

## **TMC's Meeting with Minister Rene Hidding**

### **Motorcycle Training**

- Discussions were held over the proposed new training scheme for Novice Riders including transitional arrangements.

### **Protective clothing**

- The Minister was advised that the TMC's position on the wearing of protective gear should not be compulsory but all gear sold should have a 5 star rating.

### **MAIB Premiums**

- The Minister advised from 1 December, in all four classes of motorcycles, there is to be a small reduction in premiums.

### **Classes of Motorcycles**

- It was discussed whether the current 125 cc lowest registration cost motorcycle should not be raised to 250cc, essentially making four classes of motorcycles into three.
- The Minister agreed to look at this.

### **Motorcycle Parking in Hobart**

- The TMC agreed to engage with the HCC to look for more and better motorcycle parking in the CBD, particularly during major building works

### **Outlaw motorcycle clubs**

- Minister agreed that the Government's position is to focus on all offenders breaking the law in Tasmania.

### **Loss of points**

- Discussed with the Minister the current situation where a car driver can lose demerit points for a car offence, but the motorcycle licence is also deducted points. Minister agreed to have this looked at.

**To be announced by the minister in early December will be a package of motorcycle licensing and training and road safety programs.**

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