The Monthly Journal of the

Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club Inc.



NRCMCC Club Rally -September 11 - 13 2015



A beautiful morning - perfect bike weather, and the bikes gather at Ballina on Saturday. Breakfast from the Lions Club, and last minute checks of bikes. A wonderful collection of classics. The chief marshal briefs his troops and the run commences.



There were three runs - a short run on Friday for the older bikes; the main run on Saturday - Ballina, Dunoon via Eltham road, then Lismore, Casino (via the wonderful Naughtons Gap rd) and then,



following the south bank of the Richmond River, to a rest stop at Coraki. From here, the route climbed the range to Tuckurimba with a hard right turn back down onto the sugar cane flats on the Whyralla Road. A left turn onto the Broadwater -Coraki rd and then another lefty up the Bagotville road with a short section of challenging bumps and thence to Wardell sports club for lunch and judging of the visitors bikes. Overall an excellent ride. 3 bikes ended up on the back-up trailer, and one BSA ran out of fuel only a couple of k's short of lunch. Saved by a BMW!

2015 Club Rally (continued)

The evening dinner was held at the Ballina Services Bowling club and awards were made to the various categories of classic bikes. An impressive array of goodies provided by local businesses were raffled off with Dougie Hampson constantly ferreting away selling raffle tickets. Onya Doug!

The club is grateful for these sponsors. Their advertisements are in this newsletter and we should support them as they support us.

A shorter Sunday run left Ballina, along the Eltham road, up to Clunes to regroup (a bit of a schamozzle with a missing marshal) but then on to the lovely, curvy James-Gibson road with its wonderful views of the Border Ranges in the distance, then left at Corndale road back to Bexhill and thence onto the Eltham road again back to the turnoff to Tintenbar, up and down the hill and back down the old pacific highway to Ballina.

An excellent weekend for all concerned and no troubles - Oh, except a lesson for anyone restoring a bike - especially if the frame's been powder coated - check all bolts for tightness after a short ride - the powder coating wears and settles down - nothing worse than arriving at the start of the rally to find your gearbox hanging in there by the skin of its teeth! RS





Left: Who says you need a cruiser to ride feet forward?

Right: Lunch at Wardell Sports club

Left below: Dinner at Ballina RSL bowling club

Right below: Happy participants on ES2



Far left: Winner of 'Best club bike', Mary Walker with her Guzzi thanks presenter Doug Hampson who made the trophy.

Left: Tim Thearle won the woman's Riding Jacket donated by Lismore Motorcycles.



NRCMCC

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Annual NRCMCC Rally awards for visitors bikes:

Pre 1939, Phillip Campton, Coffs Restorers, Harley 1940 - 49, Bob Cooper, Coffs Restorers, Vincent 1950 – 59, Jeff McKenzie, Coffs Restorers, Velocette 1960 - 69, Neville Crittenden, Newcastle CMCC, BSA 1970 - 79, Tony Burke, Inverell Restorers, Kawasaki 1980 - 89, Terry Ryan, CVH&EMCC, Honda Sidecar, Terry Popplewell, Coffs Restorers, BMW People's Choice, Jeff McKenzie, Coffs Restorers, Velocette

Doug Hampson award for Best NRCMCC bike: Mary Walker, MotoGuzzi (see picture Right)



Preview:

Our travellers to 2015 Isle of Man TT have promised a report in a future edition, but here are a couple of pics to wet your appetites -



The latest issue of 'Old Bike' carries a story of an attack on the speed record by a Honda 'postie' bike.at Lake Gairdiner They worked over the engine, added a streamlined bikini fairing on the handlebars (which they left at home by accident, and replaced with a large

of nitrous!

Left: and our lads were standing only 2m away at Crosbys, and it was doing 160 mph!

Right: A singularly appropriate photo - who let them behind the bar ?- Ozzie sweet talking, no doubt! Love the taps, but are the bubbles in the foaming head methanol or nitrous?



Shades of Marlon and the 'Wild One'



stainless steel salad bowl!) The secret ingredient was a bottle

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First 2 runs, maximum speed (no nitrous) 83 mph - not bad for a postie - terrifying in fact. But another run with the nitrous switched on - 128.533 mph!! WoooHooo! Unfortunately it loosened the rear wheel spokes and stretched the chain so much, it broke on a final run. And they nicknamed the rider, 'the crash test dummy' - I wonder why?? Thanks to Jim Scaysbrook for this story

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Presidents report Hi All

Some new policy is out on the trial log book scheme. I urge those of you with internet access to do some Googling. The issue will be on the agenda for our October meeting. Please come along if you would like to comment or enlighten us further in this regard. In a nutshell, eligible clubs like the NRCMCC will be able to opt in for a trial scheme being conducted by the RMA where individuals within the approved club can use their historic vehicles for up to 60 days per annum, possibly outside of club sanctioned events. There is some confusion in the RMS documentations about whether 'general use' includes club events. We are trying to clarify this point. A log book of usage is to be kept by the operator of the vehicle. No additional costs to that individual or the club are foreshadowed at this stage. Individual members of the club can decide whether they wish to participate or not, but only if the club applies to be part of the scheme.



On another note: Under the club constitution, any motions to be presented at the AGM in the December meeting have to be made available to all members at least one month before the AGM. Given that many members do not have email, it is suggested that such motions be presented at the October meeting so they can be included in the minutes published in the November newsletter. Alternatively motions could be sent via the president to the editor by 20th October for inclusion in the November issue.

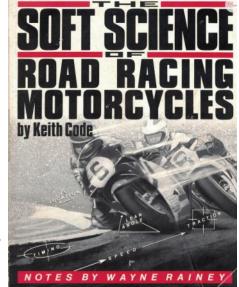
I take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in helping to organise and run our very enjoyable annual rally. With perfect weather and accompanying excellent road conditions, good company, food, prizes, etc, etc. It was great. Many thanks to our sponsors for the awards and prizes. Good work everyone. Rob Evans



Book of the month:

If you're at all like me, you want to know the science behind what keeps us upright, or at least on the correct angle as we miraculously go round corners without falling over as our pillions often seem to expect!.

Keith Code has written a number of books on riding, and this one focusses on road racing - NOT on the road, but on the track. But it covers a lot of the science behind motorcycling.



Chapter headings like "Timing - its not what you do, but where you do it that counts' tantalise vou...

The book belongs to me but is on the library list so can be borrowed if you are interested. RS

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Wednesday Warriors:

No notes from the 2nd September, but here is the 23 September ride:: Seven riders fronted at the Lismore railway station at 9am for the second Mid-Week Run in October. Conditions were sunny, but cold and windy. Route chosen was via Woodlawn, Dunoon, past the Rocky Creek Dam turn-off, Dorroughby and back via Corndale/James Gibson Road for a coffee/snack at the Clunes shop. A nice, easy and relatively slow speed/relaxed route without any real dramas, except in a few places where fallen/still wet camphor-laurel leaves under the over -hanging boughs momentarily gave heart-stopping front-wheel "woopsies"(for some). Perhaps the crazy steering-head angle, wide



tires, coupled with high low-speed torque of the 270 degree Triumph 'America' cruiser-twin had something to do with it. Clunes shop had it's usual friendly people - and just as important - a sunny possie to warm up riders like us. But then again - some riders amongst us appeared to have anti-freeze in their veins! Afterwards we individually made our way back home. I enjoyed having a riding companion coming back the long way via Eltham to Lismore. Certainly this is a much more interesting route for motor-cycling than using Bangalow Road. RA

SAFETY WARNING -

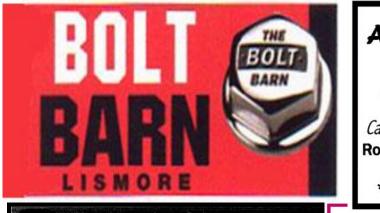
Ever bought an old bike and the tyres looked in good nick? Ever enquired how old they were? Ever been at a run or a rally and had a good look at tyres? And of course we have all seen tyres for sale at swap meets. So what's the problem?

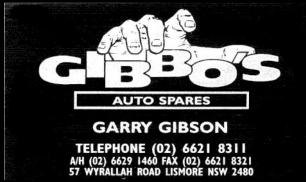
According to most tyre manufacturers, tyres deteriorate if not being used just as they do wear out from regular usage. It's just that the deterioration is not so visible because the tread pattern still looks ok. Manufacturers aim for a storage life of 10 years, even if stored in the original wrapping.

A coroner in Manchester, England, found in an inquest into a fatal accident that the cause of the crash was the failure of a tyre on a MGB. The blown tyre turned out to be 25 years old bought as new at a jumble sale/ swap meet

After the inquest in September 2007, the coroner's court wrote to all the classic clubs and alerted them to the finding. it was found the tyre failed at a low speed and the mg was not being driven hard, there was no puncture or foreign object involved. Experts found the tyre structure simply gave in due to ageing of the tyre fabric. Imagine if it had been a tyre on a two wheeler.

now at our own rallies i have seen beautiful machines obviously with a lot of money spent on them , and with good looking tyres as far as tread goes, but have a real close look (when the owner is not present) and note the cracks on the tyre at the rim on some of these bikes. Let's hope the worst that happens is a slow loss of air to give plenty of warning. Personally, I would put brand new tyres on any project, even if it's to be ridden only occasionally, or not at all. Its obvious that one day, as a result of such an accident, the person selling the "old / new" tyre will be sued by the injured party. That's what society does these days. Source: motorcycle mechanics, issue 244, February 2008.





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NRCMC Club Events

Club run each month on the Sunday after the meeting. Classic (pre 1985) run first Sunday of the month

Sunday runs now start only from Lismore Rous Hotel cnr. Keen and Zadoc Street at 8.30 am sharp

Note: Every Sunday is now an authorised club ride if you start at the Rous Hotel

Mid-week runs start at Lismore Railway at 9 am on the 1st and 4th Wednesday

Oct 17 - 18 Ride to Bingara, leave McDonads, Casino, 9am. Contact Terry Savins 0407 927 982

Oct 18 - Ride to New Italy - Italians bikes very welcome

Nov 6 - 8- classics only to Hat Head Rally. Backup will carry camping gear Contact Col 0407 927 982

Nov 15 - ride to Terry Savins house, Byron Bay, Contact terry 0407 927 982

Dec 6 - Classics only Ride. TBA

Upcoming Rallies & Events Organised by other Clubs

Oct 24 - 25 - Laidley Swap meet all weekend

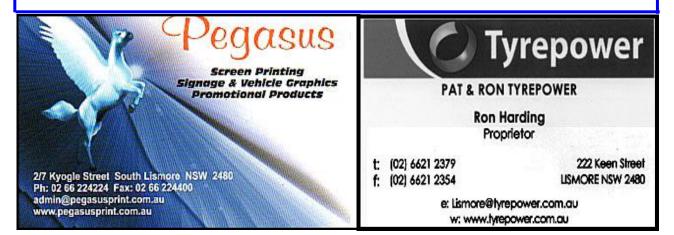
Oct 25 - Bike show at Laidley Swap meet 8 - 10.45am; contact Brian 0459 211 365

Oct 30 - Alstonville Show - NRCMCC to display bikes; contact Bryson Walker 0428291 509

Nov 1- Compression vs Depression Charity run, details TBA

Nov 20 - 23 Walcha Challenge, contact Neil 0404 0416 27

Jan 17? (date to be confirmed) Cramms f arm BBQ, Doon Doon Rd, top of Clarrie hall dam. Meet Tweed Motorcycle Enthusiasts Club for excellent lunch and company





For Sale (or Wanted or To give away)

Items are left in for 2 months unless sold - please let me know if they are no longer available

FREE to good home;: 21 inch Front chromed steel rim, excellent condition, off a BSA B33 single side front drum brake - Branded 'Takasago 1.6x21' 40spoke holes - contact Editor by email (see officials list in newsletter) Someone must want it? PLEASE?!! Else it might become part of a garden folly.

NEW Adverts:

For Sale: I have a 1974 Yamaha DT250 (DT2A) for sale. In off road condition. Motor recently rebuilt, running on pre-mix. Later model (Honda?) Front end. Aftermarket (home made) expansion chamber. Muffler is missing. Suit VMX, Bush bash or restore. \$500 firm

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	8 th September 2015 START: 7:45 pm
Meeting commenced with a period of silence as a mark of respect follow	
Marsh and Bryson spoke about Alec as a person as well as his contributi Alec's partner Carole Tate has also passed away since Alec's funeral. Th	
Eric)	IE Club has organized nowers for her reneral (rhank you
Recommendation that the Club make a \$100 donation to the local bran	ich of the Cancer Council
MOVED: Mary Walker SECOND: Richard Swinton	
WELCOME: Welcome by President 1 Visitor. Attended by 45 members	s with 8 apologies as per the attendance sheet
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - presented to members	· · · · · · · · · · · · ·
ACCEPTED: Doug Foskey	SECOND: Mary Walker
BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: (see below in General Bu TREASURERS REPORT – presented to members	usiness)
ACCEPTED: Richard Swinton	SECOND: Doug Hampson
CORRESPONDENCE OUT: Invitation to Mr. Jack Ahearn to attend the an	
Letter to Mr Duncan Gay, Minister for Transport, about the proposed tr	
CORRESPONDENCE IN:	
5 x Club Newsletters: Tweed Heads Motorcycle Club, Inverell Motorcycle	
Club, Grafton Vintage Motor Vehicle Club (See Club Events Page for	
Club trailer registration renewal from RMS. (Rego papers passed on to E	
Club public liability insurance. (Papers passed on to Treasurer – Peter La Thank you letter from Crowley Care Services for Club donation of \$100	
GENERAL BUSINESS:	(read but to memoers presency
From previous meeting:	
New member application – Currently with NRCMCC Committee as per	Club Rules (2 new members welcomed to the NRCMCC at
this meeting)	
Invitation by Mr. Lloyd Moss (6683-4446) for the Club to put on a display	
amongst those present was checked. Sufficient interest in attendir	ng. Robert Evans to check with Mr Moss about times and
expectations) Reciprocal riding invitations The Secretary would like to issue reciproc	
Reciprocal riding invitations. The Secretary would like to issue reciproc NRCMCC. (On hold given the recent announcement about upcomin	
Club member Warren Walmsley was presented with a trophy from the	
Richard Swinton has completed the updating the library with the newly	
use the library as a great resource for information about maintena	
2015 NRCMCC Rally. Members put their name down for backup trailer,	
ward to a great weekend.	
John Mazzer was awarded bike of show last Saturday at the local Hot R	
Some Club members spoke about their recent trip to the Isle of Man TT THE EARLY DAYS OF THE CLUB:	1. Sounds like a great trip. More into to come.
Bryson spoke about Alec Marsh's integral role in the formation of the N	NRCMCC. He and Mary Walker spoke about how Ongmac
vehicles were always used as backup vehicles in the early days and	
Club and to get the club incorporated. The club would not be whe	
will be missed.	
Dean Marsh thanked the Club for attending his dad's funeral and riding	g our motorcycles in the funeral in such large numbers.
REGO OFFICER REPORT:	
1x Norton; 1x BSA; 1x Rickman Kawasaki CLUB RUNS:	
Ride to Grafton for the CVH&EMCC rally. 9 NRCMCC members attende	ad the Grafton rally President Roh and I had a cool start
on the Saturday morning on the Summerland Way. (amazing how	
radiant heat from the tin shed in the showground was used to wa	
brilliant ride with excellent marshaling and great food. I'm hoping	
Classic Only ride last Sunday was a non event due to lack of people turn	ning up
Triples rally was a great success. Full report to come.	
WEDNESDAY RIDES:	
Ride to Wardell Pies Ride to Mullumbimby coffee shop	
NEXT CLUB RUNS: As listed on the NRCMCC website and below	
Taree and District Vintage & Classic M/C Club ride. The Walcha cha	allenge 20 th to 22 nd November 2015
NRCMCC Club ride to Bingara on the weekend of the 17th October	
Ducati owners club of NSW. Thunder Rally 2015 30 th October to 1 st	^t November 2015
The antique motorcycle club of Australia. 10th National Veteran Ra	ally Ararat Victoria Sunday 4th Oct to Friday 9th Oct, 2015
BUSINESS ARISING FOR NEXT MEETING:	the set of the state of the set of the set
Invitation by Mr. Lloyd Moss (6683-4446) for the Club to put on a disple MEETING CLOSED: 9:15 pm	ay at the Alstonville Show 30-31 Octoper.
MEETING CLOSED: 9.15 pm	

This is one letter from RMS about the Log Book Trial:

Dear customer : Thank you for your interest in the Log Book trial announced by the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight which will commence on 1 October 2015.

The trial will allow all operators of existing vehicles within the Historic Vehicle Scheme to opt-in. These vehicles may then be used for 60 days of general use (i.e. club events, maintenance and personal use) each year. Each day's use must be recorded in the Log Book (editors italics above - another RMS document doesn't include 'club events') Existing operators

To opt in, the registered operator or their representative must attend a registry or service centre with:

- proof of identity such as a NSW driver licence,

- the current Certificate of Conditional Registration (if available),

- the current Certificate of Approved Operations (if available)

a completed Adjustment of records to have the vehicle's conditions updated

(http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/about/forms/45070212-adjustment-of-records.pdf).

New operators

New entrants to the Historic Vehicle Scheme after the trial commences may apply for inclusion in the Log Book Trial, subject to the existing historic vehicle and registered operator eligibility criteria.

The registered operator must be a member of a Roads and Maritime recognised historic vehicle club

(http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/roads/registration/get-nsw-registration/vehicle-sheets/historic-vehicleclubs.pdf).

To conditionally register a vehicle in the Historic Vehicle Scheme, customers must provide:

- a completed Application for Conditional Registration form (http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/about/ forms/45070939-conditional-reg.pdf)

proof of identity such as a NSW driver licence

- Proof of registration entitlement (eg an original receipt for the vehicle, which clearly shows the buyer's name, the seller's name, address and signature, the VIN or Chassis/frame or serial number and the date of acquisition)

- A Historic Vehicle Declaration not greater than 42 days old

(http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/about/forms/45070967-historic-vehicle-declaration.pdf)

- Note: a vehicle safety inspection report must be presented if the club is less than two years old.
- Existing and new operators will be issued:
- Certificate of Conditional Registration
- Certificate of Approved Operations, with the updated conditions
- Historic Vehicle Log Book Trial form

Historic vehicles (including trailers) must be 30 years of age or older as from the year of manufacture.

Historic vehicles must be as close to original condition as possible, with no alterations except for safety features such as seat belts and turn indicators or period accessories and options, if desired.

If you have further questions, please contact Roads and Maritime Services on 13 22 13.

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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 in December. *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 Lismore Rous Hotel at 8.30 am. Every Sunday can be a club run but members must contact the Events Organiser. Club events are also listed on the club website. There are also 2 Mid-week runs departing Lismore Railway on 1st and 4th Wednesday of the nhônth at 9 am. Contact Rob Andrews on 6621 4083.