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Club Meets: Second Wednesday of the Month at the Cleveland Bay, Eaglescliffe
Rideouts: April to October. Meet for 10am start at Yarm Town Hall every Sunday (1)

CLUB NEWSLETTER September 2020

Ramblings: Missed August due to holidays, great to get away in our shed on wheels. Dumfries & Galloway is good biking country not much traffic and some interesting roads. Lots of historic places to visit, but it does have, cafes, pubs & accommodation.

Ken our Chairman has resigned due to ill health, sad to lose your services Ken you have been one of our stalwarts since I joined the club in 2000.

I issued an email asking for submissions of proposals for our AGM in January from those who would like to be our next Chairman. It may be that you didn't receive it or my machine has failed to collect the multitude of replies. Come on guys don't be shy, it's not a difficult job & a handover will be arranged over a few beers (covid permitting). We can't have a chairless club. There must be one of you who could take it on.

Many thanks John Angus for doing a farewell to Glyn Jones, a popular member who passed to sky riding earlier this year. He will be sadly missed.

Pie & Peas evening. Next one deferred due to CV 19

Barbeque . Cancelled

NEC Coach Trip. Cancelled

Xmas Party: With the current covid restrictions it would seem unlikely that we will be able to hold our Christmas party.

Forthcoming Events (latest additions in Bold). **No new additions until the virus has gone**

The Club Website. www.yarmmotorcycleclub.co.uk. Stephen Pratt is the new Webmaster of our Club Website. So give him your support and send in lots of info for him to include. Send in your pictures, articles of interest, forthcoming events, and items for sale and wanted. STEPHEN is the site moderator; he has the final responsibility for what appears on the site.

BMF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DEAL CONTINUED FOR 2020

The BMF. Why not join the BMF as an individual member and save yourself and the Club money? Strengthen the membership base of the BMF and give it more clout in working for riders' rights. Convert to Full Membership at a £5 reduction in the normal fee AND make £5 for the Club. The joining fee will be £26, and the club will receive a payback of £5 for every member recruited. The payback to the club will be in the form of a credit note to be cashed in exchange for part of their affiliation fee for the forthcoming year. Speak to the Club Secretary for details and Application forms.

Club Logo Shirts. Shirts with the Club Logo are available from Elizabeth Embroidery, Stockton. All shirts are of excellent quality and in a range of colours. The Tee Shirt is available in a micro-fibre type material. For further details and ordering see Allan Coverdale. **You can also take your own garments to have the club logo embroidered by Elizabeth's Embroidery, Stockton on Tees. Tel: 01642 674 973.**

Club Badges. Allan Coverdale has Club Badges available at £8 each. These are quality items and will improve the appearance of your jacket/t-shirt/underpants/whatever!

Ride-Out Programme. There are Ride-Outs every Sunday and on public holidays. We are now meeting at Yarm Station and riding in groups of six. I feel much safer from Covid when I am on my bike, than in a supermarket. Hope to join you before the end of the season.

Potholes!!! They are everywhere and ruining everyone's driving experience. So when you see one report it to the council then they have to repair it. The BMF have announced that the Government is at last doing a pothole survey using delivery firms, highways bods & councils. They will use this data to direct funds to the most potholes areas. So send in loads of pothole reports or we could lose out on road repair funding. Should we also report badly sealed joints as these lead to quick deterioration of roads & create tramlines that are bad for bikers

The Biker Guide. Want to know more about biker-friendly accommodation, cafes, camping, events and squillions of other things related to biking? Check out www.thebikerguide.co.uk

Bike Meets: Don't worry I will put them all back when we can go out again

FAREWELL TO GLYN JONES

It is with great sadness that we report the passing of our friend and founder member of Yarm Motorcycling Club.

Glyn started biking in the 1980's on a scooter when he worked at North Tees General Hospital. He then bought a Honda 500 cc (nicknamed "The Pig") which he kept for years and travelled many miles. Glyn, Steve and I had many rides out to Helmsley, stopping half way for a smoke. We used to attend Donnington Park to watch the Moto GP and World Superbikes. We also went to Knockhill, Cadwell Park and Donnington Park for the British Superbikes. Local races were held at Oliver's Mount, Croft and Elvington where we would later in the day end up in the Union Arms or Cleveland Bay for big discussions about the racing while enjoying a few pints.

Later on in years Glyn bought a Honda VFR 750, and later a BMW R850. He travelled with his friend Alan Wren abroad to Romania, Hungary, Poland, Czech Republic, Germany and Italy. On other trips with Yarm Club members travelled to France, Northern Ireland, Wales, Scotland, Switzerland, Austria, Holland and Belgium.

We later heard that a week following Glyn's death, his wife Beryl also died. This was very sad news for the family. Glyn did not wish to have a biking escort at his funeral but we were all upset that we were unable to attend the funeral due to Covid 19.

Glyn will be sadly missed by all this friends at Yarm Motorcycling Club. He had time for everyone and was very well liked by all who knew him. We have stories that will be remembered for many years to come.

GLYN, REST IN PEACE



Debonair as always & raring to go. Ansi 2008



Never saw Glyn in any other gear except a rainsuit on top



A rare photo of Beryl & Glyn together on the way to Assen. With Dot & John who is hiding behind Allan Coverdale

BE ADVISED:

- Avoid crowded spaces= Ride Motorcycles
 - Do not use public transportation =Ride Motorcycles
 - Well ventilated spaces are virus free = Ride Motorcycles
 - Protect your nose and mouth = Ride Motorcycles
 - Recommended use of Gloves = Ride Motorcycles
 - Try not to touch contaminated surfaces = Don't let anyone touch your Motorcycle
 - Avoid shaking hands = Do not remove your gloves when getting off the Motorcycle
 - Keep a Safe distance from people who sneeze or cough = Ride Motorcycles
 - Maintain a positive and prudent attitude = Only way to ride a Motorcycle
- *Feel Free to Share this Important Information

Stay safe guys and consider motorists and people who live where you go. We need some good press. So follow the BMF guidelines (also the Governments)

No groups bigger than 6, better you & a buddy or two.

Toilets are considered a high risk area (small space bad air & highly contaminated even without covid)

They are probably not open anyway. So pee in a bottle or fertilise a hedgerow discreetly.

Of course ramblers never trespass or walk through crops, dog walkers never let their dogs worry sheep or defecate in crops especially grass for silage. (Dog poo ingested by cows causes them to abort their calves.)

Cyclists can ,as we all know, be especially arrogant and inconsiderate by riding two or three abreast totally ignoring the traffic piling up behind them. They also often speed down hills in the middle of narrow roads, I have had several near misses due to this problem both on two wheels and four.

Ramblers and cyclists can congregate in large groups and also need to park their cars, drink, eat and go to the loo; so in these restricted times where do they do that?

Always without causing any disruption to villages or blocking any roads.

Beware at Starbotton if going from Kettlewell there is always some kind motorists who park on the road just past a left hander when going into the village. It also means that you may have a problem avoiding oncoming traffic so take care. You could leave a polite message under their wipers. Makes you feel better.

Due to an absolutely underwhelming response our new competition is suspended thanks to those brave enough to send me photos of themselves. What about some proposals for a competition if you didn't like that one. You could even say you don't want one, at least that would be a response.

Olivers Mount 2020 jack Fowler

Good weekend of racing in near perfect weather conditions

8 races and 8 finishes, getting faster in each race and working his way through the very competitive Gold Cup entry

Considering Jack has little experience of Oliver's Mount he did very well with a best finish of 9th, considering the riders in front were all very good TT riders this was very positive.

First race started in what we thought was going to be damp under the trees but after fitting the wet tyres the track was effectively dry and caused Jack a few "clenched butt moments" but at least he finished



Jeffries



Braking for the Mere

The End Game.

Tony has kit for an Africa Twin for sale but I have misplaced his email so can't show you the pics. Tony could you resend it so I can put out an ad for you. You could also send it to Stephen Pratt to put in the ads section of the website.

Send your piccies of trips, days out & rideouts to both Allan Coverdale and Stephen Pratt for the club website & photo archive

With all the holidays & rideouts that have taken place over the summer there must be lots of pics & articles just waiting for me, send your stuff in as it will be a long winter so I will need loads of stuff to publish.

Now it's 'Goodnight' from the two Bs

Please message me or email if you would like something putting in the newsletter.

There is no deadline...you either make the next issue or you don't!

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