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**ROYAL ENFIELD RALLY -- KUMARA HALL - MARCH 2022**

The kumara rally is now done and dusted and by all reports it was certainly a great rally. Hosts Eileen and Chris did a fantastic job organising and entertaining 56 entrants, 29 South Islanders & 26 from the North. On Sunday nobody left disappointed. Oh yeah, one disappointed bloke though, that is me not being able to attend..

You will all receive an April Bulletin. Contents - all about the rally with reports and heaps of photos, also an AGM report.

Jan 22. Steve Smith has updated the registers website, check it out.  
<https://royalenfield.co.nz/>

84 new members since the Dec bulletin went out, they just keep rolling in.

It is with sadness, I report that NZREOR foundation & current member Dave Ransom passed away on Wednesday this week. Dave was an invaluable committee member earlier days, but lately he had been suffering with health problems. Dave often rode his 1950 Trials Bullet to RE & local bike club rallies.

This is the only shot I have of Dave in 1988 with his Bullet, though he is walking away from me on camera.

Lew



**We WELCOME** all these new members

Sandara Wheeler, Dunedin. 2022 Interceptor 650 E5  
Stephen James, Auckland. 2021 Classic Tribute 500  
Danielle Thrussell, Papakura. 2021 Meteor 350  
Glenn Twidle, Bay of islands. 2017 Himalayan  
Grant Driver, Mosgiel. 2020 Continental GT 650  
Wayne Phillips, Wellington. 1966 Bullet 500  
Damian Wheeler, Dunedin. 2019 Continental GT 650  
Peter Allpress, Auckland. 2021 Interceptor 650  
John Wotherspoon, St. Arnaud. 2021 Meteor 350  
Christo Saggars, Marlborough. 2021 Himalayan  
Stephen Carruthers, Christchurch. 2021 Continental GT 650  
Darren Ormandy, Wellington. 2019 Interceptor 650  
Ralph Beale, Gore. 2021 Classic Chrome 500  
Paul Tottie, Hamilton. 2021 Bullet Trials 500  
Maarten Holl. Wellington. 2021 Classic 500 Black Chrome  
Graham Moore, Leeston. 2021 Meteor 350  
Craig Bagley, Whanganui. 2021 Continental GT  
Kieren Marshall, Thames. 2019 Continental GT 535  
Steve Brown, Christchurch. 2021 Interceptor 650  
Navjot Sidhu, Hamilton. 2021 Classic 500  
Jim Coats, Runanga. 2020 Interceptor 650  
Darren Cole, Taumarunui. 2022 Continental GT 650  
Mac McGarry, Auckland. 2019 Interceptor  
Russell Biggs, Dunedin. 2020 Interceptor 650  
Barry Mansfield, Levin. 2019 Tials Works replica 500  
Andrew Teasdale, Reporoa. 2021 Interceptor 650  
Marley Wadds, New Plymouth. 1951 RE2. & 1998 Malaguti Jetline Scooter  
Mats Treffers, Queenstown. 2021 Classic 500  
Pat Handcock, Palmerston North. 2020 Interceptor 650  
Ross Cameron, Auckland. 2020 Interceptor 650  
Jason Harber, Christchurch. 2021 Interceptor 650  
Steve Yanko, Palmerston North. 2019 Interceptor 650  
Tapan Kadakia, Auckland. 2010 Bullet Classic 500  
Keith Waters, Raglan. 2019 Interceptor 650  
Luke Biggs, Dunedin. 2021 Interceptor 650

Ranjit Sharma, Palmerston North. 2021 Classic Tribute  
Ken Hughes, Dunedin. 2020 Interceptor 650  
Roger Goulstone, Pukekohe. 2021 Classic Tribute 500  
Jyoti Balfour, Raglan. 2019 Classic  
Mark Morrison, Auckland. 2021 Interceptor 650  
Melanie McFarlane, Cambridge. 2017 Classic  
Trent Beckett, Christchurch. 2016 Classic  
John Pateman, Timaru. 1960 Constellation  
David King, Christchurch. 2020 Interceptor 650  
Nigel Phillips, Tasman. 2018 Interceptor 650  
Troy Newman, Feilding. 2007 Bullet 500  
Paul Mullen, Napier. 2022 Interceptor 650  
Kerry Little, Palmerston North. 2020 Himalayan  
Harman Jaiya, Rangiora. 2020 Bullet  
Quinn van Gemerden, Tauranga. 2022 Interceptor 650  
Stephen Harries, Waihi Beach. 2018 Himalayan  
Austin Bokser, Mangakino. 2016 Continental GT 535  
Jason Turner, Mosgiel. 2021 GT Continental  
Vincent Lardeux, Auckland. 2022 Interceptor 650  
Steve Lee, Picton. 2020 Interceptor 650  
Matthew Oppenheim, Picton. 2020 Continental GT 650  
Rex Hosking, Wellington. 2019 Interceptor 650  
Steve Home, Cambridge. 2019 Himalayan  
John Kenure, Marsden. 2021 Interceptor 650  
Gerardo De Leon, Hamilton. 2022 Himalayan  
Kamal Bansal, Auckland. 2022 Classic 350  
Gary Morris, Dunedin. 2022 Interceptor 650 E5  
Joooooooohn Sparrow, Frankton. 2020 Classic Trials  
Nicholas Chandler, Auckland. 2020 650 Continental GT  
Josh Joseph, Hamilton. 2017 Classic 350  
Mrinal Mukherjee, Wellington. 2019 Classic 500  
Steve Connon, Waiheke Island. 2022 Interceptor 650



Jan 22, I had a visit from member Brian Allison, South Taranaki riding his lovely 1950 J2

Lew



Steve Krzystyniak & Lily Guilford

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## Steve King

Just wondering if anyone noticed the small pack that was on my Himalayan rear seat during the rally. Inside is 2 spare tubes, tire levers and a small compressor that plugs into a battery plug under the seat. When you look through today's photos from deep in Skippers behind Queenstown you will see why I carry it.

Late afternoon and likely no other vehicles and certainly no cellphone reception and I was by myself.

30 minutes and I was back on the road. Dealers in Wanaka will pull wheel apart in the morning to replace damaged rim strip and check everything as I plan to do Nevis this week too.

That beer was well earned by the way.





Hey Lew,  
Hope you are doing well. Thought I would send a photo of my meteor and I following its first service today if you wanted to use it in a future newsletter edition.

Was a bit of a gloomy day for it but a good riding experience.

**James Moran**



NEW RE DEALERSHIP IN PALMERSTON NORTH



Kevin Lake -- 2019 Continental GT 650



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Hi Lew

Some photos of my GT Continental. Still some work to be done. But then again, there will always be something. Next upgrade will be front and rear suspension. Can't make up my mind , YSS or Olins. Cool bikes.

Cheers, Kevin





John Wotherspoon. -- Meteor 350  
This is at Lake Rotoiti (where I live).

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Steve James -- 2021 Classic Tribute 500  
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Hi Lew

Hope you had an enjoyable Christmas.

Here's a couple of photos, as requested. Choose whichever works best (or neither!).

Best wishes for 2022,  
Steve James



Paul Tottie -- 2021 Trials Replica

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Tapan Kadakia -- 2010 Bullet Classic 500



## William Ackland

Happy New Year Lew,all the best. I have just installed a Tail Tidy,ex India via EBay,which arrived here in 8 days!! Thought maybe other owners may be interested,as I think It does jazz the bikes looks up. Landed for just over \$200. There is a video on You Tube with instructions which I will send on. A couple of shots.

Regards, Bill.

How to install Blitz Tail Tidy on Royal Enfield Meteor 350 | Bandidos DIY - YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2NQsc7Ua3iY>



David King --- 2020 Interceptor 650

Thanks Lew,

Good to be a part of the team, thought it'd be worth joining the register having been on a few good rides with other owners in Christchurch recently, great wee community to be a part of 😊

Here's one of us out and about on the great pie run (Me on the red Interceptor), as well as another one from the recent adventure around banks peninsula we embarked on)

Looking forward to more excursions with the others to come,

Thanks, David



Hi Lew,

Thanks for allowing me to join! I bought my Continental GT 650 about a year ago, second hand. Attached is a pic of me doing the 'Distinguished Gentlemans Ride' last year that also captures my feelings toward her :) I have just received an Autologue fairing kit for her as well, just havent had the time to fit.

I hope to join one of the club rides at some Point- would have loved to do the Kumara run this, weekend, but am working and too short notice to change unfortunately.

Look forward to participating in the club, and meeting more of the members,

Best Regards,

Matt



**Kamal Bansal -- 2022 New Classic 350**

Thanks Lew

Pls find the photos attached. You can pick up any photo that you find suitable.



[Mark Bellringer](#)

So what do you think... totally different; the scrambler look - I like it - will just have to see how it rides... saddle bag on the other side



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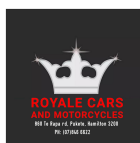


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