



# GOODWOOD SECTION NEWSLETTER

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### Hi Fellow Enthusiast

Some sad news this week as we learn that **Les Hampton** passed away. He had been unwell for some time after his cancer returned. Les could always be seen at events, or enjoying a coffee at Whiteways, on one of his Moto Guzzis. I know he was planning to tackle the MilanoTaranto again this year after unfortunately having to withdraw last year.

The funeral will take place on Thursday 25 October, at 1.00pm Worthing Crematorium. A cortege of bikes will gather at Les' house, 3 Spierbridge Road, Storrington, RH20 4PG at 12.00 Noon, leaving at 12.15pm. Family flowers only, donations to a charity to be advised shortly by the Funeral Directors, Tribes of Storrington.

Maureen

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### Club Night – 18 September 2018 Section's Future Aspirations Précis of outcome by Andy Relf

A review of club members wishes for the 2019 Events Season expanding on discussion within the committee, chaired by **Jeff Read**

### Guiding Principles

Jeff expressed the committee's wishes that we should:

- Retain and develop what's good
- Encourage more engagement, commitment and vitality and get involved
- Create a better social environment

Let the world know that who/what we are with:

- Higher Profile
- Increase our appeal

- Greater contact with adjacent sections and clubs

### Social Events

Jeff has offered to host a summer BBQ at his home in July next year. This was strongly supported.

Develop a format for a Christmas event with Roger. Roger expressed a wish to continue with the Vardar event but would be happy to attend another event organised by someone else.

Organised visits to events. This was discussed but was not strongly supported. On that basis it was not worth pursuing.

### Public Profile

To raise our profile, it was agreed that we would investigate attending and perhaps exhibiting at Amberley, Ardingly Show, Brooklands, Steam rallies and Town shows.

### Club Nights

The following themes for club nights were seen as worth supporting, as we do not have the funding to pay speakers. A quiz, perhaps inter sectional, IT, and Technical talks. Clubman of the year etc. awards not thought worthy of the effort.

### Runs

Good Norman Broadbridge, Pumpkin Run and Wrinkly runs

OK Fish and chips run although night-time visibility is a factor

Not

Popular Sunday runs

### Social Events

Good Chinese Meal, Greek Evening, Skittles

OK Christmas dinner although there was a discussion about the future format. Roger was thanked for his efforts on our

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**CLUB NIGHT 3<sup>rd</sup> TUESDAY EACH MONTH – THE MAYPOLE INN, YAPTON, 8.00pm**

**NOGGIN' & NATTER 4<sup>th</sup> TUESDAY EACH MONTH – THE RED LION, ASHINGTON, 8.00pm**

behalf. The committee had previously discussed our events with an emphasis for the future on more social formats.

### Club nights

Good Interesting speakers, Interesting vehicles

OK Photo evening

### Runs

Bike specific events will not be organised as the meeting thought that members would not turn up in sufficient numbers. Had been tried before but with reducing numbers.

Winter wobbles – A thought that short distance events on a weekend starting at 1030hrs and home for lunch could be tried. This was agreed.

Long distance events – there was no real support for long runs, but we will try one.

### Away days / Weekends

The meeting generally supported the organising of some away day events, including Brooklands Break-Out (20-23 May 2019), International West Kent, Surrey and Sussex run to Devon. Our own run to Devon.

### Visits to interesting venues

It was agreed to try one of these runs to Verralls, the Morgan Museum at Rotherfield, and Sammy Millar were suggested.

Join other section runs.

For some reason Goodwood section do not as a rule join other section runs, but ones that start/finish near our border should be supported. We should also invite them to join us.

### More weekend runs

Support for weekend runs has diminished, and the meeting generally expressed no interest in them. The Winter Wobblers home for lunch however could be tried.

Summer Evenings to interesting locations as opposed to a pub was supported.

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### Club Night – 18 September 2018 Presentation

Jeff Read, chairman, made a presentation, on behalf of the section members, to John Turrell ex chairman and Maureen Street ex secretary for their services to the Goodwood Section over many past years.

John was presented with a watercolour painting

of his 1952 Ariel entitled "The Turrell's Ariel" as it was originally owned by John's father from new.

Maureen was presented with a lovely bouquet of flowers and a voucher for Coln Gallery Chichester, supplier of artists materials.

Both were delighted to accept the recognition of the members for their dedication to the section.

*Ed: Thanks from both John and myself for this acknowledgement.*



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### Club Night – 18 September 2018 Pedal Bicycles by Brian Kennedy

Brian not only tinkers with motorcycles but also pedal cycles and he relayed some interesting facts about the bikes he has restored or in some cases built from bits and bobs found at various locations.

Below is a picture of late Debbie Kennedy riding one such bike in one of the 5 or 6 Pioneer Runs the bike entered. The bike started life as an 1914 AJS cycle motor engine which Brian bought for £5.00 then obtained other parts, (all at reasonable cost) a carb, an old ladies bike frame and removed the crossbar, petrol tank, 28" wheels etc. It was sold for much more than he paid for all the bits and was used until finally being exhibited at the National Motorcycle

Museum. However, it is labelled as a 1919 model, DS 7593.



Above a 1938 Baines, Model VS37 Short Wheel Base (Flying Gate): A successful road bike of its day – a similar model in 1937 won the IOM TT mass start road race.

Bought by the current owner (Stan Tobin) in 1958 and consigned to the loft in 1962. As many original parts as possible have been used in this restoration by Brian.

Brian has acquired parts whilst on holiday in France, a fixed wheel with wooden handle grips, chain with 2" links and sprocket, original pedals, wheels, spoon brakes, one of the first bikes with pneumatic tyres. Sold and used only for a 5 mile run by the new owner.



Above another one of Brian's projects.

## 20 September – Fish & Chip Run

A lovely evening with a good turnout of seven riders. John Turrell led the run with John Pocklington as tail end Charlie.

Four others meet the group at the F&C shop in Petworth for the usual excellent food.



### Shell VPower Petrol update:

Roger Seymour has been making enquires at Shell and has obtained the following information which he hopes members find it useful.

*"Shell will continue VPower as its premium fuel. E10 is being launched phase-wise and it is not replacing premium fuel"*

Thanks Roger

### John Pocklington's having fun .....

**"It's better to ride'm than hide'm"**

John has sent me a topical photo – my Great War Era "Trusty" Triumph is posing with the village's Silent Soldier outside the West Chiltington Community School. There is no story – just the soldier's placard.



## The Two Stroke Travels On!

Firstly, to the Sunbeam Club's **Romney Marsh Run** on the 30 September, with John Taylor's 1927 AJS, Jane Anderson's 1923 Ivy and Ian Anderson's 1923 NUT (and about 40 others). An enjoyable 50 mile run around quiet level country lanes, starting and finishing at an isolated pub. Highly recommended.

Then off to Dorset for the Velocette Owner's Club **Bob Foster Run** on 7 October. This is a bit more ambitious for a 1923 two stroke Velo, as it involves 80 miles and some fairly precipitous (i.e. 1st gear) hills. They let me start off first, as the oldest bike present, the sun shone, and I quite enjoyed the steady thudding noise as 70 odd Venoms and Vipers gradually passed by. Lunch stop at the Freshwater Bay Caravan Park. Back at the finish, the village hall was packed with riders and marshals, from the Bournemouth and Wessex Advanced Motorcyclists, for a buffet, a raffle and the prize giving. The little putt-putt came away with a prize for "**Best Velocette**" and another one for "**Best Little Engine**", it being the only Velo entered under 350cc. Again, a recommended event, and lesser makes are tolerated.

PS Still haven't whiskered a plug!

*Thanks John, it sounds as if you had a good time and were rewarded with some 'pots'!*



### London to Paris by 1926 Triumph Q and 2017 Zero DSR!

Over the weekend 18 to 22 September 2018, Julie Diplock and Carla McKenzie took part in a charity run from London to Paris. The trip is self-funded and they travelled mainly on green lanes. Julie on her flat-tank 1926 Triumph with Carla on a 2017 Zero DSR, plus a support team on trail bikes, one of which was also electric.

In aid of the Air Ambulance [Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance Trust](#) the [DDMT](#) charity for wounded veterans and [The Joan Seeley Trust](#) support would be appreciated. More details on <https://vintagetovoltage.wordpress.com/>. It is not too late to donate now.

You can read all about the trip on the above website which also has plenty of photos.

*Apologies Julie for not including in last month's newsletter.*

## WHAT'S ON & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

OCTOBER	
Fri 12	Wrinkly Run, Whiteways Lodge CP, 10.30am – Leader Roger Seymour
Sat 13 Sun 14	Carole Nash Classic Motorcycle Mechanics Show, Stafford
Tues 18	Club Night, The Maypole Inn, Yapton, 8.00pm – IT, electronic age and the section
Sat 20	Kempton Park Autojumble
Sun 21	Pumpkin Run, The Forge, Slindon Village Shop & Cafe, Reynolds Lane, Slindon, BN18 0QT, 10.00 for 10.30am Contact Brian Kennedy 01243 641226
Sun 21	Surrey & Sussex Practice trial at Ian Pollard's fun day, Clayton Hill, entry form available
Tues 23	Noggin 'n' Natter, The Red Lion, Ashington, 8.00pm
Sat 27	Skittles, The Maypole Inn, Yapton, 7.00pm Contact Roger Seymour 01903 770515
Sun 28	South of England Show (pre 1980) & Bikejumble, Ardingly, 10am
NOVEMBER	
Sat 3	Brooklands Section, Winter Wandering -11am Newlands Corner, GU4 8SE, 1-2 hour run in Surrey Hills leader Jeremy Sigger. £1.00 entry donation
Sun 4	Veteran Car Run
Mon 12	Surrey & Sussex Section, talk by Kent & Sussex Air Ambulance, Copthorne Social Club, Copthorne Bank, TH10 3RE starts 7.30pm
Fri 16	Wrinkly Run, Whiteways Lodge CP, 10.30am – Leader Malcolm Piper
Sat 17	Brooklands Section Autojumble - 10:00 am Lord Pirbright Hall, Village Green, Pirbright Surrey, GU24 0JE Food, bike hard standing. All stalls must be pre booked: contact chairman Richard Huckle (Chairman@Brooklands-vmcc.org.uk)
Tues 20	Club Night, The Maypole Inn, Yapton, 8.00pm
Tues 27	Noggin 'n' Natter, The Red Lion, Ashington, 8.00pm
DECEMBER	
Sat 8	Christmas Dinner, The Vardar, Littlehampton, 7.00pm for 7.30pm
Tues 18	Club Night, The Maypole Inn, Yapton, 8.00pm
Wed 26	Boxing Day Meets, The Plough, Plumpton Green, Nr Haywards Heath or Wickham Square