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Always Ahead!



Nick Goodwin aboard his 1929 Scott Flying Squirrel on The Romney Marsh Run
Photo: Julie Diplock / Nick Goodwin

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Hello Everyone,
Christmas Shopping? See our Recommended Service Suppliers List, put together in response to members' requests. I was struck with what a talented bunch of club members we have; find the list on page 20 and do let me know of any other suppliers you think should be on there. I hope you will find it useful, many of the suppliers are not on the internet, too busy in the workshop! Do mention SMCC if you contact any suppliers. Recently I spoke to somebody ho was seeking a metal spinner, if you were that person then I was chatting to Keith Ardley at Ardingly Autojumble, who offers re-silvering and bespoke metal spinning and he's on the list. All the best for Christmas and the New Year, Julie

The President's 2018 Christmas Message

Ian McGill

I trust that you all had a very good summer season and enjoyed riding in our club runs, for which we have to thank the many excellent secretary's of meetings. Well done everybody.

We should also pass on grateful thanks to Julie Diplock, our very hard-working Sunbeam News editor, for the excellent bi-monthly and informative magazine.

On the down side, I cannot fail to mention how I feel let down by the Post Office for the very poor delivery of the Pioneer Run entry forms and regulations, as so many of these have gone astray for whatever reason. I could understand this if it was a 'local' situation, but it would seem to be country wide. Sincere apologies to any members who may feel left out, but I would ask that they use our website to obtain Pioneer Run entry forms and send them back to me as soon as possible please; don't forget the closing date is 31st December 2018.

Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a prosperous New Year

Chiddingly Club nights – First Thursday each month

Baz Staple

Paul Rees in last month's News asked for a volunteer or even two to run Club nights in future. Paul has done a great job in keeping the night alive for the past two years and we offer him our grateful thanks. This plea was echoed at the Bring and Buy night in November without success.

Basically, there are eight months, September to April for inside talks, demos etc. on any interesting theme, principally relating to mechanical matters but not necessarily so. In the months May to August in recent times we have had ride outs on any bike or car to interesting villages with a nice pub. So these periods could be split between two persons, but the outside activities may require someone with local knowledge. In the past we have had some brilliant ideas from members suggesting subjects or themes. Ideally we need to have a planned programme of subjects some three months in advance so it can be publicised. Another method successfully employed at West Kingsdown club night is for regulars to advise their email addresses to enable a common message to be sent to remind all of the night and meeting subject. Please consider if you can help and keep the Chiddingly club night alive and kicking.

Deadline for February / March Issue: 15th January 2019

Non Competitive Social Runs and ACU Permits

Arnold Marshall

Historically the club has always obtained ACU permits for all its events. However, the ACU system is primarily aimed at competitive off-road or closed road activities, not non-competitive road runs. Some of our members have been asking why we go down the permit route when many other clubs do not deem it necessary, consequently the situation has been investigated with the following results.

Currently, our ACU permit provides us with Public Liability Insurance (PLI) up to £10,000.000 applicable only to off-road areas. Once our event takes to the public highway riders must rely on their own RTA Insurance. Additionally, the permit provides Personal Accident cover for signed-on officials during the event, including setting up and breaking down. Such PA cover being limited to serious injury, death, loss of sight, loss of limbs etc.

Additionally, we take ACU Personal Accident Cover (Premier Cover) which increases our PLI to £40,000,000 and provides PA cover for competitors (riders), again limited to serious injuries as above. Our Commercial Combined Policy cover with Hiscox provides us with PLI up to £5,000,000 for any Club activities, including events. Such cover includes off-road venues but does not cover vehicles on the move at such venues or where RTA legislation applies. It provides cover for the public and club members in respect of property and bodily injury. Our cover also includes Employers Liability up to £10,000,000 which allows for up to five officials, members or non-members, employed in running an event. This covers claims for bodily or mental injury, disease or death resulting from our activities.

Findings

Hiscox Insurers, the committee and our legal advisor, John Joseph, consider that we can arrange sufficient cover with our Commercial Combined Policy arrangements to cover our non-competitive social events adequately.

There is no legal obligation on the Club to provide PA cover to either officials or riders on our non-competitive events.

Decision

The Club will in future rely on our policy with Hiscox for non-competitive club activities, thereby dispensing with ACU Permits for these events.

Riders should be advised that they should arrange their own PA cover for events, if required.

We will continue to be affiliated to the ACU and will obtain permits for our competitive events as present.

Advantages

It is hoped that the resulting reduction in paperwork will encourage more members to volunteer to arrange social events in their local areas allowing the club, its activities and membership to continue to grow.

Chairman's Lunch

Finally can I remind you that you are invited to the Chairman's lunch on the 5th January 2019 (as advertised on page 34 of this Club News) and take this opportunity to wish all our members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Secretary's Scribblings

Paul Bullock

We are still looking for help and machines at various shows in 2019. Remember that you often get into shows for nothing! Please contact either myself or the Events Secretary if you are able or willing to assist in any way. All help is gratefully received, it enables you to meet lots of interesting people, see interesting machines and have a sit down and if you are lucky a cup of coffee! Email addresses are inside the front cover.

The Committee have looked at the questionnaire replies and are putting some of the most suggested ideas in place, such as a list of firms and people who have carried out work or supplied parts, who members wish to recommend and this is published on page 20.

If you know of any good reliable companies or suppliers please let us know for inclusion in the list.

From the Membership Secretary

Brian Empsall

Please give the following new members to the Club a warm welcome:

Daniel Anstiss	Hampshire	Patrick Gill	Essex
Michael Barter	Sussex	Peter Griffths	Surrey
Stephen David Best	Kent	Grant Jenkins	West Sussex
Sandy Bloy	Perthshire	Steve Jenkin	Cumbria
Ralph Brough	Surrey	David Moy	Warwickshire
Michael Bryant	Berkshire	David Moyse	Kent
Nick Canfor	Hampshire	Robert Rouse	Kent
Tony Cowley	Yorkshire	Jeff Swan	West Sussex
Ian Gilbert	Middlesex	Stuart Towner	Surrey

2019 Subscriptions.

2019 subscriptions become due on the 1st January. The rates remain the same as last year and are:

Full UK Member £22
Full Overseas Member £28
Family Members (UK or Overseas) £5

Individual notification of the amount due will be found on the reverse of the address label with this edition of Club News (December – January). Full members please do not forget to pay for any family members at the same time as you pay for yourself. Members who have joined since 1st July will have received their membership card expiring 31st December 2019 with their new member's pack. Other membership cards for 2019 will be sent with the February – March magazine. Please make sure we receive your payment by mid-January to ensure your membership card is included with that magazine. If you are entering the Pioneer Run please note that you should send your subscription payment with your entry. Payment can now be made by cheque, PayPal or internet banking as follows:

- If paying by cheque please make your cheque payable to Sunbeam MCC and send to SMCC, 19 Swinfen Broun Road, Lichfield, WS13 7AP. Please write you membership number on the back of your cheque.
- If paying by internet banking or telephone banking please make payment to:
  Sunbeam Motorcycle Club Ltd No 2 a/c
  Sort code 09-01-53
  Account number 39197706
  with your membership number and your name as Payment Reference.
- If paying by PayPal please send your payment via the [**Pay or send money**] > [**Pay for goods or services**] feature in PayPal to:- **membership # sunbeam-mcc.co.uk** with your membership number and your name as a note.

Please pay promptly. It really does help. Thank you.

New Marque Specialist

Julie Diplock

New member and noted Matchless expert Pat Gill has offered to assist with your pre-War Matchless queries. You can get hold of Pat on 01992 81 3253 before 9pm, if no answer then do try again, or email **matchlesspat # aol.com**, which is the preferred option for contact. Thanks go to Pat for volunteeering.

Meanwhile, the full list of marque specialists should be available on the members area of our website

Old Stock Regalia : Final Clearance Sale

Rob Smith

Listed below are the remaining stocks of regalia items from before the banner was added below the club badge. Clothing is very limited now and listed below only in the sizes I still have available. I have good stocks of Hi-Viz vests and club ties but the various badges are also running out fast. Please contact me first via my details inside the front cover of the Club News with your requirements.

Long Sleeve Rugby Shirt Black Embroidered Badge (M, XXL ONLY)	£14:00 + £3:00 P&P
Short Sleeve Polo Shirt Black Embroidered Badge (L, XXL ONLY)	£9:50 + £3:00 P&P
Long Sleeve Trials T-Shirt Black Embroidered Badge (M, XL, XXL ONLY)	£6:00 + £3:00 P&P
Sweatshirt Black c/w Embroidered Badge (L, XXL ONLY)	£12:00 + £3:00 P&P
Fleece Jacket Black c/w Embroidered Badge (L, XL, XXL ONLY)	£14:00 + £3:00 P&P
Hi-Viz Vest Zip Fronted Yellow c/w Badge (2XL, 3XL to wear over riding jacket)	£7:00 + £3:00 P&P
Club Tie in Navy Blue	£5:00 + £1:00 P&P
Black & Gold Embroidered Club Badge (LIMITED STOCKS)	£3:00 + £1:00 P&P
Enamel Badge for Vehicle (LIMITED STOCKS)	£5:50 + £1:00 P&P
Lapel Badge (LIMITED STOCKS)	£2:00 + £1:00 P&P
Club Logo/Banner Sticker (NEW)	£1:00 + £1:00 P&P

The Night Before Christmas

Anon

Twas the night before Christmas at the motorcycle store
The sales clerks were gone; they'd locked up the door.
Back in service, the tools were hung with great care,
The floors had been swept, the workbenches bare.
Sales had been brisk, filling staff with elation
As they headed down south for their winter vacation.

The new shiny sportbikes had all been sold out,
And all that was left was an old Triumph Scout,
A Norton Commando, a Rudge Multi too,
And a black BMW R32,
A Vincent, a Matchless, and Velocette,
And a drippy old Brough that wouldn't start on a bet.

"This stinks," said the Norton. "We're just as fine
As those Japanese bikes the kids buy all the time."
"You're right," said the Vincent as he grew agitated.
"All I need is to get my back tyre inflated,
Then I could compete with the best of `em yet."
"Me, too! I'm still fast," cried the old Velocette.

"If someone was handy, somebody smart,
They'd know how to fix us and get us to start."
And so as they grumbled and whined and complained,
They didn't notice a visitor came.
He was dressed all in leather, black head to toe,
And his helmet had stickers that brightly did glow.



His beard was snow-white. It reached to his chest.
How he got in the door was anyone's guess.
He looked them all over. "Merry Christmas!" he said.
"Are you fellows available to pull my big sled?"
"Who, us?" laughed the Matchless. "We're rusty and old.
Nobody wants us, that's why we're not sold.
Kids want electric, not our old kickstarts.
These young punks think we're just bikes for old farts."

"My Lucas headlight hasn't worked well in years,"
Said the Rudge, "and my gearbox is missing some gears.
I'd be much obliged if you'd look at my choke.
And the earthing brush in my magneto is broke."
"My mix is too rich, I think," said the Beemer.
"Does anyone know how to set my carb leaner?"

Then Santa said, "Hey, stop the whining, you guys.
You're legends and history in many men's eyes.
So what if you're rusty and don't look brand new?
Hypermotards wouldn't be here without you."
Then the vintage bikes lights started glowing with pride.
And the Norton Commando said, "Let's take a ride!"

"I'm ready, let's go, come on!" said the Brough.
"Let's get it in gear and show `em our stuff."
They took to the road, their pipes roared like thunder.
And Santa sat back in his sled, filled with wonder.
And he said as he watched them race into the night,
"Merry Christmas to all, and to all a safe ride."

Letters

Your letters and comments are always welcomed. Send them to The Editor, contact details inside front cover.

Message from the Editor: *Thanks for all your input, it's always great to have feedback. The writer of the Best Letter of the Issue will receive a Sunbeam MCC Machine Badge. This extremely attractive badge is made from enamel and brass in the traditional manner, with an integral bracket to fit any machine. Get writing and it could be you next issue. If you're not lucky enough to pen that winning letter then they are available to purchase from Rob Smith, our Regalia Officer - see inside front cover for contact details.*



The London Ladies Motorcycle Club - Ladies Race

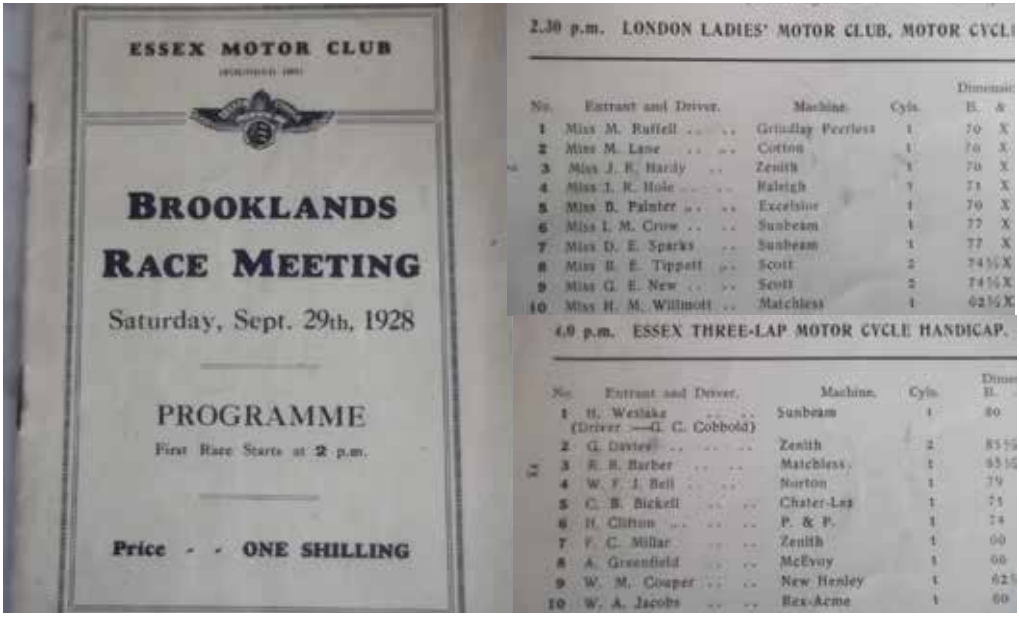
Dear Julie,

I just finished reading Richard Rosenthal's article in the October / November Club News on 'The London Ladies Motorcycle Club' and the ladies race as part of the Essex Motor Club event. I have attached some photos of the programme for this event, which shows the details for the ten entrants. May Ruffell was 1st, with Miss J.R. Hole 2nd and Miss B.E Tippet 3rd. Clearly, with May Ruffell using one of Bill Lacey's mounts she was sure to do well, and I believe she later became Mrs Lacey?

Regarding the other race where F.C. Millar won, he was riding a 248cc Zenith Blackburne, not a Zenith JAP. The engine dimensions in the programme are shown as 60 x 88 which are Blackburne dimensions. This error is shown in the Hartley book '*Brooklands Bikes in the Twenties*'. 'Freddie' Millar had support from the Blackburne factory, and as such was using one of their racing engines in the Class A events. I hope this is of interest?

Kind regards, Graham Gasson

Editor's Note: Many thanks for your letter, it's won you a Sunbeam MCC machine badge.



ESSEX MOTOR CLUB

BROOKLANDS
RACE MEETING

Saturday, Sept. 29th, 1928

PROGRAMME

First Race Starts at 2 p.m.

Price - - ONE SHILLING

2.30 p.m. LONDON LADIES' MOTOR CLUB. MOTOR CYCL

No.	Entrant and Driver.	Machine.	Cyls.	Dimensi B. &
1	Miss M. Ruffell	Grindlay Peerless	1	70 X
2	Miss M. Lane	Cotton	1	70 X
3	Miss J. R. Hardy	Zenith	1	70 X
4	Miss J. R. Hole	Raleigh	1	71 X
5	Miss D. Painter	Excelsior	1	70 X
6	Miss I. M. Crow	Sunbeam	1	77 X
7	Miss D. E. Sparks	Sunbeam	1	77 X
8	Miss B. E. Tippett	Scott	2	74½X
9	Miss G. E. New	Scott	2	74½X
10	Miss H. M. Willmott	Matchless	1	62½X

4.0 p.m. ESSEX THREE-LAP MOTOR CYCLE HANDICAP.

No.	Entrant and Driver.	Machine.	Cyls.	Dime B.
1	H. Westlake (Driver —G. C. Cobbold)	Sunbeam	1	80
2	G. Davies	Zenith	2	85½
3	E. B. Barber	Matchless	1	85½
4	W. F. J. Bell	Norton	1	79
5	C. B. Bickell	Chater-Lea	1	71
6	H. Clifton	P. & P.	1	74
7	F. C. Millar	Zenith	1	60
8	A. Greenfield	McEvoy	1	60
9	W. M. Cooper	New Henley	1	62½
10	W. A. Jacobs	Rex-Acme	1	60

Club Meets

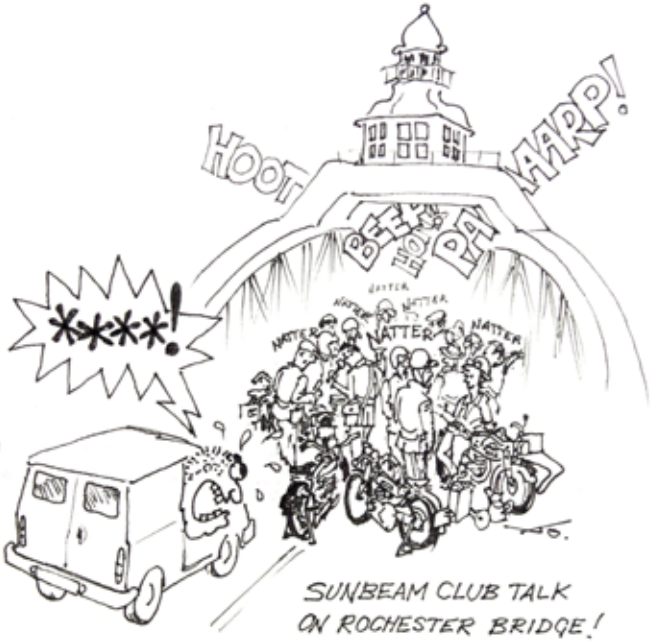
Club Nights at West Kingsdown Village Hall, Kent

Rob Smith

These are held on the third Monday of the month from 8pm to 10:30pm at West Kingsdown Village Hall, London Road, West Kingsdown, Kent TN15 6BZ. (Behind The Gamecock Pub) OS grid reference O/S 188 574 629. Tea or coffee and biscuits provided, for more details contact George Smith on 01474 852960 or **t110george47 # gmail.com**

October: Sunbeam Club Talk on Rochester Bridge

Andrew Freeman of the Rochester Bridge Trust gave an excellent talk with photos on the Trust and the history of the bridges that have crossed the River Medway in Rochester since Roman times to the present day. From Medieval times the Wardens and Assistants have maintained this strategic river crossing completely independently of the road authorities. The original bridge crossed the River Medway on the line of Watling Street, the main Roman road from the Kent coast to London, which was funded by donations from the parishes surrounding Rochester. This bridge was destroyed by winter storms in 1381. The Medieval bridge was constructed from 1387-91 and in order to pay for maintenance and repairs Sir John de Cobham and Sir Robert Knolles petitioned Richard II and received a Royal Patent in 1399 for the establishing of the Wardens and Commonalty of Rochester Bridge. This crossing served for the next 500 years until, despite modernisation, growing traffic levels led to it being demolished and replaced by the Victorian bridge constructed between 1850-6.



By the end of the 19th Century this bridge required refurbishment to cope with the increasing traffic and also modifications to carry public utility pipes and cables across the river. Work took place from 1910-14.

A railway bridge constructed alongside in the 1850's but disused since the 1920's was rebuilt from 1967-70 to carry eastbound traffic across the Medway while the original bridge carries traffic westbound which has continued to this day.

A glass for donations was placed on the table and a fantastic total of £80:00 was raised. Grateful thanks to Andrew and all of you that came along for your generosity. Also special thanks to club member John Joseph for this wonderful sketch!

Next Dates at West Kingsdown:

Monday December 17th Christmas Party night - partners welcome!
Monday January 21st 2019

Club Meets

Club Nights at Six Bells, Chiddingly, East Sussex

Paul Rees

These are held at 7:30pm on the first Thursday of each month at the Six Bells public house, Chiddingly, Sussex, BN8 6HE, telephone 01825 872227, OS grid ref. TQ 543142. Food is available from 6pm.

Next Dates at Chiddingly:
December 6th
January 3rd 2019

Club Meetings at London Colney, Herts

Richard Tann

The Sunbeam Club meets at The Broadlakes Social Club, Shenley Lane, London Colney, Herts AL2 1DG. The meetings take place at 8:00pm on the second Tuesday of each month. For more details contact **richard.tann # btinternet.com** 02089 535732 All welcome.

For the festive season, the December meeting of the Sunbeam MCC, Scott Owners Club and friends will take place on Tuesday 18th December at 8pm, when we share a Christmas buffet with the VMCC East Herts Section. All welcome, please bring your partner. There is a small charge of £2 contribution to the buffet but only for men, ladies do not pay. The usual Broadlakes Lodge Social Club venue. Please note this is one week later than our regular than our regular December meeting date.

Club Meetings at The Vine, Essex

Frank Mace

The Essex meet takes place at noon on the first Saturday of the month at 'The Vine', Vine St, Great Bardfield, Braintree, Essex CM7 4SR, 'phone: 01371 811822, www.vine-greatbardfield.co.uk - all welcome. Next meeting at The Vine is 1st December at noon, then again on the 15th of January.
For more information contact **frankmace # ymail.com** or on 07497 000981.
Photo at The Vine by Frank Mace



Out and About

Riding the New Pioneer Run® Route

Pioneer Run Steering Committee

Since it was decided that the route needed to be changed to avoid the last part of the A23 into Brighton everyone on the Pioneer Run Steering Committee has either driven or ridden the new route.

On Sunday 7th October, Rob Pond and Rob Smith tried it out on a 1914 TT Triumph and a 1913 Levis from Small Dole all the way to the last roundabout onto Madeira Drive. They arrived there at around midday to replicate the day and time when the majority of the entrants would be arriving.

They have both stated they are happy with it and it is a mostly more relaxing ride compared with the old route.



Rob Pond at Brighton seafront. Photo: Rob Smith

11th Constable Run – Sunday 9th September 2018

Martin Staple

Thirty-three riders and six passengers took part in this year's Constable Run on Sunday 9th September 2018. The entry numbers are increasing every year and the feedback we received from the riders was that it was an enjoyable ride and they wouldn't want the route changed! Apart from meeting a few horses enroute, those riding their "iron horses" didn't encounter any problems and thankfully the rain kept off until everyone arrived back to Corncraft.

Thanks go to Corncraft Tea Rooms who did us proud again this year providing us with excellent meals; and our thanks also go to them for providing such a wonderful base to start from and finish at. There are a few more new enterprises at Corncraft so this gave those that didn't ride more to look at whilst waiting for their lunch.

Our thanks also go to those who came and took part, without you it wouldn't have been such an enjoyable event.

Next year's Constable Run will be held on Sunday 8th September 2019; **NOT** Sunday 15th September 2019 as previously advised. It was moved due to a clash with the September Challenge.
So, if you would like to join us either again or for the first time, we look forward to seeing you.

Awards

Most Original Unrestored Machine – The Chris Stiles Trophy: Rob Kitchen on his 1926 Sunbeam.
Machine You Would Most Like to Own: Tim Reynolds on his 1932 500cc Norton.



Baz Staple aboard his 1930 Velocette at The Constable Run together with two other 'cammies'.
Photo: Nick Farthing

The Fifth Romney Marsh Run

Words and Photos Rob Smith

The last SMCC event of the season for Veteran and Vintage machines was again the excellent Romney Marsh run enthusiastically organised by our Editor, Julie Diplock with husband Rick Bailey and friends based at The Star Inn at St. Mary in the Marsh, once home to Noel Coward and Edith Nesbit, author of 'The Railway Children' who is buried in the churchyard opposite the pub. We arrived on a cool, sunny Sunday morning to find a paddock filled with interesting machines being warmed up and made ready for a jaunt round the lanes while the riders and spectators fuelled up on bacon rolls, tea and coffee.

This year's entry included no less than four pre-1904 machines with the well-known and much travelled pair of 1896-7 Leon Bollee's of Kate Baldock and Dave Pittuck the oldest machines present. The other two were David Cooper's 1902 Quadrant, rescued from a rubbish tip in 1957 and much ridden since and Dennis Grech with his recently acquired 1903 Werner.

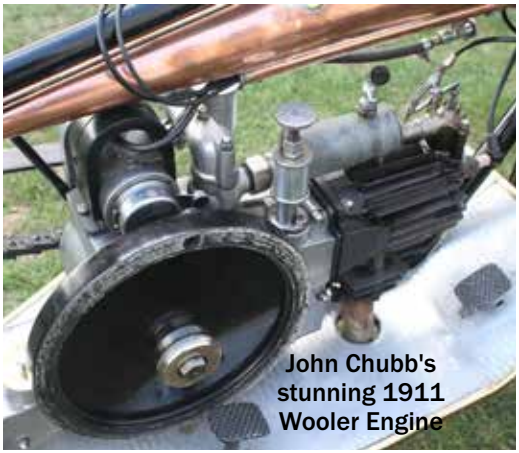


David Cooper's 1902 Quadrant at The Star Inn.

Another fascinating machine was the 1911 Wooler of John Chubb on which he has put so much work in to so it could run again.

Rowena Rosenthal was riding her newly restored 1914 Douglas which was recently repatriated from Australia, with her Father-In-Law and co-creator of our superb website Richard on his 1911 Premier. Jane and Ian Anderson were also present with Jane's beautifully restored 1923 Ivy and Ian's potent 1923 N.U.T. described by him in the programme as 'The Brown Bomber'! Another unique machine was the 1924 Dart-J.A.P. of new member Martin Hirst, a one-off pre-production machine with three owners from new.

In all, 15 Veteran and 30 Vintage machines were entered, so after a short briefing from Rick we were off with a large crowd of interested spectators snapping and filming us. Your scribe rode round the short route on the 1914 Dayton in good company with Dennis on the Werner and we both really appreciated the flat and traffic-free route with the occasional cyclist to wave to with only a few brief stops to apply some belt dressing to the flat belt of the Werner. Our route took us past a roadside memorial just outside Newchurch village to Pilot Officer Arthur William Clarke of 504 Squadron R.A.F. Fighter Command, then aged 20 who was killed near this spot at the height of the Battle of Britain on 11th September 1940 when Hurricane P3770 was shot down while he with his squadron was attacking an incoming formation of enemy bombers and fighters. One of The Few.

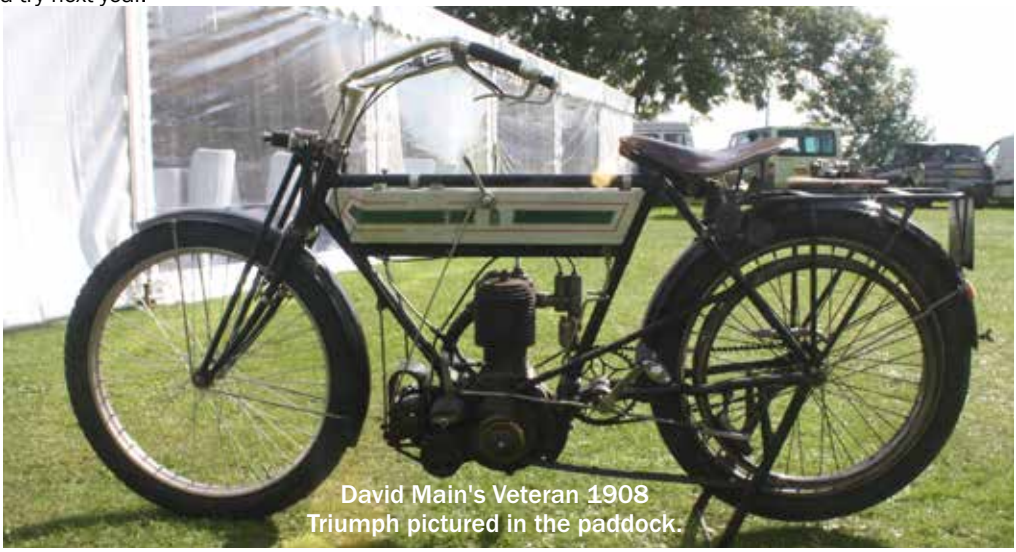

John Chubb's stunning 1911 Wooler Engine

The superb route continued on with absolutely no worries of going 'off piste' thanks to the markers and the simple instructions on the route sheet and at 25 miles it was just perfect when your cruise control is permanently set at 20mph as in my case! Often the sounds of the sportier entries have roused the locals out to their front gates by the time I come along so I always have an audience. All too soon we turned into the twisty Pickney Bush Lane, a lovely little 'mini-TT' that takes us both back to The Star for lunch. Only one machine required the breakdown van, driven by Julie, which was my Father on his often-loaned mount for the Pioneer Run with repeated fuel line blockages. Happily, it was soon fixed once back home with the tank cleaned out and an internal filter made and as an aside if any of you are lucky enough to own a Veteran Triumph with the original fuel gauge in the tank check your cork float as it was the ethanol moths causing it to crumble away which created the debris!



1903 Werner & 1914 Dayton by Noel Coward's cottage

After a superb lunch we gathered for the awards and then another season draws to a close for many of the machines present if not us. Our grateful thanks go to Julie and Rick plus all their helpers and Terri and Dave plus all the staff of The Star Inn for their hospitality. If you have a small Veteran or flat-tank Vintage machine this run with its quiet roads and 'flat as yer 'at' terrain is ideal for it, give it a try next year.


David Main's Veteran 1908 Triumph pictured in the paddock.

A Squirrel in Mixed Company

Nick Goodwin

Last year I entered the Sunbeam MCC's Romney Marsh Run, a romp around the flat farmland and quiet forgotten villages of coastal Kent. The event is open to all makes of veteran and pre-1930 bikes.

This year my wife needed the car (with tow hitch), so I decided to ride my 1929 Scott Flying Squirrel from Brighton to St Mary in the Marsh, a distance of some 62 miles. What's the worst that could happen… a breakdown, and a tiresome wait for a breakdown truck courtesy of Carole Nash? My intention was to follow the coastal roads through to Hastings and then hope that my vestigial memory would then kick in and carry me through to Rye and then onto Brookland, Brenzett and finally St Mary in the Marsh. Just before Hastings there was a notice announcing closed roads at Hastings. The deviations pushed me about eight miles north and I eventually reached the destination 20 minutes later than intended.

Entering the car park of The Star Inn (once home to Noel Coward and children's author Edith Nesbit) I was greeted by the bark of bikes being started and a gentle haze of blue smoke. The Sunbeam MCC has a broad mix of bikes. In the pub garden were two Leon Bollees, one of which was ticking over, seemingly at about 30rpm. There was a 1902 Quadrant (apparently rescued from a skip in 1957), some immaculately restored veteran Triumphs, a very tasty early 'HRD', and a couple of lightweight and highly patinated machines that looked like they were also 'rescued'.

At 11 o'clock approximately 50 bikes started up in the crowded forecourt with the oldest bikes making their way out onto the road first. How can I describe the noise? A mix of sedate thumps from some of the older bikes, the high pitch snarl of a few race bred hi-compression engines and the unmistakable crackle of a Scott engine. 'No battle plan survives contact with the enemy', and so it proved as I made my way out into the road… My route sheet billowed out and became tattered in seconds and my minicam decided to flop down and stare at the front wheel. Heyho… let's just follow the bike in front or look out for the signs: blue L's for left and red R's for right.

The route organised by Julie Diplock and Rick Bailey was delightful. Dinky little roads with grass down the middle, occasional wide sweeping bends and nice straight sections following canals. This area really feels cut off from the rest of southern England and best of all, seems to have very few cars! Landmarks along the way included Lympne and Stuttfall Castle, ruined churches, The Royal Military Canal and a Battle of Britain memorial on the spot where a pilot was killed in action. My Flyer behaved perfectly, burbling away politely behind the older bikes on the small twisty roads, and then picking up its skirts and joining the faster bikes when the roads opened up. The 50-odd mile route seemed to be ending all too quickly… and then… the little blue and red signs disappeared and I found myself in a farm courtyard! I must have lost concentration and missed a card. Plan B was a satnav pulled out of a backpack and connected to a mini battery hidden in my toolbox. After five minutes I was back on track and the pub was seen about 500 yards away. The satnav was hastily tucked away (it wouldn't look right to arrive back with a satnav would it?) and the ride completed.

Later, pint in hand, I was talking to Judy Westcott who rode the only other Scott on the run. She mentioned that her Flyer used to always leak oil onto the clutch and she couldn't find any type of washer that would prevent the oil seeping through. My bike tends to do this as well.

Her solution was to have a side stand mounted on the 'wrong' side so that her bike tips t'other way and oil is not sitting against the felt washer/clutch side. Apparently 'jobs a goodun' with no more slipping clutch.

For the return journey to Brighton I opted to use a slightly more northern route, passing Battle, Herstmonceux and Lewes with gentle twisty roads through the woods allowing comfortable 40s and 50s. I arrived back without bum-ache and all potholes avoided. Near on 200 miles covered and the bike behaved faultlessly.

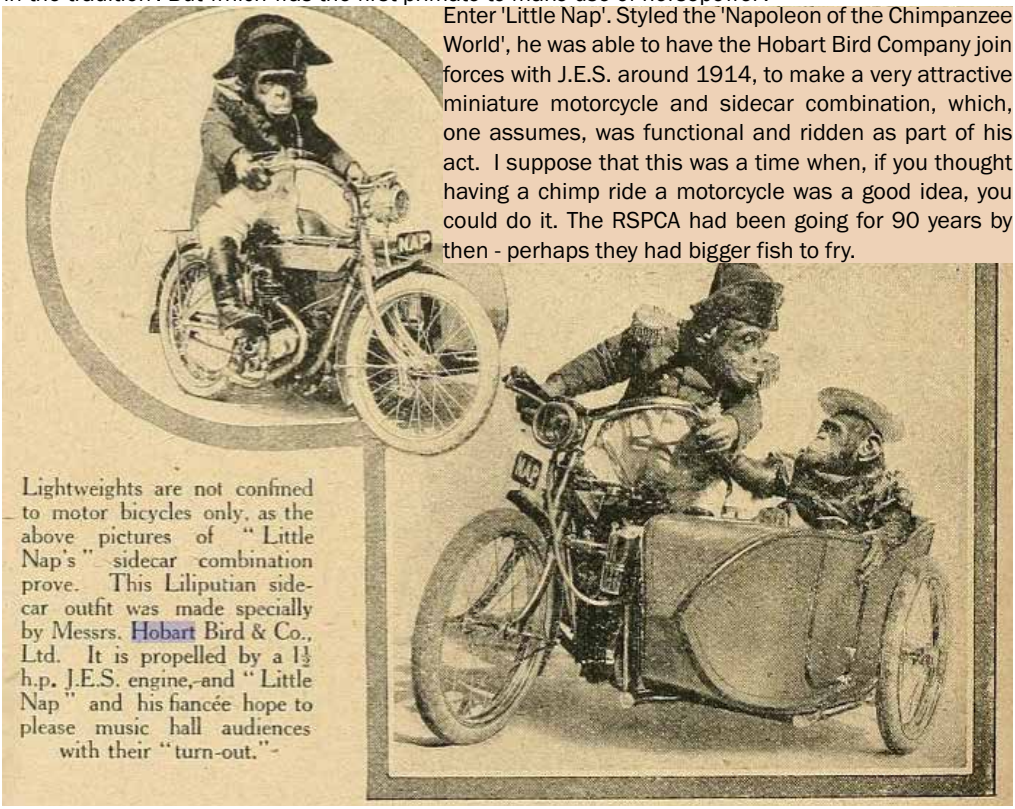
So, why not enter the Romney Marsh run in 2019 as a visitor? Sun guaranteed!

Editor's Note: A volunteer is needed to organise the 2019 Run – do drop me a line if you're interested in taking this on. We're happy to help with the route marking and on the day.

"Right turn, Clyde"

Mantissa

Those of the readership who are familiar with Clint Eastwood films might recall Clint's seventies simian sidekick, Clyde, who provided occasional 'trafficator' duties from the passenger seat of Clint's truck. As unusual a casting as this might have appeared at the time, it wasn't ground-breaking: he was merely 'in the tradition'. But which was the first primate to make use of horsepower?



Lightweights are not confined to motor bicycles only, as the above pictures of "Little Nap's" sidecar combination prove. This Liliputian sidecar outfit was made specially by Messrs. Hobart Bird & Co., Ltd. It is propelled by a 1½ h.p. J.E.S. engine, and "Little Nap" and his fiancée hope to please music hall audiences with their "turn-out."

Enter 'Little Nap'. Styled the 'Napoleon of the Chimpanzee World', he was able to have the Hobart Bird Company join forces with J.E.S. around 1914, to make a very attractive miniature motorcycle and sidecar combination, which, one assumes, was functional and ridden as part of his act. I suppose that this was a time when, if you thought having a chimp ride a motorcycle was a good idea, you could do it. The RSPCA had been going for 90 years by then - perhaps they had bigger fish to fry.

Jessie Ennis at Brands Hatch

Uwe Karstens

Here is a photograph from my album of Jessie Ennis being interviewed on the New Imperial Association Club Stand at The VMCC Festival of 1000 Bikes at Brands Hatch on the 14th and 15th of August 1993.



Kop Hill Climb

Julie Matthews

On the sunny weekend of 15/16 September, the club attended the annual Kop Hill Climb in Princes Risborough. The event has become a permanent fixture in the calendar for myself and my partner Richard Duffin, who has supported the event every year since it was relaunched 10 years ago.



Richard Duffin gets prepared on his Scott Flying Squirrel Sport.

Many will be familiar with the history of this Hill Climb which began in 1910 and ran several events each year until it abruptly ended following an accident involving a Bugatti Brescia motor car in 1925. Indeed, this event resulted in a ban on all public-road speed events thereafter. Initially an event for sporting motor bicycles, inevitably cars joined in and are in the majority now since the relaunch, at present there is no timed element. We can however take great pride that the Hill record is held by Freddie Dixon with his twin-cylinder Douglas motorcycle at an average speed of 81 mph from a standing start! Freddie was even faster than the Count Zborowski in his eight-cylinder Ballot motor car.

Priority of entry is given to pre-war vehicles, which makes it an ideal event for our club.

It's always a great opportunity to catch up with friends and fellow club members who we see only intermittently throughout the year. Some club members attending this year were Barry and Dorothy Brown (all the way from Guernsey), with their Sunbeam Model 7 and Ivory Calthorpe respectively, Terry Wilson and his brother with Terry's lovely 1928 SW5 Douglas and his Velocette KSS, Rick Parkington with his Rex Acme and John Fuller with his big-port Ajay. Richard entered his Scott Flying Squirrel Sport and also brought along a visitor, his 1951 AJS 7R. My very good friend Judy Westacott provided the glamour and looked very stylish riding her Scott Flyer.

The weekend was superbly organised by Baz and Jenny Staple in the absence of John Buckingham and his family who were unable to attend.

Over the last five years over half a million pounds for charity has been raised by the Kop Hill Climb organisation, indeed an amazing £110,000 this year alone. I can't recommend the event strongly enough, a great setting, in a very friendly atmosphere, lots to see and some great fun to be had riding the hill. If anyone hasn't attended yet and is considering doing so I would urge you to take the plunge in 2019, it's one of the best events in our calendar!



Seen here at the Prize giving (above); Far right, the judges, Baz Staple, Bob Woodman, (motorcycling curator for the event), Barry Brown who provided great commentary for the event, with Eric Knowles of the BBC TV Antiques Road Show, presenting the best vintage award to Paul Stirling of Scotland with his 1926 Sunbeam 'Parallel' Model 9 Also, Eddie Wallbank aboard his famous road going 'Fast Lady' Vincent Rapide and Steib, built originally by Malcolm Attrill and judged best classic. Other members and friends of the club seen smiling in the sun include from left Alan Drinkwater, Dorothy Brown, Richard Duffin, John Fuller and Jim Mitchell.

The Rem Fowler Hip Flask

Howard Burrows



The silver hip flask presented to H 'Rem' Fowler on winning the Twin-cylinder Class at the first 1907 International Tourist Trophy Race by the Birmingham MCC was recently sold at Bonham's auction for £25,000 inc. premium.

Here I am sitting at the late Ricky Howard's dining table for hours looking at his fabulous collection. He paid £130 pounds for it!

Fifth Romney Marsh Run

The Star Inn
St Mary in the Marsh.
Dave Pittuck with his 1896
Léon Bollée 3½, imported
from France in 1949.



The Departure!



Dave Pittuck's 1896
Léon Bollée 3½ in front o
Kate and David Baldock'
1897 Léon Bollée 2½
Voiturette





Dave Moyse with Rick Parkington
at the Prize-giving.

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Prize-winner David Cooper with his 1902 1¾ HP Quadrant.

Recommended Service Suppliers

Julie Diplock / Baz Staple

In response to our recent member's survey, here is a list of suppliers known to or used by club members, do mention the Sunbeam MCC when contacting suppliers. If you have any additions or comments do let the editor know. Please note all information is supplied in good faith.

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workshop # themagnetoguys.co.uk
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www.motorcyclepaintshop.co.uk

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The Finishing Touch. 26 East Hanningfield Road, Rettendon, Chelmsford, Essex CM3 8EQ.
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www.neptuneworks.com

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Ayers Collection of Literature

Julie Diplock

If you need information on your machine then don't forget that the Club has a large collection of literature available to members.

Some years ago, our former President Mrs Marjorie Ayers donated the massive collection accumulated by her late husband Tiny Ayers to the club. The collection includes pre-1940 and post-1940 catalogues and sales literature for motorcycles, gearboxes sidecars and cars.

The collection has been catalogued into two separate booklets of pre-1940 and post-1940 items. Our Pioneer Registrar John Waghorn is the custodian of the Ayers collection of literature, and the catalogues are available from John for £3, cheques payable to Sunbeam MCC Ltd. John can also post out copies of the items themselves, please contact John for details and charges.

The contact details for John are 01322 224605 or **jdwpioneer # outlook.com**



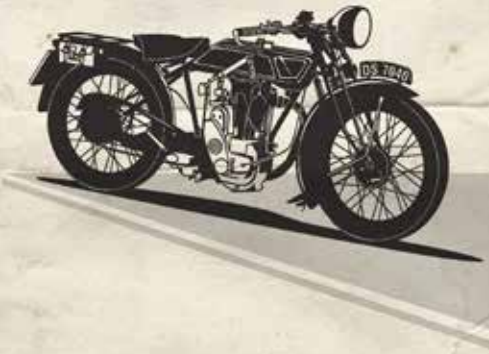
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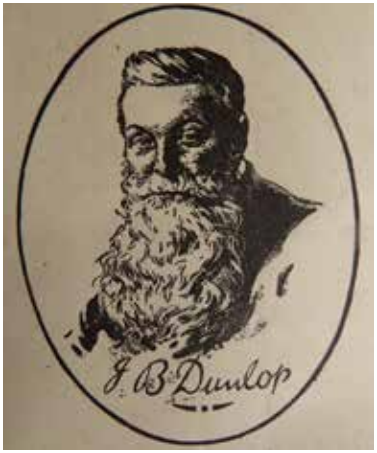
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The Other Mr Dunlop

Rick Parkington

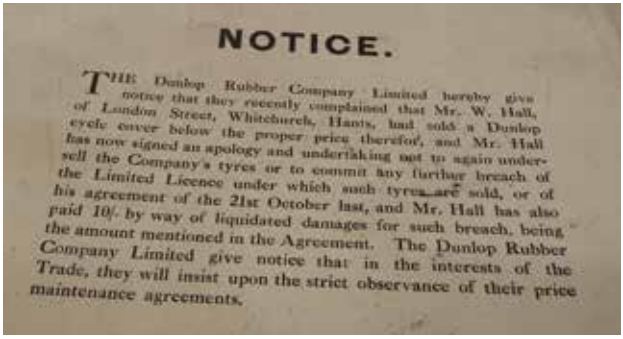
Before the name Dunlop became synonymous with Road Racing on the Isle of Man, a different Mr Dunlop from Ireland was even more widely known.



I refer to John Boyd Dunlop, the man who gave his name to the Dunlop tyre. Wikipedia will tell you how Scots born JB invented the pneumatic tyre only, regrettably, to discover that he was not the first to do so. Nonetheless he managed to go into production and sold his share in the company to cycle pioneer Harvey Du Cros who made the business, still carrying JB's name, into a success that continues to this day, making 'Dunlop' a household name all over the world

But there's a funny twist in this, a more human story, that comes to us via the ancient, yellowed pages of The Motor Cycle and Cycle Trader magazine.

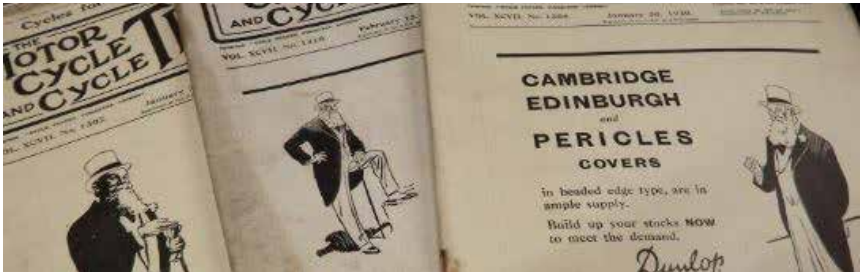
The Dunlop company was a core advertiser for the Trader, taking over the front cover space throughout 1919, '20 and '21. They were a big company, with a net profit for 1919 of £1,368,432 they could afford to advertise, and they didn't stand any nonsense either. In the years just after the Kaiser War there was a great obsession in the trade with 'The Dabbler'. He might be a postman or grocer; anyone not officially in the Trade, who had managed to gain a trade account by some devious means – such as having his own bogus letter headings printed – and was doing a few repairs or selling parts on the side. Times were hard and the Trade could do without such underhand competition. Discount prices were for the Trade only and Dunlop were not afraid to take up arms against transgressors at times, using their full-page cover advert to name and shame anyone caught selling their products below retail price. So that's Mr Hall told; 'it's not the ten shillings, you know, it's the humiliation'. And there was more; on the 27th of February for example, not only had Mr J Trumble of Leyton High Road 'sold a cycle tyre below the proper price therefor in breach of his agreement' with the Dunlop Co. so too had Mrs Mary Brown of 66, Woodhouse Street, Portadown. Two for the price of one advert! Nobody was safe, regardless of location, gender or excuses.



NOTICE.

THE Dunlop Rubber Company Limited hereby give notice that they recently complained that Mr. W. Hall, of London Street, Whitchurch, Hants, had sold a Dunlop cycle cover below the proper price therefor, and Mr. Hall has now signed an apology and undertaking not to again undersell the Company's tyres or to commit any further breach of the Limited Licence under which such tyres are sold, or of his agreement of the 21st October last, and Mr. Hall has also paid 10/- by way of liquidated damages for such breach, being the amount mentioned in the Agreement. The Dunlop Rubber Company Limited give notice that in the interests of the Trade, they will insist upon the strict observance of their price maintenance agreements.

But let's look on the bright side, when there was nobody to put into the stocks on the village green, Dunlop adverts showed the avuncular figure of jolly old Mr Dunlop in his frock coat dispensing sage advice to cyclist and motorcyclist alike.



But it's here than the Dunlop Tyre Company ran into legal bother themselves and as a result the cover (shown below) of the March 5th issue was a little different, bizarrely so, in fact.



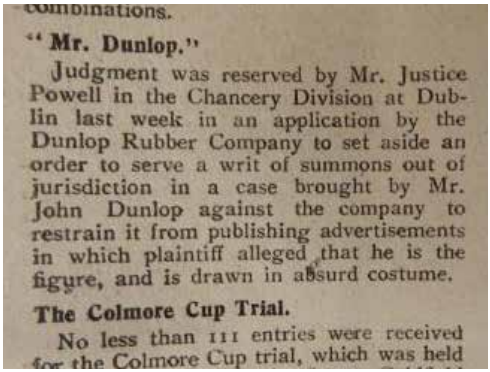
This time we see a couple of youngbloods discussing rubber and the caption seems a rather clumsy explanation for why the familiar frock coated figure, at least with his back to us we assume it is he, is now stuck like Nelson on top of a column apparently either contemplating suicide or about to throw a frisbee.

Even at a glance this is a particularly odd picture, but more lies within…

You see, in reality John Boyd Dunlop was still alive and busy in business in Belfast and he was not particularly happy about being made to look foolish by Dunlop's artist caricaturing him in 'absurd costume'. His action against the mighty Dunlop company seems to have encouraged them to tone down their adverts and provoke him no further; after all it would have been hard to deny that JB's claim was correct and he was the subject of the cartoon.

What happened next, I don't know. There's no further reference I can find so presumably the matter was resolved out of court. John Dunlop died in October the following year, aged 81 from a chill, so we can't really blame the litigation process but it struck me how funny it is that you overlook the fact that a household name is sometimes actually a real person; I mean was Colonel Saunders really the epitome of a Southern gent? Was Ronald McDonald a clown?

Well, okay maybe that's taking it too far but on a similar note I've occasionally had the privilege of talking to relatives of long deceased riders or manufacturers who knew little of their achievements. To me, their ancestors were very famous, even though they died long before I was born. The internet has made this situation more frequent than before and it must be very weird to discover when researching your family history that there are complete strangers all over the world who know far more about your ancestors than you do.


combinations.

"Mr. Dunlop."

Judgment was reserved by Mr. Justice Powell in the Chancery Division at Dublin last week in an application by the Dunlop Rubber Company to set aside an order to serve a writ of summons out of jurisdiction in a case brought by Mr. John Dunlop against the company to restrain it from publishing advertisements in which plaintiff alleged that he is the figure, and is drawn in absurd costume.

The Colmore Cup Trial.

No less than 111 entries were received for the Colmore Cup trial, which was held

Next time the M6 takes you past the Fort Dunlop complex, spare a thought for JB – just don't mention the penguin suit.

Visit www.rickparkington.co.uk for more of Rick's writing.

Trials

Have a Go Trials Paractice Day

Neil Sinclair

We have a date for our 2019 'Have a Go' trials practice day, in conjunction with Surrey and Sussex VCC at a venue to be confirmed in East Sussex. Contact me for more information, contact details inside front cover.

Trial Legends Meeting Barcelona 15-17 November 2018

Club member Sammy Miller MBE was Guest of Honour at the recent Trial Legends meeting at Barcelona. Sammy was invited by Snr Oriol Puig Bultó to a 'lunch-fiesta' for those riders who started riding Trials before 1986.

The meeting was held in a hotel outside the city of Barcelona and before lunch the group visited a small exhibition of the most representative Trial motorcycles from 1965, amongst which was a Bultaco Sherpa T 'Sammy Miller'.

Sammy was honoured as a true trial legend, together with Jordi Tarrés (the first seven-times World Champion) and Toni Bou (current and multi World Champion) which represents three generations of Trial Legends. Sammy was presented with a trophy as the first FIM European Champion.

Dougie Lampkin, his mother Isobel, Alan ('Sid') Lampkin, John Lampkin, Mick Andrews, Steve Saunders and other British riders all attended the meeting.



Sammy Miller between Enrique Mayor (left) and Pedro Pi (right)
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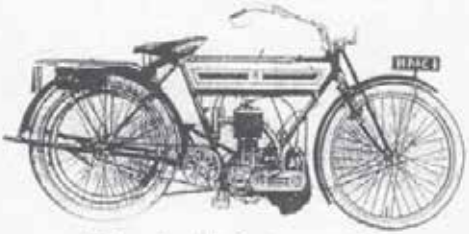
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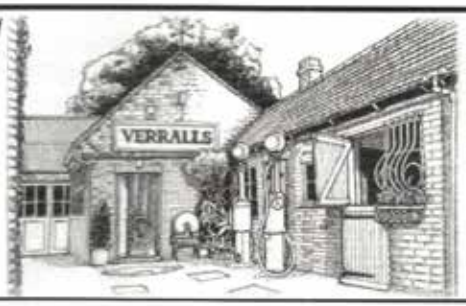


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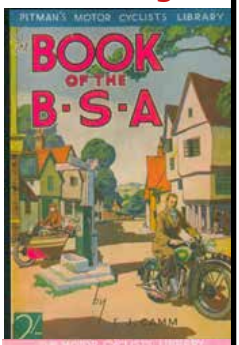
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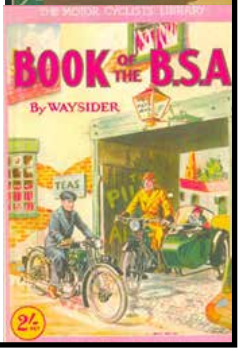
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CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

Date	Event Venue	Contact	
Noon Saturday 1st December	**Club Meet** The Vine, Great Bardfield, Braintree, Essex CM7 4SR	Frank Mace 0749-700981 **frankmace # ymail.com**	All welcome.
Sunday 2nd December	**Sunbeam Southern Experts Trial** Bineger Quarry Near Shepton Mallet Somerset BA3 4UX	Neil Sinclair 02380 403949 **sinclairndlp # hotmail.co.uk**	Organised by Somerton MCC
7:30pm Thursday 6th December	**Club Night** Six Bells, Chiddingly East Sussex BN8 6HE	Volunteer Organiser Needed!	All welcome
8:00pm 17th December	**Club Night** West Kingsdown Village Hall Kent TN15 6BZ	George Smith 01474-852960 **t110george47 # gmail.com**	All welcome **Xmas Party Night!**
8:00pm Tuesday 18th December	**Xmas Club Night** Broadlakes Social Club, Shenley Lane, London Colney, Herts AL2 1DG	Richard Tann 0208-953-5732 **richard.tann # btinternet.com**	All welcome. **One week later than usual**
12:30pm Saturday 5th January	**Chairman's Lunch.** Shipley Bridge, Antlands Lane, Burstow, Surrey RH6 9TE	Arnold Marshall 01797 270209 **chairman # sunbeam-mcc.co.uk**	All welcome
Sunday 10th February	**Gordon Jackson Trial** Frensham Vale, Surrey.	Neil Sinclair 07885-660939 **sinclairndlp # hotmail.co.uk**	Star Group
Sunday 24th March	**80th Pioneer Run ®** Epsom to Brighton Entries Close: **31/12/2018**	Ian McGIll 01293-771446 **pioneerorganiser # gmail.com**	Pre-1915
2:00 pm Saturday 27th April	**AGM** The Llama Park Wych Cross, Forest Row East Sussex RH18 5JN	Paul Bullock 01959 562716 **secretary # sunbeam-mcc.co.uk**	Closed to Club
Sunday 5th May	**Ixion Cavalcade** Bexhill on Sea, East Sussex	Ian Cockshull **Ixion # sunbeam-mcc.co.uk**	Pre-1940
Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May	**Shropshire Mid-Week Break** The Valley Hotel, Ironbridge, Shropshire, TF8 7DW	Judith Coote 01926 497475 **jacoote58 # gmail.com**	Closed to Club. Entries Close: **28th February**
Saturday 25th May - 26th May	**Conyboro Run and Autojumble** Six Bells, Chiddingly East Sussex BN8 6HE	Rob Pond 01306-628297 / 07907 694751 **robpond123 # yahoo.co.uk**	Pre-1940

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Sunday 9th June	**Rose of the Shires Run** Stoke Bruerne,Northants	Rob Bayman 07850 870094 **robertbayman # btinternet.com**	Pre-1940
Saturday 22nd to 29th June	**36th Welsh Week** Llanbister, Powys LD1 6TL	Bev Kemp 01597 840308 / 07876 597697 **vsekemp # btconnect.com**	Pre-1940
Saturday 29th June	New Event **The Three Dales Tour** Arkengarthdale, North Yorks.	Wallace Holmes 01325-460554 **multuminparvo # hotmail.co.uk**	Pre-1940
Sunday 30th June	**Second Northern Pioneer Road Test** Leyburn, North Yorks	Wallace Holmes 01325-460554 **multuminparvo # hotmail.co.uk**	Pre-1915
Sunday 14th July	**Garden of England Run** Headcorn, Kent	Jo and Julian Swift 01233-756346 **julian # julianswift.com**	Pre-1940
Sunday 11th August	**57th Graham Walker Run** Beaulieu, Hampshire	Ian McGill 01293-771446 **pioneerorganiser # gmail.com**	Pre-1940
Saturday 24th August	**Second Bolney Vintage Run** Bolney, West Sussex.	Rob Pond 01306-628297 / 07907 694751 **robpond123 # yahoo.co.uk**	Post-1914 - Pre-1931
Sunday 25th August	**Third Summer Pioneer Run®** Handcross, West Sussex	Rob Pond 01306-628297 / 07907 694751 **robpond123 # yahoo.co.uk**	Pre-1915
Saturday 31st August / Sunday 1st September	**Gingerbeards Trial** **Greybeards Trial** Jackson Woods, Horsmonden Kent	Neil Sinclair 07885-660939 **sinclairndlp # hotmail.co.uk**	Any Bike/ British Bike Riders over 40 years old
Sunday 8th September	**Twelth Constable Run** Monks Eleigh, Suffolk	Marian Johnson 01255 470063 marj_35 # btinternet.com	Pre-1940
Saturday 14th September	**11th Sunbeam September Challenge** North Yorkshire	Alec Thompson 01751-431478 **alec.thompson7 # pobroadband.co.uk**	pre-1931
Sunday 29th September	**Sixth Romney Marsh Run** St. Mary in the Marsh, Kent	Volunteer Organiser Needed!	Pre-1931 Flat-tank only
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