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CLUB NEWSLETTER MARCH 2013

Spring has finally arrived although you can hardly believe it. Temperatures are still below the seasonal norm and there's plenty of salt and grit on the roads.

Don't forget to take it easy on the bike if you haven't ridden much through the winter and therefore rusty through lack of practice. Grip at these low temperatures is not good and of course the cold will slowly drain your energy and concentration if you don't wrap up properly. I wear a thermal base layer, a Keiss heated jacket with 4-levels of temperature control, waterproof pants over my leather trousers to keep the cold wind at bay and a balaclava and neck-tube to keep the wind out of my neck area. I keep pretty warm with all that gear and although I wear good gloves and have heated grips and hand-guards on the bike, my fingers still get damn cold! My next move is to get heated gloves. Anyway, it's going to be cold riding for a few more weeks yet so wear or carry sufficient clothing just in case.

You will notice the Rideout Table below; it has lots of spaces so why not join in and take a 'Lead'. It doesn't have to be somewhere where we haven't been before, and don't worry if you think it's going to rain or we get lost. It all adds to the camaraderie and fraternity that makes us a club!

I went to the BMF Council meeting the other weekend. It was actually a good meeting, with a lot of stuff covered. A summary is included in this newsletter.

Forthcoming Meetings:	6 Mar Committee Meeting
	13 Mar General Club Meeting
	10 April General Club Meeting
	1 May Committee Meeting
	8 May General club Meeting

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

9-10 Mar	Scottish Motorcycle Show, Royal Highland Centre, Ingliston, Edinburgh.
15 Mar	Let's Talk Bikes at the City Hall, Newcastle.
23/24 Mar	Manchester Bike Show at Event City (next to the Trafford Centre).
31Mar/1Apr	Tees Cottage Pumping Station Open for Easter. £4.50 entry (£3.50 concession)
1 Apr	First Day of trains on the Lintley Line, South Dale Railway.
7-8 Apr	Kirkby Stephen, Classic Commercial Vehicle Rally.
20 Apr	BMF Council Mtg
20/21 Apr	Ally Pally Show. See www.allypallybikeshow.com
21 Apr	Gold Cup, Oliver's Mount
27-28 Apr	Carole Nash International Classic Show
10-12 May	Cumbria Bike Show in aid of the GNAAS. Camping, competitions etc. Kirkbride Airfield Check out www.cumbriabikeshow.co.uk for more info.
11-12 May	Carole Nash Great Scottish Bike Show

12-18 May	Northwest 200
17-19 May	BMF May Show, Peterborough Arena
18/19 May	Tees Cottage Pumping Station Open
25 May-8 Jun	IOM TT
7-13 Jun	Appleby Horse Fair
15/16 Jun	Barry Sheene w/end. Oliver's Mount
22/23 Jun	Tees Cottage Pumping Station Open
22-23 Jun	Carole Nash Newark Bike Bonanza
5-7 Jul	National Road Rally. Final Control station at Squire's Cafe and 4 others.
5-7 Jul	BMF Kelso Bikefest, Borders Union Showground
5-7 Jul	Goodwood Festival of Speed.
13-14 Jul	VMCC Festival of 1000 Bikes. Mallory Park. Ride your own classic on the circuit Trent. Bars, Discos, Hog Roast, Live Bands, Trade stands. davesilburn.rep@thenabd.org.uk
20 Jul	BMF Council Mtg
21 Jul	Cock o' the North at Oliver's Mount
28 July	Bikewise, Aykley Heads, Durham
28 Jul	Trials at Penrith
11 Aug	Ridewell, Preston Park
15-18 Aug	Sixth Hop & Barley Rally, Shobnail Sports & Leisure Club, Burton
17 Aug-1 Sep	Isle of Man Festival of Motorcycling (formerly known as the Manx Grand Prix)
20 Aug	Steam Car Club of Gt. Britain visit South Tyne Dale Railway.
6-7 Sep	Carole Nash Eurojumble
13-15 Sep	BMF Tailend, Peterborough Arena
14/15 Sep	Tees Cottage Pumping Station Heritage Weekend. Free Entry (no engines running)
14/15 Sep	International Gold Cup, Oliver's Mount
13-15 Sep	Goodwood Revival
19 Oct	Scott Trial, Richmond
19-20 Oct	Classic Motorcycle Mechanics Show
23 Nov/1 Dec	NEC Motorcycle Live.
28 Nov	Yarm MC Coach Trip to NEC

The Club Website. www.yarmmotorcycleclub.co.uk. See the work done by Allan Wren. This is the Club's website and needs your inputs. Send in your pictures, articles of interest, forthcoming events, items for sale and wanted. Allan is the site moderator; he has the final responsibility for what appears on the site.

BMF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DEAL CONTINUED FOR 2013

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

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Yarm MC Members especially Welcome

Car Care UK Discount. Nigel Sigsworth, our new Committee Member (remember the AGM?), has arranged a deal with Car Care UK in Eaglescliffe for parts, tools and servicing packages at "Cost + 10%". The shop is run by Adam, who also does deliveries, so it is worth checking first before going to the shop to make sure it is open. To get the discount you to produce a current club membership card. The details of the shop are: Car Care UK, 5 Station Road, Eaglescliffe, TS16 0BU. Tel: 01642 927696. www.carcareuk.co.uk. Opening hours are: Mon to Wed 9 – 6. Thurs to Sat 9 – 5.

Rideouts 2013

Date	Lead Rider	Remarks (Route/Destination etc)
31 March (BST begins)		
14 April	Brian Burke	Bridlington via back roads (Ice cream at Nottarianni's)
12 May		
16 June		
14 July		
18 Aug		
15 Sep		
13 Oct (BST ends 27 Oct)		

Camping Gear for You. Allan Wren (Biker of the Year 2012) is a well-travelled biker and uses The Tent Guys for top quality gear. You too can take of a great offer extended to club members. Go to website: <http://www.thetentguys.eu/> and get some great bargains. Quote discount code **YMC-10-7S367** after making your selection. Club members get a 10% discount.



FOR SALE

Aprilia 125cc. 2009 fully restricted 34bhp. 3 owners. 4000 miles. £2150.00.
Contact Club Member Tony Petrie on 07983556772

Summary of BMF Council Meeting 23 February, 2013

The following covers the salient points from the meeting held at the Fosse Riders club room, Leicester on Saturday, 23 Feb.

1. National Road Rally. BMF is planning the 2014 and 2015 Kelso Bikefest dates so as not to clash with the National Road Rally. It was stated at the meeting that the rally organisers have published the dates for the following 2 years although I was unable to find these on the National Road Rally website!
2. The Mulberry Group. The group organise the BMF shows and have been tasked to give the Kelso Bikefest a 'wow-factor'. Last year's show was a bit of a washout, and the site is restricted in size, making it a challenge to improve it.

Concerns were raised on the deposit required by clubs displaying at the shows (£100 refundable at 5pm on the Sunday), fire certificates and health and safety issues. Mulberry have been asked to clarify these matters.

3. Historic Vehicles. During discussions on the EU Type Approval the subject of historic vehicles was raised. Clarification is needed on whether or not these will be subject to roadworthiness checks (MOTs) if they are not 100% fitted with original parts. E.g. modified electrics, improved braking systems etc. Chris Hodder, the government liaison member of the BMF will be asked to look into this.
4. FEMA. It is now well known that the BMF is in arrears with FEMA regarding annual fees. The BMF is already paying off the debt with monthly payments plus making quarterly payments for 2013. The aim will be to pay off the debt asap so that voting rights can be granted again. It is recognised that it is essential to the BMF that it has a say on EU matters affecting motorcycling as there is no doubt in anyone's mind that the EU really does matter. Regardless of what we think about the EU, manufacturers are not going to produce motorcycles that do not meet agree EU regulations. It is for this reason that countries such as Iceland, Norway and Switzerland, although not members of the EU, are paid up members of FEMA.

FEMA is currently looking at the implementation of the Type Approval regulations, Intelligent Transport Systems and Roadworthiness Testing. Chris Hodder is keeping an eye on these plus he is a member of several committees, including the FIM and Transport for London to ensure that our needs are represented. He is also looking into the Driving Test Centres (lack of!) mess caused by the Driving Standards Agency. Reports will be passed on to you as and when I get the material.

5. BMF Finances. For the first time in several years, the BMF emerged from 2012 with a profit, albeit small. This has been achieved through careful planning in order to get value for money, particular with contracts, and with paring down the full-time staff. With the work done by Mulberry at promoting the shows and the Area Reps recruiting members we can do better.
6. BMF Website. The BMF website (bmf.co.uk) is not particularly good in so far it is often out of date and not very friendly. The Management Team is keen to promote the associated website which is for the Rider Magazine: <http://ridermagazine.co.uk/> as this site is much more user-friendly and has the latest information on BMF matters. A link is available on the main BMF website.

7. Region 2. When you visit the Rider magazine website there is nothing available for our region. Over the next few days (probably weeks due my busy life!) I intend to input information about events gathered from your club websites. That' all for now folks. Safe riding.

Autojumbles. (Repeated from last month's newsletter) Here are some details of Autojumbles in our area:

Rufforth. First Saturday of the month. Entrance fee £4.

York. Second Saturday of the month. Free entry. A Bike Auction starts at 11am. Cafe on site. Turn left at the Junction of the A64 South onto A166 to Stamford Bridge/Bridlington. Turn into site a couple of hundred yard on the left. GPS data – Murton YO19 5GF.

Scorton. Third Saturday of the month. Entrance fee payable. £3? Cafe on site.

THE END GAME Harley and Vaseline. Joe wanted to buy a motorcycle. He doesn't have much luck, until one day, he comes across a Harley with a 'for sale' sign on it. The bike looks better than a new one, although it is 10 years old. It's shiny and in mint condition. He buys it and asks the seller how he kept it in such great condition for 10 years. 'Well, it's quite simple,' says the seller, 'whenever the bike is outside and it's gonna rain, rub Vaseline on the chrome. It protects it from the rain, and he hands Joe a jar of Vaseline. That night, his girlfriend, Sandra, invites him over to meet her parents. Naturally, they take the bike there. Just before they enter the house, Sandra stops him and says, 'I have to tell you something about my family. 'When we eat dinner, we don't talk. In fact, the FIRST person who says anything during dinner has to do the dishes.' 'No problem,' he says.. And in they go. Joe is shocked. Right in the middle of the living room is a huge stack of dirty dishes. In the kitchen is another huge stack of dishes. Piled up on the stairs, in the corridor, everywhere he looks. Dirty dishes. They sit down to dinner, and sure enough, no one says a word. As dinner progresses, Joe decides to take advantage of the situation. He leans over and kisses Sandra. No one says a word. He reaches over and fondles her breasts. Nobody says a word. So he stands up, grabs her, rips her clothes off, throws her on the table and screws her, right there in front of her parents. His girlfriend is a little flustered, her dad is obviously livid and her mom horrified when he sits back down, but no one says a word. He looks at her mom. She's got a great body too. Joe grabs mom, bends her over the table, pulls down her panties, and screws her every which way but loose right there on the dinner table. She has a big orgasm, & Joe sits down. His girlfriend is furious, her dad is boiling, & Mom is beaming from ear to ear. But still.... Total silence. All of a sudden there is a loud clap of thunder, and it starts to rain. Joe remembers his bike, so he pulls the jar of Vaseline from his pocket. Suddenly the father shouted. "OK! I'll do the bleedin' dishes!!

The Six Affairs: The 1st Affair - A married man was having an affair with his secretary. One day they went to her place and made love all afternoon. Exhausted, they fell asleep and woke up at 8 PM. The man hurriedly dressed and told his lover to take his shoes outside and rub them in the grass and dirt. He put on his shoes and drove home. 'Where have you been?' his wife demanded. 'I can't lie to you,' he replied, 'I'm having an affair with my secretary. We had sex all afternoon.' She looked down at his shoes and said: 'You lying bastard! You've been playing golf!'

The Second Affair - A middle-aged couple had two beautiful daughters but always talked about having a son. They decided to try one last time for the son they always wanted The wife got pregnant and delivered a healthy baby boy. The joyful father rushed to the nursery to see his new son. He was horrified at the ugliest child he had ever seen. He told his wife: 'There's no way I can be the father of this baby. Look at the two beautiful daughters I fathered! Have you been fooling around behind my back?' The wife smiled sweetly and replied: 'No, not this time!'

The 3rd Affair - A mortician was working late one night. He examined the body of Mr. Schwartz, about to be cremated, and made a startling discovery. Schwartz had the largest private part he had ever seen! 'I'm sorry Mr. Schwartz,' the mortician commented, 'I can't allow you to be cremated with such an impressive private part. It must be saved for posterity.' So, he removed it, stuffed it into his briefcase, and took it home. 'I have something to show you won't believe,' he said to his wife, opening his briefcase. 'My God!' the wife exclaimed, 'Schwartz is dead!'

The 4th Affair - A woman was in bed with her lover when she heard her husband opening the front door. 'Hurry,' she said, 'stand in the corner.' She rubbed baby oil all over him, then dusted him with talcum

powder. 'Don't move until I tell you,' she said. 'Pretend you're a statue.' 'What's this?' the husband inquired as he entered the room. 'Oh it's a statue,' she replied. 'The Smiths bought one and I liked it so I got one for us, too.' No more was said, not even when they went to bed. Around 2 AM the husband got up, went to the kitchen and returned with a sandwich and a beer. 'Here,' he said to the statue, 'have this. I stood like that for two days at the Smiths and nobody offered me a damned thing.'

The 5th Affair - A man walked into a cafe, went to the bar and ordered a beer. 'Certainly, Sir, that'll be one cent.' 'One Cent?' the man exclaimed. He glanced at the menu and asked: 'How much for a nice juicy steak and a bottle of wine?' 'A nickel,' the barman replied. 'A nickel?' exclaimed the man. 'Where's the guy who owns this place?' The bartender replied: 'Upstairs, with my wife.' The man asked: 'What's he doing upstairs with your wife?' The bartender replied: 'The same thing I'm doing to his business down here.'

The 6th & Best Affair - Jake was dying. His wife sat at the bedside. He looked up and said weakly: 'I have something I must confess.' 'There's no need to,' his wife replied. 'No,' he insisted, 'I want to die in peace. I slept with your sister, your best friend, her best friend, and your mother!' 'I know,' she replied. 'Now just rest and let the poison work.'

You can take a scouser out of Liverpool but you can't take Liverpool out of a scouser.

Teacher explains to her class that she is a Liverpool fan. She asks her students to raise their hands if they too are Liverpool fans. Everyone in the class raises their hand except one little girl. The teacher looks at the girl with surprise and says, 'Mary, why didn't you raise your hand?' 'Because I'm not a Liverpool fan,' she replied. The teacher, still shocked, asked, 'Well, if you are not a Liverpool fan, then who are you a fan of?' 'I am a Man United fan, and proud of it,' Mary replied. The teacher could not believe her ears. 'Mary, why, pray tell, why are you a Man United fan?' 'Because my mum is a Man United fan, and my dad is a Man United fan, so I'm a Man United fan too!' 'Well,' said the teacher in an obviously annoyed tone, 'that is no reason for you to be a Man United fan. You don't have to be just like your parents all of the time... What if your mum was a prostitute and your dad was a drug addict, what would you be then?' 'Then,' Mary smiled, 'I'd be a Liverpool fan.'

An Australian, an Irishman and a Scouser are in a bar. They're staring at another man sitting on his own at a table in the corner. He's so familiar, and not recognising him is driving them mad. They stare and stare, until suddenly the Irishman twigs: 'My God, it's Jesus!' Sure enough, it is Jesus, nursing a pint. Thrilled, they send him over a pint of Guinness, a pint of Fosters and a pint of bitter. Jesus accepts the drinks, smiles over at the three men, and drinks the pints slowly, one after another. After he's finished the drinks, Jesus approaches the trio. He reaches for the hand of the Irishman and shakes it, thanking him for the Guinness. When he lets go, the Irishman gives a cry of amazement: 'My God! The arthritis I've had for 30 years is gone. It's a miracle!' Jesus then shakes the Aussie's hand, thanking him for the lager. As he lets go, the man's eyes widen in shock. 'Strewth mate, the bad back I've had all my life is completely gone! It's A Miracle.' Jesus then approaches the Scouser who says, 'Back off, mate, I'm on disability benefit.'

A scouser walked into the local job centre, marched straight up to the Counter and said 'Hi, I'm looking for a job!'. The man behind the counter replied 'Your timing is amazing. We've just got one in from a very wealthy man who wants a chauffeur/bodyguard for his nymphomaniac twin daughters. You'll have to drive around in a big black Mercedes and wear the uniform provided. The hours are a bit long but the meals are provided. You also have to escort the young ladies on their Overseas holidays. The Salary package is £200,000 a year'. The Scouser said 'You're bullsh*tting me!'

The man behind the counter said 'Well you started it!'

Police cordoned off Liverpool City Centre this morning when a suspicious object was discovered in a car. It later turned out to be a current Tax Disc.

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.