## May 2020 | Newsletter



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#### Our Aim

To support our community, to provide a free newsletter to motorcycle enthusiasts that includes current rides and events as well as ride and pub reviews as well as photos of recent Poker run and other event flyers can be published in this newsletter, irrespective of group, provided it has a charitable focus. info@eatmyshorts.com.au

The advertising of your business or "for sale" items in this newsletter or on our website will attract a small charge to be donated to one of the many charities we support. For the website and newsletter to be successful, we welcome news stories, reviews and other contributions from groups and individuals. .

#### About us

Independent Riders is not a club. We are a group of individuals who believe in the enjoyment and freedom obtained through motorcycle riding without the restrictions and politics associated with membership and imposed by "committees" of clubs/associations. Independent Riders have a charitable focus but as true 'Independents' we have no President, Secretary, Founding Members or other similar position and the opinion of each person is considered equal. We do however have moderators on the website and Facebook page and one person chosen to be our Public Relations Officer. The role of this person is to promote our worthwhile and charitable causes and social events.

The wearing of Independent Rider merchandise (cloth patch, sticker, banner etc) does not equate to membership but rather a statement to indicate the person/persons belief in the concept of "The Independent Rider". Those who believe in the "Independent" concept are welcome to purchase and wear any of our patches or merchandise with our logo including our banners. Minimal amounts from sales are needed to help purchase new stock and cover basic administrative expenses, most money raised from merchandise sales go to various charitable organisations including: Fraser Coast Family Networks and Fraser Coast Wildlife Sanctuary.

Where possible, we provide experience and support with fundraising events for other groups/clubs by assisting with co-ordination, promotion or organising/designing promotional material including banners, patches etc. We believe that as a united force, bikers have the ability to provide positive direction within our community and be the leaders our community so desperately need. E-mail us for details info@eatmyshorts.com.au or miket60@bigpond.net.au

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# Where are Independent Riders?

Independent Riders have supporters as far south as the Gold Coast and to the north Cairns with the odd supporter in most Australian states and territories. While spread around our main contact points are Brisbane (Moreton Bay), Fraser and Capricorn Coast with a new addition Darling Downs, (Branches and contact details provided in this newsletter.

If you have a ride/event let us know and it will go either in the next addition of this newsletter and/or our website. If you know of good pubs, camping, have some great photos/stories or just want to go on our mailing list e-mail Independent Riders at <a href="mailto:info@eatmyshorts.com.au">info@eatmyshorts.com.au</a> Visit our website <a href="www.eatmyshorts.com.au">www.eatmyshorts.com.au</a> for more information on what we get up to as well as over a decade of pictures.

Meet us for a drink and a laugh at one of our Friday Social Nights, from 5.30pm onwards. Venue details at the bottom left of page 4. Hope to see you there

Until next time, stay safe... Independent Riders

We can be found each Friday afternoon / evening from around 5.30 PM at The Tinana Hotel, The Tinnie, just over The Lamington Bridge in Tinana. We are usually located near the bar or on warm days out front in the garden bar. During winter, we softies will be in side to stay warm ©

We usually have a few drinks, have a feed or head off somewhere else for dinner. We also discuss any future rides. If you feel like a chat, come down and see us.

#### Other upcoming Rides for 2020

- 5<sup>th</sup> Jul Muscle on the Mountain Cancelled
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sep Yarraman Show and Shine
- 6<sup>th</sup> Dec Annual Fraser Coast Toy Run

Rides can sometimes be very "last-minute" and sometimes get finalised over a beer on a Friday night so please ask to join our Facebook page: Independent Riders Fraser Coast.



#### Winter 2020

- Social nights for 2020 will vary each week, our social evening list can be seen on the bottom left of page three (3),
- Our social evenings in Maryborough occur each Friday evening from 5.30PM, all are welcome.

#### June 2020

- 13<sup>th</sup> June, Independent Day Ride. Depart Retro Coffee Tinana, Stands up 9.30AM
- 20<sup>th</sup> June. Packing Care Packages for Australian Troops. See Page 4 for details
- 21st June. Independent Riders Capricorn Coast Day Ride See website for delys
- 28th June. Cherbourg Blanket Run See website for delys

#### July 2020

- 19<sup>th</sup> July. Baffle Creek cr and bike muster. . Flyer with this newsletter
- 25-26<sup>th</sup> July Brass Monkey Run Overnighter. Flyer with this newsletter

Do you have ideas for rides? Email us E-mail: info@eatmyshorts.com.au

Interested in mid-week rides? E-mail: info@eatmyshorts.com.au

New rides are added in weekly so keep checking our website:

www.eatmyshorts.com. Or visit us on Facebook. Some of our day rides will have short notice but where possible these will be advertised.

#### **New Merchandise**

1. Stainless Steel Independent Necklaces\$20.00 LIMITED STOCK!





2. NEW LOOK Independent Riders Stubby Coolers Only \$10.00





# Patches - Independent Riders

These cloth patches and others now available. Only \$10.00

# **Banners and Flags are Again Available**



Banner example above 2.6x1 metre (approx.). \$75 plus postage

**Independent Sons of Bitches Shirts Version 4. (\$25)** 



**Front** 

#### Our achievements to date

On the 27<sup>th</sup> of December 2013, Independent Riders Australia presented its first check of, \$1500 to Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Qld. On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2014 we signed our last cheque for 2014, bringing our total donation of cash, services and goods for the twelve-month period to: **\$22,324.85**. December 2017 saw this amount exceed \$90,000 and by December 2019 this amount exceeded \$150,000.





# INDEPENDENT RIDERS INDEPENDENT RIDERS DARLING DOWNS

For those interested in attending Darling Downs events their two contacts are: Jol and Shanelle Clark: 0419 746097 and 0409 762374

They can also be e-mailed on: <a href="mailed-darlingdowns@eatmyshorts.com.au">darlingdowns@eatmyshorts.com.au</a> and have their own ride calendar on the Independent website, tas well as their own Facebook Page, search "Indpendent Riders Darling Downs.

#### **CAPRICORN COAST**

For those interested in attending Capricorn Coast events contact is:

TBA

Enquiriess can also be e-mailed to:
<a href="mailed-to:capricorncoast@eatmyshorts.com.au">capricorncoast@eatmyshorts.com.au</a> and have their own ride calendar on the Independent website, tas well as their own Facebook Page, search "Indpendent Riders Capricorn Coast"

#### **INDEPENDENT RIDERS MORETON BAY**

For those interested in attending Moreton Bay events their two contacts are: JanCunningham: 0408 744219and Kevin Cunningham: 0408 744219.

Jan and Kevin (Batman), can also be e-mailed on: <a href="mailed-grayanproud@gmail.com">grayanproud@gmail.com</a> and have their own ride calendar on the Independent website, tas well as their own Facebook Page, search "Indpendent Riders Moreton Bay"

#### Preferred pubs as of April

Lamington Hotel Ferry Street Maryborough

Granville Hotel, Oxford Hotels Maryborough Good drink and food prices

Maryborough Sports Club Saltwater Creek Rd Maryborough

> White Lion Hotel John/Walker Street Maryborough

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**New Fraser Coast Patches \$10 Each** 



Rider Patches 2013-2020



**Supporter Patch** 

# Independent Rider Mouse Mats \$10 Each Two Styles Available





## Care Packages - Volunteers needed

- WHEN: Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 9am 12 Noon
- WHERE: Community Hall Ariadne Street. Maryborough, Near Cricket Club.
- Details: We have finally got the go ahead and can send care packages to our Aussie Troops. We need volunteers for about 2-3 hours max to pack parcels. Morning tea provided

# 6<sup>th</sup> December – Fraser Coast Toy Run

- WHERE: To Brolga Theatre Cr Park Maryborough
- TIME: Registration from 6.30am stands up 9.00am

Cost, gold coin donation, sausage sizzle and coffee van at start, this is a car and motorcycle event with all proceeds going back to local community groups. This years benefactors are MACE Wide Bay, Fraser Coast Family Network and Fraser Coast Wildlife Sanctuary.

Raffles on the day including cash boards and our main raffle with prizes including a laptop, swag plus much more. Raffle will commence in August and be drawn at the end of the ride. We do plan on stalls at both Station Square and Stocklands in Hervey Bay.

Flyer should be out by the middle of June with dates for stalls available sometime after that. Great community event, giving all proceeds back to the Fraser Coast. Hope to see you there.

# 1st Annual Brass Monkey Run

• WHEN: 25<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> July 2020

With events being postponed and cancelled we have decided to look at a couple of rides around June/July, obviously we need to leave dates open and work in with restrictions etc

Our first ride will be around the coast, 2-400km range but are open to suggestions so we can make our first ride something special.

Our second ride will be an overnighter heading north and will most likely have this as a Brass-Monkey run. We do need to head towards rocky or close by so to meet up with riders there. At this stage we are looking at bringing a support vehicle along to lighten the load

Again we need to leave dates open due to restrictions but would welcome suggestions. If your ideas are used on this one we will put together a bit of a prize most likely a shirt and a patch set as a thank you, but will work that out shortly.

#### FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL EVENINGS – VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Social nights have been cancelled until further notice

However we will return as soon as possible!

From 5.30PM ish each Friday evening

#### Other projects heading into 2020

We have a number of exciting projects to consider in 2020:and 2021

- Suicide prevention/education. More details later in 2020
- Support Our Community Fraser Coast INC Art Competitions 2020
- VR (Visual Reality) Headsets for disabled and others in need
- Support Independent Riders Workshops *Ongoing*
- HISS Homeless Independent Support Services Details 2020
- And of course, some **EXCELLENT** rides!!!
- Care Packages for Aussie Troops. 108 April 2019/200 for 2020
- Need more details? E-mail: info@eatmyshorts.com.au



Red writing (location) initially Praser Coast or Australia.

Option for Capricorn Coast or Brisbane
Waiting on final pricing for fitted and long sleeve options

Positioning of logo may alter slightly.

#### Shirts now available from \$25 short sleeve, \$35.00 Long Sleeve. Singlet's also available







Embroidered Dress Shirts AND Hoodies available - By order only Enquiries 0417 215978

#### **New Patches**

Some of ourembroidered patches. From \$6.00 to \$7.00 per piece See Julie 0400 690981









If you are interested in coming alongto any of our advertised events or need more info, please contactJulie or Michael atinfo@eatmyshorts.com.auor mobile 0400 690981or 0409 575284

ALL PATCHES AVAILABLE IN: AUSTRALIA, DARLING DOWNS, MORETON BAY, BRISBANE, FRASER AND CAPRICORN COAST

EACH FRIDAY 5.30PM —SEE SCHEDULE BOTTOM LEFT OF PAGE 4



# **OUR COMMUNITY FRASER COAST INC IA58583**

Our Community Fraser Coast Inc IA58583 (OCFC), is a Not for Profit organisation and an initiative of Independent Riders Australia along with the support of other community minded groups on the Fraser Coast. OCFC provides several services to the local community including free advertising and promotion on their website, for like, minded groups as well as assistance promoting charitable events.



The main focus however of OCFC is to work with other local



organisations/institutions to promote and recognise the achievements of our disadvantaged and disabled. Since 2018 we have hosted art competitions with the 2019 winner, Caroline, becoming our Disability

In February 2020 with the support of Fraser Coast Regional Council Caroline presented Fraser Toy Run sponsors and supporters with copies of her shirt and certificates of appreciation.

**2020 Disability Art Competitiom** We are hoping this event will coincide with disability week later in the year. This project plans to run an art exhibition that is also coordinated by those participating; under the watchful eye of a local artist and carers. The exhibition will be open to those with disabilities across all organisations. More details soon.



Moving into 2020 we have several projects that we believe will provide opportunities for those with disabilities, to be actively involved. These projects include:



Fraser Coast Toy Run Annual Art Competition

Ambassador for 2020

- ➤ Trialing to commence in July 2020 of VR Headsets for use by those with special needs
- Exhibition of works for those with disabilities
- Develop small business model for

those with disabilities.

New VR Headset recently purchased

With all this going on our website unfortunately is still a work in progress however will continue to work on this in the coming months. The website is located at: www.ourcommunityfrasercoast.com.au is still under construction.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Pictures displayed from Caroline's February Toy Run presentation Brought to you by eatmyshorts.com.au

#### **INDEPENDENT RIDERS WORKSHOPS IA58897**

#### The Latest from Eddie



Shane Muller from The Bikers Brew is kindly supporting this venture. Bikers Brew is on the corner of Walker and Ferry St's Maryborough, (the old Shamrock). If you are in town pop in and say 'hi', check out the bikes, old and new, or enjoy a

coffee, drink, snack or meal. By doing this we support local business who support us.

Workshop Manager: Eddie PH: 0400 488244

Bike Mechanic:

Office: Cassie 07 4121 3010

Mentors: Wayne, Kevin and Brett
Students: Kevin, Travis and Kurtis.



Contact Eddie on 0400488244 for more details on the workshop.

Workshop direct at: 07 41213010

During January the workshops played host to clients of Ftraser Coast Family Networks as part of their holiday care program. While it was a full on day their two days with us were a delight and look forward to a return visit next holiday break.



#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers are essential to the success of the workshops and our ability to help and guide our youth towards a positive future. If you have spare time, want to give back to our community while providing our youth direction from your learned skills and experiences; then do we have a deal for you.

We are in need of volunteers who will be trained as mentors for our students, skills in any metal craft, including welding, bycicle mechanics, small motors or similar then please contact Eddie on 0400 488244. In return we offer a friendly environment, where your experience can make a difference and training is provided.

A Positive Notice Bluecard is a lergislative requirement for our volunteers however we can organise this for you and there is no cost.

Located at 276 Kent Street Maryborough. Motorised scooters can be custom made and ordered, ask Eddie how/costs etc. It is believed that with support. these workshops will provide opportunities of employment for local youth.



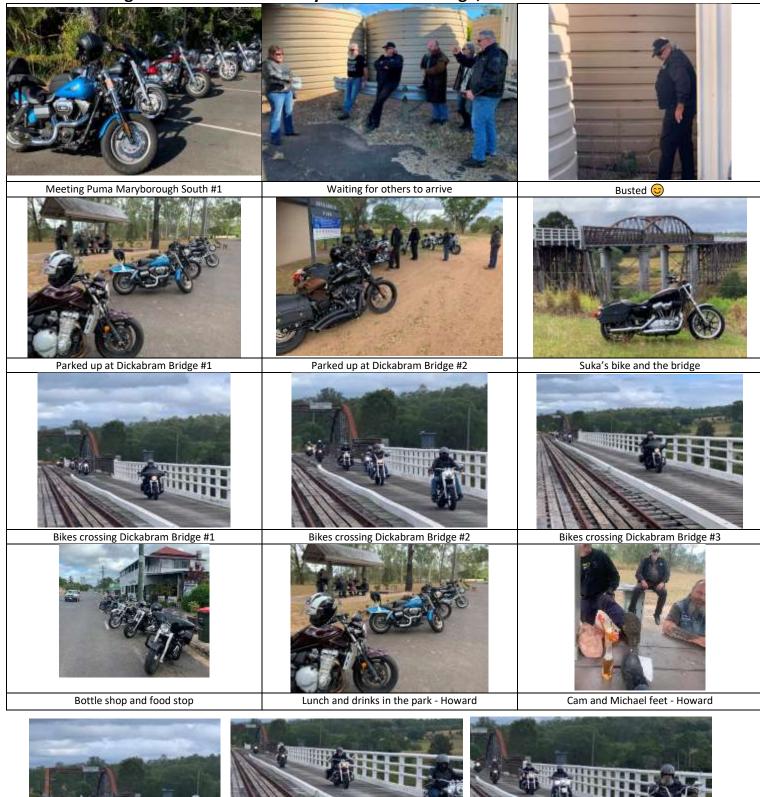


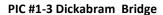
New Workshops and store front - 276 Kent Street Maryborough 4650

Here at Independent Riders Workshops, we are pleased to announce that we are open to teach Reading and Writing to all ages including adults. It has been brought to our attention that many people in the Fraser Coast Region are struggling with this skill. After talking to our teacher, we have decided to set up classes that will be available every day to those who need help. Please don't be shy, come in and give it a go. We are here for our community.



Easing of Restrictions 17<sup>th</sup> May – Dickabram Bridge, Theebine and Howard





Fraser Coast - Last Day Ride in May



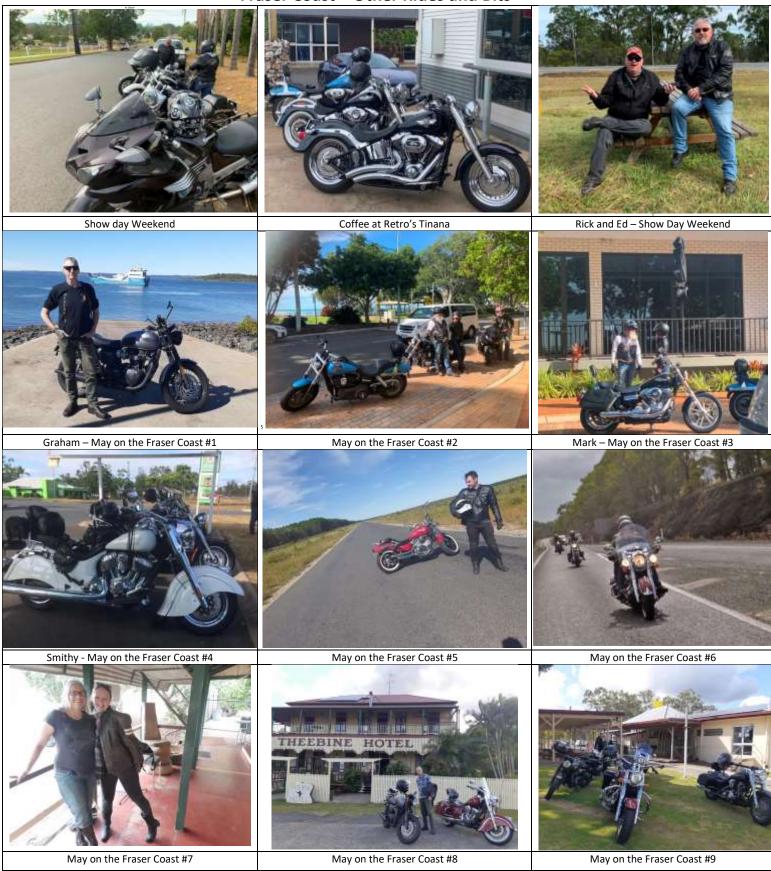




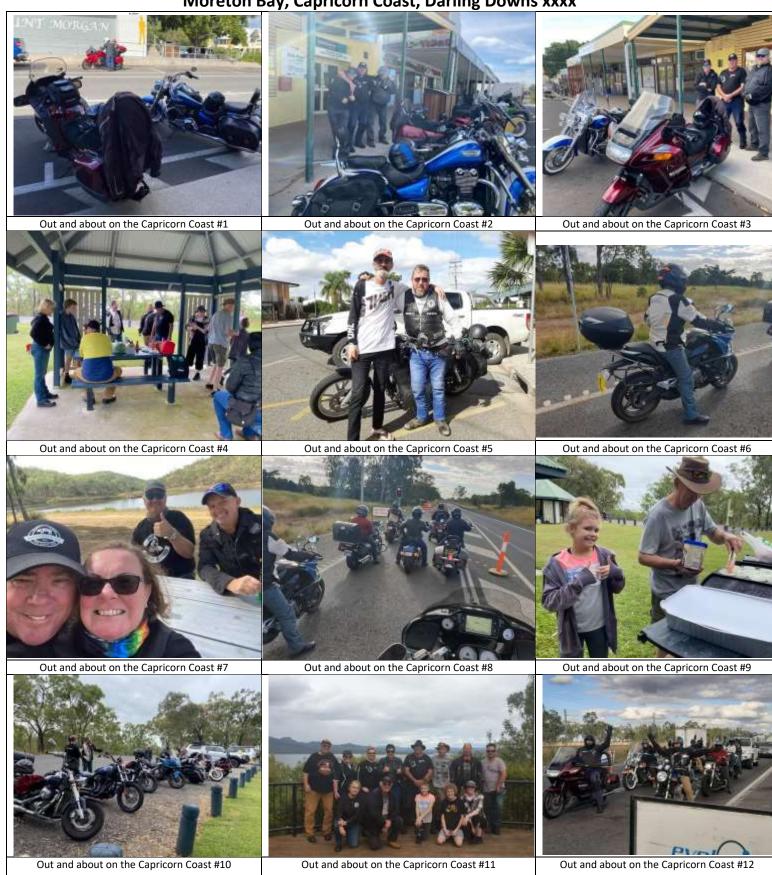


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Fraser Coast - Other Rides and Bits



Moreton Bay, Capricorn Coast, Darling Downs xxxx



#### HOW TO SUPPORT MACE

#### Message from MACE Wide Bay Committee

To all that are thinking of or have thought of becoming a MACE member , Supporter or a helper.

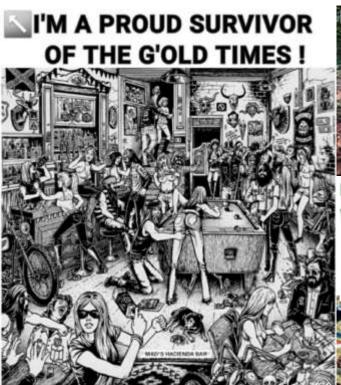
- You must be eligible for a Positive Notice blue card.
   M.A.C.E. will assist with that
- You must attend at least 3 meetings and help at awareness days or functions. At this stage a Full Member will become your sponsor.
   You will become an Associate member and you can stay an Associate or stay as a supporter as long as you like. These two categories cannot work directly with Children or represent M.A.C.E. without a full member being present
- To become a full member will take a minimum of (12) twelve months. This period is so as you can learn our policies, procedures and rules of engagement with children.

#### There are two ways.

- (1) you own or have access to a motorbike capable of highway speeds
- (2) a Full member takes you on as a pillion on his or her bike. If you think M.A.C.E SMC is something that you would like to do please contact us Via Facebook or Email .mailto:barra@maceaustralia.com













Does anyone know if we can take showers yet or should we just keep washing our hands ??

Oh Not our neighbour died!











As of 11:59pm Tuesday 12th May 2020 restrictions will be lifted. Harley Devideon riders will be allowed to ride again whilst all other nders must stay home and think about their purchase decisions

#### BEER MATH

ONE BEER



A COUPLE OF BEERS



It actually means

#### Julia has two passions in life: cannabis and horses





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CORONAVIRUS THROAT SPRAY



I don't think cheering is appropriate. Karen



I HATE WHEN I GO IN TO **HUG SOMEONE REALLY SEXY AND MY FACE** HITS THE MIRROR.

Swim you

fat bastard

Quarantine day 58: I built myself a Doberman



# Thank-you to our sponsors





















Maryborough























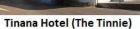
























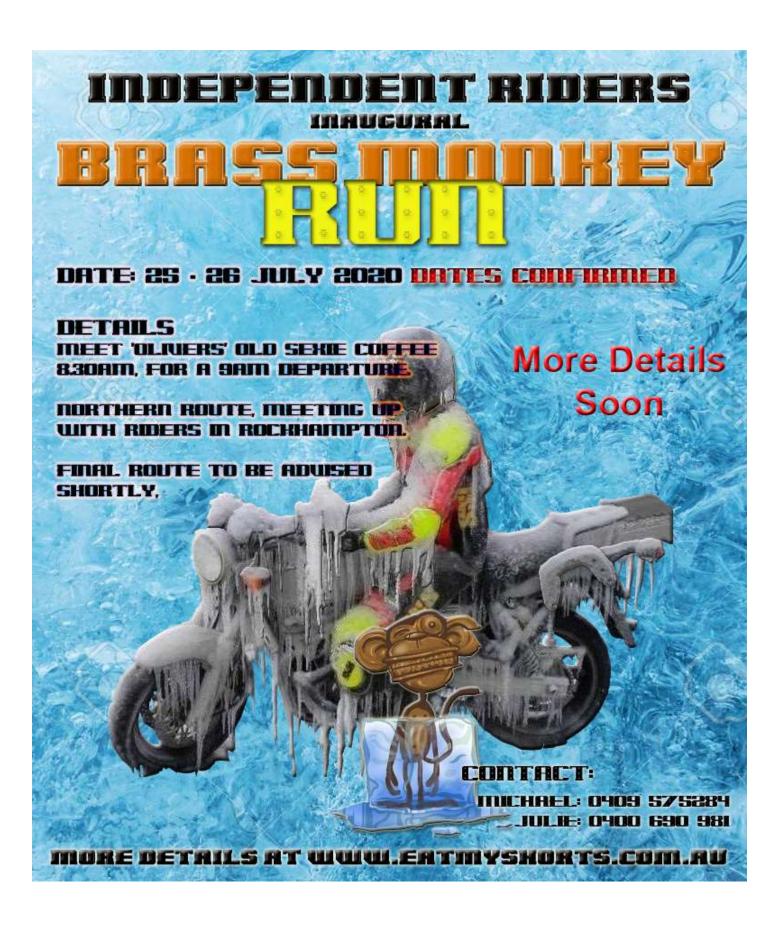








Centre Management Station Square Maryborough, Kelly's Nails, The Butcher Shop Tinana, Maryborough Eykandi Artworks and Photography, Arthouse Northside, Wilko's Pro Shine



# **BAFFLE CREEK** CAR / BIKE MUSTER

Proudly Sponsored by Gladstone Regional Council



Cnr Coast & Fernfield Rds, Baffle Creek SUNDAY 19TH JULY 9:00AM-2:00PM



#### ENTERTAINMENT

- PRIZES / RAFFLES
  - MARKETS SITE FEE \$10.00
- FOOD& BAR
- EARLY BIRD ENTRIES APPRECIATED \$10.00 PER VEHICLE
- ENTRY ON THE DAY \$15.00 PER VEHICLE
- PUBLIC (GOLD COIN)
- SWAP MEET



Early Bird - Entertainment food and bar from 5pm to 9 pm

On site self-contained camping

#### Sunday 19th July 2020

6.30am Gates open for Competitors, Marshalling

7:00am Breakfast

9.00am Gates open for Public viewing& markets

10.00am - 2.00pm Bar and Food

11am Pin Up Girls Competition

1:00 pm Judging and presentation of Trophies -3pm close

Contact Events Manager - Brian Green 0403 800 156

Graveme Banks 0419 898 052

Email: bafflecreekmensshed@gmail.com

Postal Address: Car/Bike Muster, c/o PO, Baffle Creek, Qld, 4674



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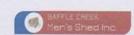
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23rd YEAR Over \$650,000 raised for charity

**Southern Cross** 2020 Annual 5 Day

7th - 11<sup>th</sup> September

Poker Run

**Book your holidays now!** 

# Winning Hand \$1200

Sunday meet at Lakeland Hotel, Mon Millaa Millaa, Tues Tully Heads, Wed Bowen, Thurs Theresa Ck Dam, Fri Bouldercombe

Catering Available, Bars, Auctions, Raffles and more...

All money raised supports children with spina bifida

This is a charity ride -

No discounts and no hangers on please

ALL Prepaid registrations include t-shirt, badge and camping fees

More information and online and print registration forms

www.southern-cross-association.org.au

Support provided on the Poker Run by **Overlanders Motorcycle Event Support** 

# FOR SALE #1







Comes with everything you need to start your own business
Included with coffee machine:
Stainless steel bench, fully plumbed includes water filter, grinder, touch screen and till (never used), scanner,

Originally purchased for \$20,000 this machine has had no commercial use. For inspection and/or to make an offer over \$5,000 contact Michael or Julie

mini receipt printer.

Phone: Michael 0409 575284 or Julie 0400 690981

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**Independent Riders Australia – Supporting our communities** 

#### **HELPING WITH CARE PACKAGES**

#### What is a Care Package?

A care package is a parcel containing a variety of products that is sent to Australian Troops who are deployed overseas. These packages can contain a variety of products, some of which are listed below.

Funds raised and goods collected from our March 10 Poker Run went towards 60 care packages that were put together on March 24 and sent to our troops on the week ending 1 April 2018. Our plan is to continue collection of goods through 2018 until our poker run in 2019. Depending on goods collected we hope to send a further 20 care packages every couple of months during 2018/19 and a further 80 packages from proceeds of our 2019 Poker Run.

We currently have collection bins at Independent Riders Workshops, 276 Kent St Maryborough, Under the Gun Tattoos, Kent St Maryborough, Fraser Coast Family Network Adelaide St Maryborough, with more added in Hervey Bay shortly. Goods and donations can be dropped off at these locations, products aren't expensive but will mean a lot to our troops.

List for what can go in a Care Packages, anything that you would like to receive from home! Note: If we keep the boxes under2kg the military will send for nothing.

# Sorry No glass jars or aerosol cans

- Razors
- Roll on deodorants
- Chap sticks for lips
- Shampoo and conditioner (Small)
- Sunscreen. (Small)
- Baby wipes. (Wash)
- Body wash
- Eye drops
- Tooth paste or Tooth Brush
- Timtams
- Lollies
- Noodles
- Vegemite
- Peanut paste
- Muesli bars

- Milo,
- Coffee, (small packets)
- Tea
- Nutella
- Cookies
- Nuts
- Gum
- Dried fruit
- Note books
- Biro's
- Puzzle books
- Playing cards. UNO cards, dice
- Magazines. (car books, bikes others that would be interesting, national geographic books, calendars) etc

There is heaps more you can add in however if you are unsure or would like more information or have goods that could be used, then contact: Julie on 0400 690981 or Michael on 0409 57528.

So next time you are doing your shopping, pop in a little extra. Thank you.

# Feel Like a Chat? Flourish Australia Hervey Bay

# Phone 1800 WE LISTEN (1800 9354 7836)

1800 WE LISTEN is Flourish Australia's Peer WarmLine which commenced operation on July 1, 2012.

When you call **1800 WE LISTEN**, you will be speaking to someone who has a mutual understanding of mental illness. Flourish Australia staff combines their own experiences with extensive training to provide you with the support you request.

**1800** WE LISTEN is <u>not</u> a crisis service, it is simply a number you can call when you want to have a chat, knowing that someone who is successfully managing their own recovery will be there to listen and share experiences.



#### **Corona Virus Links to The World Health Organisation Website**

Links below are directly to the World Health Organisation in regards to the Coronavirus Disease. It is far better in this day and age to arm oneself with facts rather than rumors, hearsay and half truths.

#### The first link is:

- Myth busters, followed by:
- When and how to use masks,
- Advice to public,
- Videos on prevention,
- Healthy Parenting and finally:
- Virus situation dashboard.

#### Myth Busters 1

#### When and How to use Masks

https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/when-and-how-to-use-masks

Advise to Public <a href="https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public">https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/videos</a>
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Healthy Parenting https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/healthy-parenting

Coronavirus Situation Dash Board https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/685d0ace521648f8a5beeeee1b9125cd