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CLUB NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2015

Secretary's Ramblings. I must try and stop starting off the newsletter with comments on the weather. Maybe later! Having just got in (Sunday 29th Nov) from doing a Santa Run on the bike for the Butterwick Hospice at Bishop Auckland in lashing rain and 50/60 mph gusts. It made for a challenging ride but thankfully everybody made the run ok. The little Kawasaki 500S did good and none of the Christmas Decorations fell off! I now have another machine lurking in the garage; a Suzuki SV650S (bikini fairing). It's 10 years old and the cosmetics are showing some wear and tear, but overall the bike is a peach. I do like the 'punch' of a torquey twin and there is enough to keep me satisfied. The bike is shod with Maxxis Sports which suit it well and, with the good suspension, I am thinking of putting the knee sliders back on!

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

Club Night: Weds 14 October
Committee Mtg: Weds 4 November

2015

28 Nov/6 Dec Motorcycle Live, NEC Birmingham. Tickets on sale now.
3 Dec NEC Coach Trip. See Allan Coverdale or Norman Simpson for tickets.
12 Dec Club Christmas Party. Eaglescliffe Golf Club. Meet at 1200 for 1230.

2016

30 Jan BMF Council Meeting. Fosse Riders Club, Leicester
12-14 Feb London Motorcycle Show at the Excel Centre
15-18 Apr MCN Live at Butlins, Skegness. Loads of bikes, music, shows and beer.
16 Apr BMF Council Meeting. Fosse Riders Club, Leicester
2/3 Jul National Road Rally
16 Jul BMF Council Meeting. Unwanted MCC, Burton on Trent
8 Oct BMF AGM

The Club Website. www.yarmmotorcycleclub.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.

FOR SALE BY PETER VENIS

1. Suzuki VanVan 125cc 4strk. White. Reg NU 62 TZB. 2803km on clock. On sorn. Electric start fuel injected. Currently has lightweight sidecar fitted (easy to remove as it is bolted -not run on road). Needs mudguards, seat & indicators refitting (all with sale). Rear frame needs refurbishing to restore to original. Good road tyres fitted treaded tyres available

Best offer around £1100.00

2. Skyteam V Raptor 125 4 strk (Van Van look alike made in Poland). Black. Reg FJ 14 OUG. 5196 on clock. Electric & kick start. Carburettor. Needs seat, mudguards & indicators fitting (all with sale). Block tread tyres fitted good condition. Best offer on £850.00

3. Windscreen & spare silencer for either of above. £50.00

4. Lightweight Velorex type fibreglass sidecar & chassis. £150.00

5. Clarkes 150mm bench grinder. £20.00

6. ~~Warco 5/8 inch bench drill & chucks. £50.00~~ **Sold**

7. Box of twist drills. £20.00 Clarkes electric hoist winch 125kg & fittings. £50.00

8. Wood workbench, very solid & vice. £10.00

9. Halfords auto battery charger. £15.00

10. Trailer 3ftx4ft galvanised modified to also be used as a bike trailer. 10inch wheels. £75.00

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. 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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Guy Martin – Further Update. Don't have any positive news regarding Guy getting back on to competitive biking. However, lucky Guy has managed to 'pole' the Vulcan around on its last flight around the UK; that's more than I managed to do in nearly 7 years operating down the back! It was deemed too dangerous to try and swap places between the front and rear cockpits when in the air due to the cramped conditions. It was ok to stand on the ladder and look out between the two pilots but it was pretty tiring with all the kit one had to wear, especially if it was turbulent.

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.

Computers. Want a computer with a fast processor and lots of RAM for around £90. Contact Paul Lowther on 07595-346286. Paul can also do repairs and upgrades.

Brits Do Good. Congratulations to Danny Kent for becoming the first Brit' in 38 years to be a GP World Champion. Barry Sheene was the last person to do it for the UK. Guess I have left it too late to take on the challenge! Congratulations also to Peter Hickman for winning the 2015 Macau GP in only his second visit to the circuit. In fact Brits took the top seven placings at Macau – must be all that practice at the IOM TT that gives them the edge.

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Circuit of Wales. Slowly but surely the Circuit of Wales is moving closer to fruition. The final planning hurdle has now been cleared and it is now a case of getting the money together. It is reckoned that the project will cost £325M to complete, and so far £125M has been realised. Investors have been identified for the remainder of the cash, so hopefully work will be underway very soon.

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.



Point It Book. In the 'Letters' page in the latest MCN I read that the way to get over a language barrier is to use a 'Point It' book. This passport-sized book comes with 1300 pictures of various objects, drawings and maps etc to help you get through to whoever you are trying to communicate. I have ordered a copy from a book publisher. Interestingly, there are several other books doing a similar job, including one entitled 'How to Shit Around the World.' (I kid you not) I can think of someone who could do with a copy!

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

Local Bike Meets:

- Tuesday Route 59 Café at Hambleton, Bolton Abbey, BD23 6AF. (5 to 8pm 'til 26 Oct)
The Pit Stop, Stockton, 1825 Bowesfield Way.
- Wednesday: The Manor Café, Bellerby near Leyburn.
Squire's Café, near Sherburn in Elmet.
- Thursday: Whistle Stop Café, Whitby.
Stephen Billau & Sons Bike Night. Every Thursday 6pm to 9pm at the Destination
Café in the Darlington Shop. Normal shopping facilities also open.
- Saturday: Squire's Café, nr Sherburn in Elmet.
- Sunday: Hartside Cafe, Alston, Cumbria.
- 7 Days a week: Filling Station Café, 150 yards from A66 Roundabout at Keswick.

Accident Data for 2014. Headline news for the period was that Motorcycle Deaths rose by 2% and road traffic had increased by 2.4%. The fatality rates are measured per billion passenger miles travelled, to enable an understanding of the proportionate risks. Motorcyclists fatality rate is 112.3 per billion passenger miles; by foot it is 38.0; by bicycle it is 35.0, and for cars it is 2.0. Public transport and commercial transport comes out at less than 1.0. So there is still a lot of work to be done as motorcyclists remain the group at the highest risk. You can read the full report at: www.gov.uk/government/statistics/reported-road-casualties-in-great-britain-main-results-2014

THE END GAME. Please send in good clean jokes, devoid of sexism, racism, religion and other non-pc stuff. OK, send in the non-pc stuff and I'll consider it! Sex is ok too (could always do with more!).

We've heard colleagues referring to people with "Guts", or with "Balls".

GUTS - Is arriving home late, after a night out with the lads, being met by your wife with a broom, and having the "Guts" to ask: "Are you still cleaning, or are you flying somewhere?"

BALLS - Is coming home late after a night out with the lads, smelling of perfume and beer, lipstick on your collar, slapping your wife on the bum and having the "Balls" to say: 'You're next, Chubby.' Medically speaking, there is no difference in outcome; both are fatal.

A Mafia Godfather finds out that his bookkeeper, Guido, has cheated him out of \$10,000,000. His bookkeeper is deaf. That was the reason he got the job in the first place. It was assumed that Guido would hear nothing and would therefore never have to testify in court. When the Godfather goes to confront Guido about the missing \$10 million, he takes along his lawyer, who knows sign language. The Godfather tells the lawyer, "Ask him where the money is." The lawyer, using sign language, asks Guido, "Where's the money?" Guido signs back, "I don't know what you are talking about." The lawyer tells the Godfather, "He says he doesn't know what you are talking about." The Godfather pulls out a pistol, puts it to Guido's head and says, "Ask him again or I'll kill him!" The lawyer signs to Guido, "He'll kill you if you don't tell him." Guido trembles and signs back, "OK! You win! The money is in a brown briefcase, buried behind the shed at my cousin Bruno's house." The Godfather asks the lawyer, "What did he say?" The lawyer replies, "He says you don't have the balls to pull the trigger."

One evening a man was at home watching TV and eating peanuts. He'd toss them in the air, and then catch them in his mouth. In the middle of catching one, his wife asked him a question - and as he turned to answer her, a peanut fell in his ear. He tried and tried to dig it out but succeeded in only pushing it in deeper. He called his wife for assistance, and after hours of trying they became worried and decided to go to the hospital. As they were ready to go out the door, their daughter came home with her date. After being informed of the problem, their daughter's date said he could get the peanut out. The young man told the father to sit down, then proceeded to shove two fingers up the father's nose and told him to blow hard. When the father blew, the peanut flew out of his ear. The mother and daughter jumped and yelled for joy. The young man insisted that it was nothing. Once he was gone, the mother turned to the father and said, 'That's so wonderful! Isn't he smart? What do you think he's going to be when he grows older?' The father replied, 'From the smell of his fingers, our son-in-law.'

A jumbo jet is just coming into the Toronto Airport on its final approach. The pilot comes on the intercom, "This is your Captain. We're on our final descent into Toronto. I want to thank you for flying with us today and I hope you enjoy your stay in Toronto." He forgets to switch off the intercom, and the whole plane can hear his conversation with his co-pilot. The copilot says to the pilot, "Well, skipper, watcha gonna do in Toronto?" "Well," says the skipper, "first I'm gonna check into the hotel and take a big crap . . . then I'm gonna take that new stewardess with the huge tits out for dinner . . . then I'm gonna wine and dine her, take her back to my room and put it to her big time all night long!" Everyone on the plane hears this and immediately begins looking up and down the aisles, trying to get a look at the new stewardess. Meanwhile the new stewardess is at the very back of the plane. She's so embarrassed that she tries to run to the cockpit to turn the intercom off. Halfway down the aisle, she trips over an old lady's bag and falls on her face. The old lady leans over and says: "No need to hurry, dear. He's gonna take a shit first!..

A man saved his girlfriend's phone number on his mobile as 'Low Battery'. Whenever she calls him, in his absence, his wife takes the phone and plugs it into the charger. Give that man a medal.

A government survey has shown that 91 percent of illegal immigrants come to Australia so that they can see their own doctor.

Two Thai girls asked me if I'd like to go bed with them; they said it would be just like winning Lotto! I agreed, and they were right. We all stripped off, and to my horror, we had six matching balls!

When a man talks dirty to a woman it's considered sexual harassment. When a woman talks dirty to a man, it's \$2.50/min (charges may vary).

Just booked a table for Valentine's Day for me and the wife. Bound to end in tears though; she's lousy at snooker.

They say that sex is the best form of exercise. Correct me if I'm wrong, but I don't think 2 minutes and 15 seconds every 3 months is going to shift this beer belly.

A wealthy Jewish husband and his wife were having dinner at an upscale restaurant when this absolutely stunning young woman comes over to their table, gives the husband a big open mouthed kiss, then says she'll see him later and walks away. The wife glares at her husband and says, "Who the hell was that?" "Oh," replies the husband, "she's my mistress." "Well, that's the last straw," says the wife. "I've had enough, I want a divorce!" "I can understand that," replies her husband, "but remember, if we get a divorce it will mean no more shopping trips to Paris, no more wintering in Barbados, no more summers in Tuscany, no more BMW in the garage and no more yacht club. But the decision is yours." Just then, a mutual friend enters the restaurant with a gorgeous babe on his arm. "Who's that woman with George?" asks the wife. "That's his mistress," says her husband. "Ours is prettier," she replies.

Jonathan Ross has been accused of shoplifting a kitchen utensil from Wilkinson's. Ross says it was a whisk he was prepared to take.

A young doctor had moved out to a small community to replace a doctor who was retiring. The older doctor suggested that the young one accompany him on his rounds, so the community could become used to a new doctor. At the first house a woman complains, "I've been a little sick to my stomach." The older doctor says, "Well, you've probably been overdoing the fresh fruit. Why not cut back on the amount you've been eating and see if that does the trick?" As they left, the younger man said, "You didn't even examine that woman? How'd you come to the diagnosis so quickly?" "I didn't have to. You noticed I dropped my stethoscope on the floor in there? When I bent over to pick it up, I noticed a half dozen banana peels in the trash. That was what probably was making her sick." The younger doctor said "Pretty clever. If you don't mind, I think I'll try that at the next house." Arriving at the next house, they spent several minutes talking with a younger woman. She said that she just didn't have the energy she once did and said, "I'm feeling terribly run down lately." "You've probably been doing too much for the Church," the younger doctor told her. "Perhaps you should cut back a bit and see if that helps." As they left, the elder doctor said, "I know that woman well. Your diagnosis is almost certainly correct, she's very active in the church, but how did you arrive at it?" "I did what you did at the last house. I dropped my stethoscope and when I bent down to retrieve it, I noticed the vicar under the bed."

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.