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**NEXT BRANCH MEETING  
 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012**



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**Events**

A few more events now coming up with great improvements in the weather. Still a bit nippy though:

**March 24<sup>th</sup>**

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

**March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

The VMCC's British Historic Racing section holds its Classic Racing Test Day at Mallory Park. Series includes pre-1934 solos, outfits and three-wheelers, through to 1970s and early 80s BEARS series. 20 championships in total; road race licence required to compete, spectators always welcome. Phone 01509 232777 or <http://www.britishhistoricracing.co.uk/>

**March 31<sup>st</sup>**

The Heritage Transport Show and Auction returns to Kent Showground, Detling, Maidstone, Kent ME14 3JF. Opens 10am to 4pm. Admission £7.50. Vintage vehicle event and auction, featuring M&D and EK 60 with special displays celebrating 50 years of the MGB Roadster, 50 years of the Massey Ferguson 35X and 100 years of AEC. Bar refreshments and free parking. Phone 01622 630975 or see [www.kentshowground.co.uk](http://www.kentshowground.co.uk)

**April 8<sup>th</sup>**

A choice of outings today:

The Malvern Classic Bike Show and autojumble opens 10am at the Three Counties Showground, Malvern in Worcs, indoor halls and outdoor stalls, autojumble plus private entries, concours competition, club stands, commentator, refreshments etc. Admission £6, or discounted if you're displaying a bike in the concours; call for pass 01484 667776 or see [www.classicshows.org](http://www.classicshows.org).

The Newbury Classic Car & Motorcycle Show opens 10am at Newbury Racecourse with indoor halls and outdoor stalls, autojumble plus private entries, concours competition, club stands, commentator, refreshments etc. Private entries welcome; for pass call 01484 667776 or download form at [www.classicshows.org](http://www.classicshows.org).

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

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. 0208 575 6644 or [www.london-motorcycle-museum.org](http://www.london-motorcycle-museum.org)

.. and not forgetting ..

**The Pete Allen Memorial Run C (Classic motorcycles) on Sunday 22nd April.**

The run is intended to be at a leisurely Pace (NO overtaking) and is suitable for first timers looking for an introduction. The aim is to arrive at Alresford Station on the Mid Hants Railway in time for a return steam hauled run to Alton and back.

Meet: Arborfield Royal British Legion Car Park, Eversley Rd., Arborfield RG2 9PR

Time: 09:30 for 10:00 departure (full fuel tank)

Approx 60 mile run with a coffee stop at Loomies, West Meon.

Arrive Alresford Station approx 13:00.

Run Leader: Pete's son Robert riding Pete's 1953 Norton Dommie Model 7.

Backmarker: Lyn Allen on Norton Dominator 88.

Members of Norton Owners Club plus friends of Pete who ride classic machines will be joining for this run.

**Editors Musings**

I was in Durham last weekend on a family visit and we spent Saturday at the Beamish Museum. A splendid place to visit if you are in that area. In the old Edwardian garage are three motor cycles including this Triumph seen here getting some fresh air. There was also a Royal Enfield of similar vintage.



(Photo © Beamish Museum)

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**Thames Valley Branch NOC - Events Calendar**

Date	Event	Contact	Status
<b>March</b>			
20 <sup>th</sup>	Thames Valley Branch Club Night – Location The Swan, Three Mile Cross	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
<b>April</b>			
19 <sup>th</sup>	Thames Valley Branch Club Night – Location tba	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>The Pete Allen Memorial Run C</b> (Classic motorcycles)	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
<b>May</b>			
17 <sup>th</sup>	Thames Valley Branch Club Night – Location tba	Tony Ripley	Confirmed