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Choppers cut through the morning air to deliver toys and hope

Wagga erupted with a familiar rumble at the weekend that brought elated children and curious residents out to their front curb for a look at what the commotion was about. Hundreds of thundering choppers cut the warm Saturday morning air, with them carrying hope and happiness in the form of a teddy or two for needy children across the city. Continued: Page 2



LOUD NOISES: More than 200 motorbikes sweep past the Victory Memorial Gardens on Saturday for the annual Toy Run. Picture: Kieran L Tilly

Bikers toy with festive cheer ride

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More than 200 motorbike riders and passengers took three hours to ride through Wagga for the annual Combined Riders of Wagga Toy Run.

"People were waving and clapping and cheering and carrying on," committee president Pat Combs said.

"We get a lot of favourable response from the public.

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The toy run raised \$4000 on Saturday from generous donations from the community, including \$1000 collected from inmates at the Junee Correctional Centre.

Mr Combs said \$15,000 worth of toys was donated to the Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul at this year's event.

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by members of The Ulysses Club and The Harley Owners Group but is open to anyone with a motorbike and current licence.

The money will be used as a starting point for next year.