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<p>If you have a news item, story or photos that you want published in the Link Please e-mail to gb@coomerawaters.net.au by the 12th of each month. Thank you</p>

Presidents Prattle March 2011

Wow! What a great day the Patrons Rally turned out to be. We had 25 bikes on the run up to Springbrook and back with a few showers thrown in just to make the mountain roads a little slippery. Rod did a top job laying out the route and checkpoints. Gary turned out two terrific trophies for the winners. We should consider our club lucky to have Gary making such great trophies for us as they are unique to our club, thanks Gary. The food for the smoko and lunch was great and thanks to all those who helped out to make our patron Laurie Fletcher's day a top day. Congratulations to the two winners, club member Marty Frankcom and visitor Robert McCloud.

It looks like the monthly mid week run is really catching on. Rod had about 10 bikes on the last ride over the three mountains and was lucky to dodge the rain.

As we mentioned last time the kitchen is now in and looking great and will have its first test on the Patrons Rally.

If anyone can come up with a guest speaker for our meetings it would be greatly appreciated.

We spoke about the costs of running our club at the last meeting and they were on the increase due to rates, water charges, insurances, etc. To help cover costs we need to increase our membership, so if you know anyone who would like to become a member please bring them along, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks for now and see you all at the next meeting.

Cheers and safe riding.

Warrick

Club Meeting Wednesday March 30 at 730pm

Our guest speaker for our march meeting is our new club member Lindsay Donai who is bringing along a pair of sidecar racing outfits and will give us a talk about his sidecar racing days, thanks Lindsay.

Lindsay and Chris were 2009 Australian Post Classic Sidecar Champions.

March Mid-Week Ride - The Three Mountain Challenge

The reminder read “meet 9.00am for 9.30am ride. By 9.00am we already had several eager riders ready to hit the road and take on “The Three Mountain Challenge”. The weather forecast was for showers and thunder storms, but we were ready to take on the rain gods, and believe it or not – WE WON!

Just after 9.30 eleven of us left the Mudgeeraba club-house and headed up the first of the three peaks towards Springbrook. With several cars pulling off the road to give us ‘rite of passage’ we had an excellent run up and over the first of the three mountains. We were however slowed on one of the single lane bridges as someone had taken a detour through the guard rail.

We reached ‘Laurel Cottage’ at Lower Beechmont around 10.30am where owners Karen & Michael Beer looked after us with some great tea, coffee and other goodies that some of us should not have been eating.

A bit after 11.00am we left the café and headed up to Beechmont and down to Canungra. Mountain number two had been conquered.

We then headed up Tamborine Mountain Road towards the third high point of the journey. Just after 12.00 noon we pulled into the Eagle Heights Hotel for a well earned drink and lunch.



Not a bad way to celebrate the great achievement – 11 riders – 10 bikes – we took it on – we conquered - ‘The Three Mountain Challenge’ was ours!

By around 1.30pm, with full stomachs and a feeling of contentment, it was time to say farewell to our trusted companions and head our separate ways. For most – a bloody good sleep was in order!

Next month, 7th April, for those who wish to accept the challenge, we will be heading to Queen Mary Falls. We will be meeting at the Metz Café, Canungra around 8.00am for an 8.30 departure.

Smoko at Boonah, lunch at the Dugandan pub on the way back.

Rod Moorcroft

Well readers.

yet another great turn out, and great day had by the newly formed. CARDIO VASCULAR, STENT, chapter of the motor cycle enthusiast club, with a few diabetics, and blood pressure additions to the group, all adding colour and personality and wonderful company.

The ride started off in a grey /sunny overcast sort of way with intro's and a cuppa at the club and then we all ten of us, YES 10,,, set off. where you needed to ride to get air to be cool, and the bikes all, following road Capt. ROD. There were three BMW'S , Rods road star, Crazy Col's trumpy a guzzi, Harley ridden by a new comer Phil From NZ, Ron and Joan on the Honda, and Phil, on his Honda walk side car out fit.

We set off from the club, to places unknown by most, some wet road, but mostly dry conditions, and the three crazy speed nuts lead the way doing all they could to shake off the big Valkyrie. the back up riders in hot pursuit. The Guzzi making a particular nice note

resonating through the hills .



Morning tea, and chat was in a nice lil coffee stop, somewhere nice where only Rod was aware of where we were. it was cool out back of Springbrook, and fellow motorists seem to see our togetherness, and many a vehicle moved over to let us by so we could stay in formation. It just

goes to show ya .people love bikes, and love to hear em go by. then the ride carried on through more delightful countryside, till we hit Canungra, and a right turn up the goat track, to MT Tambo, over the hill to Lunch at eagle heights.

The view from that pub is the best in Australia , and with great company food drink, and conversations such as, the rise and fall of the third Reich, Casey stoner, Valintino Rossi, and other great topics , we passed away at least two hours or more. Service was friendly, the chit chat and food all totally enjoyable ,and at around about the right time , we each headed off at our leisure, all happy for the ride, and realization that we need to do this once a week , not once a month .

Friday night should be a hoot , and more to follow .on Sunday .that's what we do .Bike stuff .Cheers n beers , and stay upright.

Sidecar Phil

Patron's Rally Report

Rod Moorcroft - Event Co-ordinator.

Well it was another reminder that my name is spelt with an "R" and not a "G". The one thing I was not able to control on the day was the weather. We had 21 official entries for the rally with another couple of club members going along for the ride or assisting with manning checkpoints.

We had two retirements with Jenny Kibble losing all charge in the battery, and Don Kibble, being the thoughtful father he is, stayed with Jenny's bike whilst she went to collect the company van to transport the dead piece of machinery back to the clubhouse in time for lunch.

All other starters made it back to the club house safely, albeit a little wet. The great thing was that all were in good spirits on their return with plenty of stories being told over lunch. We also have photo evidence of several riders huddled under a bus shelter at Springbrook. And we all thought us bikers were a tough bunch???

For an event like this to be run, we always require a great deal of assistance from club members. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who assisted with the smooth running of the event. They all know who they are, and just some of the jobs that need to be carried out to run such an event included:

- Assistance with mapping & timing of course.
- Club house preparation.
- Trophies.
- Administration work including registration on the day & finances.
- Checkpoint marshals.
- Caterers, food preparation, cooks and general kitchen duties.
- End of day clean up.

And of course a big thank you to the participants. It was great to see the number bikes that turned out in spite of the weather. Let's face it that is what the day was about: riding motorcycles and "*Joining good companions in a shared pastime*". An objective we definitely achieved.

And of course we had to have a winner or two:

The best performance by a club member: **Martin Frankcom** losing only 12 points.

Best performance by a visitor and in fact best overall performance: **Robert McCloud** who lost only 5 points. Robert checked in at each checkpoint within 1 or 2 minutes of the standard.



“The Bus
Shelter”
Springbrook

For the wimps
When it’s
raining!!



Our Patron
Laurie,

Keeping things
under control

A great time was had once again by everyone at the Patron’s rally. Shame about the weather, but the sun eventually did come out to dry the wet riders!!

FUNDRAISING REPORT by Joan Graham

February was a good month with our Workshop day being a great success thanks to all who helped and demonstrated their arts.

We fed 70 people and with the profits we are donating my convection microwave oven to the club with Ronnie very generously putting the extra money towards a new one for our kitchen.

With all the renovations it was decided that the microwave in the old kitchen was not safe so this has been discarded and so the need to have a new oven was quite urgent and with this one we have the benefit of being a microwave and also a conventional oven and they are great.

Now I have a correction to make with the grant funding that is available. In finalising the grant I was informed that all the grants being Jupiter's and Gambling Community Benefits Fund are still running as normal so if we needed any more funding then it is still available

Also the Gold Coast City Council has a grant available at the moment for the Whole Of City grant and we are investigating if we can utilise this. It had to be something that can be available to the entire City of the Gold Coast so thinking caps on at the moment and it closes on the 23rd of this month so also not much time available. Will keep you posted on what is happening with this one.

We had a great Patrons Rally today with a good number of riders and people

Next event we have will be the social night this Friday night, 18th March.

Till next month
Joan Graham

A couple drove down a country road for several miles, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument and neither of them wanted to concede their position.

As they passed a barnyard of mules, goats, and pigs, the husband asked sarcastically, "Relatives of yours?"

"Yep," the wife replied, "In-laws."

Sent in by Janice Finch

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Hi there's not much to be said about our Library, because for a while we haven't had one!! And I've had an extra big one in my garage – about 75 extra books and maybe 800 magazines!!

It's been nice imagining they were all mine, and I've read a few.

However as soon as we have new shelves in our Club House, they will all be going back there. We want to label all the books first with the club name and maybe a gentle reminder to bring the books back when you have finished reading them.

There's always room for more books, so if you have any books that you would like to donate, feel free – not so with magazines, I think we have enough for the time being.

Now I have just finished reading "The Elephant Tale", a book I plan to donate to the Library. "Elephant" is a 2006 BMW GS Adventure that took Mike and Jo Hannan from Australia through Russia and Europe on a fantastic adventure, basically from the top of Africa right across the top of Russia.

The book is very well written and very interesting, Mike and Jo travelled very light and compact for two people travelling on a motorbike, and the good news is that they will be our guest speakers on April 27th at our club night.

When I say they, I mean all three, Mike, Jo and the Elephant, so it's going to be an interesting night, we hope to have a short meeting to give them as much time as we can.

In the book they quote a French writer Antoine de Saint Exupery 1900 –1944
"He would travel happily must travel light"

See you there

Wayne

Long Ride to Longreach – Anyone Interested?

Phil (Sidecar) Green and Rod Moorcroft are looking at planning a 10-day trip from Monday 8th August to Longreach via Monto and Emerald, then back to the coast via Charleville and Roma.

The ride to Longreach is planned to take 3 - 4 days with a similar timed return trip.

We still need to work out many aspects of the ride such as type of accommodation, stop over's, etc.

For anyone interested in finding out more or joining us in this planning stage, please contact either Phil or Rod.

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Rod Moorcroft Phone: 0411 127 017 Email: rgmoorcroft@bigpond.com

A Positive Note – What I've Learnt

I've learned that no matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it may be better tomorrow.

I've learned that you can tell a lot about a person by the way he/she handles a rainy day and lost luggage.

I've learned that regardless of your relationship with your parents, you'll miss them when they're gone from your life.

I've learned that making a "living" is not the same thing as making a "life."

I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance.

I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands. You need to be able to throw something back.

I've learned that whenever I decide something with an open heart, I usually make the right decision.

I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one.

I've learned that every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love that human touch - holding hands, a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back.

I've learned that I still have a lot to learn.

Sent in by Rod Moorcroft

Well readers, and riders.

Today wasif you like an under the table , coming in the back door , sort of secret ride .Due to the popularity, of mid week rides, and more members wanting them,and more of them, the issue not yet approved by the club, yes readers ..it happened .**An unofficial club run.** Now it departed from the club, But we cant confirm that ,and there were riders, but we cant confirm how many .only that one was a boarder collie crossed Shepherd. Yes readers a DOG!! Rodders, and side car Phil may have been there , but we wont divulge that info at this point ,we can though confirm the dog, and she is not an official member. But does have a soft spot for Rusty.

OK the ride supposedly set off down the HI way, and over the boarder into NSW. And after an hour or so, the very wind blown hound arrived at the river, and a great reunion was had by all, allegedly at Pauls farm.that also we wont confirm .Quad rides were had by all those who wanted the experience , and the shed full of classic art and farm relics , including one giant Python, was well worth the look. The Python was a sleep and didn't give a shit, but the fact it was there was cool.....
Supposedly..

Radical Rodders was seen to be enjoying the quad rides , supposedly, and Paul may or may not have done some demo burn outs ,and stunt riding. One thing we can confirm ..the dog, got covered in mud , and cow shit.and had to be chucked in a tub of water before being permitted into the side carthat we are not confirming was even there.

Paul hosting the event, Supposedly, lead the ride to a fine dining river side resort where lunch was served, and under a private lunch table ,and cool mid day cloud ,a great lunch and conversation were had by all SO we believe..We can confirm the dog enjoyed chips , prawn tails and a piece of Pauls fish .Exotic tea drinking has become part of these tours, that don't really happen , and so ..exotic tea was had by all, who attended .The dog also swam at the river , a ploy we believe by her mate , to remove some of the mud and cow shit ..this was witnessed by local residence also eating,and enjoying their own social lunch's and all under cover, and not really there. The ride home , if indeed the ride really happened would have been a great HI way run, and all those that attended , or didn't, bid farewell, and look forward to the next Ghost ride that wont really happen , but the dog will be there . the next exotic tea drinkers run..water was of course supplied to quench the hound .will never happen again, but those who are not interested may like to not, contact Rodders.

This blog was or was not submitted by Side car Phil, still cleaning the bloody cow shit out of the side car..... that was NOT ON THE RUN. .

FITTING AND RIDING MOTORCYCLES WITH SIDECARS

ARTICLE 1 (By Ron Hewitt)

Let us start from the beginning where we have a motorcycle and have just purchased a sidecar and are trying to fit it to the motorcycle.

The first thing to be considered is Lead, or the amount the sidecar wheel is in front of the rear wheel of the motorcycle.

Many people will tell you that you have to have so many inches but really it depends on the sidecar and the position of the weight of the passenger or freight is placed in relation to the sidecar wheel.

Confused, well lets look at the basics. Years ago most sidecars had the weight of the passenger over the sidecar wheel, while most modern sidecars have the weight in front of the wheel.

When the weight is over the wheel as years ago you could have little or no lead, in fact Harley Davidson today with their genuine sidecars still fit with no lead, or to put it another way the sidecar wheel is in line with the rear wheel of the motorcycle.

This has many advantages that when we corner the outfit the sidecar wheel does not scrub sideways and because the weight is at the rear of the sidecar on right hand corners the tipping action is reduced.

This system worked well for the older generation of motorcycles especially those with little power and front wheel weight, and of course speed was slow.

With most modern sidecars the weight has been moved forward of the sidecar wheel and therefore if we mount the sidecar with no lead it would try and tip when turning right, as the weight forward of the wheel would add to the tipping motion, "this is with a left hand fitted sidecar of course".

So if the weight is in front of the sidecar wheel, we have to move the sidecar wheel forward in relation to the rear wheel of the motorcycle, but how much.

As we move the wheel forward the sidecar wheel has to crab sideways when we turn the outfit in either direction, in fact if we have a lot of lead and a large load in the sidecar the effort needed to crab the sidecar wheel sideways can be so great that the front wheel of the motorcycle can cease to steer the outfit and just slide, not a desired result.

Years ago when we fitted sidecars all the old blokes had a preference for how much lead depending on the weight carried and riding technique, I remember a plumber friend with a Harley and large box sidecar always had the box full of galvanised plumbing fittings so it probably weighed a ton or more, we always fitted it with little or no lead as in this case it would have been impossible to steer otherwise.

So how much lead do we need, with most modern fibreglass sidecars with the weight in front of the wheel as before discussed, a good place to start is to place the sidecar in a position with no more than 9 Inches of lead, a good way to judge this is if the sidecar wheel axle lines up with the front edge of the rear rim of the motorcycle rear wheel it is usually about right.

Definitely do not have excess lead as you may ride the outfit successfully for some time but then load the sidecar with more weight than usual, if the front wheel of the motorcycle goes over a white line or something slippery it will cease to have enough force to slide the sidecar wheel sideways, this then means the sidecar wheel becomes the steering wheel and the outfit will track straight ahead and not respond to your handlebar input, this of course can be frightening especially for the novice rider.

Having decided on the amount of lead before we can start connecting up we have to consider the width of the outfit, if fitting a small single seat sidecar to a large motorcycle it is advisable to have it as far away from the motorcycle as possible unless you are an experienced rider and prefer it in close, but for the rest of us there is nothing worse than a sidecar which wants to fly every time you look at the slightest left hand turn, so try and fit it as far away from the motorcycle as possible without making it unpleasant to look at.

If the sidecar is a wide double adult then the closer to the motorcycle the better, as width causes drag and the further out from the bike the more we will have to try and compensate for it with toe in which we will discuss in a later article.

But make it look right, nothing looks worse than too much or too little space between the motorcycle and sidecar, also make it comfortable, too close means you may boot "she who must be obeyed" in the head every time you get on the bike which may not be a good result, too far away will not only increase the drag but upset the handling especially in right hand turns and of course spoil the appearance of the outfit.

Now we have placed the sidecar alongside the motorcycle and decided on the exact position in regard to lead and width we are ready to level it all up allowing for suspension travel etc and look at fitting it to the motorcycle with either flexible or fixed mountings and the reasons why which will be the content of my next article.

A man entered the bus with both of his front pockets full of golf balls and sat down next to a beautiful (you guessed it) blonde.

The puzzled blonde kept looking at him and his bulging pockets. Finally, after many such glances from her, he said "it's golf balls."

Nevertheless, the blonde continued to look at him for a very long time, thinking deeply about what he said.

After several minutes, not being able to contain her curiosity any longer, she asked "Does it hurt as much as tennis elbow?" !!!

Growing Up Vs Growing Old:

The first day of school our professor introduced himself and challenged us to get to know someone we didn't already know. I stood up to look around when a gentle hand touched my shoulder. I turned around to find a wrinkled, little old lady beaming up at me with a smile that lit up her entire being. She said, "Hi handsome. My name is Rose. I'm eighty - seven years old. Can I give you a hug?" I laughed and enthusiastically responded, "Of course you may!" and she gave me a giant squeeze.

"Why are you in college at such a young, innocent age?" I asked. She jokingly replied, "I'm here to meet a rich husband, get married, have a couple of children, and then retire and travel." "No seriously," I asked. I was curious what may have motivated her to be taking on this challenge at her age. "I always dreamed of having a college education and now I'm getting one!" she told me.

After class we walked to the student union building and shared a chocolate milkshake. We became instant friends. Every day for the next three months we would leave class together and talk non-stop. I was always mesmerised listening to this "time machine" as she shared her wisdom and experience with me.

Over the course of the year, Rose became a campus icon and she easily made friends wherever she went. She loved to dress up and she revelled in the attention bestowed upon her from the other students. She was living it up. At the end of the semester we invited Rose to speak at our football banquet. I'll never forget what she taught us.

She was introduced and stepped up to the podium. As she began to deliver her prepared speech, she dropped her three by five cards on the floor. Frustrated and a little embarrassed she leaned into the microphone and simply said "I'm sorry I'm so jittery. I gave up beer for Lent and this whisky is killing me! I'll never get my speech back in order so let me just tell you what I know."

As we laughed she cleared her throat and began: "We do not stop playing because we are old; we grow old because we stop playing. There are a few secrets to staying young, being happy, and achieving success. "You have to laugh and find humour every day." "You've got to have a dream. When you lose your dreams, you die. We have so many people walking around who are dead and don't even know it!"

"There is a huge difference between growing older and growing up. If you are nineteen years old and lie in bed for one full year and don't do one productive thing, you will turn twenty years old. If I am eighty-seven years old and stay in bed for a year and never do anything I will turn eighty-eight. Anybody can grow older. That doesn't take any talent or ability. The idea is to grow up by always finding the opportunity in change." "Have no regrets. The elderly usually don't have regrets for what we did, but rather for things we did not do. The only people who fear death are those with regrets."

She concluded her speech by courageously singing "The Rose."

She challenged each of us to study the lyrics and live them out in our daily lives.

At the year's end Rose finished the college degree she had begun all those years ago.

One week after graduation Rose died peacefully in her sleep.

Over two thousand college students attended her funeral in tribute to the wonderful woman who taught by example that it's never too late to be all you can possibly be.

Sent in by Rod Moorcroft

Here's a truly heart warming story about the bond formed between a little 5-year-old girl and some construction workers that will make you believe that we all can make a difference when we give a child the gift of our time.

A young family moved into a house, next to a vacant block. One day, a Construction crew turned up to start building a house on the empty block. The young family's 5-year-old daughter naturally took an interest in all the activity going on next door and spent much of each day observing the workers.

Eventually the construction crew, all of them "gems-in-the-rough," more or less, adopted her as a kind of project mascot.

They chatted with her, let her sit with them while they had tea and lunch breaks, and gave her little jobs to do here and there to make her feel important. At the end of the first week, they even presented her with a pay envelope containing ten dollars. The little girl took this home to her mother who suggested that she take her ten dollars "pay" she'd received to the bank the next day to start a savings account.

When the girl and her mum got to the bank, the teller was equally impressed and asked the little girl how she had come by her very own pay envelope at such a young age. The little girl proudly replied,

"I worked last week with a real construction crew building the new house next door to us."

"Oh my goodness gracious," said the teller, "and will you be working on the house again this week, too?"

The little girl replied, "I will, if those pricks at Bunnings ever deliver the f****ng gyprock..."

Kind of brings a tear to the eye - doesn't it?

WHILE THE WIFE'S AWAY!!!!

Who was the clever little motorcyclist, who utilised his wife's dishwasher while she was out to clean his aluminium cylinder head.

Turned out with a sparkling Finish!!!



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NEXT SOCIAL NIGHT
March 18th 2011

Events Calendar:

* **March 18th** - Friday Night Social – Club House 6.00pm.

* **March 19-20** – HMCCQ Sunshine Coast, Maleny Swap.

* **March 30th** – Monthly Club Meeting – Arrive 7.30pm for 8.00pm start.

April

* 3rd April - Sun Ride to Ma Ma Creek. Depart club house 8.00am. (Yatala Pies 8.45)

* 6th April - Wed MECGC: Committee meeting

* 7th April - Thur. Mid-week run. Meet at the Metz Café, Canungra around 8.00am for an 8.30 departure..

* 9-10 April - Sat/Sun HMCCQ Pine Rivers, Veteran, Vintage & Girder Fork Rally

* 10 April - Sun. Shannons Auto Spectacular – Willowbank Raceway from 7.00am.

* 16-17 April - Haigslea Swap – HMCCQ Brisbane & Ipswich Areas.

* 22-25 April - Easter

* 27th April - Wed MECGC: Monthly meeting at Club House

May

* 4th May - Wed MECGC: Committee meeting

* 5th May - Thur. Mid-week run. Meet clubhouse 9.00am for 9.30run.

* 8th May - Sun Mother's Day – no ride!

* 15th May - Sun Maclean's Bridge at Lakeside – Sports & Classis Car Festival. Meet at BP Coomera for 7.30am departure.

* 22nd May - Sun Ride to Ray Owens Classic Motorcycle Show & Swap.

* 25th May - Wed MECGC: Monthly meeting at Club House

Another way to stay informed is to send me your email address and I will send out reminders one week prior to a ride, and again a couple of days before. My email:

rgmoorcroft@bigpond.com Ph: 0411 127 017.

***GROWING OLDER IS MANDATORY,
GROWING UP IS OPTIONAL.***

Sent in by Rod Moorcroft



A tough looking group of bikers were riding when they saw a girl about to jump off a bridge so they stop.

The leader, a big burly man, gets off his bike and says, "What are you doing?"

"I'm going to commit suicide," she says.

While he did not want to appear insensitive, he didn't want to miss an opportunity he asked "Well, before you jump, why don't you give me a kiss?"

So, she does and it was a long, deep lingering kiss.

After she's finished, the biker says, "Wow! That was the best Kiss I have ever had. That's a real talent you are wasting. You could be famous. Why are you committing suicide?"

"My parents don't like me dressing up like a girl....."

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FINANCIAL YEAR 1 JULY 2010 TO 30 JUNE 2011

The Committee reserves the right to refuse membership to any person deemed unsuitable in character or for any reason and will not be obliged to explain to the applicant

PAST, PRESENT and NEW members are required to complete this form annually because it will be bound into book form at the end of the year to form a completed volume within the Club's formal records.

RENEWAL

NEW MEMBERSHIP

Please Print. Name: _____ Signature: _____

Please Print. Spouse: _____ Signature: _____

Please Print. Address: _____

City or Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____

Phones (home): _____ (Work): _____ (Mobile): _____

Email Address: _____

MACHINE DETAILS (Optional - For the Club Register only not for publication):

Year	Make	Capacity	Condition	Reg no.

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

New applicants must be nominated and seconded by existing members, only then will the application be considered by the Committee

Nominated by (Print Name): _____ Signature: _____

Seconded by (Print Name): _____ Signature: _____

Receipt No.: _____ Date: _____

Approved by Committee

Membership List

Link Distribution

Checked/filed.....

Club Secretary.....



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.

There is a monthly meeting held on the last Wednesday of each month at our club rooms:

*Heritage Centre, 238 Mudgeeraba Road, Mudgeeraba.
(Entrance to Heritage Village is opposite Milky Way)*

Come along and enjoy a cup of Tea, coffee or a beer and have a chat with our many experienced riders before the meeting commences at 8.00pm.

We also have guest speakers each month, when available, and these talks are always very interesting and informative.

At least once a month there is a club run, with other casual rides organised to similar rallies and motorcycle events held by other clubs.

"The Link", our club magazine, is e-mailed directly to you (or posted if you do not have internet access), on a monthly basis. The magazine has information on our club runs and also activities and rallies held by other clubs. There are also reports, photos and articles which have been sent in by our club members.