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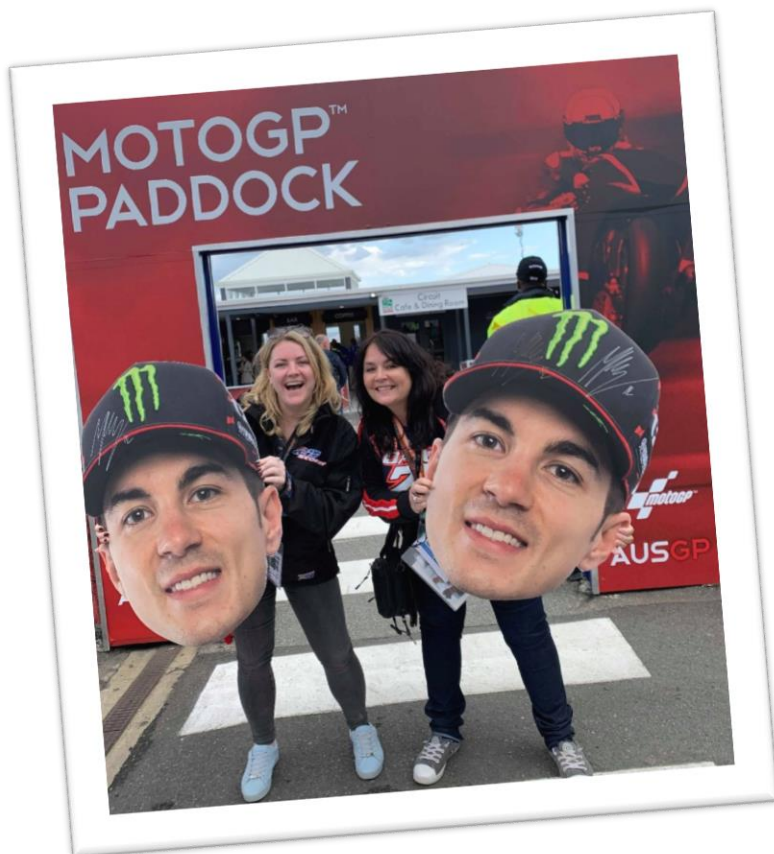
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## Editors Column

 Happy November. As most of you know Philip Island MotoGP 2019 was an exciting place to be. What a race. WOW go Jack Miller #43

Check out my article for photos. They speak for themselves.

This month we have our MECGC Members Christmas Party.

Please let Barry know that you're coming. Cut-off date is on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November to help us cater.

See you all there

*Just Ride*

*Gail*



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## Presidents Report

Hey Fellow Enthusiasts,

I want to share a photo from one of Rod Moorcroft's week away rides. We camped away for a week in August 2016?? The club's annual Long Ride heading out to Noccundra.

Six Riders, clear skies perfect weather but only made it as far as Thargomindah.

Once we got there, we had to ride on the back of a flood truck to get to the township.

Wayne Bryan, Rod Moorcroft, Greg Schmidt, Murray Speden, Nick Tan, Carl Johnson and myself.

With a Four-man tent that my bike and I slept in every night. Wayne and Carl also camped, everyone else slept in cabins.



Adventure bike riding is one of my passions. Getting out on my bike and seeing the countryside of Australia with friends.



The Mecgc club organises these rides each year. Coming up this month is our weekend ride to Casino. Don't forget to book your accommodation and let Murray know that you are coming. It's going to be an awesome weekend, tents not required.

For those who haven't let me know that you're coming to the Christmas party on the 30<sup>th</sup> of November. It's only \$10.00 for members txt me and I'll save you a seat.

Cheers

Bazz



## News

### Moto GP Philip Island 2019

The weather was typical Philip Island, Raining, cold, Hot, Windburn, Sunny and strong winds, but we loved it.



Three full days 6am to midnight of motorbikes.

Talking about motorbikes, riders and sharing stories. Meeting new people and catching up with friends, some you only see once a year.

The atmosphere, the racing and the riders some new faces and some old faces.

This is the fourth year in a row I have caught up with my MotoGP enthusiastic friend at Philip Island, Fiona along with Tom and Martine.







In the pavilion there's bikes on show and gear you can check out.

When the qualifying was cancelled on Saturday because of the rain it's a good place to hang out.







We were lucky enough to share a pit pass prize and be right where the action is for Moto 2, FP2  
Remy #87

Tom, Martin, Fiona and I sitting in Gardener Straight.







The Inline café is a must. We go there at least once in our visits. It's located on the island and the food is amazing along with good coffee. It's an experience just to walk in. Each year the café displays are growing, and you must check out the loos.





## Wayne's Column

Hi Members, this will be my last column for 2019.

As some of you know, our member Jodie Harrison has had an awful accident with a STUPID car driver doing a u -turn across double white lines in front of her. Jodie's body hit the car door. Jodi has multiple fractures. It could have been a lot worse at least she's alive and we all hope for her complete recovery.

Also, for Carol Russell who had a car hit her and is taking a long time to mend. Our thoughts and prayers go to her as well.

But I'm okay after dropping my Mk2 Norton on the last hairpin turn going down the goat track. My front wheel went straight out from under me. I ended up flat

Cheers

Wayne Events.

on my face with the bike on my legs. Lesson learnt, replace that front tyre even if it looks okay.

Fortunately, our three musketeers, Murray, Rod and Greg came back safely, and they'll be talking about their ride at our special general meeting on 13th November. Also, Danny will be talking about his long dirt bike ride out west and maybe Gail, our editor and GP groupie will talk about the bike races down south?

Anyway folks, we all know we have to exercise that sixth sense and ride as safe as we can.

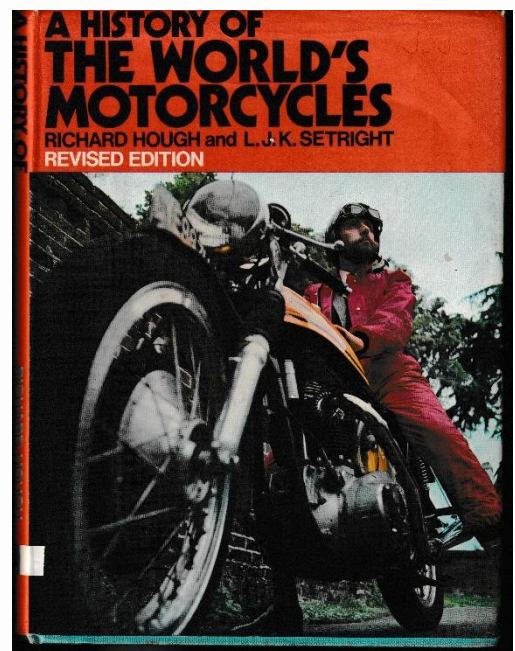
See you all at the Christmas party on the 30<sup>th</sup> and maybe on our remaining 2019 rides.

## From the Library

Talking about our MEC club library, we do have an extensive collection of books, manuals and some DVDs. We are always open to receiving Motorcycle books but please no magazines. We already buy the Australian Motorcycle magazine and the current issues are always available to read at the club.


I'm reading one of the club books each month and reviewing it. This time it's "A History of the World's Motorcycles" by Hough and Setright. This is a revised edition. It covers from the 1880's to a young Barry Sheene riding race bikes in the 1970's.




Individual machines of historical note are singled out and examined. On the racing scene, some of the most exciting events and the more colourful personalities are sketched in as a background to the International Motorcycle scene. Definately worth a read.








## Events


 Biker's Breakfast The first Saturday of every month. Please bring your SIV rego bikes, 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

 Sunday of the month SIV ride – meeting at the Café Metz, Canungra at 9am and leave at 10am on informal ride.

 Adventure Ride

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

### Club Committee Meeting

Third 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.

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





## MECGC ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY SATURDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2019

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2019 is our club members Annual Christmas Party. We have booked the caterer and we are organising the desserts. Danny is opening up his place for us to karaoke to Christmas songs. We have the music organised and there is plenty of parking. The invitation is open to all of the MECGC members.

Time 5:30pm start with dinner at 6:30pm

Cost: A \$10.00 deposit is required per person. The mecgc club is subsidising the rest and providing the deserts. Drinks BYO

Deposit is required by the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November 2019 for catering.



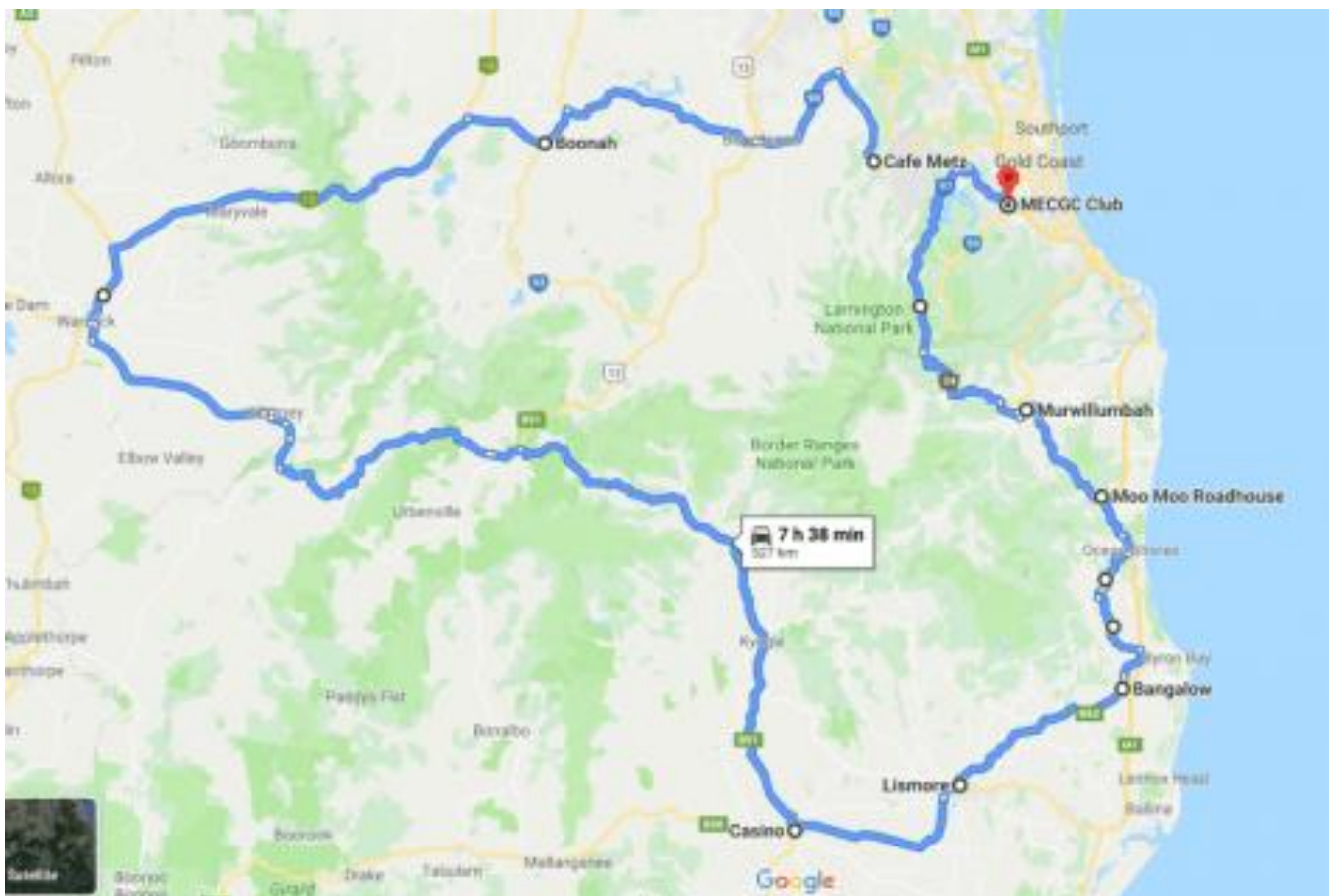
## Weekend Ride (WAR) 23rd & 24<sup>th</sup> November

Our weekend ride is coming up in November. The ride will be heading to Casino NSW, Note Change of Weekend - Mark these dates in your diary now & join us on our last WAR (Weekend Away Ride) Ride for 2019.



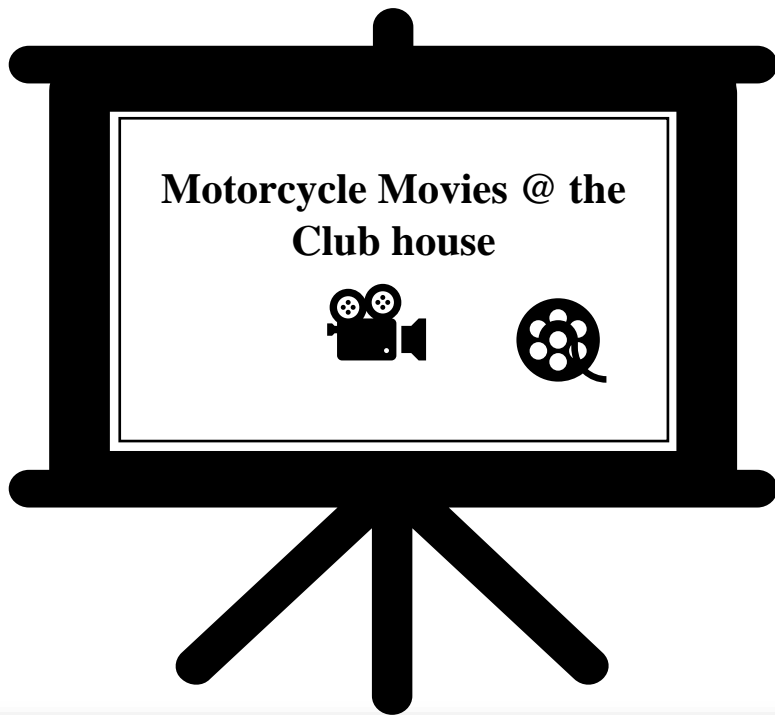
Ride has been planned & will be led by Murray Speden. Click on the MECGC Website link for all the details

<https://mecgc.club/war-weekend-away-ride-saturday-23rd-november-sunday-24th-november/>





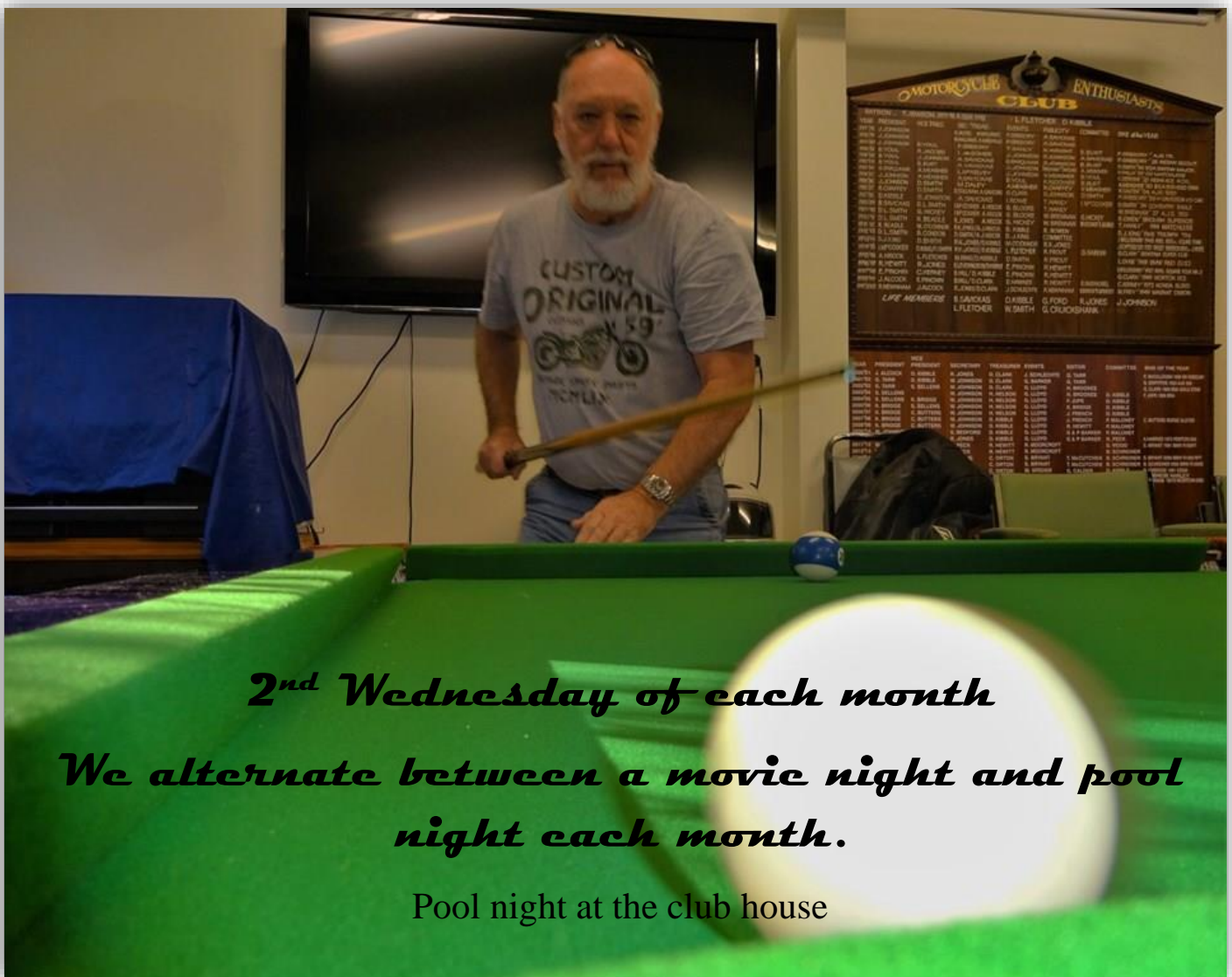
## Movies at the Club House



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](mailto:markmellor@gmail.com) for  
more details



## Calendar - November 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					<b>01</b>	<b>02</b>
						7:30am - Club House Bikers Breakfast
<b>03</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>05</b>	<b>06</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>08</b>	<b>09</b>
9am – Club Ride  Malaysia	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella		Pool Night @ the club house	8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
9am – Club Ride	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella		7pm General Meeting	8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
9am – Club Ride  Valencia	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella		7pm Committee Meeting	8:30am – Ride from the Club house		7am – Club House Ride  Club Weekend Ride
<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
7.30am SIV ride   Club Weekend Ride	9am – Club Ride Café Tahbella			8:30am – Ride from the Club house		 MECGC Christmas Party 5:30pm

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***'Joining good companions in a shared pastime'***

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](mailto:editor@mecgc.club) or posted to MECGC Attn: Gail Calder, Editor, P.O. Box 451, Mudgeeraba, 4213.

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