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THE RIDERS REPORT

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CLUB PATRONS:

Col Serone (Foundation member); Grahame Young (Foundation Member); Harry Lente.

The objectives of the Club shall be:

- *To Foster the cause of motorcycling and preserve the history of all classes of motorcycling.*
- *To encourage the collection, restoration, and maintenance of motorcycles.*
- *To collaborate with authorities and other bodies to bring about a greater understanding of the Club and enable the Club to carry out its objectives.*
- *To have a good attitude, show and hold respect for and towards our Members, our Guests, the Club and to foster and further these relationships. To welcome riders & like-*

minded people to the Club and our events.

CLUB EVENTS, RIDES AND MEETINGS ARE ALL NSW (DST) TIME UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

MONTHLY GENERAL MEETINGS:

Are held on the FIRST MONDAY of the month Starting at 6:30 PM. (7:00 PM during DST) If this happens to align with a public holiday, the meeting shall be on the FOLLOWING Monday. Meetings are held at The Ivory Tavern, 165 Wharf Street Tweed Heads NSW 2485. Near Boyd's Bay Bridge. Phone 0755 069 988. Please Contact any committee member if you are unsure.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP RAFFLE DRAW WINNERS:

KIRRA Thursday June 29th, Brien Atkins 27.

COOLANGATTA Saturday July 1st, Billy Bud 78.

KIRRA Thursday July 6th, Dean Price 102.

COOLANGATTA Saturday July 8th, Bernie Shailer 24.

KIRRA Thursday July 13th, John "Jayco" Jacobson 50.

COOLANGATTA Saturday July 15th, Andy McDougal 33.

KIRRA Thursday July 20th, Kerri Atherton 64.

COOLANGATTA Saturday July 22nd, Donna Valance 138.

RAFFLES:

THURSDAY night Raffles are from 6:30 PM, QLD (7:30 PM DST) held at KIRRA SPORTS CLUB (Appel St Kirra)
SATURDAY afternoon Raffles from 1:00 PM QLD (2:00 DST) held at COOLANGATTA HOTEL (Marine Parade. Coolangatta)

RIDE RAFFLES are held on the majority of organised rides.

All Members and their guests are invited to Raffles. As a bonus, each week there is a THMCEC members draw, and the only way to get the cash is to BE THERE!! Kirra jackpots weekly, starting from \$50.00 until won, Coolangatta is \$50 every week, with attending members \$20 draw

VINTAGE RUNS:

Please remember to contact Harry Lente (0418885582) **BEFORE** riding your Vintage / Historic registered bikes outside of club events.

Raffles and meetings are CLUB EVENTS and Vintage bikes can be ridden to these venues.

All events organised by the events committee have a backup trailer for breakdowns.

ALL SUNDAYS are VINTAGE RUNS as per club rules. 2 or more current members MUST ride together, so get 'em out there!!!!

All submissions, Information & Pictures for news must be in before the 20th of the month

THMCEC UPCOMMING EVENTS FOR 2017.

BREKKY RUN SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST.

PINK RUN SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST.

POKER RUN SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER.

LAKESIDE SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER.

IVORY RUN SUNDAY 8TH OCTOBER.

OVERNIGHTER SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER.

KIDS IN NEED RUN SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER.

AGM SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER.

Contact EVENTS or MAIN committee for more Run Info

Other things on THMCEC's calendar that may interest you.

EXTRA SUPPORT NOW NEEDED AT RAFFLES

We are appealing to club members if they could please make an extra effort to attend our bi-weekly raffles. Attendance has been low of late and while Kirra Sports Club has always been supportive of our club, we need to be supportive of them as well.

Coolangatta Hotel is a very tenuous arrangement, if we are not seen to be supporting our own raffles there, they may not allow us to continue. We would also like some feed back or suggestions from members on our raffles and club functions, for example if they would prefer the two assorted meat trays at Coolangatta or are they happy with just the one single top quality tray?

We do not need to remind members that these raffles are the clubs bread and butter, without which we will not be able to make donations to our charities and function as an effective, "Not for Profit organisation" and lose our ability to hold these raffles and raise the much needed funds.

And once again we would like to thank the raffle team members that put in the hard yards every week to raise the funds that make the club the success it is, as well as the members that attend the raffles and support their effort.

We are appealing to members for this much needed extra support of our raffles because as some members may not be aware that we have lost our Boarder Park storage unit and are now paying rent of \$60 per week which is over \$3,000 per year to store our trailers which is now one of the clubs largest overheads and will deplete our funds considerably until we can find alternative and permanent storage for them in the future. This is more than the clubs entire membership fee contributions for the year. If there are any club members that could provide or are aware of a cost free or cheaper secure storage for the trailers and freezer in or around Tweed Heads it would be appreciated by all the club members.

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CLEAR FROM ATO, FOR CLUBS TAX FREE NOT FOR PROFIT STATUS

The THMCEC would like to thank Aaron Crozier from Shipley and Crozier accountants Tugun for preparing the clubs financial statements and liaising on behalf of the club with the ATO, concerning the ATO investigation of our clubs income tax exemption and Not For Profit status. We are happy to inform all concerned members, that Aaron was successful and the club has retained its exemptions and status and has informed us of the proper financial requirements for continued eligibility for this in the future. Aaron had an extremely difficult job at the most difficult and busiest time of year for accountants and dropped everything to find time on numerous occasions to get the result. He had to extend the time limitations a number of times, I

made 4 trips there and spent 2 hrs with Aaron on just one occasion to get this matter resolved. We now finally have our books as they should have been, in 100% condition and free of any further investigation from the ATO and our status, this is a great result for the club not only for the responsible committee members who had to deal with this so urgently, but for Harry who was very concerned of the ramifications and for Mark whom was responsible for the problem to the ATO as the clubs Treasurer. I have asked Aaron to apply for an ABN for the club, this is required on our event applications at the numerous shires we have to apply for our rides, with the Byron Shire Council also asking for their name and the Crowns land on out Public Liability certificate of currency form, we have applied to TSC for event approval for the January Crams farm ride as well and the June Recreation St Swap Meet again for next year. Also an ABN will be required when we apply for the Stronger Communities Grant Programme to fund the building of the clubs future trailer storage shed, when we are eventually granted a plot of land from the council.

PARKING BAYS FOR MOTORCYCLES IN COOLANGATTA

Thanks to Ward 14 Gold Coast Councillor Gail O'Neill, who put in the application I sent to her in May, asking for Motorcycle parking bays to be introduced in Marine Parade Coolangatta, outside the Coolangatta Hotel, I can announce that we were successful and that 7 bays have been approved, so that in the near future when we go to the raffles at Coolangatta Hotel on Saturday afternoon, we will be able to park legally outside the pub without worrying about parking cops booking us in the loading zone and their will no longer be a car in that parking spot we cram around at present. Once again thank you Gail O'Neill, any members residing in her electorate should remember who gets things done in their electorate for motorcycle riders.

INFO FOR RIDERS.

- 1. All Runs are \$5.00 EACH for members, \$10.00 EACH for Non Members, (not per bike). Kids are welcome and are free.*
- 2. Runs LEAVE Kirra Sports Club at 10:00 AM NSW (9:00 AM Qld) Time. Runs will CONCLUDE officially at Kirra sports Club.*
- 3. Unless otherwise stated, all rides are brilliantly catered for by Phil and Justin, and included in the run fee.*
- 4. A back up vehicle follows all runs to ensure we all arrive back at Kirra safely and not left beside the*

road.

5. Check the web for the latest on a ride. The mag will also have the newest info available at time of publishing.

6. Prior to events, a Text message is sent to members, if you are not receiving them, please contact Harry.

*****To help with sign on, please try and bring correct the money, smaller notes or coins*****

Back up Vehicle / THMCEC Mobile Number: **0404423317**. Please save this number to your phone.

MINI POKER RUN

I apologise for failing to do my Saturday Cooly Hotel raffles and the Mini Poker ride, not wanting to give everyone the flu selling raffle tickets on Saturday I contacted Darren on Friday to let him know I would be a no show and not wanting to give everyone on the Mini Poker run the flu handing out cards I contacted all the events committee on Friday, sent them all the mapped ride by text and asked if anyone could stand in for me, Jeff Kleem had a family emergency and Andy had work commitments, Gary Caldwell said he should be available to step in at very short notice and did the first leg to the lunch at Burringbar, thanks for that Gary. Harry stepped in for me with the cards and Noel who had volunteered before hand did a great job, but failed to deal each other any cards of real worth on the day.

Then I understand Carol was given the lead on the ride home after lunch, this was great, the clubs ladies should be given the lead more often, as long as the boys can keep up with them?

No matter how much you look forward to a ride and all the planning you do for it, if the member organising the ride gets sick or has a problem with their bike on the day, we have the events committee and the mapped ride, the hotels notified of arrival times, all organised to carry on. The Mini Poker Run was always going to be a big turn out after all the rain we have had for the last few months, so it was great to hear everyone had a good time. Thanks to Tony Bruggy for the back up vehicle and to Phil and everyone involved in the lunch. Lee Anne cleaned up on the cards with the highest

hand of the day. Lets all hope the big Poker Run in September is just as fine and sunny with no illness for any members on the day, after so many members have had the flu in June and July.

It has been a tough month for members, I have had to do the Saturday raffles every week in July for members that have either been sick or away, with Popeye stepping in helping out with many of the Thursday night raffles, thank you Popeye.

BLACK CAT RUN

With another fine sunny day and a good turn out of bikes, Brian led us off down Ducat St on to Kennedy Drive, for a nice tight pack and clean exit north onto the Motor Way, far better than the half a dozen sets of lights going the northern route through to the Currumbin Motor Way entrance. We turned off at Nerang and went through to Canungra in light traffic, up through to Logan Village Tavern, where we had a beer break and a very hectic raffle of an, “eventually”, very gratefully donated bottle of Jim Beam. We also had a few club T-shirts in the raffle, the locals response was great with almost all of them joining in the raffle raising almost \$200. One of the locals won one of last years poker run T-shirts and was very appreciative and it really made the effort so worthwhile, Gary Lambs mate Mal Wilson won the bottle of Beam which was fair enough, he bought \$20 dollars worth of tickets so he had a better chance than anyone else, thanks for that Mal, hope to see you on more rides.

Then Brian led us off, over towards Cabbage Tree point with Gary Caldwell marking that many corners on the day I lost count, he seemed like the Phantom marking every corner sometimes, but it was made easy by a very tight pack, probably the tightest I have ever seen on a ride, I marked one large roundabout and there was Lindsay with the back up coming into the distance on the other side, someone had taken his ride map and he didn't want to lose sight of us, like me and most of the pack, he didn't know the roads either. We arrived at Cabbage Tree Point for lunch at the fish and chip shop, but everyone wanted a beer, so we made off to the Jacobs Well Pub which was packed but very well staffed, there were numerous shops next

door for lunch so there was plenty of choices as the pub meals were pretty pricey with a long wait. We had another T-shirt raffle and another beer, we were there for quiet a while actually.

After lunch we headed back to Kirra sports club for our last T-shirt raffle, lucky for us the traffic wasn't too bad, with Lindsay arriving not long after. A very big thank you to Lindsay for doing what was a very arduous back up north of the border deep into Queensland territory, he's a very staunch member of the club and stepped up when no one else would, as he has always done for many years.

PS; I would love to add photos of the rides on the newsletter but have been unable to do so, I do not have ADSL or broadband and rely on my "3rd world" mobile phone hotspot for a modem, sometimes even an Email is impossible to download, so if anyone is wondering why the newsletters are so ordinary this is the problem, don't bother complaining cause it won't make any difference unless you are willing to show me how it can be done or are with the NBN? In the meantime ride photos are on the web site and the Facebook page, thank you, ED.

The Funny Stuff

Three explorers a Frenchman, an Englishman and an Aussie, were trekking through the jungle, exhausted and almost dying of thirst they found a beautiful hidden valley with a pond that was on no map, they dived into the water drinking and laughing their lives now saved.

Until a group of menacing natives appeared on the bank of the pond waving spears and axes, their chief who spoke broken English summoned them out of the pond immediately and informed them they had broken tribal law by swimming in the sacred hidden pond, the punishment would be death by skinning alive their skin made into canoes to let all know the penalty for swimming in sacred pond.

The chief said each one could ask for one small thing before they were skinned to make a canoe.

The Frenchman asked to be able to sing the Marseillaise, he sang it and they started skinning him alive, the English man wanted to sing God save the Queen, then they started skinning him alive.

Then came the Aussie's turn, he demanded a bowl of fruit and that he would need a fork to eat it, they served him his bowl of fruit and the fork to eat it, the Aussie held up the fork and repeatedly stabbed him self all over and yelled out, well there go's your canoe chief.

Wiremu, a New Zealander, was on the dole in Australia but about to fly home to watch the Rugby World Cup and was not feeling well, so he decided to see a doctor.

"Hey doc, I dun't feel so good, ey" said Wiremu.

The doctor gave him a thorough examination and informed Wiremu that he had long existing and advanced prostate problems and that the only cure was testicular removal.

"No way doc" replied Wiremu "I'm gitting a sicond opinion ey!"

The second Aussie doctor gave Wiremu the same diagnosis and also advised him that testicular removal was the only cure. Not surprisingly, Wiremu refused the treatment.

Wiremu was devastated, but with the Rugby World Cup just around the corner he found an expat Kiwi doctor and decided to get one last opinion from someone he could trust.

The Kiwi doctor examined him and said: "Wiremu Cuzzy Bro, you huv Prostate suckness ey."

"What's the cure thin doc ?" asked Wiremu hoping for a different

answer.

"Wull, Wiremu", said the Kiwi doctor "Wi're gonna huv to cut off your balls."

"Phew, thunk god for thut!" said Wiremu,

"Them Aussie bastards wanted to take my test tickets off me!"

The Classifieds

**This spot is for members only items
and must be motorcycle related**

HARRY HAS A PIRELLI, MTR02 DRAGON 140/60 R18, TYRE FOR SALE. \$100

RICHARD SWINTON FROM NRCMCC, HAS A 1980 BMW R100S FOR SALE \$8,000 ; 02 56205918 richardswinton@gmail.com

**Are they Rustin', Relics, Ridden or Restos? Members
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