



T.O.M.C.C NEWSLETTER

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AUCKLAND AREA

HI THERE EVERYONE, HOPE EVERYONE IS KEEPING WELL. WITH XMAS AND THE HOLIDAYS OVER ITS BACK TO THE GRINDSTONE, ALTHOUGH A FEW OF US LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NATIONAL RALLY COMING UP SOON. THE XMAS BBQ WAS A HIT, A GOOD TURN OUT OF MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES. THEN THERE WAS THE CLUB RIDE, 1/2 DOZEN OF US LEAVING SILVERDALE AND HEADING OUT OVER THE WAITAKERIES TO PIHA FOR SOME LUNCH AND THEN INTO THE WATERFRONT AT HOBSON WHARF FOR A COUPLE OF COLD ONES, I WONDERED WHY I HAD LOST MY REAR BRAKES AFTER LEAVING PIHA, GOT HOME AND DISCOVERED THE SPLIT PINS AND PADS HAD DISAPPEARED! THE BOXING DAY CLUB RIDE, WE HAD ABOUT A DOZEN ATTEND EVEN A MEMBER FROM DARGAVILLE WAY. I MADE IT THIS YEAR AFTER BEING GREEN STICKERED BY THE FUN POLICE LAST YEAR, I WAS SHOWING OFF MY NEW BIKE A 96' THUNDERBIRD. AFTER LAST MONTHS TRIPLE T I FIGURED SOMETHING MORE COMFORTABLE WAS IN ORDER FOR THE NATIONAL RALLY, HENCE THE NEW BIKE.

DECEMBERS CLUB MEETING SAW A CHANGE OF VENUE, DUE TO SWASHBUCKLERS BEING CLOSED, AFTER STOPPING AT THREE MORE BARS THAT WERE CLOSED WE ENDED UP AT THE WATERFRONT BAR. AS IT WAS A INFORMAL GET TOGETHER NOTHING TO REPORT FROM THAT MEETING. THE FIRST CLUB RIDE OF THE YEAR SAW US HEADING DOWN THE BACK ROADS OF SOUTH AUCKLAND TO RAGLAN, TAR SEAL THE WHOLE WAY, SOME GOOD ROADS IF YOU GET A CHANCE TO RIDE THEM, RAGLAN HAS TURNED INTO A BUSY LITTLE TOWN ITS BEEN 12 YEARS SINCE I'VE BEEN THERE, A NICE SPOT FOR LUNCH AND A COUPLE OF BEERS. IT'S BEEN DECIDED THAT THE CLUBS PLASTIC CHAIRS (26 OF THEM) TWO OVAL AND ONE ROUND PLASTIC TABLE AND ONE TENT (50MM GALV PIPE AND PLASTIC ROOF 4.8 MTR LONG 4MTR WIDE AND 2.2 MTR HIGH) WERE OPEN TO REASONABLE OFFERS. IF NO ONE IS INTERESTED I'LL PUT THEM ON TRADE ME.

FINALLY YOU KNOW THE OLD SAYING THINGS HAPPEN IN THREES, WELL I HOPE THIS IS TRUE, SINCE THE START OF DECEMBER THREE OF US HAVE HAD ACCIDENTS, FIRST OFF WAS PETER W HAVING AN ARGUMENT WITH THE REAR WHEEL OF A PETROL TANKER, COMING OFF WITH SCRAPES AND BRUISES, THEN AL BROWN COMING OFF WORSE WITH A BOY RACER CAR HAVING AN ARGUMENT WITH HIS ROCKET AND AL LOSING A LEG IN THE PROCESS, AND ME ON THE NEW BIKE HAVING AN ARGUMENT WITH A CORNER, BREAKING AN ARM AND SOME RIBS. SO HOPEFULLY I WAS THE LAST OF THE THREE , BUT IT SERVES AS A REMINDER THAT WE NEED TO BE CAREFUL OUT THERE, IT ONLY TAKES A SPLIT SECOND AND LIVES CAN CHANGE FOREVER.

CHEERS GLENN MILLS.

I LOVE TRIUMPH MOTORCYCLES...

MY FIRST M/C WAS A '59 TRIUMPH TIGER. I WAS THE ONLY THAT COULD START HER AND THE ONLY ONE THAT UNDERSTOOD HER BUT WE SHARED AN UNDERSTANDING AND THAT'S ALL IT TOOK TO EXPERIENCE THE EXTRAORDINARY.

TODAY I RIDE AN '03 TRIUMPH BONNEVILLE AMERICA. YES... THEY'RE BACK AND BETTER THAN EVER! THEY ARE FROM A HIGH FREQUENCY AS FAR AS THINGS GO, AND DENOTE DISCERNIBLE SOLIDARITY. AND AS IT SO HAPPENS, THEY ARE VERY WELL MADE AND HANDLE LIKE A DREAM. SO, A DREAM IT IS. WHEN I RIDE MY BIKE THROUGH THE MOUNTAINSCAPE OF WHAT I CALL 'MY OWN BACK YARD' (I LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS YOU SEE) I AM GONE TO ANOTHER PLACE. THE FOCUS AND DISCIPLINE OF THE RIDE TRANSFORMS MY CONSCIOUSNESS TO A HIGHER FREQUENCY AS I PUSH THE ENVELOPE AND EXERT MY INTENT UPON BODY AND MACHINE. IT'S A GRACEFUL EXPRESSION OF TRUST AND DIGNITY ALL ROLLED INTO ONE. AND WITH THAT COMES GRATITUDE WHICH IS IN THE END SHARED WITH BLISS. YEAH, IT'S THAT GOOD!!

TRIUMPH... (I MEAN EVEN THE NAME HERE FOLKS RAISES THE BAR, DON'T YA THINK?) IS SUCH A GLORIOUS WAY TO GO. THESE BIKES ARE THE EXCEPTION NOWADAYS.... YET STILL RESPECTED AND REGARDED AS BIKES AMONGST BIKES. THEY COMMAND RESPECT AND ADMIRATION WHEREVER I GO. THEY ARE FANTASTIC ICE-BREAKERS IN CONVERSATION AND THE TOPIC OF MANY A GLEAM IN AN OLD TIMER'S EYE. ALL I CAN SAY IS I AM BLESSED TO RIDE A TRIUMPH AS PART OF MY EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION FOR THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE. I AM A RIDER FIRST, BUT I WOULD FEEL LOST AND CONFUSED IF I COULD NOT MAKE A TRIUMPH MY RIDE OF CHOICE. IF I EVER ADD ANOTHER BIKE TO THE STABLE... IT WILL BE ANOTHER TRIUMPH. THEY REALLY SPEAK TO THE SOUL. REALLY



RUNS LIST

31st January -Show and shine, family carnival, Waiheke island , Waiheke sports club 2ks away from barge, TOMCC Waiheke display, all welcome, Camping night before available contact Steve 372-6010, raising money for local the coastguard.

5-7th February- The 31st Classic Motorcycle Festival at Pukekohe. Only \$25 for a 3 day Festival pass

6th February- Bay MC one night stand Tickets \$20 prepaid or \$25 gate. Any enquiries to Glen 06-870 7343 or 027 544 8981

12th-14th February- TOMCC national rally Mosgiel deep south, anyone going down wanting details of other people going contact me.

13th-14th February The First Hampton Downs Classic Motor Cycle Race Meeting. Admission: \$20 - This includes both days.

13th February-TOMCC club ride, meeting at Wendys Te Atatu road at 10AM the rides heading off to support the Westi riders poker run, \$20 hands includes food and entertainment and \$1000 spot prize, RIC Glen w 021 940772

21st February- Paeroa Battle of the Streets, \$25 incl. free programme.

23rd February -Monthly meeting @ Swashbucklers from 7pm, 23 Westhaven Drive.

14th March- Monthly ride, leaving BP Bombay (not BP Drury autobahn) meet at 10 am. Leave 10:30

14th March- Ulysses westpac rescue helicopter ride, leaving 9AM karaka blood stock centre

20th March- Coast 2 Coast, Start: 10AM Castaways Lodge, Karioitahi Beach Finish: Whangamata Club, Whangamata

27th March-19th BRONZ Easter Egg Run, Departs Sylvia Park Shopping Centre 11:00AM

27th March- Mods, rockers and rods run, Run leaves 10.30am from Pukekohe Hot Rod Club Franklin Road, Pukekohe Free Entry

30th March- Monthly meeting @ swashbucklers, 23 Westhaven Dr, Westhaven. From 7 pm. Cut off for next newsletter

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DEUS EX MACHINA 90 WELLESLEY ST, FOR A COFFEE AND CHECK OUT THE CUSTOM BIKES.

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