

Monthly Newsletter

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Ultime notizie



- Moto GP Tipping Comp Returns
- Upcoming meeting on Monday 12th of April

Il Presidente:

The beginning of April has seen a continuation of the extended summer with great riding weather, let's hope it lasts a bit longer before the inevitable cold weather comes in.

I think I have mentioned previously that we have completed the re affiliation process with DOC Italy, however one major point has been raised by DOC. A lot of our membership detail on the DOC website requires update. This can only be done by the individual member logging on and updating their personal profile. Failure to do so will shortly see DOC delete all incorrect entries.

I have noted a number of you have expressed dismay that we are not participating in Auto Italia (AI) this year, may I remind all that the club voted to veto AI because of the costs associated with supporting the activity last year. Specially; over \$400 to setup the sausage sizzle (never costed previously) and charging a \$10 entry per bike (previously a gold coin up to \$5). It was a club decision, not a committee one, to boycott the event. AI has reopened negotiation with the club and we may go back to supporting the event in future.

Last year the club voted in favour of running an annual MC Rally event similar to the Apollo Rally I ran in 2019. Due to COVID restrictions we have been unable to do much more than think about it. Well, good news, The Inaugural CDDC MC Rally (at this stage called the Corinary) will be held at Woods Reserve (off Corin Road) on the weekend 15-17 Oct 2021. More details as planning continues.

With the Autumn Leaf Rally just around the corner, the Catering Crew for the CDDC Late Sipping Catering Corps this year is; Yours Truly, Craig (Mr Sec), Al B (Mr Vice), J9 (Membership), Taso (El Taco), Michael F & Angelika F. There is one more place if anybody wants it. If so let me know ASAP.

A special call out to our infamous Chef Extraordinaire **El Taco**, rumour has it that some tossa stopped on a bit of roadway that was not necessarily flat and he and his bike stopped being vertical, resulting in the breaking of yet **ANOTHER** Panagirlie mirror. Oh the embarrassment of it all 😊

Well done to the organisers of the Peter Yeend Memorial Ride to Harrietville, by all accounts a top run (except for the mirror).

Lastly a special thanks to Michael F for conducting a very good IT learning session for the committee, we may figure out what we are doing one day – that's a joke by the way.

Arrivederci
Sarge

Autumn Leaf Rally 2021



This year rally attendance is by prepaid only, tickets will be on sale online only on Monday March 1st at 6pm, until Wednesday 21st April at 8pm.

Due to COVID restrictions the event is capped at 150 prepaid and 50 TVR club members + catering.

The CDDC Latte Sipping Catering Division led by the Infamous Chef Taco and supported by six of his rather incompetent elves will be supporting the event from lunch Sat to breakfast Sun.

<< VP Dribble #4 >>

I am now indoors writing my report and after having been outside, I think I can safely say the colder months are coming toward us at full throttle. So dust off the winter gear and get ready for the cold.

Now although it wasn't cold the weekend of the Harrierville Ride (in honour of our good friend Peter Yeend), the weather held fine for most of it and riding was most enjoyable. But there was a group of intrepid adventurers that ventured up into the mountains and there were stories of dampish roads; thunder storms and fog; that dropped visibility to the bare minimum and of course Taso managed to break the obligatory mirror which I believe is his way of honouring Yeend? But some super glue and duct tape had a short resolution to that problem. The weekend went off without any real dramas. The only one being Rosco; who didn't even make it to Adaminaby, with a broken battery terminal, so no one's fault really. But we jazzed it up and he re-joined the ride on Sunday.

Lunch was at the Wild Brumby Distillery and it was good but you had to be careful not to ingest a European Wasp, as they were plentiful and seemed to like our meals as much as we did. Then it was back to Cooma, then home and a nice hot bath.

Now this was my first real ride on Big Red and I must say I now know what all the fuss is about. Now Big Red is only new to me and he has seen a few kms but I can tell you I felt quite at home on him after a couple of hours and found him to be a more than capable motor cycle, that with some more fine tuning will be a far better bike than I am able to ride to its potential. But none the less he handled, stopped and went very well all weekend so would recommend one ABSOLUTELY!

Go get one, you won't regret it.

Oh well that is it for me this month.

Back out into the cold for some more work until we converse again.

Ciao for now and remember *Ducati on Dudes and Dudettes!*

AB the VP

Prossimi appuntamenti – Next Events

Here is the latest calendar of CDDC events. See list after the tables for other events. For further information, please contact our Ride Co-Ordinator (contact details at end of Newsletter). Don't forget, on all club rides TUFU applies (turn up fueled up). If you turn up then realise you need fuel and are gonna duck off to get fuel, then tell the ride coordinator.

CDDC events in April 2021	
Mon 12th	CDDC Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at the Harmonie Club, Narrabundah. Meet in the Bier Keller, no corner markers required. Head towards the back of the club and then downstairs. Come early and have dinner and talk bikes with other club members. You're welcome to eat or take drinks into the Keller.
Wed 14th	Weekday Ride to Jugiong Meet at Coronation Park Yass at 10:00am for 10:30am departure. Ride will leave Yass via Binalong, Harden and then across to Jugiong. Choice of 2 places for lunch at Jugiong. Please be aware of Covid restrictions and requirements.
Sat 17th – Sun 18th	Australian Superbike at Wakefield Obviously, this is not a 'club' event – but may be of interest to members. Round three of the ASBK championship is on at Wakefield on the weekend of 16/17 & 18 April. For more information go to asbk.com.au
Sat 24th – Sun 25th	Autumn Leaf Rally Another event that is not strictly a CDDC event. The club will be catering again this year. Numbers are strictly limited due to Covid and I believe they are pretty much sold out – go to the Tumut Valley Riders site for more information

CDDC events in May 2021	
Sat 8th – Sun 9th	Bathurst overnight ride Final details are still to be confirmed and we'll get updates out as soon as we can.
Mon 10th	CDDC Monthly Meeting 7:30pm at the Harmonie Club, Narrabundah. Meet in the Bier Keller, no corner markers required. Head towards the back of the club and then downstairs. Come early and have dinner and talk bikes with other club members. You're welcome to eat or take drinks into the Keller.
Sun 23rd	Marulan via Bungonia Meet at Gunna Doo Bakery – 10.00 for a 10.30am departure We'll ride out to Marulan via Windellama and Bungonia and on to the Meridian café in Marulan. The return trip will come back a slightly different way - but still pretty much no highway. An easy ride through some nice countryside and for the history buffs you'll be touching on the site of the first Australian motorcycle GP!

Note: The event start times & venues are subject to change – make sure you confirm latest event info on the website @ <https://canberradistrictducaticlub.org.au/> The CDDC provides funds for a support vehicle & recovery trailer on sanctioned club rides like the Harrierville, Khancoban runs & Bevels to the Bay run each year. See other comments re the funding of support vehicles & trailer on CDDC club rides in this newsletter.

Ride/event ideas

If you would like to lead a ride of your choice or have a suggestion for a ride, please email ridesccddc@gmail.com. Aside from these planned rides, I encourage everyone to start events via the club website or Facebook page for casual short rides.

Weekday Ride

The situation with the Covid Virus is changing on a daily basis, however at this stage it is still within the rules and guidelines to hold our monthly rides as long as social distancing requirements are complied with by members.

Altre Notizie – other news

<<. CDDC SUPPORTERS .>>

These are the businesses that support the club through donations, discounts: **Belt & Bevel, Canberra Motorcycle Centre, New Eagle Signs, St John Ambulance ACT & CanPrint.** Many thanks to them and show your appreciation by patronising these businesses.

!! IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP YOURSELF UP-TO-DATE !!

Have you moved? Changed your email address? Changed your contact number? Remember, if your contact details change, it's your responsibility to advise the CDDC of your new address. Don't complain if you are a financial member & you are not getting notices or newsletters – you'll find in 101% of cases you've not notified of your change. Also, if you update your member details through your DOC portal, you also need to advise membership. If you have any problems with receiving information, please contact secretarycddc@gmail.com

<<. THE BOOK OF YEEND .>>

Hi All,

What a year 2020 has proven to be but the signs were there very early with the passing of long standing member and mate Peter Yeend. That was quite a shock to all of us and this isolating thing has left me with lots of time to think about this unique man and his many "Yeendyisms or "pearls of wisdom" as he called them. It would be a waste to let those pearls die with the man and as I mentioned at our last meeting I would like to put a little booklet together made up of his many sayings and also some tales about him that made him so unique and interesting. It would be about the same size as our constitution and should be carried in all members backpacks. That would really piss him off that instead of the constitution members carried the book of Yeendyisms all about him. To put this together I will need your assistance to help with content, therefore if you have any stories about him or/and remember some of his one liners please send them to me at my749r@bigpond.com the more the merrier and remember you will be contributing to really pissing him off big time. Once published it will be sold at a reasonable price with all proceeds returning to the club.

Hope to hear from you soon,
Taso

Store it Right
By Grant Fuller

This is the story of 2 Ducati motorcycles that have been stored for 12 years by their individual owners who now want to put them back on the road. I'll refer to them as Bike 1 and Bike 2 as I don't want to identify the bikes or the owners.

Bike 1 was brought into the workshop by its owner who wished to have the bike put back on the road after having been stored for 12 years.

No pre hibernation work or preparation was carried out by the owner prior to storing. The tank wasn't filled to the brim with fuel treated with stabiliser or this stabilised fuel run through the entire injection system. The bike wasn't washed or stored under some form of cover in a clean, dry environment. All fluids including engine oil should have been changed before storage. The bike wasn't given a coating of WD40 or similar product to provide a protective film.

When the bike was initially seen it didn't look so bad, I thought a good wash would soon have it looking better, but this was far from the truth. So, what was the outcome of this lack of preparation prior to being stored?

The entire fuel system requires replacement as that lack of stabilized fuel in the tank has caused damaged to the tank cap, fuel pump, fuel hoses, pressure regulator, clamps, filters, injectors. The only part able to be reused was the tank itself.

The brake system has suffered as brake fluid being hygroscopic has caused corrosion to pistons and damage to seals and boots so that fluid has actually leaked out creating additional issues. The hydraulic clutch system has suffered the same.

The tyres are perished and cracked. Corrosion from moisture or vermin interaction has damaged many fasteners which are in many cases are unique to this model.

The list of items requiring replacement isn't endless but is extensive. The total cost including labour to get this Ducati back on the road will be in the region of \$12,000. Nearly \$4000 of this is the cost of fuel system components damaged just because the tank wasn't kept full with stabilized fuel, a cost of about \$40.

Bike 2 was prepared 12 years ago for storage with the fuel system being drained and cleaned. The bike was washed and cleaned prior to being stored. The bike was kept in a clean dry environment and stored in an appropriate manner.

All that was required to get this bike back on the road was to fill the tank with fresh fuel.

It wouldn't have cost the owner of Bike 1, \$12000 to keep the bike on the road for this 12 year period and many bikes wouldn't be economical to consider repairing after this period.

But be careful with any bike that you intend to store even if it is for just the Winter months. With modern fuels you should consider completely filling your tank with stabilised fuel and run this through the injectors even if the bike is only going to sit for 4 to 6 weeks.

Moto GP Tipping Comp Round 1 – Barwa Grand Prix of Qatar

Only 1 tipster picked Viñales to win!

Ducati was looking sweet on the 1st lap with their launch device projecting 4 of them to the front. It was short lived. Jack had his usual tyre problems and if not for a mistake by Mir on the last corner which saw him run wide the best Ducati would most likely have run 3rd.

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12 VINALES,5 ZARCO,63 BAGNAIA	1	1	1	5	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2



Moto GP Tipping Comp
Round 2 – Tissot Grand Prix of Doha

The closest top 15 in history. A rookie, Jason was the only tipster to pick Quartararo for the win. Everyone except Jason, and Bill who started from pit-lane after forgetting his tips until lap 3, picked Viñales this time around. Unfortunately a week late.

Ross still leads with Jason out of the pack after him.

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20 QUARTARARO,5 ZARCO,89 MARTIN	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	4	2	1	1	1





DUCATI RESOURCES IN THE ACT/QUEANBEYAN/YASS AREA



So, you own, or are thinking of owning a Ducati in the ACT/Queanbeyan/Yass area. What resources/support can you access if you do own a Duck or you get a Duck? Set out below is a list of the main sources of bikes, parts, servicing, advice you can call upon.

Canberra Motorcycle Centre (CMC)

<http://www.canberramcc.com.au/>

30 Ipswich St Fyshwick – 6175 4444

CMC is the local Ducati dealership. So, for any warranty work it's the only resource. Obviously they also sell parts, official Ducati clothing as well as doing servicing. My experience is Steve in parts is really helpful.

Belt & Bevel (B&B)

<http://beltandbevel.com.au/>

Call **0408 223 069** to speak to **Michael Fuller**

B&B is the place for that hard to find part, both for new & old Dukes. B&B stocks many parts not found anywhere else. As a special exclusive for CDDC members a 10% discount can be accessed but you need to quote the discount code which is currently **CDDC19**.

Desmoharmonic

desmoharmonic@icloud.com

Fyshwick - 0408764374

Desmoharmonic as in desmodromic is a new service studio owned and operated by **Peter Giles** who many of you may know as he has been specialising in Ducati service here in Canberra since 2001 and has over 25 years' experience with Ducati working at many different dealerships including JHP Ducati Coventry UK. Desmoharmonic can cater for all your service needs on all models post warranty, a tyre service is also available. He too is offering a 10% discount on all parts to club members.

■ ■ Arrivederci! ■ ■

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