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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 (1)

CLUB NEWSLETTER October 2021

Ramblings:

I have now returned from my holidays and can pay some attention to you lot again. Sorry if you were disappointed in the missing newsletters in Aug & Sept.

You will need an NHS covid passport to get into the NEC bike show so get one from the NHS website.

I have splashed out on a Triumph Speed Twin, best decision I have made in years, it's a joy to ride. Looks like the beasts I rode in the 60s & 70s but with electric start and other goodies. Jaw aching with smiles.

Nice to be able to meet at the Cleveland Bay once again, so get yourselves down and let's get the club stirred up again.

Don't forget the club is the members, the committee just administer it for you so suggestions are welcome.

Volunteers for the post of Deputy Secretary may form an orderly queue. Someone needs to understudy me before the AGM, when I wish to relinquish my post. It is time for younger guys to take over and breathe new life into us.

Pie & Peas evening. A 2021 date may be announced.

Barbeque. A 2021 not possible

NEC Coach Trip. Norman & Allan are happy as the bus is full

Xmas Party. Let me know asap if you would like to go to a Christmas party. I am making this plea again as I have had little response from you. Get your fingers out lazy sods or perhaps there is no interest. If you don't tell us we can't possibly know what the members wish us to do!

Not sure if we will have time to organise one but we could do a social event or something what do you all think?

Forthcoming Events Hopefully can post those for 2022 when I get the info. Upcoming racing dates can be found on the website under the events, www.yarmmotorcycleclub.co.uk/events/list

The Club Website. www.yarmmotorcycleclub.co.uk.

Just a reminder that the new website has been launched, if you've not had a look yet go check it out using the link above. Any comments or feedback on the new website would be welcomed. If you've got a story for the website or you'd like to get involved in adding content get in touch with me at webadmin@yarmmotorcycleclub.co.uk . Can all ride leaders please keep track of mileage done on all future club rides (hopefully we'll be back riding soon) so it can be added to the website each week/month, there's counters to record club mileage statistics and it'll be interesting to see how much mileage the club racks up. We've updated the user registration process on the website so you can request an account, this will allow members to comment on and discuss articles. If you are interested please sign up for an account on the website, please use the same email address that's associated with your club membership so we can ensure your account gets approved.

So give him your support log in and join you may need your club number and send in lots of info for him to include. Send in your pictures, articles of interest, forthcoming events, and items for sale and wanted. STEPHEN is the site moderator; he has the final responsibility for what appears on the site.

BMF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP DEAL CONTINUED FOR 2020

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 £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. British motorcycles failed

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/t-shirt/underpants/whatever!

Club Neck tubes bandanas or whatever they are called .The committee has decided to buy some and hopefully they will be available soon. Will let you know when they will be ready.

Ride-Out Programme. There are Ride-Outs every Sunday and on public holidays, the meeting place is now Conyers School bus park, if coming from Kirklevington roundabout it is on the right just before the rail bridge. I think it is time we went back to meeting at our traditional spot at Yarm Town hall, what does everyone else wish to do?

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

Biker Meeting places: Don` t worry I will put them all back ready for next year

BE ADVISED:

- Avoid crowded spaces= Ride Motorcycles
- Do not use public transportation =Ride Motorcycles
- Well ventilated spaces are virus free = Ride Motorcycles
- Protect your nose and mouth = Ride Motorcycles
- Recommended use of Gloves = Ride Motorcycles
- Try not to touch contaminated surfaces = Don` t let anyone touch your Motorcycle
- Avoid shaking hands = Do not remove your gloves when getting off the Motorcycle
- Keep a Safe distance from people who sneeze or cough = Ride Motorcycles
- Maintain a positive and prudent attitude = Only way to ride a Motorcycle

*Feel Free to Share this Important Information

Above still makes good sense, we don` t want to risk a third spike of infections

Improve our public image and keep to the rules, always take a mask. Behave courteously in other peoples villages & towns. Be considerate of other road users and don` t tail gate drivers.

Don` t play catch up, the drop off system provides a turn marker & tail end Charlie will pick you up if you fall behind. If you can` t see the guy behind you slow down , if everone does this the lead rider soon gets the message that some are falling behind. It`s not easy leading so we need to help the lead as best we can. Always ride within your capabilities not imaginary ones. Not all of us can be a Marquez

There, there Mother is finished instructing you now, but if you don` t behave Mother may take action.

Questions for you all that are perplexing me.

Why do cyclists expect everyone except themselves to look out for their safety?

Why do motorcyclists have to ride as if everyone is out to eliminate them?

Seriously the drop off system works

I still think it`s a good system as it means no one needs to worry about dropping behind. Turn markers need to stay in position until they see tail end Charlie. If they don` t the rear gunner may shoot them, to vent his frustration.

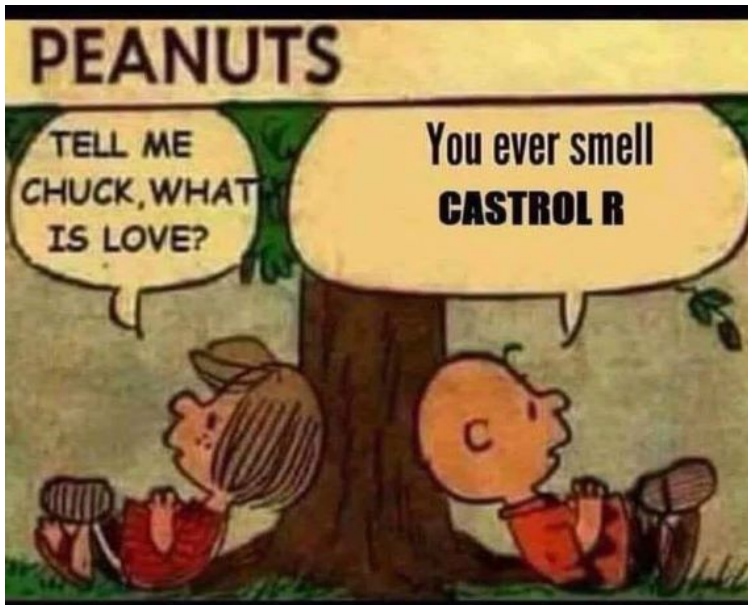
John`s fab four ride again this time to the highlands of Scotland more on this trip when I get their permission to publish my blather, but as a tater here is my Speed Twin complete with my farkles. If you don` t know what a farkel is ask me at the next club night.



Whilst in Devon I spotted this BSA M21 outfit in its original army colours and note the reg is also still in military style. The nowner bought it shortly after the World War 2 and has ridden it ever since. His 80+year old wife still goes in the sidecar in her 60s leather jacket and helmet. I love meeting people like them. Real enthusiasts and a delight to chat to.



That guy obviously loved his BSA but love is a funny subject I stumbled across this definition of love and thought it suited motorcyclists. If you don't know what Castrol R is it's a castor seed based oil used in the iconic days of british racing motorcycles especially the big singles the smell from the exhausts was unique



The End Game.

I bashed this issue out so I could issue it before the end of October.

Don't be surprised if you find another author/editor doing the next one

Pity nobody has sent any pics or articles for me to publish. Don't believe that you have nothing to share.

You are all welcome to comment about or make suggestions for the newsletters (polite ones only please) It would be good to get some feedback. You could get out your pics of trips or bikes or write up the story of your trip or some articles, send your stuff in as I need loads of things to publish, and it will make a change from my drivel. Come on guys help me out a bit please you don't need to be shy.

Send your photos of trips, days out & ride outs to Stephen Pratt for the club website & photo archive. Stephen will also put ads on the website so send them via me you can get my contact details from the web site.

Please message me or email if you would like something putting in the newsletter.
There is no deadline...you either make the next issue or you don't!

Please note my new contact email address.

Stay safe out there
'Cheerio' from the two Bs

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