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*On the cover: The Swan's GL1800 at Karuah*

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**Paul Kerr's 'Roxy' in her heyday**

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# *Editorial*

It's winter. We Aussie's have a habit of stating the bleeding obvious, eh. My GoldWing was on the front driveway and I was washing it when my neighbour walked out with his lawn edger. He nodded and asked, "Washing the bike, are you?"



I was also washing Helga the Valkyrie just recently when I noticed the little bracket on the frame that supports the mounting bracket for the air horn was showing a few areas of rust. Ooh I hate rust, so I had to remove it for repainting. The horn mounting bracket is chrome and it was showing those tiny pimples of corrosion too. Once the bike was all clean and dry (and shiny of course) and in the back shed, I got to work. Undo the horn from the bracket ... one hex head bolt and nut ... easy peasy. Disconnect the two wires ... easy peasy. Cut cable tie securing the wiring harness to the bracket ... easy peasy. Undo 8mm acorn nut securing bracket to frame mount ... easy peasy. Undo 10mm bolt from frame with 14mm socket ... it came lose then did not undo any more. I reached around the frame tube and there's a 10mm nut inside ... behind the radiator ... that is impossible to get a spanner on. Hmmm. Remove the riders seat using the ignition key to release the latch. The key is in the house. Walk to house and back. Remove fuel tank by getting the fuel and the vacuum hoses off the petcock. Slide overflow hose off the tank. With a long cross-head screwdriver, undo the screw retaining the fuel tap to the petcock. Undo socket head cap screw securing tank near the steering head. Undo 8mm bolt securing tank to the frame under the seat. I don't want to place the tank (three-quarters full of fuel) on the concrete floor of the shed so I go into my timber workshop and cut two pieces of softwood to sit the tank on. Lift tank very carefully and place on the timber. The air filter housing fills the entire space below the tank so I still can't get to the slipping nut without removing the entire air filter unit. Hmm. Remove the bolt that retains the top of the radiator to the frame, just below the steering head. Okay ... gently ease radiator forward at the top. It's restricted because of the top radiator hose. All I want to do is get that little bracket off so I can repaint it! Drain coolant from engine and radiator to remove the top radiator hose. Tilt the radiator forward and slip 14mm open-end spanner onto nut. Yay ... success. The job that was supposed to take less than two minutes has now taken one hour. I cleaned up the bracket and gave it two coats of black epoxy paint.

As I said before, the horn bracket is chrome. I have had a bottle 'rust converter' for quite a while when I actually read the label ... it removes rust from chrome. Really? Being the cynic I am, I used some 000 steel wool soaked

in this product and ... voila ... the pimples of rust were gone and the steel wool did not scratch the chrome. It actually worked like it said it would!

Some things – dare I say many things – do not go to plan. It is these ‘events’ that make stories happen. As Peter Murphy always says, “Any ride is a good ride,” and a story can be told about the route, the weather, the scenery and the camaraderie if you shared it. But if there is an ‘event’, that story can become a tale and we should never allow the truth to get in the way of a good tale. An event can be as simple as taking a wrong turn and going through Paterson instead of Dungog, taking another wrong turn to correct the first mistake and going through Paterson again, then getting a reputation for using Paterson as a town to go through on *every* mystery ride.

Please write in and tell us a tale....

**Mark Johannesen**



***A fabulous action shot of 86 (Rob Watson) and Lyn on their GL1800***

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***Do you have any pics of your GoldWing you'd like to see in Wings? Send them in please***

# From the Prez



Well it seems only yesterday some of us were complaining about the heat we were experiencing. Now winter is upon us and my old bones are starting feel the effects of those cold nights and mornings. This reminds me that winter is the worst time of the year for our beloved GoldWing batteries as they seem to deteriorate at a lot quicker. So may I suggest those who don't have a battery tender now is

the time to purchase one as this provides a slight trickle charge to the battery and this will keep your battery's life considerably longer, but the good old fashion ride is also a better idea.

It's quite heart-warming to sit back and watch what's happening around the country with our wonderful Association and it seems like the changing of the guard can be a better idea as our Brisbane chapter is going ahead in leaps and bounds under the leadership of their Area Rep, Greg Naylor and also all of the great volunteers on both sides of the Brisbane river who all work together as a team and assist in organising rides and social evenings.

At this time I'm still receiving rave reports in regards to the Karuah AGM and how it was superbly organised by the Central Coast Chapter. I reported some time ago I had no reservations at all about the many talents of the Central Coast members as I was gauging their efforts based upon the Christmas in July in which has always been a huge success. I was thinking it's been ten years since the last AGM they hosted and when they may possibly volunteer again.

Next year in 2020 we will be making our way to Myrtleford in Victoria for our AGM and remember Myrtleford is the gateway to the high country and the Victorian snowy region, so be prepared to take some warm clothing with you and as always our quartermaster will be on hand in case you need to purchase some club attire.

Well now it seems like we are having reassurance of interest from the South Australian members as they have submitted a very strong interest in hosting the 2021 AGM at Nuriootpa in the Barossa Valley of South Australia.

Also the Brisbane chapter have stated they would like to host the 2022 AGM somewhere in South East Queensland so wouldn't it be great to hear from the Canberra crew as they have not done an AGM since Cooma way back in 2004.



I wonder how many of us realise we don't hear very much from the ladies of our association and so I ask, can we get some ladies views on what they would like to see or go when organising a ride or an event especially those who attend the events on their bikes and even more so what about a RECIPE for us bachelors and wouldn't it be great to see a Recipe in the WINGS Magazine on a monthly basis. So how about it ladies, are you willing to have a go as I've already tasted Prem Doves curry hot pot and it's enough to give you a sun tan even in winter.

To those on the Eastern States remember, Christmas in July is hosted by the Central Coast Chapter. The registrations close on the 8th July. They always have a great event.

Regards and stay warm

*Greg O'Loughlin*

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**GL1500 'rat bike'. You gotta admit an awful lot of work has been done to create this ...**

# *Secretary's Scrawl*

Here we are another month down the track, where has 2019 gone? Election is looming as I write this and by the time you read it we will know the result hopefully. Whatever the outcome I wish you all the best for the forthcoming winter riding season. Several of the Brisbane Chapter members are planning on going to the Snowy Ride this year, for the first time, myself included. I look forward to catching up with some of you then.

Our newest member Kim Telfer, joined only recently after coming on a ride with the Brisbane Chapter to Hervey Bay ... a very enjoyable weekend away for some of us. Unfortunately Kim and his F6B had an altercation with another vehicle the other day. Swift recovery Kim and good luck looking for a replacement bike.

## ***Welcome to our New Member***

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**Kim Telfer**

Caboolture, QLD

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## ***Membership Renewals***

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**Gary and Yvonne Jones** have renewed for three years.

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**Peter Moy** has renewed for three years and has a new phone number  
0400 756288

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## ***Membership Change of Details***

**Michael and Sandra Howard** have moved to Gloucester, NSW.

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See you on the road soon, I hope.

***Keith Thomson***



# Christmas in July

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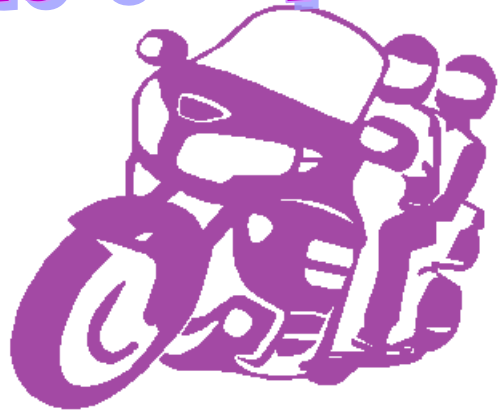
**Hope to see you there**

*Registration form in April and May edition  
and on the website*



# Western Districts Chapter

## Wings over Illawarra (Air Show)



We set up a display for the two days of the Air Show, Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th May.

Weather-wise Saturday was a much better day and there were lots of eager visitors for the Air Show and to check out our machinery. Wayne Gannon had very much done all the heavy lifting when it came to transporting our display venue (6m x 3m folding Marquee) and our flags and banners. He did this by packing them into and on top of his camper which he brought along to display and of course, it also provided somewhere for a little self-catering which was much appreciated over the course of the weekend.







On Saturday we had one GL1800 trike and two GL1800 solo's and on Sunday we added my GL1500 outfit to the display.

As I mentioned Saturday had been a busy day and

although Sunday was by no means as good with intermittent rain, we had quite a lot of visitor's eager to ask about the bikes. We also scored a few visitors because our display provided shelter from some of that rain. In any event the people appeared to enjoy being told about our bikes and activities, so it was all very positive. We were very lucky in being able to organise a slightly earlier departure from the Air Show and while it meant Wayne had wet gear to dry out after the event, our trip home was done in daylight and mainly on dry roads. The rain stopped once we got clear of Wollongong.

So, all told a good weekend and a good thing to do. Thanks to Wayne Gannon, Greg O'Loughlin and Rob Dorahy (Chef Rob) for your company and dedication to the aims of our Association.

**Graham Merrick #949**

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## ***Ride to Mount Keira Lookout***

Western Districts met up with South Coast Chapter at Mt Keira Lookout for brunch on 28<sup>th</sup> April.

The meeting point was at Macca's Narellan at 9:15am for a leaving time of 9:30am. There were ten bikes in total for the ride to Mount Keira lookout



where we would meet up with some of the members from the South Coast Chapter as well as some possible new members ...

The ride, well it was one of Wayne Gannon's special rides which started out a



bit on the cool and fresh side, but for a change it turned out be a great and very warm autumn day as we made our way from Narellan down through Douglas Park and on to Mount Keira. After brunch some members headed back to Sydney via the freeway. Some headed down to the coast for a run along the coast road and back to Sydney that way. While the rest of us followed the South Coast Chapter down Mount Kembla before parting way at Five Islands interchange and headed back to Narellan Macca's for ice cream via Appin, Douglas Parks and Menangle.





# Western Districts Chapter Ride Calendar

MONTH	DAY	DETAILS	CONTACT
June	09	<i>Winter Run to Goulburn</i> for lunch at Goulburn Workers Club. Details TBA.	Wayne Gannon 0419 150 530
July	13-15	<i>Christmas in July</i> by Central Coast Chapter. Hunter Valley Retreat, Quorrobolong.	Cecily Johannesen 0417 456 683
October	Early	<i>Let's Beat the Bastard Ride.</i> Gunnedah. Details TBA	Wayne Irwin 0488 765 842
October	13	<i>Maintenance Day</i> at Londonderry Fire Station.	Mark Horwood 0417 021 869
November	02-03	<i>The Snowy Ride.</i> Activities start Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> October.	Graham Merrick 0400 898 893



*I'll take ya inta town ta do some shoppin' Marge*

***The versatility of a sidecar***

# TRIP REPORT TO AUSTRALIA

22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2019 for AUSTRALIAN GOLDWING AGM

Having left Auckland later in the afternoon of 22<sup>nd</sup> I met up with Greg Naylor in Brisbane – about an hour's drive to his home in Cedar Vale. I stayed the first night with Greg and Donna – great meeting up with old friends including Barry and Cheryl who I met the previous year. It was a long evening...after a good night's sleep, I got the bike ready and put all my toys on and headed up to Eumundi market – love this place!!!! The food stalls and arts and crafts are amazing. Eumundi is north towards Noosa. I took a ride in the afternoon to Noosa Heads and cruised around – this is a very popular retreat but too crowded for me.

I headed out on some back roads and ended up at Maleny for the second night. Found an old hotel with a large verandah around it, a typical Australian outback pub/hotel. It was a beautiful evening sitting out on the verandah and the next morning left about 9.00am after breakfast. I headed towards Esk, a quaint village inland from the Gold Coast, just west of Brisbane heading south towards Toowoomba. One of my stops along the way was Millmerran. I met up with an “old timer” who told me some really neat places to go to if I am heading towards Toowoomba. He said go and stay in a pub call “Two Beers”. I thought this was very strange and when I arrived in the town, I realised the whole town was called Toobeah!! At this stage the temperature was sitting at 38° in the shade. Prior to getting there I passed through Toowoomba and only stayed on the outskirts as I have driven through that town before and as it was getting later in the evening I wanted to get off the road before the Roos came out.

I stayed at the Toobeah Hotel that had great accommodation. I asked where there was a petrol station as I was very very low on fuel. I was informed they did not have a petrol station in the town and I would have to go back to Toowoomba. I didn't even have enough petrol to get back there so the local publican said I could take some petrol out of his lawn mower petrol....thank goodness...I always take with me a siphon pump for cases such as this. It saved the day.

Next morning I headed towards St. George but first passed through the oldest pub in Queensland, Nindigully Pub, and a real outback pub (again) that even had the tethering rails for the horses. Heading out of St George towards Hebel there is an old pub literally in the middle of nowhere other than a small café on the opposite side of the road that makes the biggest scones in Australia (apparently). I stopped here for a Ginger Beer and took up the ambience of



the place. The weather was changing with a few clouds coming through and I headed on to Lightning Ridge that is famous for its Opals. The road from Hebel was scattered with dead Roos and I had only travelled 20 metres from the town and Roos were on the road everywhere ... grazing. At least every kilometre there were Roos jumping across the road into the bush and my eyes were out on stilts to make sure I didn't hit one. On entering Lightning Ridge later in the afternoon, I called into the Information Centre to get the general rundown of the town. I found accommodation in a nice hotel/motel owned by the local Bowling Club (similar to the RSA clubs). They did great meals and having settled in for the night a lot of other bike riders arrived for the night and I had a chat with them and found out where they had been or are going. I walked the town that evening and headed to the Bowling Club for dinner and met up with two young locals and we got chatting about their mine that they operate for opals. I had a great evening and learnt a lot about some secrets of the place and how and when to sell opals!!

Next morning I spotted they had Artesian Bore Baths that are similar to our hot pools. These baths are free to use and open 24 hours a day. Hot water comes from underground artesian from Indonesia. I was lucky enough to get there about 9.30am so had a good hot swim in a big round concrete trough about 15m in diameter. Go on YouTube and look at Artesian Bore Baths at Lightning Ridge. Having had a good swim, I went into town at Lightning Ridge to go and look at one of their Outback Artists, John Murray who is famous for painting abstracts of local wildlife and scenery.

There was a hardware store in this town and I was curious to see what was inside, seeing as though it was a mining town. Wow this place had everything and it was row after row after row of anything you could possibly want. They had women's haberdashery to steel girders....and everything in between. I left there early afternoon heading for Narrabri and this was a beautiful town but I noticed when I entered the township there was a lot of construction on the road so I knew then it could be hard to find some accommodation. As luck had it I found a great motel just as I was heading out of the township that proved to be a great night stop. I got a family room for a single room price. That evening I walked to the local RSL Club for dinner.

Off again, next morning to beautiful sunshine and used backroads heading to Gunnedah and I headed straight for the information centre to get the lay of the land. I picked up some leaflets and while I was there the lady took a phone call from a resident of the town who had a Koala up a tree. Gunnedah is famous for Koala's. I loaded the address in my GPS and headed straight to this house and a wee way through the backstreets. I walked up to the house as I couldn't see the Koala. There was no one home so I started to walk back





to the bike and thought I would have one last look in the trees and there it was about 20 metres away from me!!

The next morning I wanted to head through Yengo National Park on the Putty Road (famous ride) half way through there is a café stop called Grey Gum Café where all the motorbikes park up at the weekends and even little areas where you have cleaning fluid for helmets and windscreens. A very well set up area. At weekends it is monitored by local police. It's a busy place.



I was heading now to the AGM which was being held at Karuah in New South Wales. Arriving there on the Thursday night and got myself into the motel where I stayed for the next three nights. I rode down to the Headquarters for the rally down by the river and introduced myself and met up with people I had met the previous year. I was given my goody bag and general information which took a wee while as lots of catch up and chatting.

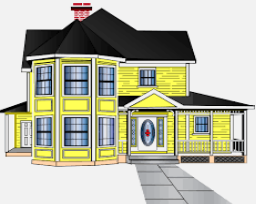



That evening we all met for the AGM Dinner in the local Karuah District RSL Club – this is where most of the evening activities took place together with the AGM.









That's all for now and will report on my return trip to Brisbane in the next magazine.

**Brian Hobson**  
President NZGWR

# June 2019




## National Ride Calendar

<b>June</b> 	<b>2</b>	<b>CCC Sunday meeting at the Partridge's.</b> 16 Turnbull Avenue Kariong. 12 noon for lunch and 1.00pm for meeting. Leave BP Beresfield 9.45am. <b>Please phone if attending.</b>	<b>David Partridge</b> 0407 238 576 <b>Sharon Partridge</b> 0407 401 916
<b>June</b> 	<b>9</b>	<b>WDC Sunday Winter Run to Goulburn</b> for lunch at Goulburn Workers Club. Details T.B.A.	<b>Wayne Gannon</b> 0419 150 530
<b>June</b> 	<b>16</b>	<b>BC Sunday ride to Fort Linton</b> for a site inspection. It opens at 10.00am. Then to Coopers Fish and Chips at 409 The Esplanade, Manly for lunch.	<b>Greg Naylor</b> 0410 256 667
<b>June</b> 	<b>16</b>	<b>CCC Sunday ride to the Coastal Hotel at Budgewoi for lunch.</b> Leave BP Beresfield at 9.30am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056

<b>July</b> 	<b>7</b>	<b>CCC Sunday meeting is at Alistair's shed.</b> 14 George Norman Close, Karuah. Noon for lunch and 1.00pm for meeting. <b>Please phone if attending.</b>	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>July</b> 	<b>12 14</b>	<b>CCC The 22<sup>nd</sup> Christmas in July at Hunter Valley Retreat.</b> 626 Sandy Creek Road, Quorrobolong NSW. Book your accommodation on 02 4998 6007. BYOG. Tell them you are with the AGA. <b>An exclusive deal for \$169.00 for 2 nights stay.</b> Everyone is welcome. Don't forget a \$5.00 Present for Santa.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056 <b>or</b> <b>Cecily Johannesen</b> 02 4930 1323
<b>July</b> 	<b>13</b>	<b>BC Pot Luck Supper at Ric and Gail's.</b> They have volunteered to have this at their place. BYO drinks. Bring along a small plate of food to share.	<b>Ric Van Oosten</b> 0407 611 523
<b>July</b> 	<b>21</b>	<b>BC Sunday ride to Chinderah</b> in New South Wales.	<b>Greg Naylor</b> 0410 256 667
<b>August</b> 	<b>4</b>	<b>CCC Sunday meeting at the Frothy Coffee Boatshed for lunch.</b> Leave BP Beresfield at 9.30am. Bring your swimmers.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>August</b> 	<b>16 18</b>	<b>CCC A weekend at Katoomba Falls Tourist Park.</b> Leave maybe 10.00am - 11.00am. Book your accommodation on 4782 1835. Lotz there to do.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>September</b> 	<b>1</b>	<b>Happy Father's Day</b>	<b>Cecily Johannesen</b> 4930 1320
<b>September</b> 	<b>8</b>	<b>CCC Sunday breakfast meeting is at Belmont 16 Footers.</b> Meet there at 9.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056



<b>September</b> 	<b>22</b>	<b>CCC Sunday Ride to Pacific Palms Rec Club</b> for lunch. The Lakes Way, Elizabeth Beach. Leave BP Beresfield at 9.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>October</b> 	<b>6</b>	<b>CCC Sunday meeting at Club Maitland City.</b> 14 Arthur Street, Rutherford. Meet there at noon for lunch and 1.00pm for the meeting.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>October</b> 	<b>12</b>	<b>WDC Let's Beat the Bastard Ride.</b> See Magazine for details.	<b>Wayne Irwin</b> 0488 765 842
<b>October</b> IT'S <b>MAINTENANCE DAY</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>WDC Sunday Maintenance Day</b> at Londonderry Fire Station from 9.30am.	<b>Mark Horwood</b> 0417 021 869
<b>October</b> 	<b>20</b>	<b>CCC Sunday ride to Wyong Milk Factory for lunch.</b> 141 Alison Road, Wyong. Leave BP Beresfield at 10.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>October November</b> 	<b>31 3</b>	<b>WDC The Snowy Ride.</b> Activities start 31 <sup>st</sup> October. See the Mag for more details or call Graham or Greg. It's the best thing you will ever do with your GoldWing.	<b>Graham Merrick</b> 0400 898 893 <b>Greg O'Loughlin</b> 0412 655 955
<b>November</b> 	<b>17</b>	<b>CCC Sunday meeting and ride to Lena's Lakeside Café</b> at Warners Bay for lunch. Leave BP Beresfield at 10.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>November December</b> 	<b>30 1</b>	<b>ACT&amp;ST Chapter Christmas Party.</b> The location is T.B.A.	<b>Paul Kerr</b> 0403 534 395
<b>December</b> 	<b>13 15</b>	<b>CCC Our Christmas Party meeting and drive is at Riverwood Downs Foothills,</b> 311 Upper Monkerai Road, Monkerai NSW. Book your accommodation on 1800 809 772. There is 8km of good dirt. Go in via Stroud.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056

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***Gail Laing in a special place on the way home to WA from Karuah***



# ***PDF "Fill and Sign" tools***

Dear Ed

Regarding your editorial on page 6 last month, about the disadvantages of registration forms in the digital copy of Wings, I haven't had any problems with the "fill and sign tools" of a PDF document.

Sending the completed forms, for example the Karuah AGM and Membership Renewal Forms, is not a problem. My only problem has been that Bendigo Bank cannot send a digital copy of the receipt when I pay the monetary requirements, and the closest branch to me is in Parramatta. This is not a big deal, but I then photocopy the receipt as a JPEG file and I can send this away at the same time as the completed form.

Cheers

Kindest Regards


**Gary Ryman**

## **"Fill and Sign" PDF Document**

***1) open AGA web page--renew AGA membership***

***2) Scroll down to membership form-(PDF)--open***

***3) Top left corner***  ***file save as--desk top--save***  
***(or)***

***4) wave curser across page this box will appear-***   
***click on save a copy-(left end of this box) save as –desktop***  
***save***

***5) Close PDF and close web page, you are now back to the desk top.***

***6) Open PDF this has a tool bar on right hand side***

***7) Click on fill & sign- move curser over name this box will***

Name:  Member No: \_\_

***appear in***

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Please send me an emailed receipt. ☒

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9) Cheque ☐ Money Order ☐ Direct Deposit ☒

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Sign document by typing or drawing a signature

*of page if needed, Save this PDF document-it will want a different location*

11) Save as, possibly to a documents file, then close.

12) This completed PDF file is ready for E/mailing or printing and posting

13) My computer would not allow me to combine files, in the working PDF document, so I photographed the receipt from the Bendigo bank and this JPG file I then E/mailed separately, (with a short message of my details).

*Many thanks for that helpful information Gary. I hope our members use this technology and it will save printing the registration forms for any event in the Wings magazine. Ed.*

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“O’Leary, your glass is empty, will you be having another one?”

“And what would I be doing with two empty glasses?”

O’Leary replied.



# Brisbane Chapter

With the Karuah AGM done and dusted the Brisbane Chapter on Saturday the 21st of April, 2019 decided to drop in on some members from Hervey Bay that could not attend due to illness. We also combined the social side of the weekend with the awarding of a 30 year membership award that was presented at Karuah in Derek Ingham's absence.



I met up with our Southern riders at the BP Northbound on the Bruce Highway at Burpengary and we started on our way directly up the Highway to Forest Glen where we met up with more riders. I have friends at Hervey Bay from another club, (don't tell Mr Pres) who run Air B&B's which is a huge financial savings on the traditional forms of accommodation you usually find. Everyone was extremely happy with the savings so I made a few friends that weekend I think.

So we arrived in Hervey Bay around midday and went straight to the accommodation to get settled in then went into town to catch up with Derek and Karen Ingham. A bit of lunch in town and a good catch up was just the ticket. Unfortunately we were unable to catch up with Peter and Michele Dew this time around but our thoughts were with them.

We decided to take advantage of the club bus and headed into the Hervey Bay Boat Club for a really tasty dinner. Table talk was limited to who was around you as the club was fairly noisy with chatter which didn't detract from the social atmosphere.

After dinner we moved out of the restaurant area and found a great spot to have a small presentation to Derek Ingham. Keith Thomson the National Secretary of the Australian Goldwing Association presented Derek with the very attractive award that was originally presented at the Karuah Annual General Meeting dinner. Derek was clearly overwhelmed and happy to receive the honour. The night came to an end and everyone headed back to their respective lodgings.





***Derek Ingham clearly overwhelmed with the commemorative AGA clock for thirty years of continuous membership***



Sunday morning we all gathered after breakfast and headed over to the Ingham household for a cuppa and chat. Derek showed off his collection of reptiles and snakes which some just did not want to see. I can't imagine why.

Derek and Karen decided to hop on the Goldwing and escort us as far as Gympie where we stopped for our goodbyes and continued our journey home. A great weekend that went by very quickly but something we will have to look at doing again in the future.



Raise The Cone Of Silence Eighty Six; I Didn't Hear A Word Of That!

**Rob 'Eighty-Six' Watson**

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*There was a power failure in a Dublin Department Store last week and three hundred people were stranded on the escalators for more than two hours.*



It's another Brisbane Chapter ride to the birth place of Dad and Dave. Yes on Sunday 14th April, 2019, we took a ride from Brisbane to the famous Rudd's Pub at Nobby in Queensland where Steele Rudd (real name Arthur Hoey Davis) penned some of his Dad and Dave stories.



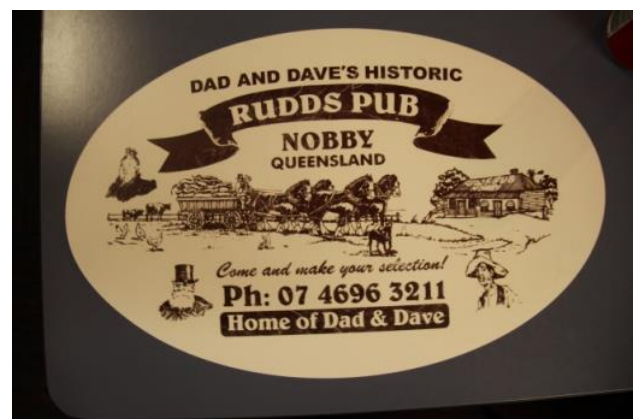
Our Chapter spans a huge distance from the Sunshine Coast and beyond to down south towards the Gold Coast, so not all riders can make all rides. This one would have been around a 700km round trip for those up North, so it was basically myself from a central area in Brisbane and the Southern riders that came along.



I started off from the BP Northbound at Burpengary where two other riders, Dorothy and Lyn started off on a ride to Gatton to meet the South side riders. Lyn had to leave early but Dorothy continued onto Gatton with me where we met up.

After some morning tea at Gatton, Dorothy headed back to Brisbane while the rest of us headed further west. We headed up from Gatton through Ma Ma Creek which is a wonderful winding road through the hills that led us up to the New England Highway where it was a fairly quick ride to the Pub.

Once we ordered lunch and sat down, it wasn't long before the food arrived. I think I along with everyone else was in shock. My plate was so loaded with



food, after eating what I could, I'm sure what was left over could have fed a small African Nation. Needless to say, nobody but nobody left the pub hungry.

**Rob 'Eighty-Six' Watson**



It was an impromptu ride, not much notice was given. Don's bike had been off the road while it underwent some improvements that included a suspension upgrade. We met at the Outpost Cafe in Canungra for breakfast. In attendance were Greg and myself, Barry and Sharon Mitchell, Mike Dobbs, Don and Mivi and



Annette and Brian Platts. After breakfast we headed to Binna Burra, breathtaking views, beautiful roads and very tranquil. After a quick pit stop at Binna Burra we headed back towards Beechmont. With more windy roads and great views of the Gold Coast we wound our way up to Mt Tamborine where we stopped for lunch at the St Bernard. It is named after its

residence which is pictured. At lunch we were joined by my one of my daughters Max and her two children. We had a fantastic lunch with awesome views and entertained by one of the residence, Mr Peacock.



*Mr Peacock*

**GoldWing country**

*Donna Wingett*







# Brisbane Chapter

## Ride and Events Calendar

Sunday rides will occur on the 3rd Sunday of each Month

Hot Pot Suppers will occur on the 2nd Saturday bi-monthly beginning March 2019

All rides will generally have a meeting time of 8am for an 8.30am departure unless otherwise stated.

Your Area Representative is **Greg Naylor** **0410 256667**

Your Area Ride Coordinator is **Rob "86" Watson** **0400 112012**

### Suggested Ride Start Locations

(A) **Northern Ride Start Location: (Sunshine Coast)** BP Mons Road Exit, Forest Glen

(B) **Central Ride Start Location: (Brisbane area)** BP Northbound, Bruce Highway, Burpengary.

(C) **Southern Ride Start Location: (Southern)** To Be Advised

**Please advise ride leader or host that you are coming**

MONTH	DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
June	16	<b>Sunday ride to Fort Linton</b> for a site inspection, opens at 10am. Then to Coopers Fish and Chips at 409 The Esplanade, Manly for lunch.	Greg 0410 256667
July	13	<b>Pot Luck supper</b> at Ric and Gail's place. BYO drinks. Bring along a small plate of food to share.	Ric 0407 611523
July	21	<b>Sunday ride to Chinderah</b> in New South Wales.	Greg 0410 256667



*Alistair Third gives a ride briefing prior to the organised ride from Karuah to Harrigans Irish Pub at Pokolbin in the beautiful Hunter Valley vineyards*





*Lewis Furner's safety chrome*



*Two trikes at the Show n Shine at Karuah*



# ACT & Southern Tablelands Chapter

MONTH	DAY	DETAILS	CONTACT
November December	30 1	<b>Christmas Party.</b> The location is to be determined.	<b>Paul Kerr</b> 0403 534 395
February 2020	8	<b>Chapter AGM</b> will be held at a location is to be determined.	<b>Paul Kerr</b> 0403 534 395



*The Honda NeoWing* concept was unveiled at the Tokyo motor show in 2015. It is essentially a leaning trike. Honda may prefer to call it a multi-wheeled motorcycle. Whatever you want to call it, it looks like a production model may be available in 2020. Fans may remember some ideas of turning the NC750 into a three-wheeler, but this project never entered production. The NeoWing looks like it is ready to conquer.

Another reason why the rumour mill is so sure Honda will deliver the new tricycle very soon is because of the rivals. Yamaha has released its Niken that has become very popular across Europe, and Honda is unlikely to leave that market untouched, with the Yamaha Tricity also gaining popularity. On top

of that, trusted sources indicate a prototype is currently being tested.

## ***HONDA NEOWING LATEST UPDATES***

Most changes are happening among the set of parallelogram links. The top one is under the headstock and the lower one is near the base. Vertical castings are there to connect these two linkages. Hub-steering pivots are parts of both swingarms. The additional suspension features front hubs that reach vertical side castings. A few suspension modes were tested and now the latest one has been patented.

Why would Honda invest millions of dollars in a three-wheeler? The aftermarket for trikes has been growing steadily for many years with a surge seen in recent times. While most versions have two wheels at the back, there are safety benefits by having two wheels at the front that include braking, steering and grip. Indeed it has been suggested that two front wheels increase grip by as much as 80%, and Honda will capitalise on those safety and handling aspects to help market the product. Surveys have suggested that as many as 60% of people with a motorcycle license do not ride because of safety issues.

The reliability of Honda products has never been in doubt and this will also help sell the concept.

## ***HONDA NEOWING SPECIFICATIONS***

Honda presented the NeoWing but no details about the engine and its specs were released, apart from a four-cylinder boxer engine of about 1200cc that seems very much like a GoldWing engine. The 1200cc powerplant has been suggested to be a hybrid that may use hydrogen and petrol. The horizontally-opposed engine is a given, with excellent reliability and a very smooth delivery of power and torque. It's the torque that will be needed to pull the heavier machine, due to its complex front end. However, it could use the 1833cc engine from the current GoldWing that delivers 125 hp and 125 lb-ft of torque. Retuning the engine for more torque will be easy for the Honda engineers, and since liquid cooling and programmed fuel injection (PGM-FI) are standard features for all Honda's motorbikes, the NeoWing will clearly get the same setup, and will also have a dual clutch 'automatic' transmission.

## ***HONDA NEOWING RELEASE DATE***

The word is that Honda may release the NeoWing in October 2020. It may be later than that getting to Australia though, if indeed Honda MPE decide to import it.



# Central Coast Chapter



The Central Coast Chapter May Monthly Meeting (CCCMMM) was held at Cecily and Mark's (CM) house. We welcomed two new Central Coasters, Peter and Liz Macpherson and it's great to see our numbers growing. Not having AGM stuff to discuss for hours on end, we turned our attention to discussing our calendar and future events. I think it's fair to say that our calendar contains many varied and exhilarating jaunts.

With the AGM out of the way, our main focus now is organising Christmas in July which is only a few weeks away. Again, our venue is Hunter Valley Retreat, a true retreat in the middle of nowhere. Of course, Christmas In July wouldn't be Christmas In July without Santa and his helper so we had to ensure his invite was sent off. This is bound to be another super-duper extravaganza so please come along and add to the fun. The cabin rates are very reasonable and we have a great deal for the meals as well. So, come along and you'll have a great time but do bring some winter woollies as it gets a bit chilly in the evenings. There are also pet-friendly cabins if you want to bring any furry friends along.



*Central Coast Chapter members after another fulfilling lunch*

Autumn is here and it won't be long before winter is with us. I ride less in winter so maybe that is a good time to get some overdue maintenance done. I'm thinking specifically about renewing the bike's air filter. This is a job that's been sitting on my "TO DO" list for quite some time. Along with maybe changing the air filter, maybe I'll have a go at tightening up the cruise control linkage as the lag in the cruise control has annoyed the hell out of me ever since I bought the bike, which was over ten years ago now. Then it's about time to maybe change the oils - oh, and what about the brake fluid? Anyhow, these are jobs that maybe I might start soon, but then again, I've got a billion jobs to do around the house. I think I need to retire so that I can catch up with everything.

So, what's coming up in our ripper of a calendar? Our next meeting on 2nd June will be at David and Sharon Partridge's house, so meet there or meet at BP Beresfield for the ride down, which we will avoid the Pacific Highway. Then on 16th June, we're off to Budgewoi Inn which is a new destination for us. There's a bit of a challenge to come up with a new route to get there so I may have to be a bit adventurous.

For those of you who are into trikes, I snapped this one on the I35 which is the main road from Oklahoma City down to Dallas.




I was on my way to Dallas to pick up my 1975 Triumph Trident that I had bought from Big D Cycles, a famous Triumph dealer. This Trike is based on a Boss Hoss motorcycle which has a 5,700cc V8 engine which was the same engine that I had in the Corvette I owned at the time. As you'll see from the photo it's a Big Trike, Big Engine, Big Mamma.

Keep on triking  
*Alistair Third*



# Central Coast Ride Calendar

## All Welcome

June	2	<b>Sunday meeting is at the Partridge's.</b> 16 Turnbull Avenue, Kariong. 12 noon for lunch and 1.00pm for meeting. Leave BP Beresfield 9.45am. <b>Please phone if attending.</b>	<b>David</b> 0407 238 576 <b>Sharon</b> 0407 401 916
June	16	<b>Sunday ride to the Coastal Hotel at Budgewoi for lunch.</b> Leave BP Beresfield at 9.30am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
July	7	<b>Sunday meeting is at Alistair's shed.</b> 14 George Norman Close, Karuah. 12 noon for lunch and 1.00pm for meeting. <b>Please phone if attending.</b>	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
July 	12 14	<b>The 22nd Christmas in July at Hunter Valley Retreat.</b> Book your own accommodation on 4998 6007. 626 Sandy Creek Road, Quorrobolong NSW. BYOG. Tell them you're with the AGA. <b>An exclusive deal for \$169 for two nights stay.</b> Everyone is welcome. Don't forget a \$5.00 present for Santa.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056 <b>or</b> <b>Cecily Johannesen</b> 4930 1323
August	4	<b>Sunday meeting at the Frothy Coffee Boatshed</b> at Smiths Lake for lunch. Leave BP Beresfield at 9.30am. Bring your swimmers.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
August	16 18	<b>A weekend at Katoomba Falls Tourist Park.</b> Leave maybe 10.00am - 11.00am. Book your own accommodation on 4782 1835. Lotz there to do.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056

<b>September</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>Sunday Breakfast meeting at Belmont 16 footers.</b> Meet there at 9.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>September</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>Sunday Ride to Pacific Palms Rec Club for lunch.</b> The Lakes Way. Leave BP Beresfield at 9.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>October</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>Sunday meeting at Club Maitland City.</b> 14 Arthur Street, Rutherford. Meet there at 12 noon for lunch and 1.00pm for meeting	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>October</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Let's Beat the Bastard Ride.</b> See the magazine for details.	<b>Wayne Irwin</b> 0488 765 842
<b>October</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Sunday Maintenance Day at Londonderry RFS</b> with Western Districts. Starts at 9.30am. Please let them know if you are attending.	<b>Graham Merrick</b> 0400 898 893
<b>October</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Sunday ride to Wyong Milk Factory for Lunch.</b> 141 Alison Road, Wyong. Leave BP Beresfield at 10.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>October November</b>	<b>31 3</b>	<b>The Snowy Ride.</b> See the Magazine for more details or call Graham or Greg. It's the best thing you will ever do with your GoldWing.	<b>Graham Merrick</b> 0400 898 893 <b>Greg O'Loughlin</b> 0412 655 955
<b>November</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Sunday meeting and ride to Lena's Café at Warners Bay for lunch.</b> Leave BP Beresfield at 10.00am.	<b>Alistair Third</b> 0427 171 056
<b>December</b>	<b>13 15</b>	<b>Christmas Party meeting and drive is at Riverwood Downs Foothills,</b> 311 Upper Monkerai Road, Monkerai NSW. Book your own accommodation on 1800 809 772. There is 8km of good dirt. Go in via Stroud.	



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## ***For Sale***

1985 GL1200 SE



Black with gold stripes. Only 32400 miles on the clock. Rego until July 2019 and has all the certification papers. This is a beautiful bike that turns people's heads. It's a stunner. No damage at all. Has a new battery. Asking \$7500. I'm 75 and have to give up riding after 58 years.



John Crotty 0404 884192  
Yamba

## ***For Sale***

2003 Pearl Jupiter Orange GL1800 Californian Side Car Cobra Trike.







The bike was converted into a trike in 2012. There are lots of chrome and extras. A new rear tyre, new CB radio, has brand new radio and speakers, new brake pads, new front fork seals and steering head bearings. It also has an axillary fuel tank. Rear guards and trunk have been repainted, front of guards have clear protection on them, new front glove boxes, new top windscreen, dash and new shelter black dash. It has a towbar but needs wiring and personal plates go with it.

This trike is in excellent condition.



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***GL1800's in the Show n Shine at Karuah***

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Always remember rumours are carried by haters,  
spread by fools and accepted by idiots.





***Karuah RSL CEO's wife Sue presents Bob Laing with the trophy for Long Distance Rider.***



***Two GL1500 trikes grace the Show n Shine at Karuah***



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