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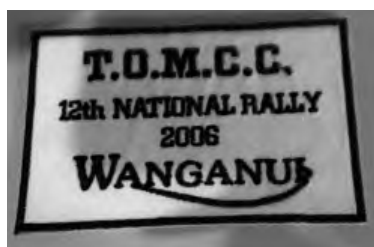
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*Thanks and Regards
Melissa Todd, Membership Secretary*

2006 Rally Badges

On doing a clean up at our clubrooms we have discovered some 2006 National Rally badges when it was held in Wanganui.

There are a few available free to our members, on a first come first served basis.



Please email tomccwanganui@gmail.com to secure your free cloth badge.

Melissa, Wanganui TOMCC NZ

WANTED – badges for WATOC

As most of you know, as a club we are also a member of the World Association of Triumph Owners Clubs (WATOC) and every year a few (we'd like more) of us take part in the WATOC Challenge.

As this is an international event various members of WATOC often send us badges or memorabilia items from their home events in Europe. These are usually used as prizes for those of us who took part in the WATOC Challenge here in NZ. We likewise try to send back some TOMCC NZ badges and regalia.

If any of you have any New Zealand Triumph related items, such as badges, caps, T shirts, etc, that you'd like to donate or swap please let me know.

*Ken Spall
Otago & Southland TOMCC NZ
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My adventure at 100,000kms

On the 10 August I didn't believe the events that were going to happen. I had decided to go for a ride on an awesome Sunday morning with the Missus, by the way my steed is an '08 Triumph Sprint ST 1050. So got the bike out, checked it over and we were all good to go. I went to the end of my drive which is on the edge of State Highway 1, looked south then looked north and decided to go west ha, ha.

We headed away towards Highway 72 which is the back way up past Mayfield and the Rakaia Gorge. Awesome bit of road but we were on our way to Methven for a beer and some late lunch.

Heading off from Timaru the roads were a bit cold and it was a bit fresh but I was enjoying being on my bike. I was having a ball trying to keep to the speed limit but it wasn't working and I had a gut feeling I'd better slow up a bit 'cause my demerits were getting slim.

At that moment as I came round a corner this guy in a BMW was all over the road cutting the corners so I was looking for a place to pass him. I got up close and started pointing at him. At that point a cop went past and I thought, oh crap, the cop is going to think I'm pointing and waving my fist at him.

So carried on, didn't see the cop for a while, then 15 minutes later I saw him in my mirrors – a common sight I must say! On go the xmas lights and I'm a bit pissed off. He's pulling me over and not the guy who was all over the road. But to my surprise, he saw me pointing at this fella and said he has let the cops up the road know to keep an eye out for him – cheers copper.

We headed to Methven, had a great meal and a pint and decided to head home. Still enjoying the ride, I happened to look down at the kms on my clock and it read 99,999. The moment it clicked over to 100,000 I stopped, put the bike on the side stand got off, and I don't mind saying I had a tear in my eye.

I looked at the bike and thought to myself, what such good times I have had on this bike – the adventures, the laughs, the people I have met who have become bloody good mates. The journies, riding in rain hail and snow – and must not forget the speeding tickets!

But the real funny thing is I wonder what the people who were driving past in their cage on 4 wheels were thinking when they saw a motorcycle parked up and a bald guy dressed in black leathers kissing his bike. I don't really care what they thought.

The day I rode my brand new Triumph out of Street & Sport on 4 December 2008 I would not have believed the adventures that I was going to have and the good people I would meet. Especially the people, the only downside is that when they pass away it's so hard to let them go. Miss ya Sword.

So if you want to be part of and star in your own action movie, jump on yer bike, enjoy the adventure and keep looking forward to the upcoming Adventures.

That's my adventure. It started on the day I get on my bike. Its still exciting 'cause of the unknown that's going happen.

I can't think of doing anything else but riding or racing on the track with my race bike – it is my life and I hold no regrets

I want to thank Phil Garret and the team who were at Street & Sport at the time for selling me an awesome bike five and half years ago and watering the seed that has grown.

If anyone needs a hand or a bed for the night flick me a txt, there is always a beer in the fridge or coffee, my phone 027 439 4660.

*Ants Paisley (Motorcycle Junkie)
Canterbury TOMCC NZ*

Editor's comment. Ants has got it in a nutshell. Well done Ants for reminding us why we ride and how good it is.





TOMCC 2015 National rally



20-22 February 2015 Waitawheta camp, Coromandel Forest Park

Here is the outline for the 2015 TOMCC National rally, I believe we have got a fantastic deal for our club members. Prepaid entry includes cloth badge, bands on both nights and **entry to the Paeroa Street Races**.

Friday night's band will be "Piston broke" and Saturday we will have playing "Fat max with Harley and the rocket 3s", Paeroa Street Races is on the Saturday (street parade, swap meet, hot rod show) and Sunday (main race day) those from out of town might want to book accommodation for the Sunday night as the races don't finish until about 5pm.

So for \$45 being a member does pay. Where else can you get a weekend full of entertainment at this price. There will be onsite caterers over the weekend but the Waihi memorial RSA has done us a good deal on catering:

Friday	BBQ Steak, sausages, marinated chicken nibbles, onions, bread rolls, coleslaw, bean salad, pasta salad, roast vegetable salad and mushroom sauce.
Saturday	Breakfast. Scrambled eggs, sausages, tomatoes, toast, bacon, fried mushrooms, hash browns.
Saturday	Roast beef, roast chicken, roast potatoes, roast kumara, roast pumpkin, bread rolls, coleslaw, pasta salad, roast vegetable salad, bean salad.
Sunday	Breakfast. scrambled eggs, sausages, tomatoes, toast, bacon, fried mushrooms, hash browns and baked beans.

You can check the rally site out at www.waitawhetacamp.co.nz Accommodation is bunk style, if you require private accommodation we can organise caravans (this will be payable on top of entry fee) otherwise tenting is best. If you wish to forward any gear ahead of time send it to System Control Engineering NZ Ltd, c/o Rik Reid, 182 Station Road,

Penrose, Auckland 1061. And we will get it to the rally site for you, please make sure your gear is clearly marked and has return packaging with it.

Those of you travelling up from the South Island we will be doing a draw, the first pre-paid entry before January 31st 2015 will get free travel on the blue bridge ferry.

This rally we opted to do singlets as well as t-shirts. Here is what the white t-shirts look like, and the black t-shirts will be a white print.



So there you have it, get your entries in, and we will see you next year.

TOMCC NZ Breakdown Assistance

The purpose of this list is to offer member's assistance in case of a breakdown or an event while travelling out of their own area.

For further information, additions or deletions, or if you wish to be added to this list please contact John.Witherington@xtra.co.nz or your area coordinator.

Christchurch

Phil Garrett	027 441 5954	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
Wayne Woodward	027 285 3083	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
Geoff Walton & Chris Devos	03 324 8385	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
Trevor Saul (Rangiora)	027 296 7066	Breakdown assistance

Murchison

Sue & Chris Donavan	03 523 9016 027 892 1544	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
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Otago

Ken Spall (Dunedin)	03 4891740 021 269 9530	Breakdown assistance
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Southland

John Witherington (Invercargill)	027 247 2853	Breakdown assistance
John Holgate (Lake Hawea)	027 432 2917	Breakdown assistance

Waikato

Ray Haywood (Hamilton)	027 369 0018	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
Keith Randle (Te kuiti)	021 0291 0605	Breakdown assistance & accommodation

Bay of Plenty

Judi Nightingale (Papamoa)	021 324 063	Accommodation
Geoff Morgan (Papamoa)	021 646712	Breakdown assistance

Taupo

Dig Young	021 244 4090	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
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Gisborne

Arthur Bond	022 140 6252	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
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Wanganui

Alan & Dayle Abbott	06 347 7550 027 245 7771	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
Baz & Mel	021 843 564 027 225 1313	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
Sharon Rowan	027 256 5595	Accommodation
Beano	021 175 2696	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
Bob Anderson	07 345 3333	Breakdown assistance

Levin

Ron Schiphorst	027 442 1345 021 164 6045	Breakdown assistance
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Northland

Roger Moselen	021 2132943	Breakdown assistance & accommodation
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Around the World to break a record, or two

In early September 22 year old Rhys Lawrey arrived on our shores as part of a record-breaking ride around the world. He has planned to ride a Triumph Tiger 800 over six continents, through 73 countries, covering about 50,000 miles. His record breaking aims are to be the youngest person to ride round the world on a motorcycle as well as attempting to achieve the most consecutive Capital Cities visited by motorcycle, hopefully a tally of 52 capital cities. He will also be raising funds for the UK youth charity, The Prince's Trust.

Whilst here in New Zealand Rhys was supported and sponsored by the Triumph Owners Motor Cycle Club of NZ Inc whose members also rode with him as escort. Our members responded generously by offering Rhys accommodation as he made his way around New Zealand.

There were a number of events at various Triumph dealers between Christchurch and Auckland with "meet & greets" and barbecues organised with help from the TOMCC NZ. These events provided opportunities for motorcyclists to donate to Rhys's chosen charity.

You can follow Rhys' further progress on his website www.2mororider.com as well as on Facebook.

The following pages are accounts from various TOMCC NZ chapters about their involvement in supporting Rhys on his international adventure.

Canterbury TOMCC NZ

We met Rhys at Christchurch Airport on Friday 5th September. He was quite late meeting us due to a flight delay, and 3 international flights all arriving about the same time with apparently no extra customs staff on duty to process all of the passengers.

We struck peak traffic most of the way to First European Motorcycles where Rhys was given a guided tour by owner Andy. Then off to my place for a couple of nights.

On Saturday TOMCC NZ Inc. Canterbury and First European had organised a public bbq/fundraiser and "meet & greet" for Rhys. Sunday night I took Rhys to his 2nd billet. Other members had agreed to billet Rhys while he was in Christchurch and I didn't see him for a few days.

Rhys was at First European on the Thursday and Friday and was again available for the public to talk to him. Lunch time on Friday I called in to First European and was warmly greeted by Rhys. I had a quick look at his Triumph Tiger XC 800 before he left with a film crew from TV3. The result of this and a previous meeting was shown on Campbell Live on Friday evening.

TOMCC Canterbury had arranged a get together for our members at First European that evening. Rhys's Tiger was on display and he did a film presentation of where he had been up to this time. Either side of this Rhys talked to members and answered questions about his trip and his Tiger. Photos were taken and the evening finished around 9pm.

Proudly displayed on Rhys's bike are 3 TOMCC NZ stickers. One on the front mud guard and one on the rear of each pannier. The weather had been fine all week but it was cold and drizzly on Saturday morning as Rhys headed off for Mt Cook.

I found Rhys to be a very pleasant young man. Nothing he was asked to do was a problem, he was always smiling, and very thankful for everything we did for him. He is very passionate about his trip, the charity he is promoting, encouraging young people into motorcycling, the two Guinness World records he plans to break and the people he meets in the countries he visits.

He is especially more than happy to talk about his Tiger 800 XC, and is adamant he could not have chosen a better bike to do this trip on.

*John Milligan
Canterbury TOMCC NZ*

Otago & Southland TOMCC NZ

After the call went out to our local members asking for help in supporting Rhys, and our own club, in this venture we organised four of us to escort Rhys, also accompanied by Ken from the Christian Motorcycle Association. After leaving Dunedin, David, Stewart and Ken met up with Rhys at Omarama early on Sunday morning and rode with him over the Lindis Pass before finally meeting up at



Rhys Lawrey at First European Motorcycles, Christchurch



Around the World to break a record, or two – continued

Cromwell with John from Invercargill and myself having ridden from Mosgiel.

After a leisurely lunch in the sunshine (superb date scones from the bakery in Cromwell!) David, Stewart and Ken headed back to Dunedin with John and myself taking up the next leg of the journey over to Queenstown for our overnight stop.

The ride through the Kawarau gorge was superb with the weather having cleared to bright sunshine. I deliberately kept the speed down so that Rhys could make the most of enjoying the scenery. There was no hurry as we were making good time for an appointment Rhys had with a piece of bungy cord at the Kawarau bridge. An appointment which he duly kept, returning from the experience abuzz with adrenalin and a sparkle in his eye!

Overnight in Queenstown was at the Top Ten Motor Camp with thanks to John for having organised a good deal for the three of us in a well-appointed cabin.

Monday morning started off dry but there were some heavy-weather clouds starting to roll over the high peaks. But before we could set off Rhys was due to meet a news reporter that morning for a brief interview. Whilst trying to find suitable parking for the three bikes Rhys and I somehow ended up losing John. It was not until John finally found us down a back alley that he told us that we had passed a cop as we had ridden up a one-way street! I just said to him that we were arrow illiterate!

With Rhys' interview done it was time to head west to Haast via the Crown Range road. But not before putting on wet weather gear – those heavy weather clouds were releasing their load. In spite of the weather the Crown Range is a superb bit of motorcycle road with



some switchback corners reminiscent of the Swiss or Italian alps.

In light drizzle with clear patches we headed on through Cardrona and Wanaka, past Lake Hawea but it was from the Neck that the rain really set in and got steadily worse.

Makarora was a welcome stop and a chance to warm up and dry off a little. Setting off again I knew this was going to be an uncomfortable ride but even in heavy rain the Haast road is still an enjoyable ride for as long as you're still warm and dry – this would not last!

Diana Falls is a compulsory stop due to major slip repairs. We were told that we could get off our bikes but were not permitted to go walkabout. I must admit I did argue with the traffic controller about how far from the bike I would be allowed to wander before being pulled up about it.

By the time we reached the Haast Bridge we were all very wet and so we had to bid our soggy goodbyes to Rhys. I remember as I shook his gloved hand a stream of rainwater cascaded out. With a touch of sadness we watched him head north up the West Coast



with our thoughts and best wishes going with him.

The journey back home was a case of wet confusion. John stopped for a pee, I hadn't realised it, I back-tracked too far looking for him, we were both wet, cold and tired. John called the police, who contacted my wife. I thought John had carried on home to Invers but stopped in Wanaka. I continued home to Mosgiel arriving very late at night to my wife giving me a good bollocking for causing so much worry.

But all in all a bloody good ride. Thank you to those of you who made the effort to attend and thank you to Rhys, it was good riding with you mate.

*Ken Spall
Otago & Southland TOMCC NZ*



Wellington TOMCC NZ

Well, the dominant feature of Rhys' visit to the lower north island was the weather. It was rather better than expected when we met him at the ferry but always there was the Met Services dire prediction about things to come...

It was fairly simple to travel from the Bluebridge terminal to the local Triumph Dealers for a meet and greet. Being around mid day on a Thursday didn't give us much opportunity for festivities but it all went very well and gave us time to visit a café for lunch.

After that we were well and truly under 'gathering skies' so it was time to push north to our place. We took a diversion away from the coast and over the Paekakareki Hill road to hopefully avoid the rain. That turned out to be a massive 'fail' and we ended up in the worst of it. Still – it wasn't too bad and it was relatively dry by the time we got to the look-out. There we met a new rider (53yrs old) on a Scorpio who immediately recognised Rhys from the television. He was rather chuffed I think and certainly Rhys worked his magic on him. Then it was a simple down the hill and home for dinner and a glass of wine.

Friday's weather report was fairly dire and we set off in the rain back into town for a visit with the British High Commissioner. It went really well – the man on the gate was obviously well briefed and we rode straight in. The familiar DC1 Jaguar turned up and everyone



was made welcome. After a few photographs it was inside for morning tea in Union Jack mugs which was really very splendid. However time was slipping on and the trees outside the office were beginning to dance about alarmingly indicating the weather report was spot on with their 'Gale' warning.

After more photos and me thinking 'hurry up or they will close the hill road' we were finally away. Lets just say it was an interesting ride. At the summit, neither of us were game to get off our bike for a photo as the bike was not likely to still be there when we got back. Then it was down to Greytown for a late lunch. Rhys must be a magic rain pixie because while we got a little drizzle and a soaking wet road, we had mostly sunshine. Oh – and wind – lots and lots of wind. Mt Bruce was a bit scary and the approaches to Woodville were horrible.

Fortunately, from Woodville the wind was directly behind us and Dannevirke on dropped away to the more usual balmy Hawkes Bay weather. The GPS found us arriving at Pro

Cycles Napier bang on time and we were given a warm welcome and a much needed coffee..

At Napier we were kindly hosted by local TOMCC member David Dallas and I for one made full use of his shower. A glass of wine later and the world was a happier place – well until I looked up the weather report for the next day – D'oh. After a good nights kip and a hearty breakfast (thanks again David) we held a war council – the only option was to make a break for it to Palmerston North asap. While it was fine and still in Napier, the clouds were gathering and the forecast was 120kph winds. So we packed and fled. The rain started at Dannevirke and the wind started to howl. Fortunately we met the Baz and the TOMCC Wanganui guys as planned at Ashurst and got through before it turned really nasty. Because when it started to blow – it blew. The poor gazebo / shelter the brave BBQ'ers were using was shredded... Gleep.

Rhys did a great job at the dealers and I think everyone found huge value in the event. But soon it was time for him to trek to Wanganui and for me to flee home in a lull in the wind. No more needs to be said other than I found religion several times between Palmerston North and Shannon which certainly isn't where you expect to find it. Then the wind dropped off and the rain started... sigh

*Paul Nuttridge
Wellington TOMCC NZ*



Wanganui TOMCC NZ

Saturday, 9am, Jeff (dog), Mel and Baz left the TOMCC Wanganui clubrooms heading to Courtesy Motorcycles Palmerston North to set up and get ready for Paul Nuttridge and Rhys to arrive about midday from Napier, as things never go to plan I get a message just as we had arrived in Palmy from Paul indicating they will be an hour early as they raced to beat the weather.

So the race began to get set up and teach dog how to cook a sausage on a BBQ, Mike Ward arrives soon after us and it was left up to Mel and Dog to start BBQ proceedings while Mike and Baz rode out to Ashurst to



meet Paul and Rhys and ride back to Courtesy Motorcycles.

As the day proceeded we were joined by Westy & Robyn, Lance, Ian (Mo), Kevin and Andrew. Considering the atrocious weather on the day it was a great showing of support from Wanganui members .

As the weather worsened, once back at Courtesy it was all hands and legs on deck in an effort to keep the gazebo on the ground as in one photo of Robyn holding on the gazebo, (truth is nobody can confirm if her feet were actually touching the ground or if she was just left hanging there).

Wanganui Triumph Owners Motorcycle Club welcomes around-the-world rider

2mororider a.k.a Rhys Lawrey left London back at the beginning of May to break a Guinness World Record, while raising funds for The Prince Trust Charity. By early September he had done 18,900 miles, 21 countries and had been on the road for 133 days. He is currently in New Zealand, having driven up from Wellington through Palmerston North, across to Wanganui.

The local Triumph Owners Motorcycle club went across to meet Rhys at Courtesy Motor Cycles, the regional Triumph dealership in Palmerston North. After a BBQ supplied by Courtesy Motor Cycles, they accompanied Rhys to Wanganui, where he stayed the night before moving up to New Plymouth and later to Auckland where his mother and sister live.

Rhys wants to break the Guinness World Record for the 'Most Consecutive Capital Cities Visited by Motorcycle' as well



Rhys Lawrey (left) with some of the local Triumph Owners Motorcycle Club members.

as setting a new World Record for 'The Youngest Person to Circumnavigate the World by Motorcycle.' Rhys is only 22.

He also wants "to share with other young people that if they have a strong desire to do something then they should, not to follow what's expected of us in western society today, but follow one's heart, and do what he/she wants to do!"

Fund raising for The Prince Trust Charity, the leading youth char-

ity in the UK, is an important part of the ride. People are able to donate through the JustGiving website and JustTextGiving by Vodafone. Rhys is asking people to donate £1 (or \$2) per continent he crosses. You can do this and follow his progress by going to his website <http://www.2mororider.com/charity.htm>.

His motto is quite appropriate – "A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single gear change."

However we did manage to proceed with a sausage sizzle up until the point where the gazebo was ripped apart by the weather of the day.

During the meet and greet by Rhys at Courtesy MC, Rhys held a show and tell and as those who met Rhys during his time in NZ will testify, he is truly a great ambassador for the Triumph brand.

After we were finished at Courtesy MC and with the weather deteriorating Mel said to Jeff you're riding the Ducati home! (while she took the car) so it was left to Baz, Mo, Kevin, Andrew and Dog to escort Rhys back to Wanganui, once back at the clubrooms Rhys was joined by friends who lived in Wanganui and a great night was held by all.

*Barry Shipp
Wanganui TOMCC NZ*



Taranaki TOMCC NZ

Geoff and myself rode down to Wanganui TOMCC club rooms to escort Rhys to the Naki. We got wet and cold on the way down and at more than one stage it felt like I was infected riding a 2003 Triumph America ice skate. Not nice.

After 2 hot cups of coffee, to warm the innards, and the arrival of our charge, we had a bit of a photo shoot and once Rhys good friend, Keegan, was decked out with borrowed riding gear, I should mention here that Keegan and his partner have never been on a motorcycle before. We set off for the blast north back to the Naki.

About half way the gods of weather decided that the mad bikers had had enough watering and the sun came out for the rest of the day.

We meet up with more Taranaki TOMCC members at the Z in Hawera and arrived at the New Plymouth Motorcycle Centre at 2pm to a crowd of around 100 or so Triumph enthusiasts.

Rhys gave every one a magnificent smile and mingled with all there until the young lady reporter from The Daily News managed to hold him in one place for a half hour interview.

We then rounded up every one and ushered them into the showroom for the auction,



I had arranged Rhys to be the auctioneer, of which he was a natural. But before we started the auction I introduced Rhys to the crowd, he then held their attention for almost a hour with some of his adventures so far and the interesting way in which he would use his GoPro on a pole, Rhys has perfected the selfy whether on the side of the road or riding at speed.

The action was a basement deal affair with the main items, a Steve McQueen bike jacket and water proof backpack donated by Triumph NZ, going for half price and good money for Triumph T shirts signed by



Rhys. We raised \$680 for The Prince's Trust.

After the “meet & greet”, Rhys and myself went for a ride to the lookout above the port for some photos then off around the coast for a cold beer. After a couple of hours we headed back to my place for a roast lamb dinner, some more cold beers and a good old chin wag with the boys from TOMCC Hamilton.

The next day Rhys rode north, escorted by the Hamilton members.

I wish Rhys all the best that the gods of the road can offer a traveller and that our paths will cross again.

*Chris Martin
Taranaki TOMCC NZ*

Waikato & BoP TOMCC NZ

First up, a special thanks to Chris and Jan for the invitation to dinner on Sunday night – outstanding and it was greatly appreciated.

Secondly well done to you and the club members in the Naki, it was a great day and an awesome welcome for Rhys.

The first picture attached is taken at New Plymouth, thought Chris would like it.

In Hamilton things were a little more low key. After a very wet and windy ride back to Hamilton we arrived at Ham Motorcycles to be greeted by maybe 20 people including the staff at the shop.

The Waikato Times staff arrived took the photographic evidence and the young lady reporter seemed to do an excessively long interview with Rhys.

Ham Motorcycles did a barbecue with a donation placed into a charity box for Rhys. Some other guys who attended also put in a larger donation in this box just to assist him in his venture. I am unsure how much was raised at Ham Motorcycle, staff packed it up and passed it directly to Rhys.

We were at the shop for a couple of hours before the Auckland members led by Glenn took Rhys up to Auckland. Myself and Kerry followed them to the top of the Bombay hills just to make sure they didn't get lost.

*Ray Hayward
Waikato & BoP TOMCC NZ*



Auckland TOMCC NZ

Rhys Lowry, 2MoroRider. Swashbucklers Restaurant Westhaven Auckland 28/9/2014

Well I don't know who scheduled a 7.30am breakfast meet with Rhys on the Sunday the clocks went forward, I am sure it seemed like a good idea at the time. I wasn't so sure when I went to bed early on Saturday night with a weather forecast for the morning of rain with perhaps a touch of rain later.

As it turned out all was well. I fired up the old T120 for a change and set off at 7am (well 6 really) for the city. As it turned out the rain was to hold off all day with only a few minor showers on the odd occasion.

There was a great turn out for Rhys, 25 or more bikes outside, not to mention those who came on 4 wheels. Triumph was well represented with Lee from Triumph NZ and a full crew from Experience Motorcycles Auckland's newest Triumph dealer.



Around the World to break a record, or two – continued

We all sat around and chatted for a while, catching up with those we hadn't seen for a while, club members attended from Northland and Waikato so it was great to see them. Some of us had met with Rhys when we rode down to Hamilton Motorcycles on Monday to meet him on his way up to Auckland with some of the Waikato crew and it was good to see him again.

Swashbucklers is where the Auckland group have had our monthly meetings for ages and they put on a nice breakfast and once we had finished people got up to say a few words to welcome Rhys. Lee from Triumph was there, and Kelly from Experience Motorcycles generously picked up the tab for breakfast which was very nice of her as there were quite a few there.

Rhys is a very personable young man and has a lot of experience from his hospitality industry background at being in front of people. He speaks very well and has a host of interesting stories and anecdotes from his travels. Rhys gave a great presentation where he detailed the world records he is going for and explained about his chosen charity of The Princes Trust. Every picture he showed seemed to provoke a memory of a great story to relate to us.

He has a long family history of motorcycle travelling from his father and it certainly seems, like father, like son! There were questions from a few people about his equipment and some of the procedures he had to go through in the more out of the way places.

Glenn then presented Rhys with a cheque for \$1000 on behalf of the TOMCC for Rhys to use as he pleases, either as a donation to the Princes Trust or expenses for the trip.

The morning social was brought to an end as most of us were scheduled to leave for the start of the Dapper Gentleman's Ride event, it was a good day but that's another story!

*Rik Reid
Auckland TOMCC NZ*



The Triumph Owners Motor Cycle Club of NZ Inc would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you who worked so hard to help support Rhys while he was here in NZ and also those members who made the effort to attend the various functions as well as those who rode with Rhys despite the bad weather. We also would like to thank the following for their generous support.

First European Motorcycles, Christchurch.	Filco Farm & Sport, Nelson
Motorad, Wellington	Pro Cycles, Napier
Palmerston North Motorcycles	New Plymouth Motorcycles
Hamilton Motorcycles	Experience Motorcycles, Auckland
Leigh Backhaus from Triumph NZ for the generous donation of merchandise for the charity auctions and raffles.	

TRIUMPH TYRE KICKING



We of the Wanganui and Rangitikei once knew where to go to kick a Triumph tyre. But that has changed. We can still kick Triumph tyres – thanks to Phil Turnbull who has picked up the baton and added Triumph to his Suzuki stable at 180 John F Kennedy Drive.

As you drive towards Palmerston North from Sanson, hang a left at the first set of lights. That will see you following John F Kennedy Drive. About 300m along this curving road will see you cruising past a lot of new cars with the F word on them. Right next door, set back a little from the road, is the Courtesy Motorcycles signage. Right there on the wall is that famous T word.



The showroom is new and plenty of well-presented bikes are on display. When you look at the photos it is obvious that they do more than sell bikes. There are accessories and rider gear aplenty and Parts Manager Brett Turnbull is on hand to help you out with the essentials of year round riding.

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Lance Nixon, Wanganui TOMCC NZ

The wettest and longest meeting of the Northland Chapter

After all the bad weather and flooding we've had it finally looked as if it was all finished. Having decided to take the Trike out for the weekend and as it was fine in Dargaville but just a bit cold, I headed out to meet the boys at the Fringes Bar in Whangarei. Like I said, it was fine at home but when I got to the other side of NZ it was hosing down.

So instead I decided to head to my brothers' place for a coffee until it eased off, but it never did. So headed down to Clinton's, had another coffee then down to the Fringes Bar where we had a bit of a meeting. Clinton then had to take his son to rugby so everyone headed back up to Clinton's place.

As there were only three who had brought their bikes to the meeting (the rest came in cars), it was decided that those with bikes would go on a ride to Tutukaka then out to Geoff and Liz's place at Manganese Point and Parua Bay way. The weather didn't look great out that way so we went over the Tiger Mountain road. Talk about a bloody slow ride – we were going that slow the Trike was coughing and didn't even get into fourth gear. The motorcycles had it worse than me as the road was slippery as heck with moss and pine needles let alone the rain and wind.

Well, after conquering that road, wow, hello, there is the Parua Bay Tavern – only one thing to do. As they had a small fire going we dried off for a while but also felt a bit guilty getting warm by the flame, so attended the bar and had a taste of ale – just to warm up the insides mind you. As we were warming up, in pops Rennie and Caro they had come in by car.

After that warm up it was on the road again a bit faster than the one we had just conquered, and got to the next meeting house which had a warm home bar, fire going, pool table, and believe or not, just fifteen feet to the water

and beach, it had only one downfall – it was raining. So we parked up and those who had cars soon joined us too. I must point out that this place had one hell of a driveway, all concrete but steep. When I left on the Sunday I really thought I was going to go over backwards when I powered on to get up it.

Billy Ponsonby and Brett had to leave early in the rain on the Saturday and missed out on a great night, but they still enjoyed themselves (I hope). The meeting took all night to get through things. As I never had my brief case, it was in Jocks car and he didn't get there till late. Then it was raining harder and no one wanted to get wet going out to get it. That's why the meeting took all night. We discussed things as it came up in conversation, in between playing pool and drinking.

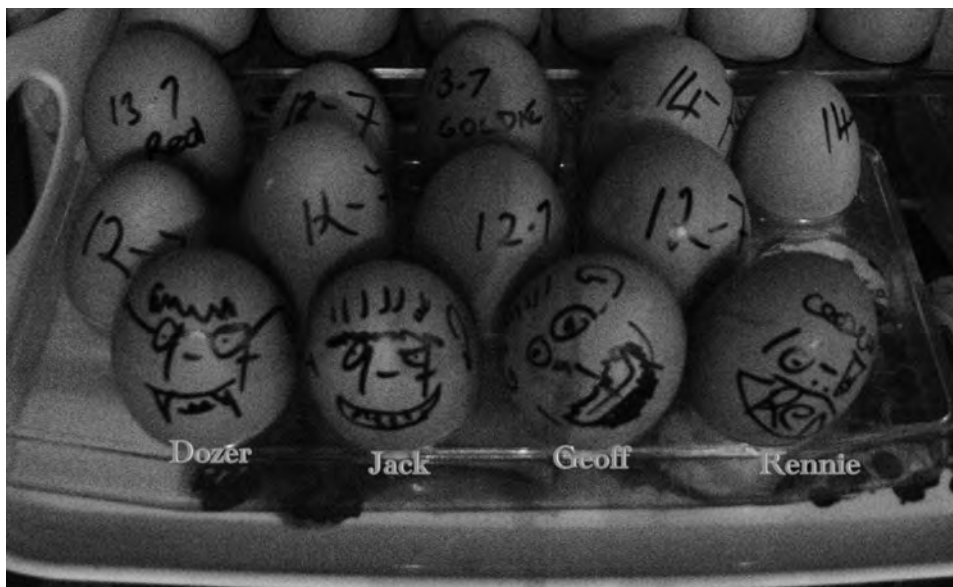
Liz and Geoff put on a fantastic spread for us which ranged from cheese board to seafood onto topside roast and vegetables. That was great – thanks goes out to Geoff and Liz and those who helped.

Rennie was the person responsible for drawing on the eggs Liz – faces of some members – and then asked me to have a look and guess which one was Geoff well it had to be the one with glasses and a goatee!

Sunday was the same, wet and more wet but after a great breakfast of bacon eggs (just hope we didn't eat Geoff), sausages, coffee or cup a tea we had to get home to see what the wife looks like. What a ride that was, heavy rain through Whangarei all the way to Tangiteroria then it stopped and it was just a cold ride until I turned into the drive. It was a job taking off wet clothes, but I soon had

a hot coffee and shower then sat down for a nana nap. The longest meeting ever,

Bulldozer, Northland TOMCC NZ



15th Anniversary TMOC Rally, Wülmersen Castle, Germany

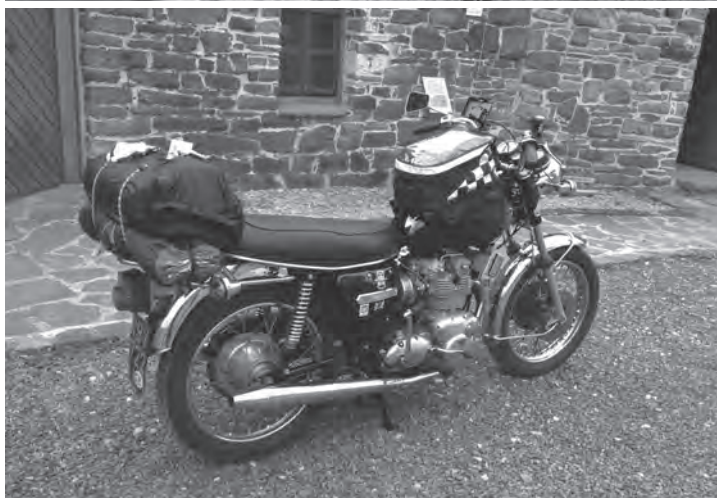
Sorry to say I went to this rally by car, but with no bike in Europe it was that or nothing. The German TMOC club was formed back in 1999 and I have kept in touch with them over the years but have never managed to attend one of their rallies, so as I was in the country I couldn't miss the opportunity to visit. The rally was held in a castle which seems to have been recently renovated and there were several large dormitories saving the hassle of putting up a tent. The area around the rally site has some great roads for motorcyclists and the Saturday morning run was well supported and organized.

The majority of bikes were Hinckley Triumphs. It seemed that long distance riding on a cheap second hand 10 or 15 year old bike is the way a lot of people in Europe are going. I was surprised to see three Daytona 1200's, one with sidecar, one stripped down to make a Speed Quadro and one as it left the factory. There was a good selection of models from early Sprints though to a new Tiger Explorer. There was also a few older Meridan bikes , 750 Bonneville's and Tigers being popular, a T150v Trident over from England, and a nice 500 from Holland. Oldest bike went to a 61 Thunderbird in original condition along with bathtub. Long distance went to a Swedish couple who arrived on a Bonneville and a Thunderbird Storm having travelled 1400 KM to get there in two days.

Although the rally attracted people from the UK, Holland, Belgium, Sweden, Denmark and of course all over Germany, numbers were down on last year, but it was thought this could have been due to the start of the school summer break and the fact that Germany has football fever as they are doing well in the World Cup. I'd like to thank Michael and the rest of the TMOC for putting on a great rally and hope to see them again sometime.

(the photo of the scrambler and the Speed triple is actually a Speed 41200 (Daytona) with NO2 bottle !)

*Geoff Walton, Canterbury TOMCC NZ
(currently working in Europe)*



Wayne Woodward



For those who don't know me, my name is Wayne Woodward, member number 195. I have been asked to stand as president, and after careful consideration have agreed to do so.

I joined the club in 2000 and quickly became involved in local club affairs, namely assisting with local and national rallies and South Island memberships. I joined the Canterbury area committee in 2002, and still proudly serve on this committee.

I have attended all national rallies since joining and know most members in both the North and South Islands, if not by name, at least by face.

As a committed and passionate member, my loyalties are to TOMCC NZ Inc and to the Triumph brand of motorcycles. During my time with the club, I have seen many people come and go from the national committee, most enhancing the club, some others not so much.

I want this club to grow, and firmly believe that our greatest advertising asset is our current members. If elected I will encourage you to actively seek new members and set up new areas. New members bring new ideas and enthusiasm.

Our club is undergoing some positive changes at present, due to the hard work and dedication of the national committee. If elected I pledge to contribute and assist with these changes. I will also submit for consideration a few ideas of my own and of course welcome ideas that you as a member might like to put forward to improve our club.

*Wayne Woodward
Canterbury TOMCC NZ*

Tribute to Shads, member No.143

Brian Shadbolt or Shads as he was known to most passed away on the 3rd July after a battle with motor neuron disease.

Shads was a great club member attending Waikato BOP meetings, National Rallies and social rides. A real character, he was always keen to be involved. Whilst Shads was still able we did a couple of 3 day rides with him. The first and in my mind the best was the ride around East Cape to Gisborne and back to Papamoa. Shads as a young adult spent a lot of time in the Gisborne area as a building apprentice and this was a great trip back in time with Shads.

The second ride we did was a trip up over the gentle Annie back down into the Hawkes Bay. Both rides were in the summer and were full of laughs and good social times. Shads rode his 650 Bonnie (as pictured) on both trips and it purred away the entire time without issue, a great testament to his skill with the spanners.

Shads funeral was in Tauranga and was attended by some 500 people. Loads of people spoke and there were plenty of laughs at Shads expense. A large number of TOMCC members attended as well as an equal number of members from the Coastal Cruiser club.

60 to 70 odd bikes escorted Shads' last journey from the family home in Papamoa through to the Church for the service then up to the Cemetery in Pyes Pa Road to Shads final resting place. It was a great send off for a passionate club member who loved riding either of his two Triumph motorcycles.

Jocelyn his wife is a current TOMCC club member and his son Joel is keen to follow in his footsteps and rode his dad's Hinckley Thunderbird at the funeral. Shads will be sadly missed by many of us in TOMCC.

Ray Hayward, Waikato TOMCC NZ



Melissa Todd

I am the incumbent National Membership Secretary and wish to be elected for a further term in this role.

Since becoming a member in 2010, I have enjoyed being a part of a National Club, and have met and made many new friends while having a heap of fun along the way.

My rides are a 1992 Triumph Trident 900 and a 1994 Ducati Monster 900; both give me endless hours and km's of pure bliss.

As my day job of Office Manager provides me with the skills and work practices needed to effectively carry out the position, I feel I have since taking on the role streamlined some processes through communication with others, this has directly impacted on you the members for some benefit (I would hope).

I welcome any new ideas to assist me in delivering an exceptional service to both National Executive and Members.

Thanks for taking the time to read this

*Melissa Todd
Wanganui TOMCC NZ*

Old Motorcycles – New website

Hi, I have started a free website for classic motorcycle enthusiasts to buy, sell and advertise for parts wanted.

The website is

<http://www.oldmotorcycles.co.nz>

With this website I am trying to replicate the way we used to buy, sell and communicate about motorcycles. I hope this will be of interest to you. Please forward to anyone who may be interested.

*Kind regards, Dean
Old Motorcycles
www.oldmotorcycles.co.nz*

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David J. Niles (Sword)

Dave Niles, or "Sword" as he was often known, particularly amongst his biking friends, died suddenly on 5 July 2014 as the result of a tragic accident whilst gathering firewood.

Dave was a long-time member of TOMCC NZ Inc and particularly in the early days was actively involved with the club and organisation of TOMCC rallies held in Canterbury. With his long beard and such a happy, outgoing and outspoken manner he was a dear and popular friend to many of us.

As well as a proud TOMCC member Dave was heavily involved with his local motorcycle club, the TTAG club and was always one of the principal organisers at the TTAG club's annual rally, the Magpie Rally, held in November each year at Winchester, South Canterbury. Many of us will fondly remember seeing Dave at the rally taking care of details, but he always had time for a chat and would often come over to the Canterbury TOMCC tent to spend time with our local members.

Dave's funeral was held in Temuka on Thursday 10 July. With an attendance of over 400 people, mainly bikers, the procession of bikes slowly escorting him on his last journey was a moving testament to Dave's popularity in the local community and among the biking fraternity.

Our condolences and thoughts are with Dave's family and friends. We'll miss you Sword, you'll always be in our memory.

Ken Spall, Otago & Southland TOMCC NZ



A word from our President

Hi all, I'm sure there has been a lot said in this newsletter about Rhys Lawrey, but I just want to add my 10 cents worth to it.

This has been the first time our club has had all the areas work in with one another as a national club. A big thank you to all involved, either escorting Rhys on his travels or putting him up for the night. It just shows we can all pull together and do good things, not to say we haven't in the past.

I hadn't thought of it before, but over the years our club has raised around \$60,000 for a whole bunch of charities. Also one thing we can count is the amount of support the club has given other motorcycle based charities supporting their rides. So well done everyone for your support of the club, and the events we put on.

Keep up the good work and make the most of what we are. As Rhys Lawrey put it "the future looks triumphant"

*Cheers, Glenn Mills, President
TOMCC NZ Inc*

The Members and Committee of TOMCC NZ would like to welcome the following new members to our club

Rod Stehlin	<i>Waiheke Island</i>
Janine Martin	<i>New Plymouth</i>
John Phipps	<i>Christchurch</i>
Derick Bates	<i>Patea</i>
Brian Moon	<i>Whangarei</i>
Jewels Radcliffe	<i>Christchurch</i>
Peter Fletcher-Dobson	<i>Wellington</i>
Allan Harper	<i>Blenheim</i>
Glenn Hayward	<i>Christchurch</i>
Caron Bedwell	<i>Christchurch</i>
Rhys Lawrey	<i>Auckland</i>
Andrew Claydon	<i>Inglewood</i>
David Batty	<i>Shannon</i>

Bluebridge Ferry Crossing Discount

The code for this is **TOMMC2014**. Valid dates of travel are from the 14th February 2015 to the 1st March 2015, with booking able to be made as of 1 August.

Interislander Ferry Crossing Discount

The discount code for the Interislander Ferry is **FA5366**. Please use this when making a ferry booking to gain a club discount for TOMCC NZ Inc members.

TOMCC 21st Birthday Celebration, 12 July 2014





TOMCC 2015 NATIONAL RALLY

Waitawheta camp, Coromandel Forest park. 20-22nd February 2015



Name.....Bike.....Rego.....

Address.....

.....Post Code.....

Contact:

Landline.....Mobile.....

Email.....

Rally entry(before 31/01/2015)		Tick
Member: TOMCC membership number:	\$45	
Non-member	\$65	
Day entry(Friday or Saturday till 11pm, no Paeroa street races ticket)	\$40	
Gate sales members \$60, non-members \$80(no cloth badge or shirt sales)		Total \$

MEALS		Tick
Friday dinner	BBQ Dinner	\$20
Saturday breakfast	Cooked breakfast	\$10
Saturday dinner	Roast beef or chicken, veg.	\$20
Sunday breakfast	Cooked breakfast	\$10
		Total \$

T-shirt/singlet	Sizes S,M,L,XL,XXL(please indicate size and colour or plain print))	Tick
Black T-shirt		\$25
White T-shirt		\$25
Black singlet		\$20
White singlet		\$20
		Total \$

Make cheques payable to Auckland TOMCC or direct debit in to account number 38-9012-0045514-00 use your name as reference and post your entry to TOMCC National rally PO Box 28 507, Remuera, Auckland 1541. Any questions contact Glenn 021 0329920.	Total Amount to pay	\$
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Disclaimer-I/we agree to abide by all the rules of the rally and will hold blameless all organisers or officials connected with the rally for any injury, loss or damage at or travelling to or from the rally.

NO PATCHES, NO DOGS, NO GLASS, NO BYO AND NO ATTITUDE

NAME:.....SIGN.....DATE.....



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**Come along for a days riding supporting the RSA. Lots prizes and
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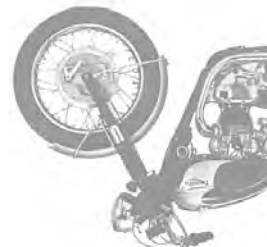
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