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THE WINNERS OF THIS YEARS CONCOURS NIGHT TROPHIES.
EVERY ONE WELL DESERVED AND RECEIVED BY THEIR OWNERS
A CREDIT TO ALL OF THEM . A HEADACHE TO THE JUDGES?

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Hello there Notts folks , here I am back from the old holidays in Scotland and what a time I had, Chris and I stumbled upon a classic bike gathering as we were moving camps and took some nice pictures of some splendid bikes for the newsletter and later on we were taken by Fiona and Gino to the Edinburgh branch night where we were made very welcome . Here we heard stories of the National and International rally that really surprised us , but let's see what the rumour mill makes of it first ? Glad I did not go to either of them in the end. The concours night went down splendidly and thanks go to all those who helped in whatever shape or form as without you it would not happen at all. Special thanks to Richard and Jill at the Fox for once again supporting our event and all the staff ,too. It goes a long way to all who turned up as they know that they will get a warm welcome if they come to the fox again. Hope to see some of you out at the camping weekend? It is a nice area to ride around and even if you are not staying it could make a good place for a pitstop on your rideout! See you soon Bryan the editor .

BRANCH B.B.Q. AT GUNTHORPE AUGUST 2010.

Last month saw the members descend once again to Don and Mavis' place in gunthorpe where we were made welcome in their garden? And some 21 of us had a great leisurely weekend in the local hostelrys where we sampled some fine beers and wines along with a good meal and a free portion of chips? In what has become an annual call at the Black Horse at Caythorpe.

The rain came on Friday evening but not enough to dampen our spirits and most of it fell during the night and when we arose it had stopped for a good few hours. Some of us left to go to work? And by lunchtime we had made it back to the site and found it to be deserted as the walk had started, so we took the cars with des drivers and met up with the rest of them on the circuitous route they had taken. There were several beers to try and it looked as though Trevor had sampled many of them by the time I found him. The rain had started again and it was a wise decision to use the cars as we would have got soaked had we of walked. Martin and Garry walked back to the site and were well damp by the time they arrived at Gunthorpe. (Could have had a lift guys!)

Anyway by Six P.M. Martin and I had the Barbie alight and he began to dry out. The crowds began to gather as food smells pervaded the air all around the garden and with help from many folks we put another layer of plastic on top of the area we were sitting in to stop the drips from diluting our beers?

I thought it was a great evening with guests arriving and going and with plenty of banter being done the evening went at a pace until the early hours when we drifted off to bed ,although some went really early (Trevor!) and some went late (no names ,no pack drill!)

Sunday dawned dry and bright and it gave a good chance for everyone's tents to dry out before packing them away till the next time. Many of the members stayed until after lunch as it was a nice lazy day and warm ,too. We also took the chance to tidy up the clubs room with our equipment in and sort out what is no good in the old gazebos that we have accrued over the years. Now Don can get into the room and he has plenty of scrap to weigh in ,too.

Anyway we made our way home after noon and spent the rest of the day snoozing and lazing about the house , all in all a very relaxed weekend in enjoyable company . Thanks to all who came and joined us and our thanks to Don and Mavis for allowing us to use their place and for all the work they did on our behalf.

EVENTS LIST

September

- 1st Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.
- 4th Vintage and classic bike display at Butterley Railway Station
Swanwick
- 14th Social get together
- 17th 19th Camping weekend at the Duke Willam in Matlock DE4 3BZ
- 26th Historic motorcycle racing Cadwell Park

October

- 6th Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.
- 12th Social get together.

November

- 3rd Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.
- 9th Social get together.

December

- 1st Monthly meet at the Fox Kelham.
 - 14th Social get together.
- We will tell you when the Christmas meal will be.

The camping weekend at the Duke Willam in Matlock it is £4 pppn if I remember correctly. They do evening meals but not breakfast. There will be a walk on Saturday and we can have a run to Matlock Bath on the Sunday when we leave.

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.

A couple of pictures of the concours night. Last month.



CONCOURS NIGHT AT THE FOX ,AUGUST 2010

Expectations were high on this night as the weather had predicted a good day and so it was all hands to the pumps with several members getting there early and setting up the area for the bikes to be located in . Don and Rick were busy with the BBQ when I arrived and Martin had the parking under control along with another member.

By Seven there were Two rows of bikes lined up and plenty of variety among them,too. I started the duty on the BBQ so did not get much chance to see what turned up but as they went past they did look good to me.

By Eight there were Four full rows plus others getting in where they could and also several were leaving as they had to travel quite some distance! The secret judges were well on their way around the bikes with Chris Walker tagging on to them as he wanted to know the models of some of the bikes that he did not know. He did comment on the quality of many of them and said that they were a credit to their owners, too.

All too soon the results were in and Kim was asked to announce the winners and Rick and Christine gave the trophies to Chris Walker to present to the deserving Five bikes that were picked . I do not have a complete list of the names and models and I am really sorry and can only apologise as I was flipping burgers at the time and could not hold back the hungry hordes as they were only a pound and some came back for seconds ,too!. Now thanks go to Richard and Jill Winters here , as they are our hosts at the Fox and once again they kindly donated all the money that the food cost for the b.b.q to branch funds ,a total of Seventy three pounds , thank you indeed, from the branch.

The raffle went well ,too and here we made another tidy sum for the funds although I do not have the exact amount it is nearly a Hundred pounds.Thanks to every one who donated prizes to this raffle and for buying tickets for it as well.

By Nine P.M. the photos had been taken and the bikes began to leave the car park and by nine thirty there were only a few stragglers left and with all the stand and B.B.Q. packed away it was home in time for cocoa and a digestive.(two pints really as I was driving and cooking all night)

Thanks to Don for bringing the stuff over for us an to all who helped during the evening to make it another successful event in the Notts N.O.C. history.



A FEW PICTURES
OF BIKES ON THE
LOTHIAN AND
BORDERS MCC
DAMS RUN .
THEY HAD
STOPPED FOR
DINNER AT
THEIR CLUBS
HOME PUB.





A NICE SURPRISE AT THE CONCOURS NIGHT WAS THE APPEARANCE OF BOTH COLIN AND JENNY OVER ON A FLYING VISIT FROM CRETE, AND MARK BURGOINE LOOKING WELL AND RECOVERING FROM HIS ACCIDENT LAST YEAR , HOPE HE POPS IN AGAIN SOON, AS HE CHATTED TO LOTS OF MEMBERS THROUGH THE EVENING.

