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**September  
2017**

# Classic Torque

## 2017 Triples Rally, Evans Head



Breakfast, Saturday morning, as the participants gather.

### The 8th Aussie Triples Rally

This year's Rally ran from the 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> August and was again based at the beautiful seaside town of Evans Head, Northern NSW.

We had 42 entrants bring their Triumph Tridents and BSA Rocket 3's for three days of riding in perfect weather. Entrants came from as far as South Australia, the ACT and Queensland. Many rode large distances to the Rally while others trailered their bikes. Fridays short ride was south to Iluka Pub for a meal and a chat, as most riders only come together once a year at this Rally. Saturday we headed off for a 220km ride, bypassing Lismore and enjoying the sights as we road through Nimbin. Following the fuel and wee stop at Kyogle we journeyed to Casino Public School for lunch and the bike judging. We had a variety of Triples including T150's T160's, Rocket 3's, Hurricanes and Specials. After lunch we headed back to Evans Head where some of our visitors crawled over the F1-11 at the Air Museum.



The presentation Dinner was held at the Evans Bowlo and included our annual charity auction of anything Triple. The Trident and Rocket 3 Owners Club in England sent Club Merchandise out for the event. Jeff from Re-engineered Concentrics & Burlen Ltd. UK, donated some very unique Trophies made from old Amal Carbs. We were also supported by North Coast Holiday Parks, Evans Head Bowlo & TMRA. All profits going to local Charities.

Sunday saw a few sore heads and fine weather, apart from the 35 knot winds. We lined the Triples and the Marshalls' bikes up in the Main St of Evans Head for a public display for 2 hours. This created a lot of interest with people travel-

ling a long way to see them. Following this display we had a two hour ride returning to North Coast Holiday Park, Evans Head for a BBQ lunch, supplied by the park management, as a farewell to entrants and a thank you to the Marshalls from Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club who once again did an amazing job of guiding us through our hinterland roads.

The preparation and presentation of these bikes is commendable, with the only breakdowns at the Rally being one puncture and 2 Rocket 3's with minor issues. Local club member, David Jupe won the trophy for 'Best Rocket Three'

We are planning something special for next year as it will be the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Triple. Col McA





Undercover lunch for Triple rallieers at Casino High school—good as usual



Pictures of the triples rally: Marshals hurrying to keep in front; Riders on the Whyralla Bridge, Riders discussing the bikes,, and the girls prepare bacon and egg rolls and coffee for breakfast. GREAT!



## Presidents Report - September 2017

Hi all,

Thank you to all those members who provided feedback to the RMS about the log book trial. Your input will help them to see some of the concerns of club members about the scheme. The classic vehicle world is facing some of the biggest changes since its inception many decades ago. It is important that everyone keeps up with the changes and what they mean when you are out enjoying the sunshine on your historic motorcycle. I can't emphasise it enough that it is the rider's responsibility to comply with the RMS conditions of use if you are riding a conditionally registered vehicle. Please, take the time to check out the FAQ on the RMS website yourself and do not rely on Chinese whispers or mistaken beliefs.



Please don't get caught out and cop a fine for not complying with the conditions of your particular conditional registration. There are a lot of changes happening and the RMS is making regular updates to their websites to clarify some of the common situations and questions. Some of the logbook usage Q&A on the website are;

If you are on the classic vehicle log book scheme maintenance days must be captured in the log book.

(That one has come up a few times in meetings and it is now sorted once and for all).

Another one is if you decide to leave a club organised ride and go somewhere else then you will need to have your logbook on you because that part of the ride is not part of the organised club ride and needs to be a logbook entry.

<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/registration/get-nsw-registration/historic-vehicles/index.html>  
<http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/registration/get-nsw-registration/historic-vehicles/log-book-trial.html>

Please, keep yourself up to date with the changing rules, ride safe and ride legally  
 Hope to catch up with you at the 25<sup>th</sup> NRCMCC Rally in September

Regards Neil Williams

## Just a few words about the Winter Run.

Seven members gathered at Casino for the Winter Run. One on a classic bike, good work Tracey. Along for the ride were eight of my mates from the Gold Coast. The ride to Tenterfield was brilliant as usual. Serial speeder Will got pulled over by the Police just passed Murrumbidgee for a breath test and told to slow down. Chris left us at Tenterfield to return home. We toured to Glen Innes via the Club Hotel at Emmaville. The road from there to Glen Innes was very enjoyable. We arrived at the pub with daylight to spare which is always handy on the Winter Run. That night we enjoyed food, a few drinks, games of pool, and a warm fire.



The morning was cool and clear so time to go home. As we were leaving Tenterfield a Jack Russell dog thought he would see if Simon's brakes worked by running out and standing right in front of him. I was hoping everyone behind was looking. After we all came to a halt, the dog trotted off the road. No more than a hundred yards down the road a flock of seven ducks flew from the verge right in front of him, with a few so close he had to duck while the ducks swerved. When we got to Casino I asked him what a duck's arse looked like because he got a close up view! From there my GC mates peeled off towards Cawongla while Joe and I went for a coffee before the last leg home.

I had a great weekend with the roads being in pretty good condition and the traffic was light.

Terry Savins

## Classic Bike Run

The August Classic Bike ride was crisp but very enjoyable.

A small but dedicated group took off from the Blue Cafe and wound down through Coraki to Woodburn and on to Wardell Pies for a hot coffee. We went looking for potholes and found a few...



NRCMCC member Greg

from the local motorcycling business Rocky Creek Designs <http://www.rockycreekdesigns.com.au> has donated prizes for the Classic Bike Rides.

The winner of the Motorpressor Digital Tyre Gauge for the oldest bike and rider combination was Mr Pat Holt. Esq (He also had the shiniest mirror on the day too) NW



# proof of global warming



And that's over ten years out of date!

What hangs out on the line now?

Or maybe that's the point—there's nothing!!

For those of you who have not had the pleasure and opportunity to see the work of the **Club Quilting experts**, here is the results of their efforts, which is then raffled to add to the club funds used for charity and other good works. The new fabric printer has done an excellent job printing the necessary motorcycle pictures which gives the quilt its Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club theme. Good on the quilters!!



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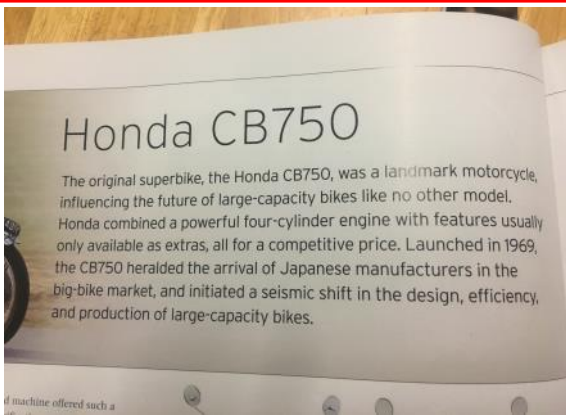
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John is very proud of his new acquisition—a Honda 4 similar to his original bike. It looks wonderful, John, but a friend of mine who is into classic cars pointed out that ‘trying to relive your lost youth’ can be very expensive!! Yep—I couldn’t agree more. It would only cost around \$200k to buy a replica of the Austin Healey 100S that I used to own!! Ed

**Dear LTT Founding Members, Guests, & Affiliates.**

**We are proud to announce that your LTT is back & will be brought to you in 2018.**



Meetings with Kyogle Council early this year has seen the successful formulation of strategies where your LTT Directors & Team will be guided by the Council & Local Authorities to deliver your LTT safely in 2018. Bridge works along the Lions Road this year have pushed your LTT into next year which we view as positive by way of planning purposes. Our vision & passion has never wavered since the immense success of your first LTT in 2014 & what this brought to your local communities & surrounding regions. We take this opportunity to Thank You for your ongoing support & for sharing Our Vision. “Spread the Word”.....your LTT will be back in 2018. Stay tuned

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## Two reports !! For the same ride—Thank you—the more the merrier!! Wed ride to Nimbin butter factory

Another perfect day for a club ride with 12 club members assembling at the usual place at South Lismore. Peter duly gave out the route instruction and we were soon on our way.

Great to see such a good turnout and such variety of 2 and 3 wheel machines, yes our old Wed ride captain Rob is back a riding a 3 wheel "Yourban" trike which gets along pretty well.

We traversed a pretty much popular route to Cawongla and yes a lot of work as seen an improvement in the road BUT a lot more still to be done. More road improvements are under way on the Kyogle to Murwillumbah road which will be appreciated as at the moment a lot of loose gravel can make things a little exciting.

We turned off at the main intersection to Nimbin and yes held up again with road work but eventually arriving at the Candles Coffee, restaurant, music and an assortment of entertainment area. A very interesting place and importantly, has an assortment of very good coffee and food all at the right price. I am sure we we all be back there again soon.

Noel Edwards

A lovely (almost spring) day saw 16 Club riders/acolytes on a variety of modern and classic machines start off from the Lismore Railway Station at 9AM on 26/7/17. It was a bit cold at the start - but the day improved to a great-riding 23 degs later - plus there was no smoke-haze over the mountains and as an added bonus low tin-top traffic on most mid-week runs. The route was via Tuncester to Cawongla, past Wadeville, then after viewing the two scenic Pinnacles & Mt Warning, down back south to Nimbin's re-developed Butter Factory Complex for breakfast & coffee.

The first leg over the Kyogle-Mur'bah road was dogged by multiple roadworks/stop signs and poor surfaces, proving especially difficult for our two light-weight machines. The deadly and infamous LCC/KSC "squirter-patcher" was also in evidence.

The Nimbin stop-over was enjoyed by all, with it's reasonable prices for coffee/bacon an' eggs, care-free attitude - plus an informal chicken-pickin' sideshow in the warm sun. [I'm sure those two tame chickens will ever lay - but what do I know these gay-days!] The road back to Lismore was a breeze, being most enjoyable and in overall good condition. Being past by a classic Yamaha 2-stoke and a 650cc Bonnie - both sounding great - really crowned a perfect day. So back home by 11.45am in good time for a liesurely long-lunch. A perfect morning's escapade in the best bike-riding time of the year for the far north coast of NSW.

Really excellent - what could anyone ask more of this life?  
Rob Andrews.



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**Club run each month on the Sunday after the meeting.  
Classic (pre 1987) run first Sunday of the month**

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

**NOTE: WEDNESDAY rides to continue to start from Lismore railway station, but all other club events to start from the Blue Kitchen Café. (Note: More details on rides are on club website)**

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Sept 3—Classic motorcycle ride

SEPTEMBER 15 - 17 NRCMCC ANNUAL RALLY - Evans Head  
Book caravan and campsites ASAP to ensure accommodation

Oct 1—classic motorcycle ride

Oct 15 - Club run to Brushgrove pub for lunch

Nov 5—classic motorcycle ride

Nov 19—ride to Red Rattler, Murwillumbah

Dec 3 Classic motorcycle ride

Aprox Jan 20—get together for a meal (TBA)

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

Sept 16 - 17 Grafton Motorfest by Grafton Vintage Motor Vehicle Club

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



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An anonymous member gave me these to include in the newsletter; He told me they were from an



early club rally based at the Red Devils football ground in Byron bay.

Anyone able to put a date on the rally?? That JAP V twin looks lovely—who owned it?



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**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON:** .. 08<sup>th</sup> August START: 7. pm

**WELCOME**

Welcome by President. , Special welcome to the life members present at this meeting. Meeting attended by 40 members 3 *visitors* and 6 *apologies* as per the attendance sheet

President asked that 1 minutes silence be held to remember the memory of Bernie Shailer who recently passed away

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** - read to members Moved, Seconded + accepted

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

1, John Mazzer reported that Mels Café might not be suitable for the start of Club runs. Other locations were Discussed, Cognito at Goonellabah, McDonald's at Lismore, Pres suggested that for the moment we stay at BKC and plan any change carefully. For now, there will be no change to the ride departure location in Sth Lismore.

2. Sign on sheets with Indemnity clause for club runs have started. NW explained why clause was in .

**CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

Rally info for AMAC at Bulli + entry form for Grafton MC rally, flyer for Supercheap Spectacular at Casino 15<sup>th</sup> October

newsletters from Queensland, Tweed, Grafton., Newcastle , Inverell MC Clubs

Clunes clues - Article of clubs donation of a PBU

Rego for club trailer. given to Bryson

**CORRESPONDENCE OUT:**

Invoice to Shannon's for 2017 rally Sponsorship

**TREASURERS REPORT:** – presented- , Moved , Seconded + accepted

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

1. the letter come invoice to Shannon's was explained, the letter format being determined by Shannon's

The Secretary is to resend invoice as snail mail as .. didn't receive email

2. 2017 Rally report given by Peter H.. 21 entries including 8 visitors. PH suggested entry numbers were low and more members should get involved. MW suggested there would be more entries as we get closer to Rally date.

NW suggested members to get involved in helping with Marshalling, BBQ and setup

NW also said Richmond council would like a S+S event for Sunday outside Pub

Alan Stratton advised that The Deaths family would not be able to attend our Rally, and to give their apologies, also to be kept on the contact list for future Rally's.

MW reminded members to pick up the boxes for rally food.

3. Triples rally Peter Lake advised that 15 to 20 marshals would be required on Sat and Sunday

Meet at Evans Head Bowling club at 9.00. free lunches would be given to all marshals

4.Public Officer Eric Wilson spoke on two items. That the section of the Club Rules be moved into the Club's Constitution as this is where it should be

5.Eric will formalise and put up as a motion for the next AGM

Eric also noted that Peter Small will join as 3<sup>rd</sup> panel member for the Jack Ahearn Motorcycle Restoration Panel

6.Lina Kempnich showed member the finished Quilt that will raffled at the Rally dinner

7.Chris Wakley has Bike Jacket for sale.

8.NW spoke on Log book trial feedback for RMS and thanked members for their participation in survey General discussion,

9.Doug F suggested the club could purchase a Tyre change hoist for bikes, general discussion , DF put a motion that he will get a price on machine. There being no seconder the motion did not get up.

10. NW advised member that motions for the upcoming AGM have to be given to the Secretary prior to meeting as per timelines printed in newsletter

11.NW also advised members Richard Swinton – Current Newsletter editor will be stepping down at next AGM and noted the high standard of the NRCMCC Newsletter and Richard's dedication in producing the newsletter each month. Neil thanked Richard on behalf of the committee and the membership for the great work he has done, it being a very time-consuming task.

12.Rick Lauf reported there was a BMW R69 for sale

13.Ian Gibbs reported that the Harley Davidson WLA turns 75 this year and a major WLA run is being -



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**(Minutes—continued)**

Planned.

Further details will be provided when sent to the Secretary

14. Jack McIntosh reported that Lyons TT group has recently sent out correspondence that the TT will be held again in 2018.

15. Richard S advised that all nasty potholes should be reported to Council.

16. Doug Foskey reported on a recent trip to NZ

**REPORT BY REGISTRATION OFFICERS:**

4 new registrations Honda 4 BSA rocket , 1915 BSA and Triumph

**THE EARLY DAYS OF THE CLUB:**

BW spoke about an 1986 ride to Tenterfield and staying with the McKay Family at Pipers Rest , being entertained by Bagpipes, Bryson commented that many of the riders who went on that ride were still in the club today , still riding the same bikes

**REPORT ON CLUB RUNS:**

TK reported on 25 th Frost bike rally , slightly frosty in morning.. some of the evenings highlight were the fire-works being fired from an old Indian MC

05 th August NW reported on run to Wardell Pie shop, it being part of the Rally route .

Peter lake reported on Wednesday rides

Wed 02<sup>nd</sup> Aug 16 riders on run to Nimbin and coffee at Buttery factory

Wed 26 July 5 riders to Coraki cold day

**NEXT CLUB RUNS:**

13th Aug Club run cancelled in lieu of Triples rally Marshalling on 19 & 20 th Aug

MEETING CLOSED 8pm.



Another early red devils ground rally Same year perhaps?

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I Called into see Bryson the other day. He asked if I could go to Desmo Headquarters and get a spring off Arthur for his Ducati. \$28.03 later this is what he got. People ask me why I don't buy a Duke. That's why!  
Terry Savins



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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 Blue Kitchen Café, Windmill Grove, 105 Wilson Street, South Lismore 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 station on 1st and 4th Wednesday of the month at 9 am. .