

# The 5th Aussie Triples Rally, Ballina NSW

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th August 2014

Supported by :

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**Ballina Lakeside Holiday Park**  
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## Report by Col & Nancy:

This Rally is for British Triples, Tridents, BSA Rocket 3's and specials using the three cylinder 750 motor built from 1968 - 1975.

44 entrants arrived at Ballina for 3 days of riding. We had entrants from Perth, Adelaide, Geelong, ACT, Central QLD and many places in between.

The "Man of the Match" goes to Steve Collins who rode a T160 from Albany WA, 9970kms return!

It was nice to see a BSA Rocket 3 that has done over 300,000 miles and has had three rebuilds. They just keep going!

Also in attendance was a Legend, one of 62 built in 1976 and a very rare bike in this part of the world.

The Ballina area had 118mm of rain on Saturday, our main ride day, but that didn't deter the keen riders. As we travelled away from the coast the rain eased a little, however the lunch stop at Evans Head meant riding into a large black rain cloud again. The bikes were lined up for judging here, and the fact that all had just covered 200kms on wet muddy roads mean't that the show bikes and the well used bikes were all on an equal footing.

Once again excellent marshalling was provided by waterlogged members of the Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club.

The presentation dinner at Ballina Lakeside Holiday Park was a great night with the unique trophies, supplied by Jeff at Re-engineered Concentrics being awarded. Following this was our Charity Auction with our exclusive Auctioneer Scotty from Singleton selling off merchandise donated by the Trident & Rocket 3 Owners Club based in England.

Apart from the rain a good weekend was had and encouragement for Aussie Triples Rally No 6 was overwhelming.

The 3 ACT based TRMA representatives went home with 3 trophies. It was great to see & hear Atillio's Rob North on the road with us.

Thank you to all participants,

Col & Nancy

## **Aussie Triples Rally No.5 Trophy winners:**

**Best Triumph of the Rally:-** Eddie P, Perth. 1976 Legend  
**Best BSA of the Rally:-** John S, Gold Coast. 1968 Rocket 3  
**Best Drum Brake Trident:-** Steve C., Adelaide. 1969 T150  
**Best Disc Brake Trident:-** Rick M, Barden Ridge. 1974 T150V  
**Best T160:-** Andrew B, Southport. 1975 T160  
**Best Rocket 3:-** John M, Dorrigo. 1971 R3  
**Best Special:-** Atillio S, ACT. 1975 T160 Rob North  
**Best Other Bike:-** Syd H. Beenleigh. T120  
**Staunch Rally Supporter:-** Alan J. Taroom.  
**Longest Distance Ridden to Rally:-** Steve Collins Albany 9970kms return.  
**Youngest Rider:-** Michelle J. Taroom.  
**Hard Luck Award:-** Trevor F. ACT. Broken chain.  
**Most Unloved Bike:-** Brian E. ACT.

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### **Link to Holty's Pics**

[http://s260.photobucket.com/user/holty1352/library/Aussie%20Triples%20Rally%20Photos%202014?sort=2&page=1#/user/holty1352/library/Aussie%20Triples%20Rally%20Photos%202014?sort=6&page=1&\\_suid=140851736122207355554335940817](http://s260.photobucket.com/user/holty1352/library/Aussie%20Triples%20Rally%20Photos%202014?sort=2&page=1#/user/holty1352/library/Aussie%20Triples%20Rally%20Photos%202014?sort=6&page=1&_suid=140851736122207355554335940817)

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### **Link to video of bikes at Evans Head lunch stop.**

**Thanks to Terry D. for the video**

<https://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=10203218171067504>

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## **The 4th National Aussie Triples Rally**

**was held at Ballina  
on the 16 - 19 August 2013**

55 entrants attended the fourth year of this event for early pommie Triples.

Most variants of the 3 cylinder 750cc engine bikes were represented, including Triumph T150's, T160's, and Legends, BSA Rocket 3's, Hurricanes, a Rob North Rocket 3 and specials.

We had bikes from Adelaide, Melbourne, Canberra, Sydney, Broken Hill, Brisbane, Rockhampton and several places between.

Rides were conducted with the assistance of the Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club who provided excellent marshalling.

At the lunch stop on Saturday the bikes were judged in their separate categories. This year the judging was made very difficult due to the quality of the bikes present.

The weather gods were good to us with one short shower after we all arrived back from the Saturday ride. The whole weekend was incident and breakdown free, which is a credit to the owners meticulous preparation. (we may need an extra back-up trailer for the marshals bikes)

We enjoyed the support of the TMRA, Re-engineered Concentrics and the Trident & Rocket 3 Owners Club who supplied their club Tee shirts for the FUN Auction at the presentation night.

Planning is already underway for the 2014 event and entrants expressed their desire to return.

Col McAndrew

### **Aussie Triples Rally Awards 2013**

Best Triumph :- Legend, Paul Edwards, Broken Hill. NSW

Best BSA :- Gerald Rowley, Naracan. VIC

Best Rocket 3 :- John MacRae, Dorrigo. NSW

Best Drum Brake Trident :- Ken Phelps, Naracan. VIC

Best Disc Brake Trident (draw) :- Bernie Clark, Canberra. ACT & David Wright, Cooroy.QLD

Best T160 :- Ian Wright, Glasshouse Mtns. QLD

Best Hurricane :- Tony Hicks, Buderum. QLD

Best Special :- Darrell Elliott, North Lambton, NSW

Best Other :- T120R, Dennis Ainsworth. Sydney. NSW

Longest Distance Ridden to the Rally:- Glen Thompson, Rockhampton. QLD

Longest Distance Travelled to the Rally :- Steve Cramp, Adelaide. SA

**Photos by "Holty"**  
can be seen [HERE](#)

**Photos by Richard**  
can be seen [HERE](#)

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# Aussie Triples Rally 2012

## **Aussie Triples Rally No.3 17-20th August 2012**

Glorious weather in Ballina greeted the 41 entrants for this years Annual Rally, with riders coming from various parts of Australia.

A good representation of all British 3 cylinder 750cc models built between 1968 1975 shared this weekend. These included Tridents, BSA Rocket 3s, Hurricanes & Specials.

We had four days of problem free riding along some of the best roads in the country. All entrants stayed at Ballina Lakeside Holiday Park where we started and finished each days rides & the on-site function centre is also where we conducted the Saturday night presentation dinner. (I've never seen so many experts in the one place!!)

Once again unique trophies were provided by Jeff from Re-Engineered Concentrics in Maitland with support from the Triumph Motorcycle Register of Australia. Marshalling was well managed by the local Northern Rivers Classic Motorcycle Club members.

Following the tragic loss of a regular rally supporter we conducted a successful fundraising raffle and auction to support the beyond blue organisation.

The Rally encourages family attendance and creates a perfect atmosphere for like minded triple fanatics to gather. Next years event is already being planned and all entrants this year vowed to support the Rally which will be in its 4th year.

If you wish to be kept up to date as planning proceeds please email :- [aussietriples@yahoo.com.au](mailto:aussietriples@yahoo.com.au)

### **TROPHY WINNERS**

Best BSA :- John MacRae Dorrigo. NSW

Best Triumph :- Andrew Berg Southport. QLD

Best Drum Brake Trident :- Danny Ryan Cardiff NSW

Best Disc Brake Trident :- Rick Moss Barden Ridge NSW

Best T160 Trident :- Chris Swan Singleton NSW

Best Rocket 3 :- Gerard Rowley Narracan VIC.

Best Hurricane :- Don Nichols Whiteside QLD

Best Special :- Daryl Elliott Sth. Lambton NSW

Best Other :- Phil Raynor (Hesketh) Brisbane QLD

Longest Distance Ridden to Rally :- Gerard Rowley (1800 kms) Narracan VIC

Longest Distance Ridden by Lady Pillion :- Helene Berg Southport QLD

Oldest Bike/Rider Combined :- John Simpson Broadbeach Waters QLD

Staunch Rally Supporter :- Lorraine Litster Kambah ACT

Baldest Tyre Award :- Alan Ruck Newport QLD

Most Unloved Bike :- Bill Wolvey. Collombatti NSW

Hard Luck Award :- Tony Hicks, Buderim QLD

Some PHOTOS from the Rally can be seen [HERE](#)

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## **Aussie Triples Rally 2011**

**The 2nd Annual Aussie Triples Rally was held at Ballina, Northern NSW, on the 19th - 22nd August 2011.**

The rally is for early Pommy three cylinder engined motorcycles.

42 bikes arrived, including Triumph Tridents, BSA Rocket 3's, Hurricanes, and some spectacular specials, with a Legend, Rickman a Triton & a Son of Sam T160.

The riders came from great distances, some from as far as Darwin, to attend the event which covered many miles exploring the great rider's roads that this area has to offer.

The main day had a ride out to Nimbin for a break and look around and then on to Bangalow for lunch and the bike judging. Our guest judges this year were Jack Ahearn and John Warrion.

The high standard of these bikes is amazing and that made the judging difficult.

Most of our rides were conducted on wet roads, however we managed to avoid most of the rain showers, except for the Monday ride to the Drake Hotel and back.

All riders acknowledged the assistance provided by the Northern Rivers Classic M/Cycle Club who marshalled the event, the TMRA and Jeff Skillen from Re-Engineered Concentrics for supplying the unique Trophies.

Several riders stayed in the area until the following weekend to attend the South Grafton Ex Servicemans Club Motorcycle Club Rally.

### **Rally Award Winners:**

Best Triumph Tony Merz T150V ACT

Best BSA Lee Greck Grey Frame A75 Glenugie

Best Drum Brake Triumph Chris Parlett T150 Goulburn

Best Disc Brake Triumph Fred Inwood T150V Brisbane

Best T160 Dennis Marriott T160 Coffs Harbour

Best Rocket 3 John Simpson A75 Broadbeach

Best Hurricane Tony Hicks X75 Buderum

Best Special Daryl Elliott Triton North Lambton

Best Other Paul Edwards Legend Broken Hill

Longest Distance Riden to Rally Peter Walker T150V Bundeburg

Longest Distance Travelled to Rally Peter Roe Hurricane Darwin

Most Unloved Bike Attilio Sciannimanica T150V ACT

Baldest Tyre John Macrae Rocket 3 Dorrigo

Oldest Bike/Rider Danny Ryan T150 Lake Macquarie

Youngest Bike/Rider Jared Black A65 Burpengary

Hard Luck Award David Dunsmuir T160 Bald Hills

Some PHOTOS can be seen [HERE](#)



# 1<sup>st</sup> Aussie Triples Rally 2010

## Ballina, NSW

### **A Rally for early Pommy Triples was held at beautiful Ballina on the NSW North Coast from 19-22nd September 2010**

The Rally entry was limited to British 3 cylinder motorcycles, made from 1968-1976. Riders came from as far as Kalgoorlie, Adelaide, Agnes Waters and many locations in between with most states represented.

The 42 bikes presented consisted of Trident T150's, T160's, BSA Rocket 3's, 4 X75 Hurricanes and 2 Rickmans.

The event was based, and all participants stayed, at Ballina Lakeside Holiday Park where we held our social functions and the Presentation Dinner.

Rides were organised along some of this areas renowned motorcycling roads with great marshalling by the Northern Rivers Classic M/Cycle Club.

Unique trophies were supplied by Jeff Skillen, (Re-Engineered Concentrics).

Jeff was joined by local club patron Jack Ahearn and Brian Eldred to judge the bikes at our Saturday Lunch stop at Clunes. The judges commented on the high standard of the bikes which made their job very difficult.

At the Presentation Dinner there was overwhelming support for the Aussie Triples Rally to become an annual event.

This inaugural event has created a lot of interest and we expect even more entries for 2011.

### **Aussie Triples Rally Award Winners:**

Best Triumph **Tony Merz** Canberra T150V  
Best BSA **Errol Franks** Adelaide Rocket 3  
Best Drum Brake Trident **Chris Parlett** Goulburn  
Best Disc Brake Trident **Col McAndrew** Ballina  
Best T160 **David Dunsmuir** Brisbane  
Best Hurricane **Ron Dark** Kiama  
Best Rocket 3 **Mark Jennison** Dunoon  
Best Special **Gary Woodcock** Brisbane  
Driest Chain **Warren Black** Brisbane  
Baldest Tyre **Fred Inwood** Brisbane  
Oldest Bike/Rider Combo **Errol Franks** Adelaide  
Youngest Bike/Rider Combo **Joe Wolvey** Collombatti  
Hard Luck Award **John Macrae** Dorrigo  
Longest distance Ridden to Rally (1100 miles) **John Robinson** Agnes Waters

Some photos from the 2010 Rally can be seen [HERE](#)