

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

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**JULY**  
**2022**

# 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 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 .

**Note :** if you receive this Newsletter by post, check/confirm that any activities listed here are STILL on.. Emails will be sent out advising the status of events prior to the date advertised, check your inbox..

## ***Some special dates and Events , coming up soon.***

**NRCMCC Rally** 16-17-18 September at Evans Head. A rally meeting to be held before the Next JULY Club meeting 6:30 – 7:30 {Clunes Hall} , please attend as this is your club rally.

**Next Club meeting** 12 th JULY 7.30 start Clunes hall {Rally meeting starts 6.30 pm }

**Next Club Run** Sunday 17 th JULY **Ride** to Brunswick Heads {no Hot Rods }

## **From the Chair**

**Rally** - planning is going well with most things organised, I thank members for their attendance and input in the rally planning. As in past years we *ask members to cook or supply baking for morning tea on Saturday* our guests enjoy this very much. There are cardboard boxes available to place your goodies into save returning your containers. Please don't forget that until the Rally there will be a rally meeting before each ordinary meeting. The Saturday ride will require approximately 20 marshals so please place your name on the list which will be passed around at the subsequently meetings. All members attending the rally need to fill out a rally form and pay for their own meals. I thank those in advance who have given up riding their motorcycles riding for the rally to assist with tasks to assist in the rally. If you are staying at Evans Head please book early as the QLD school holidays start that weekend. When booking say you are with the NRCMCC rally this will get you a discount and assist us with the Friday night sausage sizzle. The park has put aside cabins for our guests & our members.

**Christmas luncheon** - organisation has stalled at the present time. I will be looking at other venues to see what we can do and where we can go. So if you have any ideas please let me know.

**Other Rallies:** - It is great to see that other clubs rallies are once again back on the calendar, thus allowing members interacting with other clubs members & friends. To those members heading to the Frostbit Rally at Allora showground safe travelling Bryson & I will see you there, I'm sure it will be fantastic socialising with the HMCQ Warwick members while also riding our machines.

**Flood relief:** - please don't forget the many club members who were effected by the flood. Many are still struggling to get into their homes while also dealing with their loses and the emotional effect of the floods. Just by turning up and chatting will assist your friends.

**Brisbane to Broom:** - Alan & Lyn and the other HMCQ members riding, I hope all goes well, safe travelling enjoy your fantastic adventure. Keep Upright Mary Walker

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**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON:** 14<sup>th</sup> June 2022 start: 7.30pm

Abbreviations used in Minutes MW Mary Walker,

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

There was 1 visitor {2<sup>nd</sup> meeting attended} who introduced himself,

Meeting attended by 24 members, 1 visitor & 10 apologies as per the attendance sheet

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** - Not read to members. The Secretary moved that minutes of May 2022 Club meeting published in June 2022 newsletter be accepted, 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter Lake Motion carried

### CORRESPONDENCE IN

**Newsletters-** QLD Historic Motorcycle, Newcastle, Clarence valley, Tamworth

3 Greater Bank Club term investment renewals. one M'ship club renewal form.

**CORRESPONDENCE out** Club Newsletter was posted or emailed to members + other clubs

### TREASURERS REPORT

No report – but MW noted there was one payment made to Editor for Newsletter costs

**MEMBERSHIP OFFICER** Marc still unavailable due to continuing illness

### BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

< **2022 Club Rally** MW updated members on the Rally meeting just held, good progress made,

With Rally routes, Saturday Morning tea, Lunch stops, And evening at Bowling club

< **Club Rego with Jack Ahearn Trophy Presentation Day**, MW Thanked all attendees and especially Gerard, Tony, and Helen , Brenda for their assistance in purchasing supplied, preparing and cooking the food ready for members and for their assistance in the clean up. it was so incredible to see three wonderfully restored machines and their owners, Tony, Doug & Neil present and MW thank them for displaying their machines at the hall. This is a first, and by all accounts a great success in all of the previous years we have only known the wining machine and owner but what about the other fantastically RESTORED MACHINES which we don't know anything about, hopefully this is the start of an annual event with all machines in the running for the trophy to be displayed to the members. This was by all accounts, a great day except for the constant rain which made it a fully inside event but the rain only dampened us not our spirits.

< **Mid Year Christmas Get together**, MW reported still under discussion with Lismore Heights Bowling club

### GENERAL BUSINESS

< **Eric Wilson** informed the meeting that he was resigning from the club due to ongoing health issues , see attached letter, MW thanked Eric for His services to the club, especially with the Library & J.A. Restoration Trophy, Members gave a round of applause .

< **Peter Lake**. updated members on latest book, donated to club Library, Jim Hahn donated Velocette by RW Burges "All models from 1933" A big thank you to Jim

< **John Café** advised that his telephone number as shown in Newsletter was incorrect, Editor to adjust

< **MW** reported both the "Conditions of award of best restored machine for the previous year" and the Judging sheets have been sent to me the President. These both will be under review by the committee and brought to the members in due time. To be published in the club Newsletter for member to review prior to the following club meeting.

< **Glen Flinn** reported that Ray Fisher was looking for helpers , to assist in starting Rob Andrews Motorcycles , which had been damaged in the Lismore Floods, Ray number is listed in Newsletter

### < **REGISTRATION OFFICER REPORT** - non

< **EARLY DAYS** – Bryson talked about the "Lonely Planets " 8<sup>th</sup> most popular listing in world to see ..

The Scenic Rim in Qld, which we are very lucky to live near.

**RIDE REPORTS** –Peter Lake reported 4 riders went to the J. A. trophy presentation / rego day at Clunes riding thru all forms of wet weather.

<Classic only ride- riders travel part of our upcoming Rally Route Casino to Evans Head

**UPCOMING Ride** 19<sup>th</sup> June ride to New Italy Café and July Ride to Brunswick Heads still on but

no Hot Rod display as it would be held a week earlier, you can still go to Hot Rods but it's not a club ride

**MEETING CLOSED at 8.50pm**



The President  
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Dear President

This letter is to inform the Club of the following:

1. I am vacating my position of Co-Librarian. Peter Lake has been informed, and I will announce my replacement in due course. This is not an elected position. As soon as Peter announces the replacement, our Webmaster will delete the program for managing the library from my computer and install it in the new Co-Librarian's computer.
2. My position as one of the group who manage the Jack Hearn Trophy is also vacated. John Cafe, Brian Riordan and I had a long meeting a few months ago, where they learned of my intention to drop out of the group once the presentation for last year (2021) had been made. The group started by Jack, John and myself 14 years ago with simple rules and procedures, has been always 3 in number with Jack and Tony Evans being with us until their untimely deaths. John and Brian will now select my replacement before the end of the current year. This is not an elected position. The trophy and its accessories are now in John's care. I must place on record my gratitude to Peter Small and Tony Evans for their contribution over the past 14 years and especially the help of John Cafe, the original member of the group with Jack and myself.
3. Now to my resignation from the Club, effective from the end of this meeting, I can't contribute in the way I have in the past any longer because of my health. I wish the Club all the best in these troubled times.

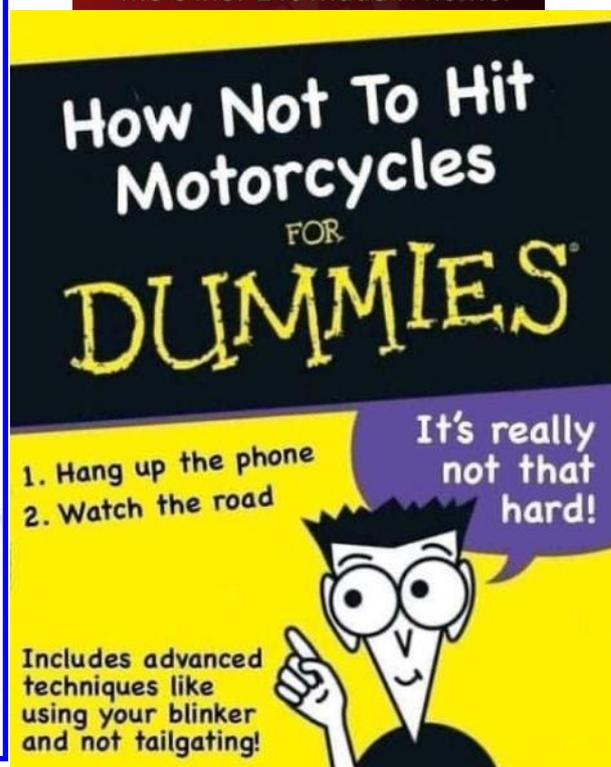
Good riding and good luck to you all.

Signed E.W. Wilson

Date 14/6/2022

98% of all Harleys ever sold are still on the road.

The other 2% made it home.



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**Jack Ahearn Restoration Trophy**—Judges John Cafe P: 0427252081

Brian Riordan P: 02 66215535 Eric Wilson P; 0266243157

## June –Meeting For Rally Fri 16<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> Sun 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022 @Evans Head

{Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Morning only}

Meeting Clunes Hall - Meeting started 6:30pm-7:30 pm

Attendance per attendance sheet 20 members approx. apologies

**Tony Harvey updated members on some changes since last meetings**

### SATURDAY

**Sat & Sunday** breakfast at Bowlo Car Park , provider yet to be determined

**Sat - Morning tea:** As The bridge park will not be available Peter l suggests Victoria park just up the road

The Charlton's David Carol John Judy offer to do this part of the rally thank you to them. Coffee van out

**Sat - Lunch** Wardell sports ground has been handed to the local land council Tony has looked everywhere and has found a great spot Coraki Pub,, finger food hot cold *need phone number*

**Sat - Dinner:** Saturday evening dinner at Bowlo \$31.00

**Friday night - get together** BBQ at camping ground

**RIDES** : Options for Tuesday & Wednesday rides discussed but now not included in Rally dates , Peter Lake has already sent in the Sat rally route but the change of lunch will require peter the tweak his maps

Friday leaving at 2pm for 1 ½ hrs ride

Saturday time frame 10:15 morning tea, 12:30 Lunch return to base 2- 2:30

Sunday ride option 1 ½ hr ride if needed

Thursday morning only if any interest shown– not marshalled

Friday , Sunday Peter L to look at roads for this.

### OTHER

**Caravan Park** Mary to ring set up our Group if booking all ok with the park group logged

**Booking caravan park.** please say you are with Northern rivers classic motorcycle club group to get a group discount. Book early as the QLD school Holidays start that weekend. Cabin have been put aside for us .

**Trophies:** Mary to look at trophies not used in 2019 trophies are not needed this year have left over .

**Raffle: MW** has asked Michael smith to look at our sponsors who is up and running and that we spend between \$25- \$40 , Meeting agreed to this option

**Badges:** Lismore trophies for badges.

**Old bike mag** rally date and contact number

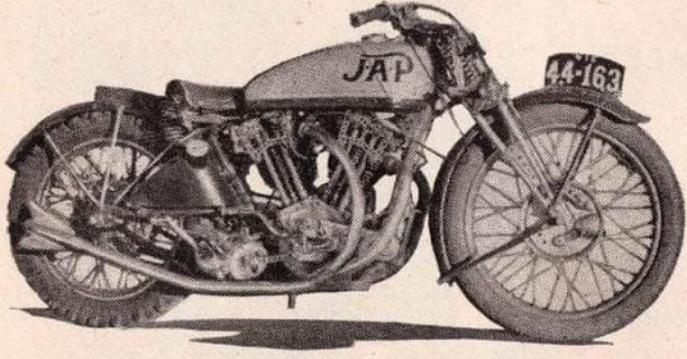
**Police** : Mary to contact Lismore Police on Wed 15<sup>th</sup> to find who to talk to and to get forms to fill in

**Entry form** & supporting information , under way , prices discussed , Rally entry now \$25 per bike includes 1 badge , to be printed with flyer in July club Newsletter

**Richmond valley council** Mary needs to contact

**Rally flyer** , DBM will make Rally flyer to be attached to all Rally info and Entry forms , to be emailed to all clubs and to old participants with when , where how to book in at reflections Caravan park 0266824212 book into Group for discount Northern Rivers classic Motorcycle club , book early QLD school holidays start this weekend, some cabins have been put aside for us if there is a problem contact Mary 0429662915

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**Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club Inc.  
2022 Rally at Evens Head  
15th to 18 September 2022**

~~See attached information sheet & Rally entry form~~



{ Note : The rally entry form and addition information is not published in this Newsletter, as noted on flyer. It will be emailed or posted ASAP after July club meeting... Editor

**Our Club Rides:-** Some information on coming NRCMCC club rides.

**Sunday & Wednesday Rides - All going ahead**

Please note that all attendees will need to sign on and BYO mask {optional }

Sunday runs are starting from the Norco Car Park—leave 9.00am

Wednesday rides starting from Lismore Railway Station—leave 9.00 am

**17th July Sunday Ride** to Brunswick Heads - {no Hotrods there , that was week before ]

**14th August** - Ride to Tumbulgum via Cabarita and Pottsville

**15th—18th September** NRCMCC Rally see details in this Newsletter

For further information go to the clubs web site , advisable to read before going on any rides,

**Motorcycle Events and Rallies organized by other Motorcycle Clubs or Groups**

**16-17th July** Tamworth & District Antique Motor Club Rally

**26-28th August** CVH&EMCC Grafton Vintage & Classic Rally cvhemcc@gmail.com

**27-28th August** AMAC Australia Bulli Antique Motorcycle Weekend

**9-11th Sept** Central Coast Classic Motorcycle Club—37th Annual Rally www.ccmcc.com.au

**4-7th October** Parkes Antique Motor Club Rally \*

**8-9th October** Wagga Classic M.C. Club Rally \*

**21-23 October** Gloucester 2022 Thunderbolts Way 18th BSA National Rally  
for info Email secretary@bsanational.org.au

**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. check on their club web sites



**Warning !! Never leave your Honda outside a Retirement Village . Or this can happen**

**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.

**Please contact the editor** - details on the 'Club officials' list somewhere in this newsletter.

Unless otherwise arranged, advertisements will be maintained for two issues.

## BIKES FOR SALE

**1966 BMW R60/2** with Steib sidecar. This outfit is in immaculate condition. Loving restored to glory by DP Bernie Shailer. For more information, please contact Michael Schnerring on (02) 66897501. Asking price is \$45,000.00 negotiable.

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**HONDA CBX 250 1985 runs well ride away \$1800 ERIC 0432829848**

**1972 BMW R50— immaculate condition —\$6800 Contact Editor 0447 900 848**

Refer back to the June Newsletter for Photos of the 3 BMWs + Honda listed above



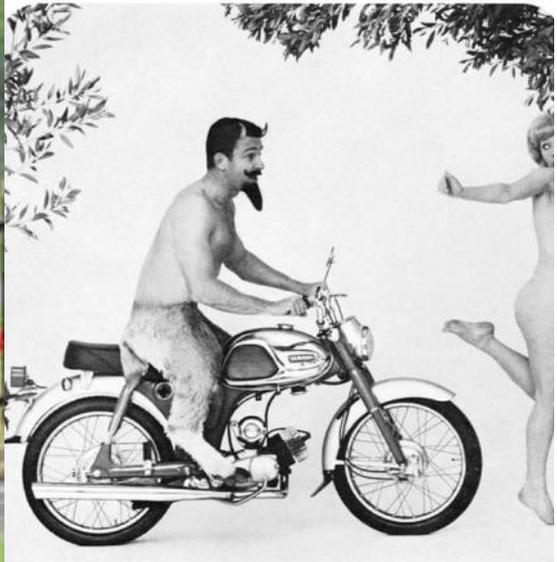
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### **Barry McDonald was at The 45th Winton Historic Racing Festival ,**

held on weekend of 28th & 29th May for both Bikes and Cars, and was an awesome weekend which we already have on 2023 calendar.

Race bikes ranged from 1928 Douglas and AJS to the newest being 1982 Yamahas and Kawasaki, with incredible range of very special machinery in between from 125 BSA Bantam to 1200 Indians, not to mention the Sidecars from 1950 BSA to 1980 Suzuki.

The competitors listing is a good read of very diverse bikes from several golden era's, including several Norton specials with engines from Harley and Indian 1200 side valves, BSA, Triumph etc, and including a large number of 2 strokes from 125cc Bantam to TZ750 Yamaha.

The competition was very strong, fast and competitive with several standout machines and riders such as Bob Rosenthal, of 2 wheels magazine fame, on an extremely quick Norton ES2, and Craig Ditchburn, from a well known racing family, on Yamaha TZ750 that used to be raced in period by his father. Both these bikes were almost in a professional class with each having 2 identical spare bikes, and whilst winning all their respective class races were kept honest by giant killing performances by extremely well ridden RD350 and 250 LC Yamahas, several fast Nortons and a CB350 Honda twin, which was eligible for several categories and did many races back to back.

The sidecar competition was brilliant and surprisingly close considering the diversity of machinery, particularly the earlier sit up style english outfits with leading link forks sliding and understeering through corners but never backing off. One of the faster outfits was Honda 750/4 (900cc) piloted by a 19 year old John Clancy with his Mom Chrissie in the sidecar, awesome.

There were also plenty of interesting machinery not on the track with a large display of Douglas and Nortons, not to mention some very nice classics in spectator parking area.

Whilst not motorcycle related the car racing was also a great watch and very competitive, including an FJ holden always in the top 5 in class, and still running the original 3 speed column shift.

Another machine which stood out for engineering and sound was an early single seat race car running a huge v twin air cooled engine consisting of 2 cylinders from an early radial aircraft engine.

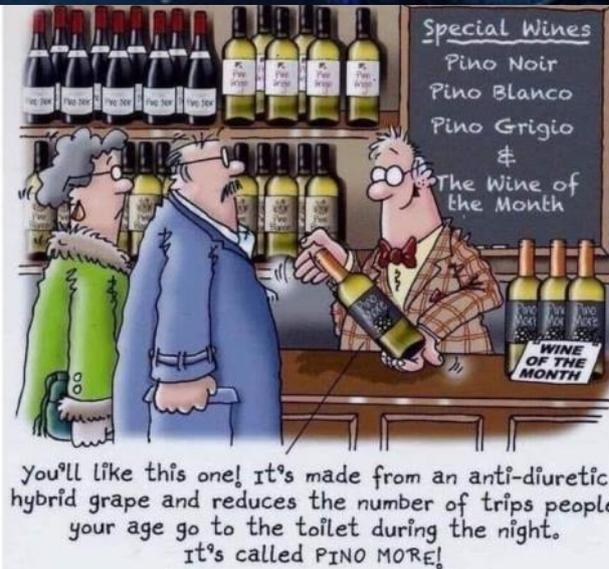
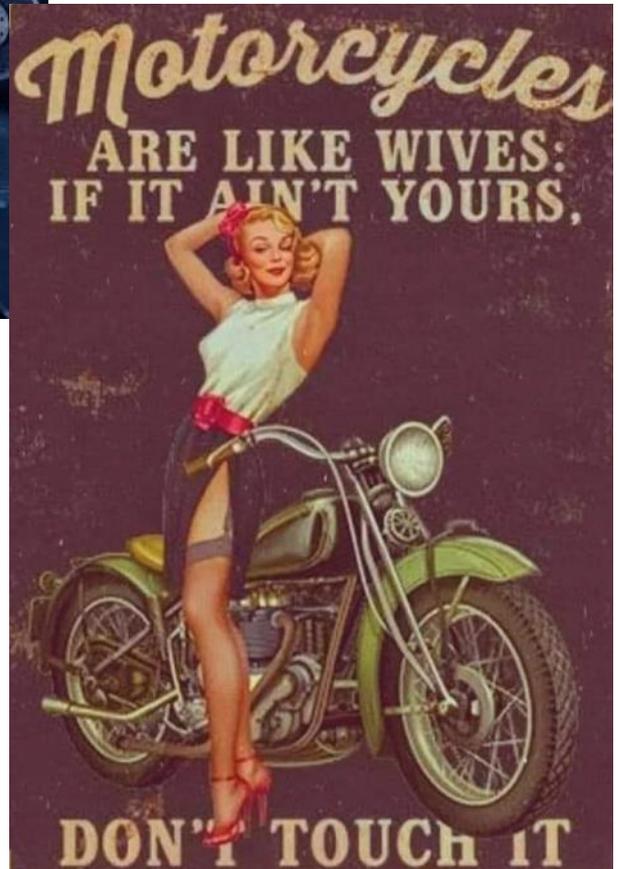
The track is well laid out, accessible, with great views of whole track and with good camping facilities, but can be bloody cold and foggy, lucky motorcycle riders are so tough ! Cheers, Barry & Jan



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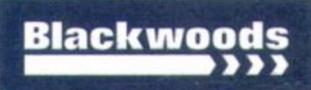
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