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The Sunbeam Motor Cycle Club Ltd

Affiliated to the A.C.U. (South Eastern Centre)

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72nd PIONEER RUN® REGULATIONS

An Event for Veteran Motorcycles and Tricycles.

on Sunday 14th March 2010.

1. ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Sunbeam MCC will hold the 72nd Pioneer Run® on Sunday 14th March 2010 and invites entries from riders of Motorcycles or Tricycles manufactured not later than 31st December 1914 and registered on the Pioneer Register or be appropriately dated by the Veteran Car Club (VCC) of GB.

2. JURISDICTION.

The Pioneer Run® is NOT a competition, but a demonstration of the reliability and endurance of veteran machines. The Run will be held under these regulations and any Final Instructions to be issued. (such Final Instructions to have the same force as these regulations).

3. ENTRIES.

a) Entries on the official entry forms (or double sided photocopies) will be accepted forthwith and must be sent to:- **The Secretary of the Meeting. Ian McGill. The Oaktree. 13, Victoria Road. Horley. Surrey. RH6 9BN.** to arrive not later than **31st December 2009**

Accompanied by the appropriate fees – See Page 2.

If you are entering and wish to ride near a friend, please send both entries in the same envelope to us.

Similar forethought in the entry of Horsepower Teams would also be welcome.

Please Note that LATE ENTRIES will be received but charged at £50.00p

b) The Entry Fee for current members of the Sunbeam MCC is £25 and £30 for non-members. If you wish to join the Sunbeam MCC and enjoy the lower fee for this event, and other veteran and vintage events throughout 2010, Please include the annual subscription for 2010 of £15. (please add £2 joining fee)

c) Entrants should expect to receive packages containing their Riding numbers, Program, Car stickers, Paddock passes and Final Instructions, **between two and three weeks before the event.** A separate acknowledgement of receipt of entry will be sent, if requested, on receipt of a SAE with the entry form.

d) *Entries are not transferable to another person* and machines may only be substituted with permission of the Secretary of the Meeting prior to the day.

e) Clothing of an advertising or comic nature is not allowed and trade plates are not permitted. No Solo machine may carry more than one person and the towing of period trailers behind solo machines is not permitted.

f) Two numbered cards will be supplied and must be conspicuously displayed throughout the event, one facing forwards mounted on the machine, the other facing rear and normally carried by the rider on his belt. A coloured sticker will be applied in the starting paddock to denote that the rider has passed through this area, and should be shown to the Sign Off Steward at Maderia Drive, Brighton when claiming your Pioneer Medal. ***Please ensure that you have string or tape to affix your numbers to the machine.***

g) Entrants are expected, in making their entries, to accept that it is in the spirit of the Run and an essential feature of the event to leave their machines on display in the paddock at Brighton, whatever the weather, until the Mayor of the City of Brighton & Hove has presented the awards and the paddock is open to the public.

h) The organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry to exclude a machine they feel is unfit to take part or likely to bring the event into disrepute.

4. PASSENGERS.

Passengers may only be carried where proper seating is provided in a sidecar, forecar or tricar, The passenger must be named on the entry form and a change of passenger en route is not permitted as it contravenes the insurance arrangements and will render the rider liable to exclusion.

5. PERSONAL ACCIDENT COVER

All riders resident in the UK will be covered against personal accident risks whilst taking part in the event and the premium is included in the entry fee. ***Where a passenger is carried, an additional fee of £1.50p is payable with the entry fee*** to provide similar cover. **This is mandatory.**

6. LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

- a) Machines must comply with the legal requirements for use on the public highway. All must be covered by a current MOT Certificate and display a current Road Fund Licence. Those found to be untaxed at the start will be excluded.
- b) Riders **MUST** have a valid insurance in accordance with the requirements of the Road Traffic Act and the relevant Law in Great Britain and will be required to sign a declaration that they are covered by such insurance.
- c) Foreign entrants are required to produce an Insurance Green card at Signing On if asked.
- d) All riders and passengers **MUST** Sign-On at the start and Sign-Off at the finish, where they will be required to produce their machine number complete with starting marked disc affixed.

7. OFFICIALS

- a) Stewards: Bill Pile. Ray Hudson. David Jordan. Jim Bacon (ACU)
- b) Clerk of the Course: Ray Blackwell.
- c) Secretary of the Meeting: Ian D.McGill
- d) Deputy Secretary of the Meeting: Warwick Knowles.

8. DESCRIPTION

- a) This event is promoted as a SOCIAL GATHERING. Riders are expected to handle their machines with particular care and attention and maintain sensible speeds well within the limitations of the machine's performance. They **MUST** comply with the Road Traffic Regulations throughout and take particular care in this respect in built-up areas such as Reigate and Brighton. No special dispensation is given for competitors behaviour because they are riding early machines and you must ride according to the limitations of your machines.
- b) The start will be within the confines of TATTENHAM CORNER Racecourse Car Parks, EPSOM DOWNS. A Map of the start area will be included in the program.
- c) The field of entries will be arranged in date order for Class 1 (pre 1905) and Class 2 (1905 - 1909)machines. Class 3 (1910-1914) machines will start in the order ENTRIES WERE RECEIVED. To secure an early start in Class 3 it is necessary to get your entry in as soon as possible. Entrants who wish to ride together are advised to send their entries together.
- d) The first machine away will leave at **0800 hrs** with the remainder of Class 1 entries leaving at two per minute. The Class 2 entries will follow at four per minute. In an attempt to get the Class 3 entries away early enough to avoid traffic build-up on the outskirts of Brighton, they will leave at three per half minute.
- e) **All riders and passengers MUST Sign-ON** at least 15 minutes before their start time. If they arrive at the start line more than 30 minutes late they may be excluded. **Starting before the programmed start-time will not be permitted.** Riders who fail to Sign-On will be deemed Non-Starters and be ineligible for Start and Finish Awards.
- f) The Finish will be on Madeira Drive, Brighton. The course will be closed at 1400hrs and any riders arriving after that time will be deemed to have retired.
- g) Riders will be required to drive their machines, under their own power, from EPSOM DOWNS to BRIGHTON, a distance of approx, 62 miles. Outside assistance, en route, is permissible to effect repairs or adjustments only. The machines must complete the course under their own power to qualify for a Finishers Award. Machines which have been towed or trailed over any part of the course will be excluded.
- h) The route follows the A217 through Reigate to join the A23 at Gatwick. It leaves the A23 at Pease Pottage roundabout, proceeds via a series of slip roads to Handcross village, and then to Leonardslee Gardens for a coffee stop, after which the route follows the A279 through Cowfold and Henfield on the A281, rejoining the A23 after Pyecombe then into Brighton to the finish. Riders are permitted to use the bus lanes where applicable when riding through Brighton, but urged to take great care.
- i) Riders will be required to hand in their **REAR rider number that has the coloured sticker applied**, to the Sign-Off steward at Brighton, before claiming their Pioneer medallion.

9. DRIVING MANNER EN ROUTE

As a result of the severe and dangerous obstruction caused by slow-moving trailers closely following riders, the Police Authorities have insisted that, in the interests of safety, we take some positive action to stop it.

The flow of motorcycles does not in itself create a problem, It is the practice of some tender vehicles closely following and sticking with a slow-moving rider which presents the greatest danger to other riders, who wish to pass, and unacceptable congestion for other road users.

Again this year as previously we have asked the Police to stop and report to us the details of those found guilty of this practice and the riders concerned will be disqualified and may be banned from future runs. Those who persist may well find themselves prosecuted for obstruction.

Cars with trailers moving with the mainstream of traffic cause few problems and tender crews could ease the situation by either by-passing the main route, joining it at pre-arranged check-points, or by intelligently leap frogging down the route and parking in lay-byes.

Entrants are strongly urged to instruct the driver of their tender vehicle to follow the alternative route from the A23/A27 intersection on the outskirts of Brighton. A Separate route card will be provided.

The future of the Pioneer Run® is very much in the hands of the riders. The organisers hope they and their teams will take some trouble to responsibly pre-plan their activities to cause minimum hassle for everyone.

10. RIDING SAFETY

It is vitally important that if you break down you **MUST** get your machine off the Highway, preferably onto the hard shoulder, pavement or bank, out of the traffic stream where you can safely work on it or wait to be picked up. This is particularly pertinent in narrow lanes and where the traffic stream is heavy. It is **NOT** acceptable to block your side of the road with a machine being worked on or waiting to be picked up. It is hazardous to put yourself in a position where traffic has to deviate to avoid you, sometimes with little warning.

11. AWARDS

- a) Start: To every rider who signs on, a commemorative lapel badge.
b) Finish: To every rider who completes the course, a bronze Pioneer medallion.

IF YOU FAIL TO GO THROUGH THE CORRECT STARTING AREA, YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE A FINISHERS MEDALLION SHOULD YOU FINISH THE COURSE.

- c) *Combined Age Award:* To the rider who finishes by 1300hrs and has the greatest combined age with that of his machine, a Cup to be held for one year, and an engraved tankard, To the next two runners-up, an engraved shield.
d) *Age Difference Award:* To the rider who finishes by 1300hrs and has the greatest difference between his own age and that of his machine, the Laurie Fenton Trophy, to be held for one year, and an engraved tankard. To the runner-up an engraved shield.
e) *Meritorious Performance Award:* To the rider who, in the opinion of the judge, overcomes the greatest hardship or bad luck to achieve a finish, the Bob Currie Trophy, to be held for one year, and an engraved tankard.
f) *Ladies Award:* To the Lady rider who finishes before 1300hrs and, in so doing puts up the best performance of the Lady riders, a Cup to be held for one year and an engraved souvenir.
g) *Most Authentic and un-restored machine:* To the rider who finishes by 1300hrs with the most authentic & un-restored machine a tankard generously donated by and judged by the "Classic Motorcycle" magazines editor.
h) *Dutch 'Horsepower' Team Trophy:* To a team, one from each class, namely one from class 1 entries, one from class two entries and one from class three entries, who have successfully finished before 1300hrs with the greatest combined ages of riders and machines collectively, a mounted shield presented by the Dutch Horsepower Run organisers with an engraved tankard as a replica to each member of the team.
i) *Newcomers Award:* Presented by the German Vintage Motorcycle Club, to be awarded to the most deserving newcomer.
j) *Ray Newton Trophy:* To the best Vee Twin machine to complete the course by 1300hrs, plus an engraved tankard.
k) *The Brian Verrall Trophy:* To the best Sidecar outfit or Three wheeler to complete the course by 1300hrs, plus an engraved tankard.

12. PARKING ON MADEIRA DRIVE

- a) The Paddock for tender vehicles will be strictly reserved for those vehicles carrying the official car stickers.
b) For entrants who wish to have additional vehicle passes for friends or family, a special VIP pass may be ordered with your entry at a cost of £18. This fee will cover provision of program, two paddock passes and a VIP car pass and these packages will be sent out separately. Because of the difficulty of finding sufficient parking space these passes are to be restricted to one per entrant. The VIP pass permits entry to Madeira Drive at the Aquarium Roundabout, following the riders, with parking before the Finishing Paddock and **NOT** the trailer park end.

REMEMBER THAT THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS 31ST DECEMBER 2009.

Entries received after this date will be charged at £50.00p

START TIME is 08:00hrs on Sunday 14th March 2010.

The Organisers wish you a safe and successful run.