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From the Editor



Exciting Season of MotoGP this year.

Check the MotoGP calendar on page 12

Exciting MECGC calendar too.

Check out all the event happening in our club.

Thank you to all those who take the time to organise these events. There is a lot that goes on behind the scenes.

If you have some news or photos of events that you have attended, send them in by the 25th of each month

Stay safe

Gail

Harold's Hello – Presidents Report

Hi Members,

Hope you are all well and enjoying our wonderful riding weather we have at this time of year. Even if there have been a few or more rain showers now and then at least it's cool now.

Our W.A.R. ride last Saturday went very well and those who went enjoyed the new roads and scenery very much. I thank Steve, Chris and Steve for their assistance during the trip. Watch our Club Facebook pages for the next W.A.R. details etc.



There has been a lot of progress in your Committee members getting the Club's finances sorted out and up to date and almost ready to present for an Audit. Many thanks to our Treasurer Gail who has done most, indeed almost all the work to see this achievement? We are working to soon have just One bank to manage our Club accounts and yes, we are hooked up for Online banking now to make transactions and bill paying easy and quick.

Also, we have streamlined our monthly Committee meetings to run smoothly and efficiently and revised our General meetings to only be held if there is a need for such a meeting.

We have also a written list in the Clubhouse of possible Saturday rides to choose from so that there is a wide variety of trips for us to enjoy. With a quick glance at the list we can decide on a destination.

Ok folks that's my information for this time, I hope to see you on a Club ride soon.

RIDE SAFE FOREVER.

Harold Park

News

Weekend Away Ride



Hey guys come on its only a bit of dirt & gravel, it wont hurt you, toughen up princess get on bikes and keep riding



Events



Biker's Breakfast

The first Saturday of every month. Please bring your SIV rego bikes if you can

Share a BBQ breakfast with us at the club house then head out for a ride.



Weekly Rides



Members are reminded that they can use their SIV registered bikes on these and any club activity.



Monday ride meeting at 8:30am to leave at 9am at the Café Tahbella, 3 Cottonwood Place Oxenford



Thursday ride meeting at our clubhouse 8.30am leave at 9am



Saturday morning ride meeting at the clubhouse 7am for a cuppa, leave 8am. Club Rooms open every Saturday from 7am rain or shine for coffee before we head out.



Last Saturday of the month we have a long ride from the club house



Adventure Ride

Join us for the Adventure Ride (ARM). Visit the MECGC

Website for more details.

Club Committee Meeting

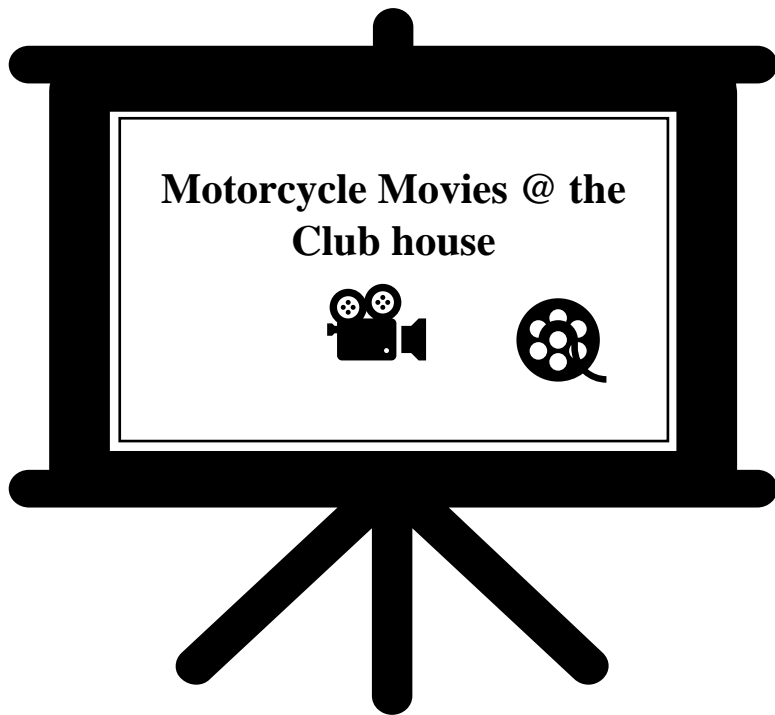
Second to last Wednesday of each month.

All members of the club are welcome to attend the committee meeting

Club General Meeting – are no longer held each month. There will be meetings called from time to time. This was passed at last year's meeting.

Look at our website for all activities. <http://mecgc.club/mecgc-eventride-calendar/>

Movies at the Club House – 8th May



Bring your friends all are welcome.

Kitchen is open BYO food, drinks are in the fridge and the kettle is on.

Contact markmellor@gmail.com for more details

2nd Wednesday of each month

We alternate between a movie night and pool night each month.

Pool night at the club house – 12th June at 7PM



Wayne's Event page

Hi Members

By the time you read this, the Ray Owens Classic Bike show on May 19th may have come and gone. The Show gets bigger every year and weather permitting this 2019 one will be no exception.

MECGC members in the past had a lot of classic bikes but the club has changed where most of us have modern bikes as well.

I've tried to encourage members to bring their classic bikes to the Bikers Brekky and I've run the Commando Owners group on the 3rd Sunday of the month for a few years.

On May 19th, the 3rd Sunday the Commando ride will coincide with the Ray Owens Show at Canungra. MECGC members are welcome to go there on the Sunday morning to support our marquee which will be set up. Gates open at 7am. Judging finishes at 10am and the show is over by midday.

June 16th will be a Commando owners ride with ALL makes of bikes welcome. Then in July, we will change the date to the last Sunday of the month which will be the 28th July and



we will call it a Classic Bike ride. Reasons for the change are more of our members have classic bikes, are wanting a Sunday ride and we can meet up with the Tamborine Historic club who ride from the Rivermill on that Sunday morning. I'm in that club as well with Donny and Jenny Kibble, Marty Whyte and others. So let's see how it goes, bring your classic bike and if it is not going bring the modern one and ride a bit slower. There's too many cops on a Sunday morning anyway. So on the last Sunday from July onwards, we will meet at the clubhouse at 7.30 and leave at 8am.

Our MECGC Monday ride is proving popular too, we are getting 6 or 7 riders.

Our recent WAR ride only got 9 members, two guys dropped off at the Metz and I went all the way to Clifton and came back the same day. Are we having too many WAR rides? Are there just too many choices? We used to get 20-30 members on the WAR rides. Please tell the Committee what you think. After all the club is here for you -motorcycle enthusiasts to ride, so let's do it.

See you out there.

Wayne

Events

A THANK YOU TO ONE OF OUR MEMBERS, GEOFF BENNETT

As some of you may remember, we had a water problem behind the clubhouse with water coming down the slope and building up behind the clubhouse. Donny Kibble and I had a look at it and decided we needed a long spoon drain dug at the top of the slope. Geoff Bennett has been there recently and done just that with his excavator.

So, I thank you, Geoff on behalf of our members. Wayne Bryan, Committee

2019 LONG RIDE – SATURDAY 31ST AUGUST TO THURSDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER
Join us late August/early September for our fantastic 2019 Long Ride that has been carefully planned & will be led by Rod Moorcroft. Whilst it is still 6 months away, now is the time to put the dates in your diary & start planning. For those that are unable to complete the full ride you are free to leave the ride at any stage & head home. If you have any concerns or queries don't hesitate to contact Murray Speden – murray@mecgc.club Cell 0416511330

Click on the link below to download the PDF file with all the information.
<https://mecgc.club/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/2019-Gold-Coast-to-Mt-Isa.pdf>

The poster features a large central image of a dirt road winding through a red desert landscape. A piece of driftwood is stuck in the sand on the right side of the road, casting a long shadow. Above the image, the text reads "2019 Long Ride" and "Gold Coast – Mt Isa – Gold Coast". Below the image, a yellow banner contains the dates "Saturday 31st August to Thursday 12th September". At the bottom, there are two smaller images: on the left, a beach with the text "GOLD COAST" overlaid; on the right, a view of Mt. Isa with the text "Mt. Isa QUEENSLAND" overlaid. A blue arrow points from the beach image to the Mt. Isa image.

2019 Long Ride
Gold Coast – Mt Isa – Gold Coast

Saturday 31st August to Thursday 12th September

GOLD COAST

Mt. Isa
QUEENSLAND

Moto GP Calendar for 2019





YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

This year is the 91st Mudgeeraba Show to be held at the Mudgeeraba Showgrounds.

This annual event has always been a great opportunity for our club to showcase the club, our bikes, and the diversity of bikes and people within the club. It is also a fantastic vehicle and opportunity to gain

new members.

What we need is for as many bikes as possible for the club's display. Whether they be road, dirt, adventure, sports bikes or cruisers: **WE WANT THEM ALL!**

If the bikes are unregistered or unroadworthy, the club has a trailer. Rod Moorcroft had also volunteered the use of his trailer.

There is also a further opportunity to showcase our machines by taking place in the Show Parade. Any assistance that you are able to contribute to this event would be greatly appreciated.



Every year our club attends the Annual Mudgeeraba Show

Calendar - May 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			01	02	03	04
				8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Bikers Breakfast
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
 Spanish GP	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella		Movie Night @ the club house	8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella			8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Ray Owens Bike Swap Norton/ Commando Ride  France GP	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella		7pm Committee Meeting	8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride
26	27	28	28	30	31	1st June
	9am - Club Ride Café Tahbella			8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride

Calendar - June 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
02	03	04	05	06	07	08
 Italy	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella			8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am - Club House Bikers Breakfast
09	10	11	12	13	14	15
	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella		Pool Night @ the club house	8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
 Catalan, Spain	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella		7pm Committee Meeting	8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella			8:30am – Ride from the Club house		The Mudgeeraba Show
30	1st July					
The Mudgeeraba Show  Dutch	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella					



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The Motorcycle Enthusiasts Club has been around for over 30 years. As the name suggests, we are enthusiasts of all forms of motorcycles. In particular, our interest is in classic bikes. Our Club also includes modern bikes, sidecars and trikes. We cater to all ages and forms of motorcycle riding.

Enjoy weekly, monthly, weekend and week-long Club runs, as well as other casual rides organised to similar rallies and motorcycle events held by other clubs.

Heritage Centre, 238 Mudgeeraba Road, Mudgeeraba.

(Entrance to Heritage Village is opposite Milky Way)

The Link, our Club magazine, is emailed to you monthly. The magazine has information on our Club runs and activities and rallies held by other clubs. There are event and ride reports, photos and articles contributed by our club members.

Articles, photos, items for sale etc. can be emailed to editor@mecgc.club or posted to MECGC Attn: Gail Calder, Editor, P.O. Box 451, Mudgeeraba, 4213.

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