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January Newsletter

**Timaru, Temuka and Geraldine
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Hi TTAG,

As some of you will know Maxine is still recovering slowly from her accident and unable to do our newsletter, bugger! So I am knocking one up. It's a little early but there is such a lot happening I want the snail mail folks to know of upcoming events.

Firstly we have the Hororata and Vincent County rallies both coming up this coming weekend. No doubt we will have delegations going in both directions and I know Rowdy is not going to either of them so I am happy to coordinate whose going and when. So if you are let me know and I will pass it on and you can ride with your mates.

The big one coming up is our Poker Run

Some details below of the TTAG Poker Run from Jock who is organizing this one

Accommodation is Keswick Camp in Pounaweia, 10 minutes from Owaka.

Poker run will be sorted before we get there will discuss details with you at a later date.

Keswick Accommodation Details.

Accommodation Twin Rooms \$20 per person per night

20 Rooms Total Booked from Friday 13th February check out 15th. (can book more if need be)

Communal facilities - We have the use of both the smaller kitchen and also the large commercial kitchen & BBQ

Communal Bathroom - We have private use of these shared bathrooms, females & males.

We will be leaving Liz & Rowdy's place 1.00 pm Friday the 13th February,

Travel Based on no stops

Timaru - Mosgiel 2 Hours 20 Minutes

Mosgiel - Balclutha 50 Minutes

Balclutha - Owaka 20 Minutes

Owaka - Pouawea 10 Minutes

Total - 3 Hours 40 Minutes non stop

So if you can't go on the Friday rip down Saturday morning

I'll see if I can arrange some prizes also.

If you need more information let me know, Jock 027 652 4664

Jock needs to know numbers please let him know if you are going.

March Hare Rally 6th - 8th March

Woodstock Rally Report;

It was all about the weather, hot, hot, and hot, unlike last year where we got drenched on the Sunday coming home.

I rode over on the Friday afternoon with Rowdy and Liz with one stop at Springfield and another in Hokitika for a bottle of wine for Liz.

We were greeted on site by Half Jug, Knickers, Gumboots, Footsie and his playmate.

We did a bit of drinking and I've got to admit I wish I had done a bit less drinking, no sooner was I in bed than Bloody Rowdy was shaking my tent not once but repeatedly.

TTAG were kindly invited to Brien Beckett's home in Ross for a champagne breakfast. We arrived at Brien and Sandra's place, Bernie was also with us at this stage.

Well Brien did us proud with sumptuous fare, whitebait patties, bacon, eggs croissants and huge mussels he had gathered from the beach that morning. Four bottles of champagne were annulated and all the Speights we could drink, unfortunately I didn't feel like drinking anything after the night before and it was so damn hot it was very hard to stay awake. It was only the threat of an indelible marker pen on the table that kept me awake.

When we finally made it back to the rally site I was able to take a Grandpa nap.

I think our crew was a lot more subdued on the Saturday night, I know I was. There were five titty competitors and personally I think the judges got it wrong. The band got the crowd out going with the lead guitarist down off the stage playing out among the crowd.

Did I mention the weather, brilliant and remained so for the ride home. The super pump was out of order at Springfield on the way home so I put the Harley to the test and made it from Hoki to Geraldine with the gauge showing 13 kms left in the tank, I wasn't willing to push my luck any further and try for Pleasant Point.

For Sale;

2004 black Suzuki GSXR1000R, Yoshimura titanium exhaust, after market cams, aftermarket suspension, and new battery. Needs fork seals replaced. Tidy condition and very quick. \$7500 without seals done or \$8000 with fork seals done. Contact Mary 027 726 7379.

I would like to thank Mokai and Michael for attending a meeting of the Winchester community with regard to the future of the Winchester hall and show Ground. Apparently there was nothing too serious for us to worry about but it was good that we were represented. Thanks guys.

This month's joke;

A woman arrived at a party and while scanning the guests, spotted an attractive man standing alone.



She approached him, smiled and said, "Hello. My name is Carmen." "That's a beautiful name," he replied. "Is it a family name?"

"No," she replied. As a matter of fact I gave it to myself. It represents the things that I enjoy the most - cars and men. Therefore, I chose "Carmen".

"What's your name" she said.

He answered "B.J. Titsengolf."