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INDEPENDENT

Our Aim

Provide a free newsletter to motorcycle enthusiasts on the Fraser Coast including current rides and events as well as ride and pub reviews and photos of recent rides/events. Poker run and other event flyers can be published in this newsletter at no charge upon request by e-mailing details to biteme@eatmyshorts.com.au

The advertising of your <u>business</u> or "for sale" items in this newsletter or on our website will attract a small charge to be donated to our main charity - Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Qld. For the website and newsletter to be a success, we will rely on news stories and contributions from other groups and individuals. Information including ride events, biker friendly businesses/pubs, camping and other useful information can be e-mailed or posted to us.

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: Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus QLD.

Where possible, we provide experience and support with fundraising events for other groups/clubs by assist with promotional merchandise including banners, patches etc, as well as our many years of fundraising experience. We believe a united co-op of bikers not only has greater buying power but also the ability to provide positive direction within our community.

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So what area is The Fraser Coast?

The million dollar question. We see The Fraser Coast as north past Bundaberg, south around Gympie, east around Tin Can/Rainbow Beach and west until we get sick of riding. Others may have a different opinion but we organize rides all over this wide, brown land.

If you have a ride/event let us know and it will go in the next addition of this newsletter. If you know of good pubs, camping or have some great photos/stories, e-mail Michael at biteme@eatmyshorts.com.au for inclusion in the next monthly newsletter. Visit our website www.eatmyshorts.com.au for more information on what we get up to or to visit our on-line store. Lots of great merchandise for bikers and enthusiasts. The variety of apparel, jewelry and handy gadgets continues to grow. Money raised from these items goes to charity so check it out.......It is all for a good cause.

Meet us for a drink and a laugh at the Aussie Hotel, Alice St, Maryborough Friday nights from 5pm and sometimes Thursday lunchtimes, for raffles/beer (from 12 noon) Not working come down for a chat

Until next time, stay safe... Independent Riders







We can be found each Friday afternoon / evening from around 5.00 PM at The Aussie Hotel, Alice St Maryborough. We are usually located out the back part of the pub. During winter, we softies will have the heaters on ©

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 2015 into 2016....

- 30th Dec 1 Jan Maidenwell
- 17th Jan Day Ride Kandanga
- 24th Jan Day Ride Hivesville TBA
- 7th Feb Fraser Coast Biker Blessing
- 20th Mar Blackdog

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.



Summer 2015/2016

• Social nights at The Aussie Hotel each Friday evening from 5PM, Raffle Thursdays from Midday

December events:

- 30 Dec 1 Jan Maidenwell See: www.pickledgalah.com.au/ (Flyer Attached)
- 30 Dec 1 Jan Old School new Year's Eve Party (Flyer Attached)

Events moving into 2016:

- 8th Jan 1st Social Friday night at 'The Aussie Hotel', for 2016
- 7th Feb ERA Sunrise Run This is an overnighter for Fraser Coast Riders
- 12th Mar Independent Riders Annual Poker Run (*Flyer Attached*)
- 20th Mar One Day Black Dog Ride (*Flyer Attached*)
- 30th Apr 2nd May Independent Riders 3 Day Pub Run
- 16th May MND Show N Shine To be confirmed
- 4th Dec (Sunday) Annual Independent Fraser Coast Toy Run 2016 (*Flyer Attached*)

Watch this space for more rides and events moving into 2016

Do you have ideas for rides? Email us E-mail: miket60@bigpond.net.au

New rides are added in weekly so keep checking our website: www.eatmyshorts.com. Or visit us on Facebook. Some day rides will have short notice but where possible these will be advertised.

New Merchandise:

1. Stainless Steel Independent Necklaces \$20.00 IN STOCK NOW!







2. STUBBIE COOLER Independent Riders Also available in Black Stubby Coolers \$7.00



Patches - Fraser Coast Independent

This new cloth patch and others now available. Cost \$7.00

Design your Vinyl Banner!





.Variety of full colour banners excellent for garage or entertainment area

- 1. Full Colour 2.5 x 1 metre (8 foot x 3 foot) vinyl banner (*Other sizes*)
- 2. 20 ounce all weather vinyl
- 3. Variety of images, or available design or have us design yours.

BANNERS FROM \$50.00

Our achievements to date

On the 27th of December 2013, Independent Riders Australia presented its first check to charity, \$1500 to Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Qld. On Saturday 20th December 2014 we signed our last cheque for 2014, bringing our total donation of cash, services and goods for the 12 month period to: **\$22,324.85**. As of Dec 2015 this amount is almost \$50,000.







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RAFFLES

TOY RUN 2015 RAFFLE RESULTS

The Toy Run Raffles are an important part of The Fraser Coast Toy Run, raising thousands of dollars for charity and community minded groups on the Fraser Coast.

Raffle results were advertised on our website and on social media sites. All winners have now claimed their prizes. Thank you to all who supported these raffles.



Supporters outside Bottle Shop Station Square www.eatmyshorts.com.au

BLACK DOG 1 DAYER 2016

This year Jol Clarke and his wife will be coordinating both Bundaberg and Fraser Coast. Big effort there, so lets show them our support.



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Toy Run 2015 Tee-shirts are still available in both men and women sizes. Only \$25.00

Sons of Bitches Tee –Shirts (Black or White) \$25.00



Independent Riders 2016 Fraser Coast Toy Run

The 2015 Fraser Coast Toy Run, exceeded our expectations as well as showed us where we can improve. The 2016 Fraser Coast Toy Run is scheduled for Sunday December the 4th 2016.

To improve on raffles and prizes our 2016 Toy Run will draw the raffles sold at Station Square on Friday 2nd December. Raffles on the day of the Toy Run will include cash and Visa (pre-paid cards), tickets for these will only be available on the day, to those who attend the event and will be drawn during our lunch stop.

In 2016 our lunch stop will also include live music being available during this period. As in previous years we will make changes to the route, to make it a little more interesting.

Fraser Coast Toy Run 2015 Results

- Over \$8000.00 in goods and cash raised for this event
- More than 340 registration with at least an additional 20 tagging on
- \$4300.00 in cash and goods to Fraser Coast Family Network
- \$1500.00 to B.A.C.A
- \$1500.00 to Maryborough Animal Refuge includes \$1000.00 credit for animal food/products
- \$140.00 to SES to purchase sausages and other products for Toy Run Sausage Sizzle
- \$140.00 for meals and presents for network children.

There is a few dollars left which we will distribute out soon once we work out if all expenses for the event are covered.

Raffle ticket sales at Station Square netted around \$3000.00. Unfortunately there tee-shirt sales weren't great and copped a big loss there. Next year we will return to cloth patches for the event, people interested in cloth patches for the 2015 Toy Run should contact me at miket60@bigpond.net.au or phone me on 0409 575284. In the new year we will organise 2015 Toy Run patches, orders only, cost will be only \$5.00 each.

Last Friday Social Night for 2015

Our last social night for 2015 has been and gone, with our first Friday night

in 2016 being Fri 8th January. Start times at The Aussie remain unchanged, starting at: 5.00PM and with raffles commencing around

6.00PM.

Some casual rides will still continue over the Christmas break and will be advertised where possible, on Facebook and our website.

Independent Riders wish both its supporters And sponsors a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Our last Friday night for 2015 also saw a good crowd as well as Chopper (Mark) handing another cheque over to B.A.C.A for \$1000. A further cheque for \$1000.00 will be posted to Spina Bifida shortly.

Julie and Ed celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on Friday. Congratulations guys from all with Independent.

Independent Riders has also met a milestone With \$50,000 being donated in cash, services and toys since starting under 3 years ago. A big effort considering we started with only a few dollars in scrap metal.





Review of current merchandise suppliers

Independent Riders is striving to provide supporters with quality merchandise at a reasonable price. In early 2016 we will look at all of our merchandise suppliers including embroidery, jewelry and screen printing. If you are aware of suppliers, (preference to local or Australian), that may be able to provide Independent Riders, with quality merchandise, then please e-mail details me at miket60@bigpond.net.au. Thank you.



Red writing (location) initially Fraser 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 this week \$25 short sleeve, \$30.00 Long Sleeve. Singlet's also available







Embroidered Dress Shirts AND Hoodies available - By order only Enquiries 0409 575284

New Patches for 2015

Some of our embroidered patches. From \$6.00 to \$7.00 per piece See Lizzie or Michael









If you are interested in coming along to any of our advertised events or need more info, please contact

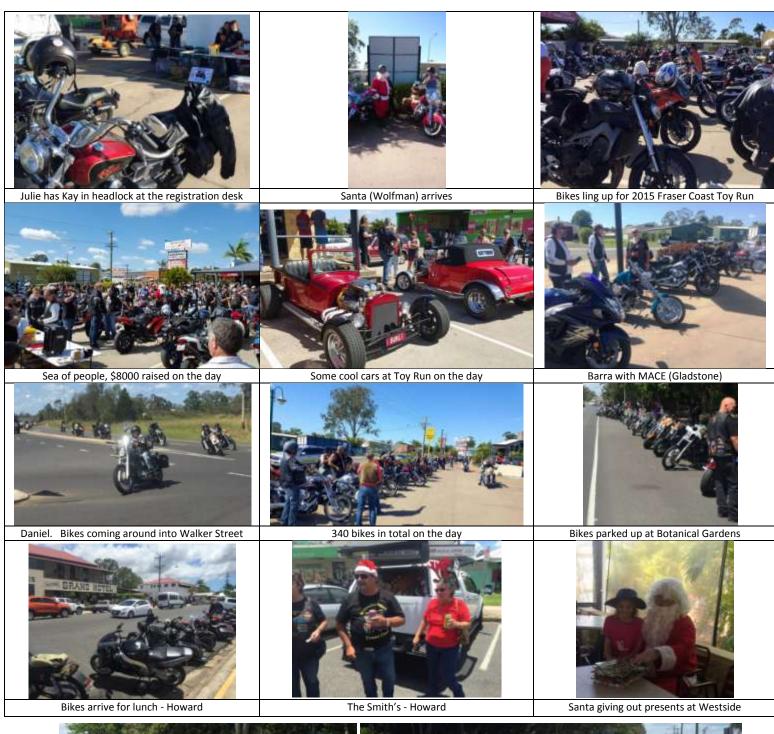
Michael at miket60@bigpond.net.au or mobile 0409 575284.

FRIDAY 8TH OF JANIARY - FIRST FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL NIGHT FOR 2016 FROM 5.00PM - RAFFLES START ABOUT 6.00PM - AUSSIE HOTEL MARYBOROUGH



DECEMBER PICTURES WITH INDEPENDENT RIDERS

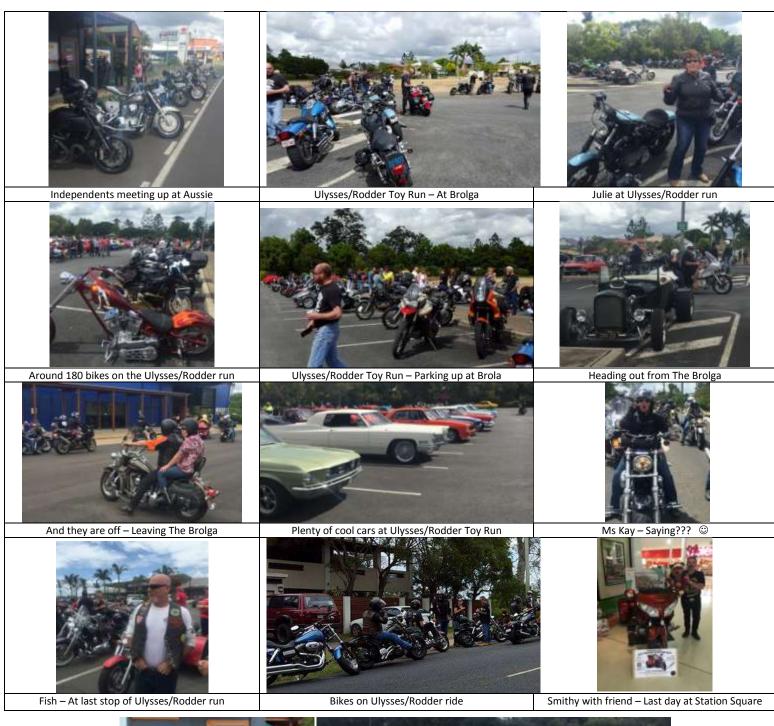
FRASER COAST ANNUAL TOY RUN 2015





Bikes lined up at The Botanical Gardens – Hervey Bay

DECEMBER PICTURES WITH INDEPENDENT RIDERS OTHER EVENTS AND RIDES





Picture 1: Riders meeting up at The Aussie Hotel for Ulysses ride Picture 2: Leaving The Brolga – Ulysses/Rodder Toy Run

MEDIA - DECEMBER 2015



3rd December - Maryborough Herald





7th December – Fraser Coast Chronicle

11th December – Fraser Coast Chronicle

For the children

on Sunday. Depember 6, for the More than 340 recommend Passer Coast Toy Ran.

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December 23.

The event ruled \$85000, through of Hervey Bay via Howard.

Organisers reported 340

Stall at Station Square in Maryborough

said more duch made an impressive finish ey Hay Botanic Gardens. for Michael Tucker said

donated to Fraser Coast Family Network, of which the gifts will be

and sale of raffles and merchandise, plus a couple of cash donations from social bike groups and Richers Transport.
"We'd like to thank them, as well as

business on the Fraser Coast which donated raffle items," Michael said.









he Brotherhood of United Bikers, Wide Bay Chapter (top) joined the Independent Riders Toy Run which inished at Hervey Bay Botanic Gardens on Sunday, December 6. Karen Schlerrus and Jessica McCabe Jeft), Martin and Denise (middle) and Julie Bellert rides with Santa (right).

Photos: Kim Parnell

17th December - Hervey Bay Independent



17th December – Fraser Coast Chronicle



I was standing in a queue behind a very fat woman with a huge arse, when her phone starts to bleep. A little boy behind her says 'fuck me, she's reversing!







DROP BEAR FACTS:

An infant or juvenile Australian Drop Bear requires three times its own body weight in human blood per day, to sustain it.

Ninety-nine percent of 'Out Of Date' human blood is disposed of in this way by the Australian Red Cross.









And I don't want to buy all this stupid, boring, adult stuff and

become boring adults.





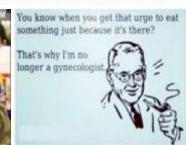




LET US NOT FORGET THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS



THE HORRIFYING MOMENT WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING FOR AN ADULT
BUT THEN REALISE THAT YOU
ARE AN ADULT. SO YOU LOOK FOR AN
OLDER ADULT, SOMEONE SUCCESSFULLY
ADULTING. AN ADULTIER ADULT



When you turn 100 and can't play with Lego anymore.



I GOT KICKED OUT OF THE HOSPITAL.

APPARENTLY THE SIGN "STROKE PATIENTS HERE" COMPLETELY DIFFERENT THAN I ASSUMED.

Thank you to our sponsors





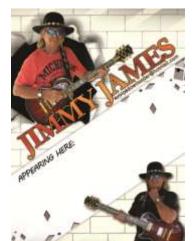








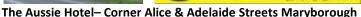




Lamington Hotel Motel - Ferry Street Maryborough.











THE WORKERS WARDROBE | G V Independent











Galeforce Boats

Kazzas Cheap Bali Items Hans The Paint Doctor

Woolworths; Eli Waters and Pialba, Coles Stocklands, Big W, Toyworld and Bunnings Hervey Bay

Rides for 2015/16

Indepenent Riders Australia (Fraser Coast) SATURDAY 30TH APRIL - MONDAY 2ND MAY 2016 DEPART PUMASOLTH SERVICE STAT \$10.00 Registration (incl

All proceeds to Buy a Bale Support vehicle

Rooms and cam

Raffles

Cars w

MORE INFORMATION SHORTLY, INLUDING: RO CAMPING ACCOMODATION MERCHAN LIVE MUSIC WITH JIMMY JAMES

Contact for more information

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David Hood Tompkins and his partner Linda McIntosh are getting married early next year, details in image Wedding are to the left.

David and Linda would like to have a bike wedding and are asking for bikes to be there on the day.

The event is on the 27th February 2016, however closer to the day we will try and o-ordinate a few bikes for their happy occasion. If you think you can help out please let me know. Email me at miket60@bigpond.net.au or mobile 0409 575284.

David has been a real supporter of our causes and we would love to help make their day special.

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New Year's Eve Rally 2015

Maidenwell Hotel, Qld

Wed 30 Dec - Arthur Nettlefield Thu 31 Dec - Noise Burner & O.C.K.A

Great Party Bands playing all your favourites



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INDEPENDENT RIDERS 3RD ANNUAL POKER RUN – SATURDAY 12TH MARCH 2016

Indepenent Riders Australia (Fraser Coast)

3rd Annual Poker Run 2016

SATURDAY 12TH MARCH 2016 - DEPART 9.30

\$20.00 Registration (includes cloth patch)

+ 1st Prize 15% of registration to maximum of \$500 + 2nd Prize 10% registration to maximum of \$150 + 3rd Prize 5% to a maximum of \$75

MORE INFORMATION SHORTLY, INLUDING: ROUTE CAMPING ACCOMODATION, MERCHANDISE LIVE MUSIC WITH JIMMY JAMES

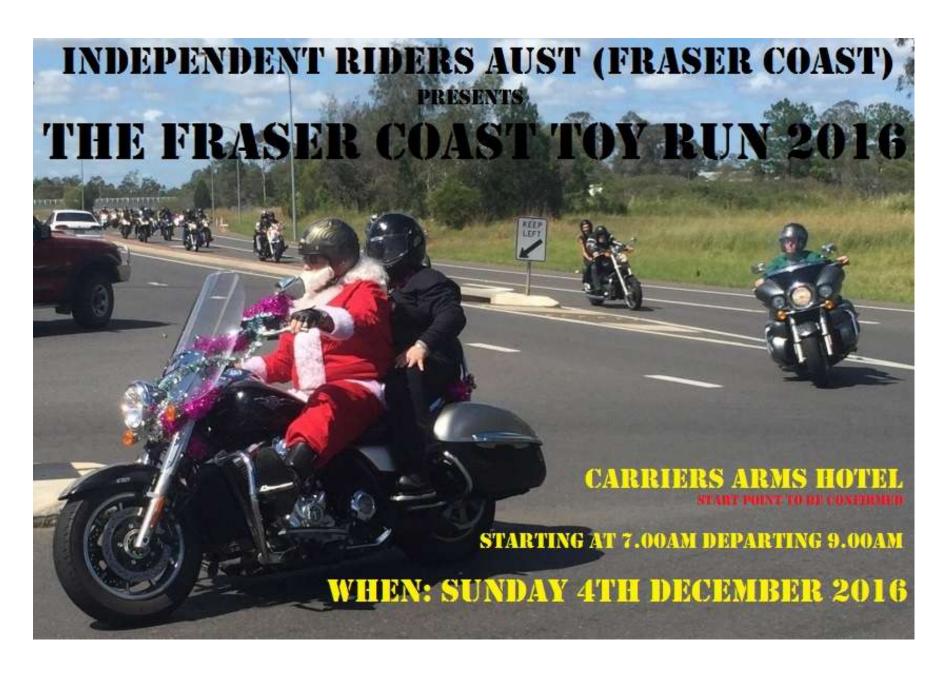
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FRASER COAST TOY RUN 2016 - SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2016



FOR SALE

Motorbike trailer for sale. Internal length 1.5, overall 2.5 metres. Includes camping gear displayed in photos \$3000 ONO Trailer

is good condition and easy to tow. Contact Bull 4122 3269











For sale.. 1983 Honda 650 CX \$2000 ONO. Registration until Nov 2015. As done approx. 2000km since refurbishment, engine, tyres, paint and upholstery. Contact Bull 4122 3269





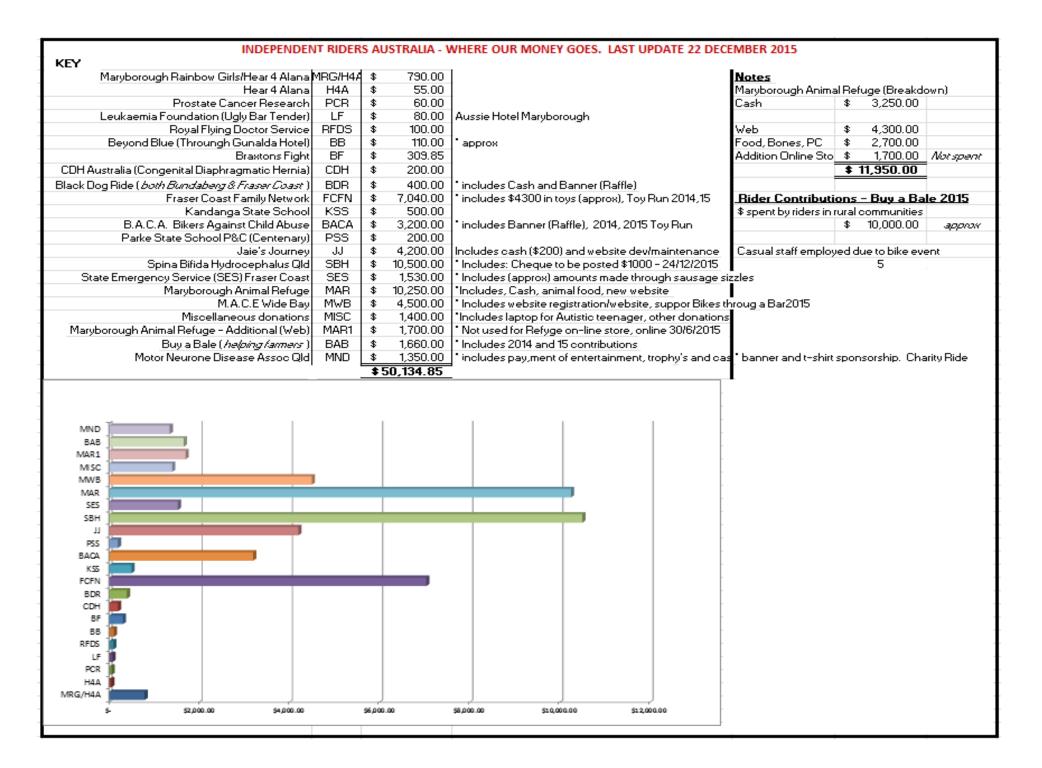
SOFTAIL FOR SALE

Andrew (Mechanic) from Ipswich Easy riders has got Softail for sale,

carby belt drive full engine reconditioned has receipts rego RWC \$13000.00

Phone 0447329696 for more details





JIMMY JAMES

WANT A COMPLETE NIGHT OF OLD TIME ROCK & ROLL? GIGS 4-6 HOURS

Solo artist and professional Musician for over 40 years, working with some of the top musicians both here in Australia, the United States and across Europe. The preferred entertainer of Independent Riders Australia and avid supporter.

With over 4000 songs Jimmy has the music to suit ANY function, from Weddings through to Motorcycle Events and other Charitable Functions. From Bee Gees to Pink Floyd, from Black Sabbath to Deep Purple, all the Aussie hits, all 60's and 70;s, dinner music or heavy rock.

After playing our type of music, almost non stop for $8^{1}/_{2}$ hours at a recent charity event, we knew we had found the ideal entertainer for future events. It is not often that one finds an entertainer who has the experience, versatility, integrity and energy of Jimmy James. As a social group we rely heavily on our entertainment to help make our events a success, with this in mind we recommend Jimmy James.

