



# SPOKE

*Newsletter Of The Tasmanian Motorcycle Club, December, 2021*



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT



**MERRY** Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all (assuming our esteemed editor gets this festive issue of Spoke finished in time for Christmas.

Motorcycle action is not far off with first SRCT and then TMCC set to hold ride days early in January, at Baskerville on Sunday January 9 and at Symmons Plains on Sunday January 16, respectively.

Don't forget to ensure your TMCC membership is up to date if you intend to ride at Baskerville.

**Cary McMahon**  
**Hon. President**



## Motorworks / Michelin 2 Hour, Baskerville

by Ken Young (and some words off Facebook)  
(pics lifted from various Facebook posts)

**THE** 2 hour race, or more correctly the 1 hour 35 minute race, suffered badly this year with firstly no mainland riders able to attend meaning some locals didn't enter due to not being able to contract a comparable rider for the team.



**Start of the 2-Hour**

**NOW** new "besties" Matthew Long and Marcus Delaney on a R6 600 nearly took out the outright 1<sup>st</sup> place until Mathew had a small off that dropped them to 3<sup>rd</sup> outright on 95 laps. The race was won by Damian Faulds and Brett Simmonds on a ZX10 1000 on 96 laps with Jeremy Huddleston and Josh van der Putten on a R1 1000 1 min 2 seconds behind. The margin could have been bigger except for Damian spotted out in the grass on the back straight making his way back to the track.



**MATTHEW** and Marcus did manage to win the 600 section as a compromise from Johno Hughes and Brian Smith on the Daytona and Peter Belchambers and Ian De Boar on a GSX.

**THE** feature race was shortened after 2 red flag incidents. Before that in Super Poll Mitch Hawksley, riding Chris Prices' *GSX*, had a monster crash at the top of the hill. He face planted the ground (possibly) smashing his visor, cutting his face and then sliding face first into the sand trap. Speaking to him at the final ride day at Symmons he has no recollection of the crash as he was still suffering from a what he said was a level 4 (worst) concussion.



**THE** highs from the meeting included the 20 lap Lites class won by Mainlander Liam Waters on a NSF250 (MS class) from Taran Ocean on an RS 125 (GP class) and Jesse Woods on a Ninja 400 (Production class).



**THE** eye-opening performance was from Brodie Curtis on his new Ninja 400 finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> just 5 seconds behind Jesse but finishing 4 seconds in front of Chad Wyllie. A very Happy Brodie confirmed at the ride day that he is going to have to build an extension to his trophy/medallion shelf in his bedroom.



**ANOTHER** happy rider picking up trophies was Karen Webb, who won the "Golden Oldies Handicap" Cup, as mentioned in the above ramble on crashing. Karen won the race by 5 seconds from Don Fenton with Martin Long a further 1 ½ seconds behind. Can't understand why Peter Bellchambers didn't enter as you would think he qualified..... He is old and he can be a handicap? (Sorry Bellie couldn't resist) So handicap racing? Riders? Thoughts please, it can be fun.





**Motorworks - Michelin 2 Hour Endurance Race  
2 Hr Tas Superbike**

Event R33      120 Mins

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PROVISIONAL RESULT  
Track Dry, 23.4c, 34%RH, 1006hPa, 1kmh W

Pos	Bike	Sponsor	Rider	BikeType	Cap	Cl.	Laps	Race.Time	Fastest...Lap
1	666		Brett Simmonds/ Danien Faulds	2011 Kawasaki ZX10	1000	SRC	96	01:33:30.4979	90 0:56.6104*
2	93	"Horizon Motorcycles , Tatnel P	Jeremy Huddleston/ Joah van der Putten	2015 Yamaha YZF-R1	1000	SRC	96	01:34:32.0141	26 0:56.7835
3	23	Reds - Michelin - Reardon's Mail	Matthew Long (SRC)	2014 Yamaha YZF-R6	600	SRC	95	01:33:35.4827	65 0:57.1015
4	420	"Samson Simpson, Big Worm"	Nade Schrader (SRC)	2007 Yamaha YZF-R1	1000	SRC	87	01:33:55.3448	26 0:57.5903
5	76	Launceston Roof and Gutter	Don Fenton/ Matthew Coward/ Eanish Sellers	2004 Honda CBR1000RR	1000	SRC	85	01:33:37.0702	76 0:58.4125
DNF	18		Jooho Lee (SRC)	2017 Honda CBR1000RR	1000	SRC	20	28:57.9849	20 0:57.4293

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## Words from Facebook:

Mitch Hawksley

What a weekend of the 2021 Michelin Motorworks Baskerville 2-hour Endurance Race...

First time racing a Superbike...

First time racing a Suzuki...

First time Qualifying for the Superpole Qualifying...

First time I've crashed in Superpole Qualifying...

First time I've crashed a Superbike...

First time I've been knocked out cold from a motorcycle crash...

First time spending the night in hospital...

First time I've suffered from memory loss...

But a lot of lessons learnt for my racing in the future

A massive thanks and apology to Chris Price and Hamish Sellers for teaming Hamish and myself up on his Suzuki GSXR1000... no one likes damaging their mates bikes. What I did during my Superpole qualifying lap was risky and probably a bit selfish as I think we could've been up there in the 2-hour race... I can admit that this was purely my doing as I chose to push the front end further than I knew it could handle... probably one of the bigger lessons I learnt from the weekend...

Massive list of thank you's...

Firstly Chris Price, I can't thank you enough for everything you did for chip and I for this event... you're a legend

Bob Sellers, Harry Sellers, Jason Spencer David Bartels, Bradley Van Zetten & Nathan Tole for your involvement with helping chip and I over the weekend, packing all my gear up and getting everything sorted to get everything back to Launceston yesterday.

The Ambo's, club members and volunteers for attending to me and handling me with care after my accident.

Colleen Hawksley, Tenille Bradford, Amanda Hawksley and Richard Hawksley for being there for me and picking me up from hospital...

Bianca Curtis for driving my van and all my gear back up to Launceston...

If there's anyone I've forgotten, I apologise... I don't remember everything that happened

Already can't wait to get back on a Superbike after I spend another fortune on riding gear... again

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2 Hr Tas SuperSport**

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1	23	Reds - Michelin - Reardons	Mai Matthew Long/ Marcus Delaney	2014 Yamaha YZF-R6	600	SRC	95	01:33:35.4827	65 0:57.1015*
2	44	Motorworks- Bridgestone	Bryan Smith/ Jonathan Hughes	2012 Triumph Daytona	675	SRC	95	01:33:56.5866	19 0:57.6533
3	88	Bellichambers Joinery and Centu	Peter Bellichambers/ Ian de Boer	2011 Suzuki GSX-R600	600	SRC	93	01:34:36.1241	32 0:57.6824
DNF	304	Half Spud Racing	Sam Delaney (SRC)	2007 Suzuki GSX-R600	600	SRC	87	01:27:55.4959	15 0:58.8049

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**Lites GP/Lites production 20 lap feature race**

Event R32 20 Laps

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Elapsed Time 19:33

Track Dry, 19.5c, 37%RH, 1008hPa, 0kmh W

Pos	Bike	Sponsor	Rider	BikeType	Cap	CL	Laps	Race.Time	Fastest...Lap
1	18	Buddlestone Fishing	Liam Waters	2016 Honda NSF250R	250	MS	20	19:33.6403	2 0:57.9220*
2	69	b-spoke design Horizon motorcy	Taran Ocean (SRC)	1996 Honda RS125	125	LGP	20	20:24.6917	20 1:00.1056
3	56		Jessae Woods (SRC)	Ninja 400	400	LPR	19	19:38.0499	5 0:59.9437
4	39		Rhys Tan (SRC)	2012 Honda NSF250R	250	LGP	19	19:38.9220	15 1:00.5982
5	44	Horizon Motorcycles - Bspoke D	Aaron Wade (SRC)	1997 Honda RS125	125	LGP	19	19:40.1655	15 1:00.3868
6	57		Brodie Curtis (SRC)	2013 Kawasaki EX300	300	LPR	19	19:42.9217	16 1:00.5820
7	40	Horizon Motorcycles ,Tatnel P	Nathaniel Greene (SRC)	2014 Honda NSF250R	250	LGP	19	19:44.4797	4 1:00.6557
8	26	ATA Adhesives/AFI Logistics/De	Chad Wyllie (SRC)	2020 Kawasaki Ninja	400	LPR	19	19:46.9512	19 1:01.1295
9	11	Motorworks	Larry Eaton (SRC)	2021 KTM 350 XC-F	690	LPR	19	19:47.2243	19 1:01.2218
10	61	Rubigold Racing	Dane Griggs (SRC)	2015 KTM RC390	390	LPR	19	20:01.4067	6 1:02.2913
11	2	Naked Bike Cafe	Garth Newton (SRC)	2001 Honda RS125	125	LGP	19	20:11.1355	8 1:02.4268
12	151	Beachside Pilates	Harek von Bertouch (SRC)	2001 Yamaha T2125	125	LGP	19	20:22.2069	19 1:03.4204
13	740		Oliver Skinner (SRC)	2020 KTM RC390	390	LPR	19	20:32.2641	13 1:03.7076
14	81	Horizon motorcycles ckb soluti	Daniel Briggs (SRC)	2016 Yamaha R3	300	LGP	17	19:44.2687	8 1:08.0269

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**Golden Oldies Cup Feature Race**

Event R30 8 Laps

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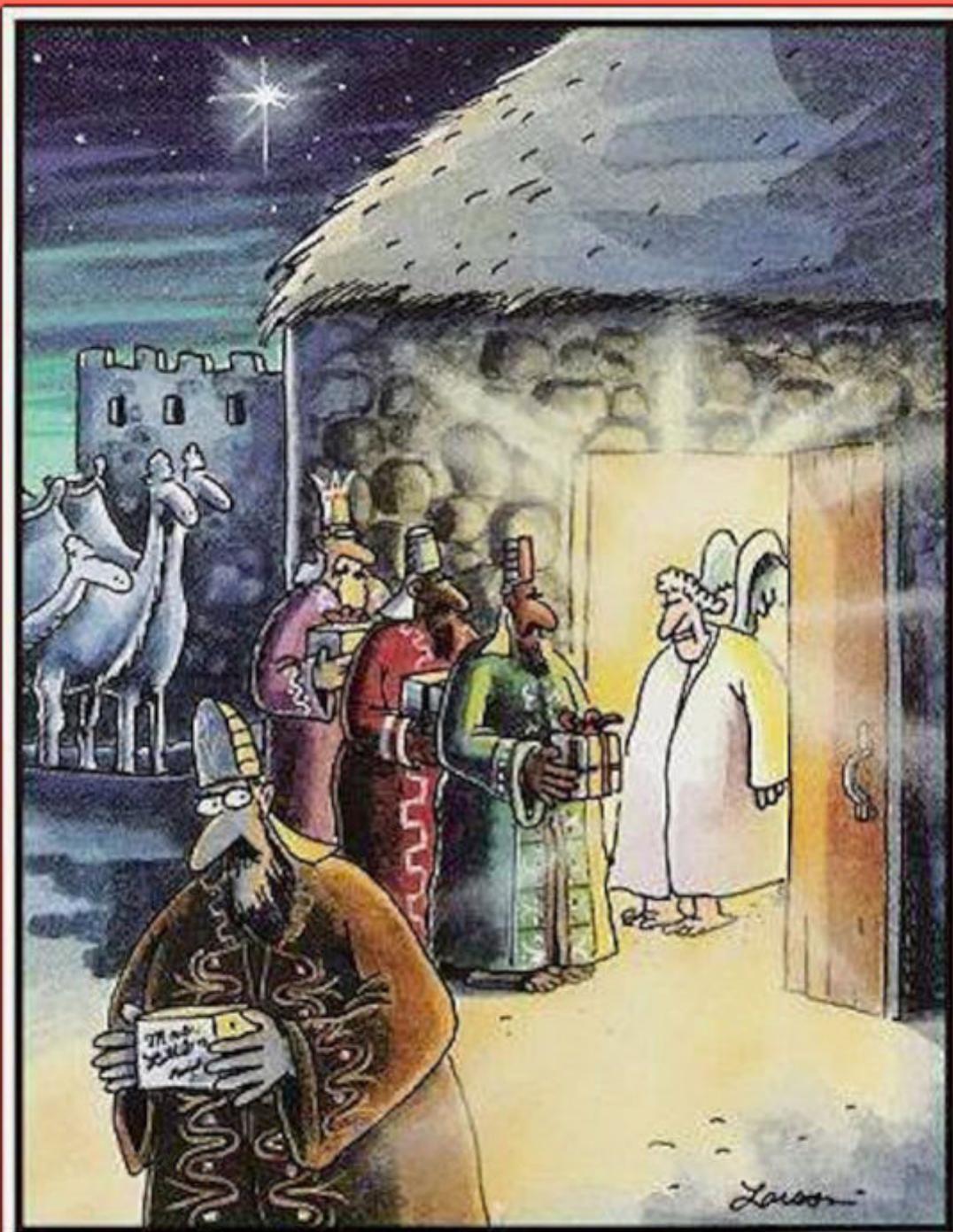
Track Dry, 20.5c, 35%RH, 1009hPa, 7kmhNW

Pos	Bike	Sponsor	Rider	BikeType	Cap	CL	Laps	Race.Time	Fastest...Lap
1	22	SRCT	Karen Webb (SRC)	1989 Suzuki GSX-R750	749	GEO	8	8:37.6333	8 1:03.0703
2	76	Launceston Roof and Gutter	Don Fenton	2004 Honda CBR1000RR	1000	PMO	8	8:42.6486	6 0:59.8736*
3	6	"Michelin, Reds Motorcycles"	Martin Long (SRC)	1999 Yamaha YZF-R6	600	PMS	8	8:43.9871	7 1:00.1592
4	73	Cranes Combined	Stuart Bugg (SRC)	1996 Kawasaki ZX7R	750	GEO	8	8:48.9432	7 1:00.1370
5	27		Darren Grice (SRC)	2019 Kramer EVO2RR	690	F3	8	8:57.8303	2 1:03.1797
DNF	81	Horizon motorcycles ckb soluti	Daniel Briggs (SRC)	2016 Yamaha R3	300	SRC			

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**Unbeknownst to most theologians, there was a fourth wiseman, who was turned away for bringing fruitcake**

As you all know, 'tis Christmas, the time of good cheer (and the time when Ken Young puts something special together each year to celebrate).

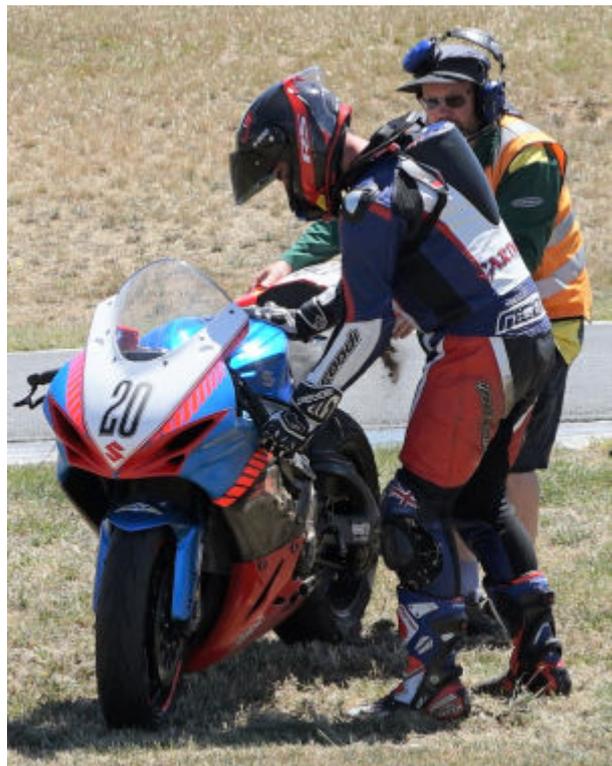
Ken has taken a lot of photos throughout 2021, some of which, riders would possibly rather never saw the light of day.

So just in case you missed them first time around, here they are again. (Ed.)



Marcus Delaney did manage to hide his crash until I found him in the Pits





A few weeks before Rob Carnacelli decided to stop and pretend to be a high handlebar MX bike racer while his steed had a lie down in the grass before Mathew Phipps came along to help.



## THE YEAR THAT WAS:

That's another year run and won with Club and State titles decided. Like I said at the Club presentation, well done the winners but remember not everyone went home with a trophy unlike some sports where you all win "participation ribbons". You have to be extremely talented to win motor cycle race trophies and some of you are just very talented.

To those who didn't win a trophy, the start of a new season is a chance to see if you can improve just that little more to win, or as some are doing, purchase a different or better mouse trap to attack from a new angle.

For those of you who may not win next year remember if it wasn't for you there wouldn't be a chance for the winners to show how good they were, and you wouldn't get a chance to just improve your skills and maybe your lap times.

As a thought a good example of that would be Karen Webb who rides a bike that often has her finish with a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> placing but often her class is in with faster class bikers, and she can be swamped in an actual race. At the Baskerville two hour her race was given a handicap event and she was actually first across the line, to win the trophy. Back in the day when I was riding a RD 350 Yamaha production bike usually in open races there was never a chance to win outright but sometimes I scored minor placings in the 350 class. The only race I crossed the line first was a Baskerville Handicap race and I still remember that win, 100 years later. Many of you riders have not shown any enthusiasm for handicap racing. Over the last few years, I have worked out the times for a few handicap races but mainly due to lack of time or enthusiasm they haven't happened.

Remember if the handicapper gets it close you still have to ride your best race to win it. Maybe riders need to rethink a lack of interest in this type of racing because, for the spectators too, it can be exciting.

As I mentioned early in the year in a story about taking photos, the hardest to get is the crash photo and the one most riders are not keen to star in. Car crashes are easy compared to bike crash photos. With a car it started with squealing tyres before the crash (or often spin) starts, giving time to get the camera lined up. With a bike crash the first indication is that the rider is sliding on the ground and by the time you have focused the camera the rider is sitting in the grass working out if he is hurt and then rushing over to pick up the pride and joy and see if he can continue. I am surprised at how many I managed to capture this year.

With that in mind I, like our esteemed editor in the November SPOKE, congratulate Carla Munday with her collection of shots of the James Ryan "off" at the final round of the Club Championship. Also making it difficult is so many "inconsiderate" riders either don't signal they intend having a lie down or don't do it at the corner you are standing on.

The classic saying that "If you don't fall of occasionally, you are not trying hard enough" leads me to present my collection of OOOOP's I managed to capture this year. Some of you tried had to hide and not fall of in front of me like Johnno Hughes who dropped it on the opening lap of practice for the 1<sup>st</sup> Baskerville round at the bottom of the hill and then in the chute on the same lap before I could even leave the pits to find a good spot to capture racing.

**KEN YOUNG**



Heath Fielding decided to demonstrate his technique for another rider who stopped at the Bus Stop.





I decided to try a new spot outside the end of the back straight and at this 4<sup>th</sup> round of the TRRC Brett Simmonds decked the number one bike and demonstrated his lack of experience at crashing. He tried to stand well before his sliding speed reached walking speed and fell off the legs again. As usual the first shot in a motor drive sequence is slightly blurred as the camera catches up to the scene required. Jason Spencer and Mathew Coward had the front row seats.



For this effort, the crash has happened as I was standing outside turn one and heard the sound of metal sliding down the road and turned to capture the end of Trevor Renton's effort in the Bus Stop with Neil McEldowney riding past.



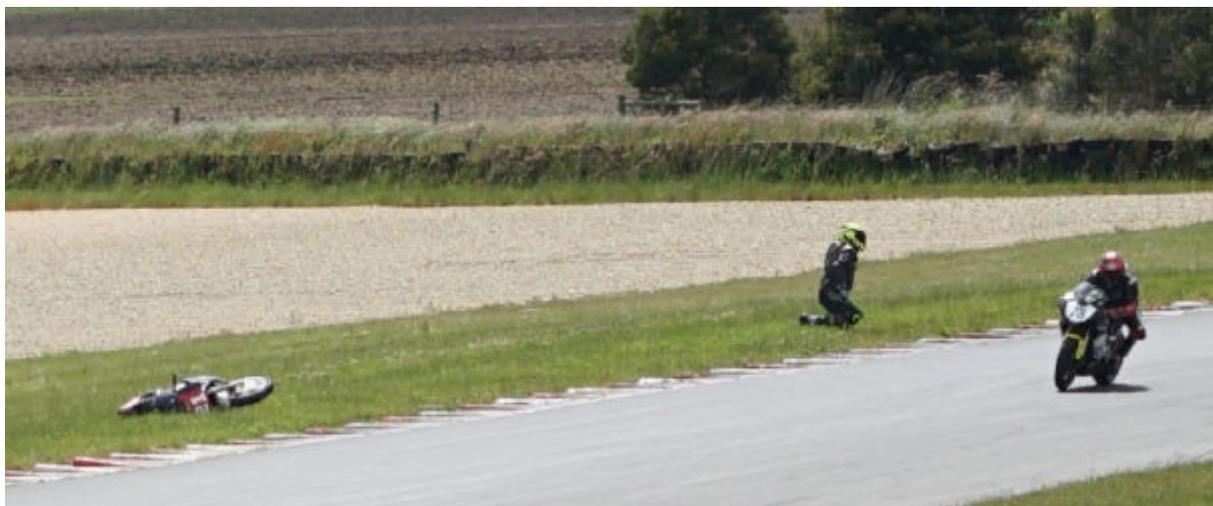


At round 3 of the TRRC at Baskerville Peter Bellchambers decided to try out the sand pit at the bottom of the hill with a slick shod GSX but chickened out and went back to road racing.





Now my effort with the James Ryan slide with as usual the first shot too soon for the focus to match the motor drive. Stuart Bugg then took over the lead.





At a ride day unfortunately for Tom Burnie followed by Don Fenton I had decided that the two bikes together would make a good shot exiting the back straight. It shows how quick a crash happens as I had just half clicked the trigger to focus then just full clicked for the shot, and he was already on the deck. It also shows how long the crash went for as this is only about  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the frames I started with, and 25 in a row I kept.





Don Fenton liked the effort so much that he decided to have a go at it at the next meeting. I was watching Don from outside turn 1 and thought that as he came over the hump with his back wheel in the air and trying to pass the front, he may be in a certain amount of trouble so I tried to focus on him. By that time he was well into the rock pit with this the end result.





As far as I remember all riders rode on except James Ryan who was too lazy to try to pick up the very heavy Ship and went to have a rest against the tyre wall for the remainder of the race. Thank you riders, and remember you weren't the only ones to fall off, just the ones who got caught with a camera in sight.

### Ken Young



# DON'T FORGET



## Tasmanian Motorcycle Club

### RIDE DAY PRICES – 2022

LICENCE TYPE	LEARNER	FULL
RIDE FOR THE DAY	\$ 60	\$ 100
1 DAY MA RECREATIONAL LICENCE (Required if you do not have a current MA Race Licence or Annual Recreational Licence)	\$ 40	\$ 40
ANNUAL SINGLE CLUB MEMBERSHIP (Valid for 12 Months from Date of Purchase)	\$ 60	\$ 60
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# FOR YOUR DIARIES ...

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6. TMCC committee meeting at Gunners Arms, Lawrence St, Launceston, from 7pm. All welcome.

## 2022 Tasmania Motorcycle Ride and Race dates

Always refer to the official club sites for up-to-date information.

- Baskerville Raceway (South): SRCT
- Symmons Plains (North): TMCC

Month	Date	Track	Type	Day
January	9	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Sunday
January	16	Symmons (North)	Ride	Sunday
February	5	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Saturday
February	6	Baskerville (South)	RACE	Sunday
February	20	Symmons (North)	Ride	Sunday
March	5	Symmons (North)	Ride	Saturday
March	6	Symmons (North)	RACE	Sunday
March	27	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Sunday
April	3	Symmons (North)	Ride	Sunday
April	9	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Saturday
April	10	Baskerville (South)	RACE	Sunday
May	15	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Sunday
May	21	Symmons (North)	Ride	Saturday
May	22	Symmons (North)	RACE	Sunday
June	4	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Saturday
June	5	Baskerville (South)	RACE	Sunday
September	10	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Saturday
September	11	Baskerville (South)	RACE	Sunday
October	8	Symmons (North)	Ride	Saturday
October	9	Symmons (North)	RACE	Sunday
October	29	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Saturday
November	13	Symmons (North)	Ride	Sunday
November	20	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Sunday
<b>DECEMBER</b>	2, 3, 4	2 Hour – Baskerville	RACE	
December	11	Symmons (North)	Ride	Sunday
December	18	Baskerville (South)	Ride	Sunday

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