



Southern Cross Association newsletter

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CROSS
ASSOCIATION
(FTC) INC**

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Presidents Prattle



Well hi all. I hope you all had great Christmas and New year. I am looking forward to catching up with you all at the AGM in Rockhampton on the Easter weekend, Friday 14- Saturday 15- Sunday 16- Monday 17.

As I said in the last newsletter all the committee positions are up for election, I definitely know that Doc and myself want to have a break. If you intend to run for a position your nominations need to be with Bill by the 30th March 2017. A nomination form is in this newsletter.

This year is the 20th ride for our 5 Day Poker Run. The intent is to try and do the first run, or as close to it as possible. I wasn't around then so can't tell

you the exact stopovers. I do know that Helen is currently spending any of her spare time on the phone arranging tucker and camp sites. The exact route will be announced at the AGM.

I would like to congratulate Ray Cattell and his new committee that were elected at the Townsville AGM.

I myself would like to say a big thank you to the old committee: Adrian Voss, Carol Voss, and Bev Quantrell for their support over the past couple of years.

Well folks that is about all I have to say for now, looking forward to catching up with you all in April, until then stay safe.

Doctor's advice

Hi all

Well this will be my last newsletter bit as I am not taking on any committee positions again this year. It's time to let someone

else have a go.

For the most part, I have enjoyed my 10 years being in one position or another and would like to thank you all for your support.

On another note, I am looking forward to catching up with everyone at the AGM.

Don't forget to get those nominations in now. Positions available are:
President
Vice President
Treasurer
Secretary
Webmaster
Merchandise Officer

This year's Poker Run should be a blast and I can't wait. The registrations have started to roll in early. (I hope the new committee lets me do the auctions)

Anyway guys and gals, I'll catch you all at the AGM.

Cheers
Doc



News from the North

Hi everyone

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce the new Townsville subcommittee

Chairperson Ray (RAYMAN) Cattell

Vice chair Adrian (VOSSY) Voss
Treasurer Chris (SKI) Scifleet
Secretary Carol Voss
Ride coordinator Len Voss
Barperson Cheryl Marshall

All of these people have performed on the committee or behind the scenes for a number of years
(Phone numbers and mug shots to follow)

As you are probably already aware it is the 20th anniversary of the Southern Cross Association. I don't know the exact date, but we will be celebrating this on the May day weekend with our local poker run.

Our poker run is a memorial poker run to remember old mates who are no longer with us and to remember the good times we shared with them. As it is a long weekend we are trying to source a venue where we can have a camp over on the Saturday and Sunday nights. So keep this weekend in mind.

We are also trying to track past members and make this a reunion

weekend so if you know any past members ask them to try and make it to Townsville and they can catch up with old mates and maybe make a few new ones.

In closing I would like to thank the previous committee for all their hard work over the past few years. They have worked very hard keeping everything going and I hope they enjoy their well-earned break.

PS don't forget when in Townsville drop in to the club on Friday night for a great meal and a few coldies.

See you soon
Rayman

2017 Annual Poker Run

Are you ready for the Annual Poker Run? Have you booked your holidays? Marked your calendar for Sunday 3 September through to Saturday 9 September? Have you registered yet? It's easy just go to the SCA website and click on Poker Run Rego forms.

Because its the 20th annual run we are going to try to make the route as close to the original run as possible.

Monday Charlton – Dalby – Chinchilla – Miles – Wandoan – Taroom

Tuesday Taroom – Banana – Duaringa – Blackwater – Emerald

Wednesday Emerald – Capella – Clermont – Charters Towers

Thursday Charters Towers – Townsville – Ayr – Bowen – Airlie Beach

Friday Airlie Beach – Proserpine – Calen – Mackay – Eton – Retreat Hotel Epsom

We have great rides organised for us every year, but this one will be a bit special. We look forward to seeing you there.

Townsville Ride Calendar**DAY RIDES****OVERNIGHT RIDES**

5th March - Queens beach - Bowen
Depart from Southern Cross Shed at 9a.m

2nd April - Lucinda – Taylors Beach
Depart from Southern Cross Shed at 9a.m

14th April A.G.M in Rockhampton

30th April- LOCAL MEMORIAL POKER RUN

21st May Fletchers Creek

4th June- Ravenswood

18th June-Airlie Beach

1st July –show weekend
Ride to Mareeba Saturday
Ride to Cooktown or local tableland rides
Sunday
Return Townsville Monday

6th August- Circuit around Ingham

4th to the 10th September ANNUAL
POKER RUN

30TH September – 1st October (Queens
Birthday)
Kurramine Beach (day ride to Millaa Millaa)

29th October ARCHERS CREEK

5th November – Hervey's Range
– Charters Towers (lunch)

SCA South East Queensland

Hi to All,

Are you tired of the hot
weather...and riding in spite of it?

Our first ride for the year in February was a 6 hour torture trip to Wollie, near Grafton, in 45 degree heat.

It cooled down in Wollie and we

had our meeting and a lovely Chinese meal at the Bowls Club. I would recommend it to everyone.

The ride was well attended and our next ride is the Ride for Jane – for Canteen for Cancer on 19th March. Several of us will also be attending the Conondale Rally from 10 – 12 March.

With the cooler weather coming soon, we have some interesting rides planned.

See you all at the AGM in April.
Cheers
Evelyn Schuetze
Secretary SEQ Southern Cross.

SCA Central Highlands

Hello again all. Hope this finds all fine and healthy. Well it's been an active year so far for the Central Highlands Branch with 3 of our famous Sunday lunch rides being completed – and the year is still young!!

The first run for the year was to Emerald via the Gemfields (coffee, yes Lattes for some), Fairbairn Dam and then lunch at the Mayfair Tavern in Emerald. Great steak and the \$3.50 Sunday schooners could not be denied.

Next was a trip to Springsure for lunch at Dooley's Tavern. A lovely warm day with at least 6 spots of rain. The rain didn't dampen the enthusiasm of our intrepid adventurers though. The 40+ degree heat took our minds

from the rain. Who in their right mind rides a bike in those temperatures?? Oh, that's right – real bike riders do.

19 February saw us saddling up again for a run to Moranbah via Mt McLaren. If you've never had a meal at the Moranbah Workers Club then you are missing out on one of life's great experiences. Try it if you are passing through; guarantee you will not be disappointed. Anyway, back home through Dysart via Huntley Road for the Clermontians and Corry / Magenta Road for the Cappellarians. Yes we are truly blessed – a choice of 2 roads no less, to get home.

We are planning to hold our branch AGM in March. It will

probably be at the Commercial Hotel, Clermont and lunch following the meeting. With luck some of the folk who have expressed interest in the association will be able to make it and meet the rest of us. In the meantime 4 of us have planned to take part in the Black Dog Ride in Townsville in March so hopefully we may meet up with the Townsville mob & anyone else visiting for the ride.

That's it for now so we'll see you all at the AGM in Rockhampton. Take care!!

Regards

Bruce

Nomination Form for committee positions Southern Cross Association Annual General Meeting 15 April 2017

| Nominee (please print name) | Proposed by (please print name) | Seconded by (please print name) |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Position | Signature | Signature |
| Signature | | |
| Membership no. | Membership no. | Membership no. |

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All memberships are due on the 1st February each year.

I give permission for my details to be on a contact for SCA Members only Yes No

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SCA has a public liability insurance policy to \$20 000 000 which covers members and participants involved in an event held by the Southern Cross Association (F.T.C) Inc.

Signature: _____

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