

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE NOTTINGHAM BRANCH NORTON OWNERS CLUB

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**A SELECTION OF NOTTS BRANCH MEMBERS WHO ATTENDED
THE CHRISTMAS DINNER AT THE FOX LAST DECEMBER.**

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If you are reading this tonight in February then good evening and I may even see you to talk to but should you be reading this in March then I wont as I'll be in Florida for Daytona bike week !Hopefully a bit warmer than at home. The noise of the American Motorcycle of choice will have to be put up with but it will be fine ,I'm sure?

I attended the Newark Classic bike show last month ,as did many of you and the cold ,but bright weather is nice but the lack of food outlets and the astronomical price of old spares is a balancer? I spoke to Nigel Clarke and he was asking why we did not have a stand there? I told him that we would look into it for the next one in January provided the weather was the same or better!!

You may also notice that the cover only shows the Fox as our venue and that is because the Rose and Crown has finally closed it's doors and we have taken the meeting off the roadholder as well ,until we settle upon a place that suits our needs. We did meet at the Black Diamond ,Elmton Road Cresswell ,which is only around the corner from the old place and it seemed fine to me apart from the lack of real ales (getting it in on Saturday ,she said?) If there are no suggestions then we'll be there again next month, see you then .Bryan the Ed.

FOR MEMBERS WITH A COMPUTER,SOME PETITIONS!

I have never had one before and never thought about one either ? But recently I have been told to check out a website for sending a petition to the Government ,should I find myself disagreeing with what is proposed by our elected peers in Westminster!

The thought of actually filling one in was daunting enough but as I usually write to my M.P. in longhand , it should not be a problem, really.

So first of all Ernest asked me to fill one in with regard to the re-starting of the 25 year ruling (so cruelly stopped by the Labour boys) which means we don't have to pay road fund licence money on our Norton's! . I think this is a good one and it will not really cost them too much money to instigate and this is on :-

<http://epetitions.direct.gov.uk/petitions/2622>

The second one comes from Barrie Swann and that is to complain about new legislation that will get to this country via the French who are aiming to get this a European wide thing . This includes the banning of all motorcycles ,eight years old and above from entering town centres and a plethora of rules that will stop many of us from tinkering with the bikes as it will become unlawful to do so (mainly new bikes and the manufacturers are not trying to stop this much ,either?) but you should read the petition for yourself to decide if you want this stopping before it hurts us here in the U.K.

This one is on

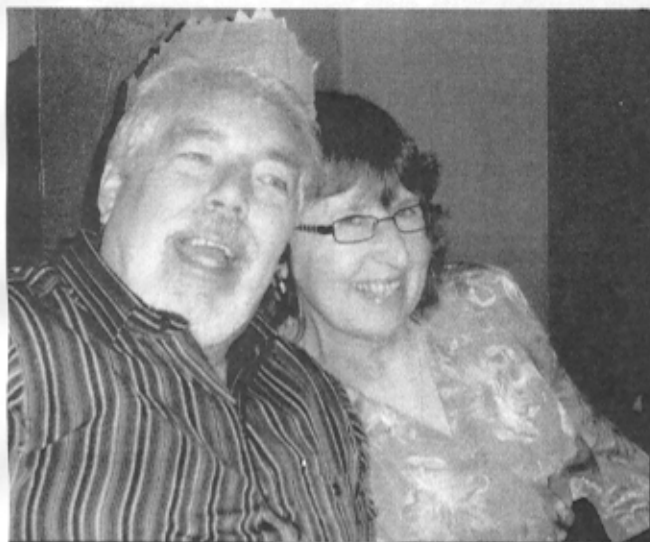
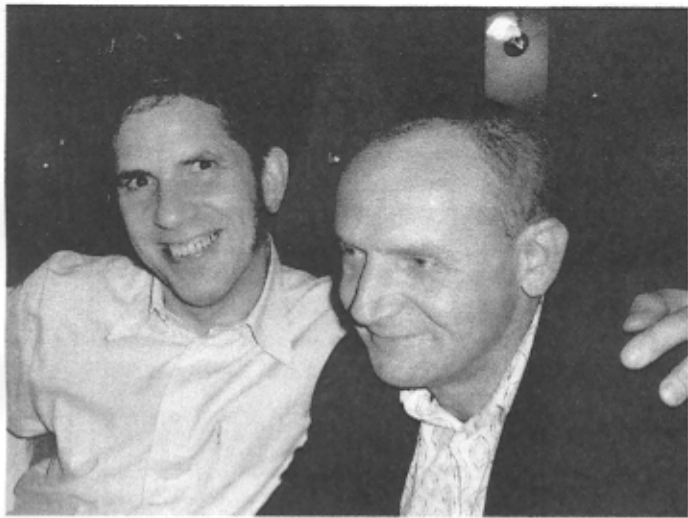
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Now I know not all of you have or use a computer but that does not stop you asking a friend to put you in front of a screen to see the full petition and then if you wish then write to your own M.P.to stop these things from going ahead .Also keep up the good work and let us know of any more of them and we can keep filling in the forms online to keep the Government boys on their toes., Thanks.

ANOTHER COMPUTER BIT OF INFORMATION.

For those of you who made it to the Motorcycle show at Newark last month ,did you see the stall that had the Motorcycle jumpers on sale? They were pretty well done and look a quality product ,that is made locally ,too. You can check them out on their website www.Tripleshop.com and let your better half see it as well ,they make good prezzies ,I think.

I am going to get in touch myself as they may be able to do our branch embroidery in the future ,if the price is right ,that is!.

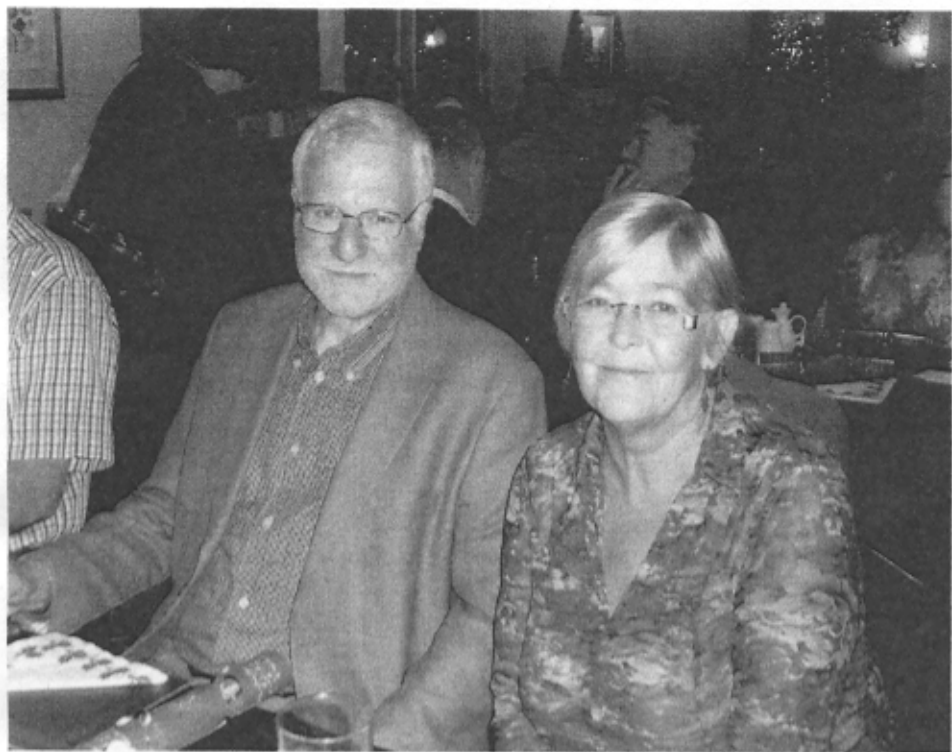


LOOKING LIKE A
PAIR OF WAITERS
COLIN AND BRYAN
WITH TRISH
ABOVE AND JENNY
BELOW.



A SELECTION OF
PICTURES FROM
OUR BRANCH
CHRISTMAS DINNER
IN DECEMBER 2011.
INCLUDING KATH,
GRAHAM, MARTIN,
RICK, SUE, CHRIS,
AND MAVIS.





A THANK YOU FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Garry and I received an e-mail recently from the Chairman of the N.O.C. Tim Harrison and this is what he said.

“Thank you very much for the very pleasant evening enjoying good company at the Fox. Linda and I both send you and the branch our best wishes for the new year”.

I would like to add my thanks to all at the branch who made them feel very welcome , as indeed I knew you would because that is what we do best here in Notts and are well known for it within the club. Hopefully when Tim and Linda get more time in the future they may attend one or two of our events, where we can get out and about on our Nortons. We will keep him in touch as it is always nice to hear from the committee first hand, much like we did with Colin and Jenny.

Our Christmas dinner attracted 28 folks and everyone seemed to enjoy their meals in the warm this time? Also the weather was not too cold and getting there was no real hardship? The committee would like to pass on our thanks to all at the Fox for taking care of us all that night. And hope all ran smoothly for them ,too.

EVENTS LIST

February

1st Monthly meeting at the fox.

8th Social get together Black Diamond, Elmdon Road Cresswell

March

7th Monthly meeting at the Fox

13th Social get together (TBA)

April

1st The A.G.M. of the N.O.C. will be held at the National Motorcycle museum near the N.E.C.

4th Monthly meeting at the Fox

10th Social get together (tba)

May

2nd Monthly meeting at the Fox

8th Social get together (tba)

18th -20th Branch camping weekend, High house farmhouse, Tumbly Moorside, Nr Coningsby, Lincs.

June

6th monthly meeting at the fox

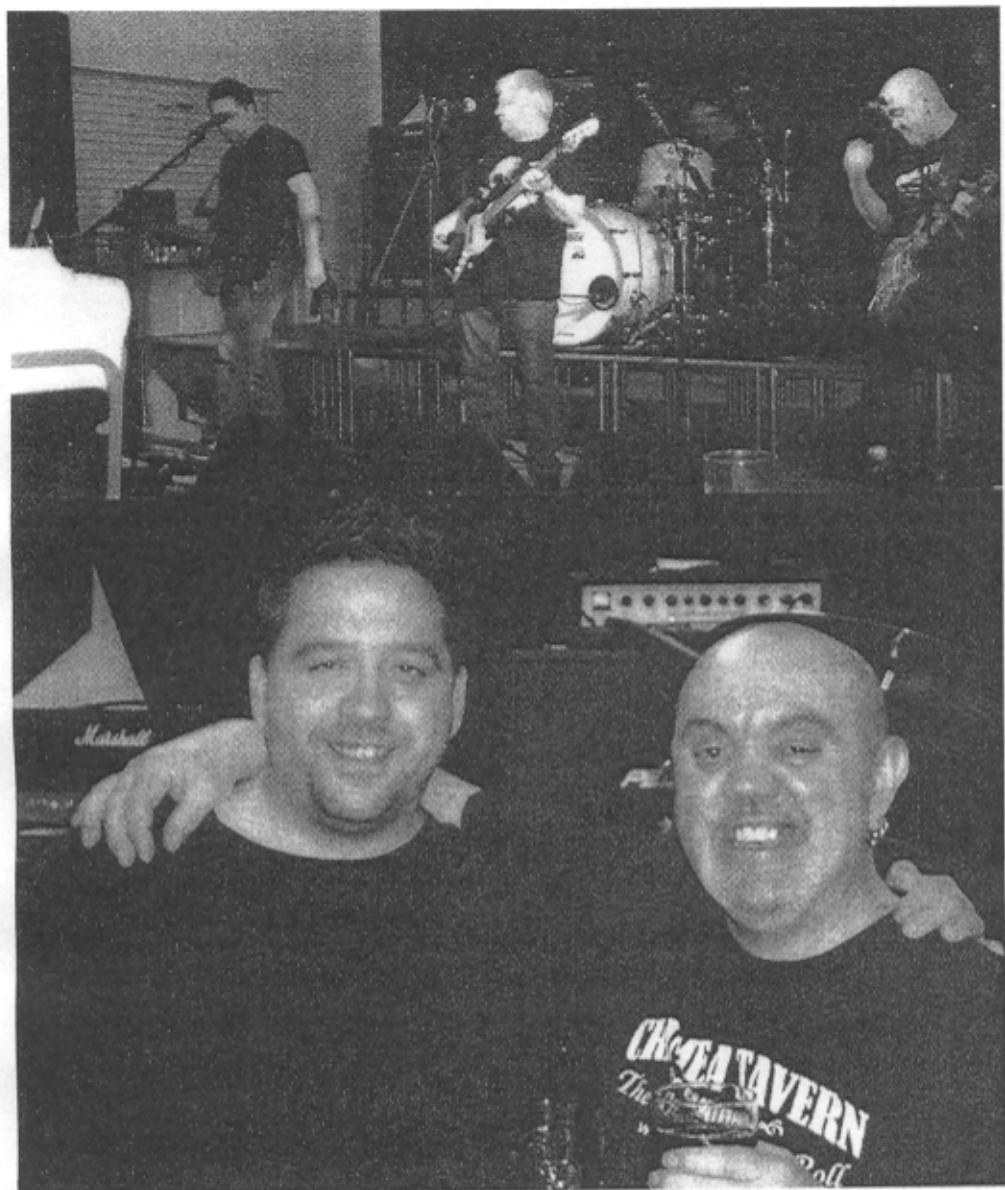
12th social get together (tba)

National Rally and Norton Day, Dates tba but will be hosted by the Essex Branch, With Colchester Castle the venue for Norton Day.

July

6th-9th Norton Owners Club International Rally Skipton Rugby football club, Sandylands, Engine shed lane, Skipton, North Yorkshire, BD23 2AZ.

If you have any info on events for inclusion in this list, please contact Rick, using the details inside the front cover, thanks.



PHIL AND JONAS, ONE HALF OF THE BAND "SUITEZERO" AND THE ABOVE PICTURE SHOWING THEM IN FULL SONG. THE BAND HAS RECENTLY FINISHED PLAYING TOGETHER(SHAME) BUT HEY THAT'S ROCK AND ROLL. THEY PLAYED FOR US AT THE RETFORD RALLY BACK IN 2006 AND THEY GOT BETTER THE MORE TIMES I HEARD THEM. BEST OF LUCK IN THE FUTURE WHATEVER THAT IS?