

YOUR COMMITTEE

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NEXT BRANCH MEETING

15th March 2011



www.thamesvalley.nortonownersclub.org

arriving from lunchtime until 3pm. Phone 01293 771446 or see <http://sunbeam-mcc.co.uk/pioneer>

4. The Newbury Classic Car & Motorcycle Show opens 10am at Newbury Racecourse with autojumble plus private entries, concours competition, club stands, commentator, refreshments etc. Admission £5. 01484 667776 or download form at ClassicShows Bike Entry Form, or see www.classicshows.org.

April 3rd

There's a CLASSIC BIKE SHOW and jumble at Whitewebbs Museum in Enfield. 0208 367 1898 9am - 4pm Admission £4.00 entry form for pre 1973 bikes at <http://www.whitewebbsmuseum.co.uk/PDFs/Classic%20Bike%20Show%202011.pdf>

April 8th

There's a Track Day at Mallory Park for VMCC members (day membership available). First session 9am, finish 5pm. £60 for entries received before 1st April, £70 thereafter. Entries accepted on the day. Contact Pauline on 01509 232777.

April 9th

The Heritage Transport Show and Auction is at Kent Showground, Detling, Maidstone, Kent ME14 3JF from 10am to 4pm. £5 admission, under 12s go free. Guest speakers, trade stands, display of vintage vehicles including cars, buses, tractors, commercials, motorcycles and stationary engines, as well as an auction run by Lambert and Foster for all types of vintage vehicles and associated memorabilia. Bar and refreshments. Free parking. Phone 01622 630975 or see kenteventcentre.co.uk

April 17th

The London Motorcycle Museum plays host to a St George's Day Hog Roast. Opens 11am to 4pm at Ravenor Farm, Oldfield Lane, Greenford, with displays of over 150 classic machines including many rare or unique prototypes from the old industry. Admission includes food plus local history centre, free parking, tea-room, etc. Just five minutes from the A40. Phone 0208 575 6644 or see www.london-motorcycle-museum.org

Editor's musings

On one of the recent fine days I took the Commando out for a spin just to see if there were any problems. Apart from the usual clutch problems requiring the biennial cleaning of the plates all seemed well. I'm now looking forward to a week away and some proper riding when I get back!

Skittles Bash

It's time again for a joint Skittles Bash with Solent Branch on 1st May. Details from Barry Stickland or you just fill in the form overleaf and send your money off to Barry.

Surrey Branch

May 21st sees Surrey Branch Norton Open Day at Brooklands from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Their now Annual event takes place at the famous former circuit with the opportunity to ride the test hill. More details to follow from Surrey Branch. Note that Southern Classic Bike Show & Autojumble is also on this day. Phone EGP Enterprises on 01344 883961.

Other events

March 19th

The EGP Autojumble opens 10am at Kempton Park racecourse near Sunbury. Huge bikejumble with around 250 outdoor and indoor stalls, five minutes from J1 off the M3. Admission £5. More details from www.egp-enterprises.co.uk or phone 01344 883961.

March 20th looks extremely busy we are spoilt for choice!

- The South of England RealClassic motorcycle show and bikejumble opens at 10am at the South of England Showground near Ardingly RH17 6TL, close to Gatwick. Big displays of British, European, Japanese and American classics: extra indoor space for the club displays (probably Surrey Branch will be there), trade stands and autojumble stalls. Plus Guest of Honour, free parking on firm ground, bring your bike to sell, garage clear-outs welcome. All pre-booked display bikes go home with a souvenir plus have the chance to win one of the handsome awards across a range of categories. See www.elk-promotions.co.uk or call 01797 344277.
- The Mike Hailwood Memorial Run starts at 11.15 am from the former Norton factory, Bracebridge Street, Birmingham. It includes a short service at St Mary Magdalen's church at Tanworth in Arden where Ken Sprayson will speak about his memories of Mike. 400 riders last year; all welcome to join. Phone 01746 862335 or see <http://madeinbirmingham.org/hailwood.htm>
- The Pioneer Run starts 8am at Epsom Down, when 400 pre-1915 motorcycles will travel to Brighton,

Thames Valley Branch NOC - Events Calendar

Date	Event	Contact	Status
March 2011			
15 th	Thames Valley Branch Club Night – at The Cricketers Hayley Green	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
April 2011			
19 th	Thames Valley Branch Club Night – at The Cricketers Hayley Green	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
May 2011			
1 st	Annual Skittles Bash with Solent Branch at The Golden Pot, Odiham Road, Alton, Hants GU34 4DJ	Barry Stickland	Confirmed
17 th	Thames Valley Branch Club Night – at The Cricketers Hayley Green	Tony Ripley	Confirmed

NORTON OWNERS CLUB – Thames Valley

Annual (?) Skittles Bash with Solent Branch

At

The Golden Pot, Odiham Road, Shalden, Alton, Hants GU34 4DJ

On Sunday 1st May 2011 at 1 pm

Price £10.00 per head

Select Choice from menu below

Qty

Beef Carbonnade (beef cooked in ale)

Chilli con carne

Vegetable Lasagne

Salmon and Pesto parcels

**Please return complete form or photocopy with cheque made payable to Barry Stickland
110 Reading Road, Finchampstead, Berks, RG40 4RA by 12th April at the latest**

Please reserve..... places.....

Cheque enclosed.....

Name..... Please Print

NOTE –

THIS IS A RETURN MATCH ORGANISED BY SOLENT BRANCH SO GET YOUR BIKES (preferably) or CARS OUT and come.

We hold the trophy at the moment – so it is up to you.

Bring your wife/partner/uncles/aunts etc. and support this event.

We need a team of at least 20 and Solent are breathing heavily to beat us.