

Volunteers in the Spotlight

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I retired from teaching about 4 years ago and my wife Maureen and I saw an ad for Bicycle NSW advertisement for volunteers for a 10 day big ride in southern NSW.

Will we give it a go? Why not?

We knew nothing about what was to happen but it turned out to a great experience. We started to be serial volunteers and since have been on several NSW big rides, 3 Queensland big rides and have been over to Western Australia this year for the Margaret River ride. Next month we will be volunteers for the 10 day Victorian Ride along the Great Ocean road. This will be huge with over 5000 riders.

Over the last few years, Maureen and I have been volunteers for the Spring Cycle and Gear Up Girls and will be working on the MS Gong Ride.

Obviously we enjoy being volunteers. We meet up with many friends we have made over the years and see some wonderful places. We always try to have a holiday in the areas we visit after the rides.

Volunteering is fantastic. You get a lot of satisfaction in seeing people enjoy events that you have been involved in and it is a great way to get out, meet people and see new places.

