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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 rides/events. Poker run and other event flyers can be published in this newsletter, irrespective of group, provided it has a charitable focus. E-mailing details to info@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 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 detailsinfo@eatmyshorts.com.au or miket60@bigpond.net.au

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Postal Address

Independent Riders Pty Ltd Maryborough QLD 4650

ACN: 606 088 251

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 info@eatmyshorts.com.au Visit our website www.eatmyshorts.com.au for more information on what we get up to as well as over a decade of

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 having our Friday social drinks at selected hotels, usually in Maryborough, but once a month at Toogoom RSL. Check out our website or Facebook for our next social evening or ride.

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

- 17th Jan. First Day Ride for 2020
- 25-27th Jan Aust Day Weekend Run
- 6th Mar 8th Independent Poker Run 2021
- 16th May Independent Show and Shine

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/Autumn 2021

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

January 2021

- 8th January. First Social Evening for 2021. Toogoom RSL
- 10th January. Ride for William (Bundaberg), Flyer with this newsletter
- 17th January. First Day Ride for 2021. Getting lost in 2021 © Southern Route
- 23-24th Jan. Australia Day w/e ride. Overnighter to Pittsworth. Flyer with this newsletter
- 31st Jan. Independent Day Ride

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

February 2021

- 7th Feb MACE Wide Bay Day Ride
- 14th Feb independent Day Ride
- 20th Feb Curra Charity Ride
- 21st Feb. Let/s Get Lost Boat Mountain Ride

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. Independent Riders Caps \$18.00 Produced on The Fraser Coast









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 'Let's get Lost' Shirts (\$30)



Our achievements to date

On the 27th of December 2013, Independent Riders Australia presented its first check of, \$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 twelve-month period to: **\$22,324.85**. December 2017 saw this amount exceed \$90,000 and by December 2020 this amount exceeded \$191,000.







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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: darlingdowns@eatmyshorts.com.au 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: Dan Blundestone: 0432 090315

Enquiriess can also be e-mailed to:

capricorncoast@eatmyshorts.com.au
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:

TBA

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E-mail on: info@eatmyshorts.com.au and have their own ride calendar on the Independent website, as well as their own Facebook Page, search "Indpendent Riders Moreton Bay"

Preferred pubs as of January

The Post Office Hotel Bazaar Street Maryborough

White Lion Hotel
John and Walker Street
Maryborough

Maryborough Sports Club Saltwater Creek Rd Maryborough

> Toogoom RSL Toogoom

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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





Overnighter to Pittsworth - Australia Day W/E

- WHEN: 23rd 24th January 2021
- **DETAILS:** More details including food and accommodation shortly
- ROUTE: Via Maleny, Kilcoy, Esk, Highfields. Distance 387km approx..
 - While Australia Day is the 26th, we have the weekend just before so we will start celebrating a little earlier

Independent Riders 8th Annual Poker Run

- WHEN: 6th March 2021
- DETAILS: Depart Brolga 9am
- ROUTE: Depart from the Brolga Theatre Maryborough, Tin Can Bay, Toogoom
 - Supporting Aussie Troops, in 2021 we are looking at something different to support our troops, watch this space for details.

Independent Riders 8th Annual Show and Shine

- WHEN: 16th May 2021
- **DETAILS:** Spectators, gold coin donation, car and bikes in the event \$5.00, 6 car and 6 motorbike trophies.
- WHERE: Fraser Coast Wildlife Sanctuary Maryborough West
 - Supporting Fraser Coast Wildlife Sanctuary

Independent Riders 2nd Brass Monkey Run

- WHEN: 24th/ 25th July 2021
- **DETAILS:** Overnighter, southern route. Details TBA.

WHERE: TBA

5th December – Fraser Coast Toy Run 2021

- WHEN: Sunday 5th December 2021
- WHERE: Brolga Theatre Maryborough, route to be advised
- REGISTRATION: 7.00-9.00AM
- ENTRY: Gold Coin Donation

ROUTE AND OTHER DETAILS TO BE ADVISED

FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIAL EVENINGS – VARIOUS LOCATIONS

They are BACK...... Sorta 🔞

r social Friday nights will be at varied locations however will be displayed on our website and Facebook each week,

From 5.30PM ish each Friday evening

Other projects heading into 2021

We have a number of exciting projects to consider in 2021

- Suicide prevention/education. More details later in 2021
- 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 *Deferred 2021*
- And of course, some EXCELLENT rides!!!
- Support for Aussie Troops. 2021 Poker Run to support returned troops
- 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









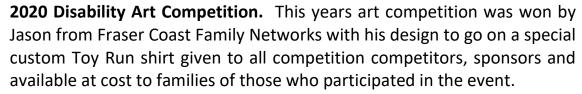
If you are interested in coming along to any of our advertised events or need more info, please contact Julie or Michael at info@eatmyshorts.com.au or mobile 0400 690981or 0409 575284

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



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.







Jason will also become our Disability Ambassador for 2020-2021 and will present a certificate and a copy of his shirt to sponsors in early 2021. Jason will also be able to attend the start of other Independent Riders events and a special Disability Ambassador banner was produced for use at other events that support inclusion at events here on the Fraser Coast.

Pictures below of Jason custom Toy Run shirt and of the Disability

Ambassador Banner.

TOUR PULSO20

Salan Dolph



Jason's shirt design front and back:

Disability Ambassador Banner

Fraser Coast Disability Ambassador

An initiative of the Fraser Coast Toy Run

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.

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, Cass and Travis



Contact Eddie on 0400488244 for more details on the workshop. Workshop direct at: 07 41213010

Cass and Travis. Cass works part time at Independent Riders workshop in

part time role including working with other youth in mentor support.



Travis who has been with the workshop for some time started this week onn a four (4) week internsship. We hope in the new year we will also be able to offer travis part time paid work.

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.



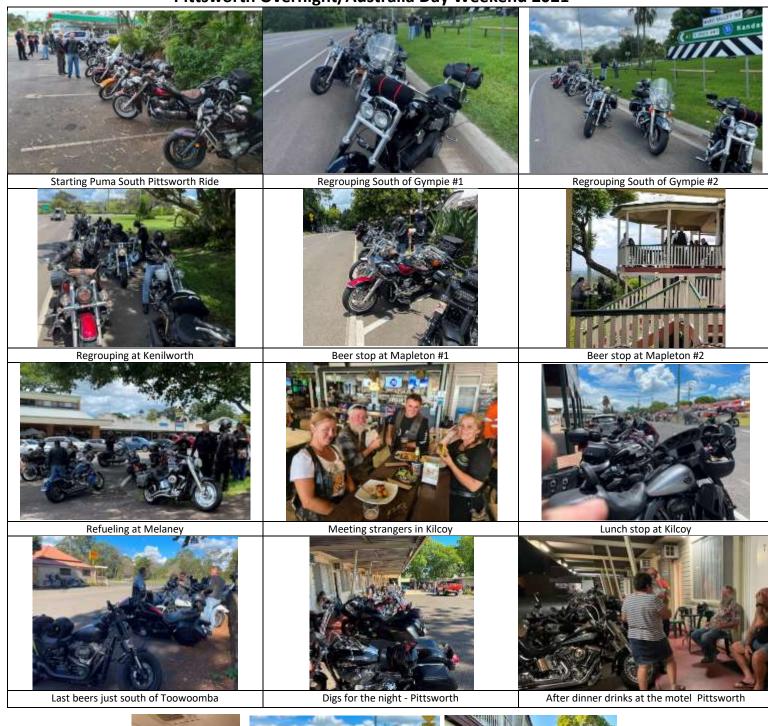


New Workshops and store front - 276 Kent Street Maryborough 4650

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.



Pittsworth Overnight/Australia Day Weekend 2021



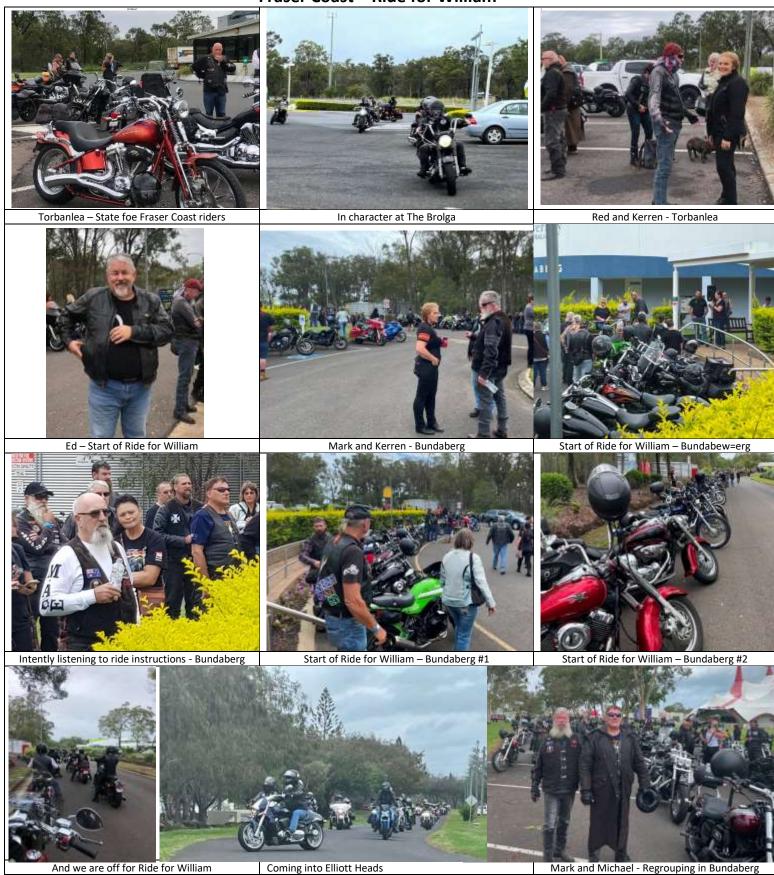




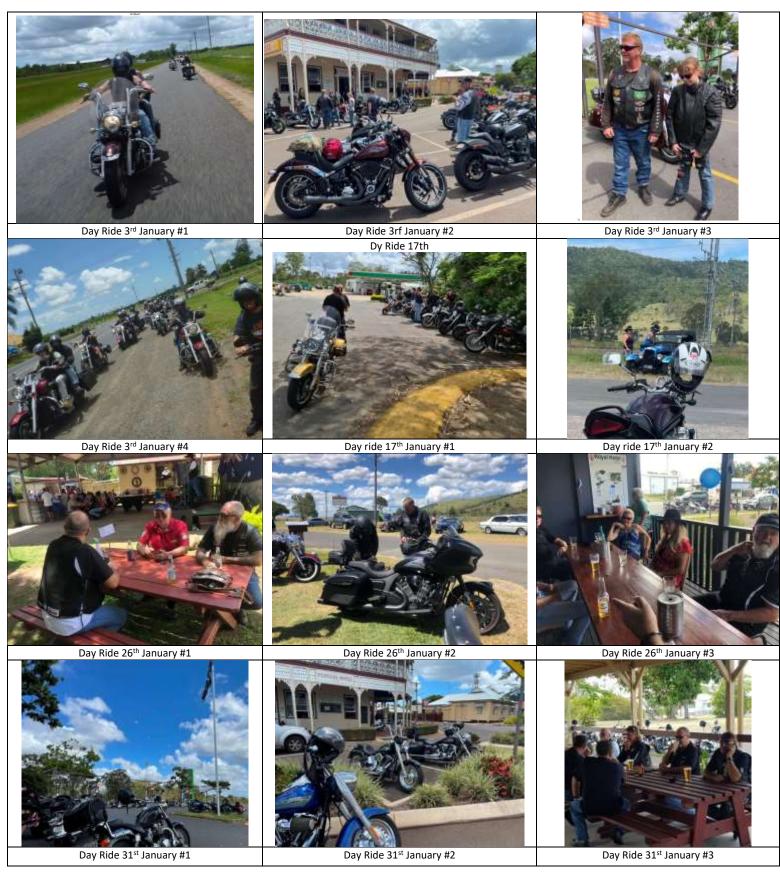


PIC #1 Dinner out at Pittsworth PIC#2 Homeward bound - Goomeri PIC #3 Group photo = Pittsworth

Fraser Coast - Ride for William



Out and about on the Fraser Coast –First Day Ride for 2021



Just out and About - January 2021



Fallen Riders Ride - Gladstone #1



Fallen Riders Ride - Gladstone #2



Fallen Riders Ride – Gladstone @3



Selfie on The Capricorn Coast



#1500 cheque for the Wildlife Sanctuary





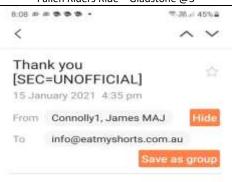
Somewhere, not sure where but cool photo



Lunch and beers at Theebine #1



Lunch and beers at Theebine #2



UNOFFICIAL

Hi Independent Riders,

I'm just writing a short note to thank you for all the packages you kindly sent overseas for the ADF members.

My team of men and women in the Middle-East received a bunch of them and I can assure you they were enjoyed!

We have received lots of great support from Australia over the holiday period, and it means a lot to everyone to know people back home are thinking about them.

Thanks very much again, we really appreciate the thought.

Cheers,

James and the team here in the Middle-East.



Last beers at Miners Arms

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





The boredom of self isolation.

Did you know that if you rest one of your testicles on the top of an empty beer bottle, and hold a naked flame at the base, eventually it gets sucked inside.

If you did know this, and you know how to get it out, please message me...... Urgently

OK, GREAT! BUT THIS IS A RUG UNDER A COFFEE TABLE.

All my personality's waiting patiently for me to decide who will be running the show today.



Got up at 5am, 8km run completed, came back prepared a vegetable smoothie for breakfast....

Don't remember the rest of the dream....



RACISM SUCKS.

BEING FALSELY ACCUSED OF RACISM SUCKS TOO

PERKS OF BEING MY FRIEND: YOU'LL BE THE NORMAL ONE!

I much rather be a conspiracy theorist and question everything vs. a sheep that blindly accepts the B.S. we're being sold.

To everyone that received a book from me for christmas, they're due back at the library next friday.

Thank you.

Paddy says "Mick, I'm thinking of buying a Labrador.

""f*ck that" says Mick"have you seen how many of their owners go blind"



The big mean thing attached to the boobies How do I make it shut up?

BEERGASM

The Climactic Moment when you take the first sip at the end of the day.

MY NEIGHBORS EVEN GET PISSED OFF WHEN I DO LAWN WORK!



Thank-you to our sponsors



















































































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



The BMW Motorcycle Club of Qld. invites all motorcyclists to attend

The 27th

CANE TOAD RALLY

Since 1978

WHEN:

23rd, 24th, 25th April 2021

WHERE:

Wolca Reserve, Bania Rd. Mount Perry, Qld.

(5.5km North of Mount Perry)

GPS:

-25.132795 151.619289

COST:

\$25 Entry (includes Rally Badge and Camping Fee)

pre-registration can be made on website before April 18, saves

time when you arrive at rally, just sign in and pay entry fee.

Camping on large campground with hot showers, flushing toilets and campfire.

Food Catered on Friday & Saturday night, other meals/drinks available in Mt. Perry.

Bike Tour of local area highlights on Saturday morning. Light Entertainment on Saturday night around campfire.

Screen printing of the "Cane Toad Logo" onto your T-Shirt done on site for a gold coin donation. There will be the traditional Rum Hunt, Gymkhana and usual Awards.

For further Details:

canetoadrally.com.au email: canetoadrally@gmail.com

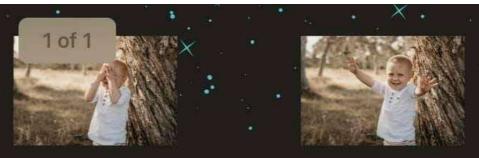


Proceeds donated to









BIKES AND CARS WELCOME

Ride for William

SUNDAY 10TH JANUARY 2021 8.30AM
REGISTRATION FROM 7.30 AM AT
CQUNIVERSITY CARPARK

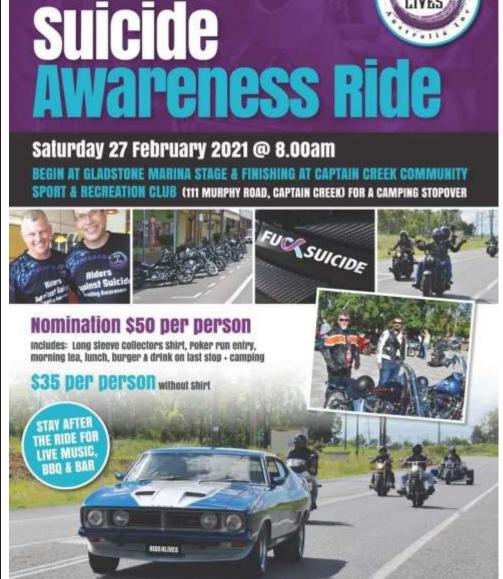
All money going to the Wheeler F

RIDE WILL BE A BUNDABERG COASTAL RIDE ELLIOT HEADS- BURNETT HEADS

RIDE WILL END AT THE CLUB HOTEL FOR RAFFLES, ENTERTAINMENT AND TO CELEBRATE A WONDERFUL LITTLE BOY!

ENQUIRIES CALL JAS 0401487505

William was 11 months old when he was diagnosed with Stage 4
Neuroblastoma in Jan 2019. He finished his 8 rounds of high dose
chemotherapy in August 2019 and sadly relapsed just 3 weeks after finishing.
He then did a further 8 rounds of chemo, 2 bone marrow transplants and
had started immunotherapy when the cancer had been found to have spread
throughout his entire body in November 2020. Our William is the most
amazing and loving little boy. He loves his brothers and the nurses. He never
got to experience life like a formal toddler but he was always smiling and
happy even when things were far from perfect



Online registrations available now on our website www.ride4lives.org

All bikes & cars welcome on ride



WHERE?

FRASER COAST WILDLIFE SANCTUARY 31 MUNGAR ROAD MARYBOROUGH



ALL PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT GO TO THE FRASER COAST WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

REGISTRATION 7.30AM - 11.30AM REGISTRATION \$5.00 Winners announced 12.30PM

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FOR SALE #1





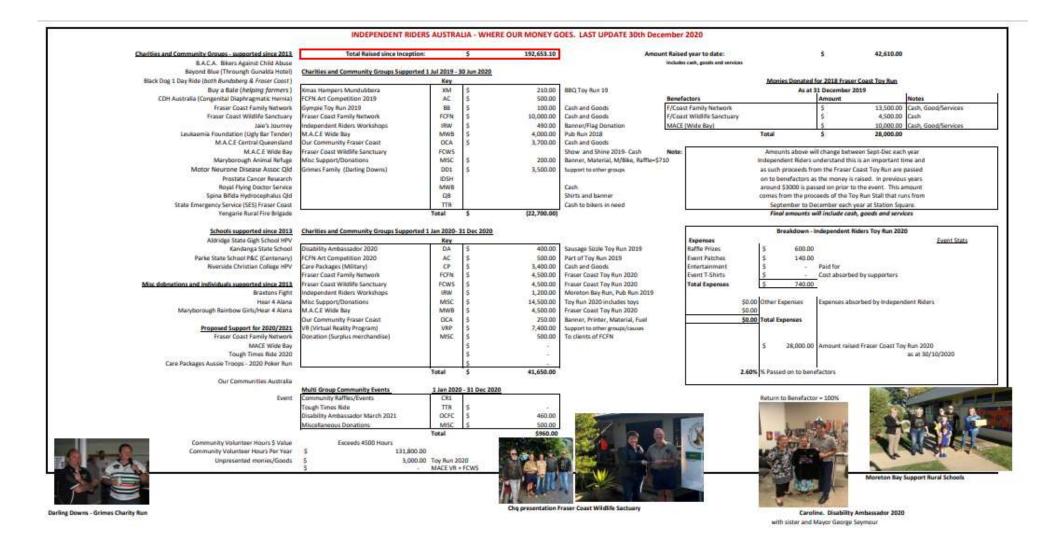


Stainless Steel Barista/Coffee Machine
Comes with everything you need to
start your own business
Included with coffee machine:
Stainless steel bench, fully plumbed
includes water filter, grinder, touch
screen and till (never used), scanner,
mini receipt printer.

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

Phone: Michael 0409 575284 or Julie 0400 690981

WHERE OUR MONEY, GOODS AND RESOURCES GO



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 2020. In 2021 we are hoping to be able to give to an organization in Wide Bay that provides care to our returned service people.

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 Toothbrush
- Tim Tams
- 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 https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019/advice-for-public/videos
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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