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## MINUTES OF MEETING 19<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2010.

*The meeting opened at 7.40pm.*

**Present** – 16 members

The Vice President took the chair in the absence of the President.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting** Read and accepted.

Moved Phil Harris, seconded Dave Clark.

Apologies – Alan Naber, Merv and Dawn Thompson, Tony Hall.

### **Treasurers Report**

Balance B/F \$3,858.20

Income 31.25

Expenditure 162.80 (gazebo walls)

Balance \$3,726.65

The Treasurers Report was accepted. Moved Carl Bentley, seconded Ken Ward.

Peter commented on the advantage of the gazebo walls, however no rain at Brookton this time.

### **Correspondence In**

➤ City of Fremantle.

➤ Newsletter from South Australia tabled.

### **General Business**

➤ Ride and BBQ at Whiteman Park 11<sup>th</sup> April. Staff at the Revolutions Centre were as usual enthusiastic and helpful and we had two penny farthings on a ride around the park at 11.30am followed by a BBQ lunch and socialising.

➤ Brookton Show March 27<sup>th</sup> was again commented on and something members should put in their diary for next time to take the opportunity of experiencing country organization and hospitality.

### **Coming Events**

➤ Small Wheels/Tin Can ride at Lake Monger. Meet at northern end Dodd St for a 10am start. Bring your small wheeled or hub geared bikes, lunch and lets see a good turn out. A chance to update details of any current project you have over a bun and cuppa.

➤ June 27<sup>th</sup> at the Speed Dome, Eddie Barron Drive, Guildford. An opportunity to show our cycles and compare them to the modern racing machines. Note an early start, set-up 9am as this is a day of full events on the track by Aussie future champions. Note a lunch voucher to members for their efforts re bike display.

### **Show and Tell**

➤ Phil Harris brought in a large number of vintage bike parts donated by an enthusiastic member of the public. They were sent through the mail to be available for club members. They included several bike pumps that could be restored, as bicycle shops still stock washers and the flexible connection.

➤ Phil has also procured a 24inch boys bike complete dating back to a style built during the 1930s until the 1960s. Comment was made that the late Tommy Gordon of Gordonson Cycles, Wellington St Perth would have built the frame. The wheel size being the indication of frame size ie back stays, top and down bars, as is for 24inch boys through to 26inch and 28inch adults are the same style. Phil hopes to bring it back to its former glory.

➤ A reminder Phil still has the Bianchi racing bike \$400 available.

➤ Peter Wells table a box a various parts. Sugino chain wheels etc. And reminded members that parts are available to all club members at bargain prices to add to the club's finances.

➤ Milton Jones passed around an enamelled badge for the head stem of Swansea cycles. An important identity mark to identify the manufacturer. There are a few available from the owner, whose father used to make them. They are in mint condition.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm.

**NEXT MEETINGS: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> June 7.30pm**

**Annual General Meeting Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm**

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Committee Members: Merv Thompson, Phil Harris

Dave Clark, Fred Rumokoy

### WHAT MAKE IS THAT BIKE?

Back in the 1930s and up to the 1950s many people rode bikes, some having new ones, but many settling for a second hand one, or a reconditioned one from a bike shop. These were often repainted, lined and featured the repainters decals. Now unless the frame had special features such as the stars on Malvern Stars, or the swans on Swansea's, these bikes could be virtually anyone of a hundred makes, because there were that many different brands in WA alone, and even more in the Eastern States.

So, what does a restorer do about this?

I have had half a dozen obvious makes that have been repainted, many with Malvern Star decals, but they weren't Malvern Stars. One had a decal stating that it had been rebuilt by so an so's cycle shop, that was obviously a Swansea. I tend to think that is it OK to brand an unknown bike as a known make provided that the correct decals are used in the rebuild, and of course the correct period fittings. Other than that it can always be labelled "make unknown", but it's good to have another WA marque on show.

### COMING EVENTS

**June 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>.**

#### **Fremantle Exhibition**

The Club will have a display at the Fremantle Arts Centre, Finnerty Street, Fremantle, over the Foundation Day long weekend. The venue will be open from 10am til 5pm daily, and if you can give some time helping to man the display please do so. Morning tea and light lunches are available in the area.

**June 21<sup>st</sup>**

#### **Annual General Meeting**

The AGM this year is very important, as a number of positions need to be filled for the Club to function properly. Come along and do you bit to make this happen.

**June 27<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Speed Dome Display**

This event sees some of Australia's best cyclists in action, their skills truly amazing, some of the rider's world class. We put on a display of our machines, and not only see the racing, we also get a free lunch. The venue is indoors, but you need to get there by 9am if you are displaying bikes, the grounds are VERY busy, and parking pretty tight. See you there.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2010

**June 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>** – Fremantle Exhibition Display. See coming Events.

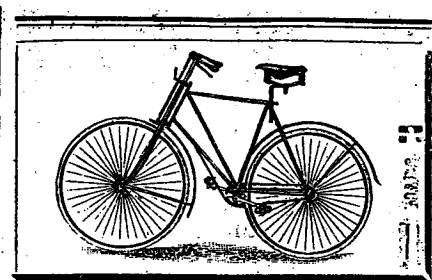
**June 21<sup>st</sup> Monday** – Annual General Meeting

**June 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday** – Speed Dome Display. See Coming Events.

**July 19<sup>th</sup> Monday** – General Meeting

**July 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday** – Tour De Rust. Details later.

**August 16<sup>th</sup> Monday** – General Meeting



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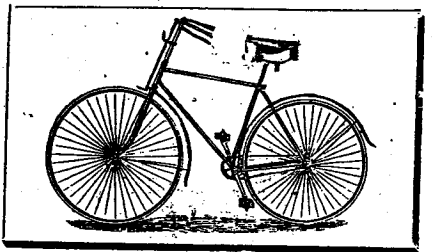
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