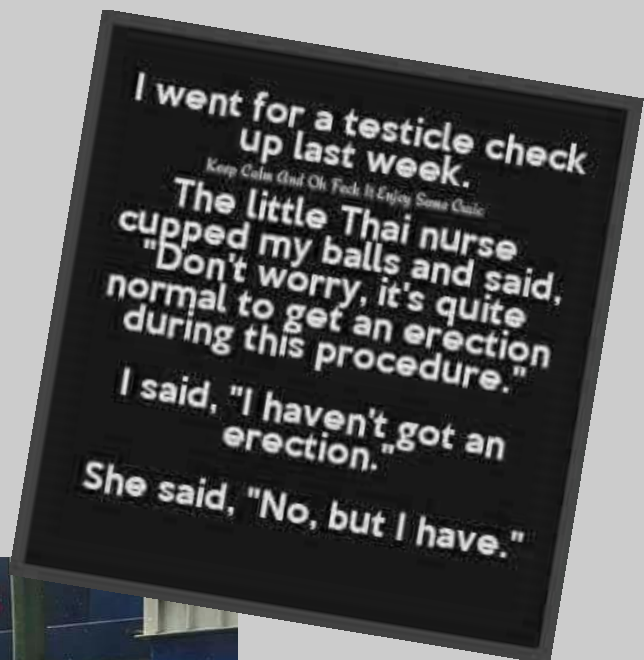




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# STEINY'S SPIEL

## THE PRESIDENTS REPORT



Hi all,

I'm running out of things to prattle on about. If things get any worse, I'll have to start telling jokes in this segment.

From what I can see the Club is running along fine at the moment. We are getting a pretty good attendance for our rides, even though it has been a bit on the chilly side, and that is good to see.

Princess' "Riders Choice" is on this weekend, and by the time you read this (I just realized) I hope you will be saying what a great time you had.

Kim has been very busy downloading and copying instructional videos onto USB sticks, and these are meant to help you in your riding techniques, and riding skills generally. Kim will be handing them out to interested parties at our June meeting, and we hope you will take the time to have a look at them.

I'm still waiting for contact from the Laverda Club about our stickers for the Laverda Concours, which isn't on till October this year, but we need to establish contact with them since our Management Committee has had some changes.

We are getting some very classy club ride videos lately since Hippy and Roach have got their drone up and running again. He is still getting used to flying it but the results he is getting are fantastic. If you haven't been on your web site lately, hop on there and have a look. Terrific.

Bowraville is just around the corner. I'm looking forward to it already, but it is going to be bloody cold down there ... make no mistake. I hope my grip heaters and seat heaters are working OK ... not to mention the coffee machine ... lol.

Cheers ...

Steiny.

*"A man has got to know his limitations"*



# STEEL HORSES SOUTH RIDE

Sunday 14th May 2017

Ride cancelled because of bad weather.  
Just as well, because it ended up raining all day!

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:** Tomorrows Ride (Mothers Day)

**From:** Graham Itzstein <steiny1947@gmail.com>

**Date:** 13/05/2017, 6:45:34 Pm

Hi all,

We had a pretty scarce crew of starters to begin with, being Mother's Day and all, and now that the weather looks like it is going to be pretty shitty all day long, I will wait and see what it is like in the morning before making a decision on whether we go or not. The route is all mountain, basically, and usually everyone likes that, but it's not the greatest in the wet.

So, I will send out an email at 6.00 am tomorrow to let you know if it's **ON** or **OFF**...from a club point of view, of course.

Cheers

Steiny

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:** NO Ride Today..

**From:** Graham Itzstein <steiny1947@gmail.com>

**Date:** 14/05/2017, 6:09:22 Am

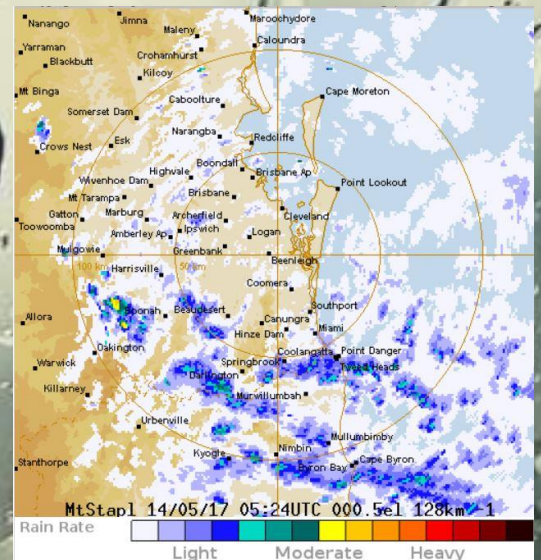
Hi all,

Weather report hasn't improved, in fact, is even worse than last night, so we will give the ride a miss today. It would have been a good route, so I will transfer it for a future ride on the calendar.

Have a great day, and I will look forward to seeing you all at the meeting on Tuesday night.

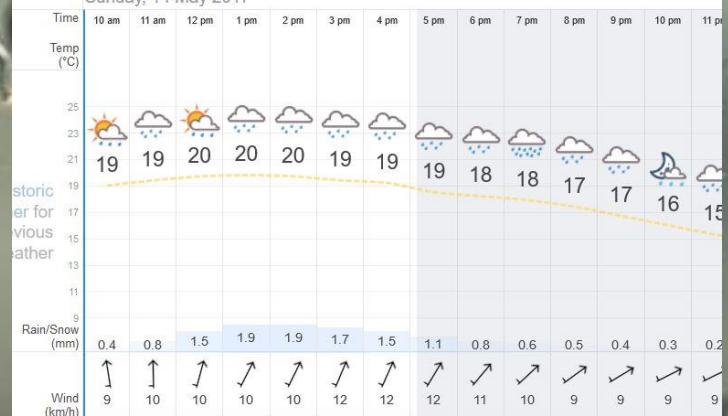
Cheers

Steiny



## Hour-by-hour Forecast in Brisbane — Graph

Sunday, 14 May 2017





# STEEL HORSES WEST RIDE

Sunday 21st May 2017

**Ride Captain:** Yogi.

**Riders:** Kim, Steiny, Princess, Pyro, Ned, Hippie and Roach.

Hello readers ...

Today's west ride was attended by Kim, Steiny, Princess, Pyro, Ned, Hippie and Roach. The ride left Goodna at 9-ish and went to the Forest Hill pub via Walloon, Grandchester and Laidley.

While we waited we watched Hippie demonstrate his skills operating his new drone. We then went to Kilcoy for lunch via Esk.

From Esk we headed to Blacksoil via Somerset Dam and Fernvale.

After we had the mandatory ice cream and watched Hippie's piloting skills, we said our goodbyes and headed for home.

Cheers ... Yogi.





# STEEL HORSES NORTH RIDE

Sunday 28th May 2017

**Ride Captain: Pyro**

**Attendees: Kim, Lucky J, Mac, and Yogi.**

Hi all Pyro here ...

Today's ride was attended by five Steel Horses: Kim, Lucky J, Mac, Yogi and me.

We left on time and headed back towards Albany Creek Road and turned right and left and right again into Jinker Track and up past Ace's place just off Bunya Road. We travelled along and at a steady pace with no real obstructions, at the end of Bunya Road we turned for Clear Mountain and then through Dayboro where we went through some town festival which had the road closed off and the local SES directing traffic around the activities. We headed up Mount Mee passing a few bikes coming the other way who were great in warning us of the impending radar trap ahead.

Our first stop was at the Dahmongah lookout. There is a little coffee van there and I for one think it must do a great trade as there was never a free car park for more than a few minutes with plenty of people stopping with the same idea I had. We only stayed long enough for a drink and short chat. We then took some back streets to Wamuran and through to Peachester and Bald Knob and another side track I doubt anyone would have done before. After our short side track we went into Landsborough for lunch at the pub, food was good and the entertainment was pleasant even though I am not big on country, it was nice background.

After lunch it was decided to head back down Steve Irwin Way and the freeway for the BP and home. Today's ride was about 150 km to lunch and we arrived at 12.00 sharp. The ride finished at the twin BP and we all went for home around 2.45pm. Thank you to the guys who made the trip with me. It was great to see Lucky J back on his bike. Kim took some great photo's, and I didn't get lost and have to turn around so for me it was a good day.

See You on the next Pyro adventure.

Pyro. *Lite em up*





# STEEL HORSES SOUTH RIDE

Sunday 4th June 2017

Ride Captain: Steiny.

Riders: Kim, Pyro, Phoenix, Hippy & Roach, Ynot, Drastic, Lucky J, Mac, and Jak.

Hi all,  
Another good roll up for a sunny South Ride.  
Mac met us at the meeting point for coffee and headed off home to do other duties, and the rest of us headed off.  
We went out through Beenleigh as the bridge at the end of Stanmore Rd is still out, and looks like being that way for a while yet.  
Tamborine Village, Tamborine Mountain, Henry Roberts Drive, Nerang Murwillumbah Road to Advancetown Hotel for our first bum rest.  
Then back up to the Beechmont Road turnoff and followed that all the way around and back to Canungra for lunch at the Outpost Cafe. At two different places on the Beechmont Road bikes had gone over the edge.  
Lunch, back up the goat track, Tamborine Mountain and back to the BP servo in Beenleigh for a drink and an icecream and our goodbyes.  
Another great day out with a good bunch of people.  
Cheers ... Steiny.

*"A man has got to know his limitations"*





# STEEL HORSES "RIDERS CHOICE"

## A South Ride to be led by Princess!

Sunday 11th June 2017

### Ride cancelled because of bad weather.

### This ride will be held again on a future Sunday.

Forecast issued at 4:50 am EST on Sunday 11 June 2017.

#### Forecast for the rest of Sunday



Max **22**

**Showers.**

Possible rainfall: **6 to 20 mm**

Chance of any rain: **90%**

Fire Danger - Low-Moderate

Sun protection recommended from 10:10 am to 1:40 pm, UV Index predicted to reach 4 [Moderate]

#### Brisbane area

Cloudy. High (80%) chance of showers. Winds south to southeasterly 15 to 20 km/h tending east to southeasterly in the morning then turning southerly in the evening.

----- Original Message -----

**Subject:** Re: Princess' ride this ~~sunday~~.

**From:** Catarina-Maree platt <21princess11@gmail.com>

**Date:** 11/06/2017, 5:15:15 Am

No go today

It's pissing down

The roads I've picked are somewhat twisty and would be very dangerous in the wet.

Next time might be better conditions. ☀️

Cheers

Princess 🏍️👍😊

On 10 Jun 2017 6:45 PM, "Randall Gilbert" <rg1259@gmail.com> wrote:

bummer....I was clear to go riding tomorrow and now after looking at the BOM we are due for up to 20mm of rain. Your riders choice day is bloody jinxed Princess!!!

We can only hope for a miracle :)

Mac.





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# ***Bike Review:***

## **Triumph Bonneville Bobber a styling hit**

by Mark Hinchliffe

<https://motorbikewriter.com/triumph-bonneville-bobber-styling-hit/>

There is no doubt the new 1200cc Triumph Bonneville Bobber is an elegant styling hit, but does its handling and performance live up to the hype? Michael Oliver of Oliver's Motorcycles, the top Triumph dealer in Queensland, says there is a lot of interest in the bike, so he asked us to take his demo model for a test.



The Bobber is a bold and classic design with a floating solo "tractor" seat, wire wheels, rubber gaiters, bar-end mirrors, authentic battery box, a rear hub that looks like an old drum brake and minimalist lines. However, there is nothing minimalist about its features. It comes with most of the electronics and classy styling of its Bonneville brothers. So it is little surprise that at \$18,000 it actually costs more than the T120 and T120 Black (\$1700), but less than Thruxton (\$18,700) and Thruxton R (\$20,990).

The new Bonneville have been a popular and critical hit since being released and this model has attracted a lot of attention for its classic bobber style. To create the clean hardtail look, Triumph developed a new rear tubular steel frame and "cage" swingarm with paddock stand bobbin mounts and hidden monoshock, rather than classic Bonneville twin shocks. The shock is almost horizontal and is the first clue that this bike is going to perform and handle differently to its brothers.

Another clue is that the bike has a different fuel map and split airbox with separate filters for intake and exhaust, providing more midrange performance. Compared with the T120, the Bobber has 3kW less power at 56kW (75HP), but 1Nm more torque at 4000 revs instead of 3100rpm. But before we experience its performance, we spend a long time just lusting over the bike.

The attention to styling detail is stunning. We love some of the little Triumph emblems on various parts, the brushed aluminium engine covers, the high-gloss black frame, the deep paint of the plum-coloured tank (they call it Morello Red), the deep gloss black rear fender, and the elegant touches of bronze and brass here and there, including the Triumph name plate on the rear of the tractor solo seat and even in the single-pod instruments.



That single pod with an analogue speedo may look classic and minimalist, but it includes an



LCD screen with a host of valuable information: odometer, gear position indicator, fuel gauge, range to empty indication, service indicator, clock, two trip meters, average and current fuel consumption display, engine mode display and traction control status display, all controlled by a handlebar mounted scroll button. The pod can also be quickly adjusted for angle via a handy latch at the back. It helps avoid sun reflection on the dial. We leave it in the upright position and it works just fine.

The Bobber might only have one seat, but it certainly doesn't lack for features. And even the seat is adjustable a few inches forward and back for comfort. We leave it in the middle position simply because it is difficult to access the bolts underneath to adjust it. A handy latch like on the instrument pod would have been better although most riders will find the right position and never again adjust it.

As it is, the low 690mm seat provides a riding position that feels comfortable and relaxed for my 183cm frame, although my knees do feel like they are sitting up a little high. Move the seat further back and the drag bars might be a bit of a reach. Further forward and it could feel too cramped.

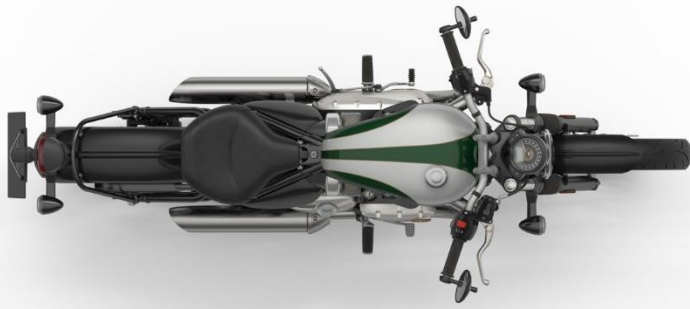
Before firing it up, we fumble with flicking up the sturdy and stubby side stand. It sits in front of the foot controls so your foot annoyingly gets caught up with the gearshift and foot peg. The new Bonneville's now feature the ignition key on the triple clamp, but in traditional cruiser style, the Bobber's immobiliser key is located on the right side of the engine, not on the left of the forks like old Bonnies. We switch it on and fire it up with the single handy ignition/kill switch, click it into gear and notice a slightly clunkier noise in the transmission, thanks to the slightly longer linkage to the mid-control shifter. Yet gears change with precision, neutral is easy to locate and there are no false neutrals.

Commuters will love the ultra-light torque-assisted cable clutch; easily the lightest clutch we've ever used. As we loop out of Oliver's parking area, we notice the small turning circle as the drag bars mash your fingers on the tank at full lock. However, around town the Bobber feels compact and light. Despite its 228kg dry weight, it's easy to manoeuvre and filter through traffic.

The fly-by-wire throttle and fuel injection are very smooth at these speeds and you can get on and off the throttle without any jerking. However, at constant throttle doing 50-60km/h there is a fair amount of surge and lurch. Triumph claims this will disappear as the engine breaks in. It should be noted the test bike has only 300km on the odo when I pick it up.







I instantly fell in love with the new liquid-cooled 1200cc engine when we rode the T120. It's a lusty and flexible unit with a great exhaust note. The Bobber has even more urge down low and a deeper bass note from the low-slung, brushed-stainless-steel twin, slash-cut exhausts. They look stubby and classy and the bulky catalytic convertor is discreetly hidden underneath. The twin pipes have an absolutely glorious sound when under

engine load but they are gentlemanly quiet when cruising along the highway. Like the other new liquid-cooled Bonneville, the engine has a 270 degree firing interval, rather than the lumpy 360 degrees of the air-cooled models. That makes it smoother with a more linear midrange power delivery.

The bar-end mirrors stick out a long way and give perfect rearward vision that is not blurred by the engine at any speed. Rev it out in first and before you can blink you will hit the 6900rpm redline at around 80km/h. You can short-shift the gears and ride the midrange torque wave for maximum effect. Revving it doesn't do much more because of the short rev limiter.

On the highway, it will cruise efficiently at 2700 revs at 100km/h in sixth gear. However, because it doesn't start to pull until 3000 revs, you will need to drop back to fifth for prompt overtaking duties. Between 3000 and the redline, the Bobber delivers delicious linear power. As it was still in run-in phases, I gave it a mixture of redline sprints, mountain loads and low-rev cruising for the next couple of hundred kilometres. I was amazed that at the end of my ride the average fuel consumption readout was 3.9L/100km after having reset it before heading off. That's a lean burn! And just as well as the peanut tank is only 9.1 litres. I had forgotten how small it was and nearly ran out of fuel because the fuel gauge stayed at a full readout for a long time, then dramatically dropped and the low fuel light came on. Triumph claims the fuel gauge can sometimes take a while to "learn" how to properly gauge fuel levels. You will certainly need to keep your eye on your range, though.

Not that you will want to take long trips on the bike. The seat is thin and overly contoured, so it becomes a little uncomfortable after about an hour, although I have to admit I have a bony backside. Heading into the mountains, the mix of spirited midrange and surprisingly light steering for the 19-inch steep-raked front wheel entices you to twist the throttle. It certainly feels like it wants to play in the twisties, but then the mid-mount controls quickly touch down on corners and momentarily limit your fun. You quickly have to correct your lines to make wide arcs like a cruiser. It's unfortunate as the handling, steering and suspension feel like they are up to much more sportier riding.







The minimal lean angle is a result of a lowered bike and the mid-mount controls in the middle of the wheelbase. Perhaps forward controls would provide more clearance. Still, I chuck it into corners over Mt Glorious, grind the pegs and find it enormously entertaining. The brakes are strong with plenty of initial bite, but front lever is heavy so you need to squeeze hard.

Meanwhile, the rear brake has more effect because of the bike's low centre of gravity and you can easily activate the

ABS. Consequently, you have to carefully balance a hard pull on the front brake with gentle application of the rear brake. If you get it right, you can brake deep into corners. Then you arc wide through the bend and hit the gas hard and early to tap that hefty midrange pick-up. You can also be confident that mid corner bumps won't unsettle the rig, either. The short frame is taught and rigid and the non-adjustable KYB suspension is well up to the task.

In fact, the conventional telescopic forks are about the best I have experienced. For my 75kg, they need no tweaking. They are compliant with no jackhammering through the bars. It steers with high-speed stability yet you can easily adjust your lines in the middle of a corner with confidence. The near-horizontal rear shock has almost no sag load, so you extract full use of the shortened spring. The result is that it is compliant in the initial part of the stroke, but it can quickly run out of travel and hit the bump stops.

Still, it's quite a comfortable yet sporty ride. Much better than expected. It sits on 19-inch Avon Cobra AV71 rubber up front for reduced mass and high-speed manoeuvrability while the rear is a 16-inch 150mm-section AV72 radial tyre with cobra tread pattern. They feel grippy, but you can't really test out the lateral grip because of the limited lean angles.

We suspect Triumph will release a second tractor seat as an option on the Bobber and that a two-seat version may be coming by the end of the year. As yet there is no second seat option, but Triumph has more than 150 accessories available for the Bobber, including high 'ape hanger' bars, bar-end "peep" mirrors, comfort seat in a ribbed and quilted version, a heated grip kit and cruise control. The British manufacturer is also partnering with FOX for a dual-branded adjustable rear shock and with Vance and Hines for exhausts with machined aluminium end caps which are adjustable to change the profile.

I loved every minute on the Bobber after I worked out it had to be cornered like a cruiser and I would gladly add one to my Triumph collection.







**Price: \$18,000 (+orc)**

**Engine: 1200cc liquid-cooled, 8-valve, SOHC, 270° crank angle parallel twin**

**Bore x stroke: 97.6 x 80mm**

**Compression: 10:1**

**Power: 56.6kW (75HP) @ 6100rpm**

**Torque: 106Nm @ 4000rpm**

**Transmission: 6-speed, Wet, multi-plate assist clutch, chain drive**

**Frame: Tubular steel cradle, twin-sided swingarm**

**Wheels: 32-spoke, 18 x 2.5in; 16 x 3.5in**

**Tyres: 100/90-19; 150/80 R16**

**Suspension: KYB 41mm forks, 90mm travel; KYB monoshock with linkage, 76.9mm travel**

**Brakes: 310mm disc, Nissin 2-piston floating caliper; 255mm disc, Nissin single piston floating caliper, ABS**

**Width: 800mm**

**Height: 1025mm**

**Seat: 690mm**

**Wheelbase: 1510mm**

**Rake: 25.8°**

**Trail: 87.9 mm**

**Dry weight: 228kg**

**Fuel: 9.1 litre tank; 3.9L/100km (tested)**

**Colours: Ironstone, with a matt finish (grey), Morello Red, Competition Green and Frozen Silver, and Jet Black.**







Here are a couple of photos of Pyro, our enthusiastic and resolute *North Ride* Captain.

Whilst recently doing a reconnaissance of the route for his next *North Ride*, Pyro came across a couple of corners that were covered in gravel and other road debris. Not good conditions to come across if you're in the middle of a Sunday club ride!

So he cleaned them up!! Well done and thank you, Pyro!





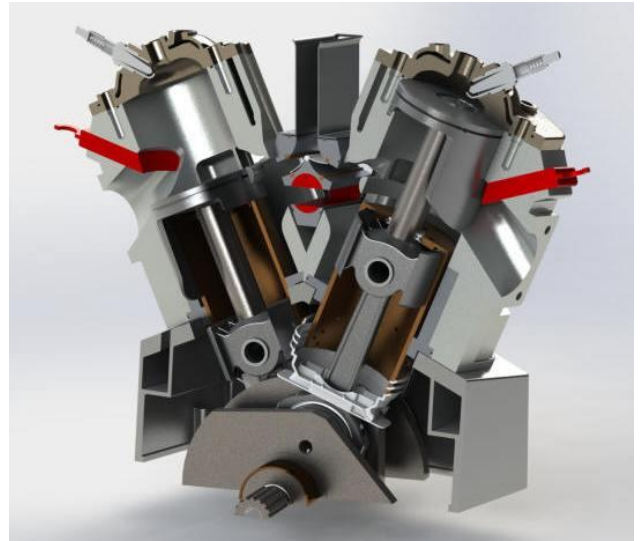
# Aussie two-stroke engine invention

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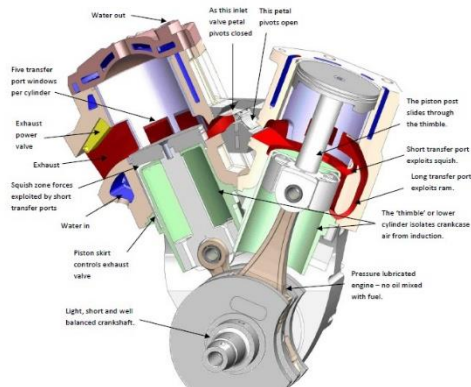
<http://citsengine.com.au>

A Sydney engineering company has developed a new two-stroke engine that they believe could be used in motorcycles. It's called Crankcase Independent Two-Stroke (CITS) and was invented by former South African motorsport engineer Basil van Rooyen, Director of CITS Engineering, St Ives.



He says advantages over four-stroke are that the CITS engine is more powerful, lighter, smaller, cheaper, more economical and with lower emissions. Two-stroke motorcycles have been phased out in recent years by tough pollution laws and fuel economy targets. However, KTM has released a raft of new direct-injection two-strokes and Honda recently registered patents for direct-injection two-stroke engines, so they look like making a comeback.

Basil's CITS also uses direct injection, but has a by-pass valve that replaces the throttle and provides progressive cylinder deactivation ensuring minimised pumping losses. It also uses a typical four-stroke's oil sump and does NOT mix the oil with the fuel in the combustion chamber like normal two-stroke engines.



The prototype was built on an 800cc V-twin Suzuki Boulevard crankcase, to which were adapted Rotax 800 Etec parallel twin cylinder-jackets and heads. Basil says the cost and weight per kilowatt with CITS engine technology can be less than half that of popular three- and four-cylinder four-stroke engines. The prototype Rotax 800cc Etec two-stroke produces 148hp (110kW) compared with the Suzuki Boulevard 800 which makes 66hp (50kW). The Rotax with CITS has 70% reduced vibrations.

On the CITS website (<http://citsengine.com.au>) other aspects of this new engine are listed in detail, including:

- It is a patented two-stroke petrol engine, like no other before, patented in 20 countries.
- It does not consume its lubricating oil like normal two-strokes, but recirculates it.
- It allows the lowest inherent imbalance forces (vibration) of any V-twin four or two-stroke.
- It eliminates the costly roller bearings and their complex fitment to multi-cylinder crankshafts.
- It retains the high power-to-weight and low cost-to-power ratios of the two-stroke.
- It eliminates the expense, weight, friction and maintenance of the valves, springs, camshaft.
- With just two cylinders, as a smooth V-twin, it can deliver from 30 to 140 kW at under half the cost.





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## More stuff for sale ...



### This is an Oxford tank-top storage bag.

38 litre extendable pack. 2 side pockets. One small detachable pouch with strap for bum-bag use. Clear window for map, phone or tablet. Colour panels for clear windows on side. Stiff wall for inside to keep shape if wanted. Waterproof cover with window at top. As new. Hardly used. \$80 solid. I believe it has a lifetime warranty.

Contact **Big Kev** on **0423 232 020** ([esvcsqld@gmail.com](mailto:esvcsqld@gmail.com))



# Some of the Queensland road rules that relate specifically to motorcycles

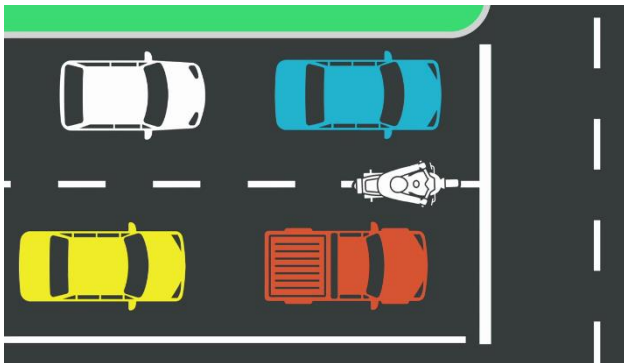
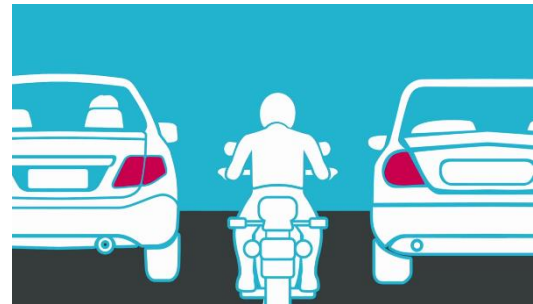
<https://www.qld.gov.au/transport/safety/rules/motorcycle/index.html>

Motorcycle riders, including moped and motortrike riders, must follow the same road rules as other vehicles on Queensland roads. Most of the rules that apply to drivers also apply to motorcycle riders, for example, the give way rules, traffic light rules and speed limits. But there are some rules that specifically apply to motorcycle riders.

## Lane filtering rules

Lane filtering is when you ride your motorcycle at low speed between stationary or slow moving vehicles travelling in the same direction you are. The 2 lines or lanes of traffic must both be travelling in the same direction. If one of the lines or lanes is a dedicated turning lane (left or right) you must not lane filter using this lane.

You're only allowed to lane filter in Queensland if you hold an open licence for the motorcycle you are riding and:



- your speed when filtering is 30km/h or less
- it's safe to do so.

You're not allowed to lane filter:

- at a speed more than 30km/h
- in school zones during school zone hours
- if you're a learner or provisional licence holder
- if it isn't safe.

Lane filtering at over 30km/h is illegal, and it's important that you only lane filter when it's safe to do so.

To ensure pedestrian safety, lane filtering is only allowed between stationary or slow moving vehicles, **not** between a vehicle and the kerb. Any vehicle, including a motorcycle may overtake to the left of a stationary vehicle.

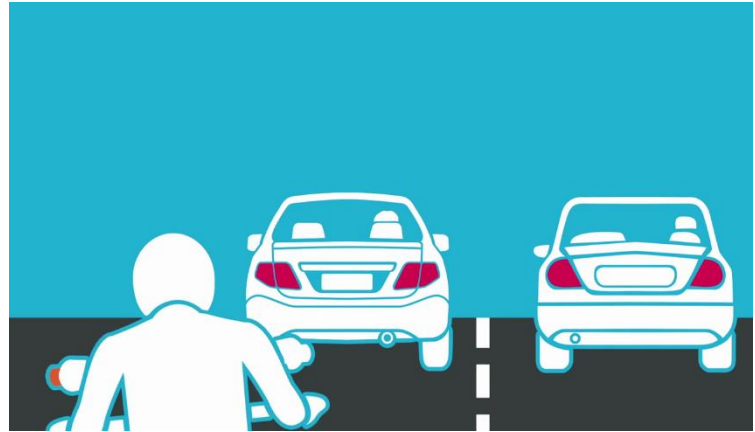




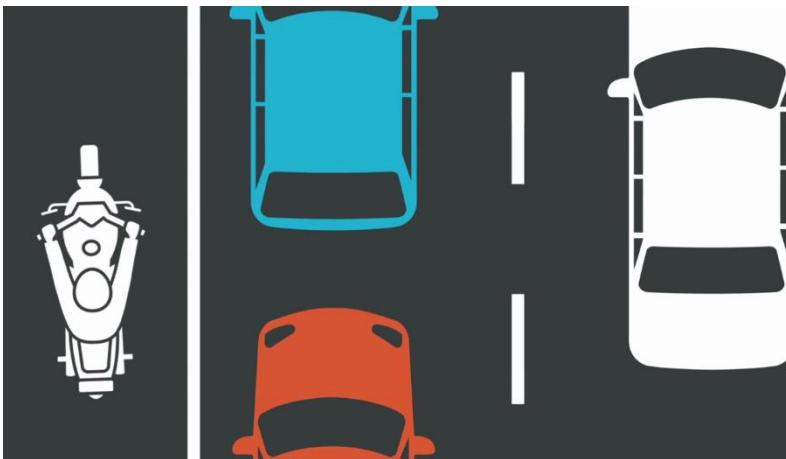
## **Rules for riding on road shoulders**

If you hold an open licence for the motorcycle you are riding, you can ride on road shoulders and in emergency stopping lanes on major roads - such as highways, freeways and motorways past stationary or slow moving traffic if:

- the speed limit is 90km/h or more
- your speed is 30km/h or less
- you give way to cyclists or other motorcycle riders already using the shoulder
- it is safe to do so
- you are not riding on any unsealed parts of the road.



Road shoulders are the sealed area to the left **or** right of a road's edge line.



But be warned, if the speed limit on a major road is reduced to less than 90km/h for any reason, for example by a variable speed control sign or because of roadworks, then you can no longer legally ride on the road shoulder or in an emergency stopping lane.

## **Motorcycle control rules**

You must stay in control of your motorcycle at all times. You must sit with 1 leg on either side of your seat at all times when riding a motorcycle, but you can lift your leg from the footrests or raise yourself from the seat if you need to while riding.

## **Motorcycle helmets**

All Queensland motorcycle, quad bike riders and passengers must wear a helmet that complies with:

- Australian standards AS1698 or AS/NZS1698, or
- United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE) 22.05 standard.



## Helmet labels and stickers

Helmets must display either a stitched label on the inside of the helmet or a sticker on the outside of the helmet, indicating compliance with the approved standards.

For a helmet meeting the ECE 22.05 standard, the label or sticker may contain any number from 1 upwards.



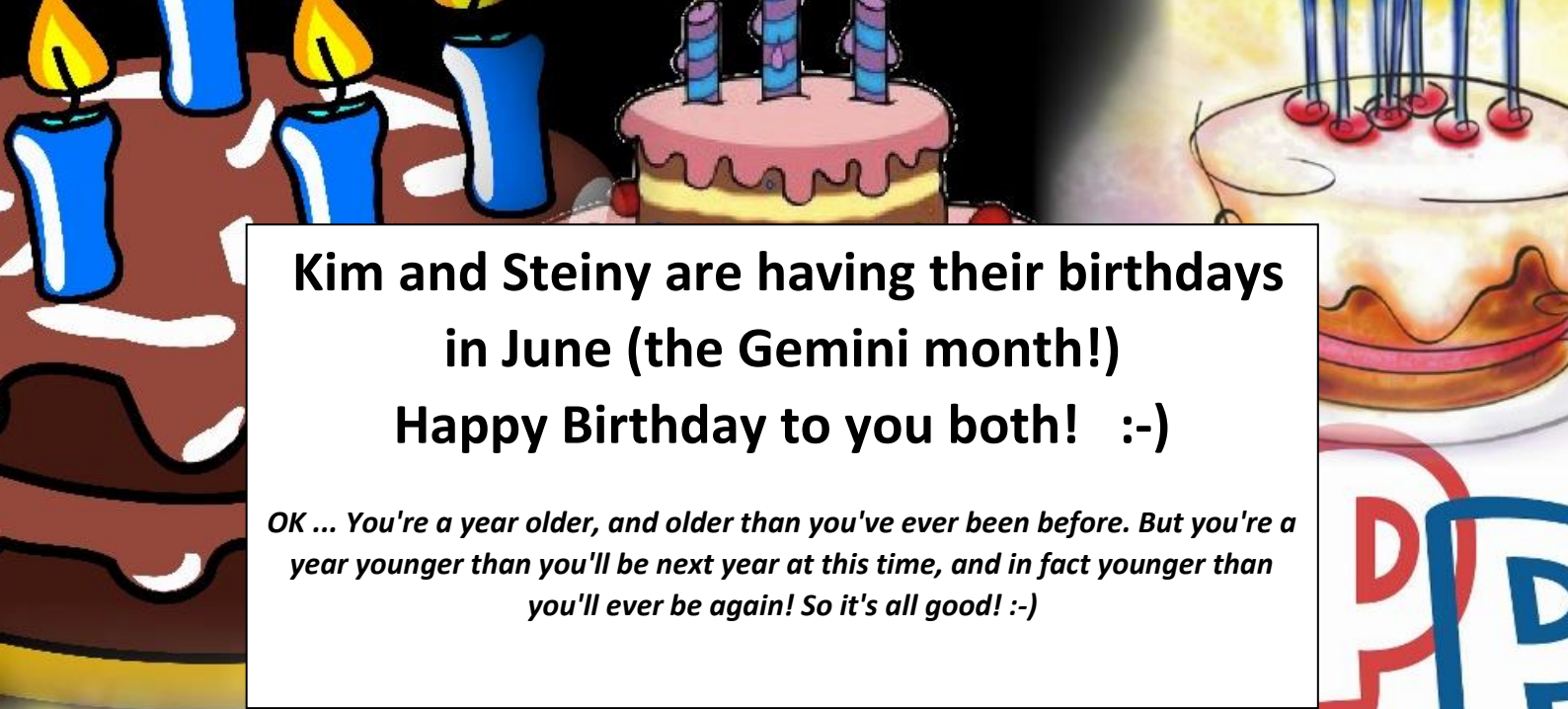
## Attaching a camera to a helmet

**There is no law that prohibits the attachment of a camera to a motorcycle helmet**, as long as the helmet remains compliant with the above mentioned standards, and is an approved attachment (according to the helmet manufacturer).

You may use a camera mounted on your motorcycle or a body mounted camera as an alternative.







**Kim and Steiny are having their birthdays  
in June (the Gemini month!)**

**Happy Birthday to you both! :-)**

*OK ... You're a year older, and older than you've ever been before. But you're a  
year younger than you'll be next year at this time, and in fact younger than  
you'll ever be again! So it's all good! :-)*





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



Steel Horses June-July 2017 Ride Calendar

## JUNE 2017

Sun	4	South	<i>Ride Captain: <a href="#">Steiny</a> (0419 672 216)</i> <a href="#">BP Servo at Yatala</a> - <a href="#">Tamborine Village</a> - <a href="#">Tamborine Mountain</a> - <a href="#">Henry Roberts Drive</a> - Clagiraba Road - <a href="#">Advancetown Pub</a> (bum break) - Beachmont Road - <a href="#">Canungra Pub</a> (lunch) - <a href="#">Goat Track Road</a> - <a href="#">Tamborine Mountain</a> - <a href="#">Shell Tamborine Village</a> - goodbyes at <a href="#">Yatala Pies</a> . Approx 180km. There's a ride route map <a href="#">here</a> .
Sun	11	RIDERS CHOICE	<b>RIDER'S CHOICE!</b> Today is a "Rider's Choice" event, and this time the ride is being organised by <a href="#">Princess</a> . Start at the usual South Ride meeting point at the <a href="#">BP Servo at Yatala</a> - down Terranora Road to the <a href="#">Tumbulgum Tavern</a> for a break - we go through <a href="#">Kingscliff</a> - then on to <a href="#">Cabarita</a> - and <a href="#">Condong</a> - stop for another break at the biker-friendly <a href="#">Moo Moo Cafe</a> at <a href="#">Mooball</a> (to have a look at their " <a href="#">motorcycle museum</a> " and a photo shoot with their " <a href="#">Big Bike</a> ") (see some photos of Princess near their "Big Bike" <a href="#">here</a> ) - arrive at the <a href="#">Billinudgel Hotel</a> about noon for <a href="#">lunch</a> (see some of their great burgers <a href="#">here</a> !) - and finally our goodbye stop is at <a href="#">McDonald's Coomera</a> . About 250km.
Sun	18	North	<i>Ride Captain: <a href="#">Pyro</a> (0413 905 141)</i> <a href="#">Caltex Carseldine Roadhouse</a> - 1st stop <a href="#">Peachester</a> - 2nd stop <a href="#">Kenilworth</a> - Lunch is at <a href="#">Mapleton</a> - Home via <a href="#">Landsborough</a> and down to BP South Burpengary for our goodbyes. Approx. 240km.
Tues	20	MEETING	<a href="#">Lord Stanley Hotel</a> . <a href="#">994 Stanley Street East, East Brisbane</a> . The meeting proper starts at 7.30pm; but come earlier for dinner!
Sun	25	South	<i>Ride Captain: <a href="#">Steiny</a> (0419 672 216)</i> . <a href="#">BP Servo at Yatala</a> - <a href="#">Tamborine Village</a> - Mundoolun Connection Road to <a href="#">Canungra</a> - over the top - turn right into Clagiraba Road - <a href="#">Advancetown Pub</a> (break) - back up Clagiraba Road - right then left into <a href="#">Henry Roberts Drive</a> - to the top - down the <a href="#">Goat Track Road</a> to <a href="#">Canungra Pub</a> (lunch) - back up the <a href="#">Goat Track Road</a> - <a href="#">Tamborine Mountain</a> - <a href="#">Bearded Dragon Hotel</a> - turn left then right into Mundoolan Road - on to <a href="#">Shell servo on Mount Lindesay Highway</a> - right then left into Camp Cable Road - on to <a href="#">Logan Village Pub</a> for our goodbyes. There's a ride route map <a href="#">here</a> .

## JULY 2017

Sun	2	West	<i>Ride Captain: <a href="#">Sam</a> (0419 174 201)</i> <a href="#">McDonalds Goodna</a> - <a href="#">Dugandan Hotel</a> - <a href="#">Rathdowney</a> (lunch) - <a href="#">Kerry</a> - <a href="#">Beaudesert</a> - Home.
Sun	9	North	<i>Ride Captain: <a href="#">Mac</a> (0439 444 655)</i> . From the <a href="#">Caltex Carseldine Roadhouse</a> we'll ride through a varied and less travelled route to <a href="#">Woodford</a> for a mid-morning break. (Lots of twisties!) From <a href="#">Woodford</a> up to the <a href="#">Bellthorpe Range Road</a> and on to <a href="#">Maleny</a> for lunch. Afternoon ride back through <a href="#">Bald Knob</a> , <a href="#">Beerwah</a> and <a href="#">Beerburrrum</a> onto the highway and down to Twin BP's to say our goodbyes.
Sun	16	South	<i>Ride Captain: <a href="#">Steiny</a> (0419 672 216)</i> <a href="#">BP Servo at Yatala</a> - <a href="#">Beenleigh</a> - Logan River Road - left into Gardiner Road - right into Dairy Creek Road - left into Waterford-Tamborine Road - right at <a href="#">Tamborine Village Roundabout</a> - left into Mundoolun Connection Road - <a href="#">Canungra</a> - straight through to <a href="#">Advancetown Pub</a> (bum break) - back up Clagiraba Road - left into <a href="#">Henry Roberts Drive</a> to the top - down the <a href="#">Goat Track Road</a> to <a href="#">Canungra Pub</a> for lunch - back over the <a href="#">Goat Track Road</a> to <a href="#">Tamborine Mountain</a> - down past the <a href="#">Bearded Dragon Hotel</a> - back to Yatala via Stanmore Road and goodbyes. There's a ride route map <a href="#">here</a> .
Tues	18	MEETING	<a href="#">Lord Stanley Hotel</a> . <a href="#">994 Stanley Street East, East Brisbane</a> . The meeting proper starts at 7.30pm; but come earlier for dinner!
Sun	23	West	<i>Ride Captain: <a href="#">Sam</a> (0419 174 201)</i> <a href="#">McDonalds Goodna</a> - <a href="#">Crows Nest</a> (lunch) - Home.
Sat & Sun	29 - 30	CHRISTMAS IN JULY	<b>CHRISTMAS IN JULY!!</b> A long-running annual event for our club, and a great weekend away! Meeting point will be the <a href="#">Caltex South servo at 2 Telemon St, Beaudesert</a> . Departure time is 8:00am sharp. It will be a <b>5.5 hour run</b> to our destination: the <a href="#">Bowra Hotel</a> in <a href="#">Bowraville</a> . Contact <a href="#">Boots</a> ( <a href="mailto:ozcruise@tpg.com.au">ozcruise@tpg.com.au</a> 0438 748 404) for details.



## A FEW JOKES :-)



I'm 73 years old, and I just took a leaflet out of my mailbox, informing me that I can have sex at 73. I'm so happy, because I live at number 71. So it's not too far to walk home afterwards. And it's the same side of the street. I don't even have to cross the road!

After 35 years of marriage, a husband and wife came for counselling.

When asked what the problem was, the wife went into a tirade listing every problem they had ever had in the years they had been married. On and on and on: neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved and unlovable, an entire laundry list of unmet needs she had endured.

Finally, after allowing this for a sufficient length of time, the therapist got up, walked around the desk and after asking the wife to stand, he embraced and kissed her long and passionately as her husband watched - with a raised eyebrow.

The woman shut up and quietly sat down in a daze.

The therapist turned to the husband and said, "This is what your wife needs at least 3 times a week. Can you do this?"

The husband replied, "Well, I can drop her off here on Mondays and Wednesdays; but on Fridays I go fishing."

John inherited a parrot. Soon he realized this had to be the rudest and most poorly trained parrot on the planet. Every phrase the parrot spoke was disrespectful and laced with profanity. For weeks he tried to change the parrot's ways. He even contacted a parrot psychologist which was of course a waste of time and money. Trying again to teach the parrot better manners, he became so frustrated, he put the parrot in the freezer. The parrot squawked and spewed his usual insults for a minute or two, but suddenly became quiet. After a minute of silence, John began to worry and opened the freezer.

Immediately, the parrot quickly but quietly and calmly walked out on John's arm and perched on his shoulder. The parrot began to profusely apologize for past behaviour and vowed to change his ways. Completely confused, John started to ask the parrot what caused this sudden change of attitude when the parrot asked, "Would you mind telling me what the turkey did?"

### **Top Ten Reasons Why Golf Is Better Than Sex:**

#10: A below par performance is considered damn good.

#09: You can stop in the middle and have a cheeseburger and a couple of beers.

#08: It's much easier to find the sweet spot.

#07: Foursomes are encouraged.

#06: You can still make money doing it as a senior.

#05: Three times a day is possible.

#04: Your partner doesn't hire a lawyer if you play with someone else.

#03: If you live in Florida, you can do it almost every day.

#02: You don't have to cuddle with your partner when you're finished.

**And the NUMBER ONE reason why golf is better than sex ...**

#01: When your equipment gets old you can replace it!





## MORE JOKES!! 😊



A vampire bat came in from the night, face all covered in fresh blood and parked himself on the roof of the cave to get some sleep.

Pretty soon all the other bats smelled the blood & began hassling him about where he got it.

He told them to piss off & let him get some sleep, but they persisted until he finally gave in.

"OK, follow me", he said & flew out of the cave with hundreds of excited bats behind him.

Down through a valley they went, across a river & into a huge forest.

Finally he slowed down & all the other bats excitedly milled around him, tongues hanging out for blood.

"Do you see that large oak tree over there?" he asked.

"YES, YES, YES!!!" the bats all screamed in a frenzy.

"Good for you!" said the bat, "Because I f\*\*\*ing didn't!"

A while back, National Geographic's heard that there was an area in the back country of West Virginia where the men appeared to be living longer than any other place in the country, so they sent a reporter to look into it.

While driving along a lonely mountain road he saw an old white haired geezer sitting in rocking chair on the front porch of a cabin and decides to stop and chat with the old guy.

As he pulls onto the yard he spots a half dozen attractive young women sitting under an apple tree at the side of the cabin chatting and doing some hand sewing. He is greeted with chorus of "afta'noon y'all" for the women.

He approaches the man and receives another "afta'noon y'all". He introduces himself and explains what he is doing. And asks the man what he attributes his age to. The old fella smiles and says, "you see all them young gals over there under that there apple tree ..."

"Yes" says the reporter

"Well," says the Geezer, "I make love to everyone one of them at least once a day."

"WOW!" says the reporter, "just how old are you?"

Grinning the Geezer says "I'll be 29 years old next month."

A Russian couple were walking down the street in Moscow one night, when the man felt a drop hit his nose.

"I think it's raining", he said to his wife.

"No, that felt more like snow to me", she replied.

"No, I'm sure it was just rain" he said.

Well, as these things go, they were about to have a major argument about whether it was raining or snowing. Just then they saw a Communist Party official walking toward them.

"Let's not fight about it", the man said, "Let's ask Comrade Rudolph whether it's officially raining or snowing."

As the official approached, the man said "Tell us, Comrade Rudolph, is it officially raining or snowing?"

"It's raining, of course", he replied, and walked on.

But the woman insisted: "I know that felt like snow!", to which the man quietly replied, "Rudolph the Red, knows rain, dear."

Al stood over his tee shot on the 450 yard 18th hole for what seemed an eternity. He waggled, looked up, looked down, waggled again, but didn't start his back swing.

Finally his exasperated partner asked, "What the heck is taking you so long?"

"My wife is watching me from the clubhouse balcony," Al explained. "I want to make a perfect shot."

His companion said, "You don't have a chance in Hell of hitting her from here!"

## EVEN MORE JOKES!! 😊

A new guy in town walks into a bar and notices a large jar filled to the brim with \$10 bills. The man approaches the bartender and asks, "What's up with the jar?"

"Well, you pay \$10, and if you pass three tests, then you get all the money."

"What are the three tests?" asks the man

"Gotta pay first."

So the guy gives him the \$10 bucks, and the bartender adds it to the jar.

"OK, here's what you have to do. First, you have to drink that whole bottle of pepper tequila - the **WHOLE** thing at once - and you can't make a face while doing it. Second, there's a pit bull chained up out back with a sore tooth. You have to remove the tooth with your bare hands. Third, there is a 90-year-old woman upstairs who's never had an orgasm in her life. You gotta make things right for her."

"Well, I know I've paid my \$10 bucks," says the man, "but I'm not an idiot. No wonder you've collected so much money - that's impossible!"

The new guy proceeds to drink several whiskeys, and eventually, he gets up his nerve.

"Wherez zat teeqeelah?" he slurs.

He grabs the bottle of pepper tequila with both hands and downs it, gulp by gulp. Tears are streaming down his cheeks, but he doesn't make a face. Next, he staggers out back. Everyone in the bar hears a huge scuffle outside - barking, yelping and growling, then silence.

Just when they think the man must be dead, he staggers back into the bar with his shirt ripped and gashes across his body.

"NOW," he says, "wherez at ol' lady with the sore tooth?"

Maria is a devout Catholic. No condoms for her! She gets married and has 17 children ... and then her husband dies. She remarries two weeks later ... and has 22 more children by her second husband. She dies.

At her wake, the priest looks tenderly at Maria as she lies in her coffin, looks up to the heavens, and says, "At last ... they're finally together."

A man standing next to him asks, "Excuse me, Father, but do you mean her and her **FIRST** husband, or her and her **SECOND** husband?"

"No," the priest says politely, "I mean her **LEGS**."

Tommy's parents realised that the only way they could pull off a Sunday afternoon "quickie" while their 8-year-old son was in the apartment was to send him out on the balcony with a Popsicle and tell him to report on all the neighborhood activities.

He began his commentary as his parents put their plan into operation: "There's a car being towed from the parking lot," he shouted. "An ambulance just drove by!" Then "looks like the Andersons have company," he called out. Then "Matt's riding a new bike!" Then "Looks like the Sanders are moving!" Then "Jason is on his skate board!"

After a few moments he announced "The Coopers are having sex!"

Startled, his mother and father shot up in bed. Dad cautiously called out "How do you know they're having sex?"

"Jimmy Cooper is standing on his balcony with a Popsicle" said Tommy.

Some 3rd grade little boys went to the bathroom during recess. One of the boys was looking around and saw that his wee wee was bigger than the other 3rd graders.

At home that night he told his mother what he had noticed. He asked his mother, "is it because I'm black?" "No", his mother replied, "its because you're 16."

