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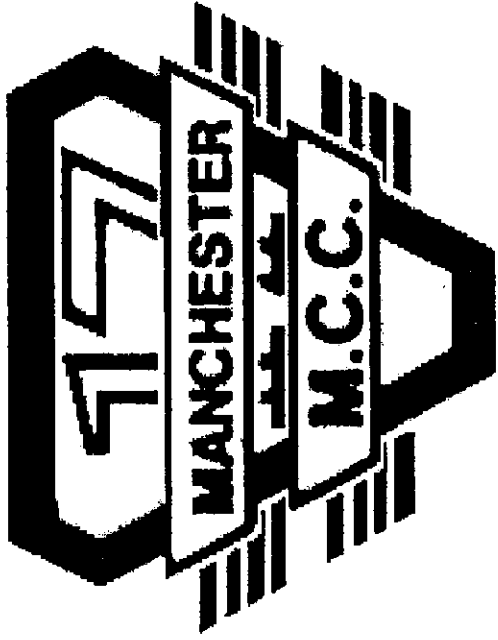
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NEWSLETTER APRIL 99



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To all M17 members,

Hello again, from my second attempt at the club newsletter. I hope you enjoyed reading the last one, even though I had my ass kicked over the letter that I printed from the disgruntled member. However I will continue to print "write in" letters from club members because (and this is the last time I will say this!) it serves as a medium for the members to voice their opinions (NOT MINE!). BUT! I will not print anonymous letters if I can not confirm it is from a member, so you must sign and print your name and request anonymity. This way I can confirm membership and if necessary ASK you to be named. Thank you. Should this new rule seem in any way unfair then you should know that you too can create a newsletter using a 300mhz P.C, with Microsoft office 97 and the next one is due out in August!

You should also remember that we have an annual general meeting (once a year strangely). Any member is able to attend, speak and even vote, (I could lose my job saying this) so if you have any feelings or thoughts on club matters then next time I suggest you turn up and use your rights. THIS CLUB IS FOR THE MEMBERS SO CARE FOR IT!

On the subject of making decisions it has been decided to stay at the *Ratin Road*. This is because of the success of the club when they used to meet there in the sixty's (before my time!), as one committee member said "I've seen a hundred bikes outside". Lets hope he's right, or my job's not worth D*CK!



THE MANCHESTER '17' MOTORCYCLE CLUB



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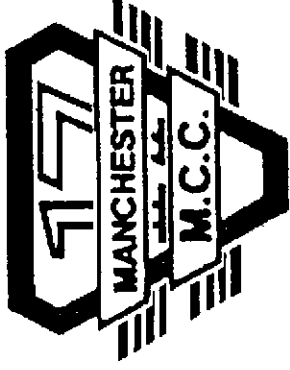
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11.04.99	DEAD EASY TRIAL + HARD MASTERS	VICTORY QUARY + FERNILEE NEAR WHALEY BRIDGE Zone 2 PG
03.05.99	DEAD EASY TRIAL + HARD MASTERS	HASLIN HIGH EDGE AND HAWKS NEST - NEAR BUXTON Zone 2 & 3 PG
31.05.98 - SPRING BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY	DEAD EASY TRIAL + HARD MASTERS	FERNILEE - NR WHALEY BRIDGE AND HAWKS NEST NEAR BUXTON or possibly Manor Steps! Zone 1 & 3 PG
13.06.99	DEAD EASY TRIAL + HARD MASTERS	HASLIN - HIGH EDGE AND HAWKS NEST NEAR BUXTON Zone 2 & 3 PG
04.07.99	DAVE ROWLAND National Champions Championship	IRAKE LINING FACTORY, HairnHigh Edge /Hawks Nest/Manor Steps/Crough House/Kidds AS15 - BUXTON Road Zone 2 & 3
17.07.99 - SATURDAY	HAWKS NEST TRIAL Newice Youth over 40 Twin shock & Invited	HAWKS NEST - NR BUXTON PG Zone 3
30.08.99 - MONDAY BANK HOLIDAY SUMMER	DEAD EASY TRIAL	FERNILEE - NEAR WHALEY BRIDGE PG Zone 1 & 3
05.09.99	DEAD EASY TRIAL + HARD MASTERS	HASLUN - HIGH EDGE AND HAWKS NEST NR BUXTON 1 PG
17.10.99	DEAD EASY TRIAL	HASLUN - HIGH EDGE NEAR BUXTON Zone 2 PG
28.11.99	NORTHERN EXPTS Restricted National	CLOUGH HOUSE WILDBOAR/CLOUGH / KIDDS Zone 3 PG
26.12.99 Boxingday Sunday	BOXING DAY MILLENIUM MADNESS TRIAL	FERNILEE - NR WHALEY BRIDGE Zone 3 PG
09.01.2000	FISHER TRIAL Centre Champion	HAWKS NEST/MANOR STERS - NR BUXTON Zone 3 Road

ALL EVENTS ARE OPEN TO CENTRE OR NATIONALS I.E NO CLOSED TO CLUB EVENTS

MANCHESTER 17 MCC
TRACK DAY - OULTON PARK (FULL CIRCUIT)
WED 21/7/99



We are organising a club track day at Oulton, and would like to invite as many club members as possible to join us for what should be a great day at one of the best circuits in the country.

If you have never been on a track day, and are worried about taking your own machine on the circuit, don't be! As long as you take it easy to begin with, you should have an enjoyable and safe day. You will also improve your own riding skills and learn so much more about your own bikes capabilities, by not having to worry about cats, junctions, diesel spills and speed limits.

The event is being organised by Track Time Promotions, who are offering this circuit at a very reasonable price - £ 99.00 for a full day. Most track day operators are either charging between £ 115.00 - £120.00, or excluding Oulton from their schedule altogether, so this is a great opportunity to ride a superb flowing circuit at a special price.

The day begins at 7.30am, when signing on will commence. There will be a riders briefing at 8.45am, with track time commencing at 9.00am. They will sort the riders into three groups, depending on ability, although its always best to start in the beginners group. There will be 8-12 sessions of 10-15 minutes each, (around 100m of riding) with a stop for lunch. The track day finishes at 1700.

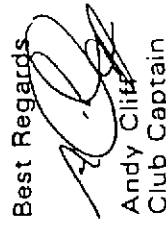
Track Time will have travelling marshals (ACU race licence holders) who will supervise the event, and also spend time with any rider who requires advice on their riding technique.

Overall, it sounds like excellent value for money, especially as I paid £ 125 for the same circuit last August with Circuit Breakers. It was my first track day, and although I only planned to ride for a morning, I was hooked and stayed the full day!

One last thing, when you book, please mention Manchester 17 MCC as they are going to endeavour to put us in one group, so that everyone has a chance to ride together, and spend time in the pits together after each session.

Please contact Debbie Derbyshire at Track Time Promotions on 01384 278387 as soon as possible.

Best Regards


Andy Clift
Club Captain

Manchester 17

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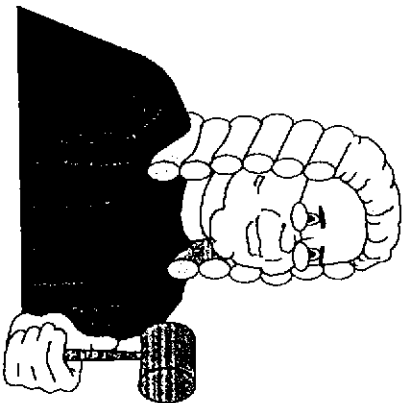
*Tuesday, 6 April 1999
Robin Hood pub
from 7.30pm*

*Pub food
Best motorcycle competition.*

*Raffle prizes.
Tyre changing competition.
Music in private club room.*

The first event at our new venue.

DID YOU KNOW?



That in America (where else?) a man was arrested for attempted shop lifting. He was arrested outside the shop by police after he was spotted on in store video cameras. He left the shop empty handed as he was unable to conceal the goods as he could not get the video cassette recorder down his trousers!

ALSO,

As you are all probably aware all drugs have a genetic or chemical name for example a pain killer is Ibuprofen. On this subject somebody asked "So what is the name for Viagra?" "Oh that's easy", he says, "MYCOXAFAILURE!"

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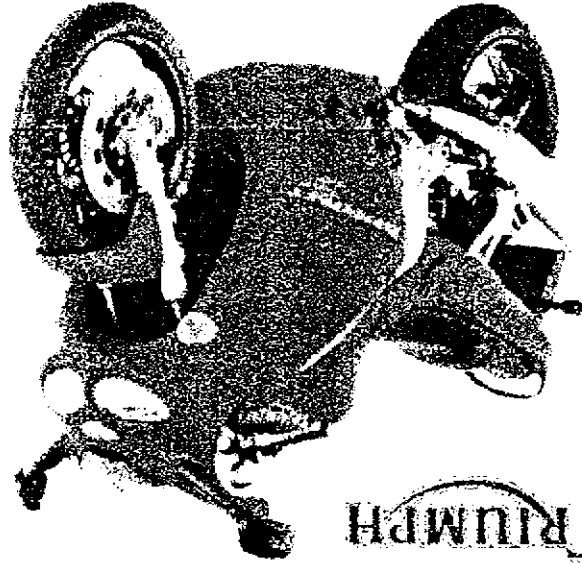
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Write in

As you are aware we now have a write in section for club members to communicate their view to all other members. As the last (well first) letter was directed towards the committee and Questioned our professionalism and sanity (WOOP-WOOP) here is an official response from-

THE COMMITTEE!

Dear Mr Editor

I am writing to you to express my great concern regarding the "poisonous" letter printed in our last newsletter regarding the new club venue.

Rather than succumb to the sarcastic tone which was evident in that letter, I wish to state the facts surrounding why the Manchester 17 Motorcycle Club moved from The Midway to The Robin Hood.

As a result of pressure from many club members during 1998, the committee included on its agenda for the committee meeting held 7th January 1999, a debate regarding a new club venue.

During this committee meeting it was decided unanimously to seek another club venue..... possible options were discussed but only two were found to be worthy of making positive a enquiry.

1. The Ship Inn, Style
2. The Robin Hood, High Lane

Both John Bradbury and myself visited The Robin Hood on Monday evening 11th January 1999 to discuss with the landlord the club requirements. To put it mildly the landlord, Griff, welcomed the club

with open arms. Later that evening, I was informed that The Midway had closed its doors, therefore the new club venue was, to a good degree forced upon us.

The following night, Tuesday (club night) we turned up at The Robin Hood as a club with no venue.....!!!!!!!
I met with the landlord, explained the situation and to cut a long story short the club was welcomed, but pending a formal committee decision. It must be made clear, at this stage The Ship Inn at Style had not been visited by a committee delegation.

Within two weeks the committee visited The Ship Inn and afterwards lobbied members for their opinion of The Robin Hood v The Ship Inn as a permanent club venue.... Therefore the back-stabbing comment regarding choosing a venue for the privileged committee few is to be treated with the contempt it deserves.... The overwhelming view was in favour for The Robin Hood a further view was taken regarding area postcodes of the majority of active members.

At the committee meeting held Monday 15th February 1999 a vote was taken and that result was to adopt The Robin Hood.

So.... Well, that deals with the facts surrounding selecting The Robin Hood.... And will all fellow club members please note that I have had the conviction to put my name to this letter, something that the writer of the complaining letter did not.....!!!!!!!

Peter Cunningham - Chairman, Manchester 17 Motorcycle Club.



And he didn't even swear.....!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
Well I hope this has convinced all our members that all of us on the committee are committed to customer satisfaction and the well being of all our members even if it has cost us all our mental health.