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GRAHAM WALKER RECEIVING HIS WELL DESERVED TROPHY FROM CLUB PRESIDENT, MIKE JACKSON, AT THE NORTON DAY EVENT AT CHASEWATER PARK, STAFFORDSHIRE. HIS MODEL 19R WON THE BEST O.H.V. IN THE LINE UP.

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Hello all out there, this month is a single month newsletter as I am hoping to ge some copy and pictures from all of your trips out this month for the next one, right?

By the time you read this we will have had Norton Day and the summer party and I know several of you went to that one also a run or two will have take place thanks to Phil 's idea of a run to a place to meet up rather than an organised run some where . So I would really like to hear from you with your versions of events otherwise we will be back to the Two months mag as there is nothing to write about.

Just taxed the Commando and it has gone up Eight pounds for the year !! Extortion is what I call it as many cars on the roads nowadays pay less to be on the road and they take up a damn bigger space up than my bike .

Polish the bike up ready for the summer? Let's hope we get a better one this time and events do not have to be cancelled due to rain.

See you out and about some where.

Bryan the Editor.

BISHOP MONKTON ,BRANCH CAMP MAY 2011.

This year was the second of our camps at the north Yorkshire village of Bishop Monkton and with fine weather this time made for an enjoyable weekend for those who went along.

There were Twelve of us in total and half of them were guests from our good friends from around the country. Four were from Norfolk and Two from Yorkshire. Trevor Large came on his Atlas and so became the only biker in the village! Even the warden from the campsite remembered we only had one Norton there last year?

never mind that, what matters is that we had a good time and as there was only some wedding or other on in London we had a trouble free drive there as the roads were almost empty all the way there.

By teat time we had set up and chilled out (pub for a couple) and others had arrived and set up so we went to the pub for a meal and a beer or two. By Nine pm we had the last arrivals in and a pleasant night passed by before we went back to the camp for some sleep.

Bright and early Chris and I went down to York for a show on the racecourse and by the time we arrived back we met the intrepid band walking off to catch a bus into Ripon, so to stop anyone from drinking and driving! We returned to the camp for another chill out session.

The rest were back on the last bus to the village 4:15pm ?? And so we drank a couple more as Rick and Sue arrived to join us from their B&B down at the other pub in the village.

Another pleasant evening was spent trying out the brews and sampling the well seasoned food (read salty and peppery!!) before returning for a few hours sleep.

The Sunday dawned bright but windy as had been the rest of the weekend ,so Garry and I went to Ripon to the Classic car and bike show with Auto jumble that was held on the racecourse and very well attended it was ,too. Especially if you remember cars from the last fifty years or so.

After a few hours we returned to the camp where we packed up the tent as we were leaving to go home as we had another event to go to on the Monday. With others doing the same it left only our guests on site and no Notts branch members camping??

Each year there we complain about the Crows in the trees next door in the church yard but at least we do not go around killing them as per the article I found in the Sun newspaper a week or two after the camp. Report by Bryan Harwood.

with their murder.

BIRD MANIAC HUNT

COPS are hunting a maniac who kidnapped four cockerels, slaughtering one of them - because he was woken up by their crowing.

The killer struck after villagers received anonymous letters warning them to keep their birds quiet.

Resident Richard Field, who runs

the website at upmarket Bishop Monkton in North Yorkshire, said last night: "There is something of a Midsomer Murder about this. It's caused a bit of a furore."

PC Gareth Jones added: "This has escalated to an alarming case of animal cruelty. It's extremely distressing."

TOTAL TOM STARM

EVENTS LIST

June

1st Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.

10th 12th Bristol branch camping weekend at Frank Parkhouse's farm Redruth. For more info talk to Dave Harris 07788775748 12th 1pm club meet at The Fox House Hathersage on the A6187 14th Social get together at the Rose and Crown.

17th 19th camping and BBQ weekend at Don and Mavis house. It is

a BRING YOUR OWN MEAT weekend.

26th 1pm club meet at Japanese Water Gardens A52 Bardills RBT near M1 J25

July

We will be having our concours night in this month. I am looking at having it on the 13th If all goes well Chris Walker will be coming over again to do the honours.

2nd 3rd National Rally Brooklands Road Weybridge Surrey

6th Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.

8th 10th Festival of 1,000 bikes at Mallory Park.

10th 1pm club meet at Hartington square for tea and cake.

12th Social get together at the Rose and Crown.

13th Concours night at The Fox

15th 18th Cholmondeley Pagaent Power

18th 23rd July Catskill International Rally 150 miles North of New York. We will be going as we are going to see U2 in New York, on the Wednesday, lucky us!

August

3rd Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.

9th Social get together at the Rose and Crown.

19th 21st camping weekend at Don and Mavis house.

26th 28th Begonia rally Staden-Vijfwegen.

September

7th Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.

13th Social get together at the Rose and Crown.

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<u>September</u>

Don and Mavis has got an 850 Commando with sidecar for sale, also a F1 for sale. Talk to Don about the bikes and how much they will be.

Please remember to tell me if you know of any runs or meetings that you here about that other members of our branch might like to go on. To contact me look on the inside page.

The meets I have put into this list is for anybody, what you do is to <u>ride</u> there on any bike (a Norton would be better!) have a natter and ride home. If you meet up with friends before that is up to you, there might be a run after if you so feel like one.

AN UPDATE ON THE CONCOURS NIGHT FROM THE COMMITTEE The concours night is confirmed as the 13th of July and will be at 7;30 onwards as Usual and if anyone can help by being there early to set up it would be most appreciated by your committee.

There is hoped to be a B.B.Q. and a raffle and volunteers for the manning of and serving would be of great help. As would the donation of raffle prizes and in this you have always set a high standard and all are won by the visitors who buy the tickets hat help to fund us for other things that the branch put on for the members later on. Thank you, the committee.



GRAHAMS WINNING MODEL19R ,XAU450 ,AND IAN LORAM'S NEW COMMANDO 961 SPORT BEING ADMIRED BY BARRIE SWANN THE CLUBS NEW MEMBERSHIP SEC WHO LIVES AT BINGHAM.





NORTON DAY AT CHASEWATER COUNTRY PARK

I did not take part in the Summer party part of the weekends festivities but according to stories told to me it was good for food and facilities but the wind rain and cold during the nights meant a sleepless or uncomfortable hour or two for many. The chance of a flight in a light aircraft for the donation of ten pounds to air ambulance was taken up by some whilst others went on the run to Crich tramway village.

The day itself was blustery and interspersed with a couple of light showers but overall the day was fine. With not as many bikes as have been to previous events as some only went for the party and then went straight home there seemed to be around a

hundred bikes of all models there and very nice they looked.

From our branch there numbered six and although it was quite close to us the turnout was decidedly poor. However as the day drew to a close and the prizgiving was announced we had a winner in the branch as Graham Walker won the beast OHV single class with his splendid model 19R. So he was very pleased that he went along in the high windy weather?

After everyone had been awarded the prizes by Mike Jackson ,the club President he imparted a pearl or two of his vast repertoire with each and every one so making it

feel a bit special and unique to each winner.

With the wind behind me it took a bit less time to get home than it did to get there and I hope everyone made it home safely?.

Report by Bryan Harwood.

CRICH TRAMWAY VILLAGE RUN MAY 21ST.

As Norton day had a run out to Crich we thought it a good idea to join them with one of our own "meet you there" runs and to that end seven of us went there and had a good few hours alongside some fifty other Norton's of all sizes.

Rick had even got the ES2 back on the road (through Sue's ear bashing) and we had Four dommies there too. The weather was fine and dry and so most of the gathering stayed out on the street and chatted about the usual Norton things

and took pictures in the sun.

When the main run left the site we all went our own way home and I personally followed one of our café racer dommies for a few miles before he went a different route and I had a bimble around Derbyshire for an hour or so before the fossil fuel ran low and I then headed back to Mansfield to fill up ,as it is cheaper there!! I had a pleasant day meeting old friends and making new ones too.

The idea of runs like that is fine as not everyone likes to ride in convoy and so to arrive at your own pace is better for some. There will be a few more like it so you should try one or two you may like it?

Report by Bryan Harwood.

P.S. the bike went well after I removed the piece of carbon from the sparkplug gap that made the bike run on one cylinder for a minute or two? The winter lay up can have its drawbacks !!.