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Wellington Royal Enfield Owners Club Ride --- April 2022

Start: Motorrad, Alicetown. Coffee break: Chocolate Fish, Shelly Bay.

Finish: Quarry, Ohwhiro Bay

Thanks to Samier Kahn & Sunit Prakash for updates on their Wellington group activities
Check out their facebook page. --- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1219638964837943/>

Visitors to New Plymouth

Great to have a visit from Allan Cole & Chris Blenkinsopp on Anzac day, Marley had our bikes lined up on the driveway before their 3pm arrival. Lots of bike talk and photos, afternoon teas, more bike talk, they left here for their cabin well after 8pm.

Great catch up, thanks for your visit.

The following Saturday we had Terry & Karen O'Hanlon visiting (in car) making a small detour from Ohakune towards home at Matamata..I had a bundle of reconditioned 500 Twin crankshafts ready for Terry to pick up, and Terry had some Model J parts for me. Great (3 hour) catch up.

Also Sunit Prakash (Wellington) popped in for a visit back in January. Just awesome to catch up with Sunit again.

This year's Midterm UpNorth rally is all set to go - [11th 12th 13th Nov at the Whangateau Holiday Park](#). Entry form - see page 7

Annual Rally 2023. Organiser is Terry O'Hanlon - venue/dates yet to be confirmed.

Thanks to everyone who sent in photos and articles.

OK Guys. What did you notice about the April Bulletin #102 cover page ?

Lew



In the shed -- Sunit checking out the bikes and sports car

Peter Baker

NZREOR membership no.160. Staunch member for 11 years and keeping his membership up after moving overseas.



Facebook page -- [Peter Baker](#)

With heavy hearts we announce that Peter passed away on Thursday 10 March from an unexpected stroke. Peter was the dearly cherished husband of Dace; beloved father of Matthew, Daniel, and Nick; treasured father-in-law of Tracey and Selena; and beloved brother of Maureen, Merv, Neville, Ray and Trish. All of our family are deeply saddened to have lost someone we loved and treasured so dearly. We understand that Peter's compassion, intellect, and wit will be greatly missed by many of you.

We apologise to those of you being informed of this devastating news this way. With Peter having so many friends and loved ones in many corners of the world it has been difficult to reach out to everyone individually.

A service will be held in Riga, Latvia to celebrate Peter's life at 9am local time on Saturday 19 March (8pm New Zealand time). The service will be held at Varoņu iela 3A. A recording of the service will also be made available to those who are unable to join us in person, with a link being posted after the service. Please email pbaker.farewell@gmail.com to let us know if you will be attending the service in person and with any messages of remembrance and photos you would like passed on to the family.

With love


Peter's family

WELCOME to our new members

Brad Guthrie, Auckland. 2022 Continental GT 650
 Danilo David, Auckland. 2021 Himalayan
 Warwick Billing, Auckland. 2017 Classic 500
 Francisco Cantu, Auckland. 2022 Himalayan
 Rajesh Sukumar, Wellington. 2022 Meteor 350
 Mark Struthers, Timaru. 2022 Continental GT 650
 Jolly Tiwari, Auckland. 2022 Classic 350
 Paul Swift, Tuakau. 2019 Interceptor 650
 Lavneet Singh, Rangiora. 2020 Classic 500
 Joe Hall, Cambridge. 2019 Himalayan
 Johnny Johnstone, Ohaupo. 2019 Interceptor 650
 Carl Timmis, Auckland. 2019 Interceptor 650
 Ben Thomas, Auckland. 2019 Interceptor 650
 Tom Freemantle, Wellington. 2021 Himalayan
 Simon Taylor, Auckland. 2022 Classic 350
 Eric Shepherd, Oamaru. 2020 Trials Replica
 Anton Angelo, Lyttelton. 2022 Interceptor 650
 Eric Shepherd, Oamaru. 2020 Trials Replica
 Diljot Sahota, Auckland. 2017 Classic 350
 Cheri Phillips, Tolaga Bay. 2022 Meteor 350
 Geoff Strother, Waipukurau. 2022 Interceptor.
 Steve Grace, Tauranga. 2022 Bullet 500
 Nelson Gooding, Gisborne. 2018 Classic 500



WAIHI MOTORCYCLE CLUB



We are looking at forming a motorcycle riding group which could turn out in a club with even training for beginner riders in Waihi and surrounding towns with no fees involved. Our first meeting would be 19.June 2022 in the Waihi RSA at 4pm. We welcome all bikers and all types/brands of motorbikes if you are wanting to take part on occasional rides with like minded people. If you are interested send Craig an e-mail: solan48ft@gmail.com or give him a ring: 022 044 5127



If thinking of attending, you can contact our member Werner ---
 ---- kiwimotorbiker@protonmail.com

Kia Ora Lew,

Hope you are doing well.

It's been over a year since I have joined the club and I am pleased that via our **Wellington Royal Enfield Owners Club** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1219638964837943/> has nailed some sterling events.

One of them, I can claim a milestone event would be "The dealer event" held by us at Motorad Wellington, wherein, we had Simon the representative of Royal Enfield NZ and Australia come in and meet and greet all riders. The event was well appreciated by Royal Enfield. Here are some event highlights

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1219638964837943/permalink/2609828192485673/>

We haven't stopped there, we have approached The Two Bald Bikers training team and got us an exclusive Royal Enfield member only training and we had a great turn up on that as we wanted to promote not only riding but rider safety as well, here are some pics

<https://www.facebook.com/563475119/videos/1030586517878382/>

I am just updating you on the activities we have been trying to arrange for the group in order to carry on the spirit of biking as earlier we could hardly find any activities taking place. Our group within a short span now has more than 80 active members and growing.

I would appreciate if you could please advise me whether through our main group which is RE Organisation can get access to any exclusive venues and locations so that I can arrange rides for the group and make them feel special. Can you please share some earlier trips that you may executed in Wellington long back and were a great success I can then aim to replicate them at my end. Also please let me know if I can contribute to the main group in arranging group rides etc.

To ride with the Wellington group please contact Samier at samirashidkhan@hotmail.com
Or Suint at samirashidkhan@hotmail.com

Regards,
Samier Khan



Kerry Little Hi Lew, this is Pippy, she rides with me



Anton Angelo --- 2022 Interceptor 650
Here is a shot of me picking up Sid with 3km on the clock!

UpNorth- Northern Rally Entry Form



Whangateau Holiday Park -- 11th 12th 13th Nov 2022

Organisers - Chris Blenkinsopp & Allan Cole

Entry fee: ... \$25. PP

Direct payment to TSB Bank --

– Royal Enfield Register 15 3945 0253553 00

Particulars: - Your name. Reference: - UpNorth Rally.

Return entries by 29th Oct to Chris - chrisrobsyd@gmail.com

NAME.....

PHONE.....

EMAIL.....

FOR SHARED ACCOMMODATION:

Contact the Whangateau Holiday Park and ask to be slotted into a cabin or a caravan that's not full. Mention R.E. Rally.

Or book your own unit

Phone 027 260 5271 or 0800 947 275.

Web address:- www.whangateauholidaypark.co.nz

email whpark@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

All rally enquiries to -----

Chris chrisrobsyd@gmail.com and/or Allan linda.allan@xtra.co.nz

If you can't copy this form , please let me know. (Lew)

For those of you who entered and paid their fee for last year's cancelled rally PLEASE send in another entry to Chris for this year's rally.

Anyone willing to assist with the 2023 annual rally somewhere in the BOP area. Please drop me an email, I'm sure we could get a committee together and have a few laughs and rides. Thanks Terry --- ratlyone@hotmail.com

Rally Report

Zoe Gough - Bruce Heyward <gen4use@gmail.com>

Hi Lew,

Yes it was an amazing time everything was perfect even the Westcoast weather behaved. Eileen, Chris and the team did a superb job, it was organised and actioned efficiently, with so much thought and effort put into the goodie bags which reflected the Westcoast. The atmosphere was alive and friendly and a pleasure from beginning to end. Sadly we missed out on a lot, but what we went to and meeting others we thoroughly enjoyed.

Reading the comments, feedback and seeing the pictures makes you realise the effort and care that was put into the organising of the Rally and the beauty of the Westcoast. and all it has to offer.

Thank you

Zoe and Bruce



Jolly Tiwari -- 2022 Classic 350



Brad and Dorothee Guthrie on their new Continental GT.
Reliving their days of Touring India before jobs and kids and mortgages.



Steve Krzystyniak & Lily Guilford

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Rally Report

KUmara or KuMAra Part 3

Morning arrived and it was time to head north. Our new best mate John, invited us to stay over at St Arnaud in spite of having visitors already, being a fireman/paramedic/head guy of DOC at the Nelson Lakes area he has a lot on his plate already and not wanting to add to his workload was partly why we chose to explore the west coast instead.



The road up the Cest Coast.

Setting off again, grey clouds were threatening to interrupt our unusually sunny and warm West coast ride. We pulled in to check out the Punakaiki rocks and amazingly, none of them had collapsed since the last visit. Surely a coffee and cake was needed to mark the occasion.

You may have noticed by now, that for Chris and myself, a major part of the journey is meeting and talking to the many amazing characters that live around our country. This explains why, when one of the kitchen staff ladies sat down for her break, we chatted and discovered that her and her husband were real Nomads. Their transport was a big Yamaha with trailer from place to place. She works Summer seasons and he does one-man, music shows- good on them!

Finally, our luck ran out with the weather. It started raining before Westport, but as we turned inland, we could see blue skies beckoning. Great twisty roads combined with the sunshine to lead us to Nelson where another invite from BMW mate, Lew and his lovely wife Wendy awaited us.

We had a tour of Lew's wacky art, his skeleton collection and his bikes followed by a delicious dinner. Lew is a connoisseur and creator of a range of spirits (drinks, not spooks) which fueled another round of political and economic debate, followed by sound sleep in their lovely B&B type accommodation.



Camping at Nelson lakes, see John Witherspoon's new 350 Meteor.



Onward to Picton

Chris suggested another route over Queen Charlotte drive into Picton over a such a series of bends and magic views that we were almost late for boarding the ferry. However, with so much paperwork to check, everyone was late anyway.

Back on the North Island, the plan was to ride the Forgotten highway, but as so often happens, thoughts were turning to home. So many good tours have been shortened in the last few days, don't you find?

Having arrived in Levin and finding a beautiful, wooded campsite just off the main road, we searched out the best spot for the tents. But hang on, there's no one else around. Should we just camp anyway? No, we rode on to town and stopped at an official campsite. Tents were erected for the last time and we dined on tinned sausage and beans (yuck!).

After another cold night, all we had to do was to try and avoid SH1 as much as possible by turning off after the army base at Waiouru and enjoying the more twisty and less busy roads of the western side of the lake and river.



Mount Pirongia guides the way home.

Before we knew it, we were over the Auckland harbour bridge and Chris gave his "goodbye" wave. Lucky bugger, I still had an hour to go as I rode further north and home to bring the curtain down on another excellent Royal Enfield Rally.

Allan Cole

Benefits

As a paid up member of The New Zealand Owners Register, you will receive discounts on parts and labour from the following Royal Enfield dealers.

As from May 2021 Swann Insurance are offering special pricing to club members.

Please note: You must show your official Club Member card to receive the discount. No card, no discount.

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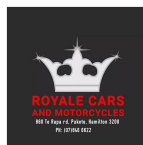
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Chris Blenkinsopp

My new bike; I picked it up from Takapuna Experience...I'm in love (again!)
350 Classic, Halcyon Grey, faster than a Ducati...Seriously, one of the smoothest and sweetest engines...



Facebook 29/5/22 Jason Harber

Last pre winter ride out for the Mild Bunch, glad of the last minute decision to wear long Johns!! From 1st European out to Little River for a coffee, then over the hill to Duvauchelle. Quick pit stop at Hilltop then back through the pass and home. Thanks boys been a pleasure meeting and riding with you this summer, onto bigger and better things this spring for Mild Bunch be good to see some new faces ... ride safe



Facebook 29/5/22 Kerry Hitchen

Great day riding yesterday 280 km Upper Rangitikei river. Glad to have a new tyre on the back in a few places. Up through Rangiwahia right in to Karewarewa rd to Upper Kawhatau Valley rd to Omatane. Taoroa Junction, Mokai rd bridge Gravity canyon

Anzac Day - Visitors from the North to Lew & Marley in New Plymouth



Chris Blenkinsopp's Himalayan at front of line up

Allan, Marley & Chris in the background



L-R. 52 350 Bullet. 59 Meteor Minor.Sport. 52 500 Twin. 65 Turbo Twin. 52 RE2 (49 Model G in the workshop, and I have Just purchased a 1951 Trials Bullet) project)





Chris's Himalayan. Allan's Interceptor. Marley's RE2



Only have 300 miles on the clock - but just running so sweet (Lew)

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