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There could not have been a better day to have the 17th Annual Poker Run in Campbell River. 321 Riders came out to register and a total of \$4850.00 was raised with half the proceeds going to the Campbell River Search & Rescue and the other half going to BCCOM. A Grand Total of \$56,294.00 has been raised since the first run.

An awesome sunny day made it possible for everyone to enjoy the run and it takes many people behind the scenes many hours to make this happen. Hundreds of hours are required to collect all the prizes and if it wasn't for Tom Clark who took on this responsibility and put together a committee of Deana, Ginger, Rob, Ann, Betty, and Janette there would not have been a Poker Run this year. I'd like to express my gratitude to Tom on behalf of all the riders and BCCOM and Search and Rescue for taking on this huge job. Skip, as always, my dependable buddy, thanks again for the T-shirt and poster designs and prizes as well. Steve Cochrane, I can never express how much I appreciate all he does, he spends months before the run delivering posters and on the day of the run dedicates his whole day to help me, I am truly indebted. Betty and Laura, I truly appreciated the time you contributed, thanks so much.

I have a total of 27 people giving up their whole day to make this happen, Scotty and Rob for keeping everyone safe by flagging traffic again, Bob, Jim, Brad and Wade who ran the Chase Trucks, Emma, Martina and Joe for sales, you are the backbone of this run!! Diana and Bill for Prize display tables, and to Rob and Tom, a very very important job which few will take on, sorting out the hands at the end, Cheers guys.

We again had some very generous sponsors this year that I'd like to special mention, Courier/Islander, American Motor Service, Kinsman Club, Abyssal Diving Charters, Dairy Queen, Merit Home Furniture, North Island Communications, Hitec Screen Printing, BC Ferries, Frenchman's Tattoo, Steve Drane Harley Shop, our thanks to you all!!

To make this event so successful I rely on the generous support of our community for donations of prizes, the businesses and people I'd like to thank,

A Cut Above, Andrew Sheret Ltd., Barber Shop Tanis, Barrie Brown Nissan, Bartuns Hub Insurance, Big O Tires, Bike Smith, Biker Leathers, Black Summit Falling, Boatland, Cable Cookhouse Sayward, Canadian Tire, Cheddar & Company, Chevron, Coastal Mountain Fuel, Delta Jewellers, Desolation Sound Studio, Delivery Mills, Discovery Marine Centre, E & B Helicopters Ltd., Eric Fuhr, Fearless Contracting, Fleck Brothers, Ford Country, Fountain Tire, Frank Beban Logging, Elks Fraternity, Haida Inn Little Charlies, Hair FX, Home Depot, Honda Automobiles, Hutch, IAP, InterSports, Jack Motorcycles, Kal Tire, Ken Green, Legion Br. #147, Lorco Auto Parts Campbell River, Lordo Auto Parts Courtenay, Lube X, Madman McKay, Milwaukee Twin, Moxies Restaurant, Never Been Better, North Island Co-Op, Odyssey Computers, P & M Belanger, Painters Lodge, Phoenix Cycle, Preston Jewellers, Pure Wireless, Quality Foods, Ridgerider Mens Wear, Ripple Rock Pub, Royal Coachman, Save On Foods, Scratch Doctor, Serendipity, Sharne Dewing, Shawn Lewis, Shoppers Drug Mart, SMS Equipment, Spinner Sports, Steve Marshal Ford, Stonehouse Teas, Strathcona Gardens,

Sundance Java Bar Tangles Hair Salon, TBC Betting, Thrifty Foods, Treasured Moments Antiques, and T-Mar Industries.

A big thank you to Hutch and staff from the Quinnie, Barry and staff at the Griffin, Kevin and Staff at the Backstreet Pub, Cresslynn and Staff at the Cumberland Hotel and to Tammi and Staff at the CR Eagles for their generous donations and for having us again this year.

AGAIN, the next twelve people who have come to know every side of me, the Dealers who make the run go so smoothly, -- Deana, Patty, Tom, Joy, Leslie, Jamie, Janice, Wes, Rob, Candace, Ann and Dar – Great work guys.

You can find a group called Campbell River Poker Run on www.facebook.com on the internet, with pictures dating back from the very first run. Each year is such a thrill for me, I thank all the riders for making it what it is today and hope to see you all at the Eighteenth Annual Poker Run. I thank The Busted Knuckle and Rock 101 for the advertizing spots.

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British Columbia Coalition of Motorcyclists