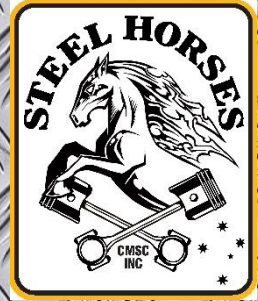


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... and lots more stuff!

DON'T FORGET:

STEEL HORSES ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The most important meeting of the year!

Tuesday night 19th September 2017



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Lord Stanley Hotel,
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The Lord Stanley Hotel is at the
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The opinions expressed in this
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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.

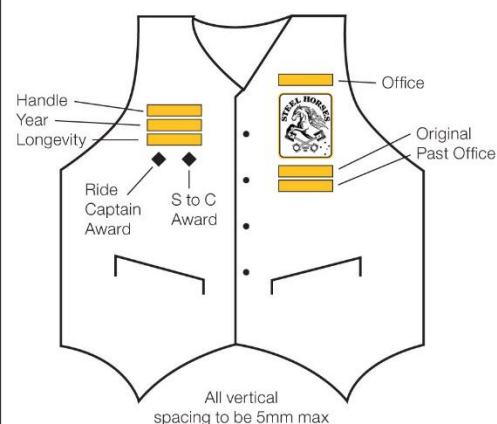
The annual membership
subscription is \$36 for Riders,
Pillions, and Social Members.

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.

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The Best Motorcycle in the World

**Guess who's just
bought a new
motorcycle!! :-)**



STEINY'S SPIEL

THE PRESIDENTS REPORT



By the time you are reading this, we will be one week away from our 2017 AGM, and one week away from our 8th Birthday, still going strong, with two new members Benelli and Rob and another potential member keen to join, Steven.

The last few months have been hectic with changes.

We have a new Club patch, new "Invite to ride cards" new Banner for our marque, a minor shuffle up in the committee, so it has been exciting times for the "Steel Horses" members.

We also have changes happening to the "Rules" and "Bylaws/Guidelines", followed by a reprint of them, and all this is thanks to the members input.

We have been getting good ride attendances all round and everyone seems to be enjoying themselves, and that's what it's all about, after all.

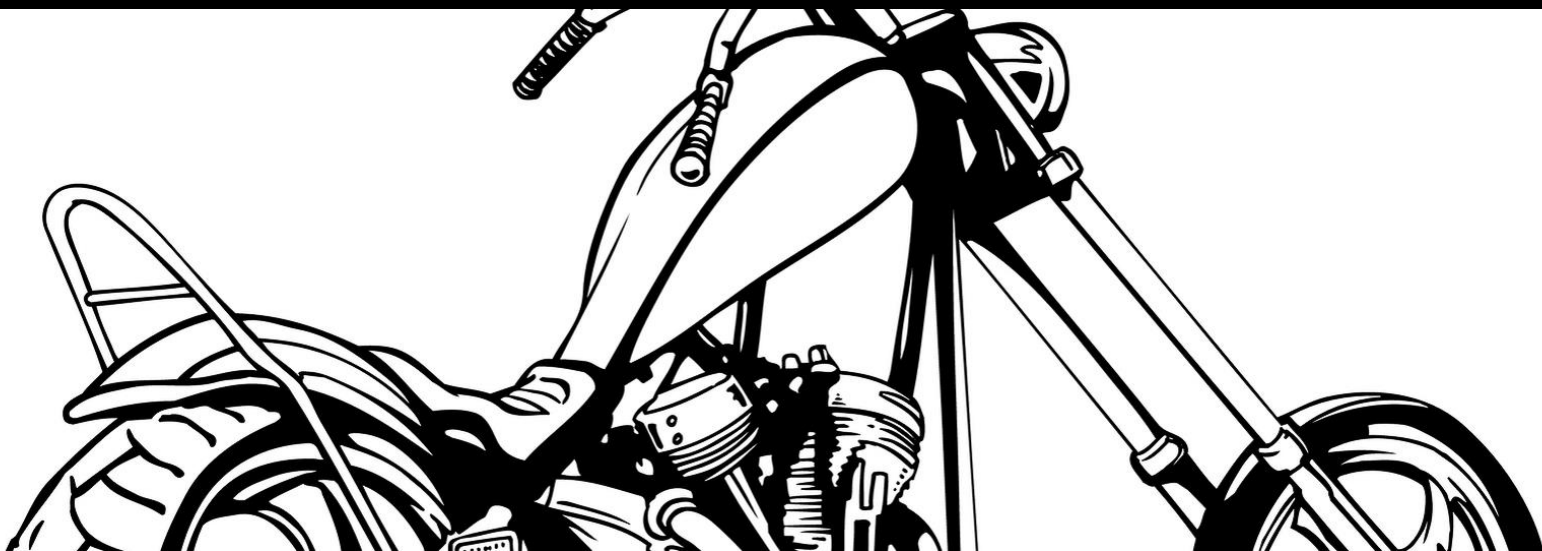
We have Laverda coming up in October, and once again we will have our gear set up, with our 10 bikes on display, the coffee jug boiling and plenty of food on the BBQ for all the members to enjoy.

All things considered, we have had a relatively enjoyable year and we will all aim to make next year even more enjoyable.

Cheers ...

Steiny.

"A man has got to know his limitations"



STEEL HORSES WEST RIDE Sunday 13th August 2017

Ride Report by Roach

Ride Captain: Sam

Riders: Steiny, Jak, Rusty, Hippy, Roach, and 2 guest riders Chris & Steven, with Mac and Yogi for breakfast.

An early morning start today. Around 8am we met up with Steiny, Jak, Mac and Yogi at the Leaf Cafe in Goodna (the old Coffee Club venue). Mixed reviews for brekkie here, 4 found the food great and 2 found it average at best. After brekkie we went to Goodna McDonalds to meet up with Sam, Rusty and 2 guest riders Chris & Steven. After our briefing we said our goodbyes to Mac and Yogi as they just dropped in for brekkie and catch up.

9.10am we were on our way, Sam & Rusty lead the group followed by Jak, Hippy & Roach, Chris, Steven and Steiny was our TEC. Our first stop was at the Flavours Cafe in Boonah. After our light refreshment we were on the road by **10.30am** heading to Queen Mary Falls. We passed through Dugandan, Croftby, Carney's Creek and the Head before arriving at Queen Mary Falls. While most of the group stopped for a bum break outside the caravan park cafe, Sam and Rusty did the Queen Mary Falls walk/circuit.

11.55am we were back on the bikes heading for our lunch break venue The Yangan Hotel/Motel. We passed through Kilarney, Tannymorel, Dandaroo and Emu Vale before arriving at the Yangan Hotel/Motel. We enjoyed a fab pub lunch then we had cupcakes and a sing'a'long to celebrate Hippy's birthday.

1.35pm we were on our way to our fuel break pit stop, the Shell servo in Aratula. Here everyone said their goodbyes and we made our way home.

We arrived home in Tanah Merah around 4.30pm. This was a 356km return trip for us today. Thanks again to Sam for leading a fab ride and thanks to those who made this a fab birthday celebration for Hippy.

Cheers from Roach & Hippy.



STEEL HORSES NORTH RIDE

Sunday 20th August 2017

Ride Captain: Pyro.

Riders: Ace, Jak, Hoffy, Steiny, Phoenix, and Steve (a visitor).

Hi All Pyro here,

We started our North ride this week with six bikes and one pillion, Ace, Jak, Hoffy, Steiny, Phoenix, a visitor Steve on a Vulcan, and me, we left on time and rode over clear mountain and past the North Pine Dam, headed down to Dayboro and up Mount Mee with a couple of detours for fun.

Our first stop was at the Mount Mee lookout and after it was on to Peachester and Bald Knob Road and another detour to Old Gympie Road and back to Peachester for lunch. We found out that Ace's Cafe has changed hands, the food was still good. Steve tried to leave early but had trouble finding his keys so was only a few minutes ahead of us.

It was decided to call the ride after lunch. Hoffy headed to Woodford and the rest of us went for the freeway and the Caboolture BP south for fuel and our good byes. We were going to visit Kim but was told he was not going to be there so we all headed for home. The ride was short but full of twist and turns that I greatly enjoy.

The weather was warm and clear which always makes for a good day to ride with friends. Hope to see you on the next one.

Pyro.

Lite em up



STEEL HORSES SOUTH RIDE

Sunday 27th August 2017

Ride Captain: Steiny.

Riders: Yogi, Jak, Mac, Hippy, Roach, Ned, Rob & son Jackson, and visitor Steven.

I got to the start point a bit early and there were already a few there, coffeing and what not. We had Steiny, Yogi, Jak, Mac, Hippy, Roach, Rob & son, Ned and visitor Steven.

We headed off towards Jacobs well, veered off on to Norwell Rd. and back out to the highway, north to Redland Bay Road Vicky Point and had a look at the boat ramps and barges as we went past, then up to 'Hoya' nursery/coffee shop for our first bum break. Then off to Cleveland point for a look see, back up Ricketts Road Capalaba and back to "Brooks" fish and chip shop for lunch.

After a leisurely lunch, we said our goodbyes and went our separate ways. It was a short ride and I think everyone liked the early finish for a change, so I will do it again soon.

Thanks for joining us.

Cheers ... Steiny.

"A man has got to know his limitations"



STEEL HORSES WEST RIDE

Sunday 3rd September 2017

Ride Captain: Steiny.

Riders: Boots, Pyro and Phoenix with Harley as Pyro's pillion.

Yogi had some work to do on his truck, so he asked me if I would lead his ride. Being Fathers Day, I didn't expect too many to turn up. There were 4 of us. Steiny, Boots, Pyro and Phoenix with Harley as Pyro's pillion.

It was as per the ride calendar. Goodna, Walloon, Grandchester, Laidley, tent hill pub for our first bum break, (I got a bit bamboozled finding the pub, but Pyro sorted me out) then on to O'Shanleys Pub at Clifton for lunch. Nice little pub. Great lunch.

Then back down Cunningham's gap with our last stop for a drink and goodbyes at the shell servo in Aratula. We all went our separate ways home. Phoenix took over the regular Club photographers, (Kim & Roach), duties and did a good job of it.

Great day out riding with good friends.

Cheers ... Steiny.

"A man has got to know his limitations"



STEEL HORSES BBQ & FIRE PIT NIGHT

Saturday evening 9th September 2017

Party Report by Roach

An awesome evening spent with the Steel Horses crew. Our fantastic hosts Pyro and Phoenix kindly offered their home as a venue for 'fire pit night'. Attending members were Pyro & Phoenix, Hippy & Roach, Steiny, Kim, Rosie, Mac & Arja, Yogi, Ned, Ace, Scouse & Chistine.

The evening began with Pyro lighting the fire pit, followed by a commemorative burning of the old club patches ... out with old and in with the new. A fresh new start with like minded people enjoying each other's company, swapping stories, enjoying a few bevvies, having a lot of laughs and planning future rides and ventures together.

Pyro was a very busy man on BBQ cooking up a storm for the crew. Phoenix and Rosie laid out the salads and we all sat around to a fantastic spread. After dinner and dessert we sat around the fire pit swapping stories, having a lot of laughs while Hippy played guitar as background music.

A big thank you to Pyro & Phoenix for hosting such a great evening. A fun night was had by all and we look forward to another social gathering again soon.

Cheers from Roach & Hippy.



STEEL HORSES NORTH RIDE

Sunday 10th September 2017

Ride Captain: Mac.

Riders: Boots, Jak, Scouse, Steiny, Ace, Pyro, and 2 visitors: Matt and his pillion Svenja.

We had a fair number of members show up at Carseldine ready for the North Ride out to the OBI OBI Custom Bike Show. Boots, Jak, Scouse, Steiny, Ace, Pyro and Mac. We were honoured to have two visitors along today, Matt and his pillion partner, Svenja. Steiny went Tail End Charlie for the day.

We left close to on time and headed out to the Morayfield turnoff from the highway and followed Caboolture River Road out the back to the mountains and then followed North Road all the way north through to Wamuran. We stopped at Woodford for our first bum break.

Today was a perfect riding day. No wind, sun shining, comfortable mild chill in the air to keep us all comfortable. From Woodford we headed straight to Maleny and then on to Kenilworth and passed more than average numbers of bikes out on the roads today.

We passed directly to the bike show and was greeted there by huge numbers of bikes in the carp park already. We paid our \$5 entry fee and proceeded to wander the myriad of custom bikes taking in the ambience of the day and sharing of this passion with many other like minded riders who were here for the same reasons we were.

There were many creative restorations outnumbering new really style new bike builds. It was awesome to see those old British bikes and the restored Japanese Honda 750 4's. Harley Davidsons contributed well with some really old examples of pure Americana.

After staying for just the right amount of time, we regrouped outside the event and proceeded on to Mapleton where we dined for lunch. Pyro had decided to give the show a miss and kept on riding and missed our lunch date. After a good lunch we all rode straight through via Steve Irwin Way and onto the twin BP servos back at Morayfield where we said our good byes. Another cracker ride day with great company. ... **Mac.**



New Brand of Gin Is Flavoured with Harley Parts!

By Brett Foote - July 27, 2017

https://www.hdforums.com/articles/the-archaeologist-gin-comes-flavored-with-vintage-harley-davidson-parts/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=paid&utm_campaign=HDForum

<https://youtu.be/8PhF-jAMn5k>

You've already got Harley-Davidson in your blood. Now you can have it in your stomach, too — for a little over \$1,200 a bottle.

The concept of crazy expensive, premium beverages is nothing new. For decades now, people have lined up to pay big bucks for things like artisan water and kombucha tea. Heck, you can even buy asparagus water now. But for far too long, we've been denied any sort of beverage that captures the essence of a vintage Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Until now.



Believe it or not, an antique Harley chaser by the name of Uwe Ehinger has created a gin infused with old motorcycle parts. Literally. Like as in he actually puts things like 1962 Panhead rocker arms, 1939 Flathead camshafts, and 1947 Knucklehead screw-nuts directly in the bottle. Lest you think this is some sort of late (or early) April Fool's joke, we wouldn't blame you. But it appears that the spirit, dubbed "The Archaeologist Gin," is very much real.



The first and most obvious question we had about the gin (besides why?) is whether or not you'll be able to taste the metal while enjoying a short pour. According to Ehinger, the parts go through a special cleansing process and are sealed in a tin alloy to make the gin safe for consumption. Plus, the packaging is every bit as eccentric as the idea itself. Each bottle comes wrapped in wax paper telling the story of the part inside. And it's printed using a Heidelberg crucible printing press from 1931.

As you can probably guess by now, this level of pretentiousness doesn't come cheap. A bottle of The Archaeologist Gin will set you back a little over \$1,200. Even at that lofty price, the first batch reportedly sold out in a matter of hours!



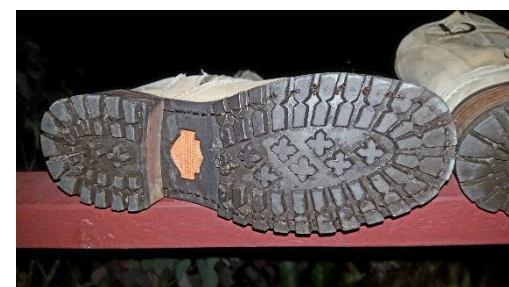
OFFICIAL STEEL HORSES MERCHANDISE: 15 x Steel Horses caps (one size fits all) @ \$18.00 each.

ALSO: 2 x brand new official club black long-sleeved T-shirts - one is XXL and the other is L - \$28.00 each.

Contact Steiny to purchase: 0419 672 216 or steiny1947@gmail.com



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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)

Harley Davidson: historic motorcycle manufacturer

16th February, 2017. By Mark Hinchliffe

<https://motorbikewriter.com/harley-davidson-historic-motorcycle-manufacturer/>



Think of a motorcycle manufacturer and chances are Harley-Davidson comes to mind. From humble roots to becoming one of America's most iconic brands. Here are some of the key moments in the rich history of the world's best-loved biking brand:

1901

The story begins in 1901, when William S. Harley — one of the brand's founding fathers — drew up a blueprint of an engine that can fit into a bicycle. Designed for use on a regular bicycle, the engine would offer a displacement of 7.07 cubic inches and four-inch flywheels.

While variants of the motorcycle existed prior to this point, it was certainly an important moment in biking history, giving rise to what would become one of the world's biggest motorcycle manufacturers.

1903

In 1903, the world got one step closer to Harley-Davidson as we know it today. William and his friend Arthur Davidson decided to work together to make the blueprints a reality and manufacture a motorcycle.

Unlike the futuristic production lines of our times, the very first Harley was built in a 10ft by 15ft wooden shed. The first Harley Davidson motorcycle the public could get their hands on was designed to race, with a 3-1/8 inch bore and 3-1/2 inch stroke. One of their first customers was an old school friend, who bought his bike direct.

1904

Just one year later and Harley-Davidson's success began to snowball. The first Harley-Davidson Dealer, C.H. Lang of Chicago, is established and sells the first three of the brand's production motorcycles ever made.



1905

As well as their size, the performance of their motorcycles started to make headlines in 1905. July 4th saw one of the brand's bikes win a 15-mile race in Chicago.

1909

The first V-twin powered Harley-Davidson motorcycle is introduced, offering displacement of 49.5 cubic inches and a horsepower of seven. The cylinders were arranged in a 45-degree layout — a now iconic feature of motorcycles.



1920

By 1920, Harley is the largest motorcycle manufacturer in the world, with 2,000 dealers in 67 countries around the world.



1925

In 1925, gas tanks were modified to have a distinct tear-drop gas tank, which would go on to become one of the bikes' most iconic features.

1931

By 1931, Harley-Davidson's superior quality motorcycles, class-leading innovation and exceptional sporting performance had seen off all other American brands except Indian (Hendee Manufacturing). The pair would remain the only two American motorcycle manufacturers for more than 20 years to come.

1933

A reaction to the Great Depression, all Harley-Davidson gas tanks are painted with a now-iconic eagle design, which triggered the start of graphic design on the bikes.

1941-1945

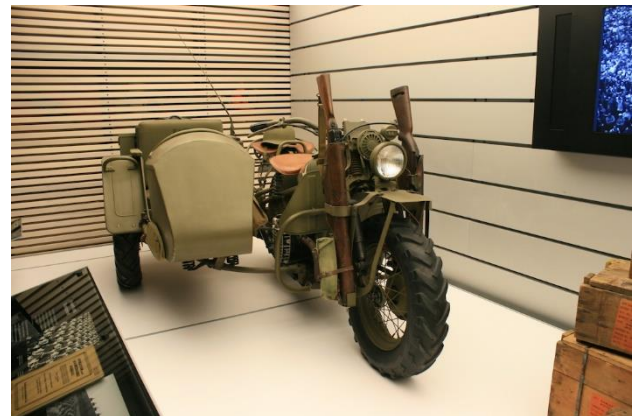
In 1941, America and the rest of the world was rocked by World War II, with the production of military bikes now taking priority over civilians'. Over the coming years, Harley-Davidson dedicates their business and manufacturing to supporting the US war efforts. Activities included:

1941 — Service School converted to aid the training of military mechanics.

1942 — XA750 bike was produced, designed for desert use although the contract was terminated early when war combat moved away from North Africa.

1943 — Wins the first of four Army-Navy "E" Awards for excellence.

1945 — Over 60,000 WLA models were produced during the war. After the war ends, civilian bike production resumed in November



1947

Harley-Davidson created and retailed the now essential and iconic black leather motorcycle jacket.

1953

Harley-Davidson's 50th anniversary. In the same year, Hendee Manufacturing goes out of business, leaving Harley Davidson as America's sole motorcycle manufacturer — a position they would occupy for the next 46 years.

1957

The world was introduced to what would become the first of Harley's superbikes. Named the Sportster, it featured a 55 cubic inch overhead valve engine.

1960

The first (and last) Harley-Davidson motor scooter was produced — the Harley Davidson Topper. In the same year, the company partnered with Aeronatica-Macchi to form Aermacchi Harley-Davidson. The European division produced single-cylinder bikes.

1962

Harley-Davidson began manufacturing its own parts using fibreglass.

1970

As well as introducing the XR-750 Sportster-based motorcycle, 1970 saw racer Cal Rayborn break the world land speed record set by a motorcycle. His 16ft streamliner — which was powered by a single Sportster engine — reached just over 265mph.

1981

Thirteen Harley executives bought the company back from AMF, with the purchase finalised in June 1981.

1983

Harley Owner's Group was formed; the world's largest factory-sponsored motorcycle club. By 2000, the club had reached 500,000 members.

**1986**

Harley-Davidson is listed on the American Stock Exchange.

1993

Harley celebrates its 90th anniversary in Milwaukee. The motorcycle parade contains an estimated 100,000 riders.

1998

The company reaches its 95th anniversary, where 140,000 riders join the celebrations.



2001

The VRSCA V-Rod is introduced, inspired by the racing version of the bike. It combines fuel injection with overhead cams and liquid cooling, delivering horsepower of 115.

2003

Milwaukee hosts a massive party to celebrate the local company's 100th anniversary, attracting tens of thousands of Harley fans.

2008

A new frame is introduced for the Touring family. It delivers a lower seating position, improved manoeuvrability and has a longer wheelbase.

2009

Expansion into India is announced.

2011

HD-1 is announced, giving riders the chance of a factory-built custom motorcycle.

2016

Harley launches its ninth Big Twin engine, called the Milwaukee-Eight, referring to where it's made and the number of valves.



2017

Harley Davidson announces updated Tourers, completely abandons the Dyna range, and releases a whole new, much-enhanced, Softail range.

The background is a collage of birthday-themed images. At the top, there are several birthday cakes with candles. Below the text box, on the left, is a close-up of a golden retriever's face wearing a blue party hat. On the right is a black and white illustration of the zodiac sign Virgo. At the bottom, there is a large red 'Happy Birthday' text and a pink circular stamp with a cake and the words 'HAPPY BIRTHDAY'.

**Nobody in Steel Horses has a
birthday in September!!
Don't Virgos ride bikes?**



Personality traits of Virgos:

People born under this sign are typically analytical, kind, hardworking and practical. Virgos tend to worry often; they are shy and dislike being the centre of attention. They are also known for being modest, faithful, quiet, and very persuasive, as well as for having a good sense of reasoning and memory. Virgos are also known for their intellect and usually enjoy art, literature, science, mathematics, and are skilled at completing detailed work. **Do they like riding motorcycles?**



Riding Tips

When to replace your motorcycle helmet?

24th August 2016 by Mark Hinchliffe

<https://motorbikewriter.com/replace-motorcycle-helmet/>

The general rule is to replace your motorcycle helmet every five years, but what if you drop it, sweat heavily or wear it every day?

The biggest myth is that if your helmet falls off your bike when it's parked, you should change your helmet. That's probably put around by helmet retailers. Certainly you should check the helmet and it might depend on how far it fell and rolled. However, even though helmets are a one-use product designed to protect you in a crash and then get thrown away, they are pretty robust. At least the helmets allowed in Australia are robust, especially now that UNECE 220.5 helmets are permitted. However, I wouldn't trust some SE Asian helmets if they fell on a feather pillow.



Most helmets will easily withstand the general knocking they get in daily life. If they don't, then you really have to wonder about their ability to protect you in a crash. That doesn't mean you can throw your helmet around. You need to treat a helmet with respect and care and store it in a cool, dry place.

The outside shell – plastic, fibreglass or carbon fibre – is pretty tough, but keep it away from petroleum-based products such as fuel, cleaners and paint.

It's the interior foam that deforms to absorb the impact in a crash and protect your head. So that means that you shouldn't store any heavy objects in your helmet. If it



drops with something heavy in it, then it will damage the helmet. Also, be careful how you hang your helmet on a hook as this can deform the interior foam.

If you feel the need to inspect a helmet after you've dropped it, you could probably get it x-rayed by a professional. However, if it's been such a big drop or a frequent number of knocks that you are concerned, then you should just bin it anyway.

General helmet use means a helmet will last for about five years. The glues, resins and other materials used in the making of the helmet can lose their effectiveness and also deteriorate the lining. You can prolong your helmet if you store it properly when you're not using it. Keep it in a cool, dry place and store it inside the helmet bag in which it came.

It's not the outside that deteriorates, but the inside foam and fabric lining. If you notice the helmet getting loose or some of the lining coming out or it leaves little black flakes in your hair, then it's time to retire it, whether it has reached the five years or not. Frequent use, sweating in your helmet, having greasy hair or using a lot of "hair product" can all aid in compacting the foam and making the interior lining degenerate faster than normal use. You can also prolong the life of your helmet interior by wearing a helmet liner, balaclava or scarf that keeps the sweat off.

Another good reason to replace your helmet every five years is that helmet technology is advancing all the time and a new helmet is going to offer more protection than something five years old.



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

Ride JUST WANNA RIDE Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2017

Sun	3	West	<i>Ride Captain: Steiny (0419 672 216).</i> Leave McDonalds Goodna at 9.00am travel to the Tenthill Hotel for a break via back roads though Walloon , Grandchester and Laidley . From there to O'Shanley's Irish Pub at Clifton for lunch via Ma Ma Creek Road. After lunch, home via a stop at Blacksoil for goodbyes. Click HERE to see the ride route map.
SATURDAY EVENING	9	BBQ's & FIRES!!	The inaugural Steel Horses "FIRE PIT NIGHT" Sit around a classic campfire/fire pit this evening with your Steel Horses mates. Fantastic! Nothing fancy, just good company and a warm fire. What an awesome way to pass the evening. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be held at Pyro & Phoenix's place. Phone Pyro (0413 905 141) for address details. 6:00 PM kickoff. BYO Meat, salads, alcohol, marshmallows, and anything else you think you might need. Pyro and Phoenix are supplying the BBQ and Fire Pit. BYO fold-up chairs to use while sitting around the fire! There is ample parking for bikes/cars off street.
Sun	10	North to the Obi Obi Bike Show !!	<i>Ride Captain: Mac (0439 444 655).</i> Caltex Carseldine Roadhouse - Woodford (bum break) - Ride straight to the Obi Obi Hall for the Bike Festival/Show (Facebook link here) and lunch (probably stay there for a few hours depending on interest levels) - head home via Mapleton - Landsborough - Bald Knob - Twin BP's on the highway for our goodbyes.
Sat-Sun	16-17	North to Rainbow Beach	PYRO'S WEEKEND AWAY TO RAINBOW BEACH. An "unofficial" weekend away travelling north to Rainbow Beach . All members are welcome! It isn't a very long ride, and we should get there about 3-ish. For more information contact Pyro : 0413 905 141.
Sun	17	South	<i>Ride Captain: Jak (0402 263 920).</i> BP Servo at Yatala - Canungra - Advancetown Pub (break) - Tomewin Mountain Road - Murwillumbah (lunch) - Numinbah Valley - Nerang - Coomera - BP Servo at Yatala . Route map is here . Approx 220 km.
Tues	19	MEETING	Lord Stanley Hotel . 994 Stanley Street East, East Brisbane . The meeting proper starts at 7.30pm; but come earlier for dinner!
Sat-Sun	23-24	West	<i>Ride Captain: Sam (0419 174 201)</i> SAM'S WEEKEND AWAY! SATURDAY 23rd September: Leaving McDonalds Goodna (normal time 9am) - first stop at Maryvale Pub - lunch stop at Rudd's Pub - then out near Bowenville (which is just this side of Dalby) to my mate Col's place (a farm) for the night. There will be 5 or 6 camp beds available, and a verandah, so whoever has a swag should bring it along. I plan on keeping it simple with a campfire, BBQ dinner and BBQ breakfast. SUNDAY 24th September: Sunday we will head home via Murphys Creek and our goodbye's at Blacksoil . Anybody that doesn't want to overnight, are welcome to tag along and make your own way home at any stage. Click HERE for a route map of the whole trip. That's the short of it, more details on request. Cheers ... Sam (Phone 0419 174 201)

OCTOBER 2017

Sun	1	North	<i>Ride Captain: Pyro (0413 905 141)</i> Start at McDonalds NEWMARKET (290 Enoggera Road, Newmarket) (for a change) - Mount Glorious - Somerset Dam (bum rest) - Blackbutt (lunch) - Crows Nest - Esk - Fernvale - Blacksoil - Home. Ride to Blacksoil is 340km. Full disclosure: There is 4 km of good, hard, smooth dirt between Black Butt and Crows Nest. Mac and I rode this a couple of months ago and it was pretty good.
Sun	8	South	<i>Ride Captain: Steiny (0419 672 216)</i> Something different today ... a cruisy bay run! BP Servo at Yatala - Norwell Road - up the highway to Loganholme - Carbrook - Victoria Point - Hova Garden Plaza (coffee) - then all around, ending up at Wellington Point (lunch) - then Capalaba - Caltex servo near Gateway Arterial for goodbyes. Reasonably early finish. Route map is here .
Sun	15	LAVERDA CONCOURS at Cleveland, Brisbane.	LAVERDA CONCOURS Staged at the Cleveland Showgrounds: Long Street, Cleveland, Brisbane . Club Laverda is once again putting on its Concours show. This is an excellent annual event that's now in its 29th year!! Once again, Steel Horses will have a strong presence there, complete with our big marquee (and BBQ), promoting our club to potential new members. As well, it's a great day out for all our existing members! Click here to see some photos of the Steel Horses display at the Laverda Concours in 2015. This is a pretty big event, and about 8000 people usually attend. Concours attracts motorcycle trade stalls (about 30), motorcycle enthusiast club displays (about 35 - including Steel Horses), and motorcycle enthusiasts both local and interstate. There's plenty of free parking for motorcycles. Entertainment includes a wide variety of food vendors, free face painting, kiddie's rides, and live music provided by the popular local act, The Dave Ritter Band . Admission is free to children under the age of 15 years and \$10 for all other patrons. Admission includes on-site motorcycle parking. It should be a great day!
Tues	17	MEETING	Lord Stanley Hotel . 994 Stanley Street East, East Brisbane . The meeting proper starts at 7.30pm; but come earlier for dinner!
Sun	22	North	<i>Ride Captain: Mac (0439 444 655).</i> Caltex Carseldine Roadhouse - through to Woodford (first bum break) - Woodford to Blackbutt Pub (lunch) - Blackbutt to Yarraman then onto Hampton (bum break) - Hampton down the range to Esk and onto the T-Intersection where I will call the ride. For those who want to go home via Mount Glorious , follow me, or home via Fernvale and the highway. Total ride kllms from Castledine to T-Intersection = 327 kllms. Ride time = 4 hrs + bum breaks and lunch. (Plan for a longish day.) Route map is HERE .
Sun	29	South	<i>Ride Captain: Steiny (0419 672 216)</i> BP Servo at Yatala - Beenleigh - Logan River Road - left into Gardiner Road - right into Dairy Creek Road - left into Waterford-Tamborine Road - right at Tamborine Village Roundabout - left into Mundoolun Connection Road - Canungra - straight through to Advancetown Pub (bum break) - back up Clagiraba Road - left into Henry Roberts Drive to the top - down the Goat Track Road to Canungra Pub for lunch - back over the Goat Track Road to Tamborine Mountain - down past the Bearded Dragon Hotel - back to Yatala via Stanmore Road and goodbyes. There's a ride route map here .

A FEW JOKES :-)



Q: What's big, black, noisy, makes a lot of smoke and cuts carrots in five?

A: The Russian machine for cutting carrots in four.

Understanding Engineers #1:

To the optimist, the glass is half-full. To the pessimist, the glass is half-empty. To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

Researchers for the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority found over 200 dead crows near greater Boston recently, and there was concern that they may have died from Avian Flu.

A Bird Pathologist examined the remains of all the crows and, to everyone's relief, confirmed the problem was definitely NOT Avian Flu. The cause of death appeared to be vehicular impacts.

However, during the detailed analysis it was noted that varying colours of paints appeared on the bird's beaks and claws. By analysing these paint residues it was determined that 98% of the crows had been killed by impact with trucks, while only 2% were killed by an impact with a car.

MTA then hired an Ornithological Behaviorist to determine if there was a cause for the disproportionate percentages of truck kills versus car kills.

The Ornithological Behaviorist very quickly concluded the cause: when crows eat road kill, they always have a lookout crow in a nearby tree to warn of impending danger. They discovered that while all the lookout crows could shout "Cah", not a single one could shout "Truck."

The Mexican maid asked for a pay increase. The wife was very upset about this, and decided to talk to her about the raise.

She asked: "Now Maria, why do you want a pay increase?"

Maria: "Well, Senora, there are tree reasons why I wanna increaze." "The first is that I iron better than you."

Wife: "Who said you iron better than me?"

Maria: "Jor huzban he say so."

Wife: "Oh yeah?"

Maria: "The second reason eez that I am a better cook than you."

Wife: "Nonsense, who said you were a better cook than me?"

Maria: "Jor hozban did."

Wife, increasingly agitated : "Oh he did, did he?"

Maria: "The third reason is that I am better at sex than you in the bed."

Wife, really boiling now and through gritted teeth.

Wife: "And did my husband say that as well?"

Maria: "No Senora ... the gardener did."

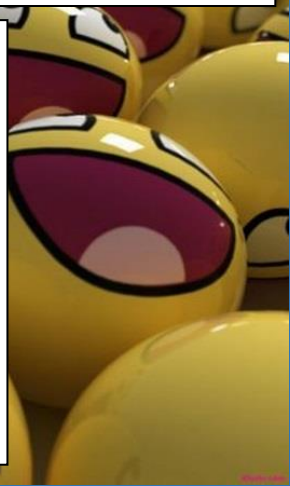
Wife: "So, how much do you want?"

Understanding Engineers #2:

Two engineering students were biking across a university campus when one said, "Where did you get such a great bike?" The second engineer replied, "Well, I was walking along yesterday, minding my own business, when a beautiful woman rode up on this bike, threw it to the ground, took off all her clothes and said, 'Take what you want'." The first engineer nodded approvingly and said, "Good choice. The clothes probably wouldn't have fit you anyway."

Understanding Engineers #3:

What is the difference between mechanical engineers and civil engineers? Mechanical engineers build weapons. Civil engineers build targets.



MORE JOKES!! 😊



In a recently held linguistic competition contestants were asked to explain the difference between COMPLETE and FINISHED in a way that is easy to understand. Some people say there is NO difference between COMPLETE and FINISHED.

Here is the winning answer:

"When you marry the right woman, you are COMPLETE. When you marry the wrong woman, you are FINISHED, and when the right one catches you with the wrong one, you are COMPLETELY FINISHED!!"

Chinese Sick Leave



Ho Chow calls into work and says, 'Hey, I no come work today, I really sick. Got headache, stomach ache and legs hurt, I no come work.'

The boss says, 'You know something, Ho Chow, I really need you today. When I feel sick like you do, I go to my wife and tell her to give me sex. That makes everything better and I go to work. You try that.'

Two hours later Ho Chow calls again. 'I do what you say and I feel great. I be at work soon.....You got nice house'

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Stanley died in a fire, and his body was burned pretty badly. The morgue needed someone to identify the body, so they sent for his two best deer hunting friends, Cooter and Gomer. The three men had always hunted and fished together

and were long time members of a hunting camp.

Cooter arrived first, and when the mortician pulled back the sheet, Cooter said: "Yup, his face is burned up pretty bad. You better

roll him over." The mortician rolled him over and Cooter said: "Nope, ain't Stanley."

The mortician thought this was rather strange, so he brought Gomer in to confirm the identity of the body. Gomer looked at the body and

said: "Yup, he's pretty well burnt up. Roll him over." The mortician rolled him over and Gomer said: "No, it ain't Stanley."

The mortician asked: "How can you tell?"

Gomer said, "Well, Stanley had two ass-holes."

"What! He had two ass-holes?" asked the mortician.

"Yup, we never seen 'em, but everybody used to say: 'There's Stanley with them two ass-holes'."

Understanding Engineers #4:

Three engineering students were gathered together discussing who must have designed the human body. One said, "It was a mechanical engineer. Just look at all the joints." Another said, "No, it was an electrical engineer. The nervous system has many thousands of electrical connections." The last one said, "No, actually it had to have been a civil engineer. Who else would run a toxic waste pipeline through a recreational area?"

Understanding Engineers #5:

Normal people believe that if it ain't broke, don't fix it. Engineers believe that if it ain't broke, it doesn't have enough features yet.



EVEN MORE JOKES!! 😊

This is a story of self-control and marksmanship by a brave, cool-headed woman with a small pistol against a fierce predator. What is the smallest caliber that you would trust to protect yourself? A *Beretta Jetfire* testimonial ... Here is her story in her own words:

"While out walking along the edge of a pond just outside of The Villages with my soon to be ex-husband discussing property settlement and other divorce issues, we were surprised by a huge 12-ft. alligator which suddenly emerged from the murky water and began charging us with its large jaws wide open. She must have been protecting her nest because she was extremely aggressive. If I had not had my little *Beretta Jetfire* .25 caliber pistol with me, I would not be here today!

"Just one shot to my estranged husband's kneecap was all it took ... The 'gator got him easily and I was able to escape by just walking away at a brisk pace. It's one of the best pistols in my collection! Plus the amount I saved in lawyer's fees was really incredible."

On the first day, he sadly packed his belongings into boxes, crates, and suitcases. On the second day, the movers came to pick up his things.

On the third day, he sat down for his last meal at that beautiful dining table. By candlelight, with soft music, he dined on a pound of shrimp, caviar, and a bottle Perrier. When he finished he went to each room and deposited a few half eaten shrimp, covered with caviar inside each curtain rod throughout the house. He cleaned the kitchen and dining room and left.

On the fourth day, the wife moved back in but with her new younger boyfriend. At first, she was quite happy with her life. Then the house began to stink.

She tried everything she could think and all that was suggested by others.....cleaning, mopping, airing the whole house. Vents and attic were checked for dead rodents, carpets were steam cleaned. Air fresheners were hung in every room. Exterminators set off gas canisters. Even the expensive wool carpeting was removed. Through all of that, the smell had only gotten worse.

Friends and family stopped visiting. Repairmen refused to work in the house. The maid quit.

Eventually, the former wife and boyfriend couldn't stand it either. The house was put on the market. But after a month, the word got out. Even with the house at less than half of what it would have sold for two months earlier, realtors wouldn't even list the house, let alone bring a client into that smell. Finally, the couple had to take a mortgage just to get into another house.

Then the ex called his former wife and asked how things were going for them. She told him the saga of the rotting house. He listened politely. He said he had missed his old house and would be willing to rewrite the divorce settlement if he could have the house. Knowing he could have no idea how bad things were in the house, she agreed to let him have it for 1/10 of its market value but only if he would sign the papers that day.

A week later, the ex-wife and boyfriend stood in the front yard smiling as the moving company removed all of their belongings from the house INCLUDING THE CURTAIN RODS.

Two guys were discussing popular family trends on sex, marriage, and family values.

1st guy said, 'I didn't sleep with my wife before we got married, did you?'

2nd guy replied, 'I'm not sure, what was her maiden name?'

