

YARM MOTORCYCLING CLUB NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 2009

Hi Folks. News from a recent visit to see our Chairman 'post-op' is very good. Les looked incredibly well and is being spoilt rotten by his mum and sister. Keep up the recovery Les and looking forward to seeing you back in the old routine.

Summer (officially 'cancelled' today, 29 July, by the Met Office) is whizzing along and it feels like I've hardly been out on the bike. Mind you, I ride to work every day so I often don't feel like just going out for a ride! I went to Leicester on Saturday 25th to attend the BMF Council meeting – more about that later on. I missed the MotoGP on Sunday even though I was just 'next door' the day before! I made the decision a while back not to go if there is a threat of rain, having spent 2 previous outings there soaked to the skin. Anyway, I watched it on the TV and what a thrilling race it was! Even though I went even further down the Fantasy Race League I was rooting for Rossi and was impressed with his determination to get points. Apologies for the late publication of the CG125 For Sale further down the newsletter. I had a big problem opening up Photo Shop, in fact it wouldn't work at all! I had to reduce the size of the Ad from 8Mbytes as it was impossible to email the newsletter with it that size. Removing the licensed Norton 360 program solved it.

Anyway, enough of my dribble, on with the Newsletter.

Committee Meeting. Wednesday 2nd September 2009 at 8.30pm in the Cleveland Bay.

Forthcoming Events. (latest additions in Bold). **Let me know of any event you would like publicising.**

Aug 1st	Can you help putting up the Gazebo for Ridewell??
Aug 2	Ridewell. Preston Park
Aug 6 to 9	Bulldog Bash, Shakespeare County Raceway, Warwickshire
Aug 16	Bikewise at Durham Police HQ
Aug 22 – Sep 4	Manx GP
Sep 12	Bol d'Or 24 Hour (lasts about a day then!)
Sep 18 to 20	Goodwood Revival, Goodwood, West Sussex
Sept 19/20 th	BMF Tail End Rally, East of England Showground
Oct 2 to 5	MCN Live, Butlins, Skegness
OCT 10	BMF AGM, Norwich
Oct 17/18	Classic MC Mechanics Bike Show, Stafford County Show Ground. ST18 0BD
Oct 25	British Summertime Ends
Nov 8	MOTOGP Valencia...the end of the racing season...boo hoo!
Nov 27 to Dec 6	NEC International Motorcycle and Scooter Show. <u>CLUB RUN ON 3 DEC</u>
Dec 27	Christmas Dinner, Cleveland Bay
<u>2010</u>	
Apr 24/25	Carole Nash Classic Show, Stafford County Show Ground

The Club Website. Steve Watts has recently updated the club website. Visit the Club Website at www.freewebs.com/yarmmcc/. If you have stuff for sale or an event to promote then this is the place to put it for wide coverage. Send your material to Steve Watts on swatts@ntlworld.com. Check out via the Guestbook when you have finished your comments.

Police Kill Twice as many Motorists! The number of people killed in road crashes while being pursued by police has almost doubled in a year. The figure leapt from 24 deaths in 2007 to 40 in 2008. The police have been told to improve car pursuit safety and motorbikes should be tailed in 'exceptional' cases only the Independent Police Commission stated. Most of those who died were being pursued for stealing vehicles, so I guess there is some 'natural selection' going on here! If someone steals my bike I would hope they do get chased, and if they crash, well tough luck.

Police Fail to Ban the Bulldog Bash. Warwickshire Police failed in their efforts to get the Bulldog Bash banned. Stratford Council rejected the application on the grounds that the evidence presented did not warrant a review of the decision made in 2008 to extend the Bulldog Bash Licence to 2018. Hurrah! The guys raise a fortune for charities so wish them luck over the weekend 6-9 August. I would love to go and have an 'Ogri Experience' but somehow feel I may not be free! Anyway, I can only walk a few yards before my back/legs give up due to a trapped nerve. I might make it to Ridewell...just!

Man in Florida Reports Son Missing in Order to Find Stolen Bike. Shawn Ivory didn't think the police were trying hard enough to find his missing bike so he claimed that his 1-year old son was abducted by the same thieves who stole the bike. The son was found 2 hours later, with his mother, who had been asked by Ivory to take him out for the day! Ivory is now facing a charge of filing a false report and wasting police time. The bike is still missing! (Motorcycle Monthly July)

For Sale GIVI Top Box and 2 Side Panniers, with mountings to fit VFR 800. As new. £300. Tel: 07931816812 or contact Steve Griffiths 01642 350640.

Road Safety GB. The re-branding of the Local Authority Road Safety Officers Association to Road Safety GB is a bid to make the title more memorable to people outside the profession. The organisation is campaigning on 4 key issues, namely driver behaviour, impairment through drink and drugs, motorcyclists, and vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and the elderly. There is a new website at www.roadsafetygb.org.uk.

For Sale: 1 one-piece set of Figo leathers size 46. Red/Black & silver. Worn twice. Bargain at £80.00. See Tony Petrie for details/picture at Club meetings or call Brian (Secretary). Telephone no. at bottom of Newsletter.

Royal Enfield Trials Bike Goes Fuel Injection. Inspired by success in the International Six Days Trial in the post-war years Royal Enfield has given its popular Trials model the new fuel injected engine. The unit produces 27.5hp and meets Euro 3 emission requirements. The Trials EFI sells for £4499 OTR.

For Sale: Yamaha FZ1 Fazer. 2006 model. Blue. 6200 miles. Fitted with Crash Bungs, Heated Grips, Belly pan and Fender Extender. Full Service History. 5 months MOT. Contact Dave on 01388 720601(H) or 07983525502 (M). Also contact Club Secretary – Brian.

Triumph Thunderbird Cruiser Takes Off. The new bike from Triumph is being well received by all who try it. It goes, it handles and stops. Some Harley owners have criticised the radiator as being too big, detracting from the engine looks – but that’s all! The bike is being regarded as a true multipurpose machine. The 1599cc parallel twin pumps out 85 bhp via its 6-speed gearbox and pulls cleanly from 1500rpm in overdrive top gear (50mph) without snatch or grab. Loads of options are available from Triumph dealers around the country – about £7000 worth if you go for the lot! Get saving.

BMF Council Meeting. A lot of ground was covered at the meeting, which lasted from 11am to 5.15pm last Saturday! Main points of note are:

Clubs to lodge a copy of their Constitution when re-affiliating in the New Year. (Will discuss this matter at the next Committee Meeting).

Clubs to get discount on bulk buying of show tickets. E.g. 5 for the price of 4.

Clubs can advertise noteworthy events in Rider magazine.

Encourage clubs to submit articles to Rider magazine.

Need to recruit more members to the BMF, particularly individual members.

Tail End Show likely to move in 2010. Future of ALL shows being discussed by the Management Team in the near future.

BMF to celebrate 50th Anniversary in 2010.

Remember that the BMF exists to fight for Riders Rights. There are a number of issues being fought on our behalf: Use of Bus Lanes; European legislation on driving licences; Inclusion in country-wide transport plans; parking charges – and many more. Check Rider magazine if you get a chance and visit the website at www.bmf.co.uk.

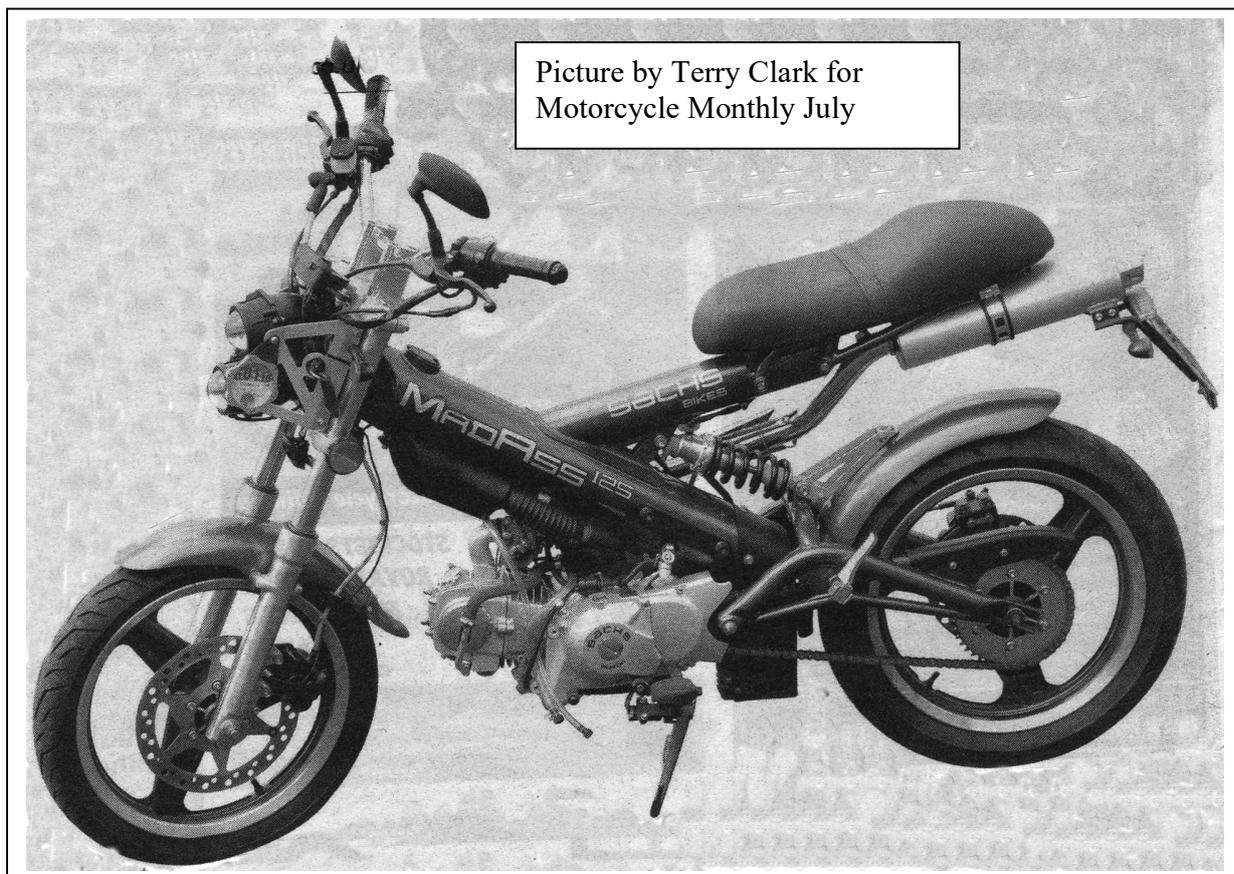
YOUR BMF NEEDS YOU!

Code of Practice to Save Off Road Events. A new Code of Practice has been published by the Auto-Cycle Union, the Amateur Motorcycle Association and the Motorcycle Industry Association. The Code sets out the recommended conditions and requirements for the organisation and running of all off-road events. It specifically aims to protect the landowner, participants, the local community and the environment. By controlling the impact of motorcycle sport, the safety and the enjoyment of all participants and other stakeholders, visitors and the local community can be protected over the long term.

No hint has been given as to where a copy of the Code of Practice can be obtained but I suggest that you try LARA and the TRF in addition to the organisations listed above if you are interested.

Has That Bike Got a Hidden History? The latest research from HPI reveals that one in five motorcycles has a hidden history. To check if the bike of your dreams has outstanding finance, has previously been written off or just want to check the mileage, go to www.hpicheck.com or call 01722 422 422.

Funky Moped to Kick Ass. Sachs have produced a moped which rocks! Called the MADASS it comes in 125cc or 50cc at around £1600 and £1400 respectively. It has an open tubular frame and banana swingarm –a bit reminiscent of monkey bikes of yore. It will make you want to be sooo baaaaad! To give it more street cred is the underseat exhaust although the seat itself is good for a few miles only! The 125cc model can reach 60mph and does 100mpg. It is real easy to ride and can be stored in a caravan with no problems. You can get information on it from Three Cross Motorcycles in Dorset. You can email at sales_enquiries@3x-motorcycles.co.uk or phone 01202 810200.



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Insure Your Bike for a Day. FlexiRider Insurance can cover, your bike for 1 to 28 days if you wish. Underwritten by AVIVA (formerly Norwich Union) and Chaucer Insurance, you can contact them via the website www.flexirider.co.uk



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Gimmee the Right Tools. On the way home from the BMF Council Meeting I called in to see a friend at Chesterfield. I filled up with petrol just before parking up at the friends house on a very steep hill. I stopped facing uphill and put the side stand down. As I got off the bike the side stand snapped off and the bike fell in a heap, with the engine bars, handguards, left mirror, rear bodywork and left indicator hitting the kerb! AAARRRRGGGHHH! The engine bars and handguards (metal mounting frame!) saved the day otherwise I would have lost the clutch lever and cracked the engine casing. As it is the mirror was very loose and slightly cracked, the bodywork has a bit of a 'graunch' on it and the left indicator lens and body was broken. I picked the bike up relatively easily using a technique I learnt after dropping the FJ1200 with full fuel! After fitting a new bulb and taping the indicator together I had a rideable bike. Thank goodness I had a tank full of fuel as it could have got difficult getting on and off the bike with no sidestand and limited hip swing....bugger this getting old lark! Moral is, protect what you can – you just never know what might happen.

The End Game. Morris returns from the doctor and tells his wife that the doctor has told him that he has only 24 hours to live. Given the prognosis, Morris asks his wife for sex. Naturally, she agrees, so they make love. About 6 hours later, the husband goes to his wife and says, 'Honey, you know I now have only 18 hours to live. Could we please do it one more time?' Of course, the wife agrees, and they do it again. Later, as the man gets into bed, he looks at his watch and realizes that he now has only 8 hours left. He touches his wife's shoulder and asks, 'Honey, please... just one more time before I die.' She says, 'Of course, Dear,' and they make love for the third time. After this session, the wife rolls over and falls to sleep. Morris, however, worried about his impending death, tosses and turns, until he's down to 4 more hours. He taps his wife, who rouses. 'Honey, I have only 4 more hours. Do you think we could...!' At this point the wife sits up and says, 'Listen Morris, enough is enough I have to get up in the morning... you don't!'

A man was in bed with his new girlfriend from California. After having great sex, she spent the next hour just scratching his balls, something she seemed to love to do. As he was enjoying it, he turned and asked her, "Why do you love doing that?" "Because," she replied "I really miss mine."

Seamus and Murphy fancied a pint or two but didn't have a lot of money between them; they could only raise the staggering sum of one Euro. Murphy said 'Hang on, I have an idea.' He went next door to the butcher's shop and came out with one large sausage. Seamus said 'Are you crazy? Now we don't have any money at all!' Murphy replied, 'Don't worry - just follow me.' He went into the pub where he immediately ordered two pints of Guinness and two glasses of Jameson Whisky. Seamus said 'Now you've totally lost it. Do you know how much trouble we will be in? We haven't got any money!!' Murphy replied, with a smile. 'Don't worry; I have a plan, Cheers!' They downed their Drinks. Murphy said, 'OK, I'll stick the sausage through my zipper and you go on your knees and put it in your mouth.' The barman noticed them, went berserk, and threw them out. They continued this, pub after pub, getting more and more drunk, all for free. At the tenth pub Seamus said 'Murphy - I don't think I can do any more of this. I'm drunk and me knees are killing me!' Murphy said, 'How do you think I feel? I can't even remember which pub I lost the sausage in.'

Wot! Not Got a Computer? This newsletter contains quite a few references to web sites and email addresses. Where there are alternatives such as phone numbers or mailing addresses I will publish them. Get advice from Committee member Steve Watts if you are planning to go 'digital'.

Here are the Sunday Runs for the next few weeks:

--YARM MC
RUN

M -- MOTO GP

W -- WORLD S'BIKES

B -- BRITISH S'BIKES

DATE		SUNDAY RUNS VENUE	RACING	VENUE
02-Aug	#	RIDEWELL SHOW		
09-Aug	#	Helmsley/CastleHoward/Sherburn Bike Café		
16-Aug	#	Threlkeld /Grassmere / Kendal	M	Czech _ Brno
23-Aug	#	Stanhope / Middleton Teasdale		
30-Aug	#	Howstein Gorge / Hawes ? Leyburn	M+ B	Indiapolis,US + Cadwell (29th Apr)
06-Sep	#	North Yorkshire Moors Grosmont Area	M + W	Misano,Italy + TBC Germany
13-Sep	#	Durham Dale Area (Bishops Country)		

And it's 'Goodnight' from him. Please call me if you would like something putting in the newsletter.

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

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