

## CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF ELECTRIC BICYCLES IN AUSTRALIA

Today, March 12 2024, marks 25 years of Electric Bicycles in Australia.

Distribution of the first commercial shipment of **Electric Bicycles** by **The Electric Bicycle Co (TEBCO)** took place on **March 12, 1999**. See here image of **YELLOW CRUISER** which came from the first container – this bike is a *'museum piece'* in **TEBCO's** Headquarters in Cheltenham, Victoria.



### **Some of the features that were built into this CRUISER in 1999:**

- 24V 250W Friction Roller Drive Motor
- 2 x 12V 22Ah Sealed Lead Acid Batteries
- 15Ah Analogue Speed Controller
- Twist Grip Accelerator Activation
- V-Brakes Front and Rear
- Electric Theft Alarm
- Electric Horn, AM Radio
- Max Speed 25kmh – Max Range 80km
- Speedometer, Odometer, Trip Computer
- Headlight, Taillight, Turning Indicators
- Rear View Mirrors with In-Built Speakers
- Frame Mount D-Lock

### **Retailers who purchased electric bicycles from the very first import:**

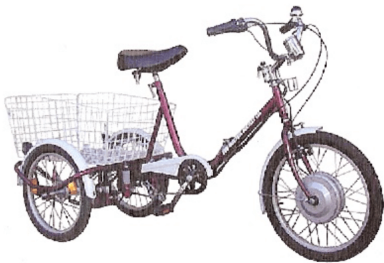
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| Brighton Cycles - Brighton VIC              | Wilson's Bicycles - Wollongong NSW      |
| Teds Cycles- Footscray VIC                  | Blackman Bicycles - Blacktown NSW       |
| Moroni's Bicycles - Bendigo VIC             | The Full Cycle of Albury - Albury NSW   |
| Melbourne Bicycle Centre - Prahran VIC      | Bike Force - Beenleigh - QLD            |
| Melbourne Bicycle Centre - Clifton Hill VIC | Strathpine Bicycle Centre - Lawnton QLD |
| Rays Bicycle Centre - Carnegie VIC          | Freedom Sports - Bundaberg QLD          |
| Attadale Cycles - Attadale WA               | Norwood Parade Cycles - Norwood SA      |
| Canning Bridge Cycles - Applecross WA       | Ray Appleby Cycles - Hobart TAS         |
| Pal & Panther - North Perth WA              | Wedgwood Cycles - Morningson VIC        |

**TEBCO** not only pioneered the Electric Bicycle industry in Australia, but it has been at the forefront of product innovation and development of virtually **ALL** personal electric

transportation devices in Australia since 1999.

Some of **TEBCO's** other notable product developments:

## **JAN 2, 2002** - AUSTRALIA'S 1ST ELECTRIC TRICYCLE, THE **TRANSPORTER**



- 36V 200W Brushed Hub Motor
- 3 x 12V 12Ah Lead Acid Battery
- Twist Grip Accelerator
- 20in Wheels Front – 18in Rear
- Single Speed Gearing
- Max Speed 25kmh
- Max Range 40km

## **JAN 31, 2003** - AUSTRALIA'S 1ST FOLDING ELECTRIC BICYCLE, THE **TREKKER**



- 24V 180W Brushed Side Mount Motor
- 2 x 12V 12Ah Lead Acid Battery
- Twist Grip Accelerator
- 20in Wheels
- 6 Speed Shimano
- Max Speed 20kmh
- Max Range 30km

## **AUG 25, 2007** - AUSTRALIA'S 1ST LITHIUM BATTERY POWERED BICYCLE, THE **COMMUTER**



- 36V 200W Brushed Hub Motor
- 15Ah Lithium Battery
- Twist Grip Accelerator
- 700C Wheels
- 21 Speed Shimano
- Max Speed 25kmh
- Max Range 80km