



Natureland Classic Motor Cycle Club

# Waffle On

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# Ride Safe

## Motorcycle Awareness Week 2016

**Are you looking to gain confidence in riding a motorbike?  
Just getting back on the bike or enjoying weekend rides?**

As part of Motorcycle Awareness Week, Council and Skill Master Motorcycle Services are hosting a 1 day hands-on motorcycle training and skills course. Learn about:

- Maintaining your bike
- The best protective clothing
- Advanced riding skills and practise rides

**29 October 2016 / 9:30am – 4:00pm / Kempsey Airport  
Special offer \$45 for full day course and lunch.**



Participants are required to have riding gear as follows:

- Roadworthy and registered motorcycle (and the bike's toolkit and handbook if available)
- Current Motorcycle Licence
- Riding gear: AS:NZ1698 approved helmet, motorcycle jacket with crash protection panels, motorcycle protective jeans/pants/leather pants, leather motorcycle gloves and enclosed boots- no runners/walking shoes. This is a minimum standard, please ensure you have this type of clothing as you will not be permitted on the track without it.
- A hat and sunscreen
- Wet weather clothing if required (yes, it can still happen in the rain- and it makes the riding even more interesting)

Limited places available - Register now! Phone Council on 65663200.



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# AJS & Matchless Owners Club

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We received communication from David deLapp, the secretary of the AJS & Matchless Owners Club, inviting NCMCC members to attend the 2016 'Downunder Jampot Rally' which will be held 11-13 November 2016 in Tasmania. The event will be in the area around a town called Hadspen located 8km south west of Launceston and will cater for all motor cyclists with a preference towards AJS and Matchless.

It should be noted that the Tasmanian MCC will be hosting the 'Australian Historic Road Race Championships' on the following weekend, 19-20 November at Symmons Plains so anyone thinking of

making the trip down to Tassie could include both events as part of a fantastic holiday in the beautiful apple isle.

If you'd like to attend Norma Flint has the registration form which can be emailed out to you.

Having been on a motor cycle riding holiday in Tassie I can recommend it. Riding around the island is sublime with terrific scenery to keep pillion passengers occupied.

## The AJS & Matchless Club of Australia present **The Jampot Rally 2016**



**To be held in Hadspen, Tasmania**

Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 11th, 12th and 13th November 2016

Rally includes full day rides on Saturday and Sunday  
Saturday night presentation dinner

For more information contact  
Martin Heatley on 03 63 265 331  
or email: martin.r.heatley@gmail.com



All marques welcome

This little snippet from our favourite Treasurer might interest you—"I was discussing at the Grafton rally dinner on Saturday night motorcycle songs with two girlie men who liked "He is a rebel" and "Leader of the pack". Norton riders like "Just for kicks" by Mike Sarne. Check out Just for kicks.wmv on You Tube.

Regards Barry



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**\*Springtime Poultry Show and lots more animals to meet....**

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## 2016 –2017 Office Bearers

Only one change from the previous year! That is David Flint is now responsible for membership and regalia. To see the full list of all the club Office Bearers visit the website.

## A message from the President:

At the 2016 Annual General Meeting it was resolved that those members of the club who have their historic plated bikes listed with the club are expected to participate in at least five club activities during the year from July to June in addition to being financial members.

The minimum five activities can be achieved by attending meetings, scheduled rides and rallies and helping at club events such as the rally and swap meet. Members can self-record their activities as there will be no formal register.

It is hoped that this will encourage members to be more involved in the club's activities and enjoy the comradeship of fellow motorcycle enthusiasts and not just use the historic plates scheme as a cheap form of registration.

Regards Mark Bunting

## Grafton Rally 2016 report by Barry Cooksley



On Friday morning I loaded up the Norton Commando with swag and gear and headed north on the new highway for the Grafton Rally in fine but chilly weather. Arriving at the Grafton Showground Neil Parker and I set up camp next to Ian Martin and family and David, Matt and Bill from the Taree club and soon after David Flint arrived with his Triumph Tiger. The Friday afternoon run was a very leisurely and scenic ride to the Copmanhurst lookout overlooking the Clarence River west of Grafton. It was great to see the

countryside green and lush after recent rains. Nearly at the destination Coffs Harbour club president Bob Cooper's immaculate HRD Vincent threw the secondary chain off the countershaft sprocket thus jamming the back wheel. Bob by good riding managed to skid the bike to a stop without further damage to the bike and any damage to himself. The Friday night meet and greet and BBQ dinner was very enjoyable catching up with friends from the various clubs. There were several BSA and Triumph triples owners attending staying on from the Triples Rally the previous weekend at Evans Head. Neil was surrounded by a crowd of admirers complimenting him on his article in the Old Bike Australia. Well it was only three people but threes a crowd.

The Saturday run was a flat track event to Yamba via the Lawrence ferry over the Clarence River to the Ashby reserve for morning tea and on to the Yamba Bowling Club for lunch and bike display. As there were four categories for judging of the bikes there was plenty of competition. I thought Neil's Matchless G80 and David's Triumph Tiger T110 were a chance in their category but there was also a very tidy AJS single. After lunch dark clouds were threatening to spoil the day so we all started up and headed back to Grafton. The rally dinner was very



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enjoyable and Ken Hoad (Taree club president) graced our table with his regal presence. Neil won best 1940 to 1959 bike with his Matchless. Neil was surprised and modest about his success and the rest of us just surprised. Well done Neil!

Sunday dawned fine and clear after another chilly night in the tent. Neil decided not to go on the Sunday morning ride as there were problems with the rear brakes on his van. As he arrived home without mishap I can only assume he wanted to get home early so he could start polishing his new trophy. David and I rode to Woolli with the rally to support a Camp Quality function for children with cancer. At Woolli there were several members of the Coffs Harbour

Harley Owners Club also attending the event. I was admiring a Harley Ultra Limited CVO which is the top shelf model and wondering if I could afford a second mortgage to buy one. The dash has this huge screen in addition to the gauges for speedo, tacho and oil pressure. The owner showed me the GPS display on the screen and how loud the surround sound speakers worked. Imagine this: you are out on the road on this bike, you set the cruise control to the speed limit and the surround sound nice and loud, you plug in a DVD player and you can watch a movie on the screen as you ride down the highway! What will the Yanks think of next?

David and I rode back to the Grafton Showground, packed up and loaded up and said our good byes to Terry Ryan. I rode home under a perfectly blue and cloudless sky on my unapproachable Norton after attending another great Grafton rally. How good is life!

### Newcastle Rally Report by Neil Parker

A great time was had by myself and Barry Cooksley at the Newcastle annual rally this year.

We both arrived on Friday and had a bit of an issue with the new caravan park staff. It turned out to be the main topic of conversation other than motorbikes that evening as we were not the only ones who had encountered a problem.

Short shake down run to Nelson bay on Friday and then the main Saturday ride into the Hunter Valley. Great roads for motorcycling, hills and some long sweeping bends made for lunch stop was at Vacy and catered for by the local rural fire brigade. As much as you could possibly eat (including Barry), then seconds if you want it, but save room for desert !!!

Sunday ride was into Newcastle CBD and then a tour of the beaches. Beautiful views but traffic a bit daunting and busy with the coffee and Lycra set on a 1949 bike.

A very enjoyable well organised rally but after a number of years at Stockton beach the rides are getting limited.

With this and the problem at the camp ground the organisers are thinking of a change of venue.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Australian Triples Rally 2016

The rally was held at Evans Head for the second time this year over the weekend of 19-21 August. The rally is organised by Col and Nancy McAndrew and they do a fabulous job. They also get members of the Northern Rivers Club involved with the marshalling and thanks to all of those girls and guys that help the rally be the success it always is.

The rally is for British pushrod triple cylinder machines manufactured between 1968 and 1976 – in other words Triumph T150s and T160s and BSA Rocket Threes. This year there were a few other “ring-ins” but there were around 45 fair dinkum triples there. It is a very popular event in the Triples calendar with entrants coming from as far away as Adelaide and Broken Hill.

There is nothing like the howl of 40 odd triples going past out on the open road. The sound is music to the ears.

Starting with Friday the bikes headed off to Iluka for a spot of lunch in that quaint seaside village opposite



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Yamba. The Settlers Inn put on a good feed and the weather was perfect. Norma and I met the rally there and I offloaded my bike so that I could ride back to the campsite with the others. The meet and greet was at the Camp Kitchen with grub provided by the Caravan Park.

Saturday's ride wandered all over the place in the hinterland before we had a rest at Mullum. Then it was off to Alstonville Public School for lunch and the judging. Back to the campsite for a couple of coldies and then over to the Bowlo nextdoor for the presentations and dinner. A feature of the



night is a charity auction with the proceeds going to local cancer carers.

Sunday's ride was shorter and followed by a farewell brunch, again in the Camp Kitchen.

Norma and I have managed to attend 5 out of the seven rallies so far. Hopefully we won't miss another one for a long while yet.



Two of our club members are exhibiting at the Sculpture in the Gaol 2016! Yours truly, (Norma Flint) along with two of my fellow students from Kempsey TAFE. Where I attended an art course this year. Three of us decided we'd take our quirky pieces along to the exhibition just for fun and also to encourage others of you with an artistic bent to think about attending the next TAFE workshops. They are great fun and a terrific learning experience.

The other club exhibitor is Kelvin Sydenham who has created an imaginative piece derived from his fossicking. We both look forward to hearing your comments!

## SCULPTURE IN THE GAOL 2016

The annual Sculpture in the Gaol returns again for its eighth year in the beautiful Trial Bay Gaol, South West Rocks. The historic Gaol will once again be transformed into a fascinating sculpture park for the 27 days of the event.

Continuing on from the gaol, visitors of all ages can enjoy tracking down the "Escapee Trail" which will feature artworks as well as sculptures placed in local businesses, "it's great to see such a great variety and ever-changing styles of artworks being entered every year. This event is a great asset to the town over our quieter period" said Troy de Luca, President of South West Rocks Chamber of Commerce.

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'This year the Chamber is partnering with the Macleay Area of the National Parks & Wildlife Service to further grown this artistic event in our town. We wish to invite you to come and enjoy the opening Gala day from 11am -2pm on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> August. It will be a gold coin per person on entry into the gaol to experience the many amazing sculptures, live music by a local entertainer Craig Stewart, delicious local food and beverage stalls, kid's entertainment, jumping castle, demonstrations, talks on the history of trial bay by P J Buyer and local market stalls.

"This year's prizes were all sponsored by local businesses of the South West Rocks Chamber of Commerce worth over \$3,000". **This year's sculpture winners will be chosen by popular vote of the viewers and announced at the closing of the sculpture exhibition at 1.00pm on Saturday, 3rd September 2016.**



# Events Calendar September-December 2016

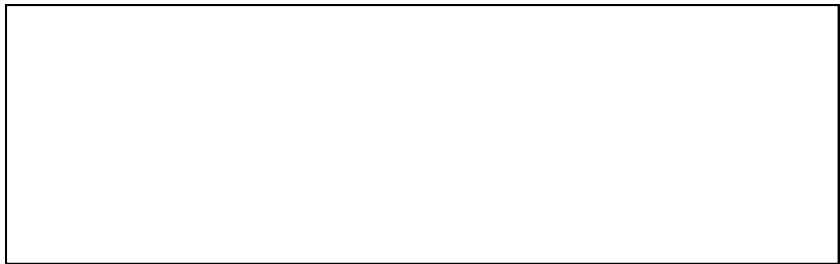
September	
3 <sup>rd</sup> - 4 <sup>th</sup>	Rusty Iron Rally at Macksville.
11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Crescent Head, Gladstone, South West Rocks for lunch.
16 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Northern Rivers Rally at Evans Head.
16 <sup>th</sup> -18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Pelican Rally, Central Coast.
18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Akubra Classic at Greenhill.
25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Comboyne Car Capers.
27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Club Meeting, rally and toy run. 7.30pm Salvos Hall Kempsey.
October	
1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	Kempsey Air Show. \$45 two day ticket.
1 <sup>st</sup> -3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Three day ride to be confirmed.
9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Scotts head. Meet riders from Port Macquarie club at McDonalds 10am. Ride via Stuarts Point meeting up with riders from Coffs Harbour Club.
9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Maitland Swap Meet.
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	<b>Ride Saturday's rally route.</b>
15 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Ride and Glide Festival Crescent Head. Custom Bikes and alternative Surf Craft.
21 <sup>st</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	BSA National Rally, Beau Desert Queensland.
23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	Golden Dog at Glenreagh to meet Grafton and Coffs Clubs riders.
25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Club Meeting and rally. 7.30pm Salvos Hall Kempsey.
29 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Bangers ride to Bellbrook.
November	
4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	NCMCC Rally at Hat Head.
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Combined BBQ with Taree Club at Crescent Head Rotunda.
18 <sup>th</sup> -20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	The Walcha Challenge.
22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Club Meeting. Toy run and calendar. 7.30pm Salvos Hall Kempsey.
December	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	NCMCC Toy Run starting at South West Rocks Country Club 10am.
11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	NCMCC Christmas Party at Smithtown Pub 12noon.
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Club Meeting 7.30pm Salvos Hall Kempsey.
31 <sup>st</sup> -1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Nulla Creek overnigher. Camping out and BYO bring EVERYTHING.

**All rides meet at McDonalds Kempsey at 9am for a prompt 9.30am departure unless otherwise specified. Regular Rides:**

- 1. Every Wednesday a ride leaves McDonalds Kempsey at 9.30am.**
- 2. On the second Sunday of the month – meet 4 Aceses Club at Horseshow Bay Kiosk at South West Rocks 8.30am.**
- 3. Ride to Macksville every Saturday morning, meet at McDonalds Kempsey 9am for a 9.30am departure.**

Run dates may be changed at any time due to conflicting events or inclement weather.  
Any additional rides will be announced at Club Meetings. All enquiries contact Neil Park on  
Tel: 6599 4193 or 0414 560 265





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