



Cleveland Bay, Yarm. Second Wednesday of the month

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CLUB NEWSLETTER APRIL 2012

The last couple of weeks have been just great biking weather and I've managed to get out every day, enjoying blasting past cars and trucks. I popped in to see Steve at Crofton Court Motorcycles the other day. I heard that he had suffered injury after falling off a ladder at the workshop. He was repairing the roof after some scumbags had tried to break into the premises. Fortunately the only thing broken was his pride although he had to be on crutches for a while. I don't fancy the scumbags chances if Steve gets hold of them before the police do! While I was there I decided to get the bike MOT'd; it was a few days early but what the hell. The BMW went through with no problems whatsoever; the only comment was that it needed cleaning! Well, I have been using it a lot lately and, having sprayed it with ACF50 a few weeks ago, all the dust and crap was stuck to it! I promise to wash it before the year is out!

While on the subject, the map to get to Steve's place is "upside down" in that North is at the bottom! I realised that when I went under the A19 and ended up near the chemical works! If you go to the shop from the Stockton end of Portrack you turn right at the first set of traffic lights (at ARCO).

Oh yes, the MOT form has changed; I've scanned a copy which is further down the newsletter. Make sure the tester gives you the full A4-size form and hasn't ripped off the Advisory section.

Committee Meeting: 2nd May
Club Meetings: 11th April. 9th May

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

Apr 11	Yarm MC – Teasdale Motorcycles present Moto Guzzis. See, Learn, Ride
Apr 15	Spring National Road Races, Oliver's Mount
Apr 20-22	Club Camping Weekend at Marthrown of Mabie.
Apr 28/29	International Classic Motorcycle show, Stafford Showground
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. Now from CAINRYAN.
Jun 16	Boundary 500 – The Boundary Run
Jun 17	Boundary Classic Run
Jun 24	Barry Sheene Road Race Festival, Oliver's Mount
Jun 30 to Jul 1	National Road Rally
Jul 6-8	BMF Kelso Bikefest
Jul 6-8	Festival of 1000 Bikes. Go to www.vmcc.net/1000bikes
Jul 21/22	Cock O' the North Continental Road Races, Oliver's Mount
Jul 21/22	Billing Bikefest. Aquadrome, Northampton. Details on www.billingbikefest.com
Jul 27/28	Armoy Road races, Northern Island. Meet Gut Martin, Michael Dunlop and others.
Aug 18 – Sep 2	Manx Grand Prix Festival, IOM

Aug 25 Speedway GP, Cardiff Millenium Dome. Visit www.speedwaygp.com
Aug 31 – Sep 2 Triumph Live Event, Mallory Park. Live bands, stunt shows, racing, demo rides etc
Sep 8 Brighton Speed Trials and Burn Up. Mods and Rockers! See Ace Cafe diary.
Sep 14-16 BMF Tailend Rally, Peterborough
Sep 14-16 Goodwood Revival, West Sussex. Visit www.goodwood.co.uk
Sep 15/16 Steve Henshaw International Gold Cup, Oliver's Mount
Dec 1/2 The Scottish Dirt Bike Show, The Lanark Agricultural Centre
Dec 8 Zoe's Place Santa Ride. Reserve day 15th Dec.

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.

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

Riding in France. From Allan Wren. There has been a good deal of debate in the forums concerning the situation with speed camera data in France. It would not satisfy the new legislation if camera locations were classed as 'danger zones' as they would still represent a defined location. No satnavs support POI zones for third party data, as yet.

The legislation requires that police can only inspect your devices after seeking a warrant, or if you are under arrest. So, in reality there is little to worry about. The legislation serves to force manufacturers, who sell in France, to remove the data, and this has already happened.

New Camping Supplier. From Allen Wren. Allen has a friend who is in the process of setting up an on-line camping supply business aimed particularly at bikers. The site is currently undergoing construction but is on-line at the below url: <http://thetentguys.co.uk/> or just type The Tent Guys into Google

Marthrown of Mabie Club Rally. Rally dates are 20th - 22nd April. You can get details of the campsite at www.marthrownofmabie.com/

Speakers. Your Speaker for April is a presentation by Andy Walker, the owner of Teasdale Motorcycles. **Andy will be bringing along 3 Moto-Guzzi for you to test ride, sit on and play with. The bikes are: 1200 Norge GT, the Stelvio NTX and the Grisso SE. Andy will give an overview of his business and a presentation of the Moto Guzzi history, brand and development. He's then open to a Q&A session.**

Rideouts. After last years' successful rideout programme Allan Coverdale has come up with a list of dates for the next series this year. The format will be the same as before, where a member agrees to lead a ride on

the Sunday following the Club meeting. The only exception will be in August when the run will be to Cadwell Park on the 27th.

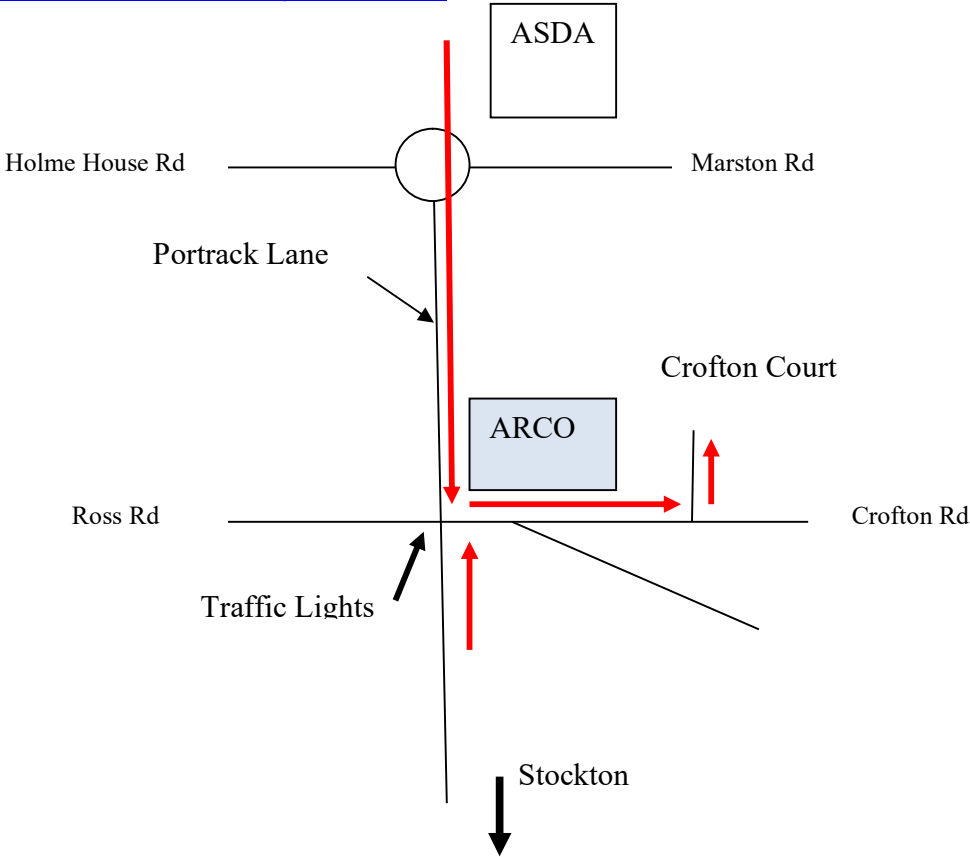
Date	Leader	Comment
25 March		
15 April		
13 May		
17 June		
15 July		
27 August		Run to Cadwell Park. Depart 0600!
16 September		
14 October		

New Bike Workshop Opens in Stockton

See Steve at:
Crofton Court Motorcycles Ltd
4 Crofton Court
Portrack Lane
Stockton on Tees TS18 2QR

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Club Member's Book of Poems. The Club has plenty of talent about. Chris Robinson has written a number of entertaining stories which have been published in cooperation with the Easingwold Writers. Les Cairns has written a series of poems which have been collated in book form and is now on sale. The poems have received high acclaim and you should get your copy soonest. Order your copy from Les. Proceeds from the sale of books will go to the Butterwick Hospice.

Items for Sale. I have some items for sale as I am trying to make some space in my garage.

- Axle Stands x 2. Heavy Duty (1500Kg per stand) as new. £10
- Car Ramps – free with above axle stands else £2 the pair.
- Tree saw. 4 foot with handle at each end. £10
- Small electric drill (like a Dremel) with attachments. Woolworths model. Mains powered. £5
- Sony Cassette Recorder with power supply. Like new. £5
- Tape Measure. Leather covered (antique) 66ft. £5
- Circular Saw blades. 14 assorted grades. Some new. £10
- Air Horns (twin). Just needs tubing £5 (wake up those dozy sods on their mobile phones!)
- Steering Lock for car. Halfords model with 2 keys.
- Warning Triangle. Folds up. £1
- Corner cramps. 4 off. £5
- Long cramp (2 ft). £5
- Electric Planer with spare blades. £10

Band Saw (small) £10
Gas Heater portable with large Calor Gas bottle £10
Call 01325 721669 or 07517605614

THE END GAME. Theme for this month is 'Education'.

A professor is discussing human reproduction with his students. "Bob, once a baby is born can you name three advantages of using mother's milk?" he asks. Bob replies, "Well...it gives the baby better protection from germs, it's full of vitamins and minerals and erm...." The professor turns to the student next to Bob. "Darren, can you think of a third advantage?" "Yes sir – it comes in such attractive packaging."

"Alice, you're late," said the teacher crossly. "Sorry Miss, I had to walk to school today." "Alright, just sit down and get your geography book out, we're looking at the British Isles. Now, can anyone tell me where the Scottish border is?" "Yes Miss," said Alice. "He is in bed with my mum. That's why I had to walk to school today!"

Mother complained, "You'll have to speak to our Colin, Ted. It's the third time this week he's not come straight home from school. Seems to think he can turn up when he likes." So Ted spoke to his son. "Sorry Dad, I'm late home because I have sex with my teacher," he said. "Aye, well, sowing your wild oats is all part of growing up I suppose. Just don't go upsetting your mum. Now, off you go. I know, why don't you take your bike out?" "I can't Dad," he replied, "my arse is still sore!"

"Right, now listen everyone," said the teacher. "Tomorrow is your most important exam. You must be there. No excuses will be accepted unless it's severe illness or family bereavement. Do you understand?" "Yes," they chorused. "What about sexual exhaustion?" called a voice from the back of the classroom. As everyone laughed, the teacher replied, "Not to worry, you can always use your other hand to write."

...and just by way of a change.... the Colonel was waiting for the Corporal to sort out the coffee before starting to brief his officers on the plan of the day. Before getting on to the main subject, he stated that he was a bit tired as he had had a very physical night with his lovely wife. He then asked, "Do you think having sex is work or pleasure?" "Captain Smythe, what do you think?" "Well Sir," he replied, "I believe it is 75% work and 25% pleasure." "Fine," said the Colonel. "And what do you think Lieutenant Brown?" "Sir, I think it is 50% work and 50% pleasure." "OK" said the Colonel, "And what do you think Second Lieutenant Davis?" "I think it is 25% work and 75% pleasure." "Very good," said the Colonel. Just then the Corporal walked in with 34 coffees on a trolley. "Ah, Corporal," said the Colonel. "What do you think about sexual intercourse – work or pleasure?" "Sir, it is all pleasure, because if there was any work involved all the officers would have me doing it!"

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 may be on). Mobile 07517 605614.