# **Monthly Newsletter**



### Ottobre 2023

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# **Presidente Rezazione**

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Greetings All, looking forward to catching up with you all at the upcoming AGM on Monday 9 October, just four days before the Corinary Rally.

On Tuesday 3 Oct I had the opportunity to test ride the new V4 Diavel from Team Moto. With only 103 km on the clock meant the engine was still very tight. Regardless of this the bike is very impressive with 183hp at the crank. It is very responsive and boasts all the usual gadgetry we come to expect from new bike. The beast looks longer than my 2013 gen1, however the specs do not support this view Wheel base V4 = 1.593 compared to V2 2013 = 1.590. Only 3mm difference. The only real difference in the ergonomics is the 26 degrees rake of the V4 compared to 28 degrees of the V2. Oh, and it is a lot quieter than mine, but that can be sorted  $\mathfrak{S}$ 

I would really enjoy catching up with heaps of you at the Corinary Rally, even if you do not camp come out for a day run and grab a burger from Taso.

As mentioned earlier, it is AGM time and after four years as your Pres and two further years as VP I have decided not to run for re election this year. It is not because I have had enough as I could happily continue. No, it is more that I feel it is time for fresh blood and ideas at the top. I have had a great time as your elected official and I hope I have done you and the club proud. I take this opportunity to thank all the club officials and volunteers who have assisted in keeping the club going. A huge thanks to all club members for your support and continued friendship.

Ciao

Sarge

## **Prossimi appuntamenti-Next Events**

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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 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.

Monday 9th	Annual General Meeting.			
	The CDDC AGM is set down for Monday 9th October at The Harmonie Club, Narrabundah.			
	All positions will be open.			
	The October monthly meeting will be held from 7.30pm. After a short break the AGM is scheduled to commence at 8.00pm.			
Friday 13th-Sunday 15th	Corinary Rally			
	Woods Reserve – Off Corin Dam Road			
	Catered from Saturday lunchtime by the CDDC Latte Sipping Catering Division.			
	Firewood and real Dunnies. BYO alcohol. Door prizes and raffles.			
	\$30 to register. Go to the CDDC Website to register.			
	See the CDDC website for more details.			
Saturday 14th	Rally Ride			
	A ride out to the Corinary Rally. For anyone not wanting to stay overnight but who want a short ride and enjoy some of Taso's cooking – not to mention supporting your club.			
	Even if you don't want to do this 'club' ride – make your own way out to the food tent. Its at Woods Reserve, off Corin Dam Road			
	Met at Weston McDonalds (but don't spoil your appetite!) – this is the newe one on Kirkpatrick St. Meet at 10.30 for an			
Wednesday 18th –	Overnight ride to Grenfell			
Thursday 19th	This is our first mid week overnight ride.			
	Meet at Coronation Park, Yass at 10.00 for a 10.30 start. Coronation Park is next to the Visitors Centre in the main street.			

	Wednesday, ride to Temora for lunch via Harden, Wallendbeen, Stockinbingal and Springdale. After lunch continue to Barmedmen, Bimbi then Grenfell.				
	Thursday, ride from Grenfell to Cowra, then on the Young for lunch. After lunch ride to Wombat, Harden, Binalong, Yass and back to Canberra.				
	Both days are a relaxing distance of approximately 300 kilometers.				
	Accommodation will need to be booked by those attending and the accommodation details will be on the website shortly.				
	These rides are targeted at Club Registered bikes, however all are welcome.				
Sunday 22nd	Ducs on the Pond Oz GP Special				
	Something a bit different for Ducs on the Pond. This month our coffee meet up coincides with the Oz MotoGP round. The idea will be to have the usual coffee chat, followed by a leisurely ride to the Harmonie club for lunch and watch the race on the big screen.				
	Meet for 10am near the Jetty Café – Queen Elizabeth Terrace – near Commonwealth Place, Lake Burley Griffin (down behind Questacon and the High Court).				
	And for those that don't drink coffee or just want to meet for lunch and the race, I'm guessing we'll be there sometime around 12.30 (give or take)				
Sunday 29th	Wee Jasper				
	A leisurely ride out to Wee Jasper with a stop for lunch at the Distillery. This is a new ride I'm keen to try out. It shouldn't be a long ride, but there will be some tight bits.				
	Meet at Weston McDonalds (the newer one on Kirkpatrick St) 10 for a 10.30 start.				
	We'll ride out via Mountain Creek Road. I believe the Distillery does light food so we'll aim for a light lunch.				

# Novembre (November) 2023

Saturday 11th -	Phil Goldacre Memorial Ride		
Sunday 12th	Its that time of year again and one of our feature rides of the year is here and once again we'll be heading for Corryong.		
	We'll tak the usual route, Adaminaby, Tumut, Tumbarumba, Jinjelic, Tintaldra and on to Corryong.		
	The return trip will be via Khancoban and the Alpine Way.		
	You'll need to look after your own accommodation for the Saturday night. The main options are Corryong Hotel Motel (02) 60761004 or the Mountain		

	View Motel (02) 6076 1766.			
	Still sorting a support vehicle – get in contact if you're interested.			
	Meet at the Hume Ampol on the Monaro Highway – Saturday 8 for an 8.30am start.			
Monday 13th	Monthly club meeting.			
	7:30pm @Harmonie Club Narrabundah. This month we'll be in the Boardroom–that's through the auditorium, down the stairs and towards the back of the building.			
	Meeting starts @ 7.30–eats from 6:30 for those who want to grab a meal before the meeting.			
Sunday 19th	Duc's on the Pond			
	An opportunity to meet up for a coffee and chat and a ride if people are up for it.			
	<i>Meet for 10am near the Jetty Café</i> – Queen Elizabeth Terrace – near Commonwealth Place, Lake Burley Griffin (down behind Questacon and the High Court).			
Wednesday 22nd	Mid week ride to Temora for lunch.			
	Meet at Coronation Park, Yass at 10.00 for a 10.30 start. Coronation Park is next to the Visitor Centre in the main street.			
	Ride to Temora via Harden, Wallendbeen, Stockinbingal and Springdale.			
	These rides are targeted at Club Registered bikes, however all are welcome.			
Saturday 25th	Pheasant Wood Ride and Trackday			
	The club has been exploring doing a few track days as a group for anyone interested. The next one we're looking at is this one at Pheasant Wood. This is a small well setup track near Marulan.			
	You'll need to look after your own booking. Check out the Pheasant Wood website for the more info.			
	The gates open from 7am, rider briefing is at 8.45 and the track sessions run from 9am – 4pm.			
	Not sure about onsite food options, so play it safe and take something to eat during the day. Make sure you take plenty of water to keep yourself hydrated.			
	Even if you don't want to do the track day, it's not a bad little ride out to the track. You don't need to go down the highway, you can take the backroads through Tarago and Bungonia. If there is interest from members we can set up a group ride.			

*Note:* Event start times & venues are subject to change – make sure you confirm latest event info on the website @ <u>https://canberradistrictducaticlub.org.au</u>

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 <u>ridescddc@gmail.com</u>. 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.





13 to 15 October 2023

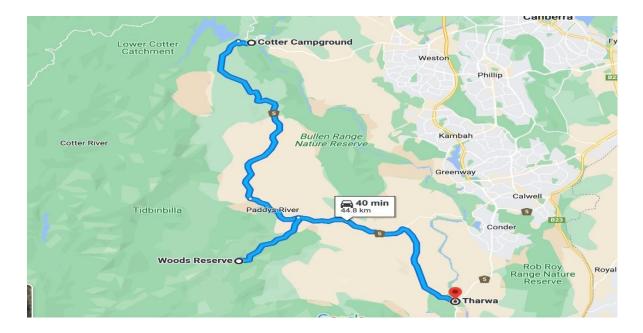
Woods Reserve – off Corin Dam Road ACT

Catered from Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Lunch by the infamous CDDC Latte Sipping Catering Division & Starring Chef Taso

**Firewood & Real Dunnies** 

**BYO Alcohol** 

\$30 @ Register - canberradistrictducaticlub.org.au SHOP



# **September Rides**

#### Craig Evans

There were a few rides on during September starting with the Pre '94 ride on 3rd September. We had four classic bikes turn out with three ending up on the ride out to Tarago for a coffee. It was a nice sunny Sunday for early September, just about perfect for riding, would have been nice to see more bikes out, but I'm sure the three that rode enjoyed themselves.



Early morning September sunshine for the classics.

The next ride on the calendar was the mid week ride to Young. Another sunny spring day for those that could make it. Unfortunately I didn't take any photos so nothing to show for it here, but I think Grant was writing this one up so I'll leave this ride in his capable hands.

Ducs on the pond saw another great spring Sunday with the usual crowd gathering down by the lake for a coffee and a chat. Not much to mention here, as it was a laid back casual Sunday coffee appreciating the September sunshine.

The last ride of the month was the ride out to Woodstock at the end of the month and once again the weather turned it on, spring really is a good time to be out on the bike. I hadn't been out this way since we did this ride last year and although the roads were still bumpy (in reality they always will be) they were much improved over last year. I guess one advantage of the drier weather, it does give road crews the chance to try and catch-up with the maintenance.

There were six of us on the ride and it was good to see the ride group maintaining our high standards with a Triumph coming along (see what reaction I get on that – bonus points for people reading the newsletter articles...), and to answer the various questions – no it wasn't mine. For the most part I was 'suffering' along with Waji on a Panigirlie, although on some sections being on a

sports-bike was a blast. Meanwhile the rest of the rabble were nestled comfortably on their armchair strudels.



A few Duc's by the pond.

The ride up was a couple of hundred kms of varying road types from open sweepers on the way to Crookwell to tight old back roads winding through the farm country. It was a nice ride through the changing landscape.

We stopped at the pub for lunch and were joined by Waji's pit crew/team manager, Amy. Lunch was a bit slow and at one stage the pub was nearly declared dead to us – but the correct food arrived and the crisis was averted just in time and we may get to go there again.



Enjoying the shade from the warm September sun.

After lunch we had a sneaky brisk run into Cowra for fuel before a cruisy ride home back through Boorowa. One thing I did notice after this ride – I'm either getting older or softer (probably both) as it was a bit harder riding 450kms on the Panigirlie than on the plush comfort of the Tiger. I certainly felt it on the Monday.

That was the month that was. Keep an eye out for October rides after a slow start to the month allowing for long weekend footy finals and Bathurst we'll be getting back into it. Also make sure you book yourself in for the Phil Goldacre Memorial ride on 11/12 November – details are up on the website – oh and I'm still looking for anyone interested in driving the support vehicle.

#### **Phil Goldacre Memorial Ride**

Its that time of year again and one of our feature rides of the year is not far off – the Phil Goldacre Memorial ride and once again we'll be heading to Corryong.

We'll meet up at Hume Ampol on the Monaro Highway. The usual route will be taken, stopping at Adaminaby for a coffee and picking up any additional passengers. Tumut for lunch and then on to Tumburumba, Jinjelic and probably a stop off at Timtaldra before rolling into Corryong.



The return trip will be via Khancoban and the Alpine Way and possibly lunch at Wild Brumby Distillery.

As usual you'll need to look after your own accommodation for the Saturday night. Last year the two that were used were the Corryong Hotel Motel (02) 6076 1004 or the Mountain View Motel (02) 6076 1766. These two fine establishments are relatively close together on the approach to town.

I'm hoping we'll have a support vehicle for this ride, so if anyone is interested in doing this important role get in touch with me (either on a ride or at the monthly meeting, or email secretarycddc@gmail.com )

The ride will be on the weekend of 11 th -12 th November.

## Last Hurrah for Rodney before he topples the current regime.

Rhys Ban

Wed, 4 Oct, 14:00 (1 day ago)

--- The following was not an official club ride. It was a good time out and saw about as much participation as the average club ride nevertheless ---

It all started with a need to be in Wollongong, an impending AGM and a long weekend. I planned to ride up with a mate and invited a few people I thought would enjoy the roads betwixt locales. Sadly, my mate didn't make it to the start line and, in typical CDDC fashion, some of those invited declined the invitation. So, the ride consisted of two: one Mr VP and myself.

With this in mind, we decided to make the ride a last hurrah for Rodney as he prepared his endorsed coup against the committee, assassination of the current president and installation of a theocratic regime, worshipping the one true Rod! Should he be successful, he will have to give up riding almost entirely as has become the tradition for presidents of CDDC.

Not having to faff about too much, we set off from Canberra at a reasonable hour, bound for Wollongong via Nerriga, Nowra and the coast roads. All was going well until Tarago where what seemed like every flying insect in the Canberra region came out to hail the presidential candidate! The decimation was so thorough, we had to stop at Nerriga to clean the decedents from our visors before continuing on.

We made it to Nowra without too much more happening that wasn't riding. At this point, it became apparent that my rear right indicator was not working (possibly in a bid to make the ride into a more typical CDDC affair)!

After a short caffeine stop, we set off Northwards with a mission: visit Fraser Motorcycles Wollongong to see if we could fix my indicator issue. Some spirited corner riding was in order before a short stint on the motorway with what felt like every driver from Queensland. We arrived at Fraser's in time to save a potential victim from the clutches of Mick Potts.

New indicators purchased (but not in hand because Ducati doesn't keep stock for anything on hand), we set off to get some food in us before finishing day one of the ride. While enjoying good and filling grub at Two Doors Up, we were treated to a showcase of the finest safety equipment available in Wollongong: titanium weave leggings, Kevlar bikini tops, force field thongs and invisible gloves. Both Rod and I were very disappointed this gear isn't available in Canberra (though it won't be as waterproof as Rukka!

Fed and entertained, we rounded out day one with a run up to Bald Hill before taking the Old Princes Highway to Picton Road and down Mount Kembla to our accommodation for the night.

Day two started with a typical Wollongong ride (up Macquarie Pass), which I extended with some back roads to Mittagong. At this point, we deliberately went full CDDC and broke the ride up into multiple routes. Rod returned to Mac Pass to go up and down ad infinitum with all of the Wollongong Squids (he assures me he did not hang out with them but wanted to understand what all the fuss was about), while I continued off to the North in a wider loop to visit some family. All fun abruptly ended when the mercury tipped 35 degrees and made cooling off an impossibility.

After a hard day of riding, both ride participants were stuffed and needed a good meal. After a few failed attempts at a kebab, we settled for a local Wollongong delicacy (Chickos, or as Rod calls it '8 whole, angry chickens in a giant bread roll, ready to do battle in your guts). After such a voluminous feast, we were both ready for a LLD (little lie down).

Once again unencumbered by sleepers and faffers, we agreed to head off from Wollongong at 7.30 am (yes, there IS a 7.30 am). We would have left earlier, but one dunce couldn't find their wallet and had to bring the faff to the ride, giving Rod time for one more smoke before hitting the road.

The route home sent us down to Jamberoo, over Saddleback Mountain, down to Gerroa and up Kangaroo Valley before heading to Bungonia and back home via Tarago. All was going swimmingly until Rod ran over a tree limb overtaking a slow vehicle on Saddleback and lamed himself (many an unkind and unsavoury word were uttered inside that helmet for a good minute).

The remainder of the ride back to Canberra was enjoyable and decidedly devoid of danger (both physical and financial). We even managed to do from Bungonia to Tarago without needing to swim. In hindsight this might've had something to do with the lack of low-slung Panigale mufflers to fill with water.

Once back in Canberra, we ducked into Rod's place where a performance modification was made to the Monster: the broken and useless indicators were replaced with performance spec articles sourced from a V4 SP2 Panigale. The ride officially over, Rod unbound his battered foot and I took the performance-tuned Monster home. It would turn out a good thing that Rod lives the motto of "ATGATT" (All The Gear, All The Time) as his boot likely saved his foot from obliteration and served to both immobilise and compress his injury for the remainder of the ride.

In all, we rode for 3 days and over 750 km over a long weekend. This experiment has proved you can have a spirited ride on a long weekend without accruing any demerit points! For anyone who wants to know more, you should get out there and go for a ride!

# Weekday Ride to Jugiong

#### Grant Fuller

Apologies to Gran for missing this report last month :-( Ed.

The weekday ride for August was from Coronation Park Yass, to the Sir George, at Jugiong.

We had 4 starters for the ride:

Kim Tyler 750/860GT

Rod Hood White Ute

Craig Evans Tiger Cub

Grant Fuller SS Darmah

The weather for the ride was looking good, with sunshine and a forecast maximum of 16.

The route was to leave Yass and ride down the Hume until we arrived at the turn off to Binalong, then onto Harden. I had decided not to head to the start point in Yass as it is 110 kilometres up the Hume, which is getting quite boring, so I let Craig know that I would join the ride at Harden. Whilst waiting for the group to arrive at Harden, Rod pulled up in his ute, as he knew we were heading that way, and was going to join us for lunch.

The road from Harden to Jugiong is in pretty good condition, and is a good road that you can get along at a decent pace, with most of the way being good curves.

As soon as we arrived at the Sir George, Rod pulled out his laptop/tablet. I think he may have been conducting a performance review of our Secretary Craig. Not sure how it actually went as Craig started telling us about the pair of Macramé underpants he was wearing!

It was another great weekday ride that caters for the older bikes, or members wanting to enjoy shorter rides at a comfortable pace.



# **Entertainment News**

Name withheld for their own protection :-)



This is the latest musical offering hot off the press from Greece. Features the famous Greek Bakers song, "Never On Sunday", and a Solo Buzouki track.

Definitely one for the Christmas Stocking

# **CDDC Classifieds**

#### Michael Fuller

Just a reminder to club members, we have a classifieds section on the club website: <u>https://canberradistrictducaticlub.org.au/classifieds/</u>

And to showcase this we have this gem

### FOR SALE DUCATI 900S2 - 1984

56600Kms, \$30,000

For more information contact Daryl Wood, 0423 490 065





## 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 <u>secretarycddc@gmail.com</u>

# 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.

### 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.

### **Canberra Motorcycle Doctor**

https://www.canberramotorcycledoctor.com/

Doc has been working his Ducati magic for years

Fyshwick - 0477 366 082

Unit 3/100 Maryborough St Fyshwick 2906

### 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.

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