



Australian Vespa Days

27th – 30th March 2025

Sunshine Coast, Queensland

An event for Australian and international club vespisti to get together and celebrate the Vespa motor scooter, meet old friends, make new ones, talk Vespa, and exchange ideas. With the support of the Vespa World Club and Vespa Australia, this rally is being planned with reference to the European tradition of official national Vespa Days events that occur in association with the Vespa World Day event and brings together Vespa owners, dealers, and Piaggio international.

The 2025 AVD event will be hosted by the Vespa Club of Brisbane on behalf of the Vespa Club of Australia and representing clubs in Townsville, Brisbane, the Gold Coast, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Canberra, Perth and Sunshine Coast. The VCoA is affiliated with the Vespa World Club.

Rally Information Pack v 5.0

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Welcome to the Australian Vespa Days 2025 Information Pack !

This pack was developed to provide insights to those choosing to participate in the weekend gala Vespa event being held at the Sunshine Coast in Queensland.

This is version 5.0, the LAST information pack to be produced.

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AVD 2025 – Our Valued Sponsors



Ticketing Structure

Gold Ticket Holders: \$130.00 Vespa Club Members, Non-Members \$160.00

- Early Check In
- AVD 2025 Rally Pack
- AVD Friday Night Festival
- AVD Event Exclusive App
- 6 Ride Outs
- Show and Shine Entry (10 Categories)
- Slow Ride Competition
- Vespa Saturday Breakfast
- Vespa Sunday Breakfast
- Presidents Cavalcade Rideout Sunday
- Gala Dinner Event (Saturday Night)
- Courtesy Bus Token – Nambour Showgrounds to Gala Dinner Event (limited seats)

Silver Ticket Holders: \$85.00 Vespa Club Members, Non-Members \$115.00

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Bronze Ticket Holders: \$45.00 Vespa Club Members, Non-Members \$75.00

- Early Check In
- AVD 2025 Rally Pack
- AVD Friday Night Festival

Camping Ticket Holders: \$150.00 for 3 nights for up to 4 adults.

Camping is limited therefore we are seeking to maximise the footprint provided to us by the showgrounds. Camping is provided powered for a 3 night period only, that is you must pay for a site for the three nights. If you choose to stay 1, 2 or 3 nights is up to you. Please bring your own extension cords to access power provisions.

Each site can accommodate 4 adults (children U12 are free).

Rally Itinerary

Rally Hub: Nambour Showgrounds

27th, 28th, 29th and 30th March 2025

Final Program

Thursday 27th March 2025

0300p - 0900p

Open for Early Rally Registration


Camping & Rally Registration – Rally Registration Rotunda
Please wear provided wristbands in your rally packs throughout event.

0530p onwards

Early Bird Meet and Greet – Vespa Club of Melbourne will be at the Nambour RSL for dinner and drinks. Please join them at the Green Wall room if you are in town.

[\(Google Map\)](#) (Driver's licence entry to the RSL. Kitchen closes at 8pm).

Registration Process:


- Location: Rally Registration Rotunda **Map location** 
- Provide name details at registration.
- Assignment of Gold, Silver or Bronze Rally Pack
- If purchased camping, you will be provided with camping wristbands which must be worn at all times to gain access into the camping grounds.

Gates to the Nambour Showgrounds will be shut and locked at 1100pm.

AVD 2025 Security Officer on duty at Pavilions from **Thu 0600p to Fri 0600a**, so scooters can be left under the pavilions if required.

Friday 28th March 2025


0700a	Registration Open Camping & Rally Registration – Rally Registration Rotunda Please wear provided wristbands throughout event.	2
0645a	AVD RIDEOUT 1 – Early Bird Catches The Worm. Be at Rally Start Point for a 0700a departure. Gold & Silver Ticket Holders only.	7
0915a	AVD RIDEOUT 2 – The Sunny Coast Hinterland Be at Rally Start Point for a 0930a departure. Gold & Silver Ticket Holders only.	7
0145p	AVD RIDEOUT 3 – Hugging Petrie Creek Be at Rally Start Point for a 0200p departure. Gold & Silver Ticket Holders only.	7
0300p	Show and Shine Judging Entrants to park in designated category areas under pavilion.	3
0500p	Public invited for Friday Night Festival – Free Entry	3
0530p	Opening Ceremony Welcome – Ms. Julie Pond President Vespa Club Australia Mr. Gavan Moody, Vespa Australia	3
0540p	Welcome to Country with local Kabi Kabi language history and storytelling Mr. Lyndon Davis	3
0555p	Welcome to Sunshine Coast Region Mr. Martin Hunt, Member for Nicklin (LNP)	3
0600p	People's Choice Judging	3
0630p – 0830p	Acoustic Artist - Cowy	3


0615p **Slow Ride Competition – Heats** 
Present RED token for entry.
Location: Hard Stand


0800p **Aperitivo De Presidenti:** Vespa Club of Australia Presidents/Vice Presidents are officially invited to a presentation of appreciation and thanks at The Namba, 80 Currie Street Nambour. ([Google Map](#))


Coffee, Food & drink, Gelato Vans available for lunch and dinner options at Rally Hub during Friday Night Festival.

Saturday 29th March 2025

0700a – 0900a **The Vespa Australia Saturday Brekky.** 
Gold & Silver Ticket Holders only.
Present GREEN token at pavilion for breakfast.

0815a **AVD RIDEOUT 5 – The Mary Valley Rattler.** 
Be at Rally Start Point for a 0830a departure.
Gold & Silver Ticket Holders only.

0915a **AVD RIDEOUT 4 – The Slow Twisty Sunny Coaster.** 
Be at Rally Point for a 0930a departure.
Gold & Silver Ticket Holders only.

0100p to 0230p **Slow ride competition – Session 2 Finals** 
Winners from Saturday Heats Only.
Location: Hardstand

0800a to 0300p **Pavillion with merchandise, dealers showcasing items and members stalls.** 

0500p to late **Vespa Club of Australia Gala Dinner – Gold Ticket Holders Only**
Maroochydore RSL Club
105 Memorial Avenue, Maroochydore, QLD 4558

White Tablecloth Service – Dress – Neat & Casual.
Entrée/Dinner, special guests, Phot Booth, acknowledgements,
awards, prizes, bar facilities and live music.

Coffee, Food & drink, Gelato Vans available for lunch options at Rally Hub during Saturday.

Shuttle Bus Service from Nambour Showgrounds to Maroochydore RSL Club from 0500pm.

Return bus service to Nambour Showgrounds departing at 1000p and 1100p.

Sunday 30th March 2025

0700a – 0900a **The Vespa Australia Sunday Brekky.**
Gold and Silver Ticket Holders Only.
Present WHITE token at pavilion for breakfast.



0930a to 1030a **AVD RIDEOUT 6 – Presidents Cavalcade Rideout**
We will complete several laps of the Nambour Showgrounds main oval prior to setting out on hours run to the gorgeous beachside of Coolum.



1030a to 1100a **Rally Closure – Main Stage**

Show and Shine Event

Gold and Silver ticket holders are entitled to enter their Vespa / s into the Show and Shine Event.

To enter the event, users can provide details of the vehicle or vehicles that they wish to enter. You may enter multiple Vespa's if you like.

You can either email your information to admin@vespaclubbrisbane.com or hand write your own labels at the event. Information required below

Model:

Year:

You will receive a tag that has a QR code upon it and provision to place your scooters information. If you have pre-registered your entry, this information will already be recorded.

Show and Shine Categories 2025.

Category	Prize 1	Prize 2
Best Auto < 200 cc	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best Auto > 200 cc	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best Geared 1975 +	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best Vintage Pre 1961	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best Classic 1961 to 1975	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best Custom	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best Non 2 Wheeled	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best Small Frame	1 st Place	Runner Up
Best in Show	1 st Place	Runner Up
People's Choice	1 st Place	Runner Up

When you register at the event, your rally pack will contain Show and Shine event labels for each entry that you submitted(if you pre-registered). If you didn't pre-register, we will ask you how many vespas you have in the competition and assign you the appropriate amount of labels to affix to your scooters.

On each of these labels will be a QR code and info about your Vespa (no names will appear on the QR code tags.) You must present your Vespa at the Ray Grace

Pavillion on Friday 28th March 2025, where judging will take place between the hours of 0300p and 0900p. Please affix your provided label to the handlebars of your Vespa using the provided rubber band and ensure the model and year information is correct.



At the Friday Night Festival, the general public can also use these QR codes to vote for the 'PEOPLES CHOICE' award. Your personal information will NOT be available on the tag, only your Vespa Year and Model.

Slow Ride Competition

The competition is setup in two categories for males and females. Three lanes are marked out over a distance of approximately 25 metres.

The heats commence with three riders attempting to be the last one over the finish line but be careful, putting your foot on the ground or going outside of your lane is instant elimination!. Winners of each heat will receive a coloured token to present to the next round of elimination. Heats on Friday night with Finals happening on Saturday afternoon.



Rally Activity Map

Rally Activity	Map Location	Thursday 27							Friday 28														Saturday 29														Sunday 30																
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Opening Ceremony	TBN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-																																													
Welcome to Country	TBN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-																																													
Merchandise, stalls, sponsors (Pavillion)	TBN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█																														
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Slow Ride Competition - Heats	TBN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-																																													
Friday Night Festival (Food, Music etc).	TBN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-																																													
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Presidents Farewell Cavalcade ride	TBN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-																																													
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Ride 5 - The Mary Valley Rattler.	TBN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-																																													
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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. I am not a member of an affiliated Australian or Vespa World Club. Can I still attend and participate?

A. Ticketing and participation for the event is now open to financial and non-financial members. That is gold, silver and bronze tickets can be purchased from both members and non-members. When purchasing tickets, simply select member or non-member to receive the applicable ticket pricing. All member ticket purchases will be validated.

You must be a member of a local Vespa Club in Australia to receive member ticketed pricing.

Q. I do not need to camp for the full 3 nights at the rally location, can I just purchase 1 or 2 days only?

A. The rally hub camping at Nambour Showgrounds has limited camping capacity and therefore camp sites have been optimised to provide a low cost accommodation solution covering the entire event (3 nights). Up to four adults can camp at each powered site (children U12 free) for a total cost of \$150.00. There are currently 50 campsites available. If demand is high for this type of accommodation, we are able to re-assess and open up a second oval if required.

Q. How do I enter for the Show and Shine competition ?

A. When purchasing your AVD2025 GOLD or SILVER event ticket, simply email to admin@vespaclubbrisbane.com the following information:

- i) Your name
- ii) Your Vespa Year
- iii) Your Vespa Model
- iv) Attach a picture of your Vespa

We will then provide a printed label in your rally pack that you need to affix to your Vespa at the Friday Night Festival on Friday 29th March 2025 between the hours of 0300p and 0900p. This is when the judging will occur.

This is the only methodology used to enter, so we encourage all to submit their details. There will be no entry applications available over the actual event weekend.

Q. I have special dietary needs for the Gala Dinner Event. How do I arrange this requirement?

A. Please contact AVD 2025 organisers at admin@vespaclubbrisbane.com with your dietary needs with sufficient time prior to the event.

Q. Where is Nambour?

Distance by road from / to Nambour:

Brisbane CBD	111 km's	1 hour 15 minutes
Gold Coast CBD	182 km's	2 hours
Brisbane Airport	103 km's	1 hour 4 minutes
Sunshine Coast Airport	17 km's	20 minutes
Maroochydore CBD	17 km's	17 minutes
Noosa CBD	45 km's	38 minutes
Mooloolaba CBD	26 km's	20 minutes

Q. Do I have to own a Vespa?

Yes, you must own a Piaggio Vespa to participate in the event ride outs and competitions.

Q. What transport options are there from the nearest airport to the event?

- Sunshine Coast Airport Transfers (Brisbane & Sunshine Coast Airports),
- Taxi's,
- Uber
- Hire / Rent Vehicles
- Train (Brisbane Airport Only)

Q. Are there other accommodation options besides camping?

Yes. Within a radius of 15 to 20 minutes drive, there is two star to five star accommodation available throughout the region.

Q. What else is there to do around Nambour?

Distances from Rally Hub – Nambour Showgrounds

Australia Zoo	33 km's
Mooloolaba Beach	26 km's
Hasting St, Noosa Heads	38 km's
The Big Pineapple	9 km's
The Ginger Factory	10 km's
Eumundi Markets	18 km's
Coolum Beach	25 km's

Q. Can we hire a Vespa for the event?

Unfortunately, there are no scooter hire organisations that hire out Piaggio Vespa's in the region.

Q. What is the weather like at this time of year in Nambour?

The average temperature in the Nambour region towards the end of March has a high of 27 degrees Celsius and a low of 16 degrees Celsius or a range of 80 degrees to 60 degrees Fahrenheit.

Q. Will there be alcohol available at the venue?

The Australian Vespa Days Rally Hub is an alcohol free zone.

Q. What are the travel options to Nambour from Brisbane Airport?

It is approximately 103 km's from Brisbane Airport to Nambour. Train would be the most efficient option in getting there.

The Airtrain service is a privately owned rail operation and runs from Brisbane Airport first service at 05:04 am to last service at 10:04pm daily, Monday to Sunday. These services are at 30 minute intervals mostly with some additional services running during business hours.

To connect with a Nambour Train on the Brisbane Citytrain network, you must disembark from the Airtrain at Eagle Junction Station.

The Airtrain timetable (Brisbane Airport to Eagle Junction) timetable link is here:

<https://www.airtrain.com.au/timetable/>

The Queensland Rail Sunshine Coast Timetable link is here:

<https://jp.translink.com.au/plan-your-journey/timetables/train/t/sunshine-coast-line/downward/2024-07-15>



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AVD Event Ride Itinerary

Ver 0.3 draft

Last Updated Saturday 16th March 2025

AVD Event Ride

Ride Roles and Responsibilities

The organisers of the Australian Vespa Days Event are focused on delivering event rally rides that are fun, enjoyable and capture the Vespa riding experience. We want to achieve this with the safety of our members first and foremost in the front of our minds. Behind every awesome rally ride, we have a team of organisers prepared to deliver this experience. Below is their role during these rides.

As a group rider, please take the time to understand these roles and the part you play in making these rides not only enjoyable, but safe.

- FIELD MARSHALL:** The Field Marshall has the responsibility of ensuring that lost or broken down riders are retrieved from the ride and return safely back to the Rally Hub. This is to ensure the LEAD RIDER does not have the worry of losing and retrieving riders in their group thus breaking continuity of the ride. The Marshalls mobile phone number will be provided PRE rideout. If you lose your way enroute and cannot recover or break down please notify your Field Marshall.
- LEAD RIDER:** Lead Riders are distinguished by their **Fluoro Yellow Vests** and will lead the group ride travelling at safe prescribed road speeds. They are responsible for tracking the journey and using the drop marker system to guide the group to its destination.
- MID RIDER:** Mid Riders are distinguished by their **Fluoro Yellow Vests** and will ride mid pack within a LARGE ride group. They are responsible for contacting the Lead and Tail riders where possible to ensure continuity in the group. Mid Riders provide a large group with visibility of the ride organisation is intact whilst on the journey.
- TAIL RIDER:** Tail Riders are distinguished by their **Fluoro Yellow Vests** and will tail the group ride travelling at safe prescribed road speeds. They are responsible for maintaining the rear of the group whilst riding ensuring no body falls behind.
- COMPETENT FIRST AIDER:** A rider within the group who is competent in first aid. They will be distinguished by their **Fluoro Yellow Vest and will ride with the Tail Rider at the back of the group.**
- BREAKDOWN VEHICLE:** A vehicle on standby at the Rally Hub capable of retrieving broken down riders.

A full listing of people in these roles and their contact information is available on the AVD Event app.

RIDE 1 – The Early Bird Catches The Worm!

43 km's – Approx 1 hour. Speeds up to 80 km per hour.

Friday 28th March 2025 Departing at 0700 am – Ride Start Location 7

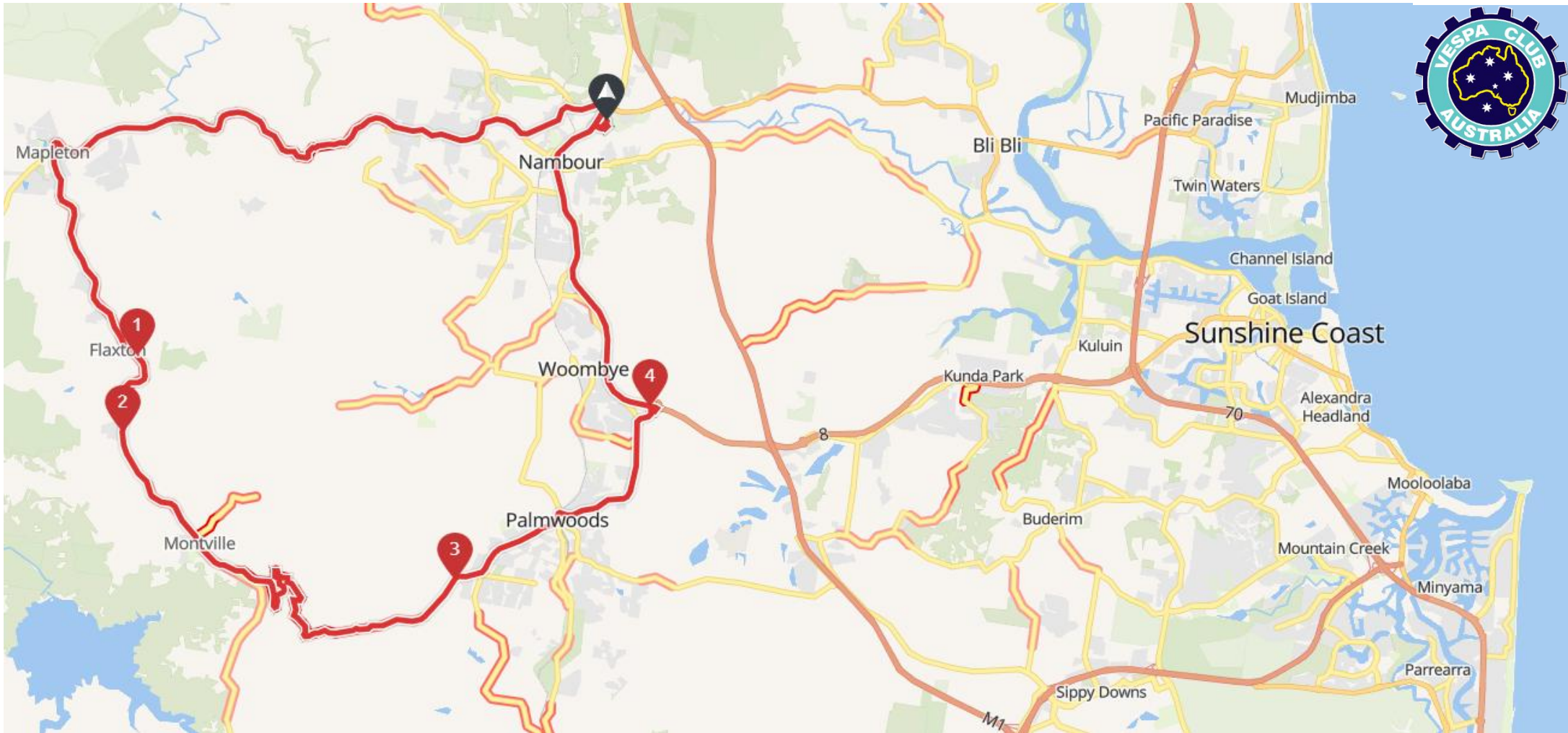
Field Marshall: Mario Chetcuti 0427 018 770

Lead Rider: David Fitch

Tail Rider: Ian Geach

Competent First Aider: Greg Bradley

Breakdown Vehicle: Mario Chetcuti

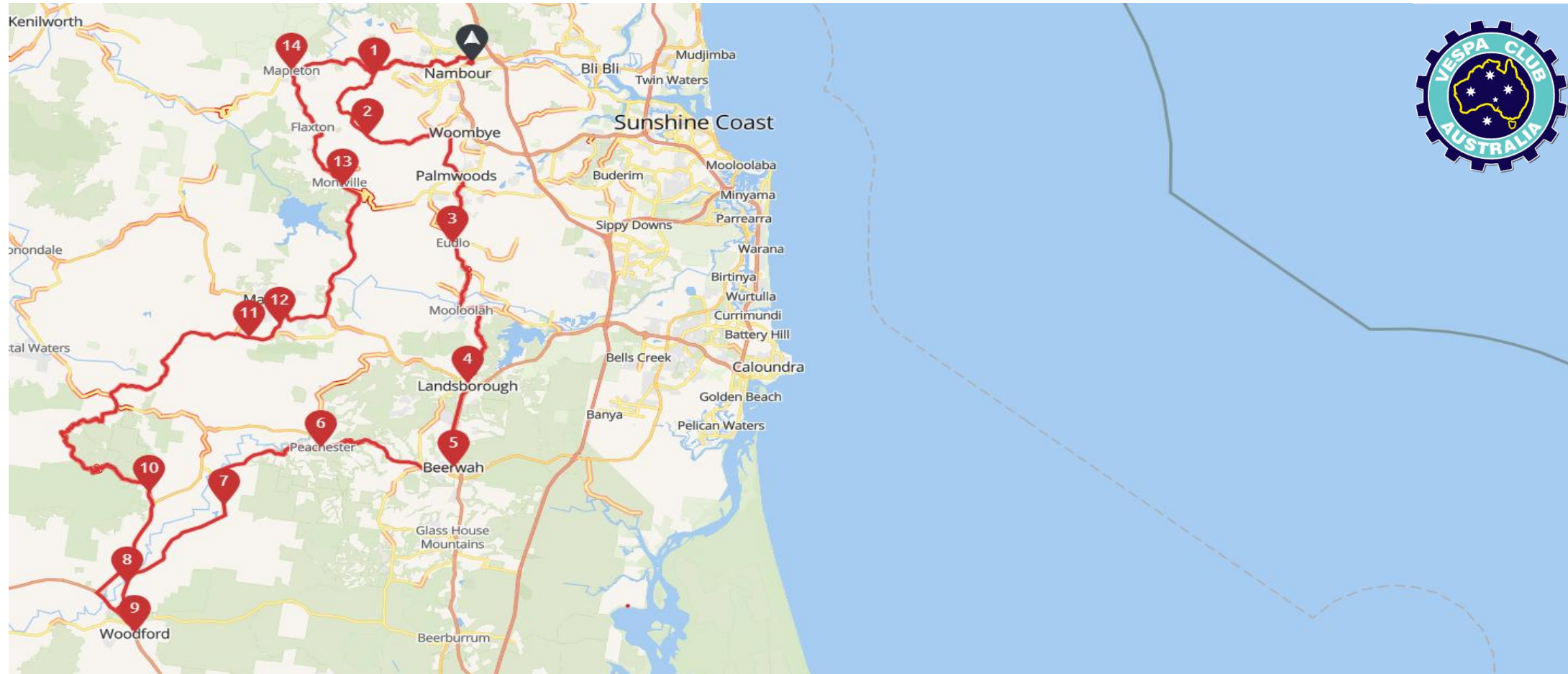


RIDE 2 – The Sunny Coast Hinterland

151 km's – Approx 4 hours. Speeds up to 80 km per hour.

Friday 28th March 2025 Departing at 0930 am – Ride Start Location 7

Field Marshall: Mario Chetcuti 0427 018 770
Lead Rider: David Fitch
Mid Rider: Adrian Cassar
Tail Rider: Dan Barwick
Competent First Aider: Vanessa Bradley
Breakdown Vehicle: Mario Chetcuti



RIDE 3 – Hugging Petrie Creek

Slow ride for classic scooters up to 60 k/phr. 60.5 km's Approx. 1.5 hours

Friday 28th March 2025 Departing at 0200 pm – Ride Start Location 7

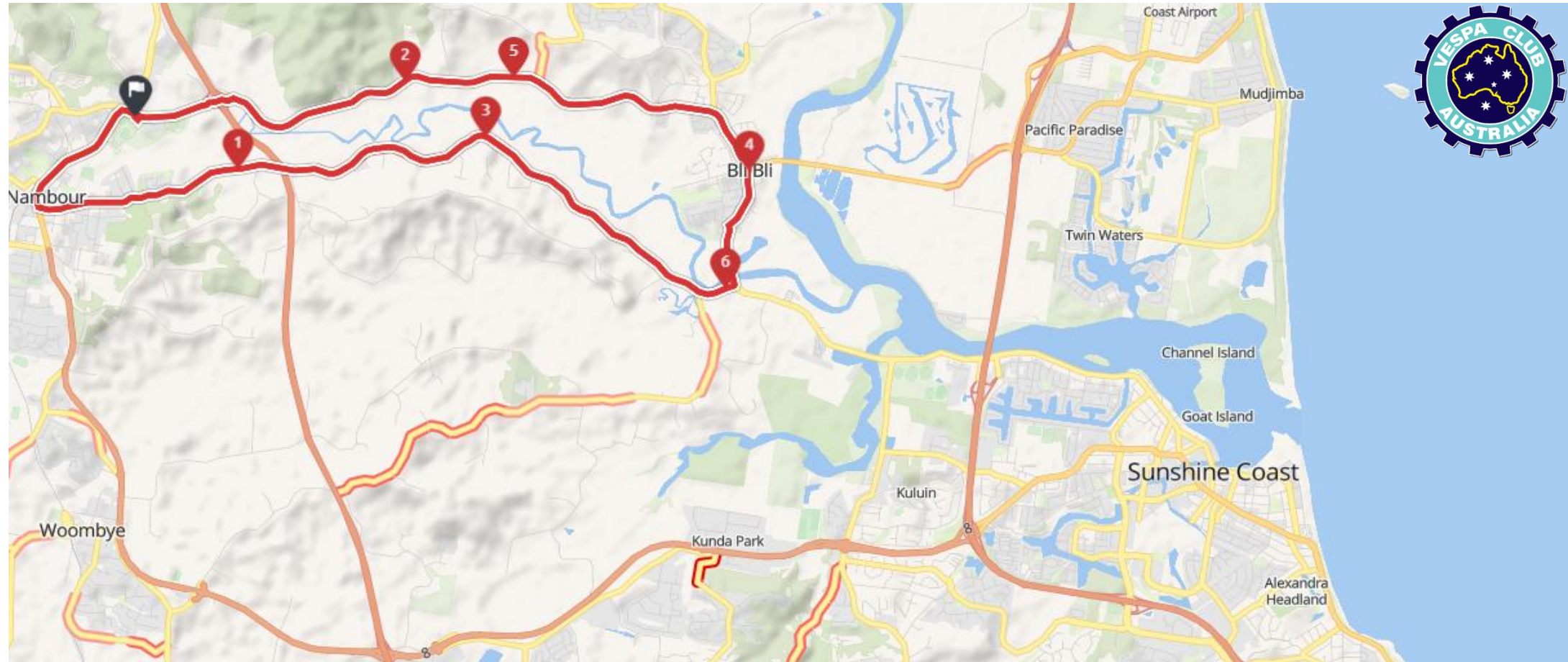
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Lead Rider: Dan Barwick

Tail Rider: Ian Geach

Competent First Aider: Marcus Zammit

Breakdown Vehicle: Mario Chetcuti



RIDE 4 – The Slow Twisty Sunny Coaster.

35 km's – Approx 1.0 hours. Speeds up to 60 km per hour.

Saturday 29th March 2025 Departing at 0930 am – Ride Start Location 7

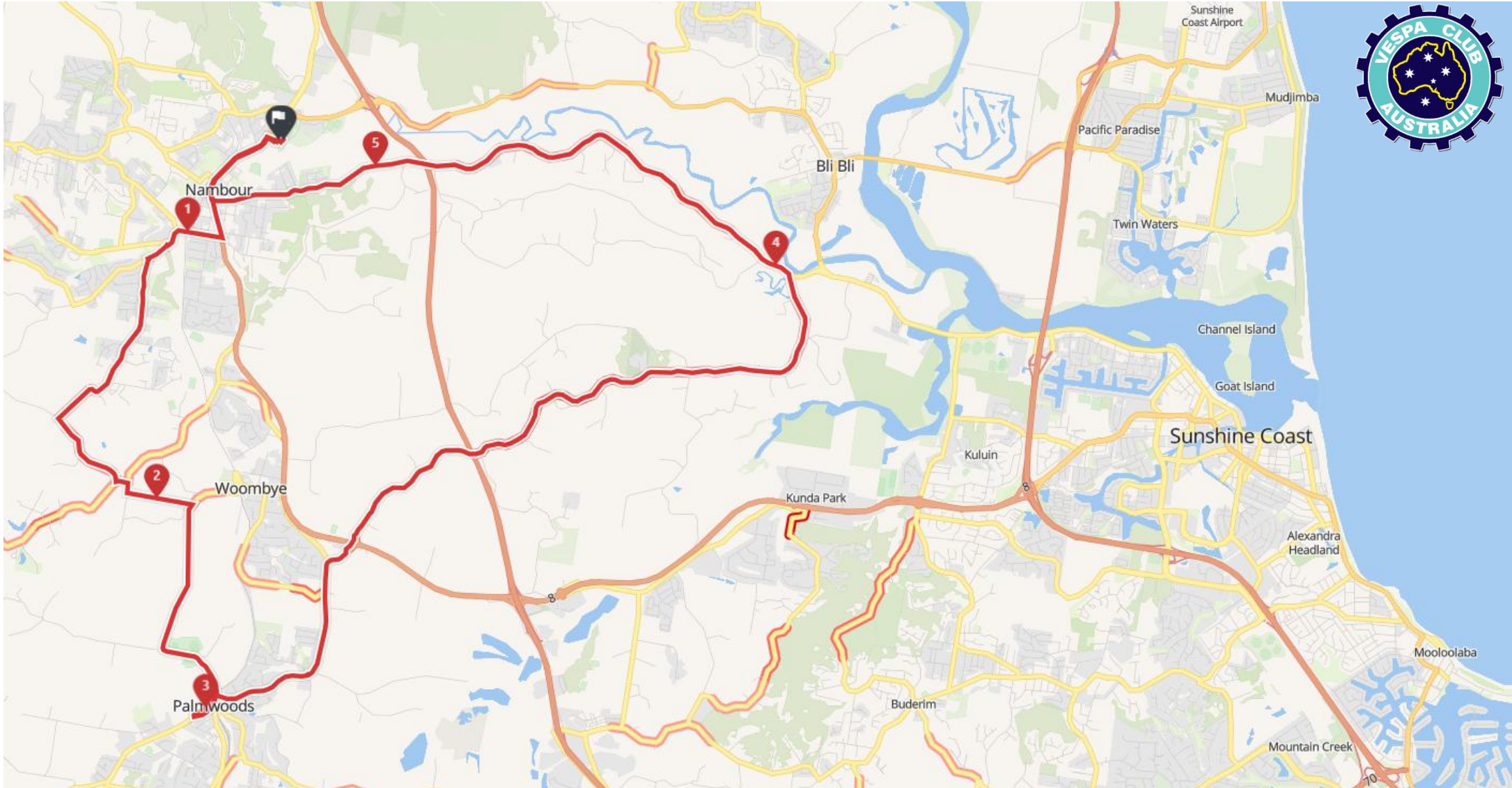
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Lead Rider: David Fitch

Tail Rider: Ian Geach

Competent First Aider: Greg Bradley

Breakdown Vehicle: Mario Chetcuti

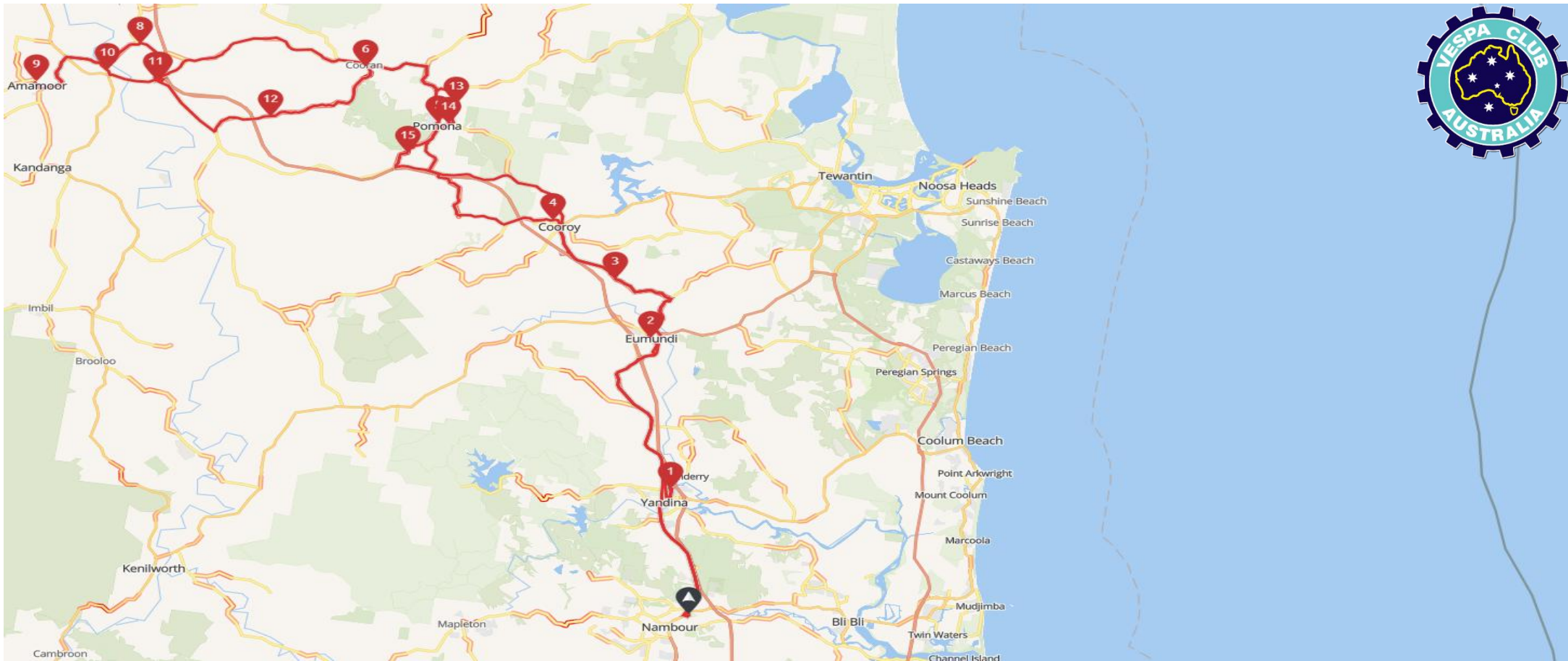


RIDE 5 – The Mary Valley Rattler

Approx 144km's. Speeds up to 80K/per hour. 2 small sections of road at 100K/phr but not busy.
Approx 5 hours with three stops (inc fuel stop).

Saturday 29th March 2025 Departing at 0830 am – Ride Start Location 7.

Field Marshall: Vanessa Bradley 0407 028 872
Lead Rider: Ziko Hart
Mid Rider: Will Smith
Tail Rider: Craig Samson
Competent First Aider: Greg Bradley
Breakdown Vehicle: Mario Chetcuti



The Mary Valley Rattler

As we leave Nambour Showgrounds, we head to Yandina famous for the Ginger Factory and awesome coffee shops. Then onto the town of Eumundi and its famous markets which we go past on the way down. Then onto Eumundi Range Road with spectacular views of the valleys below and ,mountain ranges, then through the small town of Cooroy and onto great windey roads to the small village of Pomona, Cooran and Traveston where we stop for fuel at the Matilda Service Station about 75 kms from Nambour. You are advised to fuel up at this location if you do not have enough fuel for your run back to Nambour. Time for a photo shoot here with Matilda the Kangaroo, our mascot at the 1988 Commonwealth Games in Brisbane.

Then onto our destination Amamoor where we will stop at the Village Café and Railway Station where you will see the arrival of the Mary Valley Rattler Steam Train. The train arrives at the station and then has to turn its locomotive on the steam powered turntable prior to coupling and departing. The Café boasts a menu that is completely home made.

RIDE 6 – The Presidents Cavalcade Farewell Ride

For all scooter types. 46.5 kms. Approx 1 hour. Led by the Presidents of the nine Australian Vespa Clubs.

Sunday 30th March 2025 Departing at 0900 am – Ride Start Location Main Oval Gates. Couple of laps of Main oval then depart. Ride Start Location 9.

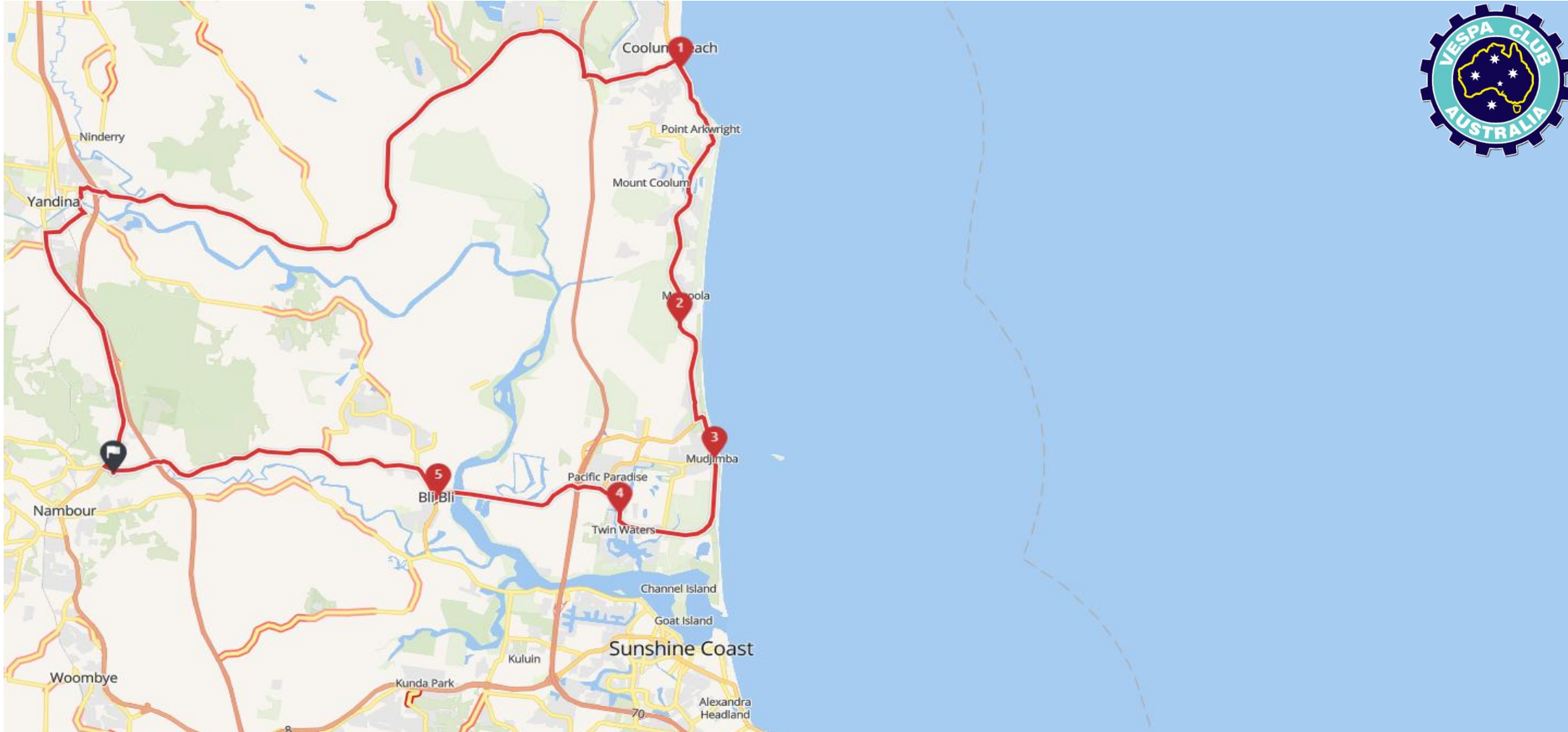
Field Marshall: Mario Chetcuti 0427 018 770

Lead Rider: Christopher Brown

Tail Rider: Jessica Bradley

Competent First Aider: Greg Bradley

Breakdown Vehicle: Mario Chetcuti





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Main Entrance



Registration Rotunda

Ray Grace Pavillion



Main Stage
Vespa Australia
Member Scooters
Supplier Tents



Jim Carolan Pavillion

Food, Coffee, Gelato Vans
First Aid
Eating Area



Amenities



Camping / Parking



Event Rally Ride Start Point



Rally Ride Exit



Start – Presidents Cavalcade Ride
Sunday 30th March 2025



