



Timaru, Temuka and Geraldine

Motorcycle Touring Club

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Hi Fellow members

I hope everyone had a good Christmas and new year. I hope everyone enjoyed the clubs Christmas party. With the good weather we have been having it's a very good time to be out riding, Just have to watch out for the loopys in campervans that seem to stop in the middle of the road to take pics. I went to Waiui rally this year, left Timaru in the rain and got to Christchurch and the weather cleared up and the temp went up also. Meet Gumboots their just after going throught the gate, So had a very good time. Billy had his 60th last weekend which a few members were at it was a good evening drinking in the sun and talking rubbish. And those who went to the coast for Woodstock hope you all had a good time. Don't forget our poker run is coming up fast more info about it should be in this news letter.

Shayne

Our Poker Run

For those leaving on Friday the 16th February, 10.00 A M from Robbies car park Washdyke.

Those going up Saturday morning contact Rowdy regarding leaving time. The poker run itself begins at 1.00 P M Saturday. Destination is Akoroa Back Packers.

Some of us thought it would be a good idea if the run began at Little River and worked back toward Akoroa as this would better suit those coming up Saturday morning. This is not finalized yet, Adam is arrangeing the fine detail regard stops.

Wood Stock Rally Hokitika

Some got away on the Friday and some arrived on the Saturday, the weather was fantastic which encouraged a good turnout. Ivan, Dippy, Gumboots, Rowdy and Liz, Footsie, Ants and Leanne, [hope I got the name right], Jimmy Sheridan, myself. Most of us were in bed before midnight for our much needed beauty sleep.

Saturday morning saw us headed down to Ross for our traditional Brunch with Bryan and Sandra. Bryan a past member of our club treats us to splendid tucker and beverages every year. Dippy was the recipient of a speeding ticket and several others were breathalized on the way back to the site. I had a lovely swim in the Hokitika and although the temperatures were hot the water definitely was not.

Saturday night was more fun with a couple of burnouts by a Victory and a Ducati. The Duc won but kept going a bit long on the flatty wrapping wire all around the back axle.

Due to the dry weather the fireworks had to be moved further away out into the middle of the river bed.

Always a goods diplay but not quite the same concussion from the big blasts as when they were closer.

Ivan and myself rode home together taking turns leading it was a blast not a drop of rain fell on our parade.

Kerry

Someone write us a report on the Vincent County Rally for the next news letter please. Preferably someone who was there eh!



Turtle at last years rally

One of our long term members Murray Rooney, [Turtle] is extremely ill in Timaru Hospital. He is beyond having visitors due to pain relief medication. The rust being wide spread within him.



Coal Miners Motorcycle Rally

2nd Annual Rally



9th—11th March 2018,

Blackie Rd, Kaitangata, South Otago

Bike Show—Food Stalls—Tattoo Show—Toilets—FREE Tea & Coffee—Badge Provided
Saturday Games & Challenges—Security— Merchandise

No Dogs—No Cars—No Attitudes—No Patches

\$30 Pre Paid Entry, \$40 Gate Entry, Day Pass \$20

—FULLY Licensed Bar NO BYO

Live Band Friday & Saturday Night

More Details On Our Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/coalminersrally>

Note above the coal miners rally, lets get a group together for this one

He had it all.....

One man's short, life changing story:

I talked to a homeless man this morning and asked him how he ended up this way. He said, "Up until last month, I still had it all. I had plenty to eat, my clothes were washed and pressed for me, I had a roof over my head, I had TV and internet, I went to the gym, the pool, the library, and had plenty of sexual engagements. I was working on my MBA on-line, and had no bills and no debt. I even had full medical coverage!"

I felt sorry for him, so I asked, "What happened? Drugs? Alcohol? Divorce?"

"Oh no, nothing like that," he said: "I was paroled."