

The Monthly Journal of the
Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club Inc.

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**September
 2019**

Classic Torque

Our Club:-

The objectives of the NRCMC are to encourage the restoration, preservation, and riding of older motorcycles. Through its various activities, the club promotes classic motorcycling and the links to a bygone era with several organised monthly rides as well as our involvement in displaying our bikes at charity functions etc.

The club holds its annual Classic Rally in September each year. The club Show and Shine is held in March. Club members also attend rallies organised by other clubs throughout the year.

The club endeavors to cater for families and all members partners and children are most welcome to attend any meetings or outings. Membership of the club is for those who have an interest in restoring and riding classic motorcycles

Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month in the Clunes Memorial Hall, Walker Street in Clunes. They start at 7.30 pm. Membership \$40 per annum, fees due - now changed to end of March.

Organised Runs

A breakfast run is held on the Sunday immediately following the club's monthly meeting. A classics only run is held on the first Sunday of the month. Both runs start at the Blue Kitchen Café, Windmill Grove, 105 Wilson Street, South Lismore at 9.00 am. Every Sunday can be a club run but members must contact the Events Organizer. Club events are also listed on the club website. There are also 2 Mid-week runs departing Lismore railway station on 1st and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9.00 am. .



Jim Moon writes,
 Not even a frosty Lismore morning could keep the real men (all 3 of us) from a fast Classic ride to Federal. Clear blue skies saw Ian on his Yammy 400 and Moony on his CL450 battle the smoke screen created by Glen's 350 Velo, who led most of the way. 'Road Closed' signage forced a rough ride along Springvale Road in the occasional battle of wits against big utes. Good tea and coffee at the Federal café with some tall stories...

Sunday Classic Ride - 4th Aug to Federal

From the presidents chair

The rally organisation is in its final stages; all we need now is for the members and guests to enter the rally. Members don't leave it until the day of the rally this makes it very hard to do the final preparation for meals and for Peter & Marc with the rally entries so **MEMBERS PLEASE ENTER BEFORE HAND**. The rally dates for those who need a reminder are Tuesday 10th –Friday 13th September for self marshalled, short rides to a morning tea destination returning to Evans Head Caravan Park around 11am.

The weekend rally is from Friday 13th Sept Sunday 15th -Fridays ride leaving at 2.30pm with welcome meet & Greet Friday night at the camp kitchen, Saturday ride leaving 9am with morning tea at Casino in the park overlooking the Richmond River with Lunch at Wyrallah Road Public School returning to Evans Head. Sunday Street Display and we ask all to share your breakfast with friends in one of the cafes in Evans Heads Booyong Street while your motorcycle is displayed for the public to see. Please members participate and enjoy meeting new friends and chatting to friends visiting for our rally.



While cleaning out I came upon a photo frame which had this message written on its front “Friends are the family we choose for ourselves” after reading this I kept thinking about it at different times and realised how true it is. We have family some are close and are part of our friends group, while other no so, but our friends are the people we choose to interact with to make our life complete be it daily, weekly, monthly or less frequent. I have often heard people saying after re connecting with friends after a period of absence “it’s like we have never been apart we connect so well” Friends give so very much to our lives and they know that they can ask for assistance when needed, often this assistance is offered before being asked for, so members connect with your friends at our rally and meet new friends it is amazing where this can lead. Remember members to offer your assistance not only as marshals but throughout the weekend whenever you see the need.

Have a fun safe ride and enjoy what the North Coast has to offer
Keep upright Mary

Calling all Cooks

Once again we would like to ask you to supply lovely delights for our rally morning tea. Cardboard boxes are available from the meeting so you don't need to get your container back. Fruit would also be nice. Please remember we don't have cold storage. Please bring to the rally and deliver to David & Carol or rally Headquarters site No 57



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FIRST REMINDER RE THE ENTRIES FOR THE JACK AHEARN RESTORATION TROPHY FOR 2019. YOUR ENTRY MUST BE COMPLETED, BY THE 31st DECEMBER, , AND RUNNING, REGISTERED ON H PLATE OR FULL ROAD REGISTRATION, , AND BE 30 YEARS OLD THIS YEAR OR OLDER. CONTACT THE FOLLOWING FOR MORE INFORMATIO.
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SICK PARADE. Jim Moon Writes

Peter (Cooky) Cook (MC Repair shop near Aldi) is in Lismore Base hospital for the next couple of weeks (til mid Sept at this point) with leg circulation issues. It's NOT contagious, so drop past with an old motorcycle mag and have a chat. As advised by his sister's boyfriend...

Jim Moon

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON: 13th August 2019 start: 7.30pm

Abbreviations used in Minutes MW Mary Walker,

WELCOME to all by President, Special welcome to the life members present at this meeting.

Meeting attended by 35 members, 3 visitors & 12 apologies as per the attendance sheet

MW Thanked Tim Thearle for standing in for the secretary

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: - Not read to members. The Stand in Secretary

Tim Thearle moved that minutes of July 2019 Club meeting as published in club's August 2019 newsletter be accepted, 2nd by Doug Hampson. Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE IN

RMS email with thank you - on Log book survey

Newsletters- Historic Motorcycle, The throttle lever, Inverell, Motorlife, Leading link

Greater bank statements The Dinkum oil from CHMC

Club trailer Rego

WOW world of wheels tours on table for those interested.

CORRESPONDENCE out

Letter to Shannons via Jim Butler asking for sponsorship.

Moved Tim Thearle that correspondence be accepted, 2nd John Mazzer. Carried.

TREASURERS REPORT: - presented + moved by Alan Stratton, 2nd Tony Kempnich, motion carried.

Alan will be away next month so Marc Jennison to step in until Alan returns. Thank You Marc.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

< 2019 NRCMCC Rally update from MW from last Rally meeting, good turn up of 20 members Cooking for the morning tea please

< RMS Log Book survey. Thank you email -updates on status of trial and review in early September.

GENERAL BUSINESS

< **Members draw** -Greg Janson from Rocky Creek Design donated prize, was won by Will McMillan

<**The Dinkum Oil** MW read out the latest posting Re RMS log Book

<**Lismore Men's Shed Show 'n' Shine** 13th Oct (Tullera Hall). tel 0409300528 or David 0428677061 if you are interested.

<**World of Wheels Tour** info (overseas motorcycle tours)

<**Next rally meeting** 26/8/19 6pm dinner 7pm meeting

<John Mazzer's son Abe is selling t-shirts on-line and some parts

<If anyone is riding to the GP please talk to Jimmy Strang

<Our wonderful **refreshments manager** is unable to do Oct & Nov meetings If you can assist contact Glen

<**Next rego Day** November 17 or 24. John Mazzer to confirm Shed availability.

<**Triples rally** Marshals please for this weekend - Evans to Brunswick Hds Friday. Saturday a BBQ b/fast, followed by a marshals briefing 9am, then leaving at 9.15am. Wardell sports club for lunch. Sunday Street display, followed by a short ride and BBQ lunch at Evans Hd to conclude.

<**Lismore Swap** this Sunday

<**Christmas Party** MW suggested the club attend a club or such like for Christmas Party Lunch or Dinner (late Nov - early Dec). Members are invited to check out possible locations and bring info to next meeting, and also consider if lunch time or dinner would suit best. This will be a book in and pay for before the event, there'll be No on the day inclusions.

REGISTRATION OFFICER REPORT - all quiet this month.

EARLY DAYS - Bryson presented Al Craig Book (early time around Newcastle) to Peter Harvey.

Also noted there's still some barn finds around - a J Model Harley recently sold at a farm auction for \$47K

RIDE REPORTS

July Frostbite Rally at Allora Showground lots of early Indians, three couples: Opfer's, Kempnich's and Walker's reported on a great weekend. Pig racing on Saturday afternoon, Sunday ride around Allora, returning for morning tea and off again for another ride. 3 couples extended the weekend and went to Stanthorpe for 2 nights exploring the area & the wines.

Chris Wakley reported that he escorted his wife to the Harnessing, Heritage and Horsepower weekend at Casino showground - commenting on how good the draft horses were.

14TH July Sunday Club run to Brunswick Heads for Hot Rods

Wednesday rides no report

Historic Racing at Stanthorpe Jack McIntosh & Jimmy Strang commented on a good racing event

Flat track racing Brisbane John Mazzer reported that it was very entertaining

NEXT CLUB RUNS + OTHER EVENTS

16th - 18th August, Triples Rally, As well as Marshals being required for the Saturday Run, Col is needing about 6 Marshalls for the Friday Run. Please contact Col McAndrew if you can assist.

A Possible club ride on either Sat. or Fri. night in late Nov or early Dec for a Fish & chips dinner was discussed. TBA when Peter returns

23 to 25 August Grafton Rally MEETING CLOSED at 8.30 PM

Deans trip to the snow. { and The Newcastle CMC Rally }

With A trip to Jindabyne with the family for some snow planned for quite some time and not having any time at all for any riding lately I thought to myself lets see if there is any rallies on, I could throw the bike in the trailer and drop in on the way. Don't you love it when things go exactly according to plan! With a quick stop at Timbertown, Wauchope on the way the Newcastle Classic Motorcycle clubs rally was on the 16th and 17th August so we timed it perfectly on our way to the snow.

Not sure if over the years Dad ever attended this rally but it was rather nice to meet up with some familiar faces Dennis Clem, Brisbane and Peter Arnall from Grafton. The Stockton Beach caravan park was the starting point and where we stayed for a few days, very handy spot too with the ferry close by the wife managed to catch the ferry over to Newcastle city for some shopping which you always have to think of these things when on a bike rally ha ha. It was also a rather fitting day to be riding in a rally on Dads 4th Anniversary since his death. I Had a few teary moments under the helmet that's for sure thinking of all the great times I had as kid with mum and dad doing exactly this, classic bike rallies!

The rally headed off Sat morning out into the Hunter Valley and the family followed on until morning tea time where we stopped at the Bolwarra Primary school. My little bloke Vincent had a great look around successfully touching the front mudguards of almost every bike and guess what his first words were? Car. Alecia and Nathalia enjoyed the beautiful cakes and home made scones too!! Welcome to the world of bike rallies, great people, great bikes, great food and great places life couldn't be better and the weather was really on our side too.

From there we rode out towards Singleton where I hooked onto the back of some really nice old AJS's, stopped to help a fellow on a Rudge Special and finished for lunch up at Vacy Fire Station. What a feed put on by the Bush Fire Brigade who only do 1 function a year, the Newcastle Classic Bike Rally event, the rest of the year they are all over the country fighting fires!! This gave me some time to really have a good look at the 150 or so bikes on display, the favourite for me was a 1955 AJS Model 18H, Not even new bikes today look this good!! The bikes included a collection of BMW's, Nortons, Ariels, 1 Velocette, a Condor, AJS, Matchy's, Col Sunderlands V Twin JAP, BSA's, Ducatis, Japanese bikes, a couple of beaten up Harleys, A couple of beautiful old Indians and only 1 side car but No Vincents!! Oh almost forgot there was some Triumphs too. I rode the Norton Dominator 88 and had an absolute ball riding this old girl – a big thank you goes out to Pat Holt and John Café for helping me get the teething problems out of this bike.

From here unintentionally I followed the same group of AJS gents (isn't it funny how on rallies you usually always end up behind the same bikes) back into Maitland where they waived me in to the local pub for a quick brew and then asked if I wanted to join them down in Stockton for a couple more. What a great bunch of fellas talking bikes and drinking beer for a couple of hours, where I took a new liking to BSA's. There was an elderly chap Allan Gillan showcasing his rather used BSA 1955 A7S that he bought new and after riding it 40miles to work every day for 41 years had done 370,000 miles and apart from the usual wear components has only had 3 rebuilt engines and some gearbox work. The bike sure looked like it had done some miles (The rider more though!) and by this time my phone was flat so didn't get any photos. Not sure about the other chaps but Allan sure did make my day, what a character!! Just as I put my helmet on to head back to camp I got stopped by a gent on the rally riding a BMW to look at my Norton parked out the front of the Pub. We had a chat for about ten mins then I spent the next hour helping him start his bike, wouldn't be a bike rally without a broken down BMW air head (ever tried pulling a battery out of a R90? Especially when the owner successfully put a decent car battery in there – I asked how did you get it in there he said pulled out the airbox and the rear frame!!)

Great dinner Sat night at the Stockton Beach Bowlo, Sunday morning woke early for the 650km drive to Jindabyne, dumped the trailer and bike off in Adamstown Heights at Bruce Turners place who was kind enough to let me store it in his shed for the week then off we went to the snow for 6 nights. On the way home had a quick stop for 2 nights at the Blue Mountains where I found a 1954 Norton International race bike in the Katoomba Antique store on sale for \$17,000. I offered \$7,000 as it looked like it hadn't been running for years but then the cigar smoking store owner told me he wouldn't let it go for any less than \$40,000.

Great Family holiday, great snow, excellent bike rally and we couldn't go past Nabiac without stopping in to the Motorcycle Museum to break the trip up a bit also where the little bloke learnt another new word, **WOW.** Dean Marsh

Deans Photos from the trip to the snow.
{ and The Newcastle CMC Rally }



Vincent and Alecia enjoying the bikes



Condor ex Swiss Army bike



Indian



AJS that won the Bike Rally for best bike



Rudge Special



Norton Inter race bike



Combining two great sports



10th Annual Aussie Triples Classic Motorcycle Rally. 16 – 18 August. 2019



Aussie Triples Rally No10

Evans Head was again our base for 3 days as 55 Triumph Tridents, Rocket 3's and Hurricanes joined the largest display of Triples outside of England.

Members of the Northern Rivers Classic Club offered their time to prevent us getting lost while we explored the Richmond, Ballina, Lismore & Kyogle areas. Franks well placed signs assisted as usual. All the entrants appreciated the diverse roads and changing landscapes they experienced. Only 1 bike ended the last days ride on the back up trailer following a battery fault. Once again our Rally raised money for local charities with the very popular Auction held at the Presentation Dinner.

We had 8 new faces joining in this year and they have all vowed to encourage others to attend in 2020. Col & Nancy



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THE DINKUM OIL

A drop from the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs to keep you going

1. RMS has received submissions relating to the Log Book Trial, and will provide an update on the status of the trial and review in early September 2019.
2. CHMC has made the following recommendations in its submission to the survey:
 - Log Books be a permanent option, with both Clubs and individual members free to elect to not take part in the Scheme.
 - Log Book use to be a maximum of 60 days, but should insurers follow the precedents set in Victoria for stepped CTP rates, options of 15, 35 and 60 days use be offered.
 - The Log Book to be more robust, A5 or A6 in size, with a firm cover, conditions printed within, and sufficient space for 3 years use (180 fields).
 - Fields in the Log Book be of sufficient size to permit clearly legible entries.
 - Clubs be a party to the Log Book Scheme, with RMS Form 1259 being altered to include an election to take part in the Log Book Scheme, and also a record of the number of Log Book days used in the previous year.
 - Conditions of Log Book use be clarified, in particular prohibiting use for:
 - Hire or reward
 - Travel to or for regular employment, business trips and regular personal trips.
3. CHMC is very grateful to the number of Clubs responding to the Survey, and especially to the many individual members who made available time and out of pocket costs to attend the Focus Group Sessions in Parramatta. Your input has been highly valued and we thank you sincerely.
4. Clubs are reminded of two major events in 2020:
 - The AHMF Rally at Albury Wodonga 28th March to 4th April.
 - Temora's "I don't want to go Home" Rally from 4th to 7th April, during which the 2020 CHMC AGM will be held.

Peter Wright (RMS Liaison) phone 0417 250 798

More information about this, and other items of interest, can be found on Council's website:

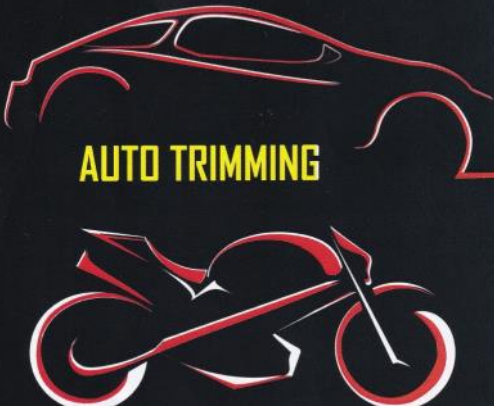
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NRCMC Club Events

*Club run each month on the Sunday after the meeting.

*Classic (pre 1987) run first Sunday of the month . Ride Organizer is needed

Until one is found, riders on day to organize their own destination & route to nearest Coffee Shop

*Mid-week runs start at Lismore Railway Station on the 1st and 4th Wednesday—9.00 am start time

NOTE: WEDNESDAY rides to continue to start from Lismore railway station, but all other club events to start from the Blue Kitchen Café. (Note: More details on rides are on club website & Page 1)

NRCMCC club rides & Events—2019

If you see any ride dates or details that are not correct can you let the Editor know {But nicely !}

10th to 15th September NRCMCC Rally* - Evans Head

*Tuesday 10th to Thursday 12th Sept—Rides are **not** marshalled ..organised on day

Friday 13th , Saturday 14 th Sept. , Organised rides **are** marshalled ..

Saturday night 14th —Dinner

Sunday 15th Sept— Morning Bike display in main street..

13th October Ride to Rathdowney

17th November Sidecar + Tiddlers Ride to Frank Widdows , 64 Westland Dr., Ballina 0408889265

15th Dec Ride to Red Rattlers Café Billinudgel .

Other Club events

Please note That the NRCMCC is not responsible for The events & Rallys as organised by other clubs or groups . And dates {and events} given to us and shown here may change without notice. So if you are attending another club event just check you have their Up to date info. Also check out theNRCMCC web page.

15th September Kyogle Motor Vehicle Club Show & Shine—all bike & Cars

Kyogle football Grounds { tel phill—0400 462404 }

Mens Shed Fundraiser 13th Oct Tullera Hall



Bill, an avid Harley rider, finally agreed to marry his long-time girlfriend, even though

She wasn't a biker.

One evening , after the honeymoon , he was working on his motorcycle. His new wife was standing there watching him. After a long period of silence she finally spoke, “ Honey, I've been thinking , now that we're married , maybe you could sell your motorcycle”.

Bill was started, with a horrified look on his face. His wife said quickly, Oh Darling

, what's wrong ?.

He said “ For a minute there you sounded just like my ex-wife”

“ex wife” she yelled, “I didn't know you'd been married before !”

“I haven't “ he said....

NRCMCC Market: You can advertise here ‘For Sale’, ‘Wanted’, ‘Swap’, ‘Advice needed’, ‘to Give away’, etc - ie, any deal you can imagine to do with motorcycles.

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| Rare model..... | Nobody liked them when new either |
| Older restoration..... | Can't tell it's been restored |
| Needs engine work..... | It's been frozen for 30 years |
| Uses no oil..... | Just throws it out |
| No rust..... | Body and fenders missing |
| Rough..... | It's too bad to lie about |
| One owner..... | Never been able to sell |
| No time to complete..... | Can't find parts anywhere |
| Needs interior..... | Seats are gone |
| Rebuilt engine..... | Has new spark plugs |
| May run..... | But it never has |
| Low mileage..... | Third time around |
| Many new parts..... | Keeps breaking down |
| 29 coats hand-rubbed paint.... | Needed that much to cover rust |
| Clean..... | It sat out in the rain yesterday |
| Best offer..... | About what I expect to get |
| Always driven slowly..... | Won't go any faster |
| Prize winner..... | Hard luck trophy 3 times in a row |
| Stored 25 years..... | Under a tree |
| Real show stopper..... | Orange with purple fenders |
| Easy restoration..... | Parts will come off in your hand |
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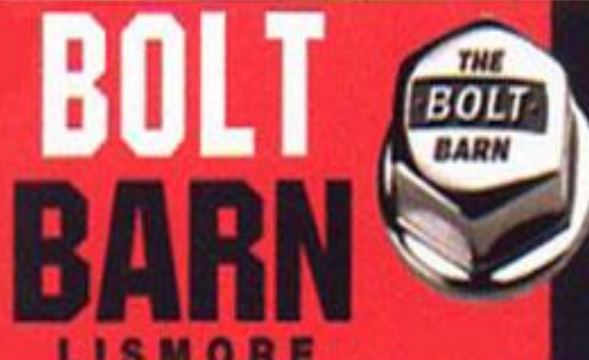
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Sunday 15 - Static Bike Street Display

The NRCMCC Rally is for Classic bikes over 30 years old only
Trophies awarded to motorcycles in age categories up to 1985

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| Given Name: _____ | Surname: _____ |
| Address: _____ | |
| Email: _____ | Phone _____ |
| Bike make: _____ | Model/Capacity _____ Year: _____ |
| Club (if applicable): _____ | Rego Number: _____ |
| Solo / pillion _____ | Sidecar: _____ |
| Pillion name: _____ | |

NO ENTRY FEES FOR YOUR PILLION OR SECOND OR ADDITIONAL BIKES (WE NEED ONE SIGNED ENTRY FORM PER BIKE PLEASE)

| | | | | Entry Fee | | \$20 | |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----------|--|------|--|
| * Saturday Lunch | \$15 | number required | () | | | \$ | |
| Optional Transport to Saturday Lunch (MUST be pre-booked on this entry form) | \$10 | number required | () | | | \$ | |
| * Saturday Evening Presentation Dinner | \$25 | number required | () | | | \$ | |
| Sunday Breakfast /street display | BuyYO | | | | | nil | |
| Extra rally badges (if available) | \$6.50 <small>if available</small> | number required | () | | | \$ | |
| | | | | TOTAL | | \$ | |

*DO YOU HAVE SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS?.....

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: 1ST SEPTEMBER 2019

Meals & Badges cannot be guaranteed for late entries.

Please return your completed and signed entry forms and fees to: -

NRCMCC RALLY – PO Box 8117 Dunoon NSW 2480 OR by email to secretary@nrcmcc.org

Payment by Bank Transfer to: - BSB 637 000 Acc 781711446 (IMPORTANT: Your name as reference)

For further information contact

NRCMCC President - Mary: president@nrcmcc.org 0429 662 915

OR

NRCMCC Secretary - David: secretary@nrcmcc.org

INDEMNITY STATEMENT: In consideration of this entry, I acknowledge that there may be risks associated with this event and I understand that I enter and participate in the rally at my own risk. I agree that the rally committee of the Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club Inc, and its associated organisation and sponsors, shall in no way be held responsible for loss or damage to an entered machine, its parts or accessories and personal effects, and that any entrant by riding or entering in this event, or passenger taking part, shall comply with registration and road rules and hereby waive the right of action by law against the committee, its organisation, its sponsors, agents or representatives. The club retains the right to refuse an entry.

Entrant's signature _____ Date _____

Receipts, meal tickets & badges etc. will be available at the evening "Meet & Greet" Friday or on Saturday morning.

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| Date | Cash/Chq/MO/Bank Transfer | Bank. | Receipt No. | Rally No. |
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The Final Word by Editor Many thanks to all those members for their stories, Photos and Jokes ..special thanks to Dean for his snow article + photos and Mary , Col & Nancy , Jim and Terry for their donations, This Newsletter would be lost without your help. Cheers... Editor



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