



Not The Spoken Word

Bi-monthly newsletter of The Western Australian Historical Cycle Club Inc.

Alan Hind 1938 - 2017

Long term club member Alan Hind died suddenly at home from a heart attack in July. He was aged 79. Alan had suffered heart issues since a valve replacement operation in 2008, though that didn't dampen his love of cycling or spirit of adventure.

Alan was one of 5 children born to William and Mary Hind in Glasgow in April of 1938. Following his schooling he completed an apprenticeship as a fitter and joined the Merchant Navy in 1959, working for a few years on the cargo ship Sundra. In 1961, while fourth engineer on the passenger ship Oriana, he met his future wife Pam. After marrying in Glasgow in 1962 Alan and Pam emigrated to Australia.

Cycling and travel are natural bedfellows and those that knew Alan will know that his passion for both remained undiminished through his life. He began riding in his teens, travelling around Scotland with friends. He travelled all over WA with his young family and his 50th birthday treat was a trek in Nepal. His last big cycle tour through Europe was undertaken just a few years ago at the age of 75.

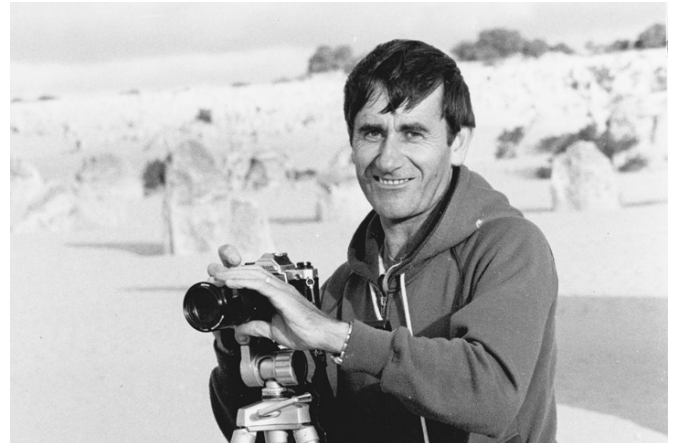
Like many of us Alan was an inveterate "joiner". Apart from the WAHCC he was an active member of the Over 55's Cycling Club, the Canning Mens' Shed, the WA Cricket Association and had been a member of several photography clubs. Alan joined the WAHCC early in the life of the club and was rarely absent from a meeting.

He was a frequent contributor to show and tell, either with one of his beloved Flying Scots or one of many intriguing unusual frames he had collected along the way. He often joined club displays and almost always joined club rides, usually piloting a Claud Butler fixie. Alan served on the club committee a number of times and was a committee member at the time of his death.

His contributions to club life go far beyond that though; over the years many members were beneficiaries of Alan's knowledge, his good humour and of his generosity. We will all cherish the memory of Alan's smile.

Alan is survived by two sons, Ian and Alistair, and Christiaan, his grandson.

Robert Frith



Above; Alan at the 2014 Fremantle Tweed Ride, at top; in earlier days.

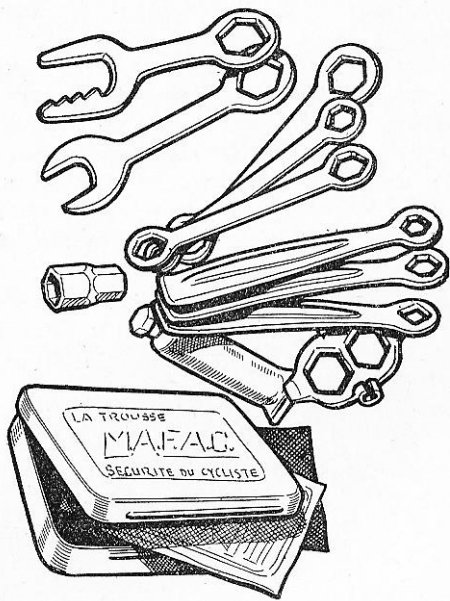
Alan's collection

At the time of his passing Alan had over 35 bikes and frames, as well as substantial collection of parts from the 40's through to the 80's. His sons Ian and Alistair will be keeping one bike each. Ian has approached the club to assist with the sale and dispersal of Alan's collection.

There will be a club day at 4 Koel Way Thornlie on **Sunday Sept. 17th, 10am to 5pm** to help organise and prepare items from Alan's collection for sale. Volunteering members will have the opportunity to buy them. There will be a silent auction for more valuable items.

Ian will provide refreshments and food for a sausage sizzle and make a contribution to the club.

If any member has a portable barbecue they'd be happy to bring along for the day please let us know - info.wahcc@gmail.com



Introducing new members

Harry and Deidre Pyle

The Pyles were inspired to join the club having acquired a turn of the century Triumph - that's the turn of the last century! At their second meeting they bought a number of parts from the same period at the club auction.

Kerry Torpy

Kerry and his brother Murray were Goldfields racers in the 1960's. Kerry lives in Busselton and joined other members for the recent display in Nannup, showing 4 immaculate Peugeot's. Kerry is also the President of the Peugeot Car Club of WA.

Frank West

Frank bought an MH Jones bike recently and is now an enthusiastic promoter of this local marque. He has established an MH Jones register, no easy feat since Milton Jones didn't number his frames.

Steve Knight

Steve is restoring his old university beater, which has a pair of "L's" brazed on the headtube. Harold Perry has suggested that it's a Lucas.

Nannup Flower Festival Display

The elements were in full swing on Friday Aug 18th when four Perth members fronted in Nannup for our winter display. Let's just say it was chucking it down and the only change seemed to be that it would chuck it down just a bit harder.

Fortune favoured us with a pleasant day on Saturday, the busiest day of the festival and our display day. We were also favoured by contributions to the display from Margaret River and Busselton.

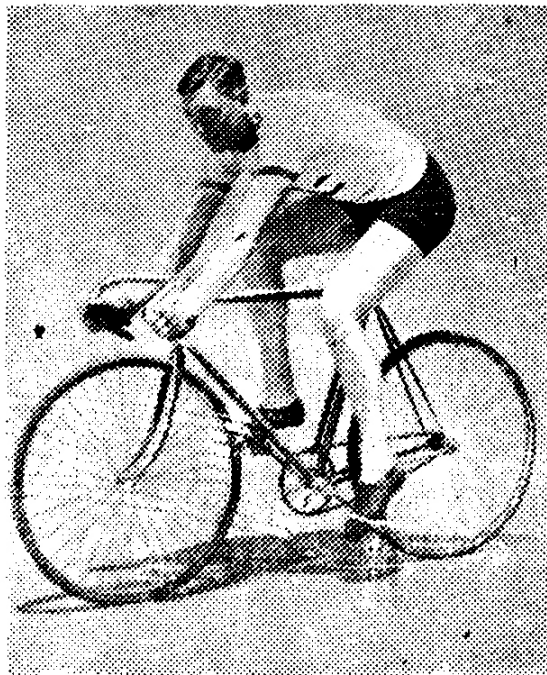
*Right; Rob Frith, Cameron Smith, Sgt Trevor Lee and Robert Hunt.
Below; close to twenty well sheltered bikes on display.*



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Brian Paxman, 2nd Midland 100 Mile

Lenny Smith, Junior 23 Mile Bunbury-Kirup

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Club Calendar

Alan Hind Club Day - September 17th
10am - 5pm

4 Koel Way Thornlie

Meeting - September 18th 7:30pm

Ardross Clubroom. Old bikes and the internet.

Sun 24 Sep 2017 10:00am

Ride - Whiteman Park, Revolutions Transport Museum

Vincent Swap Meet - Sat 14 Oct

The Club has three stands - Beaufort St

Ride - Sun 15 Oct

The Beverley Heroic

Meeting - October 16th 7:30pm

Ardross Clubroom. Odd cranks night!

Display - Wed 18 Oct 06:30am

Ride2Work Day Elizabeth Quay, Perth

Display - Have A Go Day Nov 1st

Burswood Park

Meeting - November 20th 7:30pm

Ardross Clubroom. Last meeting for 2017.

Ride - Christmas Pageant - unconfirmed

Wanted to buy

Sidestand for Kabuki

Rear axle mounting sidestand to suit a Kabuki mixte.

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Trapped In The Shed With... Daniel Hockridge

What are you currently working on?

Dawes racer 650b conversion

Polishing and restoring some french Prior hubs

The final touches on a MS 2 star

Bruce Gordon touring frame

Malvern star 5 star

Setting up my shed to make it suitable to paint frames in!

How many rideable bikes do you have?

I currently have 5 rideable bikes

What was your first bike?

It was a Malvern Star chopper, with full height sissy bar and tall bars. My father ran it over with a tractor because it was in the way!

My best memory of it is when I found a downed weather balloon complete with parachute, which then went onto the front of the bike in a gale, I dont think a MS Chopper has ever been so fast! It did not end prettily.

Pick a bike, any bike... in your dreams what are you riding?

I think i already own my dream bike, a René Herse.

I will say though, I really enjoy finding very high spec bikes and frames that are totally underated and cheap to get, and then working on them, basically enjoying the craftsmanship that went into them.

If push comes to shove what is your favourite bike?

I really do like my René Herse!

Whistle while you work? Give us a tip on the sounds that fill your workspace.

I enjoy the quiet in my shed. Living in Margaret River I have a lot of birds near it so most days are pretty idyllic.

