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# CMA

## National Run 2009

October saw the migration of members in Eastern Australia to Baldivis ,near Rockingham, Western Australia for the annual National Run.

While this was not the first time the national Run was held in WA it was the first time west for a few of us. Several groups from different states all left home at different times and began meeting up at Port Augusta SA, by sheer coincidence? Maybe not!. From here on it was a case of you pass us then we pass you, as some would dart off to look at every tiny town and land mark while others would just plug along steadily. Each fuel stop would see several members stopping together for rests and meals. These stops provided great fellowship, bike checks/repairs and support amongst all members, it was very reassuring.

Numerous events happened on this voyage ( and I believe it was a voyage, especially for myself ) that were too involved and deep to be recorded here but will be noted at a later date. One thing in particular that moved me was when there was a breakdown at Kalgoorlie and the amount of effort, organizing and prayer that went on that day was amazing along with the guys from SA would not leave us until everything was sorted. This is what being a Christian biker is all about.

Another thing that can be said is that the team from WA put on a great event and the post run was a total success. When 25 bikes and riders manage to cover about 2000 km over roads and terrain of all types without even one incident, then all one can say is that we were in very safe hands. A lot of pray was offered up and the Lord kept his word to deliver us safely home. Praise the Lord!

Next year will be in South Australia, not quite so far to go but should be a great venue with hopefully a lot more members able to attend. Book it in today!





## CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Thankyou, for nominating me as chair. I trust that we will go forward together with our Lord in CMA. The organisation of CMA rests mainly on the committee, but without you, the members, being involved with us, CMA will not grow. I am not one to chase membership, but I would like to encourage you to join with us in our activities.

At the National Run this year it was stated that the aim of CMA was to evangelise, but I will say that is not correct. When CMA started in 1979 the official aim is "To promote and encourage Christian Motorcycle Clubs and Christian Riders in their God given ministries". We can do this by meeting and sharing together. As Christians we are commanded in Matthew 28v 18-19 to go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father & the Son & the Holy Spirit. It is with this, not CMA, we share the Gospel of Jesus our Lord. We have the opportunity to go and share with churches around NSW using our bikes as a tool to open



Riding & walking through the forests in south west WA.

## CMA Ladies Conference 2009 in the UK.

Planning a trip to the UK to visit relatives, I thought maybe I could hire a scooter and ride through the Lakes District in the North or perhaps even go to the Isle of Man and ride the famous TT track. I had such dreams. While neither of these things were possible, I had made contact with some CMA members over there in the process of making inquiries. I contacted Wendy Peek (www Amazon Thunder) who had been in Australia for a charity ride for breast cancer and was met in Sydney by our member, Ian 'Doddles'Dodd. This had been very much appreciated by Wendy who invited me to the CMA Ladies Conference being held in Derbyshire. This was one of the highlights of my trip and I had the opportunity to give a greeting from CMA Australia. The theme for the weekend conference was Real Women presented by three guest speakers and the praise and worship time was 'roof raising'. This was an inspirational weekend.

Thinking that I would be the only one there not on a bike, I was very surprised to see only two bikes there. There are several reasons for this; firstly there were not many women riders but there were some pillion riders, and the another reason is that there is a strong feeling by the members in general that the women are a 'support and back up' for the men who do ride. I won't go into what my reaction to this idea was, but over the weekend I hope I was able to encourage more women to ride.

We have much to praise and thank God for as we live in a country with fantastic weather and, would you believe, excellent roads. I was showing a few photos of our Aussie rides to a group of ladies and cries of "What's this? And What's this?" "This" was the blue sky in all the photos.! I met some wonderful sisters in Christ and had a great time of fellowship and encouraging each other. I felt very blessed to have the opportunity to be there.

Wendy also introduced me to Jim Holbrook, a member of The Lakes and Lancs CMA, and as the name suggests they are in the Lakes and Lancashire area. I had a great time of fellowship at a prayer meeting with these guys. They are raising funds to purchase a Trike for one of their members, Chris who has MS, and CMA Australia NSW were able to support them in this venture. Pray for Chris as he has recently started in a new job where he will need to negotiate stairs. We will have an update regarding a possible visit from these guys in 2010.

I had no idea when I planned my trip to England that I would meet so many CMA 'family' members, I felt so welcomed and such a warm uplifting experience where we were able to encourage each other. While I had been planning my trip, God had gone ahead and planned it for me.

Glenys Kettlewell CMA  
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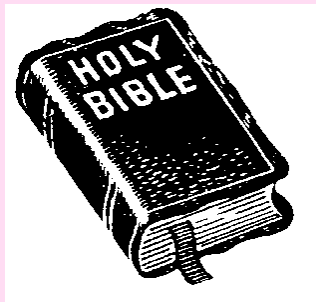
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Lancs CMA Group.



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# My Father's Passing

Firstly I would like to thank all those that have kept us in their prayers since my father's passing, and to those that maybe did not know, I'm sorry that I did not get in contact with you but as you can imagine there is so much to do at the moment, my mind is a bit scattered, which is why I have decided to put my thoughts and feelings down on paper.

On Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> of November I got one of those phone calls that you wish you never have to receive, my mother informing me of Dad's passing, for those of you that have experienced this you will know of the brick wall that hits you so hard you land on your rear not knowing what has hit you. For the first day or so I grieved like any normal person would, my emotions were all over the place, and just seems to come in waves of tears as some little thing that has once again reminded you of that very special person that you can no longer speak to.

A friend of mine here in Sydney that experienced the same ordeal a matter months ago was a great help as he explained just what he felt and how he dealt with it, and to those that experience this please call someone that can help you through it. For me the first week was the hardest so far, especially between the passing and the funeral, as a part of you wants to get the funeral over and done so that some form of normality can come back to life but then another part of you does not want to have the funeral as it is a form of closing and finishing and as humans we tend to want to hang on to our most precious items.

As a person that has worked for some time in the funeral industry, I was given a little more ability to help the funeral company in the behind the scenes side of things and I was ready by the time the funeral came around, I had time to say good bye to him.

The funeral was really up lifting for me as his son, my father, who some of you knew was a Christian man that was retired but loved travelling and sharing Gods good news to all. Because of my father's love of travelling he has been a part of many church denominations over the years, and so at his funeral this was reflected. One of the people giving a eulogy was a very dear friend of my father's a Rob Finster who is a Presbyterian minister from Shepparton, and he said that two things come to him when he thinks of Ewan Davie the first, a fellow who very much stood on what he was convicted of, for example when Dad was fellowshipping with him back in Griffith some 25 – 30 years ago, as we all know the Presbyterian church do not break bread every week, so after church my father would always come up to Rob and say "*Well that's the first half of church now we are going home to finish it off*" this is something that Rob has remembered and respected about him because he always did it week in and week out. But the other thing that he mentioned is that he reminded him of Job in the Old Testament, because he was one to shy away from evil before it even reached the front door as it were, something that I can only aspire to.

Last week (6/12/09) I visited a friend's church, and the minister mentioned something that really hit home, he was talking about Moses and after he came down from Mt Sinai his face glowed so brightly after being in the presence of God, which he had to wear a veil because his face was so bright with God's radiance. At this point it really hit me, my father was at that stage, but one better he does not have to come back down off any mountain, he is there for eternity, his face and whole body are glowing, he is in the presence of the almighty. This gave me the biggest boost of all, just thinking of it, this gave me the peace that only God can give, my sorrow was changed in an instant to joy, and I feel so proud that my earthly father is now in the presence of my heavenly father. Then some things that my father used to say have also rung true to me, one of those is "*why if a Christian is really ill and close to passing away, why would you pray for their healing isn't that very selfish, wouldn't you do better to pray for their families*" this is true to, as Christians there can be no better than to be sitting in front of our maker having him welcome us.

So I have decided to look up instead of feeling sorry for the loss of my father and I refuse to feel sad about his passing, sure I miss talking to him and there is a hole that will never be filled, but I want to see to it that the passing of my father brings glory to God and through it encouragement to all, so I have decided to do a list of good things to come out of his passing and it just keeps getting bigger every day and to date I have not found one truly negative thing to come out of it, isn't our God a **AWESOME GOD**

**Mick Davie**

## Kentucky Eggs & Water Falls

Australia is a freaky country ! Found it hard to sleep on the night of the 11th, something was wrong !

5.00am the alarm went off ! Just got to sleep !! Crawled out and went through the usual ritual of mornings, coffee, wash, etc, dragged out the boots, pulled on the jeans, jeans?! In this heat ?? Better grab the leather jacket too, keeps the sun off. Slurped down the coffee, stuffed some toast into my dial, more coffee. Found my helmet, gloves, camera and some water. Forgot to take the water anyway.

Opened the door, stepped outside, Australia is a freaky country ! HmMMMM is that the back fence ? Not sure can't see for smoke !

Pulled the bike out of the shed, fired her up and pulled all the gear on. Rode about 5k and felt the sting of cold air on my neck and chin. HmMMMMM a bit chilly on the flats here ! Sun is well and truly up, mind you can't see it yet through the smoke.

Bike is running well, new rear wheel and now my speedo works, (both were destroyed in the crossing to WA for the National Run in October.) I'm pleased with the way she is purring along, much lighter without all that gear on board. Mind you the sidecar seems to have a few rattles now it's empty, my passenger has been over worked lately and found it too hard to get out of bed at this strange hour.

Called in at the Creek to pick up the Wingnut and his passenger, they couldn't sleep either, mount up and off we go. Passing through Curra the smoke gets thicker and the chill has gone from the air, my earplugs seem to be working for the first time ever ! All I can hear is Meatloaf belting out " like a bat out of Hell " !! All is good in God's world. We meet up with the others at Tamworth and are surprised to see a few more than we expected. The weird bike ( not sports, not cruisers, not chook chasers ) owners decided they will take the Walcha Road route so to enjoy the bendy bits, we go straight up the highway where we meet up with 2 more riders down from Armidale. Getting quite warm now, some jackets are removed, some stay on. Over to the west we can see pillars of smoke rising through the dust which chokes the skyline.

As we pull into the café at Kentucky ( mind you, that is all there is at Kentucky ) we can feel a chill in the air. Australia is a freaky country.

After we stuff ourselves on Kentucky Eggs and toast, some decide to return or continue on to Armidale while the remainder head to Walcha. Uralla to Walcha is prime sheep country, the best in the land. It's all brown and dead !! Dams are dry, creeks not running ! Trees have died off. A pleasant ride none the less, over taken by a lone sports bike rider, unusual !

After fueling up it's decided to run out to Apsley Falls for a quick squiz, nice ride but the road is falling apart. Just a trickle of water is falling into the gorge, things are dry ! Some time is spent pondering the rock formations in the gorge walls then it's time to head home.

I love the Walcha to Bendemeer road, if you have never ridden it, you should, but stick to the speed limit, you'll enjoy it more anyway.

Down the Moonbi's and the wall of heat hits you in the face, the cage drivers, as savage as anywhere else, would kill for their piece of blacktop so you dodge them and bypass Tamworth to make the run home. Smoke seems to have lifted, air is getting a little cooler and a great ride ends at home all safe and well !

What a freaky country !!

What a gracious Lord we have.





## Kentucky Eggs Coffee and Fellowship

Kentucky Café offers a great menu and very generous helpings of fine home cooked meals. Staff/owners are very friendly and helpful.  
Highly recommended



# Coming Events

January is traditionally quite so families can spend time together.

February : Committee Meeting ?  
Local Rides; check with your area co-ordinator

March : Local Rides, check with your area co-ordinator

March 20th—21st Church Raid @ Deapwater ; camp in Bolivia Hall or motel/pub at Deapwater.

CMA to provide complete church service. Sermon, bible readings, a testimony, and a short talk on CMA. We are to provide the Hymns/music as well.

Volunteers for the above can contact kimbo, thanks.

More details as we get closer.

Don't forget to plan for the NSW AGM in September, please pencil it in now !

Also the National Run in October in SA.

Anyone who has plans for events please send them to the editor for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Next newsletter articals due 15th February 2010.



What can one say ?!

Wingnut in repose