

Dear Member,

If you didn't receive a newsletter in September don't worry - I never got round to writing one! The annual general meeting is coming up next month and I will be resigning as editor so this is the last load of rubbish you'll read from me for some time. I've now done six years as editor with a two year break and I feel another break will help stimulate my interest for another spell in the future. I hope to remain on the committee just as press and publicity officer/ membership secretary if the club constitution allows so you'll need a new social secretary as well for next year. (Yes it was tel)

Perhaps I haven't done too well as social sec. but I've not put enough time into it really and a full time enthusiast is required in this very important office.

CALENDAR

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| October 25th | Rocket Trial (Social Cup Round 7) |
| October 27th | Van 117th BORO, Ches. Champ Trial. Guelow Cross
Start 11.00 hrs. |
| November 5th | Bonfire party at Robin Hood, Refreshments and
extension. |
| November 12th | Films - 1963 Scottish Six Days. |
| November 15th | Rocket Trial - Final Round. |
| November 19th | Annual General Meeting. |
| December 8th | Northern Experts Trial. Guelow Cross. |

A big turn out is expected for the first rocket trial since April. Graham Phillips is the organiser and we meet at the Robin Hood on Friday at 7.30 pm.

Our bonfire night our hostess invites us to join in an orgy of eating and drinking at the Robin Hood. Clientele usually bring their children to the fire and later, full of baked potatoes and treacle toffee we can carry on supping in the clubhouse with the benefit of an extension beyond 10.30. Additional food for ourselves would be welcome so girls; get cracking on the parlia etc.

Please attend the AGM on November 19th. It's very important to elect the best committee available and an opportunity to criticise the departing committee! Last year's fees have been paid so this year we are saying if you're not at the club by 8.00 you won't get any hot-pot after the meeting!

Henry tells me we've had no trials reports this year because I didn't push him so last week I pushed him into the Hersey! Seriously though, the big news first now is that we have been awarded the Inter-Centre Final Trial for 1975 and Dave Howland is at present looking at possible starting venues. This is another big chance to promote the club image and the trials organisers are going to need plenty of help - especially as Mark has important exams next year.

Twenty members were watching the British League Riders Final at Belle Vue on Saturday. Must be good!

Trevor Cowdrey is organising a trip down a real live coal mine - bikes to be left on the surface - and wants an idea of the numbers interested. I have 17 names so far; let me know if you want to join us.

Brief Road Race News - (haven't seen my reporter Stuart Miller for weeks!)

- * Neville had a good Ulster GP and will go again if he gets the same (£) terms.
- * Moses finished 35th out of 102 starters in the Senior Manx GP. The Vincent is now back at Hillgate and Martin is as yet undecided whether to sell or not.
- * Dave Ashton is going well (but never comes to the club to see us!) Two second places at Darley on the 13th.
- * After leaving Oulton on the 12th before racing started, Mick Capper rebuilt his seized 500 and scooped the Darley Moor 500 cc Championship on the Sunday.

Tony Lloyd is leaving the 171 Club this month and will be taking up a lecturing post at Bath in February. The 171 ran their first competitive event on the 6th, a hill climb at Baitings Dam, Ripponden.

Jack Mathews and Ray Armstrong 75: Arthur Lampkin 73.
This is the position in the British Sidecar Trials Championship after Jack and Ray won the John Douglas Trial on Saturday 12th.

Congratulations (belated) to Duncan and Sue on the birth of their little girl - MacDonald and to Andrew and Pat on the birth of their little boy - MacDonald and also to Ken and Chris on the arrival of their little boy - Byre. The latter has been christened Torbjorn after the Swedish Speedway star.

The two film nights in September saw standing room only at the Club and Frank Varey gave a very interesting and amusing talk on August 27th but after that attendances dropped to rock-bottom. There's no pleasing you lot -----

Training Scheme:- going well. New faces always welcome to instruct. Send potential accident statistics to enrol for the next course in February. The present course ends on November 19th with the test for our class of 37.

The funds recently extended to a brand new 125 CZ so we now have three new bikes and a good hopped.

The Annual Dinner Dance will be at the Ravenoak Hotel in Cheadle Hulme on 31st January 1975. Guest of Honour will be Tony Robb. Dave Howard is running a "savings club" for tickets.

Future Films - 1963 TT starring John Martle.

- Yamaha productions on road-racing, trials and scrambles.

If you miss a club night you might miss a good film.

No more news on our plan to organise a demonstration trial in Stockport. We are invited to look at Vernon and Worlington Parks to see if suitable sections could be found but the council may refuse permission.

Dick Stewart is out of hospital and rushing about on crutches - a lively surprise party was held for him at the club on Friday 13th September but Lady Luck was in a kindly mood.

"Club Ceasing weekend at Harrington" was the big headline for September 14/15th but in fact Paul Sandbach, Wilf and Diane went to Yerton! We must whip up more interest for a Lake District weekend in the Spring.

PRECEDING SOCIAL JRP

Road Trial. August 11th. - Postponed when organiser Mike Hall arrived 40 minutes late to say the paperwork was not ready. Some went to a scramble - some to a traction engine rally.

Road Trial. September 22nd. - Organiser Mike Hall failed to turn up.

Ten very disgruntled members _____ 'nuff said!?

2011 Trial October 6th - Organiser Dave Rowland.

Ten members and the farcic in the blue herald set off between 11.00 and 11.30 in heavy rain with 20 map references and 18 cryptic clues. Dave had organised a very difficult run and it was a pity the weather was so bad. The morning route led to Bollington and over Kerridge to Langley, Garsworth and Bosley before the lunch stop at the modernised Gluelow Cross Cafe. By then all those on bikes were finding the weak points in their riding suits and were scattered out over 2 1/2 hours! Nobody was happy that they had more than two or three correct answers.

At this point, Moses declared his lack of interest in a further 50 miles in the rain with a piece of pulp with grid references on it and the Norton lurled off down the road. Ten minutes later he was on the tarmac with a gany lnee and the Norton was very bent. A car had turned right in front of him without signalling. Maclesfield Hospital released our soggy, bruised friend after a quick check-up.

Meanwhile we squelched on over to Upper Hulme, Hollinsclough, Moryash Ashford, Bradwell and Wale. A final clue at Chapel led us to the finish near Disley.

Paul S had finished before 4.00 pm and went home before Dave and Doreen arrived. East to finish at 6.10 were myself and the blue Herald - both flustered and one soaked to the skin. Many others retired and the results were not to be known until Tuesday at the club - such was the severity of the clues and diversity of opinion on the answers! Thanks are due to DR for his ingenious efforts.

RESULT

	<u>Machine</u>	<u>Harts</u>	<u>Points</u>
(1)	Paul Sandbach	Suzuki	139
(2)	Paul Tootall	BSA	128
(3)	Wilf Oates	BSA	113
(4)	Steve Kershaw	DNO	110
(5)	Geoff Yates	Nornia	101
(6)	Derek Birchwood	BSA	83
Ret	Dave Abraham	Norton	-
Ret	Dennis Rourke	Ponda	-
Ret	Pete Kershaw	Suzuki	-
Ret	Mike Kuzanov	Honda	-

Non Mem	Steve Mottren	EMC	110	
Organiser	Dave Rowland	Triumph	-	20

PRESIDENTS SOCIAL CUP after 6 ROUNDS (Two to come)

- (1) Paul Sandbach 115
- (2) Paul Footall 102
- (3) Wilf Oates 91
- (4) Steve Kershaw 85
- (5) Rhett Petherbridge 57
- (6) Graham Shippis 54
- (7) Geoff Yates 37
- (8) Ron Patterson 32
- (9=) Dave Rowland 30
- (9=) Dave Tattersall 30
- (11) Dennis Rourke 27
- (12=) Rick Stewart 25
- (12=) John Sellars 25
- (14=) Pete Kershaw 20
- (14=) Dave Lawson 20
- (16=) Derek Birchwood 16
- (16=) Malcolm Booth 16
- (16=) Dave Howard 16
- (19) Mike Kuzmanov 15
- (20) Jill Barker 12
- (21=) John Cranner 10
- (22=) Dave Abrahams 5
- (22=) Cyril Jones 5
- (22=) Pete Broucher 5