

Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club Inc.

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 (see page 11)



**March
2016**

Classic Torque

Classics only ride, 7th February to Tweed heads, via Mooball café, to brunch at Barry and Jan McDonald's place on the Tweed River.



The gloomy conditions and wet roads did not deter the riders who left Lismore and headed to the Moo Moo Cafe at Mooball where we picked up a few more of the club members. The rain came down heavily as we crested St Helena and was patchy from there on. After a Coffee chat and viewing of the classics at the café, Barry led us on a very scenic route through Stokers Siding then onto Bakers Rd which brought us out on the road between Uki and Murwillumbah. We rode out past Murwillumbah Showground on the Tomewin Rd and then turned off through Dulguigan following the Tweed River and then a climb up the hills through Bilambil. Our local Councils could learn a lot from Tweed Shire, as the condition of the roads up there are excellent compared to what we have to put up with in this area. We arrived at Tweed Heads to find Jan had spent the morning preparing us the Best McDonalds' feed we have ever had. 20 members enjoyed the hospitality and we have already pencilled in another visit next year. It was good to see that the back-up trailer was not required. Thanks again to Barry & Jan. Col



Presidents Report; February 2016

2016 is moving along rapidly, we have had some reasonable riding weather with many members out and about. Recently I have been informed that a few members claim that the "Classic Bikes Only Ride" is restrictive and not fair to all members. This ride was organised, following discussion with several of our older members who stated that they no longer attend Club Rides because they do not wish to have Modern Bikes (with superior performance and braking) in with a group of slower Classics. I understand that some long term members now choose to ride Modern Bikes. There is nothing wrong with that, and they are welcome on the majority of Club Rides. At present the Club has 4 x Sunday Rides and 2 x Wednesday Rides listed as "Club Authorised Rides". The Classics Only Ride is **only one Sunday per month**. Most Classic Clubs have their Ride Calendar focused the opposite way, with the emphasis on the Classics and restrictions on the use of Modern Bikes on Club Rides. Modern Bikes, which are on full rego, do not need a Club Authorised Ride to be able to be used. I ask that the owners of Modern Bikes consider the fact that they belong to a Classic Club and they should not be suggesting that we change the Club's Objectives to suit them.



I hope to see you all at our Show & Shine / Swap on Sunday 13th March.

Let's get the Classics out!

Col

Attached to this newsletter is a report on the moratorium for membership of the club - please read it for the next meeting.

MEMBERSHIP FEES REMINDER

Members are reminded that membership fees were due at the December meeting. There is a grace period of 3 months, so the last call for fees is **this next meeting.**

Any member who has not paid his/her dues by the March Meeting is officially no longer a member which means your classic rego (if you have it) will be null and void; ie, you will be riding an unregistered bike.

This applies even if you have a log book since the RMS logbook rules requires that you be a member of a registered club.

A reminder that the club no longer accepts new member applications pending decisions about membership, so if you fail to pay your fees on time, you won't have the opportunity to rejoin at this stage.

So contact the treasurer or secretary ASAP

Sunday club run, 14 February - The infamous circle run around Lismore - ie, a long way to go nowhere!

The group left the Rous hotel pretty well on time at 8.30 (so if you're going on a run, don't expect the group to still be hanging about half an hour after the due time to start!) We headed out the Kyogle road, left at Naughtons Gap (love that road), and then almost into Casijno, but a hard left at the railway crossing and back to Caniaba and out onto the bruxner at the airport. Right to the corki turnoff and down to regroup and unwind at Coraki.

One of our group tired of the speed limit and took off passing the leader only to see a patrol car coming in the opposite direction - brakes on hard and the patrol car pulled over to presumably do a U-turn, only to be confronted by a long queue of us! I think he decided, by the time we all went past he had no hope of catching, let alone identifying the culprit (no Names!) So there is another benefit of riding n groups.

From Coraki, back through Whyralla where we (well most of us) turned right and then threaded through the back blocks to end up on the Alphasdale intersection with the Bruxner - on to the north through Macleans ridges, Eltham (where I turned off) and back to Lismore.

Numbers were good, but people peeled off as we neared their home territory, so the finalist group was a lot smaller. A good run altogether. 2RS

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BEST EVER SENIOR CITIZEN JOKE

A woman brought a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest.

After a moment or two, the vet shook his head and sadly said, "I'm sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away." The distressed woman wailed, "Are you sure?" "Yes, I am sure. Your duck is dead," replied the vet.

"How can you be so sure?" she protested. "I mean you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something."

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few minutes later with a black Labrador Retriever. As the duck's owner looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He then looked up at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head.

The vet patted the dog on the head and took it out of the room. A few minutes later he returned with a cat. The cat jumped on the table and also delicately sniffed the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, "I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100% certifiably, a dead duck."

The vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill, which he handed to the woman.. The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill. "\$150!" she cried, "\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead!"

The vet shrugged, "I'm sorry. If you had just taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$20, but with the Lab Report and the Cat Scan, it's now \$150."



Left: Yep, no crash helmet!! They never learn.



Right: There's a baby safely tucked in there - somewhere?



Right: Either I diet a bit - or I get a bigger bike!



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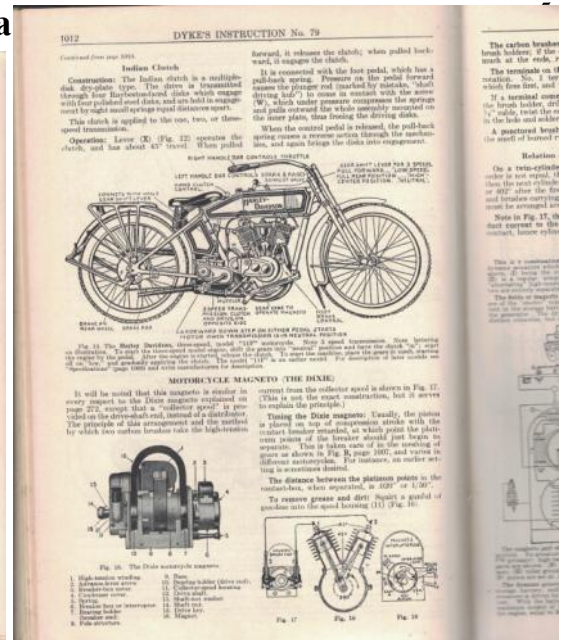
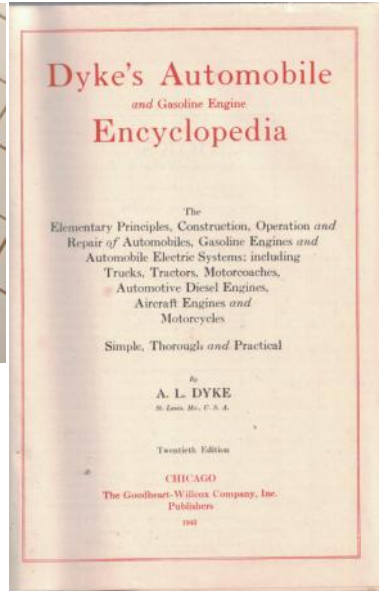
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Book of the month; Dyke's Auto encyclopedia



I can't remember where or when I collected this classic. It was first published in 1910, but this edition is 1943. I'd love to have

seen the 1910 version! As it is, this edition still contains servicing info on the Stanley Steamer and the Woods gas-electric car; How to make and use tools, how to sort electrical systems (without computers!!), how to weld, paint, upholster. How to adjust a gnome rotary engine, how to rig a bi-plane, and of course the basics of Harley Davidson and Indian motorcycles. This manual would have been the prize possession of an apprentice motor mechanic - sitting on a shelf in the garage and referred to constantly. Need to tune a Model T? - it's all there. It has how to panel beat, how to check and straighten chassis (in the days when cars had chassis!) How to repair wooden wheels; Diesel engines and truck mechanicals. The mechanics bible!! RS

Once again, Team Kempnich/Walker has produced **the Fourteenth Anniversary "Over The Hill Tour"**

It is from Sunday 8th May 2016, returning on Friday 13th May.

Itinerary: Day 1 - to Stanthorpe visiting the Maroon Dam and Queen Mary falls

Day 2 to Goondiwindi via Texas, and there for day 3 as well

Day 4 to Inverell with visit to Cranky Rock, and stay in Inverell for day

5 including the Transport museum and other visits

Day 6 back to Lismore via Glen Innes and Tenterfield.

This is always a popular run with lots of camaraderie and fun and lots to see and do.

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Application forms are on the club website.



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A few of the bikes on the Sunday run, 14 February
Below: a couple of the display bikes at Mooball cafe.. There's always something to see there.



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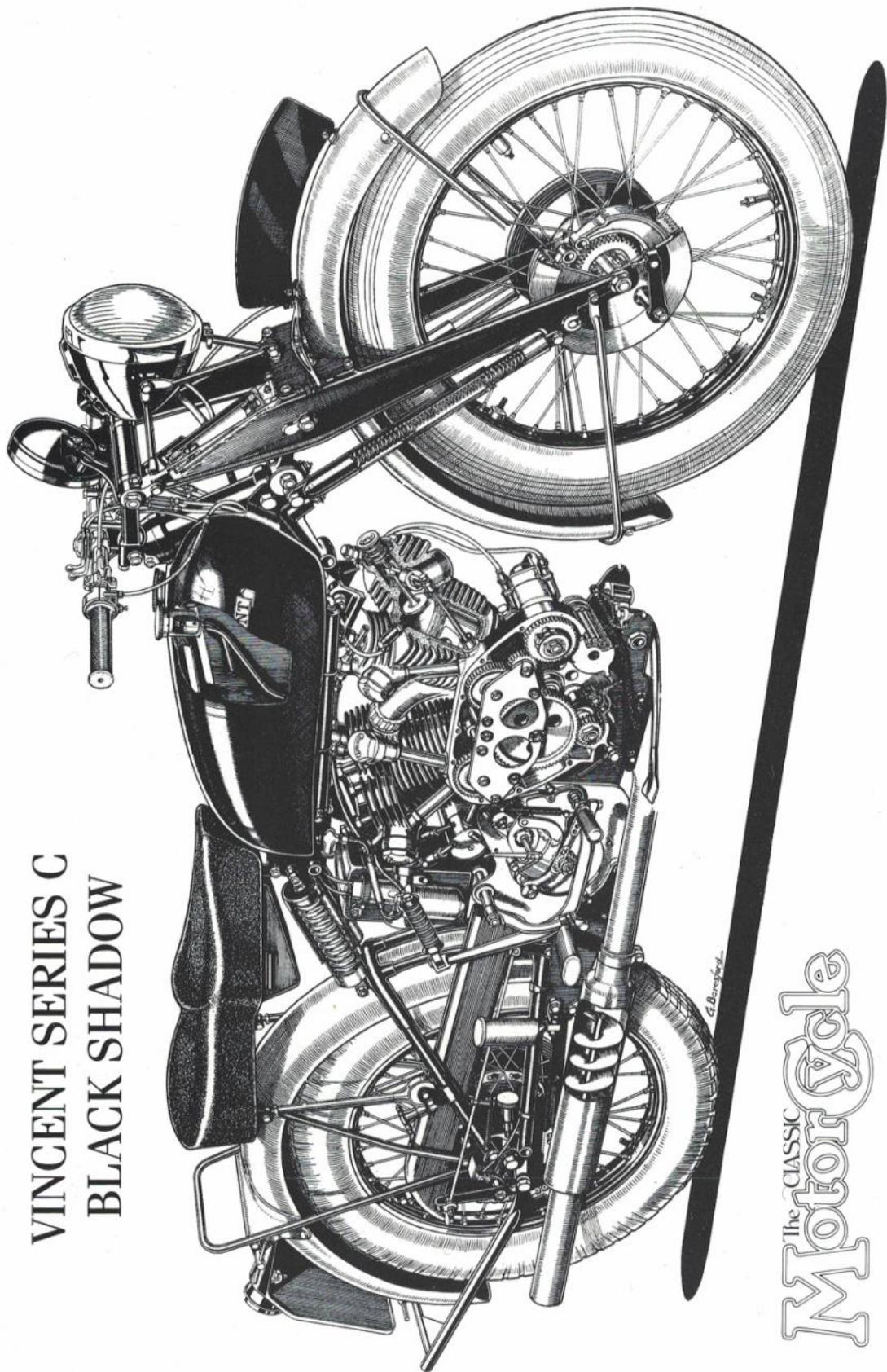
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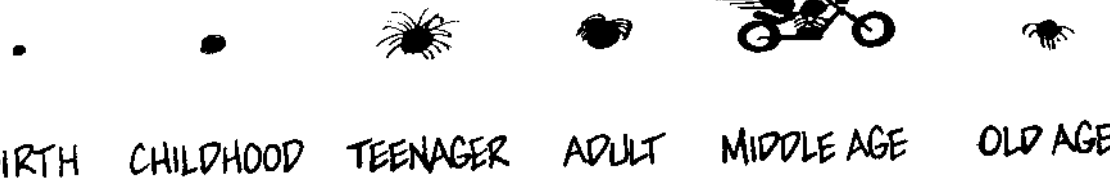
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NRCMC Club Events



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

Mar 13 - NRCMCC Show and Shine and M/C only swap meet - Alstonville plaza

Mar 20 - Stinkwheel bikes (2 stokes) and 250cc or smaller 4 strokes ride.
Noel Edwards 6624 2506 (See adv p 10 or 11)

Mar 26 - 7 Easter Broadford run - Terry Savins 0407 927 982

April 3 - Classics only run Col McA

April 17 - Ride to Kyogle Info centre Peter Lake 0459 285 872

May 15 - ride to Murwillumbah - 'Red Rattlers' café - contact Peter lake

June 5 Classics only Run - Col McA

Upcoming Rallies & Events Organised by other Clubs

Mar 6 - Roll Dice charity run; 8.30 sign on. Leave 10.30 - Alstonville Plateau Bowling Club
Enquiries - Jack 0428 291 566

Mar 20 Black Dog Ride for Lifeline charity from Cavanbah Centre, Byron bay; registration starts 8am, start 10 am; Bill Rodgers 0423 717 678

April 9 - 10 AMC Rally, Boonah. Contact Brian Holzgal at bholzgal@y7mail.com

April 15 - 17 Inverell Motorcycle restorers club rally Peter 0427 286 547

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MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON: 9th February 2016 START: 7.45 pm

WELCOME: Welcome by President. Meeting attended by 50 members, 1 visitor and 7 apologies as per the attendance sheet

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - read to members ACCEPTED: Peter Lake SECOND: John Mazzer

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

- 1) The S&S committee. Is it a 'sub' committee or is it a 'standing' committee? The role will confirm the committee's subsequent scope.
 - It has been clarified that a standing committee is not allowed under the constitution and this, and all future committees that are formed for a specific task are Sub committees and will dissolve upon finalisation of the specific task
- 2) Appointment of non-elected persons for various roles in the club relayed to members.

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Rob Andrews P: 02 6621 4083

Catering:

Rex Goulding David Jupe P: 0411886690

Raffles:

David Bonhote-Mead

- 3) A permanent club trophy for our former life member, Alec Marsh. *(Carried over to General Business)*

- 4) Electronic banking options for the Club
 - The Club has recently introduced EFT to the day to day banking alongside the current chequebook. This means that not only can members EFT their membership renewals (details on the membership form) but the Club can also pay bills via EFT if this is an option. It saves time and workload.
 - The electronic request is uploaded by a signatory. A second signatory receives an electronic notification and has to approve the transaction within a certain timeframe before it can proceed. It works exactly the same as the dual signatures on all cheques now.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

- Letter to Vintage Japanese Motorcycle Club inviting them to attend our Show & Shine (S&S) at Alstonville.
- Invoice to Shannons requesting sponsorship for the NRCMCC S&S

CORRESPONDENCE IN:

- 9 x Club Newsletters: National Motor Racing Museum Bathurst, Inverell Motorcycle Club x 2, Tweed Heads Motorcycle Enthusiast Club x 2, Coffs Harbour Motorcycle Restorers Club, Newcastle Vintage Motorcycle Club x 2, Grafton Vintage Motor Vehicle Club *(See Club Events Page for invitation details)*
 - Letter of resignation from Robert Evans in regards to:
 - His voluntary position on the 2016 NRCMCC Show and Shine Event
 - Letter of resignation from Eric Wilson in regards to:
 - His voluntary position on the 2016 NRCMCC Show and Shine Event
 - His voluntary position as NRCMCC Apparel Officer
 - Reciprocal riding invitation from the Clarence Valley Historic & Enthusiasts Motor Cycle Club
 - Invitation from THMCEC to attend Cramms Farm Ride
 - Invitation to attend a local "Black Dog" ride. Sunday, 20 March 2016
 - Invitation to attend Taree & District rally on 4th, 5th, 6th March 2016
 - Invitation to represent the NRCMCC at the Council of Heritage Motor Clubs NSW Inc (CHMC) at Temora NSW
 - Letter from RMS advising that there will be no changes to costs during the log book trial. *(Not what we asked)*
 - Newsletter for Motorcycle accident training *(also been emailed to members)*
 - Receipt from Pegasus signs for new Club sign
 - Invoice for engraving of the perpetual Jack Ahearn trophy *(EFT'd to Lismore Trophies)*
 - The Bush Telegraph with some interesting material in it about insurance and the log book scheme. *(Link has also been emailed to members)*
 - Receipt from Department of Fair Trading for annual NRCMCC Club report ACCEPTED: Mary Walker SECOND: Pat Holt
- TREASURERS REPORT – presented to members ACCEPTED: Pat Holt SECOND: Peter Lake

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Col thanked Eric Wilson (Public Officer) for his diligence in maintaining the Club's Incorporated body compliance again this year
- Col advised that Frank Widdows has stood down as catering officer and will be replaced by Rex Goulding
- Members present were asked about awards for the 2016 Show & Shine. Photos or trophies.
Vote was unanimous for photos as the award.

Note: There was also unanimous agreement that the photographer be paid for their services.

(Minutes continued; pt 2)

General discussions were held about a perpetual 'Alec Marsh' trophy. Col would like to award the trophy at the 2016 Show & Shine.

This would require an interim trophy to allow Peter Harvey to build a perpetual trophy for ongoing presentation

General discussions about criteria and award design were held including whether or not it will be a 'member of the year' award or what criteria will be used. Alec's son, Dean Marsh was consulted and matter to be decided by the next NRCMCC meeting.

Peter Harvey reported that the sub committee that was established as a result of the current membership moratorium was progressing well and that they have been actively consulting with members to gather their views about the matter. It's too early to report back officially though.

- The 2016 Show & Shine sub committee (Col McAndrew, Tony Evans & Tony Pembroke) spoke about the 2016 S&S Preparation for the the 2016 S&S is well under way.

Signs have been produced and will be hung on the back of vehicles at key points around Alstonville on the day. The advertising sign has also been uploaded onto Facebook with positive results.

Entry for the public will be with a gold coin donation. Members will be required to walk through the crowd with collection buckets.

Call for members to assist with running the Bar B Q and setting up *(Please contact any S&S sub committee member if you can help out)*

There was discussion at this meeting about running a raffle on the day and feedback from the floor was that there will not be a raffle on the day.

There will also be a motorcycle swap meet in the bottom Carpark next to the motorcycle display. LJ Hookers are OK with the expansion of the event to include the additional carpark

Judging on the day will not be open to the public and Dave Dietmar and Peter Small will be the official judges.

There will be a single trophy for visitors bikes. This will also be judged by same judges.

The perpetual 'Jack Ahearn' restoration trophy will also be awarded at this event.

Members are asked to provide shade gazebos if they have any *(Please contact any S&S sub committee member if you can help out)*

The S&S will purchase sausages and bread and other consumables from the local Alstonville Plaza retailers.

Prime TV will be running a promotional story on the S&S. About half a dozen members and their classic bikes are needed on a date TBA for the story. *(Please contact President (Col) or Secretary (Neil) if you can help out)* - continued



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NOTE: It is also time to ask for any Members interested in forming a Rally Committee for the 2016 annual NRCMCC rally.
(Please contact President (Col) or Secretary (Neil) if you are interested)

- Lionel Campbell enquired about family membership. Discussions continued and it was clarified that a member's children are not classed as members of the NRCMCC by virtue of the governing legislation within which the club has to operate. The discussion then went on to discuss the legality of family members using heritage vehicles when not a member of the club. Several views were put forward during the discussions. (Club Secretary (Neil) undertook to follow up)

THE EARLY DAYS OF THE CLUB:

Bryson spoke about how the NRCMCC came to meet at the Clunes Hall and the Club's evolution to this venue. A great story about the fundraising activities of the early days of the Club raising monies for the make a wish foundation including a race around Australia between an old plane, an old car and an old motorcycle (ridden by NRCMCC member Ian James) that raised over \$120,000 for charity.

REPORT BY REGISTRATION OFFICERS:

Bryson reported that he has inspected a Norton Commando

REPORT ON CLUB RUNS:

January Club run was to Billinudgel Pies. Small numbers of attendees but a good day

Cramms Farm ride – no one at the meeting was able to provide a report

Classic Bike ride – Sunday just gone. 5 riders left Lismore, picked up others along the way and headed to Barry & Jan's at Tweed Heads on wet roads for a lovely meal. Attended by about 20 members. Many thanks to Barry and Jan for putting on this event.

REPORT ON WEDNESDAY RIDES:

Peter Lake reported on 4 mid week rides since the last meeting.

Travelled to places such as Wardell, Kyogle, Evens Head and Yorklea. It's well worth making these mid week rides if you enjoy good company and great coffee.

NEXT CLUB RUNS: As listed on the NRCMCC website and below (If applicable)

Regular Club run after the meeting will be the Lismore Circle ride. In an attempt to ease the confusion that is often seen on these rides, instructions will be broken down into ride sections.

BUSINESS ARISING FOR NEXT MEETING:

- 1) Decision in regards to perpetual Alec Marsh trophy.
This will include style and design, frequency of award, criteria for getting the award
- 2) Membership moratorium sub committee feedback
Feedback from Secretary about the use of H plated vehicles by family members.

MEETING CLOSED: 9pm

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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 month at 9 am. Contact Rob Andrews on 6621 4083.

SUB-COMMITTEE FORMED TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING CURRENT MORATORIUM ON MEMBERSHIP AND THE INCREASING WORKLOAD FOR MOTORCYCLE INSPECTIONS¹⁴

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The newly elected committee of the club appointed a sub-committee to examine issues and provide recommendations as a result of the moratorium placed on new membership. The sub-committee has been formed to also look at the legal aspects of the registration officer role and the work load required.

Background

At a monthly meeting the members voted unanimously to impose a moratorium on new membership to the club. The moratorium was in response to the RMS introducing a trial of a new historic registration system that included the provision for additional use of motorcycles – the 60 day log book system. Members expressed concern that the club would be inundated with people seeking membership for the purpose of cheap registration. This would place an unacceptable workload on our elected volunteers in office, particularly our registration officers.

In the past, the club only had one organised ride per month. This was the breakfast run on the Sunday morning following the monthly meeting. The bikes were only ridden short distances on good sealed roads in light traffic. This placed limited demand on older motorcycles and considerable less risk on club registration officers who had certified the bikes as roadworthy. On most occasions the club registration officers also rode with the group and knew the bikes.

The increased number of club organised runs and the introduction of the trial of the 60 day log book system has moved the “goal posts” for the club and its registration officers. Under this trial scheme the bikes can now be ridden on the road in the same way as bikes on full registration – without the supervision of organised clubs. The worst case scenario is that a member could pay their annual membership to the club, have their bike inspected for free by a club registration officer and then ride thousands of kilometres per year with no involvement in the club at all.

Without knowing the future developments and implications of the “trial” of the 60 day log book scheme and being aware of the likelihood of thorough auditing of the club inspection records, the club **must** develop a best practice for bike inspections.

Issues to be considered

Any discussion around membership numbers needs to be considered with the original objectives of the club in mind. These objectives are primarily restoration and preservation of old motorcycles (30 years and older).

Consult with the existing members regarding whether the moratorium should be lifted to allow new membership. This may have to be considered after the legal and insurance implications are known, including how the insurance costs may increase for a larger membership.

Should the club open its membership to allow people to join simply to get cheap registration via the log book system?

What obligation and commitment the club should require from people seeking membership? What moral obligation do members have to participate in club activities? This should be considered in light of the objectives of the club which are the preservation, restoration and riding of old motorcycles. Members need to be mindful that the club should not impose conditions on new members contrary to the participation of existing members – some of whom never participate in any club organised events. Should existing members who do not participate in any club organised activities during the year retain their membership when potential new members may be refused because membership is closed?

What additional workload would an increase in membership impose on registration officers? A few years ago club registration of all motorcycles was due and administered in the month of January, which streamlined the administrative burden of registration. Now we have a situation where registration is due on a variety of dates, which creates an ongoing workload for registration officers (who are volunteers).

Membership

The club should set a target maximum number for membership (including life members). Suggestions of 150 members maximum for the reasons that office holders are volunteers and any larger membership may require part-time paid employees to fulfil the administrative and legal functions.

Once the target maximum membership of the club is set, the moratorium on new membership should be lifted. New applications for membership should be considered in order of receipt of the application. When maximum membership is met membership should be closed off until a vacancy occurs.

Prospective members need to recognise the objectives of the club (as per our Constitution), namely restoration and preservation of old motorcycles. Prospective members do not need to own or ride a classic motorcycle to become a member but should be aware it is a "classic" motorcycle club and they need to adhere to that principle.

Prospective members should respect that the club they are joining is in sound financial shape and the assets owned by the club have been accumulated over many years by the existing members who have participated in voluntary roles to ensure the ongoing viability of the club. To this end, all club members are encouraged to fully participate in the club by attending meetings, undertaking voluntary roles on committees, undertaking voluntary roles at functions and events and participating in club activities where possible. It should be very clear that membership to our club is NOT to be seen or used as simply cheap registration for motorcycles. In light of this, it is proposed to change the membership rules to require members to attend at least three club organised events per year.

Christmas Party

Authentication and inspection days and the club Christmas party to be separated. This would enable the registration officers and other volunteers to participate in the Christmas party as currently they work non-stop on registration while we have a combined day.

Registration and inspection

That we have three equally spaced days per year for club motorcycle inspection and authentication.

This is due to the large number of motorcycles now registered on historic registration, the burden placed on office holders and the potential auditing of club records. Discussion with the RMS has informed us that it is possible to arrange registration expiry dates to fall in line with the three organised inspection dates per year – this is called common expiry dates and is already available on our registration forms.

Any new historic registrations or expired registrations will require a pink slip from an authorised inspection station. This removes someone of the burden and legal implications for our registration officers (who are volunteers). For new registration of historic motorcycles 1950 and earlier this requirement to be waived as authorised inspection centres may not be familiar with older motorcycles.

All historic registered motorcycles must be presented on one of the inspection days for inspection and/or authentication. This is to ensure that registration officers are only required to perform this task 3 times per year and that there is a standardised process which follows closely the process of getting a pink slip. It also ensures that the same rules apply to all club members and the process is transparent to all members.

Members may choose to not present their motorcycle for inspection at an authentication and inspection day and may opt instead to obtain a pink slip from an authorised inspection centre, but they still are required to present their motorcycle on inspection day for authentication.

For members with multiple motorcycles requiring registration it is their responsibility to present all of those motorcycles for inspection and/or authentication. Having three authentication and inspection days per year will assist these members.

Members participating in the 60 day log book trial must maintain their own records. It is not the responsibility of the club to do so. Members on the log book system may not be able to access the club's "day book" system.

To facilitate auditable record keeping a club form should be developed to be completed on authentication and inspection days by the registration officers. This form should include all aspects of inspection similar to the pink slip form. A photograph, recording the current date, of the inspected motorcycle should be taken on the day and later attached to the form. The club would need to purchase and maintain a suitable camera and consumables (SD card, batteries) and pay for the photo printing.