

NSW IIRA Run on the 4 February 2012

This year the Junee Poker Run was attended by a large group of IIRA members. Chief 'Rain in the Face' visited us on the Friday. Saturday woke to brilliant sunshine and a cool breeze.

After purchasing the first poker card the 250 entrants left Junee for Gundagai where we stopped for refreshments and second card. Next was The Royal Hotel in Tumut where lunch was served to nearly 300 people. We picked up our third card then a quick top up of fuel and onto Batlow. We travelled back to Adelong for our next card and an ice cream at the café

Then from Adelong onto Tumblong, A quick rest stop on the side of the road where a farmer's fence was compromised to pick up a stray muffler after the bracket broke on a certain '53 Chief. The said escapee after capture was then delegated to the pickup truck for the rest of the trip home.

Next was onto Tumblong for the last card, more beer and bullshit then the last leg back to Junee.

Home for a quick shower then back to the golf club (rally HQ) for the after party; a blues night, meals and comradely. Our IIRA member Mark Fitzgerald won \$500 for the best hand, four aces and a jack.

Sunday morning saw a group congregate at Diddle's House (Mark Fitzgerald) for a photo shoot of his other older bikes taken by associate editor of 'Live to Ride' Greg (Loaf) Risk.

Over the course of the weekend there was \$10,000 raised for Cancer Assist the chosen charity.

IIRA members attending for the weekend included John Smith and Tescha, Mark Cook sharing a 2003 Indian Chief and the big Cadillac owned by John, Robert Gosper 1953 Chief, Mark Fitzgerald 1926 Indian Prince and a Harley, bill Butler Triumph, Pat Butler W650 also a potential new local member Jason on a 2000 Indian Chief.

I would like to thank my hosts, Bill and Pat for their hospitality, accommodation and tolerance for the weekend.

The Junee Poker run turned out to be a great event for the NSW IIRA. More photos Google Junee Poker run. Thanks to Loaf for the photos curtsey LIVE TO RIDE MAGAZINE

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