



## *Wide Bay Harley Owners Group*

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### Letter of Appreciation

To all of the clubs and their members who participated in the Prostate Cancer Awareness Ride on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2009, I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you for all your help. It took months of pre-organising by many people from each of the seven participating bike clubs, as well as members of the Prostate Cancer Committees in Bundaberg, Maryborough and Hervey Bay to make this day the success that it was. Also to our sponsors Woodgate Beach Hotel, Steeline Roofin Spot, Bank of Queensland, Bundaberg Motor Group, Freedom Sports, Kels Karts and Parts, Everything but the Bike & Bundaberg Motor Cycles who with their support we were able to provide some great prizes, thank you.

There was a total registration of 263 people made up of 218 riders and 45 pillion. After expenses a sum of \$3724.33 was raised, plus \$150.00 donation made direct to Prostate Awareness and \$600.00 donation from Wide Bay Hog which gave a **TOTAL of \$4474.33** which will be forwarded to the Prostate Cancer Awareness Council.

When I first discussed this ride with all of you and asked if you would be interested in making it a joint venture between all our clubs, I said I would like this Ride to become an Annual event, and now that the initial groundwork has been laid, I am sure next year it will be bigger and better. Naturally since the ride there are things that we realize could have been done differently and I would appreciate it if I could have some constructive criticism regarding this. The final object of this criticism would be that whichever clubs are involved in the setting up of the ride next year, they will know how to go about it, which will make the organizing a lot easier.

Some of the suggestions re change already received are:

1. Make the ride longer
2. Have the speeches when everyone initially arrives at lunch destination
3. Draw lucky tickets and prizes throughout the lunch break – not all at once at the end
4. Microphone instead of loud speaker

Regards

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Could a contact from each club send me an email so I know who to get in touch with when needed for any further discussions regarding next years ride. I will then email each contact all your email addresses and then if any of your clubs have a special day/ride each club can be advised and then this information can be forward to all members of each club.

We are the main clubs in the Wide Bay area so we should be supporting each other.