

Quiz night and AGM

Once again the AGM was well attended. Your new SARCC committee is;

President:	Peter Boulton
Vice President:	Steve Jenkins
Secretary:	Paul Davill
Treasurer:	Sven Holm
Rides Coordinator:	Kevin Dronfield
Other Members:	Tony Hill and Tony McIntyre

The quiz night, held afterwards, was a fun event and a way to get to know what skills people have other than riding a bike! A huge thanks to Sven for organising the night. Very successful once again.

SARCC is 50 years old this year !

Save the Date

Wednesday, 18th Nov 2026. Lunchtime event

So, we're planning a celebration get together to chat and catch up on how things have changed since we started. More details to come as they get finalised.

Any ideas, send them to Steve Jenkins 0418 852 234 or stevejenkins23@outlook.com

Member contributions – always welcome

The South Australian Department for Infrastructure and Transport are seeking feedback on the laws that apply to e-scooters, e-skateboards and other Personal Mobility Devices (PMDs), as well as power-assisted bicycles (e-bikes).

You can participate in the survey at the following link: <https://yoursay.sa.gov.au/pmd-ebike-rules-review>

It is important that you read both Discussion Papers before completing the surveys to enable you to understand the questions in the survey. Links to the papers are on the first page.

Coming Tours

7th to 19th September 2026 – Great Ocean Road Tour

Nine rides - plus optional rides enroute (Proposed routes [click here](#))

Location: **Wye River** Arrive 7th of Sept – Depart 11th of Sept 4 Nights, 3 Rides

Accom: Suggest Big 4 Caravan Park, Wye River. Cabins and Sites Ph 03 52890241

Location: **Pt Campbell** 11th of Sept – 16th of Sept 5 Nights, 4 Rides

Accom: Suggest NRMA Caravan Park. Cabins and Sites Ph 03 5598 6492

Location: **Portland** 16th of Sept – 18th of Sept 3 Nights – 2 Rides

Accom: Suggest NRMA Portland Bay Holiday Park, 184 Bentinck St. Ph 03 55231487

1. All loop rides will depart/return from these 3 accommodations.
2. Enroute travelling Wye River to Port Campbell is an optional ride from Castle Cove in the Otways (50km 760m elevation)

Enquiries email sarccexec@gmail.com or Sven 0410 271 717

15th to 19th October 2026 – PERFECT ride tour Laura

These rides are ideally suited for mountain bikes and gravel bikes as the routes are mostly on gravel and dirt roads, with the occasional access track to keep things interesting. Some linking parts of the routes are on bitumen of course, but road bikes are not recommended. Legal sparse bikes (e-bikes with sparks under your arse) are welcome.

Default for rides: start at Meryle's Café (main street of Laura) and finish at Little Blessings Brewing (Victoria St opposite the Laura Community Caravan Park).

Ride times:

Friday 16th 12.00 (allowing time for travel from Adelaide in the morning);

Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th 10.00. Adjustments to start times and routes can be made on the fly depending on weather (wind and temperature especially) and what people desire.

Monday 19th Start time, place and distance conducive to onward travel, be that elsewhere or a return to Adelaide.

Ride styles: Stu Clement and Laura local Wayne Gifford have put together a considerable portfolio of riding options.

Gentle rides 20-35km, not too many hills and smoothish roads.

Regular rides 30-70km with more bumps and gnarls.

Challenging rides >70km incorporating whatever level of masochism is desired.

Some accommodation options:

North Laura Hotel Apartment. Phone number 8663 2421.

Laura Community Caravan Park.

Other options <https://laurasa.com.au/accommodation/>.

Accommodation, food and drink, transport and mechanical support are the responsibility of participants.

Dinners:

There is a booking for Friday and Saturday nights at the North Laura Hotel with hosts AJ and Georgie. There is a booking for the Sunday night chomp at Little Blessings Brewing with hosts Craig and Cat.

Contact Stu Clement by 31st of July if you wish to be added to dinner bookings.

Stu's contact details are 0439 311 294 or stu.clement@yahoo.com.

Two New Zealand women's tours

28th of October to 11th of November 2026

SIDETRACKS WOMEN is a commercial operator which organises cycling tours in New Zealand for small groups of women. See <https://sidetrackswomen.co.nz>

I am planning to do two consecutive tours with them: Alps to Ocean and then Lakes, Fiords and Mountains. Each Tour is 5 days of riding on electric bikes.

Any women interested, contact Chris Hales on chris.hales101@gmail.com or 0417 816 074.

Indonesia - Flores and Sumba

Winter 2027

2-3 weeks of riding / snorkelling / wildlife viewing. This tour is full (but you can go on the waiting list)

Contact Pete Boulton at Peterjboulton@gmail.com

New Zealand – South Island

2027

The [Ultimate New Zealand Tour](#). Multi-night stays in ten different locations. 30 nights with maximum riding of 1800km. 24 participants supported by two 12 seat minibuses and one 8 seat people mover.

If you are at all interested in this tour, please Contact Eric Cheney eric@outlook.com.au **urgently** so that planning can continue.

Regular rides

Sunday Pleasure Rides:

Organiser; Helen Tetley 0466 870 177

2nd August 2026

North East Exploration

Sven 0410 271 717

Meet at Drage Reserve, Felixstow, at 10am. Northeast exploration 41km. 360m elevation. Does not suit road bikes. See also [RidewithGPS](#)

16th August 2026

City & Coast

Evelyn 0420 421 965

Meet at Victoria Square at 10am. Follow tram line, then train line, to Seacliff for morning tea. Along seafront to Glenelg North, skirt southern side of airport and return to coffee at Troppo's.

Approx 35km flat. BYO lunch.

30th August 2026

Mystery Ride

Carolyn 0427 797 47

Meet at Victoria Square at 10am. BYO lunch. Approx. 40kms

Wednesday Rides:

Organiser; Tony McIntyre 0407 759 260

Every Wednesday

Meet at the Torrens Weir (Par 3 café) to ride at 10 am. Ride decided on the day

12th August 2026

Anstey's Hill

Grant 0487 010 995

Start at 10am at Campbelltown Memorial Oval. Parking area near 683 Lower North East Road. Linear Park, Aqueduct Track (gravel) and Hills Road toward LNE Road. LNE Road, Paracombe Road, Torrens Hill Road onto Gorge Road. Linear Park around the Dress Circle and onto Schultz Road. Coffee at either the Rezz or Target Newton.

About 35km, hills, with about 3km of gravel tracks. See also [RidewithGPS](#)

26th August 2026

Bugle Ranges and Beyond

Details to follow, see the SARCC website

Thursday Rural Rides:

Organiser; Di Beltrame 0424 957 532

6th August 2026

Away ride

Pam

Details to follow. Check RWGPS

13th August 2026

Woodside

Bernie

Meet 10:00am Woodside Pool car park. Some unsealed Roads

20th August 2026

Away Ride

Steve

Details to follow. Some unsealed Roads

27th August 2026

Woodside

Peter

Meet 10:00am Woodside Pool car park. Some unsealed Roads

PERFECT Rides:

Organiser;

Peter H. 0448 364 138

Sunday August 9th

Kapunda district

Peter H.

Leave at 9am from Hill St, Kapunda (opposite St Johns)

Click to view [RidewithGPS](#) route

Please let Peter know if you intend to participate in this ride.

Gravel Grin Capers

Organiser;

Stu 0439 311 294

Sunday 2nd August 2026

Stu

Meet at 9:00am at Mighty Mighty Coffee Roasters, Main St, Lobethal (behind the Lobethal Bierhaus).

Sunday 16th August 2026

Daniel

Meet at 9am at Little Birdy Bakery, 59 Old Princes Hwy, Nairne. From Nairne to Dawesley, Kanmantoo, towards Harrogate, then Brukunga and circling back to Nairne.

About 52km, 80% unpaved, 880m ascending. Lunch at the conclusion of the ride.

Happy riding.

Cheers

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