

IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ Organisation of TOMCC NZ Inc

Members of our club committee have noticed a lack of appreciation or understanding by many members of the way our club is organised around the country, so here is an attempt to remedy this.

Firstly, and most importantly, we are an Incorporated Society, a national organisation to which all of us belong when we are accepted for membership. We are all equally entitled to Club and Area resources, benefits and events regardless of how long we have been in the club or where we live.

For the purposes of ease of communication and administration we currently have nine Areas or Chapters, of TOMCC NZ. Each Area has an elected Area Co-ordinator who represents the national body. Members' questions or concerns should in the first instance be directed to the Area Co-ordinator, as again, this person represents the national body. If they are unable to address a particular concern or answer a question themselves, they will put the question or concern out to their fellow national body members for discussion or an answer and then get back to you.

ALL members are covered by one of the following Areas, (or Chapters) of TOMCC NZ: Northland, Auckland, Franklin, Waikato / Bay of Plenty, Taranaki, Whanganui, Manawatu,

Canterbury, Otago / Southland. Any member regardless of where they live may be listed as a local member in any Area they choose. For example, a member living in Gisborne may choose to be listed under Whanganui.

With respect to geographical regions of the country some of our Areas consist of more than one geographical region than is indicated in the Area's name and this does not truly reflect the coverage of the members in a given Area.

Those who have read the September 2019 issue of *Triumph Times*, may remember an article (page 10) from the Otago Southland Area entitled "Distance is no Barrier". The size and scale of the South Island is not truly reflected in the names used by the two chapters that cover the South Island. The Otago Southland Chapter covers the lower 3rd of the South Island south of a line from the Haast river mouth across to the Waitaki river mouth.

North of that line is administered by Canterbury. Many of the 125 members listed under the Canterbury Area also live on the West Coast and in the Tasman and Marlborough regions. Marlborough itself was once a former Area of TOMCC NZ.

Likewise, as formed Areas of the club come and go, the Manawatu Area itself has been re-established 3 times

and now covers members from the former Wellington, Hawke's Bay, Central Plateau / Ruapehu, Rotorua Chapters.

As our club Areas cover such large regions it is very important that consideration is taken of members who are living in the more remote parts of an Area. These members need to be given as many opportunities as possible, to take part in, or create, Club or Area activities, and have equal access to benefits and resources of the Area.

On the outer edges of an area? Call for a get together, set a date and a place, then inform the area coordinator who will pass it on to the members.

Given what has been discussed in this article, if you are further away from the main group of members and would like to see your own Area established, one may reasonably ask, why not give it a go?

At the end of the day you joined a Triumph motor cycle club so call for a meeting to gauge interest from your fellow members in reforming an area or creating a new area. You only need a minimum of 5 paid up members, one of whom is willing to act as Area Co-ordinator. It's not difficult, you only need to keep in regular email contact with other members in your Area.



The prize giving at this year's national rally featured a new prize category for our national rallies – the *Triumph Times Choice*. The editor will make a choice of bike, which will then be featured in the first *Triumph Times* for that year.

This year's *Triumph Times Choice* is a Thundebird Sport owned by Liz Garmey from our Waikato/ Bay of Plenty Chapter.

TOMCC NZ Regular Area/Chapter Rides and Meetings

Northland No Details
contact Glenn Maconaghie,
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Auckland
Monthly Meeting. Last Tuesday of the month, 7pm at
Swashbucklers, 23B Westhaven Drive, Auckland

Franklin No Details
contact Chris Smith, trippetricks@gmail.com

Waikato Bay of Plenty Details vary,
contact Neville Wilson,
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Taranaki
Monthly Ride and Meeting. Last Sunday of the
month, 10am at the Caltex service station on Eliot St,
New Plymouth.

Whanganui
Monthly ride. Last sunday of the month. 10am,
clubrooms Anzac Pde
at 10am. Monthly meetings, last Monday of the
month also at the clubrooms at 7pm.

Manawatu No Details

Canterbury
Monthly Meeting. Second Tuesday of the month,
7.30pm at First European Motorcycles, 127 Ferry
Road, Waltham, Christchurch.

Otago Southland
Monthly Ride. First Sunday of each month, 11am at
the Z service station, Andersons Bay Road, Dunedin.

27th TOMCC NZ National Rally, Te Anau, NZ

Triumph Owners Motor Cycle Club NZ Inc Annual General Meeting Minutes Saturday 20th February 2021 9.30am at Te Anau Holiday Park

Another year, another rally, and by all accounts, a very successful rally. As those of you who know, it's a lot of hard work and personal time dedicated to creating our only annual event, but still very satisfying when you finally see the bikes and riders turning up, tired and dusty after a long ride from what may be the other end of the country.

This year's rally held in what must be one of our country's scenic gems on the shores of lake Te Anau was blessed with hot sunny days and clear blue skies. This certainly contributed to the large group of riders who enjoyed the fabulous ride into Milford Sound.

Catering for breakfasts and evening meals was very capably taken care of by the Te Anau Kepler Lions club who provided excellent and generous meals for our rally entrants with only a very few going into the Te Anau township for meals.

Otago Southland Area member Bob Vercoe and the Maitua Licensing Trust gave us a very professionally run bar serving a wide selection of drinks at very reasonable prices.

Music was supplied courtesy of members' personal play lists through a commercial sound system. It would have been nice to have had a band but the cost of accommodating musicians from as far afield as Queenstown or Invercargill would have made the rally entry fee unacceptable to our members.

As for rally numbers, 157 had pre-registered, 122 of these (including partners) were club members, with 35 non members. The breakdown by Area was:

Northland 15
Auckland 10
Franklin 1
Waikato/Bay of Plenty 12
Taranaki 10
Whanganui 18
Manawatu 5
Canterbury 31
Otago/Southland 20

With 10 gate entries, and 4 unable to attend, our total number attending the rally was 163.

It was certainly good to see such a good attendance particularly from our Northland members who would have had to travel the furthest.

Finally, we would like to thank all those of our local Otago/Southland members who so generously volunteered to help make this rally such a success.

27th TOMCC NZ National Rally Finances

Total rally income: \$20,087.20

Total rally expenditure: \$15,276.97

Balance remaining deposited into Otago

Southern Area account: \$4,810.23, for the promotion of our club and the benefit of all members nationally.

President John Witherington chaired the meeting

Apologies: Roy Maddox, Steve Bevington, Jae Jonathan, Arthur Bond

Minutes of the last meeting: Read by John Witherington.

Moved by Wayne Woodward (195) and seconded by Pat Wheatley (320) and passed as a true and correct record by all in attendance.

Matters arising from previous minutes:

- Tim Fraser had volunteered to take up Website Administrator role for 2 years provided no-one else wanted to do the role
- John Witherington explained the how the 15-year Honorary Life and the 25-year Life memberships had come about and that the Life Membership was changed from 25 to 20 years somewhere in 2010?? Between the AGM and renewing the constitution rule book

Newsletter Report:

Ken Spall presented the newsletter report. 4 Triumph Times were produced last year, once again a very low amount of material submitted to Ken to publish. Ken is extremely disappointed to know of events after the fact, and that with a little notice these rides/events could have been put in a newsletter to advise all members so they may have attended. Please include Ken when you email out info to your members of up-and-coming events so he can promote for you.

Membership Report:

Melissa Shipp presented the membership report.

As at 31 December 2020 we had 369 members, with 42 new members joining in 2020. We had 30 members not renew their membership. John W explained some of the reasons behind the non-renewal.

Melissa has asked that any members who wish to have their renewal notice emailed to please advise her asap on tomccnatsec@gmail.com

Melissa explained that last year her workload did not allow her to email out subscriptions, this year she does hope to do so.

Regalia Report

John Milligan and Clive Barrow will be selling regalia in the bar after the meeting for those interested in purchasing

Treasurer's Report:

Melissa Shipp presented the treasurers report constructed by Sandy Snell

Melissa advised that the 'computer' held by her was destroyed a couple of years ago as was broken, this needs to be removed from the asset list. Melissa moved a motion "that the computer detailed as held by her be removed from the asset list". This was adopted and approved by all members present.

Wayne Woodward (195) questioned the cash in bank value on the report. Melissa explained how this is made up from. John Witherington explained how being part of an Incorporated Society means we need to include all cash and assets in the Balance Sheet.

John Witherington also explained pecuniary gain to all members.

Sonya McIntyre (483) asked how are we to record income for a specific event if it is 2 or 3 years in the future. John Witherington explained that if it is recorded as money to be used for all members to access for an event that would be acceptable.

Wayne Woodward (195) asked are area's going to be asked how to use funds. John Witherington explained that in the early years of the club there were only 4 areas of TOMCC NZ and those 4 areas discussed at the 2001 National AGM and decided that all area's can keep their own funds raised provided they are used for the purpose of promoting the club and not for pecuniary gain.

Ken Spall (157) said all members need to be advised of their area bank account balances and that if any funds are to be used at area level events they are to be notified.

John Milligan (32) objected to the Treasurers Report being adopted.

Melissa Shipp (403) moved the following bank signatories be amended: Remove John Milligan as signatory. Remove Sandy Snell as signatory. Add Clive Barrow as signatory. This was adopted and passed by all members present.

Presidents Report:

John Witherington presented his report, which included:

COVID-19 had played a major part in deciding the location for this year's rally, a number of venues they had looked at after 2020 rally had since closed.

80% of registered participants at this rally had upgraded their accommodation from the standard tent or shared accommodation, which proves that we are, as an aging membership, looking for more comfort when attending a rally.

Voting Results for National Executive

President: John Witherington

Vice President: Chris Martin

Membership Secretary: Melissa Shipp

Treasurer: Melissa Shipp (acting)

Regalia Officer: Clive Barrow

Newsletter Editor: Ken Spall

Website Administrator: Tim Fraser

Long Service Badges

It was decided at the AGM that the meeting would be on a limited timeframe, due to people going to Milford Sound for pre paid cruises, the long service badges would be handed out on Saturday night at prizegiving.

General Business

- Next year's rally is to be held by the Auckland area, Glenn Mills advised they had been looking at venues, and hoped to have some more detail in the March 2021 Triumph Times
- Pat Wheatley advised details of the rally ride

Meeting closed 10.30am

BEERS AND BIKES



Like most great ideas, this one was formulated in the man cave over a couple of brews.

Canterbury member and racer extraordinaire Pete Williams and I, were talking about his racing and future plans. Pete normally campaigns a '98 Speed Triple 900 and has done very well in his class. But now he was telling me about a relatively new class in Bears Racing – Hinckley Pro Twins, and how last year he ran his 900 Thruxton, and did well, but reckoned with a 1200 Thruxton he could win the class.

Well, I knew of just such a bike sitting around in my garage not doing much. We discussed requirements, and in January this year we stripped all the road gear from it and wired up the required bolts etc. Stripped the airbox, fitted a new set of racing brake pads, and courtesy of Tony Brown of Underground Brown fame who kindly donated a set of new Pirelli Diablo Rosso tyres to the cause, set out to win the title.

The Sound of Thunder on February 26th was the bike's debut. The weather didn't play ball so only a couple of practice sessions were able to be completed on the Friday, with Pete setting lap times around 1min 58 seconds. But we knew there was plenty left.

Saturday morning came and the weather was still a bit damp. Aided by his pit crew chief and partner, Vanessa Somerville, the bike was fettled a little more and Pete set out to get a starting grid position.

He managed to get in the middle of the grid. There are more than one class in these

races, so working out who Pete was actually racing took a bit of time and consultation with the programme. After a couple of races, we worked out who his main rivals where.

The lap times were dropping as Pete became more familiar with the bike. The tyres and pads were scrubbing in nicely as the weather warmed up. Saturday came to a close with a very satisfied Pete and team looking forward to some serious racing on Sunday.

Sunday dawned a little overcast but no rain. So once again we set up, got the tyre warmers sorted and I had a pep talk with Pete. Told him to 'ride like he stole it.' Well, he did, and for the rest of the day he came in first in his class, beating a lot of much more expensive and larger horsepower bikes from other classes.

His lap times were now down around 1min 50. A quick inspection of the foot pegs told me he was giving it his best with the hero tabs ground off and now working on the outer edges of the pegs themselves. The tyres were starting to show some serious wear, the chicken strips were completely gone with balls of rubber all around the edges, though Pete said he was happy with the tyres and they never let go at any time.

Racing is much more enjoyable to watch when you have some skin in the game and we came away with the class win and talked of maybe doing a few upgrades to the Thruxton and having another go next year.

Wayne Woodward,
TOMCC NZ, Canterbury

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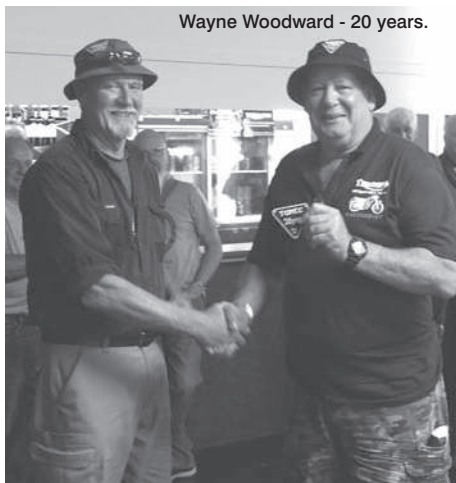
**Some of our TOMCC
NZ members who were
presented their long service
badges by club president
John Witherington.**



Melissa Shipp - 10 years.



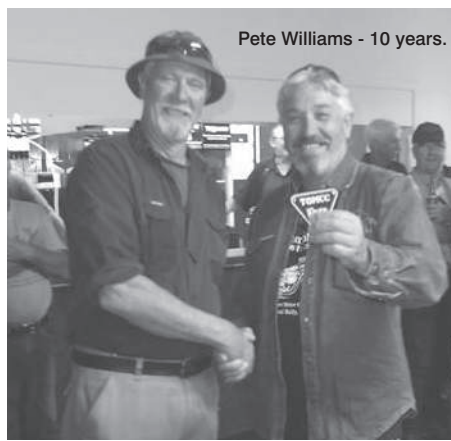
Paul Feveryear - 20 years.



Wayne Woodward - 20 years.



Steve Galea - 20 years.



Pete Williams - 10 years.



Roger Roebeck - 10 years.



Geoff Morgan - 10 years.



Ralph McNabb - 15 years.



Bob Vercoe - 15 years.

Long Service badges awarded at our 2021 AGM

10 Year Badges

Richard Reid	<i>Auckland</i>
Steve Andrewes	<i>Manawatu</i>
Jay Hart	<i>Whanganui</i>
Pete Williams	<i>Canterbury</i>
Roger Roebeck	<i>Auckland</i>
Geoffrey Morgan	<i>Waikato/Bay of Plenty</i>
Allison Winsloe	<i>Otago/Southland</i>
Melissa Shipp	<i>Manawatu</i>
Bill Reedy	<i>Canterbury</i>

15 Year Badges

Keith Cummings	<i>Otago/Southland</i>
Robert Vercoe	<i>Otago/Southland</i>
Tony Brown	<i>Canterbury</i>
Ken Forsyth	<i>Canterbury</i>
Danny Bass	<i>Canterbury</i>
Mike May	<i>Franklin</i>
Ralph McNabb	<i>Manawatu</i>
Grant McFarlane	<i>Waikato/Bay of Plenty</i>
Karen Bremner	<i>Franklin</i>
Tracy Smith	<i>Franklin</i>
Pat Wheatley	<i>Otago/Southland</i>
Jae Jonathan	<i>Auckland</i>

20 Year Badges

Graham Crichton	<i>Auckland</i>
Mike Gray	<i>Auckland</i>
Mischelle Casey	<i>Taranaki</i>
Paul Feaveryear	<i>Auckland</i>
Tim Macan	<i>Manawatu</i>
Tony MacLellan	<i>Canterbury</i>
John Wright	<i>Manawatu</i>
Wayne Woodward	<i>Canterbury</i>
Stephen Galea	<i>Auckland</i>

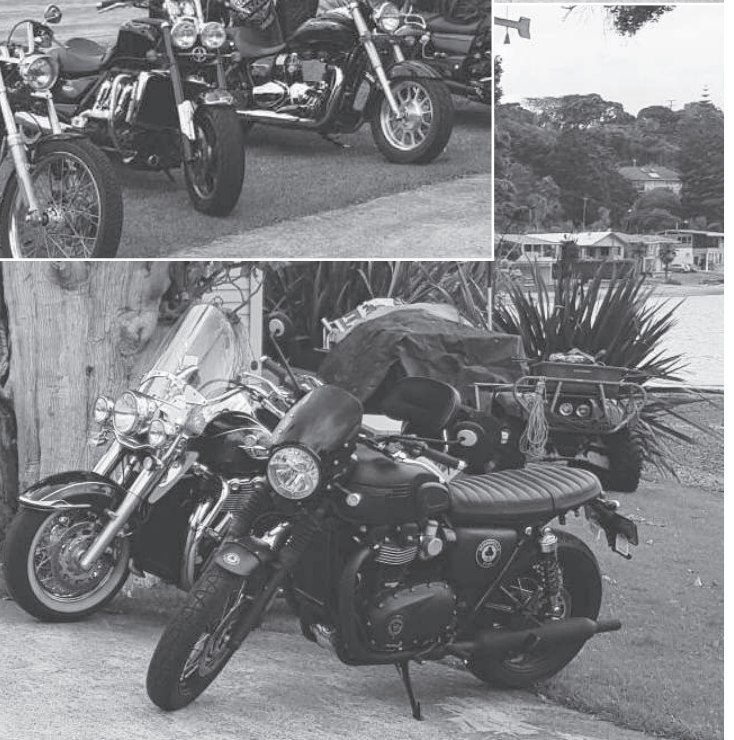
25 Year Badges

Sandy Snell	<i>Canterbury</i>
Pat Reedy	<i>Canterbury</i>

Bike Prizes at the rally

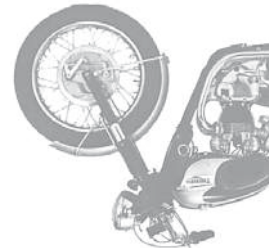
- Best Meriden Twin - Wayne Hughes*
- Best Meriden Triple - Gary Russell*
- Best Hinckley Twin - Tim Fraser*
- Best Hinckley Triple - Murray Milne*
- Furthest Travelled - Carolyn Flood*
- Hard Luck Prize - Owen Exler*
- Best Custom - Tony Johnstone*
- Best Guest Motorcycle - Moto Morini 3½*
- Best Pre-Unit - Peter Morgan*
- Best Single - Karandeep Singh*
- President's Choice - Clinton Collier*
- Triumph Times Choice - Liz Garmey*
- Bring out the Hot Ones - Melissa Shipp*

An excellent and enthusiastic March monthly meeting of our Northland TOMCC NZ Area





The Triumph Owners Motor Cycle Club New Zealand Inc.
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**2022 National Rally
18 – 20 February 2022**
**Clark's Beach Motor Camp
on the shores of the Manukau Harbour.**
***Further details and application form
in later issues of Triumph Times.***



Judith Nightingale, a member of our Waikato/Bay of Plenty Area, taking a short cut to the 27th TOMCC NZ National Rally via the Molesworth Station / Acheron Road.



TOMCC NZ wish to thank Sandy Snell, having stepped down from the role of national treasurer. From the very start Sandy has held a number of roles within TOMCC NZ. In recognition of her work for the club she was awarded Life Membership in 2015.

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**of the Triumph Owners
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<http://www.facebook.com/tomccnz>

**The Members and Committee
of TOMCC NZ Inc
welcome the following
new members to our club**

Richard Ford	<i>Taupo</i>
Ronald Johnston	<i>Christchurch</i>
Kelly Ross	<i>Hastings</i>
Mike Neville	<i>Tauranga</i>
Louis Barrell	<i>Auckland</i>
Andy Winning	<i>Hamilton</i>
Andrew Buchanan	<i>Wanganui</i>
Pete King	<i>Wanganui</i>

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