# **Monthly Newsletter**



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### Presidente Rezazione

Dec 2022

Greetings All,

is it just me or was that one very quick year. Whilst it has been good to finally get back to a normal (well almost normal) lifestyle we still have the demon COVID hovering over us. But it is the festive season so let us lose our selves for a while.

The CDDC Xmas party was held at Taso's place of business (The Oven Door) for a change. The venue worked well and the turnout was really good with everyone having a fun time. Rod Hood (the assassin) was awarded the Phil Goldacre Clubman of the year award for 2022 by the infamous Taco The Greek, I got to award life time membership to Michael Fuller and announce the award to Leigh Campbell who was absent on motorcycle adventures at the time. Taso reinvented his Dick Head awards, going to Terry Riddle and Michael Phillips. Well done guys, you really excelled. I am sure they will be happy to explain the reasons for the award.

The one down side of having the party at Taso's place was being so close to the food prep area. I may miss some but the food went like this;

- Starters—on arrival bowls of sweets brimming with sugary delights, soon after plates
  of spinach and ricotta pastry slices, pita bread and dip, savoury sausage slices, fish
  and chips.
- 2. Entrée-plates of pizza slices (multiple choices)
- 3. Mains—A choice of roast beef, pork, chicken and one other meat, salad, baked potato...my memory is failing.
- 4. Desert–The infamous Taso Xmas cake, a vanilla slice (snot block) beautifully grated onto a tiramisu–delicious.

Took me several days to get over that feast.

The following Saturday the club backed up with a very informative maintenance session at AB's place run by the Fuller boys, 12 of us gathered and all learnt from the activity. During the lunch break we all enjoyed a sausage sizzle put on by Al and J9 and I got the opportunity to award Leigh his Lifetime membership. A huge thank you to AB and the Fuller boys.

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With Xmas just around the corner I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy new year. Hopefully see lots of you at the NYD recovery run.

Ciao

Sarge



The new barge Christmas wish

# 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 Coordinator (contact details at end of Newsletter). Don't forget, on all club rides TUFU applies (turn up fuelled up). If you turn up then realise you need fuel and are gonna duck off to get fuel, then tell the ride coordinator. To stay in touch with club rides, particularly in the COVID affected times we find ourselves in, make sure you check the club website for the latest ride information. Rides can change at short notice and the website is the source of truth for club rides. Set it up in your favourites and with one click you will have the latest info.

# January 2023

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> New Year's Recovery Ride

Come out for the traditional CDDC year starter ride. Since the last couple of years seemed to work well, we'll do pretty much the same ride – maybe this

year will be the year everyone does the same ride!

Meet at McDonalds Queanbeyan 10 for a 10.30am start.

We'll do an easy ride through the countryside to end up at the George

Harcourt Inn for lunch.

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> CDDC Monthly General Meeting

7:30pm @Harmonie Club Narrabundah. We should be back in the Keller Bar – our normal meeting space. For new people it is past the main bar and

down the stairs.

Meeting starts @ 7.30 – eats from 6:30 for those who want to grab a meal

before the meeting.

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Mid week ride to Gunning, Gundaroo and back to Canberra

Lunch at Gunning

Meet at Coronation Park Yass at 10:00 for a 10.30 am start

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> Boorowa / Crookwell

A bit of a run out through some country roads with a stop at Boorowa for lunch. The roads will still be in a state so everyone will just need to ride to

the conditions.

Meet at The Baker @ Sutton 10:00 for a 10.30 start.

Note: The event start times & venues are subject to change – make sure you confirm latest event info on the website @ <a href="https://canberradistrictducaticlub.org.au">https://canberradistrictducaticlub.org.au</a>

The CDDC provides funds for a support vehicle & recovery trailer on sanctioned club rides like the Harrietville, 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 <a href="mailto:ridescddc@gmail.com">ridescddc@gmail.com</a>. Aside from these planned rides, I encourage everyone to start events via the club website or Facebook page for casual short rides.

## **Weekday Rides**

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.

### **December Weekday Ride**

**Grant Fuller** 

The December Weekday Ride was a relatively short ride from Yass to Harden Bakery. However, having said that, by the time I got back home to Tumblong I had done just on 276 kilometres.

Unfortunately, the ride to Yass for the start of the ride is not the most exciting straight up the Hume, but it could be worse. The trip to Yass was uneventful and the weather on the day was very good. But there was the forecast for storms late in the afternoon.

On arrival at Yass there was already a bike waiting at Coronation Park. It was Bob Coleman on his 900GTS. Shortly later Craig Evans arrived on his Triumph Tiger Cub.

We stood around talking until the 10.30 departure time and then headed for Harden. The ride was really good, uneventful with very little traffic to talk of. The beauty of a weekday ride. The road was also in surprisingly good condition, considering all of the rain that we have had.

We arrived at the bakery and enjoyed a further chat as well as some coffee and food. It's a nice location with chairs and tables out in a garden setting.

I'm not sure which way Craig and Bob headed home but I went via Jugiong to Gundagai. Just before Jugiong it started to rain gently, but only lasted about 15 minutes.



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You don't see a smile like that on Craig when he is riding a Ducati! This photo is actually from our last Harden Bakery trip.				

#### **DOHC Bevel**

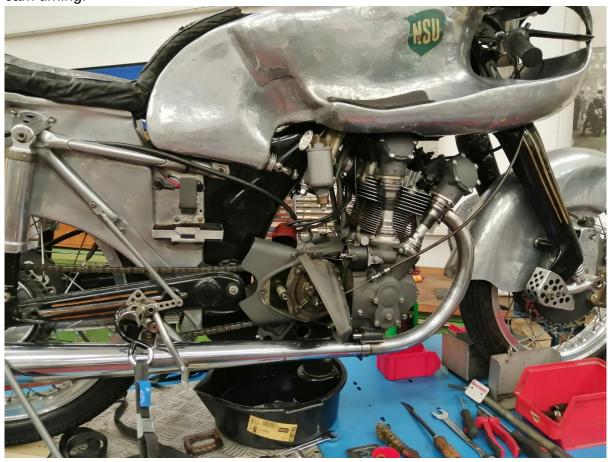
**Grant Fuller** 

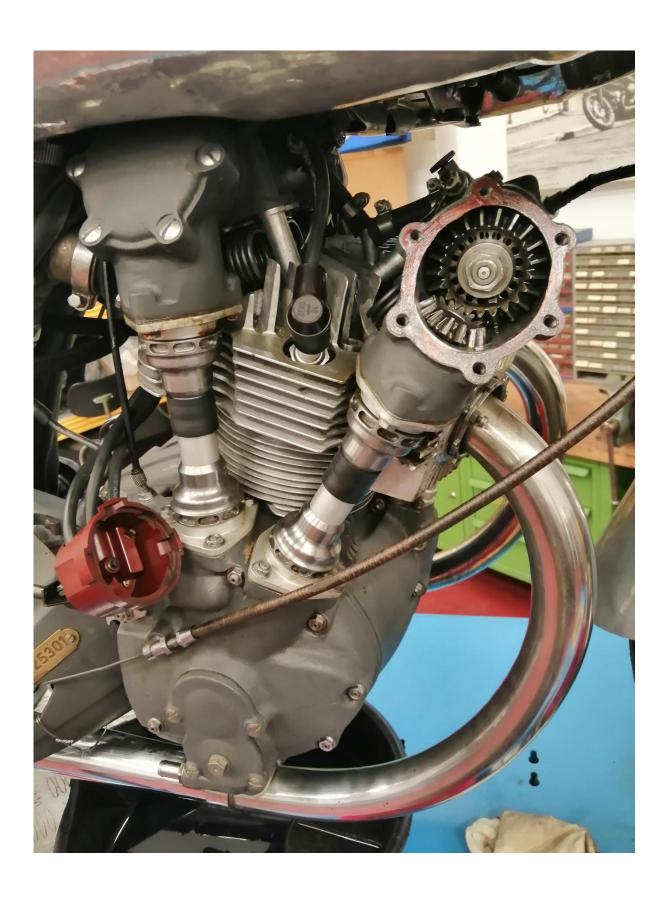
The photos show a beautiful 1953 250cc NSU Rennmax racing motorcycle.

The motorcycle is on display at the NSU Museum in Neckarsulm, and is stamped Number 3. It is currently undergoing maintenance under the careful eye of Sven Heimberger, Technical Expert and Curator at the museum, in preparation for an outing at an upcoming race meeting.

The large amounts of magnesium (electron to the Germans) is clearly evident, along with how well the machine has been looked after and worked on. You can see no damage to castings, nuts, bolts or any fittings. Very different to what you normally see on an old race bike.

The upper bevel gears are very interesting. Straight cut, to save power, and the upper shaft gear is 14 teeth and the cam gear 21 teeth, allowing the loading to be shared over the entire gear set with a 1 to 1.5 ratio. The other very interesting feature is that the cam gear is in 2 pieces, with 18 holes drilled in the front half of the gear and 17 holes drilled in the rear section. This in conjunction with tooth position allows correcting and changing cam timing.





### **Editor's Note**

William Campbell

By now you may have noticed a change in format of the newsletter-only because of expediency club members. In the new year things should be back to normal, and hopefully, more timely.

The committee would like to wish all our members a happy holiday season and best wishes for 2023.

### Altre Notizie - Other news

#### **CDDC SUPPORTERS**

These are the businesses that support the club through donations, discounts: **Belt & Bevel**, **TeamMoto Canberra**, **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 <a href="mailto:secretarycddc@gmail.com">secretarycddc@gmail.com</a>

# 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 Duke, or you get a Duke? Set out below is a list of the main sources of bikes, parts, servicing, advice you can call upon.

#### **TeamMoto**

#### https://www.teammoto.com.au/canberra/

30 Ipswich St Fyshwick – (02) 6280 4491 TeamMoto 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 CDDC22.

#### 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.

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