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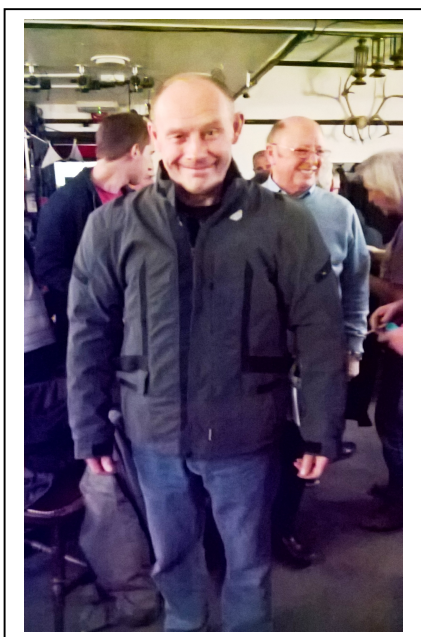


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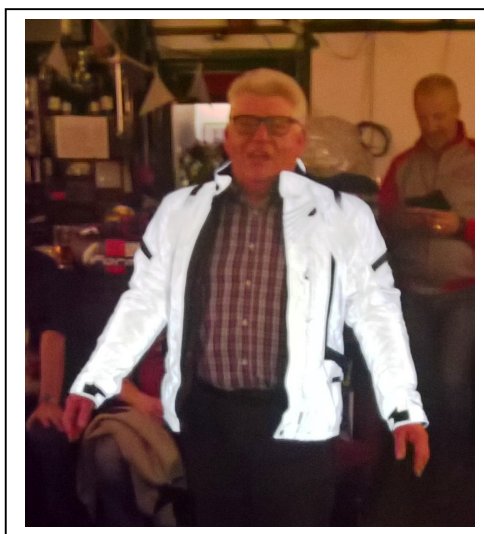
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CLUB NEWSLETTER APRIL 2017

Secretary's Ramblings: The March club meeting was really great. Having Wayne Kershaw give us the low-down on crash-helmets and a heads-up on future developments was a treat. To top it all Joyce and Mick from MSG Bike Gear brought in some of the 2017 stock. A 'smart' jacket by Macna which had amazing reflective qualities (picture below), some very stylish boots by Italian manufacturer Forma and a pair of Knox 'Android' gloves which had 'exo-skeletal' features and a unique wrist/arm sealing system – sort of 'twist and go'.



Tony models the Macna jacket in 'normal' light



Bill models the Macna jacket reflecting a photo-flash

Check out all the latest gear at MSG Bike Gear. It's your local and has plenty of offers on the go. The shop is open Tuesdays to Fridays 9am to 5pm and Saturdays 10am to 4pm. See advert further down the newsletter

Forthcoming Events (latest additions in Bold).

Club Mtg: Weds 12 April
Committee Mtg: Weds 3 May @8pm

Meet every Sunday 10:00 at Costa in Yarm during non-Rideout period – October to March.

1-2 Apr	Croft - North East Motorcycling Racing Clubman's Race Meeting
2 Apr	Lakeland Motor Museum Classic Drive and Ride In Day LA12 8TA. Free Parking
14 Apr	<i>Good Friday Club Rideout</i>
16/17 Apr	Cadwell Park Auto 66 Roadrace - Louth
18 Apr	<i>Easter Monday Club Rideout</i>
21/23 Apr	Fat Skeleton Blues and Bikes Weekend, Cadbourne Parva, Lincs. Call Tony on 01507 527835 or Ron on 07737613786
22/23 Apr	Stafford Classic Bike Show, Staffordshire Show Ground. Meet Troy Bayliss.
22/23 Apr	Oliver's Mount Auto 66 Spring Cup Road Race
29/30 Apr	Oliver's Mount Auto 66 Festival of Speed Car Hill Climb
1 May	<i>Bank Holiday Monday Club Rideout</i>
12/13 May	Croft Northern Clubman Road Race
28 May	BMF Region 2 Annual Regional Meeting at Squire's Cafe
29 May	<i>Spring Bank Holiday Monday Club Rideout</i>
11 Jun	Lakeland Motor Museum Classic 300 Classic Car Run
17 Jun	Scottish Classic Motorcycle Show, Ayr Racecourse. KA8 0JE
8/9 Jul	Croft Classic Bike Race Meeting
24/25 Jun	Oliver's Mount Cock O' The North
1/2 July	National Road Rally. Sponsored by the BMF and the ACU
16 July	National Bikesafe Show. Rockingham Motor Speedway, Corby, NN17 5AF
22/23 Jul	Barry Sheene Race and Rally Festival, Oliver's Mount
5/6 Aug	Croft Nostalgia Festival
5/6 Aug	Cadwell Park 'Count of Cadwell'
11-13 Aug	BMF Dambuster Rally. Thorpe Camp Visitor Centre. Lincs, LN4 4PL
20 Aug	Oliver's Mount National Hill Climb
28 Aug	<i>Summer Bank Holiday Monday Club Rideout</i>
2/3 Sep	Cadwell Park Reunion Meeting
10 Sep	Saltburn Hill Climb
10 Sep	Lakeland Motor Museum Classic Drive and Ride In.
17 Sep	The Beamish Trophy Trial
24 Sep	Teesside Classic Bike Show. Coulby Manor
22-24 Sep	BMF Scotland Rally. Stair Arms Hotel, Pathead, Midlothian, EH37 5TX
23/24 Sep	Oliver's Mount Steve Hanshaw '67 International Gold Cup Road Race
8 Oct	Oliver's Mount Bike Hill Climb
14 Oct	BMF AGM @ The McCleugh Arms, Moffat, Dumfries and Galloway
15 Oct	Catterick Classic Motorcycle Hill Climb
28/29 Oct	Cadwell Park Sidecar Bash
29 Oct	BST Ends
18-26 Nov	NEC Motorcycle Live. Coach to NEC on Thursday 23 rd November. Depart 06:00!
16 Dec	Christmas Party at the Eaglescliffe Golf Club

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.

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, reduced from £28, 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!

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Get Down to the April Meet. Our Treasurer, Jeff Percival, is arranging for Tim Swales, ex-Speedway and Trials rider and now a promoter, to give us a talk on his experiences. Don't be late!

Powered Two-Wheeler Sales Boom in 2016. Sales of powered two-wheelers in 2016 were up 11.7% compared to 2015, with 128,644 new machines being registered during the year. Triumph had a brilliant year, selling 56, 253 bikes. That's not far off 44% of machines sold in the U.K!

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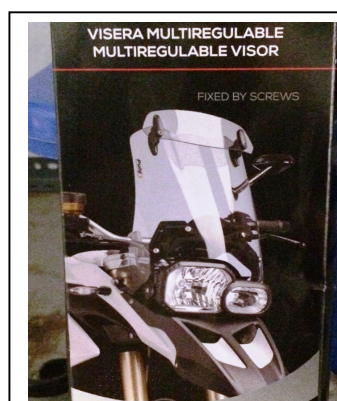
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Automated Cars (Again!). Self-drive cars are my most 'un-favourite' thing at present. There is something scary about being near a car which is being 'driven' under some autopilot routine. It is even more scary when you consider that during a FEMA meeting in November it was confirmed that NONE of the type-approval programmes for automated cars include testing for forward collision warning against motorcycles. Vehicle type-approvals organisations have been put on notice! Can we be sure that the software on these machines will never be hacked; that GPS performance will always be perfect, that the integration of software and hardware will be foolproof and failsafe?

Following still available:

FOR SALE:
 Puig screen/wind deflector, universal fitting as new with instructions boxed. £35.
 Contact Tony Simpson
 07732231371.



CLOTHING FOR SALE

Rukka Water Proofs. One-piece. Size 52. Jacket, Trousers Spats and Glove-covers. Two-tone grey. As new: £100.

Wolf Leathers. Jacket 46 inches (117 cms). Excellent condition. Trousers Bib and Brace type. 36 inches. The set for £100

Akito Cobra Cordura Jacket. Brand New. Nnt worn. Black. Size Medium. Also Nitro Cordura Trousers. Black. Size Small. Jacket and Trousers = £100.

Motorcycle Helmet by MDS. Worn twice. (Boxed). Size Large. £25.

Boots by Frank Thomas. Black. Size 9. £15

Gloves by Frank Thomas. Black. Size Large. £5

**Contact Tony on 07903 693199. Text or Call and negotiate at deal.
Try the items before you buy. Tony lives in Darlington**

Paris Ultra-Low Emission Zone. If you wish to ride through Paris between the hours of 08:00 to 20:00 your motorcycle must be registered after 1st June 2000 and must display a Crit' Air sticker. Apply for a sticker at www.certificat-air.gouv.fr. Click on the upper right flag to read the website in English.

Computers. Computers with a fast processors and lots of RAM at great prices. Contact Paul Lowther on 07595-346286. Paul can also do repairs and upgrades.

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.

The Biker Guide. Want to know more about biker-friendly accommodation, cafes, camping, events and squillions of other things related to biking? Check out www.thebikerguide.co.uk

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. This month the jokes are courtesy of Albert Higgins and Dot and John Angus – cheers.

During a lull between the speeches at the recent presidential swearing-in ceremony, Melania Trump leaned over to chat with the Secretary of State, Rex Tillerson. "You know Rex, I bought Donald a parrot for Christmas. That bird is so smart. Donald has already taught him to pronounce over two hundred words!" "Wow, that's pretty impressive," said Tillerson, "but, you do realize that he just speaks the words, ... he doesn't really understand what they mean." "Oh, I know," Melania replied, "Neither does the parrot."

A businessman in the first class cabin decided to chat up the drop dead, gorgeous flight attendant: "What is your name?" Flight Attendant: "Angela Benz, sir" Businessman: "Lovely name ...any relation to Mercedes Benz?" Flight Attendant: "Yes sir, very close" Businessman: "How close?" Flight Attendant: "Same price".

The doctor said, 'Harry, the good news is I can cure your headaches. The bad news is that it will require castration. You have a very rare condition, which causes your testicles to press on your spine and the pressure creates one hell of a headache. The only way to relieve the pressure is to remove the testicles.' I was shocked and depressed. I wondered if I had anything to live for. I had no choice but to go under the knife. When I left the hospital, I was without a headache for the first time in 20 years, but I felt like I was missing an important part of Myself. As I walked down the street, I realized that I felt like a different person. I could make a new beginning and live a new life. I saw a men's clothing store and thought, 'That's what I need... A new suit...' I entered the shop and told the salesman, 'I'd like a new suit..' The elderly tailor eyed me briefly and said, 'Let's see... Size 44 long.' I laughed, 'That's right, how did you know?' 'Been in the business 60 years!' the tailor said. I tried on the suit it fit perfectly.

As I, admired myself in the mirror, the salesman asked, 'How about a new shirt?' I thought for a moment and then said, 'Sure.' The salesman eyed me and said, 'Let's see, 34 sleeves and 16-1/2 neck.' I was surprised, 'That's right, how did you know?' 'Been in the business 60 years.' I tried on the shirt and it fit perfectly. I walked comfortably around the shop and the salesman asked, 'How about some new underwear?' I thought for a moment and said, 'Sure.' The salesman said, 'Let's see... Size 36. I laughed, 'Ah ha! I got you! I've worn a size 34 since I was 18 years old.' The salesman shook his head, 'You can't wear a size 34. A size 34 would press your testicles up against the base of your spine and give you one hell of a headache.' New suit – \$800; New shirt – \$86; New underwear – \$8; Second Opinion – PRICELESS

You gotta phone number?" I said, "Yeah, you gotta pen?" She said, "Yeah, I got a pen". I said, "You'd better get back in it before the farmer misses you."

Cowboy: "Give me 3 packets of condoms, please." Lady Cashier: "Do you need a paper bag with that, sir?" Cowboy: "Nah.. She's purty good lookin'....."

I was talking to a young woman in the bar last night. She said, "If you lost a few pounds, had a shave and got your hair cut, you'd look all right." I said, "If I did that, I'd be talking to your friends over there instead of you."

I was telling a woman in the pub about my ability to guess what day a woman was born just by feeling her breasts. "Really" she said, pushing out her ample chest with a smile, "then go ahead and try." After about thirty seconds of me fondling her breasts, the woman lost patience and said, "Come on, on what day was I born?" I said, "Yesterday."

I went to the pub last night and saw a BIG woman dancing on a table. "Good legs!" I said! The girl giggled and said, "Do you really think so?" I said, "Definitely! ... Most tables would have collapsed by now." Cost me 6 stitches... But, when you're over sixty; who cares?

Police have just released details of a new drug craze that is being carried out in Yorkshire nightclubs. Apparently, Yorkshire club goers have started injecting Ecstasy just above their front teeth. Police say the dangerous practice is called "e by gum"

A Yorkshire man takes his cat to the vet. Yorkshireman: "Ayup, lad, I need to talk to thee about me cat." Vet: "Is it a tom?" Yorkshireman: "Nay, I've browt it with us."

A Yorkshireman's dog dies and as it was a favourite pet he decides to have a gold statue made by a jeweller to remember the dog by. Yorkshireman: "Can tha mek us a gold statue of yon dog?" Jeweller: "Do you want it 18 carat?" Yorkshireman: "No I want it chewin' a bone yer daft buggler!"

Bloke from Barnsley with piles asks chemist "Nah then lad, does tha sell arse cream?" Chemist replies "Aye, Magnum or Cornetto?"

A man and a woman were having a quiet, romantic dinner in a fine restaurant. They were gazing lovingly at each other and holding hands. The waitress, taking another order at a table a few steps away, suddenly noticed the woman slowly sliding down her chair, under the table and under the table cloth, but the man stared straight ahead. The waitress watched as the woman slid all the way down her chair and totally out of sight under the tablecloth. Still, the man stared straight ahead. The waitress, thinking this behavior a bit risqué and worried that it might offend other diners, went over to the table and, tactfully, began by saying to the man: "Pardon me, sir, but I think your wife just slid under the table." The man calmly looked up at her and said, "No, she didn't..... she just walked in."

You know, I spent a fortune on deodorant before I realized that people didn't like me anyway. I was thinking that women should put pictures of missing husbands on beer cans!

I was thinking about old age and decided that old age is when you still have something on the ball but you are just too tired to bounce it.

I thought about making a fitness movie for folks my age and call it 'Pumping Rust'. When people see a cat's litter box they always say, 'Oh, have you got a cat?' Just once I want to say, 'No, it's for company!'

Employment application blanks always ask who is to be called in case of an emergency. I think you should write, 'An ambulance.'

Birds of a feather flock together and then crap on your car.

The older you get the tougher it is to lose weight because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are XL.

Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

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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The Racing Calendar 2017

Date	MOTOGP	WSB	BSB
2 Apr		Aragon	Donington
9 Apr	Argentina		
17 Apr			Brands Hatch Indy Cct
23 Apr	USA. Cct of Americas		
30 Apr		Assen	
1 May			Oulton Park
7 May	Jerez		
14 May		Italy, Ferrari Autodrome	
21 May	Le Mans		
28 May		Donington	
4 Jun	Mugello		
11 Jun	Catalunya		
18 Jun		Misano	Knockhill
25 Jun	Assen		
2 Jul	Sachsenring		Snetterton
9 Jul		Laguna Seca	
23 Jul			Brands Hatch GP Cct
6 Aug	Brno		Thruxton
13 Aug	Austria. Spielberg		
20 Aug		Lausitzring	Cadwell
27 Aug	Silverstone		
10 Sep	Misano		Silverstone
17 Sep		Portugal. Algarve	Oulton Park
24 Sep	Aragon		
1 Oct		Le Mans	Assen
15 Oct	Motegi	TBD	Brands Hatch GP Cct
22 Oct	Phillip Island		
29 Oct	Sepang		
4 Nov		Losail, Qatar	
12 Nov	Valencia		