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Newsletter

May 2001

April meeting. The Club welcomed Peter Wells a new member to his first meeting. Eight members with Peter attended the meeting. Quality if not quantity.

## Wanted for Spares

If you see a shed that looks lost, lonely and empty let us know we still need one for Club spares.

Business Funds none reported but we should be up on last months \$1540 odd dollars with the \$400 donation from the Guildford Festival.

PLI Having got a quote from the Phoenix Brokers Merv tried WestFarmers but they were unable to quote - not their sphere. So Merv was preparing to go and get us insured or else we cannot go to the Pinjarra Festival in June

Past events Feast to Famine. No reports of this month. The Calendar gets thin with the more unpredictable weather but to make up for this we are publishing a Data Sheet for the Workshop from Peter Wells so that you should be able to measure a bottom (bracket) and say what was its country of origin. The Italians have the largest BB and a right hand thread - so Peter tells us.

### Future Events Only two for now.

27th May WAHCC Second Birthday Celebration featuring a Ride, BarBq and Cake.

Location - Lake Mongar approach via Harborne St. into Dodd St. as far as Speech and Hearing Centre - meet at rear of building. Toilet nearby.

Time 1.30pm for 2.00pm start to ride around the Lake.

3rd June Pinjarra Festival. Location:- from Perth on SW Highway to Pinjarra, cross Railway line, pass over then the Murray River bridge, indicating right as you go over the bridge take first right into Henry St. then first left into Murray St. - 20 metre Museum is on left and display area. From Mandurah take Pinjarra Road turn left at traffic lights in Pinarra then left at Henry Street before the Murray river Bridge etc. Time-Setup by 09.00hrs.

Attractions Lots of craft stuff, quilts and Heritage Tea rooms for the Ladies. Museum with Tractors trucks and Ruston & Hornsby generator from Fairbridge for the blokies.

Next Meeting: Monday 18th June at 7.00pm VCC Club Rooms 6b Hickey Street, Ardross. Meetings are held on the third Monday of the month

## Show and Tell

Merv somehow managed to bring to the meeting a large German built tandem. Very unusual in that it had Girder Forks, QD hubs and three sprockets on the rear chain wheel.( presumably you stopped moved the wheel to allow enough slack then moved the chain onto another cog and set off again.) Two dynamos, twin front lamps and three brakes = front hub, back pedal and rear rim brake controlled by the stoker. The head bearings and streering are in need of TLC. "Is this another Dawn in Danger machine" mused DC. *Peter Wells* had the frame and rear wheel of a ladies Swansea bicycle c1950 it had a Swinfurt back pedal hub no gears.

## Wanted for Gold Robbery.

Dave Clark is planning to build another prospectors bike for the Royal Perth Mint to have on display. Personally I think he is going to use it as a getaway vehicle when he gets amongst the yellow stuff. To cover up his true intentions he says he would like to beg borrow or .. an old leather saddle, leather case straps for keeping the tools on and a canvas water bag. The display of this bike would give the Club lots of exposure so please see if you have got any mining memorabia or the above items contact DC.

### Going for a Donation

Merv T - has a Raleigh Foldup with an SA 3speed hub which any body can have for a donation to the club.

### **New Club Bike**

Its an "Aussie Bike," made in Perth with 26inch wheels. Its frame fits a small adult. It has the original drop bars and grips, only has a back pedal brake and no gears. It was probably made in the early '50 from a SA front hub, Japanese rims, British Bottom Bracket and German rear hub. Lots of gold lining on the frame and gold kangaroos are just visible. This bike fulfils one of the objectives of the Club in preserving WA made bikes.

### Forth Coming Attractions.

AGM on the 21st May. If this doesn't turn you on Merv is hoping to bring an Armstrong bike made in Kalgoolie and some racing sprockets for the 21st. Alan has just got a video of the Worlds most unusual bikes and another of Racing in Britain in the '50. so it should be a Fun Evening.

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# WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HISTORICAL CYCLE CLUB (INC)

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# **AVAILABLE FOR CLUB MEMBERS**

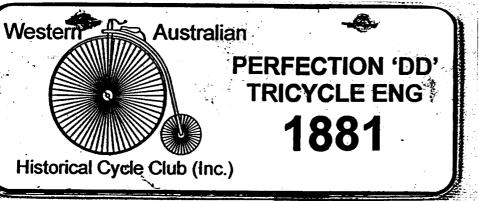
# **IDENTIFICATION PLATES**

(Modelled from original Police Bicycle Number Plates)

Cost of Pair of Adhesive Strips \$5

You can make centre plate from White PVC Sheet or double-sided White Colourbond Metal

Securing to Bike Frame – either original Metal Clips & Bolts or Heavy Duty Releasable Cable Tie Back Tags Drill holes for Metal Clips or Slots for Tags



# **Details Req'd**

- A. Name of Manufacturer
- B. Country of Origin
- C. Year of Manufacture (if not positive of year place C in front of year (i.e. Circa)

See M. Thompson for further details

# **STOP PRESS**

# PINJARRA FESTIVAL CLUB DISPLAY OF BICYCLES – SUNDAY 3 JUNE 9AM – 5PM

SET UP 9am. See Phil or David in Pinjarra.

Give Tom and Joe a big "Huff & Puff" when they race the steam train on their Penny Farthing to Dwellingup.

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## Fact Sheet Nº1

# Interchangeability

## **Pedals Threads Sizes**

9/16" x 20TPI - English, Italian & ISO. Marked L/R or D/S

# Centre (Bottom) Bracket

## Threading

English	34.8 x 24 TPI			
ISO	34.9 x 24 TPI			
Raleigh	34.9 x 26 TPI (1mm)			
French	35.0 x 25.4 TPI (1mm)			
Swiss	35.0 x 25.4 TPI (1mm)			
Italian	≫36.0 x 24 TPI			
Hence English and Iso are interchangeable.				
N.B. Bottom Bracket parts should be of the same make.				

## **Ball Bearing Size.**

Cottar Type - 22 x1/4" Width English &French 68mm (usually) Italian 70mm Mtn Bikes 73mm (usually)

# **Front Fork Threading**

English, Italian, Japanese	24TPI
French	25.4TPI (1mm)
Raleigh	26TPI

# Head Stem Diameters

U.S.A., Japan	0.833"- 21.15mm
France	0.866"- 22.00mm
England, Italy, Japan	0.875"- 22.23mm
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N.B. Require 30 balls for top and bottom races. (This number allows space for one ball if replacing non cartridge bearings in stem.)

## Wheel Rim Diameter sizes

28" tyre	-	to fit rim	26"	o/all		
27" tyre	-	to fit rim	25 1/4"	o/all		
26" tyre	-	to fit rim	24"	o/all		
Wellbase Rims widths - Vary						
1 3/8"tyre		to fit rim	1 5/16"	o/all		
Carrier Type - wider rim						
Box Rims						
1 3/8"tyre to fit rim			1 1/8" o/all			

## Pre 1955 Wheels

Front wheel	36 spokes
Rear wheel	40 spokes

Thanks to Peter Wells for the information 01/04/2001

Fixed Cup Threading Left hand thread Right hand thread