

Hi all and welcome to the August News Letter

### **HMCC Presidents Report August 2023**

**Hello Riders** 

Great to be into the last month of winter with spring and in theory better riding weather round the corner. In anticipation if this now is a good time to check your gear and bike are ready. This can also make sense financially as this is the quietest time of year for the motorcycle industry. Which could mean the chance of picking up a bargain or a fast turn around booking you bike in for a service. Support our dealers that support us.



I am also looking forward to spring as a bunch of us are off to the MotoGP in Thailand at the Chang International Circuit. Following this we have two weeks riding Honda CRF150s around Northern Vietnam. I will no doubt prove a complete contrast to my usual riding, can't wait.



In the meantime, there are more club rides to coming up each month so keep an eye on our Facebook page as we use this to get the word out. If you are off on a ride and would like to boost your numbers post to our page and we will share it share it around.

We will hopefully have a highly anticipated new model on display at this Thursdays club night and or a very rare exotic.

See you there

Chris Bridge

HMCC President

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# Calendar for the month:

### This month s meeting is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug

Club night to feature new Moto Guzzi V1000 Mandello from NV Motorcycles



# **ROAD RIDES**

#### **HMCC** August Road Ride

When: Saturday/Sunday - August 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>

Meet: BP Rototuna

Leaving: 9:30 a.m.

This is our annual Coromandel overnighter. Ask me why we do this in August and I'll say "Why not? It's just another adventure." We will be riding through Paeroa > Waihi > Whangamata given the state of the Kopu-Hikuai Road this year.

This year we are staying at the Coromandel Top 10 Holiday Park in the middle of town. Just a small walk to the eateries and drinking establishments.

ACCOMMODATION. It comes as no surprise that the various cabins and other accommodation are not heavily booked at all. I will be booking a couple of the larger cabins to accommodate perhaps 6 – 8 riders. You will need to bring a pillow case, top sheet (or sleeping bag) and towels. Bottom sheets, pillows, and a duvet are provided. The club will be booking the accommodation and I will confirm the cost when I know the numbers coming. If staying in a shared cabin I expect the cost per person to be about \$30 to \$50 per person depending on the desired people per cabin. There will be some room to manoeuvre on this. Cabins are adjacent to the shared bathrooms.

PLEASE CONTACT ME TO CONFIRM YOU ARE COMING. This guarantees a spot in the booked cabins. It also means I can book more if the numbers warrant it. If you decide to come at the last minute it may be possible there will be vacancies. But there's no guarantee.

COUPLES or OTHER. If you are a couple and don't mind kipping with others in a cabin, there will be double beds. If you are a couple or individual (other) and want a room to yourself, contact me to discuss. You may also want to review and arrange your own accommodation at the Top 10 Holiday Park, or elsewhere, if you prefer. Give me a call to discuss either possibility if you want.

Ray

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### **ROAD RIDE UPDATES – HMCC Road Riders Text Group**

The road rides are being publicised on Facebook and through the monthly email magazine. We will only be doing updates by Facebook and text.

Text me if you want to be included in the HMCC text group. Facebook and email have distinct limitations.

## TRIALS

Aug 20 HMCC Trials Air Cooled/Twin Shock champs at Kimihia lake.

## **RIDER/S WANTED**

Six Hour Race Manfield later this year

Anyone keen to make up part of a team with club member Allan Crouch?

600 or Open class bike, you'll need to do approx 2 hours in stints of 20 - 30 minutes or so.

Get hold of Allan 021 909 463

# **NEWS & REPORTS**

Hot Pool Ride

HMCC July 2023 Road Ride

The July days are short and wintry, so a hot pool ride seemed in order and Te Aroha was chosen as we have been there before and it has a pool that is hot enough to laze in.

The July road ride followed on from a lacklustre wet June and ride cancellation for the Mid-Winter Dip ride to a Whangamata. The day was cool and overcast but little, if any, showers were set to be fronting up.



Five bikes and eight riders and pillions turned up for a sleep in time of leaving at 10 from BP Tristram. I have the BMW R1200ST out of the garage for riding these days. Kev Hooper came on his Bandit. John and Denise were on the big Honda tourer all the way from Nikau Cave territory. Sharon & Pete arrived on the Honda ST1300 and brought along friends Arthur and Anna on a Harley.



We rode out to Te Miro and took Waterworks Road over to cover various Kiwitahi and Walton roads. Some of these were newish to me, so I went ahead to check with my map notes so we could drop in for a cuppa before getting to the hot pools. The untravelled roads are a lesson in backroad NZ and a feeling of being lost. Luckily there was small chance of that happening in that area of backroad NZ. But, unfortunately, I'd written down a left turn when it should have been a right ... and got it wrong! But we got to familiar roads and on to the café. I'd scouted a café at Waitoa showing on Google Maps called "Jan Shoemark Glass Artist / Bell Cottage Crafts" that sounded promising. There was no trace of it!

The decision was made to get to Te Aroha promptly for a pit stop. We all decided we were more interested in café comforts than getting wet, so it was off to the Old Forge Cafe on Stanley Road (a couple of kms past the Te Aroha racecourse). As we rode in to the parking at the back, the staff had seen us and had a table for 8 ready for us as we walked in. The food is good, well priced and the service excellent, so there was no reason to rush and cause any dyspepsia.



Being well fed while the clock kept turning, it was time to head home. The three pillion laden bikes decided to cruise on home down SH26 while Kevin and I went home via Tahuroa Road. I hadn't been on this lovely bit of backroad NZ before. It runs adjacent to Scotmans Valley Road. It's off Tauwhare Road; when coming from Hamilton, go left at Tauwhare and take a right about 1 km down the road.

See you for the August overnighter to Coromandel

**Cheers Ray** 

## TRIALS

Hi All, Sunday's Results.

Great turn-out.

### Hamilton Motorcycle Club

#### 2020 Trials Championships

#### Round 3 @ McKenzie's

Date:		Name Bike		Laps				Total	Cleans	Points
23/07/2023				1	2	3	4			
Expert/A Grade	1	Phil Shilton	Beta	12	18	12	8	50		0
Expert/A Grade	2									
Expert/A Grade	3									
Intermediate	1	Elliot Kent	4RT	8	7	2	1	18		0
Intermediate	2	James Snowden	TYZ 250	14	3	2	4	23		0
Intermediate	3	Colin Godsell	4RT	8	8	7	6	29		20
Intermediate	4	Colin Downs	Vertigo	9	11	5	5	30	Note 1	18
Intermediate	5	Grant Thwaites	TRS	10	7	8	5	30	Note 1	18
Intermediate	6	Kevin Gundry	Montesa	16	6	12	2	36		0
Intermediate	7	Gary Samson	TRS	16	6	13	5	40		14
Sportsman	1	Paul Symons	Vertigo	1	0	0	0	1		0
Sportsman	2	Shane Ace	Beta	1	1	0	3	5		0
Sportsman	3	Roger Mahoney	GasGas	2	3	1	2	8		0
Sportsman	4	Nigel Shilton	Beta	3	1	4	1	9		0
Sportsman	5	Mark Patterson	GasGas	5	5	2	0	12		0
Sportsman	6	Daniel Hill	Beta	5	3	4	6	18		0
Sportsman	7	Mathew Farrell	GasGas	9	5	5	5	24		0
Sportsman	8	Terry Williamson	GasGas	6	6	11	4	27		0
Sportsman	9	Jeff Gray	Sherco	11	11	7	6	35		0
Sportsman	10	Mark Pollard	Jotagas	15	12	14	14	55		11
Sportsman	11									10
Sportsman	12									
Clubman	1	Warwick Merriman	Vertigo	0	0	0	0	0	Note 1	0
Clubman	2	Jim Henderson	Jotagas	0	0	0	0	0	Note 1	25
Clubman	3	Lisa Evans	Beta	3	3	4	5	15		20
Clubman	4	Francis Sydenham	EM	10	1	2	3	16	Note 1	18
Clubman	5	Neil McCabe	4RT	6	2	6	2	16	Note 1	18
Clubman	6	lan Bull	GasGas	11	4	3	4	22		15
Clubman	7	Peter Hall	Sherco					no cards	]	

Clubman	8	Nikita Sidorenko	GasGas					no card
Clubman	9	Harrison Dredge	GasGas					no card
Clubman	10							
Clubman	11							
Clubman	12							
Clubman								
Clubman								
Social		Hamish Mark	GasGas	0	0	2	1	3
Social		Oscar Gilbert	Sherco	5	7	5	8	25
Social		Alexsey Mark	Oset	10	14	14	11	49
Social		Heather Gilbert	Sherco	23	18	23	13	77
Mini		Lewis Speedy	GasGas					No Card
Mini		Alex Hall	Oset					No Card
Note 1	The	se riders could not be sep	parated on count back	to 3				