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CLUB NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2014

Secretary's Ramblings. Your names are needed asap for the Christmas/New Year's party on 11 January. . Please let me have your names by latest at the December club meeting. Club members have priority over non-members. There event is free to members; £10 each to non-members.

It's AGM time again soon. Please note that if you wish to change anything in the club's Constitution it is necessary to submit your proposal in writing to the Committee by 14 December, in accordance with the Club Constitution.

It was disappointing to miss the NEC Motorcycle Live this year; the first time I've failed to attend for many years. Unfortunately Olwyn's 95 year old mum fell on the Friday (the day before I was due to go for the weekend with Tony and Roy) and broke her hip joint. I can't believe that she underwent a hip replacement on the Saturday and was back in the nursing home on the Tuesday. They must have made them pretty tough in the old days! The only saving grace about missing the NEC trip is that my liver got a reprieve and lives to fight another day.

Just in case you were absent at the November club meeting it was announced by the Chairman that the Door Fee would increase from £1 to £1.50. It has been £1 for the past 20 years and it is felt that this increase would help defray the costs of the raffle held every month (it's been making a loss since 'day one').

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

Club Meeting: Weds 10 December
Committee Mtg: Weds 7 January 2015
Annual Gen Mtg: Weds 14 January 2015

2015

3-4 Jan Carole Nash Classic Bike Guide Show @ Newark Showground
7 Jan Committee Meeting
11 Jan Christmas/New Year Party, The Crown Hotel, Kirklevington. Names to Secretary.
14 Jan AGM.
7-8 Feb Bristol Classic M'Cycle Show @ Bath & West Showground.
13-15 Feb MCN London Bike Show @ Excel Exhibition Centre.
28-29 Mar Manchester Bike Show @ Event City.
26-26 April 34th International Classic M'Cycle Show @ Staffordshire County Showground.

4-5 July National Road Rally. Get £1 discount using BMF Membership.
21-29 Nov Motorcycle Live, NEC Birmingham. Coach Trip 26 Nov.

The Club Website. www.yarrrmotorcycleclub.co.uk. The Club's website has been created by Allan Wren. Yours inputs would be most welcome. Send in your pictures, articles of interest, forthcoming events, and 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 2015

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 £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.

Club Logo Shirts. Shirts with the Club Logo are available from Elizabeth Embroidery, Stockton: Polo shirt: - £10.65 +VAT. Sweat Shirt: - £12.80 + VAT. Tee Shirt: - £9.10 + VAT. 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.**

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Zontes Motorcycles Dealer

Bike for Sale. Nigel Sigsworth is advertising his 'as new BMW F800ST for sale. Telephone numbers for Nigel are: Mobile 07771 558239. Home 01642 789984. It's on eBay and the link is shown below:
Ebay item number 291249644950.

<http://www.ebay.co.uk/itm/BMW-F800ST-3000-Miles-FBMWSH-Paniers-Autocomm-Phone-Sat-Nav-Connection-/291249644950?>

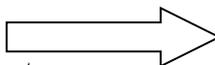
For Sale: BMW R850R 2003 (6-speed). Tax end May 2015. MOT: March 2015. 50,000 miles. PSH though mostly serviced by myself and Crofton Court Motorcycles, Stockton, for the past 4 years. Fitted with Maxxis tyres. Accessories include: Engine Bars, Hand-guards, Accessory socket, 45Litre Givi top box and BMW panniers. Baglux tank cover and tankbag. Factory-fitted heated grips.



£2,000 or will exchange for a lightweight motorcycle e.g. CBR600 / 650cc twin/ even 250cc or similar considered.

Contact Brian (Secretary) on 07517 605614 / 01325 721669.

Don't think you would get away with such an advert these days. As it is, some people cannot cope with Baa Baa Blacksheep!



Vital Heads Up. A recent article in The Independent covered the subject of 'head-up displays' (HUDs) for motorcyclists. Several HUDs are in development and a few have already hit the market. The Skully AR-1 (skullysystems.com) aptly demonstrates the level of demand for this technology. Having sought \$250,000 in pre-orders to make the HUD helmet a commercial reality, it received \$2.4m in funding – the Highest ever for a tech project on Indiegogo. The AR-1 is set for delivery in May 2015. It will be the first commercially available helmet with an integrated HUD. Users will be able to see behind them thanks to a near 180-degree view camera that also reveals what is in your blind spots. The system displays your speed, provides sat-nav directions and allows you to pair with a smart-phone and uses voice commands.

It is not the first HUD to reach the motorcycle market. Bikesystems BikeHUD (£396 plus fitting) can be retro-fitted to a full-face helmet. It doesn't offer rear views, but it does provide the basic riding necessities such as speed, gear and rpm.

While it is no HUD, the Reevu MKSX1 (£250) has an elegant solution to clearer rear observation. There are no batteries to charge and no power leads to tangle – just a mirror engineered into the shell that shows what is behind you when you look towards the top-edge of the visor.



Car Care UK in Stockton, opposite QuickFit Tel: 01642 927 696

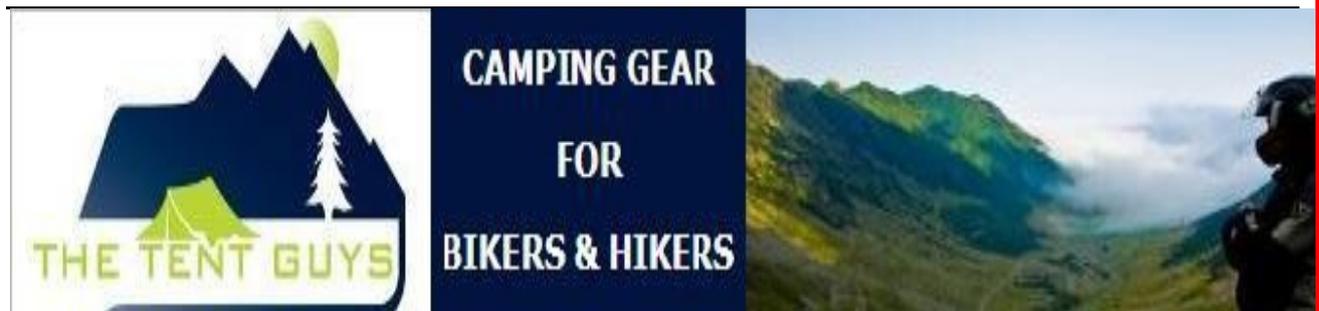
Call Adam at Car Care if you are after parts for your vehicle. A discount will be offered to club members equivalent to 'Cost Price plus 10%'. You must show a valid (current) club membership card to get the discount.



Four London youths pulled off a stunt of breathtaking bravado in order to gain revenge on a mobile speed camera. Three of the group approached the van and distracted the operator's attention by asking a series of questions about how the equipment worked and how many cars the operator could catch in a day. Meanwhile the fourth youth sneaked to the front of the vehicle and unscrewed the numberplate. After bidding the van operator goodbye, the friends returned home, fixed the number plate to their car and drove through the camera's radar at high speed 17 times. The automated billing system issued 17 speeding tickets to itself! Brilliant!

Camping Gear for You. Allan Wren (Biker of the Year 2011) 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.



Cottage in Wales for Rent: Cottage in Wales. Go to: <http://www.snowdropselfcateringcottage.co.uk/> Bikers are most welcome to stay!

Local Bike Meets:

- Sunday: Hartside Cafe, Alston, Cumbria.
- Tuesday: Route 59 Café at Hambleton, Bolton Abbey, BD23 6AF. (5 to 8pm 'til 26 Oct)
Stephen Billau & Sons Bike Night. Every Thursday 6pm to 9pm at the Destination Café in the Darlington Shop. Normal shopping facilities also open.

Tuesday: The Pit Stop, Stockton, 1825 Bovesfield Way.
Wednesday: The Manor Café, Bellerby near Leyburn.
Wednesday: Squire's Café, near Sherburn in Elmet.
Thursday: Whistle Stop Café, Whitby.
Saturday: Squire's Café, nr Sherburn in Elmet.
7 Days a week: Filling Station Café, 150 yards from A66 Roundabout at Keswick.

Computers. Want a computer with 3 GHz processor and 4 GBytes of RAM with Windows 7 Professional for around £90. The guy has other computers of similar spec' for similar prices and can also do repairs and upgrades. Contact Paul Lowther on 07595-346286.

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THE END GAME. The following are included with apologies to all Yorkshire people who tend to be offended by jokes which contain sexual content. However, in the cause of maintaining the right to free speech and for pursuing art at its highest level

CARDIOLOGIST FUNERAL. A very prestigious cardiologist died, and was given a very elaborate funeral by the hospital he worked for most of his life. A huge heart... covered in flowers stood behind the casket during the service as all the doctors from the hospital sat in awe. Following the eulogy, the heart opened, and the casket rolled inside. The heart then closed, sealing the doctor in the beautiful heart forever. At that point, one of the mourners just burst into laughter. When all eyes stared at him, he said, 'I'm so sorry... I was just thinking of my own funeral...I'm a gynaecologist!'

What's the difference is between Grandmothers and Grandfathers? Well, here it is: There was this loving grandfather who always made a special effort to spend time with his son's family on weekends. Every Saturday morning he would take his 5-year-old grandson out for a drive in the car for some quality time -- pancakes, ice cream, candy -- just him and his grandson. One particular Saturday, however, he had a terrible cold and could not get out of bed. He knew his grandson always looked forward to their drives and would be very disappointed. Luckily, his wife came to the rescue and said that she would take their grandson for his weekly drive and breakfast. When they returned, the little boy anxiously ran upstairs to see his grandfather who was still in bed. "Well, did you enjoy your ride with Grandma?" he asked. "Not really, Pa-Pa, it was boring. We didn't see a single asshole, piece of shit, horse's ass, left wing pinkos, dip shits or dickheads anywhere we went! We just drove around and Grandma smiled at everyone she saw. I really didn't have any fun."

A man walks into a bar with a pet monkey. While he's drinking the monkey looks round for something to eat. The monkey jumps up on the pool table, grabs the cue ball and swallows it whole. The man apologizes for the monkey's behaviour and leaves. Two weeks later the man and the monkey returns. While the man orders a drink the monkey runs around looking for something to eat. The bartender watches as the monkey grabs a cocktail cherry, examines it carefully, then pushes it in and out of its bottom before swallowing it whole. The bartender asks the man why the monkey would do such a thing. "Well," says the man. "Ever since he ate that cue ball he makes sure that whatever he eats comes out as easy as it went in."

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 01325 721669 (Answerphone may be on). Mobile 07517 605614.