

## GEELONG RUN REPORT

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Nick Oakley led us on today's ride out to his house in Little River in order to view the progress on restoration of his 1951 Royal Enfield won on the Club Raffle a few months ago.

He led us on an interesting route and roads we haven't been on before including some GRAVEL ROADS! We motored through Ceres and Dog Rocks to Batesford after which it was towards Geelong but down Bluestone Bridge Road running parallel to the Princes Hwy and through the bends under the old bluestone bridge. We thought we were heading straight to Lara from there but no! Back through Lovely Banks to join Anakie Road which we crossed to eventually get to Moorabool and Maude. Then we veered right along Thompsons Rd then towards O'Neils Rd where once again we thought we were turning right to Anakie but no – straight on for about 5kms of gravel to meet De Motts Rd then down to Anakie. After which it was along Staughton Vale Rd for a while then across Bacchus Marsh Rd to MORE GRAVEL towards the Ford Proving Ground and soon Nick's house. Granite Rd was corrugated to the point that fillings started to fall out and all fastenings on the 6 classic bikes had to be checked afterwards!

Nick put on a nice spread of Aldi party pies, coffee and cakes and after viewing the Royal Enfield, we enjoyed a long and pleasant period of fellowship on his verandah. Thank you Nick – and many pleasant hours ahead getting your Royal Enfield on the road!

Stan Rogers Geelong Rep

### RIDERS ON THE GEELONG RUN:

|               |                 |      |        |
|---------------|-----------------|------|--------|
| Nick Oakley   | BMW K100RS      | 1989 | Leader |
| Stan Rogers   | BMW R80RT       | 1985 | T.E.C  |
| David Jordan  | Honda XL350     | 1974 |        |
| Fred Vella    | Honda GL1100    | 1981 |        |
| Steve Kirtley | Yamaha XJ650    | 1983 |        |
| Ron Study     | Triumph America | 2017 |        |
| Rod Dutton    | Kawasaki Z650   | 1978 |        |