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**Club Meets: Second Wednesday of the Month at the Cleveland Bay, Eaglescliffe**

**Rideouts: April to October. Meet for 10am start at Yarm Town Hall every Sunday**

#### CLUB NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2017

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**Secretary's Ramblings.** Sorry I missed the last club meeting but I was over in Canada with the family to be at our son's wedding in Ottawa. It was a fantastic wedding and holiday and I had a good chance to check out several of the local ales. What surprised me was the number of mini-breweries in the province. At one pub we attended they had over 30 different beers, most on tap. Some of the brews were particularly strong, with 7% plus being common. Around home I usually have Black Sheep or Theakstons, and they are around 4 to 5%. Anyway, as well as being strong many of the Canadian beers had peculiar names – Flying Monkey Smashbomb, Anti-Gravity Lager, Muskoka Shinnicked Stout and Calabogie Brown Cow Stout to name a few. I had to write the names down as I couldn't remember much after 3 or 4!

**Motorcycling in Canada.** I managed to chat to a keen motorcyclist while at the wedding reception and quizzed him on getting a bike licence. The basic requirements are: be over 16 years of age and have a valid licence and pass the eye and theory tests. That's all it takes to get a foot on the first rung of the 3-step ladder. Furthermore, you can ride a bike of any capacity. The only restrictions are that you are not allowed to ride in the dark; that is, from 1/2 hour before sunset and 1/2 hour after sunrise. Furthermore, one is not allowed to exceed 80km/hour except on a few designated highways, carry a passenger and finally, one has to maintain absolutely zero blood/alcohol level until they are 21, and then it is restricted to less than 0.05% or else! The two higher classes of licence require observed road riding tests.

**Forthcoming Events** (latest additions in Bold).

**Club Mtg: Weds 11 October @ 8pm**  
**Committee Mtg: Weds 1 November @ 8pm**

**Meet every Sunday 10:00 at Costa in Yarm during non-Rideout period – October to March.**  
(wearing Ruffy-Tufty biking gear optional if you come by car, cycle or walk but want to look `ard)

1/2 Oct East Yorkshire 2 Day Motorcycle Trial, Flask Inn (A171) between Whitby and Scarborough  
**7 Oct Ride to the Wall. See <http://www.ridetothewall.org.uk> for details**  
 8 Oct Oliver's Mount Bike Hill Climb  
 8 Oct Manor House Farm Motorcycle Trial, Manor House Farm, Ruswarp  
 14 Oct BMF AGM @ The Buccleugh Arms, Moffat, Dumfries and Galloway. DG10 9ET  
**14/15 Oct 24<sup>th</sup> Carole Nash Classic Motorcycle Mechanics Show, Staffordshire**  
 15 Oct Catterick Classic Motorcycle Hill Climb  
**26/29 Oct International Dirt Bike Show. Check <http://www.dirtbikeshow.co.uk/>**  
 28/29 Oct Cadwell Park Sidecar Bash  
 29 Oct BST Ends  
 18-26 Nov NEC Motorcycle Live.  
**23 Nov Coach to NEC. Depart 06:00! Breakfast at Morrisons S'Mkt enroute.**  
 16 Dec Christmas Party at the Eaglescliffe Golf Club

**The Club Website.** [www.yarmmotorcycleclub.co.uk](http://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.

### BMF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DEAL CONTINUED FOR 2017

**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 £23, 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.**

**Club Badges.** Allan Coverdale has Club Badges available at £8 each. These are quality items and will improve the appearance of your jacket/whatever!

**NEC Coach Trip 23 November.** Please pay your £5 deposit to Norman Simpson or Allan Coverdale for the coach trip to the NEC in November. Check in with MSG Bike Gear for deal on entry tickets.

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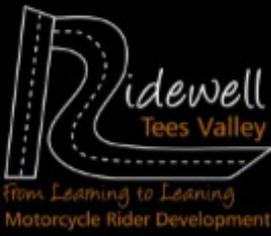
**For Sale:**

*RENTEC SPORTS RACK. In good condition. Will suit VFR 1200 or VFR 800 (2014 onwards). £40 or near offer.  
Contact Tony Simpson 07732231371*

**Going Spare.** Having dismantled a very old greenhouse there is a pile of glass left over. A few of the panes are broken, but majority are ok if 'grotty'; might be useful for someone building a cloche or wanting glass for some project. All going free. Can deliver if necessary. Please note that the glass will be disposed of at the town dump by mid-October unless claimed. Call me on one of the numbers at the end of the newsletter if you are interested.

**Uber.** I am disappointed to see that Uber is having a hard time in London at present, with the threat of their licence being totally revoked by TfL. I used Uber while in Ottawa quite a lot as our son has not got a car. The service was absolutely brilliant. Setting up the mobile phone with the Uber App was straightforward (I had a Canadian SIM card in my phone). Requesting a cab was simple and you were charged on your credit/debit card immediately, so it is not required to pay the driver although a tip is always acceptable! An Uber car was always available in less than 5 minutes of the original request. Before the cab arrives you are given the identity of the car and the driver so there is no confusion if other people are waiting for a cab. On the night of the wedding, we got a lift from the reception back to our AirBnB and Olwyn managed to leave her I-Pad (with all the photos!) in the back of the cab. She didn't realise until the next morning ... but after a phone call to Uber Control the I-Pad was delivered the next day by the original driver. What's not to like?

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This is the new helmet by Vozz, and now being distributed by a company in Manchester known as Helmet 28. The helmet is the RS 1.0 and has a top hinge so that it opens like a clam shell and has no chin strap. It's claimed to be easily removed by paramedics or anyone else in the event of an accident, keeping the wearers back straight. A QR code is on the side of the helmet with instructions. Not everyone has QR code readers on their phones and in a panic may not realise how to open the helmet properly without causing further trauma. The helmet can be operated with gloves on and has passed ECE and DoT testing. More info at [george@helmet28.com](mailto:george@helmet28.com) (and no, it is not from ASDA!

**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.

### Local Bike Meets:

- Tuesday Route 59 Café at Hambleton, Bolton Abbey, BD23 6AF.  
The Pit Stop, Stockton, 1825 Bowesfield Way.
- Wednesday: The Manor Café, Bellerby near Leyburn. DL8  
Squire's Café, near Sherburn in Elmet. LS25 3LX
- Thursday: Whistle Stop Café, Whitby.YO21 1YN  
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. CA9 3BW

### Other places:

Filling Station Café, 150 yards from A66 Roundabout at Keswick. CA12 5PR  
Hot Tram Roll, Keswick central, CA12 5DF  
Cocketts Hotel, Market Place, Hawes  
Seaways Café, Fridaythorpe. YO25 9RX  
The Rose and Crown Hotel, Bainbridge, Leyburn. DL8 3EE  
The Buck Inn, Chop Gate, Bilsdale. TS9 7JL  
The Penny Garth Café, Hawes. Open 7 days a week 'til 4pm – 'til 9pm weekends  
Tomlinsons Café and Bunkhouse, Bridge Street, Rothbury, NE65 7SF  
Wilf 's Café, Staveley, Kendal. LA5 9LR  
Orton Scar Café, Orton, Penrith. CA10 3RQ. 5 mins from J38 on Tebay–Appleby Rd  
Café 1618, Middleton in Teesdale, DL12 0QG  
Blenkinsop Castle on A69, Brampton, CA8 7JS  
Biker Café at GMEC Garage, Merry Lees Spital Road nr Staxton, YO12 4NN  
Elaine's Tea Room, Austwick, nr Settle. LA2 8DF

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**THE END GAME.** During a recent password check at the office, it was found that one of the pilots was using the following password: MickeyMinniePlutoHueyLokuieDeweyDonaldGoofyOttawa. When asked why they had such a long password the pilot replied that he was told to use at least eight characters and one capital.

Wife to Hubby: "I look fat. Can you give me a compliment?" Hubby: "You have perfect eyesight."  
Woman drives through a red light and collides with a man's car, writing both cars off. They both crawl out of the wrecks and the woman says, "Wow, there's nothing left. Thank goodness we are not hurt. It must be a sign that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace for the rest of our lives." The man replied, "I agree, it must be a sign from God." The woman continued, "Look at this, my car is completely smashed but the bottle of wine didn't break!" Surely God wants us to drink this wine and celebrate our good fortune." Then she handed the bottle to the man. The man nodded in agreement, opened the bottle and drank half of it before handing it back to the woman. The woman took the bottle and put the cap back on and handed it back to the man. "Are you not having any?" said the man. She replied, "Nah, I think I'll wait for the police to arrive."

Two female friends went out on 'the lash' and got incredibly drunk on cocktails. Walking home near a graveyard they both needed a leak and one suggested that they pee behind a headstone. The first woman had nothing to wipe with, so she took off her panties, used them then threw them away. The second woman was wearing expensive underwear and not wishing to ruin them, she took a large ribbon from a wreath on a nearby grave and wiped herself. The next day the first woman's husband phoned the other husband and said, "These girls' nights out have got to stop! My wife came home last night without any panties." "That's nothing," said the second man. "My wife came back with a sympathy card stuck between her cheeks that said, "From all of us at the fire station, we'll never forget you."

Sign of the times in the bar? Man in bar says to woman, "Hey, come on, we're both here at the bar for the same reason." Woman replies, "Yeah" Let's pick up some chicks!"

Man in bar says to woman, "What do you do for a living?" Woman says, "I'm a female impersonator."

Why did the woman with PMT cross the road? **She just did, ALL RIGHT!**

**Dieting .....** I'm on a whisky diet. I've lost three days already! Practise safe eating, always use a condiment. Knowledge is knowing that a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is knowing not to put it in a fruit salad. The good news is that I have lost 30lbs on my popcorn-only diet. The bad news is that I have spent £3,000 on going to the cinema. If we are what we eat then I am easy, fast and cheap.

Man walks into a restaurant and asks the chef, "How do you prepare your chickens?" Chef replies, "Nothing special really. I just tell them they are going to die."

Did you hear about the restaurant on the Moon?" The food is terrific but there is no atmosphere! The only way a couple could pull off a Sunday afternoon quickie with their 8-year old son in the apartment was to send him out on to the balcony with a Mars bar and get him to report on the street's activities. The 8-year old began his commentary as the couple put their plan into operation: "There's a car being towed from the car park," he shouted. "An ambulance just drove by." "Looks like the Andersons have company." "Matt's riding a new bike." "Looks like the Sanders are moving." Jason is on his skateboard." After a few moments he shouted, "The Coopers are having a quickie!" Startled, his Mum and Dad sat bolt upright in bed. Dad cautiously called out, "How do you know that?" "Jimmy Cooper is standing on his balcony with a Mars Bar."

An 85-year old man was asked by his doctor to provide a sperm-count as part of his physical exam. The doctor gave the man a jar and asked him to bring a sperm sample in the morning. The man returned the next day and gave the doctor the jar. The jar was clean and empty as on the previous day. The doctor asked him for an explanation. "Well, it's like this doctor. First I tried with my right hand but nothing. Then I tried with the left hand and still nothing. Then I asked my wife to help. First she tried with her left hand and then with her right; and still nothing. She then tried with her mouth, first with her teeth in and then with them out, and still there was nothing. We even called Daphne, the lady next door, and she tried too. She tried both hands, then an armpit and eventually between her knees. Still there was nothing." The doctor was shocked, saying, "You even got your neighbour involved?" The man replied, "Yes, but none of us could get the lid off."

**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 contact details:

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