



# *The Flywheel*

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**Central Coast Classic Motor Cycle Club Inc.**  
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*Tim Corlett - Club Member of the Year*

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**MEETINGS:** Held on the **4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday** each month (except December) at Ourimbah-Lisarow RSL Club, Pacific Highway, Ourimbah commencing at 7:30 p.m. Visitors welcome.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Open to persons with an active interest in the preservation, restoration and use of Veteran, Vintage and Classic motorcycles.

## President's Annual Report

Well, the Club is back and running. Since 26 June the activities of our club were suspended due to the tough Covid restrictions imposed by the Federal Government and Health Organisations to combat the Covid pandemic.

As I reported to you in the October general meeting, although Club meetings and club sanctioned rides were suspended due to the Covid restrictions your committee has kept thing running through online meetings. October saw our first general meeting in months. Under the circumstances and with short notice the meeting was well attended. Steve Cooper won the raffle and arrangements for the October Hub Run were made.

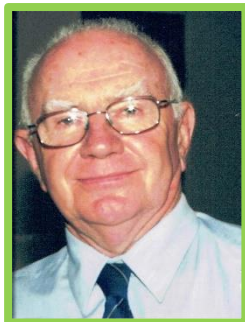
Thirty-eight attended the Hub Run at Woodbury Park held on 31 October. Bob DeVries had his recently married daughter, and three friends attend. They must have brought Bob good luck because he won the 'lucky draw.' Adrian organised a short bike run through the valley. Members should consider supporting these short bike runs because they are a part of the history of a Hub Run. Thanks to the helpers on the day and your help is greatly appreciated.

This is the final General Meeting for 2021. Thanks to the committee members for their continued interest and enthusiasm to run our club and I will thank them further in the Annual General Meeting later. Thanks to everyone who attended meetings, provided valuable input at the meetings and genuinely had our club at heart. Thanks to the holders of all positions in the club, from our caterer, our Librarian, our Property Officer through all those positions. In your way you help our club to continue.

As you will see throughout this meeting and the AGM to follow, generally and financially the club is in a sound position which has been achieved through a tough year.

*Peter Redman*

President



## Secretary's Report

2021 turned out to be another year of restricted club activities thanks to the Wuhan Virus. If anything, it was much more complicated with long-term lockdowns being imposed by the Government. Of course, we were not alone there and many parts of the world suffered in one way or another. As mentioned in the President's report, your committee managed to keep on top of things and did the best we could for our members.

We were fortunate to finally be able to get back to our meetings in October and the AGM, held in November, was well attended with 44 members present. The election of office bearers went smoothly with only one committee position to be filled at the meeting. Stephen Marcuccio accepted nomination to that position. Thanks Stephen. For the full list of office bearers and other positions please refer to page 2 of this edition.

Our long-serving Editor, Clint Williams, has finally decided to call it a day. Unfortunately, none of the members present at the AGM wanted the job. If you are interested, please contact me for further information.

During the year we received a steady stream of enquiries about club membership and a number of new applications. Total membership is currently 154.

**New Members:** A warm welcome to Rob Greig, Brett Newcombe, Bronson Gunter, Don Schmitzer, Steve Graham, Wayne Harris, Rob Sunderland, Peter Stelle, Craig Bunyon, Nige Blower, Tony Saxby, and Jack Robinson.

*Mark Gattenhof*

Secretary

## Annual Financial Report 2020-2021

Income	2021	2020
Interest Received – Term Deposit	105.15	163.42
Interest Received – Main Account	1.04	0.98
Membership Fees	4,740.00	5,436.00
Raffles	0.00	638.30
Regalia	810.00	600.00
Runs & Functions	568.10	2,229.35
Rally	0.00	6,542.50
Sundry Items	403.20	141.00
Total Income	\$6,627.49	\$15,588.13
Expenditure		
Bank Fees	0.00	1.60
Administration	1,295.51	1,126.09
Raffles	50.00	62.00
Regalia	2,129.26	393.47
Runs & Functions	147.65	3,031.33
Magazine	355.25	880.36
Web Site	648.00	648.00
Rally	0.00	4,8582.35
Sundry Items (see note below)	4,136.01	503.16
Total Expenditure	\$8,761.68	\$11,498.36
Net Profit/Loss for Year	<b>-\$2,134.19</b>	\$4,089.77

Sundry Items: Transfer to Term Deposit - \$1,733.71; Marquee - \$1,626.35; Other - \$775.95.

*Jim Hamilton*  
Treasurer

## Registrar's Report

A wide variety of bikes on Historic Registration ranging from a 1936 Rudge Ulster to a 1991 Kawasaki. We also have a few 4-wheeled vehicles, the most impressive being a 1930 Rolls Royce Phantom! Honda seems to be the predominant two-wheeler with 56, whilst the British brigade have Triumph leading with 23.

Make	Number	Make	Number
Acme	1	Montesa	1
AJS	3	Moto Guzzi	3
BMW	24	Norton	13
BSA	18	Panther	2
Bultaco	1	Rudge	2
Douglas	2	Sunbeam	1
Ducati	5	Suzuki	7
Harley-Davidson	10	Triton	1
Hercules	1	Triumph	23
Honda	56	Velocette	5
Jawa	1	Vincent	5
Kawasaki	26	Yamaha	15
Matchless	4		

*Fabian Mensitieri*  
Registrar



## Rockers Forever

(Submitted by George Burroughs)



Once upon a time it was all so simple, all so straightforward. There was you, your bike and your mates – and pretty much that was it! Oh, sure there was other important stuff too – music, girls and looking right – but all that came naturally.

Everything just dropped into place. The only things that really mattered were power, chrome, finned cylinders, glorious alloy tanks with Monza caps and clip down straps!

No one had your personal details on a computer, no one was going to clone your credit card, people you'd never heard of didn't try to sell you stuff you didn't want and didn't need every minute of your life, the boss was the boss and you weren't, and no matter who your mum and dad voted for, the Government got elected and got on with everything without bothering you!

There was only one television channel and, anyway, the picture was dreadful and the programmes were worse – and it all dissolved into a little white ball at 10pm.

Heaven knows you had more important things to do – like mess with your mates, listen to the latest records, cadge a couple of bob off your mum for a packet of fags, and flick through mucky black and white bike mags, trying to decide on a chrome peak for your headlight or bacon slicers for your front wheel! Best of all the cafes were warm, the juke box was always playing and the roads were empty - and the fastest thing that wasn't you would be a Mk 2 Jag. It was raw, it was exciting and it was about being alive rather than just existing.

Is this just nostalgia? Well yes – and it's none the worse for that. What's so wrong with nostalgia? Maybe it's time to get a bit selective, at last, and start sifting through all the nonsense that we are bombarded with, day – in and day out! Time to say no thanks mate to Justine {bloody} Bieber, mobile phones, skinny lattes and some plastic wrapped bike that

does a mad 200mph, time to turn back to The Troggs, The Dave Clarke Five and the Ace Café and a real honest – to goodness bike made in Britain!

The last bit is, of course so important; so fundamental; when did you last spend a jolly Sunday afternoon just fiddling with a Kawasukiyonda? And have it sorted so that you could go to work on it first thing on the Monday. Daft question. You can't swap the exhausts and pegs and the tank and the bars and the seat on an utterly characterless, one – of – a – million – made – this – year – Oriental – screecher. Not unless you've a degree in astrophysics, a workshop that NASA would be proud of and a budget that stretches from your front door to the end of the street.

No, it's time to peel away the nonsense, dump those iPhones, and get back to basics – and the basics are:

One large capacity British bike with a soul, one shed with a set of spanners and a hammer, one dealer who can supply everything to make the bike really yours, one black leather jacket with studs and a few badges, one girlfriend with a nice smile and her own chewing gum, one steamy-windowed café, with sickly tea and a great juke box, 10 bob in your back pocket and a dozen mates who understand all the above, and that's it!

Two sugars in mine Luv!

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## Christmas Party 2021

A good turnout for our last function for the year with no less than 69 members and partners turning out for a well-organised function held at Gosford Golf Club. The venue was superb with a view over the golf links and away to the leafy west. Entertainment was provided by Bobby K and also some humorous twists on well-known Christmas Carols, one of which was the *Five Days* of Christmas and involved some audience participation. Cimi Ross goaded her table into the spirit of the song and they took out first prize.

President Peter thanked all for coming and paid tribute to the hard work done by the committee during the long lockdown period. He also mentioned several of our Life Members who were present, Col Graham, Jack Taylor, Nick Vassilopoulos, John Mills, and Mark & Marilyn Gattenhof.

Tim Corlett was awarded the Club Member of the Year trophy for his hard work in organising the rally which, unfortunately, fell into a heap when the lockdown took place.

Popular member Jack Taylor, who turned 96 the week before, was singled out for special mention along with a birthday cake organised by Col & Noleen. Jack has been a member since 1995 and is still riding, albeit on a restricted licence. He told me that his regular ride is a Postie Bike which can do 85 kph! He still throws a leg over his Velocette or Vincent when he gets the chance.

The ham raffle was quite popular but there could only be one winner and Jim Elderfield went home a happy man.

## Member Profile – George Burroughs

Peter Redman interviews George Burroughs

Q: Where were you born?

A: Bearpark, County Durham, England (north east England just below Newcastle).

Q: Did you have a nickname?

A: I was known as “Geordie” to my Army mates.

Q: What did you do in the Army?

A: I joined the British Army just before my 16<sup>th</sup> birthday and served for 25 years with the Royal Engineers. Detachments included Germany, Northern Ireland, Canada, Nepal, Hong Kong and Oman. I was also seconded to the Royal Brunei Armed Forces for three years.

In 1987 I was sent to the small volcanic island of Tanna in Vanuatu as part of a five-man team from the British Army to rebuild bridges and roads following the devastation caused by *Cyclone Uma*. It was the most satisfying 4 months of my military career, constructing concrete abutments and bridges with local labour.



Comment: George is supported in life and his club activities by his wife, Helga.

Q: When did you start riding?

A: I started riding motorcycles when I was 16 years of age, (too young to get a motorcycle licence) and am still a keen rider (with a valid licence).

Q: What was your first motorcycle?

A: Triumph Tiger Cub 200 cc.

Q: What motorcycles have you owned?

A: I currently own a 1972 Triumph Tiger and a 650cc Yamaha Virago. Other bikes I've owned are Honda Dream 250cc, a Suzuki V Strom and a Yamaha Diversion.

Q: What is your favourite motorcycle?

A: No doubt about it - a 650cc Triumph Bonnie... but with electric ignition!



Q: When did you join the CCCMCC?

A: 2011.



Q: What positions have you held in CCCMCC?

A: I was the Club Treasurer from 2016-2020.

Comment: George carried out his position of Treasurer methodically and professionally and was awarded the 2020 Club Member of the year for his tireless work for the club.

Q: What other Interests/hobbies do you have?

A: Rugby Union, Viking Mythology and watching 'Heartbeat' and the Isle of Man TT.

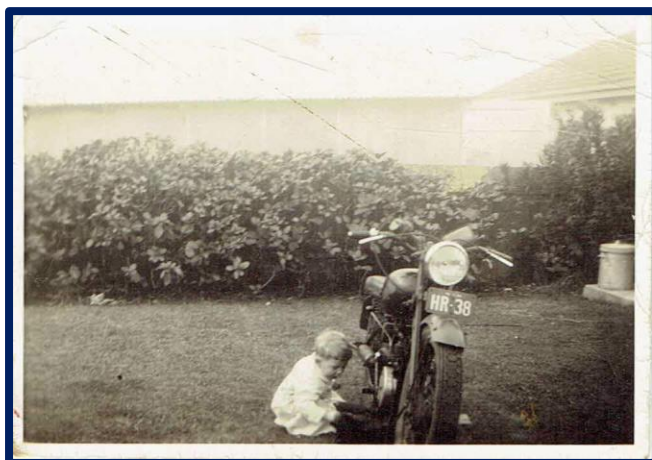
Q: Do you have any other comments?

A: I joined the 59 Club on my 17<sup>th</sup> Birthday, this was then run by Father Bill Shergold with the aim of keeping 'Rockers' out of trouble and off the streets. It was run in tandem with the Ace Café. This was the 'Golden Age' to own a big bike... timed runs between the Ace Café and Busy Bee Café (forerunner of the Café Racer), Mods and Rocker 'picnics' on the beach, The Who, The Kinks and the British police on 250cc Ariel Leaders (two stroke?). Unfortunately, I now have trouble kicking my Triumph over and therefore mostly ride my 250cc Virago with electric ignition... but that is a small price to pay to be part of a club of dedicated members, share yarns of bygone days and memorable 'runs' and of course the occasional low cholesterol sausage sizzle! Thanks Lads.



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### Guess Who?



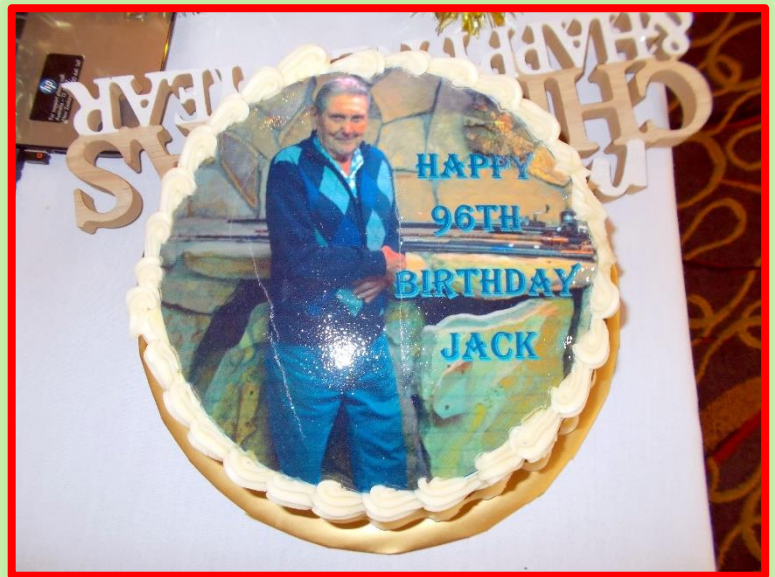
A well-known club member seen here working on his first motor bike (actually his Dad's), a Villiers-engined Waratah, c.1948.



## Christmas Party Photos



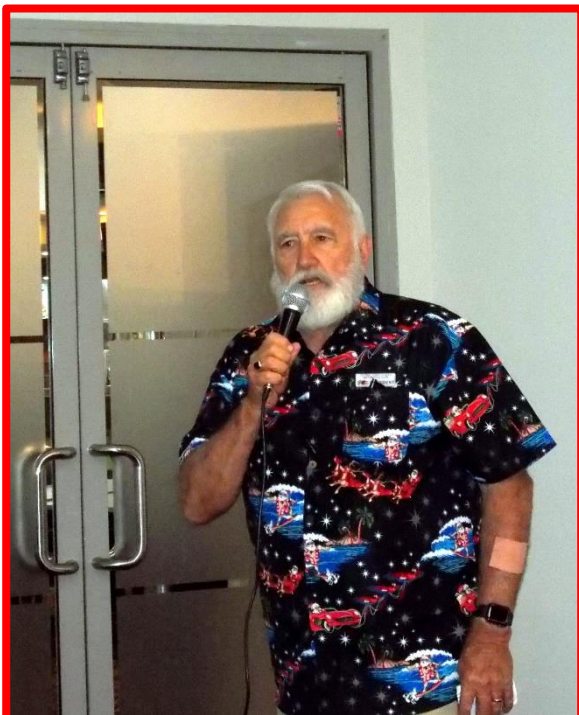
*Jack & June Taylor*



*A Special Cake for a Special Man*



*A Room With A View*



*The President's Speech*



*Enjoying the Festivities*



## For Sale

### Triumph Oil Tank – Complete with filler cap and filter.



Suits 1969-70 Meriden 650cc models. Looks a bit rough but there are no dents or broken brackets. I recently had one blasted and painted and it came up like new. Oil tank: Triumph Part No. F11763; Cap: Part No. F9659; Filter: Triumph Part No. F3179. Note: the filter included is not actually the right one for that part number. It has a longer stem.

\$150

Contact Mark: 02 4328 4060 or email  
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### Sidecar Tyres

2 tyres - Metzeler 'K' Block 4.00x18

New & unused

Suitable for sidecars

\$120 each

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## Events Calendar

**Please note:** Events may be cancelled at short notice. This will be advised to members via email. If a Hub Run is "rained out" it will be held on the following Sunday. Also check the Events page on the club web site at [cccmcc.com.au](http://cccmcc.com.au). Wednesday & Friday there is a club ride to Jerry's Café at Kulnura. Any other club events will be listed as they come to hand. Committee meetings commence at 7.00 p.m. General meetings commence at 7.30 p.m.

<b>January 2022</b>	<b>July 2022</b>
Tues 18 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 25 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 30 Hub Run	Tues 19 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 26 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 31 Hub Run
<b>February 2022</b>	<b>August 2022</b>
12-13 Orange Rally Tues 15 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 22 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 27 Hub Run -Woy Woy	Tues 16 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 23 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 28 Hub Run
<b>March 2022</b>	<b>September 2022</b>
Sun 6 Motorcycle Only Swap Meet – Wakefield Park Raceway (Goulburn) 12-13 Canberra Rally Tues 15 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 22 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 27 Hub Run – Show & Shine – Norah Head	Tues 20 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 27 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL <b>Pelican Rally tba</b>
<b>April 2022</b>	<b>October 2022</b>
Tues 19 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 26 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL	Tues 18 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 25 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 30 Hub Run
<b>May 2022</b>	<b>November 2022</b>
Sun 1 Hub Run Tues 17 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 24 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 29 Hub Run	Tues 15 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 22 <b>AGM</b> Ourimbah RSL
<b>June 2022</b>	<b>December 2022</b>
Tues 14 Committee Meeting Ourimbah RSL Tues 21 General Meeting Ourimbah RSL Sun 26 Hub Run	Sun 4 Hub Run Sun 11 <b>Christmas Party tba</b>



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