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**July
2016**

Classic Torque

Conundrum

Hi Everyone - Does the latest news from overseas mean that our Trumpies and Beesas will no longer ride together with the BMWs and Guzzis??

Coffs Harbour & District Motorcycle Restorers Club Rally.

77 Classic bikes met up at Sawtell Beach Holiday Park which is the base for this event. Col rode his Trident and John his Harley and we joined the rest of the entrants for the Friday ride north through Nana Glen then on to Ulong for Lunch and return to the Park for a welcome BBQ for dinner. Saturdays ride was out through Bellingen for morning tea at Thora. The slower bikes went out through Darkwood while the rest of us went up the Waterfall Way, through Dorrigo and north to Tyringham. From here we rode towards Ebor (in the coldest riding conditions I've ever



been in). Just before Ebor we turned east through Dorrigo then back down the range for a welcome **warm** lunch at Thora. The bikes were judged there before the return ride to Sawtell. The Presentation Dinner was well attended and was held next to the Park at the Bowls Club. Sunday's ride had us heading north which was good for those of us who left the ride and continued home.

The Rally was held in perfect weather and as all entrants stayed at the same place it was a very social weekend. Col

Club Rides

Wet, Wet, Wet! The first and second Sunday club rides were effectively washed out. Here at Clunes I had 410mm on the first weekend, and the second Sunday was also wet with only a few hardy souls presenting at Rous Hotel. Good onya guys!!



A story of persistence:

One of our club members attended the Singleton Rally back in May this year. Unfortunately he was unable to attend the presentation dinner at the end of the rally, but he enjoyed himself and had a great rally.

However, he didn't find out that he won the award for best in the 1930s section until he got a phone call from the singleton club some time later.

And here's the persistence bit. The Singleton official said he was coming up this way on a holiday soon, and, sure enough, a couple of weeks ago our club member got a series of calls and eventually went down to Ballina to collect his trophy from the official who's wife took a photo of the presentation.

How's that for door to door service - above and beyond the call of duty!!



From the Bonham Stafford April Auction:

From the estate of the late Frank Vague, The ex-Hubert Chantrey, **1932 Brough Superior 800cc Model BS4 Project**

Sold for **£331,900 (AU\$ 601,207)** inc. premium

Now that's what I call a project. I hope the new owner carries it through to completion. A bit much invested to have it just sit in the shed!!

And its only an Austin 7 engine and diff with dual back wheels?!



There's a rumour that one of our members was outbid at the last minute!

An email from a reader:

Richard; I saw my reverse head Triumph in your newsletter. One remark noted it might be a leg burner, not yet although I only take it for shortish rides so far, as the oil tank is in the seat cowl and I want to fit an oil cooler and air vents . It is a swap meet special as all my customs are and based on a Trident frame as a few others in my shed are. This allows me to be able to shift the engine 25mm to the left and fit a modern 180 rear tyre. The bulky triple trees are hollowed out and are part of what the Streetfighter genre is about. So is the engine, which has a Norton crank, custom conrods, megacycle cams, 38mm Mikuni carbs and a Sonny Routt big block now at 79.5mm for 883cc. 5 speed box and my own one finger pull hydraulic clutch. It idles on the 38mm carbs and runs like a scalded cat. I have other smaller cc strokers that don't feel anywhere near this strong that have put down 60hp on a dyno. I love my stock brits and build /restore lots of them but I find building this sort of stuff from swaps/ebay more fun especially when they turn out as fast as this with modern stopping power to match. I don't own anything new , my bikes range from 1916 to '80, classics do it for me. Thanks for the AMC write up, Wayne and I have decided that Judith and Cindy will be doing it again next year with some help from the Tamborine branch, possibly.

Brian Holzgal President HMCCQ QLD



Presidents Report July 2016

Half way through the year already and there is a lot happening. On behalf of the Committee I would like to thank Peter & Richard for conducting the meeting while the rest of us were "over the hill".

The recent Coffs Harbour Rally was a great event enjoyed by only 2 of our Members. I am sure if you made the effort to attend one Rally you would realise what you have been missing out on. Meet new interesting people, see more bikes and ride on different roads. It is embarrassing when other Clubs are well represented and the NRCMCC continually has a poor showing at the many Rallies on the calendar.

The next event is the Frostbite Rally at Warwick on 30-31 July followed by The Clarence Valley Historic & Enthusiast Motorcycle Club's Rally 26-28th August. Entry forms will be on our website as soon as they are available.

The 7th Annual Aussie Triples Rally is on 19-21st August. We are asking Members to assist with Marshalling on the Saturday (free lunch). You are welcome to join in on the other days.

Your Rally Committee have been busy planning our September Rally and we will need your support as Marshals to ensure it goes smoothly. We may need to nominate some volunteers to assist with the many other jobs as we get closer to the event.

This year we are offering our visitors an "Old Fashioned Style Morning Tea" on the Saturday Ride. We are relying on Members to supply home cooked goodies to add to the table. Also this year we are making our own trophies. This is what the Club has done in the past, and it gives a more personal touch. At the next General Meeting we will ask for a commitment to assist with these important tasks. Col 'Bring out the classics' McA



The winner of the inaugural Alec Marsh Perpetual Trophy is Tony Harvey's beautiful Norton Atlas.

The award will be judged each year by Dean & Shane Marsh.

Congratulations Tony!

On a facebook site: Hi everyone. A very good friend of mine has bought tickets to fly to the Isle of Man to watch the senior race on Friday. The problem is he completely forgot that Friday is, in fact, his wedding day. This because he bought the tickets months ago, before agreeing to the wedding date. Now he's asked me to post on his behalf to see if anyone out there is interested in getting married.



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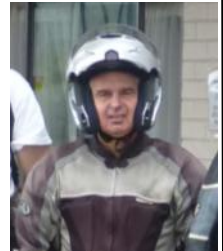
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Wednesday Rides: Peter Lake 25th May - Ride to Evans Head

12 Riders left Lismore travelling via Whyralla Rd, Skyline drive, Rous Rd, Tregeagle rd, through Whyrallato Coraki, thence Woodburn and across the highway down to Evans Head and 'Evans to Betsy' Café.

Usual problems of bits falling off bikes (Triumph). After the usual coffee and chat, up to the lookout and then back to Lismore. (Interesting how this takes me back - I rode a Bonneville from Melbourne to Sydney in the dark way back when the highway was only a single lane each way. And I lost both aircleaners, nearly a muffler, and various small unnecessary bits- and the vibration was so bad I had to get off and 'smooth out' on a regular basis. The vibes also blew the headlight, but fortunately I did have the sense to carry a spare. - I loved that bike! Ed)



1st June - Ride to Lennox Head

10 riders left Lismore to Bexhill via Woodlawn, then Eltham road, Tintenbar rd, Old Pacific highway, Midgen Flat rd and then the coast road to Lennox. Great coffee and chat, then home via Ross Lane.

Change of address of a sponsor and recommendation from one of our members:

After 30 years of faithful service, I thought it was time to bring the seat of my R100RS up to a more modern day standard for comfort. It had nothing to do with my ageing bum either! Recently I took my seat to M.S.Muir at Unit 4/22 Snow Street in South Lismore for them to perform their magic on. The guys there did their time in Brisbane at one of Australia's top bike seat upholsterers and their experience is obvious. M.S.Muir are specialized motor trimmers who specialize in motorcycle seats. They will guarantee to transform your seat from that hard black thing you sit (and suffer) on to something that you can ride on all day and every day without getting off like a cripple. They will shape and sculpture multiple layers of different density foams to fit your individual size, weight and riding style. They consider and sculpture the rear with the same input so your pillion also enjoys the same vast improvement in passenger comfort for those long rides. It is like two individual custom-made seats married together and covered as one. A lot of consideration goes into the seat cover as well so it not only looks great but suits the style of the bike.



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(They did my seat, too, on my BM - not a cover, just new foam sandwich; excellent and comfortable. Ed)

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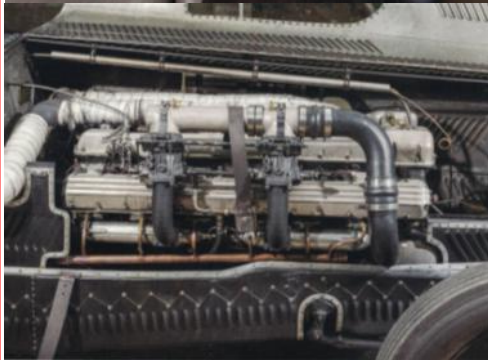
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Backyard Monster: I know this isn't a bike, but I think you'll find it interesting - just imagine if you put a Rolls Royce Merlin into a Dunstall frame - hmmm. And with BSA Bantam brakes?!

This Brooklands style racer was built by a Swedish enthusiast (euphemism for 'not an engineer') in his barn. Its specifications: supercharged, 27 liter, V12, WWII, Issota Fraschini 750HP aero engine (mounted upside down from the original design!), 1940s Ford truck gearbox, 1924 Delage chassis, and model A Ford brakes!!!

Apparently the enthusiast has built a whole collection of specials - I think he'd get on well with the farmer we saw out west on an earlier OTH run with his collection of specials.

The road test of the car was incredible - low revs and massive torque. And the driver too scared to really open it up!



The "Octane" Magazine I got the above story from also featured an article about a Ferrari 250GT California spider which had been left unrestored sitting in a shed. It created a furore in the following issues 'letters to the editor' because the new owner decided to leave it exactly as it was found apart for ensuring mechanically it was sound. Not only was it not 'restored' but even the dust was left on it after 30 years storage. The general feeling seemed to be that it was better to leave it as found in terms of non original colour, modified engine and upholstery, and some dents from use. It was no longer a classic Ferrari, but it was seen as a personalized car to be preserved as a record of its history. But the general feeling was that dust is a sign of poor maintenance and would increase rust, scratching, wear on upholstery, etc. So give it a wash!! Good advice for classic bikes, too.



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An Over the Hill popular recipe - CARROT TORTE

This recipe originated from Mina Herrman, Michael Schnerring's grandmother. Michael is carrying on the cooking tradition and the torte was well received by the OTH participants

Ingredients:

225g sugar;
250g finely grated carrot;
250g grated almonds with skin on;
5 separated eggs;
10ml schnapps (I used Coin-treau);
2 tblspn corn flower;
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon;
juice and grated rind of one lemon;

Method:

Beat sugar and egg yolks until creamy,
stir in the grated carrots and all other ingredients.
Beat egg whites until stiff and gently fold into mixture.
Use a spring form 25cm cake tin lined with well greased baking paper.
Bake for 45 - 50 minutes at 180 degrees.

Torte can be glazed or sprinkled with icing sugar.

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ALSO: Bernie is looking for any BMW parts and or bikes - contact as above.

Dave at Bikeworx in Lismore has a collection of rego label holders which they are selling very cheaply since modern bikes don't need them anymore. Some of them are very 'classic' in design and might suit your bike.



From a friend of mine, unfortunately too small for me and too big for Cindy;

For sale -

Men's motorcycle boots - size 8; good quality, good condition, \$40 - Lismore, New South Wales. Contact Andrew or Louise (02)

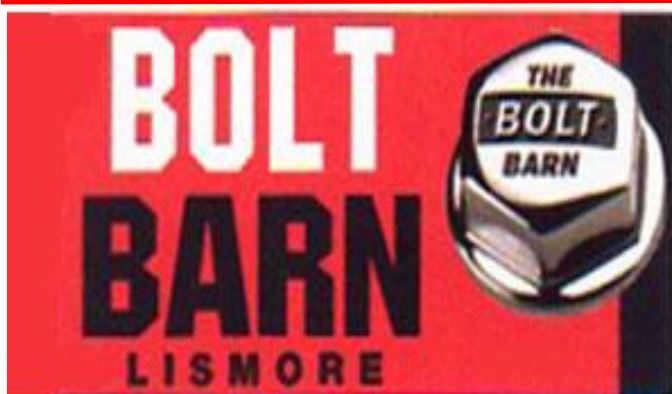
Wanted: for club library - Issue number 2 of OLD BIKE magazine. If we can find a copy of this, we'll have complete collection to date. I am donating my incoming magazines - but No. 2 is not available.

Upcoming Community Events to which we have been invited

18 June:- Lismore Aviation Expo

We have been asked to display Classic Bikes. (Details to follow) Contact:- 0425292391

July 9th - Murwillumbah Car and Motorcycle Swap meet. They've invited us to put on a display of our club bikes. Contact Cynthia Hanger, Sec; 6672 5507 / 0427 725 507 (see poster)



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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

July 10 - Extra Sunday run to Brunswick heads hot rods

July 17 - Winter ride to New Italy Peter Lake 0459 285 872

August 7 - Classic Bikes only ride - Col McA

August 14 - Ride to Richard And Cindys house for brunch - Peter Lake 0459 285 872

September 4 - Classics Only Run - Col McA

September 16 - 18 - NRCMCC ANNUAL RALLY, Evans Head, Marshals required

Note: ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE ON THE CLUB WEBSITE UNDER 'EVENTS'

October 2 - Classic Bikes only - Col McA

October 16 - Ride to Brushgrove Pub - Peter Lake 0459 285 872

## **Upcoming Rallies & Events Organised by other Clubs**

July 9 - Murwillumbah Show Motorcycle and car swap meet; contact Cynthia 6672 5507

August 10 - Stinkwheel fun run - Samford showgrounds, Highvale 7.30 for an 8.30 start.  
Camping available, with ho showers. Contact Ralph 3289 9589 /0418 712 708

August 19- 21 - Triples Rally, Evans Head - Marshalls needed on Saturday 20th

August 26 - 28 - Clarence Valley Annual Rally, Grafton

*For more info - Check 'events' section on NRCMCC website - [www.nrcmcc.org](http://www.nrcmcc.org)*

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**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON:****14<sup>th</sup> June 2016** START: 7:45pm**WELCOME:** Welcome by President. Meeting attended by **38** members, **3** visitors and **6** apologies as per the attendance sheet**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** - read to members ACCEPTED: *Peter Lake* SECOND: *Dave Jupe***BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:** *NIL***CORRESPONDENCE OUT:** Usual member update emails over the month**CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

- 8 x Club Newsletters: HMCCQ Newsletter x 2, Tweed Heads Motorcycle Enthusiast Club, Newcastle Vintage Motorcycle Club, Grafton Vintage Motor Vehicle Club x 2, Inverell Motorcycle Club, Coffs Motorcycle restorers Club (*See Club Events Page for invitation details*)
- Invitation to attend the Newcastle Vintage Motorcycle Club Inc. annual rally on the 19/20/21 August 2016  
ACCEPTED: *Mary Walker* SECOND: *Frank Widdows*

**TREASURERS REPORT:** – presented to membersACCEPTED: *Tim Thearle*SECOND: *Mary Walker***GENERAL BUSINESS:**

General discussions about local man who highlights potholes in the roads with bright spray paint (Named "Road Art"). Members all agreed that he has saved us on many occasions from potential damage or an accident. He relies on local contributions to continue his work.

Richard proposed that the club donate \$100 to him to support his work.

SECONDED: *Neil Williams*VOTED: *Carried Unanimous*

The Club will donate \$100 to Mr. "Road Art". Treasurer to be advised of contact details.

Col advised members of an upcoming "first response" motorcycle specific first aid course coming up in Lismore on the 3/9/2016. Details on the club website.

General discussions around the current Sunday rides from the Rous hotel. It was discussed at length and put to the members for a vote.

1. All Sunday Club rides leave from the Rous Hotel in Lismore
2. All Sunday Club rides start at 8:30am
3. A classic bikes only ride is held on the 1st Sunday of every month.
4. A major club ride is held on the Sunday following our meeting (which is held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month).
5. In addition to the above specific club rides there is also a general club ride every other Sunday if compliance with points 1&2 above is met.

VOTED: *Carried Unanimous*

Peter Lake mentioned the stink wheel rally in Brisbane on the 10/8/2016. Several club members are planning to attend.

Col mentioned that planning has begun for an international TT event to be held at Maleny QLD in December 2017.

Col advised the members that the updated club rules have now been uploaded to the website. Members were asked to comment on these amendments.

Eric commented that he felt that the amendments could be improved further by providing further clarification in a couple of areas. Eric provided the committee with written documentation that outlined his recommendations. The committee will consider this request at the next committee meeting.

**THE EARLY DAYS OF THE CLUB:**

Bryson displayed some of the club trophies and spoke about the early days of the club and how we came to be known as the Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club.

**REPORT BY REGISTRATION OFFICERS:** *NIL***REPORT ON CLUB RUNS:**

Col and John went to the Coffs Harbour Club rally few weeks ago. A great rally. Shows the need to support our neighbouring clubs.

Peter talked about the red rattler ride with 12 bikes and caught up with the QLD mob there.

Peter reported on the Ray Owens Show and Shine at Canungra. Outstanding event with a huge turnout of visitors and bikes on display.

Club attended Lismore airport for the Lismore aviation expo

Club attended the Reef &amp; Beef event in Casino.

Neil spoke about the recent Over the Hill ride and how well it was organized and how many interesting places and areas we went to. It truly is a 'must do' club event. Col spoke about how one of our guys broke an axle and was helped by a fellow classic enthusiast from the Inverell Club who came to the rescue and loaned them an axle from their own Norton to enable them to continue the ride.

John Mazzer spoke about how good the club rides of a Wednesday are and how much he enjoys attending them.

John also spoke highly of the Powerhouse Motorcycle Museum at Tamworth that he recently visited.

Allan Stratton provided a report on the 'total lost tour'. 16 starters with fantastic camaraderie and lots of good times and great memories.

**REPORT ON WEDNESDAY RIDES:**

Wednesday ride 1: rode to Evans Head

Wednesday ride 2: rode to Lennox Head

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

This Sunday's Club ride will be a ride to Evans Head (small bike ride)

Club ride to Dorrigo on the first weekend in August.

Next Sunday Italian themed display at Spinks Park, Lismore.

**BUSINESS ARISING FOR NEXT MEETING:** *NIL***MEETING CLOSED: 8:50pm**

My apologies to the print copy receivers - this picture probably isn't good for you. It's scanned from the front of a local newspaper; But the reason for its inclusion is that the Island of Waiheke in New Zealand held a TT runoff from 1931 - 1950 to send the winner to the Isle of Man TT. Some say it was tougher than the Isle of Man race itself. Interestingly in the program it suggested that although crash helmets gloves and goggles were required, leather clothing was only 'advised'. And a rider could only carry a 'Plub' spanner in his pocket (I think it should read 'Plug') A re enactment was held in 1985. It has been proposed that an electric bike TT be held on he old Waiheke circuit, but the journalist isn't sure if you would be require to wear lycra! The newspaper has an interesting article about the history of the race with pictures and will be in the club library collection.

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Thanks again for booking onto the course and supporting this valuable training initiative. We're really looking forward to seeing you and any of the other riders from Northern Rivers Classic MCC at the session ☺. Would really appreciate you trying to round up a few other members to come along as it's such a worthwhile course - you will get a lot from it as its fast paced and loaded with great content relating to all things riding.

Check out the recent [ABC Radio Interview](#) to learn why the focus of this course is on managing the accident scene and dealing with serious road trauma.

### PLEASE HELP US SPREAD THE WORD

This half day training session is all about raising awareness and educating people around what to do at a motorcycle accident scene so if you have any other riding mates outside the club please encourage them to join you; I appreciate organising people is a bit like herding cats so if you manage to get a few extra (3+) people to come along with you we'll throw in a complimentary pair of Leather/Kevlar cutting trauma sheers or an emergency blanket. To show our support to Northern Rivers Classic MCC we will be presenting the club with a specially designed tail pack first aid kit in appreciation for supporting the training if they can get 8 members along.

Once you have been through the course you will find out how vital these items are to carry in any motorbike first aid kit. Just get them to put your name in the message section when booking or tell us on the day. I have attached a course poster you can forward onto other riders, if posting to Facebook or including the link on your web site events page could you use this NATIONAL course invitation link: <http://createsend.com/t/i-CC1EBAA37F434A8E> or this NORTHERN NSW course invitation link: <http://createsend.com/t/i-A97DF0108E13ADA2>

### NATIONAL AWARENESS

First Aid for Motorcyclists proudly donate a percentage of your course fee to support the Royal Rehab Brain and Spinal Injury Units for injured riders and to help keep [Tex and Bundy](#) (dog on the bike) on the road raising funds for charity. We will be on the road ourselves traveling permanently over the next 3 years rolling out this program to as many riders around Australia as possible so you spreading the word really helps the program and ultimately saves lives – [Article in Motorbike Writer on the National Tour](#)

Managing risk is riding with people who you can rely on and know what to do in the event of a motorcycle accident, if it's you that comes down you'll be glad they did this course. We really appreciate the support as this training initiative is all about getting as many riders trained up to know what to do at a motorcycle road accident scene.

See you on the day and don't forget to bring your **full face** (preferred) **helmet** along; we will send you a reminder email and text message a day prior.

<http://www.firstaidformotorcyclists.com.au> or ring Tracy on 0408 956 435

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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.