



# ***AMCC Riders' Briefs***

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT – JANUARY 2024



Hi Everyone,

We don't usually do a magazine in January – but there's a lot on, and I'm a bit behind – so here goes ...

You'll find Round Three of the Club Series coverage inside – and a few more bits'n'pieces.

Hopefully everyone is getting some “down” time over the Xmas/New Year period.

I'm going to get to the Round Four coverage – so that will be in the February issue. I haven't even looked at – or started sorting – the Round Four images – so I better get going on that.

And take the opportunity to catch up on some other AMCC tasks is also on the to-do list.

But for now - I'll get out of your way, so you can get back to your holiday activities.

Enjoy the read .....

As always - please don't be shy to offer the Club your feedback, ideas, suggestions, and help.

We welcome all the views and support that you bring to what is YOUR Club.

Stay safe out there, on the streets and circuits.

**Philip Kavermann | AMCC President**





# Carl Cox Motorsport Cup:



## ROUND 3 – CLUB CIRCUIT, NOVEMBER 5, 2023

What a great days racing! Always fun at the Club Circuit, low cost and lots of quick fire races. After the fog burned off the day was warm and sunny with track temps in the mid 40's. We had 24 Hyosung's and 20 Ninja 400's entered with the option to cross enter into Prolites for the Hyosungs and Open Ninja for the 400's.

Hyosung qualy was tight with the exception of Oli who has owned this class this season so far and put his Elan Insurance Brokers GT250R on pole by 0.927 over Benny Cook. Great to see new Cup racer James Murdie in P3, a returning Scotty Findlay in P4, new Cup racer Mike McKain P5 and newcomer and last round podium rider Elijah Daken P6.

The Ninja grid was led by Tyler King riding the Passmasters NZ SS300 spec Ninja 400. Tyler went under Chris Smiths lap record to grab pole over Billee, then Sean White and Michael Robinson. Tim Gray from New Plymouth took P5 and Andrew Bolero just 0.2 behind in P6.

Hyosung Race 1 was red flagged when Shaun Parker went down fortunately without injury. The restart had Oli leading Benny away and this pair put some distance back to James Murdie who was battling with Elijah, Esmond and Scott. Chris Nobbs, rode Ben Mayos bike to a fine 10<sup>th</sup> place whilst Mike McKain and Rico Belcourt DNF'd without injury.

The first Ninja Cup race was eventful with Billee and Tyler going at it hammer and tongs. Some amazing passing and racing skills shown by these two talented young riders. Then it happened. Bill's went down on lap 9 going into turn 3 as Tyler saw a gap on the inside. The pace they were setting was over a second under the lap record with Billee grabbing it with a scintillating 38.714 before her off. Bill's was unhurt although a bit stiff and sore today. Tyler went on for the win from Michael Robinson, Tim Gray, Andrew Bolero with his best finish in 4<sup>th</sup> and a cameo Ninja ride by Benny Cook saw him in 5<sup>th</sup>. We also lost our hard charging Blair Skelton to a crash on turn 3 which unfortunately resulted in a collarbone injury and sidelined Blair for the day, but being the Cup Team Player he is and also a tough bastard he stayed around to support his Team and enjoy a beer and sausage.

Race 2 was the Le Mans start for the Hyosungs and was something of an Oli benefit race after he steamed away to win by 10 seconds. Benny was second and not 100 % after playing with matches on Saturday night, but that's another story. James Murdie again came home P3 and battled again with Scotty, Mike, Elijah and Esmond.

The Ninja Le Mans race was a cracker and some impressive lap times set by the top 3 riders. Billee couldn't light the fire in her Grazie Vale Ninja 400 and got away well down the field from her P2 grid but the ride through the pack was impressive to second place with many 39 second laps on the way. Tyler led every lap and looked good also banging out consistent 39's. But the fastest lap went to Michael Robinson showing plenty of speed with a 39.527. A new rider who is gradually building his skills and speed is Jayme Martin from Rotorua. Jayme came home in 10th place after a great battle with Cup Cop Andy Ansell. Great to see the speed being found by Megan Kemp and Heidi Trigger also. So good to see the girls scrapping it out with the guys.



With Benny Cook retiring for the day it was up to Scotty Findlay, James, Esmond and Elijah to try and stop Oli from heading off into the distance in Race 3. They gave it a good shot but were not able to reign him in recording a 9.6 second win from Scotty, James, Elijah and Esmond. Great fight between the dad and son Team of Troy and Riley Fowles for 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Troy pulled rank on his son by just 0.6. Another close battle group was Hads Thomson, Corey Pook and Cadel Finlay for 11<sup>th</sup>- 13<sup>th</sup>.

Race 3 for the Ninjas was a depleted field with 5 riders not lining up for various reasons. Billee got another super good launch off the line and led every lap from Tyler although there was plenty of passing between the two throughout the race. A really good comparison between Grazie Vale on stock suspension and full power and Tylers SS300 spec Ninja with YSS and 1 x restrictor. Extremely even over a full lap. Bill's grabbed the win by 0.988 posting a best lap of 39.184 on the way. Michael Robinson went P3 from Nathan Finlay in a close tussle with Sean White and Tim Gray.

No change for the top step in the last Hyosung Cup race. Oli in his own world of fast laps winning by 9.994 over Elijah, James, Scotty, Esmond and Mike McKain. Bretty Butler again got the better of ole mate Hads by 0.08 for 8<sup>th</sup> and that was in a great battle group of 4 riders with Rico Belcourt and Jarrod Thompson. Biggest improver in this race was Troy Fowles gaining 7 places to finish 13<sup>th</sup>!

Ninja race 4 was another cracker between Billee and Tyler. These two going at it hard out and swapping the lead many times but Bill's had her move sussed out to lead over the finish line each lap. They put on a great display of smooth, fast and full attack racing with Tyler tagging the back wheel of Billee in the last turn at one time. It was that close. With both these super talents running in the 38's they finished 8 seconds ahead of Michael Robinson in 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tim Gray banked more solid points in 4<sup>th</sup> 1 second ahead of Sean White. The top 5 riders all going under the previous lap record.

That was a wrap for the day so we got stuck into the refreshments and Barby beautifully cooked by Tracy. Always a good time to chat about the on-track adventures and recap some of the best Cup racing. I think it was a very successful meeting on the Club circuit, well run again by the AMCC Team. Thanks so much to all the flaggy's and volunteers on the day. We want to send our best wishes to injured Cup racers Blair and Benny. Hope they are back for the next round in 2 weeks time.

Thank you to all our Cup Super Sponsor Partners for your most valued support and a special thanks to Tracy for everything you help me with on race days.



## ROUND WINNERS

### NINJA CUP

1<sup>st</sup> Tyler King

2<sup>nd</sup> Michael Robinson

3<sup>rd</sup> Billee Fuller



### HYOSUNG CUP

1<sup>ST</sup> Oliver Pykett

2<sup>nd</sup> James Murdie

3<sup>rd</sup> Elijah Daken

**BRIDGESTONE**

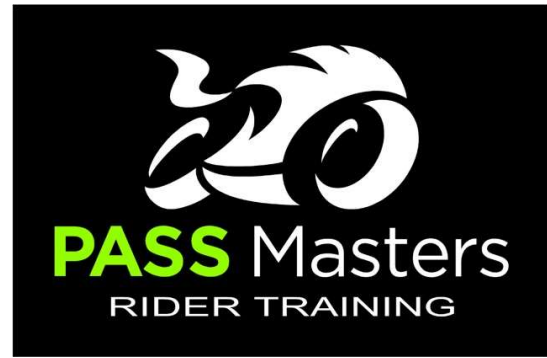
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**WOMENS CUP**

1<sup>ST</sup> Megan Kemp

2<sup>nd</sup> Heidi Trigger

3<sup>rd</sup> Billee Fuller



## Points After Round Three:

### NINJA CUP

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Billee Fuller     | 752 |
| Michael Robinson  | 663 |
| Sean White        | 557 |
| Tyler King        | 556 |
| Timothy Gray      | 524 |
| Andrew Boldero    | 438 |
| Nick Trigger      | 399 |
| Andrew Ansell     | 391 |
| Nathan Finlay     | 317 |
| Jayme Martin      | 302 |
| Mike Cross        | 287 |
| Megan Kemp        | 282 |
| Blair Skelton     | 269 |
| Britten Someville | 262 |
| Alex Le Comte     | 248 |
| Sam Greenhalgh    | 186 |
| Chris Smith       | 166 |
| Heidi Trigger     | 161 |
| Gordon Finlay     | 160 |
| Bryan Kidd        | 106 |
| Blain Pairama     | 103 |
| Graeme le Comte   | 98  |
| Ben Cook          | 91  |
| James Short       | 68  |
| Simon Finlay      | 50  |
| Terence Gates     | 40  |
| Michael Stokes    | 28  |

### WOMENS CUP

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| Billee Fuller | 100 |
| Megan Kemp    | 100 |
| Heidi Trigger | 89  |

### HYOSUNG CUP

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| Oliver Pykett    | 838 |
| Elijah Daken     | 590 |
| James Murdie     | 522 |
| Hadleigh Thomson | 428 |
| John Williams    | 421 |
| Scott Findlay    | 401 |
| Ben Cook         | 396 |
| Mike McKain      | 396 |
| Esmond Williams  | 395 |
| Cadel Finlay     | 341 |
| Rory Garvey      | 300 |
| Brett Butler     | 258 |
| Jarrold Thompson | 251 |
| Loren May        | 247 |
| Troy Fowles      | 246 |
| Corey Pook       | 233 |
| Riley Fowles     | 230 |
| Enrique Belcourt | 201 |
| Nick Brown       | 194 |
| Shaun Parker     | 185 |
| Trent McDiarmid  | 170 |
| Robert Mayo      | 158 |
| Guy Webster      | 124 |
| Tim Wigram       | 123 |
| Chris Nobbs      | 75  |
| Jesse Stroud     | 60  |
| Andrew Simpson   | 57  |
| Phil Oades       | 20  |
| Joe Stroud       | 8   |



*Fuller, King, Gray, Robinson*



*Billee falls in Ninja Race One*



# Suzuki – AMCC Club Series: *Round 3*



Auckland Motorcycle Club  
MEDIA RELEASE  
5 November, 2023.

## **Juniors exclusively on the Club Circuit:**

It was a bit of a foggy start at Hampton Downs on 5 November, but the sun burnt that off pretty quickly – and then the Junior categories and The Carl Cox Motorsport Cup were into it, for their exclusive Club Circuit round of frenetic racing.

With a short 40 second lap, it all happens pretty quickly in the quick-fire 10 lap races – and there's not much time to rest.

With some clocking 15 laps in practice/qualifying – and then 4x 10 lap races per class – there were some tired riders at the end of the day, with those who were cross-entering in a second class putting in over 110 laps over the course of the day .....

It was also great to see the Buckets on the programme, mixing in with the SS150's and Gixxer's. Make no mistake; the top handful of bucketeers are FAST! And their lap times would easily put them at the pointy-end of the ProLite 250's, and even have them give the 300's/400's a few headaches on the short circuit.

Jason Hearn held the advantage amongst the buckets, dipping down into the 39's during the day, but he had regular sparring partners Paul Ellis and Nathanael Diprose keeping him honest.

In the Carl Cox Motorsport Cup there seems to be no stopping Oliver Pykett in the Hyosung class. Four more wins takes his tally to 11 from 11. Quite extraordinary, as is his points lead. The Ninja Cup had the upset of the day however. Tyler King and Billee Fuller resumed battle, however a fall by Fuller in Race One threw the script out the window. Both Fuller and King would take two wins apiece, and despite only 1 point (for fastest lap) in that first race, Fuller retains a comfortable points lead in the Ninja Cup standings. But King is certainly making a statement.

Supersport 300 continues to be a delight. Hamish Simpson grabbed a win off Cameron Leslie, and who knows what would have happened if Haydn Fordyce had not been away in Aust.

Scott Findlay returned to top score in Prolite 250, but season regulars John Williams and Mike McKain are the two to keep an eye on – they have just 4 points between them going into the final Round.

So it closed out as a successful day for the Club – great weather, and lots of happy racers. We did take a modest loss on the event – but that's ok, as there were many learnings taken. And it's always refreshing to offer the racers a different circuit to compete on – albeit just the Juniors on this day ...

The final Round of the Suzuki – Auckland Motorcycle Club Series is coming up in just two short weeks – on 19 November. We're back on the usual National Circuit. And someone will take home a *NEW* Suzuki GSX250F ...





*Colin Box (Yamaha RZ350)*



*Hamish Simpson (Ducati)*



**F4-F5 Buckets/Gixxer150/SS150:**  
**Jason Hearn**

**2023-2024 Suzuki - Auckland Motorcycle Club Series Points:**  
**(After ROUND THREE)**

Points – Senior: FORMULA AUCKLAND

175 Dave Sharp  
124 Craig Coulam  
86 Luke Temple

Points – Senior: FORMULA AUCKLAND B (1:09s)

170 Stephen Leggett  
114 Spencer Langdon  
101 Lars Bojsen-Moller

Points – Senior: SUPERSPORT 600

175 Rogan Chandler  
128 Marcus Read-Bloomfield  
100 Paul Jenkins

Points – Intermediate: SUPERLITE

165 Nick Kampenhout  
100 Geoff Irving  
75 Alistair Wilton

Points – Intermediate: PRO TWIN 650

148 Paul Bergmann  
142 Luke Ryder  
90 Shaun Parker

Points – Intermediate: 125ccGP

75 Nixon Frost



**F4-F5 Buckets/Gixxer150/SS150:  
Paul Ellis**

Points – Junior: SUPERSPORT 300

248 Cameron Leslie  
218 Hamish Simpson  
151 Logan Rowell

Points – Junior: NINJA 400 OPEN

225 Billee Fuller  
147 Andrew Ansell  
118 Megan Kemp

Points – Junior: 250 PRO LITE

177 John Williams  
173 Mike McKain  
129 Esmond Williams

Points – F4/F5 Buckets/Gixxer 150

100 Emma Dowman  
88 Jason Hearn  
85 Paul Ellis

Points – PRE 89 F2

75 Brett Butler

Points – PRE 89 F3

150 Scott Fenton

Points – SIDECARS

145 Chris Lawrance/Richard Lawrance  
137 Peter Dowman/Michael Dowman  
93 Dave McArthur/Doug Cornes





**F4-F5 Buckets/Gixxer150/SS150:  
Nathanael Diprose**

**Points – CLUBMAN SENIOR**

145 Abbin Abraham  
119 Rongyuan Zhang  
68 Ronan Bullock

**Points – CLUBMAN JUNIOR**

50 Mike Green

**Carl Cox Motorsport Cup:**

**Points – NINJA CUP:**

752 Billee Fuller  
663 Michael Robinson  
557 Sean White

**Points – HYOSUNG CUP:**

838 Oliver Pykett  
590 Elijah Daken  
522 James Murdie

**Points – WOMENS CUP:**

100 Billee Fuller  
100 Megan Kemp  
89 Heidi Trigger

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**Calendar – 2023-2024 Suzuki – Auckland Motorcycle Club Series:**

|             |                                      |  |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Rd 1        | 17 <sup>th</sup> September, 2023     | National Circuit                                     |
| Rd 2        | 15 <sup>th</sup> October, 2023       | National Circuit                                     |
| <b>Rd 3</b> | <b>5<sup>th</sup> November, 2023</b> | <b>Club Circuit – JUNIOR &amp; CCMC classes only</b> |
| Rd 4        | 19 <sup>th</sup> November, 2023      | National Circuit                                     |



**F4-F5 Buckets/Gixxer150/SS150:**  
**(37) Jason Hearn, (3) Gary Cunningham, (88) Nathanael Diprose, (57) Paul Ellis**



**F4-F5 Buckets/Gixxer150/SS150:**  
**(38) Deegan Kroeze, (111) Nick Trigger**



# IOM TT:



*Nathan Harrison, Javier Beltran, John McGuinness, Dean Harrison*

## **Harrison joins McGuinness at Honda for 2024 road racing campaign**

The trio will debut the updated Honda CBR1000RR-R Fireblade SP on the roads next season, with three-time TT winner Dean Harrison a headline signing having left DAO Racing Kawasaki earlier in the year.

Dean Harrison will compete in the major road racing events, including the North West 200 and the Isle of Man TT, plus the British Superbike championship, on board Honda machinery in the Superbike, Superstock and Supersport categories at both the NW200 and the TT.

Dean Harrison will form a three-rider attack for Honda along with 23-time TT winner McGuinness – who heads into his 34th season of motorcycle racing – and Nathan Harrison who was ruled out of the majority of his debut season at the team due to injury.

“I can’t wait to begin a new chapter with Honda Racing UK and I jumped at the chance when this opportunity came about,” Dean Harrison said. “If I’m honest, it hasn’t sunk in yet and I don’t think it will until I get to ride the bike for the first time in Honda colours.”

“It feels like a really good time to have a refresh and now is as good a time as any for a change. I have always been a Honda fan, and Honda is the way I want to go. I am also really looking forward to being part of a multi-rider team after riding in a solo team for so long. To be able to see each other’s data and collaborate on ideas is going to be of great value to me.”

“The short circuits are a big part of my season and I think that working with Andrew and the team will help to bring me on and push me to the next level. Then on the roads, to work with John and Nathan, both of whom I have a great working relationship with, is really exciting. I think that the Honda package, with the new bike, could be the missing link that I need.”

Dean Harrison has been a frontrunner at the TT in recent years against formidable opponents Peter Hickman and Michael Dunlop, finishing third in five of his six TT starts this year and the other being runner-up in the Senior TT to Hickman, with his last win coming in the 2019 Senior TT.

Dean Harrison will partner Andrew Irwin in Honda’s BSB rider line-up, with Jack Kennedy also coming into the team to represent Honda in the British Supersport championship with the new CBR600RR.





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# CTAS News:



Media Release November 2023 --- **UPDATE 4/12/2023:**

Following discussions with Motorcycling Canterbury, we will be covering the NZGP, including both days of Round 3 of NZSBK at Ruapuna. We apologise for the upheaval and disruption being experienced. It has affected us as well.

**Grant Collingwood**  
**Director**  
**Ctas NZ Ltd**

*To all our regular viewers, supporters, advertisers, event holders, friends and colleagues. We felt that it was important to write and advise you all in advance. With regard to the 2023/2024 MNZ National Championship competitions, namely NZSBK and NZMX all rounds, MNZ have advised us that they do not require our services in providing Live Streaming and Video Recordings of these events.*

*You may wonder why this has happened. The only reason provided to us was that of cost. Our quotes for this season included minimal price increases that were 30% less than CPI, even though the Cost of living is significantly impacting our operational expenses. If you require further information, we suggest you could contact the Series Organisers, (MNZ) or for financial information, members can review the MNZ 2022 annual financial report, available online at [mnz.co.nz](http://mnz.co.nz).*

*This note is not a plea for help, review or any follow-up, as the decision has been made, and we have changed our summer plans now. So, for us, that is it.*

*We extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who have supported us at some time over the last 13 years: Boyd Motorcycles, WIL Sport, Tim Gibbes Track Timing, NV Motorcycles, Race Supplies, Moto1. Also a special mention to some of the many Clubs: AMCC, BOPMCC, TaupoMCC, MCI, SCMCC, MNZ and to people who have helped with camera work: Joseph Shirriffs, Murray Collingwood, Rod Forrest, Blake Parlane. We remember certain people who helped all this start: Graeme Billington, Ian Dawson, Tim & Joan Gibbes (may they rest in peace), Neil and Brad Ritchie, Nicole Bol, Graeme Spyda Staples. We have worked alongside and with many other people. You are not forgotten, just too many to mention. A huge thank you to you all.*

*We wish all competitors the very best for the coming season/s.*

**Grant Collingwood**  
**Director**  
**Ctas NZ Ltd**

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HYOSUNG **CUP**  *Ninja*



### 23 / 24 DATES AND VENUES

ROUND 1 HAMPTON DOWNS  
**17** SEPTEMBER

ROUND 4 HAMPTON DOWNS  
**19** NOVEMBER

ROUND 2 HAMPTON DOWNS  
**15** OCTOBER

ROUND 3 HAMPTON DOWNS  
**2/3** MARCH  
MOTOFEST

ROUND 3 HAMPTON DOWNS  
**5** NOVEMBER TBC

ROUND 4 TAMPO MOTORSPORT PARK  
**9/10** MARCH



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# “10 YEARS AGO” ...

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# Suzuki – AMCC Club Series: *Round 3*



*Riley Fowles (Hyosung X4R)*



*Joe Stroud (Yamaha R3)*





*Logan Rowell (KTM RC390)*



*Debbie Tapper (KTM RC390)*





*(51) Cameron Leslie, (46) Hamish Simpson, (16) Logan Rowell, (52) Rick Ford*



*(94) Matthew Riley, (99) Nixon Frost, (54) Dylan Bryne, (25) Alistair Wilton, (79) Greg Percival*





*Alistair Wilton (Yamaha R3)*



*Greg Percival (Yamaha R3)*





*(00) Jayme Martin, (71) Timothy Gray*



*(17) Andrew Ansell, (10) Ben Cook*



*Sean White (Ninja 400)*



*Megan Kemp (Ninja 400)*





*Alexander Le Comte (Ninja 400)*



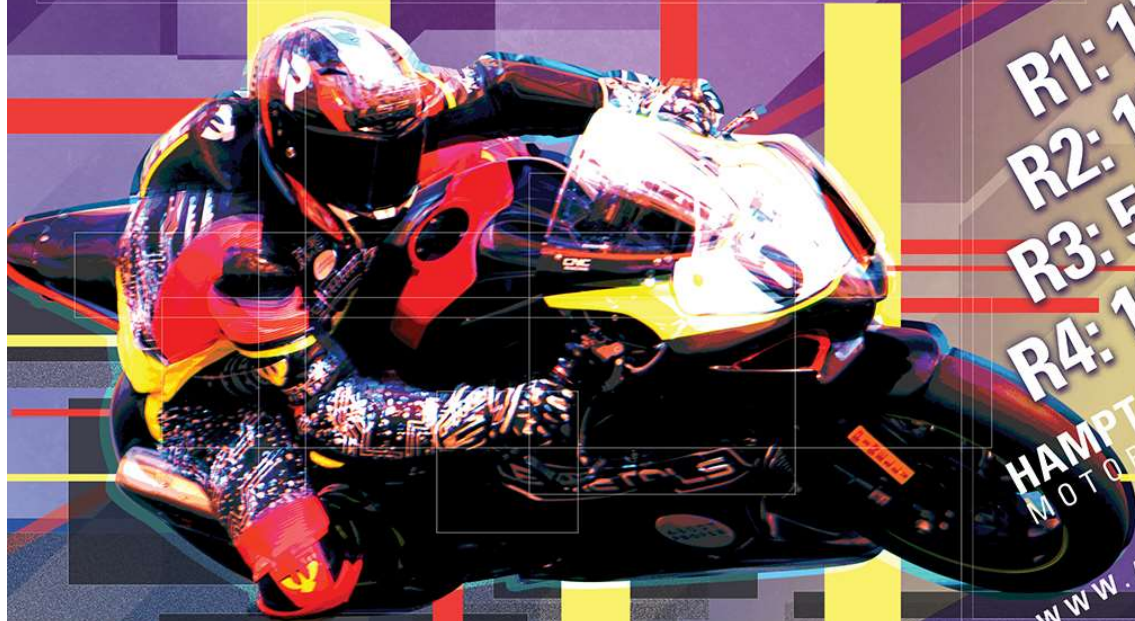
*James Short (Ninja 400)*





# 2023

## Auckland Motorcycle Club Series



R1: 17 SEP  
R2: 15 OCT  
R3: 5 NOV  
R4: 19 NOV

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2023/2024  
NEW ZEALAND SUPERBIKE CHAMPIONSHIP



- Round 1 - Suzuki Series - Taupo - 2 & 3 December 2023
- Round 2 - Suzuki Series - Manfield - 9 & 10 December 2023
- Round 3 - Euromarque Motorsport Park - Ruapuna - 6 & 7 January 2024
- Round 4 - Levels Raceway, Timaru - 13 & 14 January 2024
- Round 5 - Burt Munro - Teretonga Invercargill - 9 & 10 February 2024
- Round 6 - Motofest - Hampton Downs - 4 & 5 March 2024



# Ducati Celebrates:



## ***Ducati Celebrates 2023 Victories With Five Panigale Race Replicas:***

Five racing replica models will go on sale, all are limited and ready for collectors to pounce on.

Ducati has had a bumper crop of victories and wins in 2023, and to commemorate its record-breaking season, the Italian brand is coming out with five collector's limited edition Panigales.

These bikes will be plastered with liveries that are inspired by the bikes of Bagnaia, Bautista, Bulega, Martin, and Bezcchi in MotoGP, WorldSBK, and WorldSSP. There will be four Panigale V4 models and one Panigale V2 model in the lineup, and all will be produced in a limited and numbered series, marked by each of the rider's original signature on the tank.







Three Panigale V4s have been taken and turned into homages that pay tribute to the Desmosedici GP bikes of Francesco Bagnaia (63), Jorge Martin (89), and Marco Bezzecchi (72) in MotoGP. These bikes were all made in honor of Ducati's two-peat dominance at MotoGP, following its 2022 victory and now its 2023 victory.





Meanwhile, dedicated to the WSBK triumphs is yet another Panigale, this time a V4R, that is patterned around the bike of Alvaro Bautista (19). This edition commemorates Ducati's two consecutive years at the top of WSBK.



Last but certainly not least, a Panigale V2 was dedicated to Nicolò Bulega's (11) race bike for WorldSSP. The model celebrates the team winning the world title this year.



# The Craven Collection:



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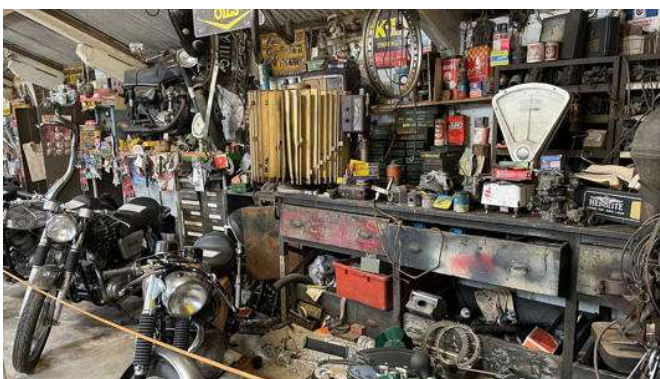
Located in a series of old sheds and barns behind Craven's handsome little country home, the museum consists of around 250 bikes and countless bits of racing and riding memorabilia. Of the bikes in the museum's collection, at least 230 are British made and span an era running from 1918 to 1987. Craven also has a very respectable Japanese collection, some Continental bikes—Beemers, Guzzis, etc.—and even some four-wheeled vehicles in there. Along with the machinery, nearly every available space is stuffed with knick-knacks and tchotchkes and the whole place looks like an antique motorcycle shop got upended into your granddad's workshop. In other words, it's *perfect*.  
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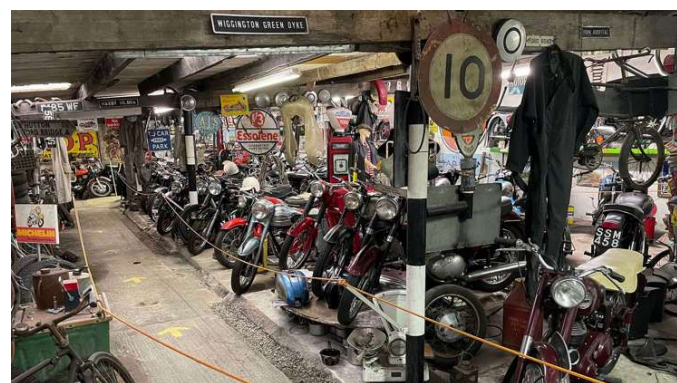




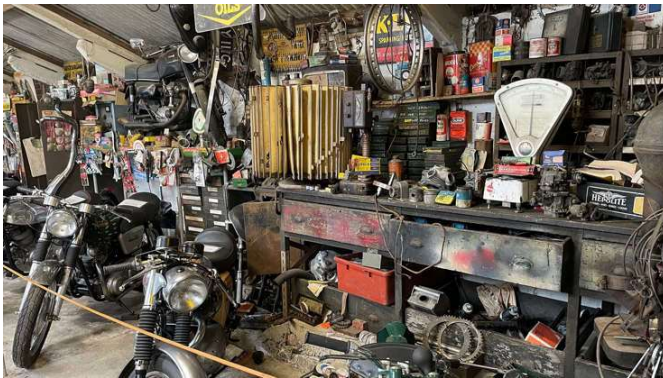




















## RACING CALENDAR / COMING EVENTS

### January 2024

|       |              |                          |
|-------|--------------|--------------------------|
| 6/7   | NZSBK – Rd 3 | Ruapuna – GP Title Races |
| 13/14 | NZSBK – Rd 4 | Levels                   |

### February 2024

|         |                |           |   |
|---------|----------------|-----------|---|
| 9/10/11 | NZSBK – Rd 5   | Teretonga | <i>In conjunction with the <b>Burt Munro Festival</b></i> |
| 17/18   | Buckets – Rd 1 | Tokoroa   |   |

### March 2024

|       |                  |                                 |                |                          |
|-------|------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| 2/3   | NZSBK – Rd 6     | Hampton Downs – <b>MotoFest</b> | <i>(Final)</i> | TT Titles                |
| 10    | LandSpeed NZ     | Goudies Road, Reporoa           |                | <i>(Rain Day 17 Mar)</i> |
| 23/24 | <b>Bucket GP</b> | Tokoroa                         |                |                          |

### May 2024

|     |                |         |
|-----|----------------|---------|
| 4/5 | Buckets – Rd 2 | Tokoroa |
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### August 2024

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| 24/25 | Buckets – Rd 3 | Tokoroa |
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### September 2024

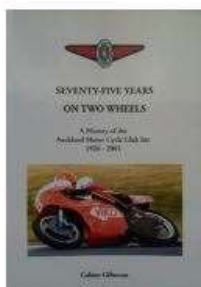
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| 15    | AMCC Club Series – Rd 1 | Hampton Downs | <i>(TBC / Tentative)</i> |
| 28/29 | Buckets – Rd 4          | Tokoroa       | <i>(Final)</i>           |

### October 2024

|    |                         |               |                          |
|----|-------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 13 | AMCC Club Series – Rd 2 | Hampton Downs | <i>(TBC / Tentative)</i> |
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### November 2024

|       |                         |               |                          |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| 17    | AMCC Club Series – Rd 3 | Hampton Downs | <i>(TBC / Tentative)</i> |
| 23/24 | <b>Buckets 2-Hour</b>   | Tokoroa       |                          |



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