

# The Honda Snowy Ride

May 2010 Newsletter



STEVEN WALTER FOUNDATION

Date for this years ride is  
6th November 2010

Once again we saw the Snowy Ride grow in numbers despite a world economic down turn, maybe people just wanted to get away from it all and enjoy as it should be. Whatever the reason the weather gods smiled on us and we had the biggest and best ride in the nine years. 2009 also saw us raise in excess of \$200,000 all of which will go to our nominated beneficiaries and will be distributed in the first half of this year.

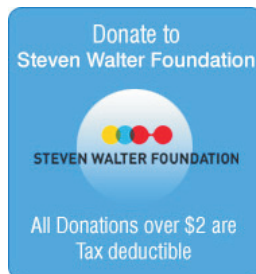
The Friday night dinner with Darryl Beattie interviewing Prof. Glenn Marshall went well and it was great to have the Hoodoo Gurus playing in a larger format on the tennis courts. At this point we have not locked in a band for 2010 and are still looking for what entertainment we will do and where we will do it.



*Clear skies and sunshine what better way to enjoy the Snowy Ride. Can we pull it off again in 2010*

## 10th Anniversary Snowy Ride Appeal

At the 2009 Snowy Ride presentation I called for a vote to see if we could raise a minimum of \$100 per rider to celebrate our 10th Anniversary and it looked to me that everyone had raised their hand and voted in favour.



So here is the challenge...we would like every rider to raise \$100 or more (tax deductible) between now and the Snowy Ride. To make it easy for you to do this we have set up a donation page on both the Steven Walter Foundation and the Snowy Ride web sites. You just have to click on the "donate now" button and it will take you to a secure donation page.

When a donation is made a tax deductible receipt will be generated and sent by return email. You can get other people to donate on your behalf, all they need to do is put your name in the box where it says "donated on behalf of".

This can be done really easily if you are not in a position to donate \$100, just get 4 people to donate \$25, being our 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year we would like very much to set a new benchmark and we can say now that after having done 10 our next goal is to make it to the 20<sup>th</sup> year. So please make the effort to help us achieve this goal.



*2010 Honda VFR 1200F*

The latest addition to the Honda range sets a new bench mark in sports touring and some lucky Snowy Ride entrant will own one at the end of the ride.

# HONDA

*Honda Motorcycles Australia have stepped it up a level in 2010.*

The winner of the Snowy Ride, Honda Trade Promotion draw for this year will take home a new and exiting Honda VFR 1200F.

Honda have also donated a HRC replica Fireblade for us to raffle and details will be available around the end of May. This year the Fireblade will be drawn at the Melbourne Motorcycle Expo in November.

Add to all of this Honda's support for the Around Australia Ride and that makes for a big commitment from our major benefactor.

## *Oncology Kids and Families Enjoy a Snowy Ride Weekend*

It is always gratifying to be able to sit down on Saturday night with the children and the families from the oncology ward at Sydney Children's Hospital. These families can go through years of treatment and heartache only to lose a child. When this happens, or even when children go on for a longer life, the memories stay with them. For the children, hopefully it is only the good memories and what the Snowy Ride gives them is a wonderful weekend away with the Honda Goldwing Association taking them on short tours, the Royal Australian Navy taking them in their helicopter for scenic flights over the snowy mountains, National Parks and Wildlife Service along with Snowy Hydro treat them to a whole lot of goodies and Charlotte Pass Ski Resort treat them to lunch on Friday and Kosciusko Thredbo giving the children unlimited access to the chairlifts, bobsled and AIS pool.

Once again Greg Hearn longtime supporter of the Kid's Program sponsored the weekend which is organised and hosted by Brian and Dale Coyte, Jack and Di Nott and Tony and Cathy Gray and their families who are Cooma Apex Life Members.



# Around Australia Ride October - November 2010

*If enthusiasm counts for anything then the 2010 Around Australia Ride will be an enormous success*

The planning for the Around Australia Ride is now coming to completion and with the numbers pretty well locked in, we now have 55 riders, 10 pillion and 8 support crew with support vehicles supplied by Hyundai Motor Company Australia and if anyone out there can lay their hands on a fuel sponsor for the diesel it would be most appreciated.

The Around Australia Ride is due to pass through Adelaide leaving on 2<sup>nd</sup> November with overnight stops at Mt Gambier, Lorne and our last night at Lakes Entrance heading up into Thredbo on Friday the 5th November.

We are looking at getting people to join us for these sections if they are so inclined and we will get more information on this when we finalise the main ride.



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Something that is always difficult to get, not just a sponsor, but a sponsor who signs on for the long term and we at the Steven Walter Foundation are extremely lucky and proud that eChoice Home Loans have signed on for another 3 years bringing their support to the foundation to \$100,000.

## Accommodation:

The following accommodation providers support the Snowy Ride

Thredbo Resort Centre:	P: 1300 020 589 F: 02 6457 6470
Charlotte Pass:	P: 02 6457 5245 F: 02 6457 5262
Visit Snowy Mountains:	P: 02 6457 7132 F: 02 6457 6509
Australian Alpine Resorts:	P: 1300 138 311

## Entry Forms

Entry forms will go on line on 1st July, 2010 and will be posted out with another update around mid July. Entry fee will remain at \$60 and this includes your entry to the National Park on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. We would prefer as many people as possible to enter online and certainly if you know you are going to enter prior to the weekend. We entered nearly 800 riders on the Friday and Saturday last year and as you can imagine that was a huge task. We would also request that anyone who knows of people who come and do not enter please remind them why we are doing this.

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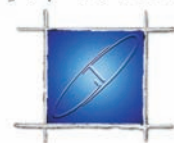
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