



NEWSLETTER

MAY 2026

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Mick Dunn - John Jowett – Peter Heher – Ross Morgan – Simon Crebert - Ross Smith

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2/ If you intend to action any event in this Newsletter, **PLEASE check** for yourself
3/ Any opinions expressed in this Newsletter are not necessarily those of the Committee or the Singleton Classic Motorcycle Club Inc.

Non- Committee Positions:

- **Club Registrars:**
 - All Motorcycle ages: Ray Bailey, Kevin Downes, Simon Crebert and Lloyd Anew
 - Pre 1961 to 1979: Ross Morgan
 - 1960 to current 30yr old: Kerry Solman
- **Newsletter** David Mellows
- **Regalia-** Steve Gilchrist
- **Public Officer, Rally Organiser
& Web Site Manager** Jacob Crebert

General Info

- General Meetings are held on 1st Thursday of each month at 7.00pm ** at Singleton Diggers, York Street
- Initial Annual Rally meeting - After the Feb General Meeting.
- Annual Rally – on 1st weekend in May
- A.G.M. - on 1st Sunday in July
- Inspection for bikes on conditional registration – ** before the AGM or by arrangement with a Club Registrar.
- To ride bikes on Conditional Registration after June 30th, members must have paid their Membership Fees.
- 1st Sunday/March each year – Memorial Ride for Deceased Members
- 1st Weekend in November – President's yearly overnight ride.

Authorised club rides are as follows:

- Every Wednesday
- Every Sunday
- Tiddler Rides – 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month
- 40/40 Ride – 1st Saturday after the Monthly Meeting

** above rides leave Civic Park not earlier than 9.00am

- To Club Events (e.g.: Club Meetings, Club Social Events, etc)
- With any Club with which our Club has **Reciprocal** ride arrangements or has received an **invitation** from the organising club & is entered in our Clubs' minutes.
- Other events as approved by the committee & entered in our Clubs' minutes.

Reciprocal ride rights with the following Clubs

- Coalfields Classic & Enthusiasts Motorcycle Club
- ~~Newcastle Classic Motorcycle Club~~ **Note this change**
- Newcastle Vintage Motor Cycle Club

Note: Members are able to ride their Conditional registered bikes on rides organised by these clubs.

If you intend to go on one of these Clubs rides, it would be advisable to carry a copy of this section of the Clubs' magazine.

Newsletter Contributions

- Articles from members are welcome. Please keep them short & relevant.
- Suggest 1x A4 sheet in size (Text – Aerial 12) & to be submitted as a 'WORD' doc/docx no later than the **3rd Friday of the month**. The earlier the better.
- Send email or hand articles to the Editor dmellows@hotmail.com

Club Website: <<https://singletonclassicmotorcycleclub.com>>

June 2026 - Authorised Club Events

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| ➤ Thurs 4 th May | Monthly Meeting – York St. Diggers |
| ➤ Sat 6 th June | 40/40 ride |
| ➤ Tues 2 nd and 16 th June | Tiddler rides |
| ➤ Sun 7 th , 14 th , 21 st and 28 th June | Club Ride Days |
| ➤ Wed 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th and 24 th June | Club Ride Days |

Note:

- All rides leave Civic Park 9:00am (*until further notice*).
- Ride destinations may be altered or decided on by agreement of attending Members

Future Events:

- Cafe Ride Wednesday 15th July 2026

Luncheon at Martin Charles house - all food and drink provided

Ride leaves Civic Park at 9.00am

Destination: 165 Grand Parade Bonnell's Bay

Ph. 0415 682 645

Other Club's Rallies/Events + Events of Interest – 2026

Notes:

If any Classic, Vintage or Veteran motorcycle Club or individual has details of an event that is NOT listed in this newsletter & would like it to be included, please email details to the Singleton Classic Motorcycle Club .

Email: < singletonclassicmcc@gmail.com >

Editorial

Very pleased you all had a great Rally this year; I was sorry to have missed it due to a holiday in Japan.

I had expected to see heaps of motorcycles in Japan, but in the cities not many were to be seen and most I saw in the country areas were small to mid-sized bikes, although I did see several Harley Davidsons.

On our departure day (we left the Sunday morning at 7am) I saw a FB post of a fairly big group attending the Distinguished Gentleman's ride in Ginza, Tokyo. Shame I missed that too!

In this month's edition I have included several photos from our 2008 SCMCC Rally, another example of a very successful event as the Club always seem to manage.

David Mellows (Ducati Dave)



SCMCC Annual Rally

Great feedback following our rally.

Perfect weather, good attendance (85 entries). Great safe rides and great food.

Special thanks to all Members who went out of their way to make the Rally a success.

Very entertaining Saturday Dinner/Presentation night.

Raffle results:

- First Prize – (the Bike) G Shakespeare
- Second Prize, (Wine) J Teuma
- Third Prize, (ACE Tyres Voucher) Swanny

Kerry Solman

President

Singleton Classic Motorcycle Club,



Linda Filewood

Top contributor · May 2 at 5:26 PM · 🌐

Singleton rally, Saturday 2026





Linda Filewood

Top contributor · May 2 at 5:37 PM · 🌐



More long ride leaving 2026.



Mick Dunn

★ Rising contributor · May 1 at 8:35 PM · 🌐



First day of the 2026 Singleton Classic Motorcycle Clubs annual rally and we had nearly 50 bikes turn up for a run out to Jerry's Plains for a feed and refreshments. Great weather, company and thanks to the staff at the tavern for looking after us. 🏍️🍷🍷





Linda Filewood

Top contributor · May 2 at 5:22 PM · 🌐

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I had the absolute best day today, thank you to everyone who made Singleton Clubs Saturday rally such a success 2026



Linda Filewood

Top contributor · May 2 at 5:33 PM · 🌐

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A special thanks to the Ladies who put so much time in so we could all enjoy our lunch... and the beautiful cooking took me back to my Mum's... yum 😊 sorry I've missed a few ladies photos in this.





Ray N Net Bailey

Top contributor · May 4 at 7:29 AM ·



Here's our 'King of Trivia' in action at the Presentation Dinner of our 2026 Heart of the Hunter Motorcycle Rally, he makes the evening! Thanks Denis for a wonderful night. Annette & Ray Bailey. Pics by Mick Dunn



Club Ride reports

Secretaries Ride, (Martin's Ride).

by Phil Cox

Wednesday, 13/5/26

Left Civic Park at around 0800 and travelled via Elderslie and Stanhope Road to Lambs Valley to where I joined the procession, Maitland Vale Road, Bolwarra, Woodville, Seaham and on to Italia road to the highway to where we discovered we were missing Max Dawson, missed the turn but caught up at The Buckets Way.

Morning tea at Tea Gardens then onto Mungo Brush and ferry across to Bomba Point, in this section Martin rode like a man possessed, apparently to meet the deadline for the ferry. Via Bulahdelah and The Lakes Way to Seal Rocks where I had a minor carpark incident, then to Pacific Palms for lunch. Then Forster and Napiac where we stayed the night after a good meal at the pub. The weather was excellent all day.

Thursday. 14/5/26

Slow start in the morning waiting for the opening of The National Motorcycle Museum at 0900, well worth a visit.

Left the museum after 1000 and travelled north on the Pacific Highway towards Wauchope, it was in this section that we encountered quite heavy rain that didn't clear till after Taree, it was in this rain that Kerry's bike decided it wanted a ride on the trailer, you've heard of a fair weather biker, well Kerry's bike is a fair weather motorcycle.

We regrouped at the park just south of Wauchope. Now on the Oxley Highway we proceeded west and up the mountains, the road was very challenging due to the bends and although not raining still wet roads.

We stopped at Stockyard Creek rest area where Kerry took his bike off the trailer and rode for the remainder of the day.

It was arranged by Martin to turn off just before Walcha to view Apsley Falls but Martin coming up the tail end, took the Tia Falls turn off and missed Apsley Falls altogether! We were all a little hungry by the time we arrived in Walcha as we didn't really eat that day, so it was a walk to the pub at the top end of town for a welcomed meal.

Friday, 15/5/26

Weather was a little cold and a bit of low cloud when we left Walcha at 0830, a brisk ride down the Thunderbolts Way, still wet roads but fortunately no rain.

Arrived at Gloucester for morning tea then Stroud Road, Dungog, Paterson and home via Maitland Vale Road, and home just after lunch time.

A big thanks to Ray Cope and Tim-tam who followed us relentlessly on our journey.

Stats

- 10 bikes:
- 5x BMWs,
- 2x Hondas,
- 2x Triumph's, and

- 1x Kawasaki.

There were 3 bikes on club plates.

- Oldest rider, Max Dawson
- Youngest rider, Phil Cox
- Oldest bike, 1989 BMW K100RS
- Smallest bike, Kawasaki KLR 650

NCMC Poker Run

by Denis Paget

Barry and I joined many familiar faces (71 participants) at the Minmi Hall for coffee and cake before heading off on the NCMC Poker Run.

Overcast and dry so a perfect day for a leisurely ride on good roads. We rode through a “Bong” and two “Longs” (Cooran, Manda and Doora) collecting our cards at stops along the way. These stops are a good chance for a chat and look at the variety of bikes.... newish and old.

Our last card was collected at Morrisett then back to Minmi via Barnsley and West Wallsend. Back to the hall for a BBQ, salads and wait for the result of our picked cards. I had picked 3 “Jacks” so in for a good chance I thought until four “9” s was announced. Bugger!

Another great day.... morning tea, badge and BBQ lunch all for \$10. Well done to all involved.

Denis P. (Toronto correspondent)





Barry Fong

May 19 at 6:34 PM · 🌐



A small number of bikes of about 60 parked while picking the next card at Dooralong. The Newcastle Classic Clubs' rally/ poker run was a great success with 71 entrants.



Blast from the past (SCMCC Rally May 2008)



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Club Patch	\$5	(Embroidered)
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Club Polo (No Pocket)	\$40	(Embroidered logo on the front)
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Club Rugby Shirt (Maroon and White)	\$65	(Screen Printed 'Singleton Classic Motorcycle Club' on the front and large logo on the back)
Your name on garment	\$4 - \$10 (cost depends on length)	
Stubby Coolers & Pens	Gold coin donation (old logo, a few left if you'd like 1 or 2)	

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Jumble Words

Can you unravel these classic bike names and match them with the countries they come from?

DANNII	Italy
MNEGO & NRHOE	Germany
DIERA	France
RTANHPE	U.S.A
RMAACCIEH	Great Britain

Answers in next issue.

Singleton Classic Motorcycle Club

Honour Roll

Deceased Members

Russell Clout	Ivan Knight	Bruce Knight
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