



Cleveland Bay, Yarm. Second Wednesday of the month

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### CLUB NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2011

It has been a dark and dank November, but at least we didn't suffer too much frost and snow. As usual the weathermen got the long range prediction completely wrong! We can only hope we don't get a winter as bad as last year's and that the Santa Run is completed as scheduled. Look on the bright side; in less than 5 weeks time it will be 2012, many New Year Resolutions will have 'gone down the pan' and in another 15 weeks the clocks will be moving forward to Summer time! On the darker side it is not good to hear that the Councils have thousands of tons of Rock Salt ready to grit the roads and turn your bikes into a pile of rust.

Some glum news about Croft in MCN. There will be no BSB programme for 2012; apparently it is not going to be ready to host the event. Instead the round will be held on the TT circuit at Assen. See end of the newsletter for the 2012 Racing Calendar.

The Speaker for the December meeting is Les Wright on The Tees Pumping Station.

**Club Night**  
**Committee Meeting**  
**Annual General Meeting**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012**  
**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

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

Dec 3 Zoe's Place Santa Ride.

Dec 17 Zoe's Place Santa Ride – Standby day.

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**Jan 8 Christmas/New Year Lunch at Cafe 85, Yarm**

Jan 7/8 2012 Classic Bike Guide Winter Show, Newark County Showground. Meet Steve Plater.

**Feb 2 – 5 MCN Motorcycle Show, EXCEL, London**

Feb 18/19 32<sup>nd</sup> Carole Nash Bristol Classic Motorcycle show

Apr 28/29 International Classic Motorcycle show, Stafford Showground

Mar 10/11 The Scottish Motorcycle Show, The Highland Centre, Edinburgh

May 12/13 The Great Scottish Bike Show, The Lanark Agricultural Centre

May 18-20 BMF Show, Peterborough

**May 19 NorthWest 200. NB. Ferry NOT from Stranraer**

Jul 6-8 BMF Kelso Bikefest

**Jul 6-8 Festival of 1000 Bikes. Go to [www.vmcc.net/1000bikes](http://www.vmcc.net/1000bikes) for more information.**

Sep 14-16 BMF Tailend Rally, Peterborough

Dec 1/2 The Scottish Dirt Bike Show, The Lanark Agricultural Centre

**The Club Website.** Visit the Club Website at [www.freewebs.com/yarmmcc/](http://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](mailto:swatts@ntlworld.com). Check out via the Guestbook when you have finished your comments.

**The BMF.** Why not join the BMF as an individual member and save yourself and the Club money? In order to strengthen the membership base of the BMF and thus give it more clout in working for riders' rights, the Club Member Conversion Scheme has been introduced. As an Affiliate Member of the BMF through the club, you can convert to Full Membership at a £5 reduction in the normal fee AND make a further £5 for the Club. The joining fee will be £21, reduced from £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.

The Yarm Motorcycling Club is affiliated to the BMF. For details of the BMF go to [www.bmf.co.uk](http://www.bmf.co.uk)

**Annual General Meeting.** Just a reminder about the AGM. If you wish to change anything in the Constitution you must have the proposal(s) submitted to the Committee at least 30 days prior to the meeting.

**Motorcycle Servicing.** Remember Steve of Bloodrunners? Well, Steve has moved from Trackside Motorcycles and is in the process of setting up his own shop. More news as events unfold.

**Steve (Bloodrunner) Sorts ZZR600.** The ZZR600 has been languishing in the garage for about 3 years now. After fitting new valve shims the darn thing just wouldn't run. Every time I moved the throttle the engine stopped! I guessed it was a carb problem and fiddled with various settings after cleaning all the jets out. Oh well, after several aborted attempts I gave up. However, after talking to Steve I was convinced it was worth pursuing. Besides, I badly needed the garage tidying up as there were body parts all over the place; I hadn't seen the floor for years! Thankfully, after a few hours work Steve got it running ok and having now got it fully assembled and insured it is just about ready for an MOT. Fingers crossed.

**Talk by REEVU UK Representatives.** At the November club meeting the members were treated to a talk on the REEVU Helmets by Mac Francis and Mike Wilkinson of Reevu UK. The helmets are unique and innovative and should prove a boon to any rider in any situation. Here is what the team had to say after their visit:

Mac Francis, Mike Wilkinson and the Reevu UK team would like to thank the 'Yarm Motorcycling Club' organisers and its members for their hosting the RVMSX1 demonstration evening on Wednesday 9<sup>TH</sup> August at the Cleveland Bay Hotel, Yarm Road, Eaglescliffe. It was a perfect evening and we were welcomed by a very courteous audience; a personal thanks to John Angus for his coordination and his kind gesture of "getting the beers in", the sandwiches as well as giving us a bottle of whisky and wine for our efforts; a tittle for when you get back home is always appreciated!

We had most of the members / attendees wishing to try the RVMSX1 and most providing a very positive response. Many members said they would certainly give the RVMSX1 some serious consideration when ready to buy their next helmet. We hope they do!

We would like to thank all of the attendees / members who did appreciate the quality and safety features of the RVMSX1, for their genuine interest and kind remarks about our new Rear View Helmet.

***The more vision you have, the safer you will ride!***

*A conventional motorcycle helmet gives the rider no means whatsoever of seeing behind them and most motorbike wing mirrors are very limited in the rear view they provide. Our RVMSX1 is no ordinary motorcycle helmet, it is the world's first and only helmet with a built in rear view mirror system that gives the rider much more rear vision thus more control and confidence to manoeuvre over and above all other conventional motorcycle helmets. Just like the centre rear view mirror in a motorcar, a rider uses it in conjunction with their wing mirrors, providing the rider with more awareness of what's around them, in particular*

*of what's coming up behind them, something the rider has never had the benefit of before when riding a motorcycle.*

*Regardless of the benefits of having the additional rear view with our helmets, it is in no way whatsoever a substitute for wing mirrors nor the all important lifesaver manoeuvre of looking over your shoulder.*

*Our helmet is already preventing accidents and saving lives throughout the world and not just because of the rear view mirror system. The RVMSX1 helmet is also renowned as one of the most comfortable, best fitting, quietest, aerodynamic and best ventilated helmets in the world, all equally important to provide a more comfortable, relaxed, more enjoyable thus safer ride for the biker.*

For those who may wish to buy an RVMSX1 in the future, please call Mike Wilkinson on 07738 422 680

On behalf of Reevu UK ; may we wish you all a safe and enjoyable riding experience!

Mac Francis  
Reevu UK

**New Biker in the Lake District.** A motorcycle hire company is opening the first ever proper biker cafe in the Lake District on 3December. The cafe, based on the petrol station at Crosthwaite near Keswick, will be called 'The Filling Station Cafe.' The cafe is in the style of the '50s and with lots of black and white biking photos on the walls. For your GPS type in post code CA12 5PR.

**Riders CRASH Card.** A 'CRASH' card for bikers is available from an Essex Ambulance Motorcycle group. The card, with some of your basic details, is placed inside your helmet and a small green sticker is fixed the outside of the helmet to alert ambulance crews. The card is growing in popularity in both the USA and UK. The card is growing in popularity in both the USA and UK. To get your card got to [www.ambulancemotorcycleclub.150m.com](http://www.ambulancemotorcycleclub.150m.com).

**Stitch Up – Get Your Leathers Fixed.** A new shop has opened up in Darlington at the corner of Post House Wynd and Skinnergate (73A Skinnergate). The shop can do all kinds of repairs to clothing and accessories, including motorcycle leathers. If you suffer a zip or press-stud failure or find that your leathers 'shrink' in the wardrobe, give this place a try. Telephone Stitch Up on 01325 461005.

**THE END GAME.** Theme for this month is more (badder?) Political Incorrectness (this newsletter is for bikers; it is not a recipe for fairy cakes!):

If you think life is crap, imagine what it's like to be an egg. You only get laid once; you get smashed only once, and the only bird to sit on your face is your mother!

A new type of biscuit has just been released on the market. The biscuits are called 'Clitoris Creams' and after just one lick it is guaranteed that you will want to eat the whole box! Apparently the ginger ones are an acquired taste!

Kermit the Frog took his computer to a repair shop. The staff were concerned about the large number of pictures of Miss Piggy posing in the nude on various lily pads and grassy banks. The 'Naughty Police' were called in to investigate. The police said it was the worst case of Frog Spawn they have ever seen!

Today I found my first pubic hair. Normally it wouldn't bother me, but I did find it in a locally made sausage roll!

Over the years we have lost Johnny Cash, Bob Hope, Steve Jobs and Jimmy Saville. Now there is no money, no work, no hope and nobody to fix it!

A guy goes to the supermarket and notices an attractive woman waving at him. She says "Hello!" He's rather taken aback because he can't place where he knows her from. So he says, 'Do you know me?' To which she replies, "I think you're the father of one of my kids." Now his mind travels back to the only time he has ever been unfaithful to his wife and says, 'Are you the stripper from the bachelor party that I had sex with on the pool table with all my buddies watching while your partner whipped my butt with wet celery?' She looks into his eyes and says calmly, "No, I'm your son's teacher."

Simple Men: The phone rang for the fourth time that night and the husband picked it up in a rage. He listened for a moment and then bellowed "How the hell would I know? You want the weather centre you berk!" "Who was that, darling?" asked his wife, innocently. "I don't know, some twerp asking if the coast was clear!"

Man goes to an ironmongers to get some screws. "How long do you want them?" asked the shopkeeper. "Well, actually, I was hoping to keep them," he replied.

Man falls overboard from a cruise ship and is washed up on a desert island. The only inhabitant on the island was a beautiful woman, who nursed him back to health. When he had fully recovered she asked him if he would like to play a round. He looked at her in astonishment and replied, "I can't believe my luck. All this and you've got a set of golf clubs too!"

"Mr Petersen, I have listened very carefully to your case," said the divorce judge, "and I have decided to award your wife £450 a month." "Well, thank you very much Your Honour, that seems very generous," replied Mr Petersen. "I'll try and throw a couple of quid in myself each month."

A pregnant woman comes round in a hospital ward several weeks after a serious car crash. "Congratulations Mrs Brown, you gave birth to twins last week. They are being looked after by your brother" says the doctor. "Oh no!" she wails, knowing that her brother is a bit of an idiot. "What has he called them?" The doctor replies, "He's called the girl Denise." "Oh, that's nice," she says thankfully, "and what has he called the boy?" "De nephew."

The demolition crew are getting on well, razing the old building to ground level. Eventually only the cellar is left and when the crew entered the one remaining room they were horrified to see a skeleton in the corner. All that was left were the bones and a bright green sash, which read:"Irish Hide and Seek Championship Finals 1949."

What's the difference between a man and a supermarket trolley? A supermarket trolley has a mind of its own.

Women! A recent survey has shown that 1 in 3 women are just as stupid as the other 2.

**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 Steve Watts if you are planning to go 'digital'.

**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: **brian.burke2@btopenworld.com** or phone me – 01325 721669 (Answerphone on). Mobile 07517 605614.

**THE 2012 RACING CALENDAR.****Always confirm fixture before travelling!**

<b>Date</b>	<b>MotoGP</b>	<b>WSB</b>	<b>BSB</b>
Feb 26		Phillip Island	
Apr 1		Imola	
Apr 6 – 9			Brands Hatch Indy
Apr 13 – 15			Thruxton
Apr 15	Qatar (evening race)		
Apr 22		Assen	
Apr 29	Jerez		
May 5 – 7			Oulton Park
May 6	Estoril	Monza	
May 13		Donington	
May 20	Le Mans		
May 25 - 27			Snetterton 300
May 28		Miller Park, USA	
Jun 3	Catalunya		
Jun 10		San Marino	
Jun 17	Silverstone		
Jun 22 - 24			Knockhill
Jun 30	Assen		
Jul 1		Aragon	
Jul 6 – 8			Oulton Park
Jul 8	Germany TBD		
Jul 15	Mugello		
Jul 20 - 22			Brands Hatch GP
Jul 22		Brno	
Jul 29	Laguna Seca		
Aug 5		Silverstone	
Aug 19	Indianapolis		
Aug 25 – 27			Cadwell Park
Aug 26	Brno	Moscow	
Sep 7 – 9			Donington Park GP
Sep 9		Nurburgring	
Sep 16	San Marino		
Sep 21 - 23			Assen TT Circuit
Sep 23		Portimao	
Sep 28 – 30			Silverstone GP
Sep 30	Aragon		
Oct 7		Magny Cours	
Oct 12 – 14			Brands Hatch GP
Oct 14	Motegi		
Oct 21	Sepang		
Oct 28	Phillip Island		
Nov 11	Valencia		