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MANCHESTER "17" NEWSLETTER

The main thing about the Newsletter this time, is to inform you of a few forthcoming events, all in the near future.

First, of course, is the Scramble on September 15th at Golden Hill. This year's Scrambles have been very successful so far, and we should be grateful to all the people who have worked hard to ensure that all went well. But help is always wanted, particularly working parties for September 14th. Please do your best to come. Help also is needed after the Scramble has finished to collect ropes etc. Some people come and enjoy the Scramble then suddenly disappear at the end when there are a few jobs to do. You know who you are!

Whilst on the subject of Scrambles, there is no guarantee that our present circuit at Golden Hill will last for ever, so if you should see or hear anything of an alternative one, please see Pev, or any committee member right away.

AUCTION

There will be another bring and buy sale at the Club on September 24th. I think you will agree that we all had quite a bit of fun at the last one. So now is the time to dig out that item that you don't really need any more.

ROAD TRIAL

It is proposed to run another road event on September 29th - all the participants of the previous one appear to have enjoyed themselves, so why not have-a-go yourself this time. Cars as well as bikes can take part. Another event to look out for is the next Rocket Trial fixed this time for October 11th.

The next film show promises to be a good one with the latest Castrol T.T. film, make a note of the date October 1st, and on the next club night October 8th there will be a tyre changing contest, so you can start practising!

Details of all the events are readily available on club nights, so why not make Tuesday nights a regular date at the Red Lion.

Trials Riders in particular are going to be affected by the proposals contained in the forthcoming Act of Parliament which could result in the banning of motor traffic, which means you, from many country tracks and lanes. Please contact club officials for information about what you can do to keep these routes open, and remember, only action by Clubs can fight the proposals in this Bill - it is no use waiting for someone-else to do something!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Working Party - September 14th
- Scramble - September 15th
- Auction - September 24th
- Road Trial - September 29th
- Film Show (1967 T.T.) - October 1st
- Contest - October 8th
- Rocket Trial - October 11th

Now here is a funny extract from a magazine which Christine managed to pick up for us--

These are supposed to be genuine extracts from motor claim forms received by a large insurance company in London.

1. The accident was due to the other man narrowly missing me.
2. The lorry halted and worked for the Corporation.
3. I collided with a stationary tramcar coming in the other direction.
4. I left my Austin 7 outside, but when I came out later, to my amazement, there was an Austin 12.
5. To avoid collision I ran into the other car.
6. The water in my radiator accidentally froze at 12 midnight.
7. The car had to turn sharper than was necessary owing to an invisible lorry.
8. I was scraping my nearside on the bank when the accident happened.
9. I collided with a stationary tree.
10. The other man altered his mind, and I had to run into him.
11. One wheel went into the ditch, my foot jumped from the brake to accelerator pedal, leapt across the road to the other side, and jumped into the trunk of a tree.
12. A cow wandered into my car, I was afterwards informed that the cow was half-witted.
13. A lamp post bumped into my car, damaging it in two places.
14. A bull was standing near and a fly must have tickled him because he gored my car.
15. Coming home I drove into the wrong house, and collided with a tree I haven't got. I cannot give details of the accident as I was somewhat confused at the time.
16. I blew my horn, but it would not work as it was stolen.
17. I thought the side window was down but it was up, as I found out when I put my head through it.
18. I knocked over a man, He admitted it was his fault as he had been knocked down before.
19. I left my car unattended for a minute and, whether by accident or desire, it ran away.
20. My car was stolen, and I set up a human cry but it has not been recovered.

Well that's all for now see you on Club Nights.

ROY

P.S. Which of our Road Racing aces ran into the back of a car on his holidays?