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**NEXT BRANCH MEETING
17th July 2001**

EDITORIAL

Once again another on-time newsletter – not!

What with changing jobs and serious fettling in preparation for the International Rally in France time has been a bit of a premium. I'll try and do better next time but I shan't be at the July branch meeting as I'll be on my summer holiday so the next one probably won't be until the start of August.

More apologies – this time for those who elected to have their newsletter delivered by email and found themselves trying to download a 2MB file – oops! The formatting on this version has been kept right down, hopefully 350K should be better.

Any way lots has happened since the last newsletter in April, The branch meal, the extra club night at VMCC Pirbright, Fleet Lions, extra club night at the BSA O.C. at the Lord Derby, the Solent Branch Track Day and the International Rally.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE – Norton 650SS, 1962.
Café Racer style – fibreglass tank, clip-ons, rear sets, etc. Stored many years outside since last used so complete rebuild required. Engine/transmission separated from frame. Believed complete except exhaust pipes, speedo and tacho.

£800 ono Tel 07899-978283 (Berks).

BRANCH MEAL

Congratulations to Barry and Beryl for organising a very successful Branch Meal at the end of April at The Bell and Bottle in Shinfield.

About 18 people were there, including members, partners and friends who enjoyed a great meal and good company – a great curtain raiser for the season.

Once again thanks to Barry and Beryl Stickland for putting organising it on behalf of the branch.

**EXTRA CLUB NIGHT
VMCC PIRBRIGHT**

The weather killed this one stone dead as well. Again a few die-hards turned up at the Plough for 8 o'clock but dodgy lighting and dodgy weather meant that they spent the evening whiling away the time over a few beers in the Plough.

FLEET LIONS

The annual charity do run by the Fleet Lions was blessed with good weather yet again but the turnout from TV wasn't very high.

Those who did turn up had a good time in the sunshine. There are some pictures of the event on the NOC-TV website if anyone is interested.

EXTRA CLUB NIGHT **BSA OC – LORD DERBY**

Got it right this time and a good collection of TV members turned up and swamped the BSA Owners Club. To the uninitiated it must have looked like the NOC being visited by the BSAOC!

Thanks to Chris Norton for doing the duties from the Plough for me as I went direct. From all reports it was a bit of a blast!!!!

SOLENT BRANCH **TRACK DAY**

The Solent Branch were really unlucky with the weather on this one. It hammered down early on and was a mixture of sunshine and showers for the rest of the day.

This didn't really stop those who did turn up having a good time and I have posted up loads of photos on the web site.

What I need is a good report from someone who took part and spent all day there as I was just a part timer – anyone want to volunteer an article for me?

INTERNATIONAL RALLY **FRANCE - DORDOGNE**

Superb! Very hot! (the tarmac was melting – ever tried riding in 36 degrees wrapped up in black cowhide?)

Excellent food! Great Company!

Highly recommended!

More details and photos to follow when we have recovered!

UP AND COMING EVENTS

You probably won't get this until after the AJS/Matchless OC at Maidenhead RC – so I hope it was as good as it normally is!

There is a rumour that the Gales run has been postponed to the 15th (same day as Norton Day) can't get confirmation but if you were going you would normally have applied by now.

If anyone is going to the Norton day and would like to be a point of contact for a club run out please let me know.

Same goes for the National Rally – anyone going or interested in a day visit – again drop me an email and I will put you in touch with anyone else thinking of doing the same.

TRACK DAY 2001

The date for this year's track day has already been set – reserve the 22nd September for an experience of a lifetime!

Last year was excellent but we were short of marshals and we feel as though we took advantage of those who volunteered as they had very long stints out on the track.

To address this we are starting to register volunteers as from now – please contact Ken Aylett, Chief Marshall, on 01344 882685 or collar him at any club night.

NOC THAMES VALLEY **WEBSITE** **www.noc-tv.co.uk**

Still looking for contributions from individuals on the following topics:-

Your machines – get me a digital image of the bike and some interesting history and I will put it on the site for posterity.

Riders wives – if you dare!

Event reports – if you have been on one.



EVENTS/DIARY/ NOTABLE DATES

July

2nd

Extra Clubnight,
AJS/Matchless OC bash
at Maidenhead Rugby
Club. Leave the Plough &
Harrow at 2000 Hrs.

8th

Gales Classic Run,
Horndean.

15th

Norton Day. Avoncroft
Museum of Buildings,
Bromsgrove,
Worcestershire.

17th

Clubnight

20th to 22nd

National Rally. Midsomer
Norton Rugby Club,
Norton Down, Midsomer
Norton. Bristol

August

7th

Extra Clubnight

17th to 19th

Second Solent Camping
weekend at the Golden

Pot Near

Odiham/Lasham. Anyone
interested for a day trip?

21st

Clubnight

24th to 27th

Begonia Rally

25th to 3rd

Manx GP IOM

28th

Manx GP Re-union,
Shore Hotel, Laxey.IOM

September

4th

Extra Clubnight

18th

Clubnight

22nd

Track Day. DERA Long
Cross, Chertsey

October

16th

Clubnight

November

20th

Clubnight

December

18th

Clubnight