

**CLUB AGM  
THIS  
WEDNESDAY!**



## **DECEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER**

### ***2019 HCMC AGM - 18th December 2019 - 8.00pm, W. Leederville Clubrooms***

Members are reminded that voting for the 2020 committee will take place at the upcoming AGM, so please nominate yourself (or someone wanting to be nominated), or send in a Proxy Voting Form naming your nominated member to vote on your behalf, and have your say in what direction the club takes going forward into the future. Be advised that ALL positions will be vacated.

Note – you and your Proxy nominee must be current financial members to be able to vote – and all Proxy votes must be handed to the Secretary prior to the meeting commencing.

### **LIST OF CONFIRMED DATES FOR NEXT YEAR:**

<b>FEB 29/MARCH 1</b>		<b>STAND ALONE.</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>11/12</b>	<b>ROUND 1 COLLIE TT.</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>23/24</b>	<b>ROUND 2</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	<b>27/28</b>	<b>ROUND 3</b>
<b>JULY</b>	<b>18/19</b>	<b>ROUND 4</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>22/23</b>	<b>ROUND 5</b>
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>26/27/28</b>	<b>ROUND 6 &amp; STATE CHAMPS.</b>
<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>24/25</b>	<b>STAND ALONE.</b>

With out first event having a date change to 29 Feb/1March, this still leaves approx. 1 month for our bikes to return from Phillip Island.

## **PRESIDENT'S PREAMBLE - Bob Humphreys**

All good things come to an end, this is my last article as President for our newsletter.

I joined Fairfield MCC in NSW when I was 15 years old, never missed a club meeting. I felt I was in the 'Lap of the Gods'. In those days Aussie riders would return home from Europe and the Isle of Man and bring bikes back and race at local and Interstate events, coincidentally pulling big crowds with names like Kel Caruthers, Jack Ahern, Len Attley, John Dodds and many other stars. Can you imagine Jack Miller and previous Internationals being able to do this?

I raced Dirt Bikes and Road Racing until I was 23, and made the big leap to England and joined the Kings Lynn Speedway team, straight into 1st division, what a baptism of fire! You lined up for your 1st race at away tracks with practice consisting of a walk around the track. I did eleven seasons straight, had two years off (got caught by the Tax man), built Elfield Park Speedway and rode two more seasons at Arena Essex.

Coming from NSW, the racing scene was huge, clubs and dirt tracks were scattered all over the State. The Annual Easter Road Races at Bathurst were the pinnacle, with a short drive to Orange the next day for a dirt track meeting.... not many of the riders turned up for work on Tuesday, so I feel my love for Motorcycles and racing came from being around when the sport boomed and was enjoyed by thousands.

Motorcycle shops even sponsored their favourite rider with free bikes and parts.

How about x 6 times F1 Champ Lewis Hamilton (on \$76 millions a year) having a day on Valentino Rossi's MI Moto GP Machine ( all hush hush) but secret reports say it's an ambition of his to ride a Moto GP bike, and he excelled, only 4.5 seconds slower than Rossi!.

With a new committee managing the club in 2020, I'm sure the club will be the hands of people who respect and love the sport and keep it moving onwards and upwards and look after the people who spend the time and considerable money to compete in our sport.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.**

Best wishes, Bob

PS. Mick Tesser will be looking for someone to take over the editing of the newsletter, Mick will continue to send it, and I'm sure he would be happy to mentor someone for a while (*he sure would! - MT*).

**On behalf of the club we wish you all the best and express our gratitude for your (and Maureens) long and selfless service to the club Bob. Your unflinching efforts to help your clubmates and the club perform at the highest level do not go unnoticed and your passion for our sport and club is clearly there for all to see.**

**Your achievements in your lifetime are legendary and you have always and will continue to be an inspiration to us all. Thank you for all you have done (and will no doubt continue to do).**

*Well, as there has been nothing to report and no other news/items forthcoming for this issue, it is a very short one - so all that is left is to wish all members a Happy and safe Xmas and Season 2020 - see you in the New Year - Mick T.*

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