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## **CLUB NEWSLETTER MARCH 2014**

I've finally relented and updated the club's logo. It was not only laziness that stopped me from doing it over the past 2 years, I always seemed to have something more important to do! Now I am retired I have all the time in the world (I wish!) to sort EVERYTHING out.

Thankfully we seem to have seen the worst of the rain. Although we haven't suffered as badly as the south-west of the country the roads are in an appalling state. I haven't seen so many potholes as there now. Even the road in the cul de sac where I live is coming apart despite the small volume of daily traffic. You can always go to your Council website and report damage to roads; they are obliged to take note if not actually do anything!

I think the rain over the past few weeks washed all the grease away from my centre stand on the BMW. I had a heck of a job 'parking' it out of the way; it was a two-handed pull to get it to clear the ground! Getting it off the bike was a 2-hour job instead of the ½ hour I thought it was going to be! By the time I'd cleaned everything up and re-greased it the whole afternoon had gone. Still, a job worth doing.

The 'BM' is no longer sitting lonely in the garage; I went and got another bike as I wanted something



easy to look after, lightweight, reasonably fast and might become a classic one day. I ended up with a '95 Kawasaki GPZ500S in excellent condition and with 15,000 miles on the clock. Fresh petrol in the tank and getting the carbs cleaned out is the priority job (new float valves needed). After a tune-up should be on the road again. Not a 'cat in hells chance' of keeping up with Bob Arnett on his BMW though .... might have to try some nitro injection! (I fancy that, but need a beefier engine)

There is an update to the MotoGP Race Calendar. The changes are: the Brazil venue has been deleted and the Aragon race has changed dates. Other races in October have changed. The corrected calendar is at the end of this newsletter. (Guess who got the wrong start date for the first WSB meeting AND is bottom of the Fantasy Road Race League!!)

So far have not had any inputs for the Leader Nominated Rideouts; see table further down this Newsletter. Come on and volunteer to take a lead; you may be surprised at your navigation and leadership skills (just need to know the compass points and apologise for any cock-ups).

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

Committee Meeting: Weds 5 Mar 14 Club Meeting: Weds 12 Mar

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2 Mar	Mablethorpe Sand Racing.			
2 Mar	Newark Car and Bike Jumble			
9 Mar	Teesside Auto 66 Clubman races			
8/9 Mar	Scottish Bike Show, Edinburgh			
22/23 Mar	Manchester Bike Show, EventCity, Phoenix Way, Manchester.			
28-31 Mar	MCN Biker Party at Skegness. Check out www.mcnlive.co.uk			
3-6 Apr Dent Long Weekend at High Laning, Dent, Cumbria.				
6 Apr	Newark Car and Bike Jumble.			
13 Apr	Olivers Mount Spring Cup Road Races (Poss Venue for Rideout?)			
27/27 Apr	Carole Nash International Classic Show, Stafford County Showground.			
2 – 4 May	Club Rally to Wales. Contact Chairman for details.			

3 – 4 May Olivers Mount Festival of Speed. Bike and Car Hill Climb

**5 May** Teesside Auto 66 Clubmans races 17/18 May BMF Show, Peterborough Showground.

8 Jun Newark Car and Bike Jumble

24 May- 7 Jun IOM TT Fortnight.

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**21/22 Jun**27-29 Jun
Olivers Mount Barry Sheene Road Race Festival
Triumph Cruisers Annual Meet at Dent, Yorkshire.

5/6 Jul BMF Kelso Bikefest.

**6 Jul** Teesside Auto 66 Clubman races 7 – 10 Jul Southern 100 Road Races, IOM

27 Jul Ace Cafe Stunt Festival and Streetfighter Show at Wembley Arena, London

16 – 29 Aug Manx Grand Prix, VMCC Rally & Classic TT Races.

17 Aug Olivers Mount Car and Bike Speed Hill Climb

31 Aug Teesside Auto 66 Clubman races

13/14 Sep BMF Show Tailend Rally, Peterborough Showground.

13/14 Sep Olivers Mount Gold Cup Road Races

<u>The Club Website</u>. <u>www.yarmmotorcycleclub.co.uk</u>. 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, 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 2014

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.

## **Camping Gear for Sale**

Offers are invited for the following: Two x 2-man tents (1 Dome, 1 Tunnel type). 2 x Sleeping Mats. 1 x Sleeping Bag. Gas Stove. Kettle with heavy alloy bottom!

## Contact Harry Beadle on 01642 781202

Advanced Stop Lines for Cyclists. It's a good idea to steer clear of the Advanced Stop Lines, which appear at many traffic-light junctions in towns. With a recent spate of accidents involving cyclists the police are being extra vigilante and will give you at least a warning if you are caught with your motorcycle in the box. It is against the law for anyone but cyclists to use these, with a possible £100 fine and 3 penalty points.

## **FOR SALE**

Honda CBF1000. '06 model. One owner. 29850 miles. FSH - Dealer maintained. New chain and sprockets at last service. 6mths Tax. 12mths MOT. £3000.00

Luggage:- 2 x 36 Litres Givi panniers. £75

1 x 36Litre Top Box £100

Contact Bert Reid. Tel 01642 617068

Club Logo Shirts. The following 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.

# **Crofton Court Motorcycles Ltd**

See Steve and crew.

Telephone: 01642 601795 / 07881276919

4 Crofton Court for Servicing, Repairs, MOT, Tyres and fitting

Portrack Lane

Stockton on Tees TS18 2QR www.croftoncourtmotorcyclesltd.co.uk

(Turn Right at the traffic lights at ARCO. Immediate Left after Burden's)

Now has executive rights on Maxxis Tyres in the area

Zontes Motorcycles Dealer

Yarm MC Members especially Welcome

<u>Vintage Japanese Motorcycle Club (extract from MCM)</u>. Founded in 1982 the VJMC champions every Japanese motorcycle aged 15 years or older. The club is affiliated to the Federation of Historic British Vehicle Clubs, which voices concerns whenever ill-conceived decisions are being considered that could impact on the use of our bikes.

Joining the VJMC will get you 6 copies a year of the club magazine 'Tansha' (Japanese for 'bike'). As well as great pictures there is a listing of clubs, specialist services, bikes and parts for sale. Go to <a href="www.vjmc.com">www.vjmc.com</a> or you can telephone: 01324 410519 for more information.

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#### For Sale





Bandit 600. Taxed till end of Feb 14. Tested till Aug. The mileage is 22000 and its 'R' reg. £!,000. Contact Tony Petrie at tony.petrie@yahoo.com

**For Rent**: Cottage in Wales. Go to: <a href="http://www.snowdropselfcateringcottage.co.uk/">http://www.snowdropselfcateringcottage.co.uk/</a> Bikers are most welcome to stay!

<u>Camping Gear for You</u>. 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: <a href="http://www.thetentguys.eu/">http://www.thetentguys.eu/</a> and get some great bargains.

Quote discount code YMC-10-7S367 after making your selection. Club members get a 10% discount.



# Car Care UK. Have Moved!! Now 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.

# FOR SALE

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

**Lead Rideouts** (nominally 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Club Meeting. Other dates optional for Leader) Please inform a Committee Member if you wish to lead a run.

Date	Lead Rider	Notes		
Mar 30		British Summer Time Starts		
April 13	Brian Burke	Let's get started! Hopefully no one gets left behind.		
Apr 18		Good Friday		
Apr 20		Easter Sunday		
Apr 21		Easter Monday		
May 5		Bank Holiday Monday		
May 18		2 <sup>nd</sup> Leader-nominated Rideout		
May 26		Spring Bank Holiday Monday		
Jun 15		3 <sup>rd</sup> Leader-nominated Rideout		
Jul 13		4 <sup>th</sup> Leader-nominated Rideout		
Aug 17		5 <sup>th</sup> Leader-nominated Rideout		
Aug 25		Bank Holiday Monday		
Sep 14		6 <sup>th</sup> Leader-nominated Rideout		
Oct 12		7 <sup>th</sup> Leader-nominated Rideout		
Oct 26		BST Ends		

<u>North Yorkshire Stuff.</u> Safety Cameras sites for North Yorks are posted every Tuesday on <a href="https://www.northyorkshire.police.uk">www.northyorkshire.police.uk</a>. Be aware that during the Tour de France 5/6 July the roads around Harrogate, Ripon, Skipton, Blubberhouses Moor will be subject to closure/controls as the tour kicks off.

<u>J & S Accessories buys 12 'Heine Gericke' Locations</u>. J & S have bought 12 store locations from the failed Heine Gericke outlet. These stores are to be at: Aberdeen, Braintree, Farnborough, Gants Hill in Ilford, Glasgow, Hangar Lane, Leeds, Leicester, Maidstone, Oxford, Preston and Stockwell. Hein Gericke vouchers will be honoured provided there is a minimum spend of £250 to the value of 50% (guess who got HG vouchers for Christmas, and right now doesn't need to buy anything costing £250!). Information on store opening dates can be found at: <a href="https://www.jsaccessories.co.uk">www.jsaccessories.co.uk</a>

# <u>AUTOPLUS (UK) LTD</u> 316-318 Norton Road. Norton 01642 556000

A shop for all seasons and for all reasons. Camping and Caravanning goods and Accessories. Car Accessories and Bicycles. Reliable and friendly service and always guaranteed a good deal.

THE END GAME. I couldn't help but over-hear two guys in their mid-twenties while sitting at a bar. One of the guys says to his buddy, "Man you look tired." His buddy says, "Dude I'm exhausted. My girlfriend and I have sex all the time. I just don't know what to do.' I'm sitting, a couple of stools down, I heard the words of wisdom from an older gentleman sitting next to them. With the wisdom of many years behind him he said. "MARRY HER--- That'll put a stop to that shit!"

He Said ... She Said ....

He said to me . ... . I don't know why you wear a bra; you've got nothing to put in it.

I said to him .... . You wear pants don't you?

He said to me .... Shall we try swapping positions tonight?

I said to him .... That's a good idea - you stand by the stove & sink while I sit on the sofa and do nothing but fart

He said to me. ... What have you been doing with all the grocery money I gave you?

I said to him . ..... Turn sideways and look in the mirror!

He said to me. ... Why don't women blink during foreplay?

I said to him ... . They don't have time.

He said to me. . . How many men does it take to change a roll of toilet paper?

I said to him .... I don't know; it has never happened.

He said to me. . . Why is it difficult to find men who are sensitive, caring and Good-looking?

I said to him . . . They already have boyfriends.

He said to me....What do you call a woman who knows where her husband is every night?

I said to him. . .. A widow.

He said to me.... Why are married women heavier than single women?

I said to him .... Single women come home, see what's in the fridge and go to bed.Married women come home, see what's in bed and go to the fridge.

A teacher was arrested at Heathrow Airport the other day. He was found to be carrying a calculator, a protractor and a sliderule. He was charged with carrying weapons of math instruction. It is believed that the teacher is a member of the notorious Al-Gebra movement. "Al-Gebra is a big problem for the government" said the head of Metropolitan police. He continued to say, "They derive solutions by means of extremes, often going off on tangents in search of absolute values. They use secret code names like 'X' and 'Y' and refer to themselves as 'unknowns'. We have determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country. As the Greek

philosopher Isosceles used to say, "There are 3 sides to every triangle."" When asked to comment on the arrest, David Cameron said, "If God had wanted us to have better weapons of math instruction He would have given us more fingers and toes."

<u>And it's 'Goodnight' from him</u>. 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.

## Racing Calendar 2014 (Last checked 26 Feb)

MOTOGP		WSB		BSB	
23 Feb			Phillip Island		
23 Mar	Qatar (evening)		1		
13 Apr	Texas		Aragon		
21 Apr					Brands Hatch
27 Apr	Argentina		Assen		
04 May	Jerez				
5 May					<b>Oulton Park</b>
11 May			Imola		
<b>18 May</b>	Le Mans				
25 May			Donington		
1 Jun	Mugello				
8 Jun			Sepang		
15 Jun	Catalunya				Snetterton
22 Jun	•		Misano		
28 Jun	Assen				
29 Jun					Knockhill
6 Jul			Portimao		
13 Jul	Sachsenring		Laguna Seca		
20 Jul					Brands Hatch
3 Aug					Thruxton
10 Aug	Indianapolis				Oulton Park
17 Aug	Brno				
25 Aug					Cadwell Park
31 Aug	Silverstone				
7 Sep			Jerez		Donington
14 Sep	Misano				
21 Sep			Moscow		Assen
28 Sep	Aragón				
5 Oct			Magny Cours		Silverstone
12 Oct	Motegi				
19 Oct	Phillip Island	19 Oct	Phakisa, Sth Africa	19 Oct	Brands Hatch
26 Oct	Sepang				
2 Nov			TBC		
09 Nov	Valencia				