

Barossa Police are seeking information from the public after a vintage motorcycle was stolen from a shed in Williamstown.

The 1951 Vincent motorcycle (pictured) valued at \$65,000 was stolen sometime during December. The motorcycle had the number plate TIK-592 when it was stolen.

Police are seeking any information about the theft of the motorcycle and ask that anyone with information to please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.



Also, the historical clubs might be able to look at codes, protocols, practices, etc to reduce the frequency of thefts like these.

Maybe some measures at swap meets would be possible?

A register of vendors, listing what parts they sell - it may be possible to demand frame and or engine numbers on all substantial parts sold.

Receipts on sales to purchaser that include name and contact details and for substantial parts vehicle ID numbers.

Organisers to photograph some of the more substantial items on sale. But I'm sure you can think of other and better ideas

This could have an effect on clandestine operators.

Within clubs, look at some type of engraving tool for ID numbers, available to members.

The price on vehicles like the one attached will only go up. The chromed plastic era of recent times is not likely to produce as many collectable bikes, creating a demand pressure.

As many of us know, after all the work of sourcing and rebuilding these machines, they're invaluable and insurance money doesn't ever really cover it, does it?

If it's an issue worth noting, who but clubs like ours should be really interested to discuss them?

The Historic Competition Motorcycle Club of Western Australia's website is a good example of pro-activity. Isn't it time to establish a Facebook page for QLD and other states. With proper use, news about thefts could reach out instantly. This has proven very effective in other types of clubs in pursuit of stolen goods.

Kind regards,

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