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BALLINA BICYCLE CLUB RIDE ATTENDEES

For the week – 24 - For (short) week ending Sun 19FEB2023.

Monday – nn (Not available (N/A))

Tuesday – nn (N/A)

Wednesday – nn (N/A)

Thursday- nn (N/A)

Friday – 9 (Wardell + loops. Visitor from Canada, Joe, set a good pace)

Saturday – 5 (Meerschaum Vale. 4 riders, then John 'O' joined later. Good avg speed)

Sunday – 10 (6 rode to Devils Elbow, where Joe, a Canadian visitor, fell off his bike. The other 4/10 rode elsewhere. (See report below))



UPCOMING EVENTS

See links below

EVANS - WOODBURN

FEB Tue 21st 7AM

Coles car park, Fox Street.

NTH TEVEN X2 - WARDELL

FEB Sat 25th 7AM

Rear of Henry Rous Tavern

DEVILS ELBOW REVERSE

FEB Sun 26th , 7AM

Coles car park, Fox Street.

- OR -

NEWRYBAR – LENNOX (vbr)

FEB Sun 26th , 7AM

Rear of Henry Rous Tavern

BBC COMMITTEE MEETING

MAR Wed 15th , 6PM

Henry Rous Tavern, Ballina

CALENDAR MAPS, PROFILES, NOTES & LINKS

EVANS – WOODBURN: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1z92nw13rhEGFB3u622CPTlnM6dMml6gi/view?usp=share_link

NTH TEVEN X2 - WARDELL: https://drive.google.com/file/d/182RkhZy8OoCml910UVmJdcNPLkFSMBP/view?usp=share_link

DEVILS ELBOW REVERSE: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OdtWnU3gb9v11UrHVMePaAZFqUYTslAf/view?usp=share_link

NEWRYBAR – LENNOX: Vintage Bike Ride (vbr). Cafe Stop in Lennox Head for a change.

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OUR CLUB NEWSLETTER NEEDS HELPERS

- Peter (editor)

As you can imagine, there is a lot of work and time putting a weekly newsletter together. Having a *club member* volunteering, now and again, to write a short ride report would be of great help indeed. If you feel like being the reporter for the day, just let me know so I can let go of the task required.

What you write is up to you, after all it's your 'point of view' of what happens during the ride. Your name will be mentioned, like I have done for this report. As usual, please be discreet. All reports need to be emailed, or given to me, before Monday 6:30 PM. Newsletters are emailed out by 7:00 PM.

As an editor, I generally do not edit other peoples work. The reason is that there are too many words these days that use urban spelling, abbreviations, words that run-in to each other, and names with various spellings. So, What I See Is What You Get.

Saturday Ride Report

- Peter

MEERSCHAUM VALE RIDE. Mark, M, led Dave, Simon, and myself at a steady pace until Simon took over. He took it up to 34kph and my first thought was "Oh no, here we go!" My main concern was for Mark, but he was completely okay with it.

After we rode up the two small hills near Bagotville Rd, we stopped to have a quick chat with several riders we have never met before. I wanted to give them our club card, but forgot to take them with me. Can you believe that! Fate often disagrees with me.

John 'O', a club member, was riding with them, but decided to join us to Meerschaum Vale and back to Ballina. He has improved since the Festive Season. The pace along the highway is always hot, for us anyway. It always reminds me of the movie Top Gun ("I feel the need, the need for speed").

Sunday Ride Report

- Peter

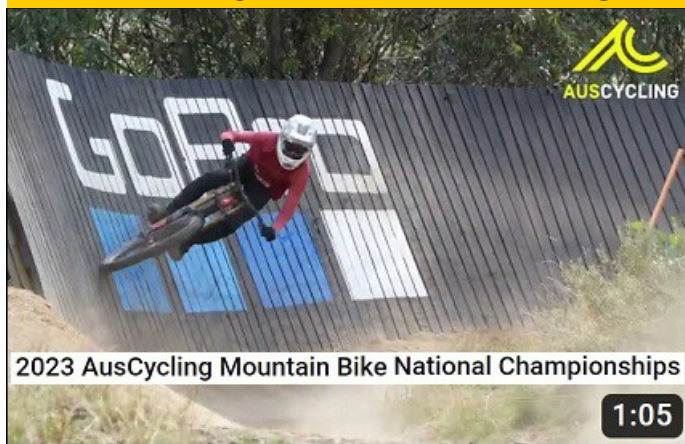
Joe, a visiting Canadian, went 'North American'. As it often happens while travelling in foreign countries, one can go into automatic mode and travel on the wrong side of the road. Unfortunately for Joe this happened while descending Devils Elbow along Marom Creek Road in Rous Mill.

Tony, driving a cattle-truck up the hill was surprised to see Joe heading straight for him. Joe was in shock too and swerved to the far right of the road to miss the truck. Unfortunately, he came off the bike head first onto a metre wide embankment made of concrete. The helmet, specially designed to cushion impacts, crumbled to pieces as it supposed to and saved Joe from more serious injuries. Tony and Megan took care of Joe while Joe's son-in-law, a local doctor, immediately came to his rescue.

Joe said his wife most probably won't let him ride again while visiting Australia, but is looking forward to having coffee with us again at the Proper Café.



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6-DAY BALLINA (FORECAST). Click image to open METEYE (2478 for Ballina).



Forecast for Ballina

	Tue. 21 Feb	Wed. 22 Feb	Thu. 23 Feb	Fri. 24 Feb	Sat. 25 Feb	Sun. 26 Feb
Max (°C)	28	27	27	25	26	27
Min (°C)	20	19	19	18	18	17
Chance of rain (%)	60	70	90	70	50	30
Rainfall range (mm)	0 to 1	0 to 6	2 to 15	0 to 6	0 to 1	0 to 1

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