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Hi Fellow Enthusiast

A reminder that it is Film Night on Tuesday. Malcolm has been busy collating some interesting extracts for us to view.

Maureen

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Impromptu Run – Friday 15th Feb John Pocklington

A small group of us took advantage of a good weather forecast and met at Whiteways for a ride. Those of us who approached from the north got cold and wet in the fog, on top of the hill the sun shone, and we followed Malcolm to the south and west for 35 miles. Lunch was at Stoughton where we ate and chatted in the sun, before dispersing for home.

Thank you Malcolm for suggesting it!

Malcolm Piper also reports on Facebook with pictures:

The weather on Friday was stunning for mid February, so a few of us got together for an impromptu run.

Andy and I arrived to find John Pocklington, on yet another immaculate Velo, Mike and (another) John who had made the long journey through the fog from Brooklands way, and Dave Tanner from South Hants. Sue then arrived, and after making arrangements to meet Phil half way through the route, John P stepped up as 'Rapide starter' and we headed south towards the sun.

We did a quick loop of Goodwood on our way to the motor circuit where we collected Phil, but sadly lost Andy and Dave. Then it was on to the best of the route through the duck ponds of West Ashling along the small villages south of the A27

to Westbourne. Turning north we headed to Walderton and onto the Hare & Hounds, Stoughton, where we spent an hour or so with a pint and a light lunch in the warmth of the winter sun. All in all a very enjoyable day and thanks to everyone (especially those travelling from other sections) who got their bikes out mid Feb in true Carpe Diem spirit.



Picture by Dave Tanner - Whiteways Cafe, Bury Hill

Club Night – 19 February Chris Ronalds' talk on the Cannonball Run

There was a good turnout for Chris' excellent talk and presentation with pictures on his experience at the 2018 Cannonball Run in America.

Chris was asked if he would join team **Coventry T3** (reference to Triumph and number of riders) to ride a bike in this event. He declined! However, after some thought he offered his support at the event as the bikes all being Triumphs, Chris' expertise and knowledge in building and repairing was important

1925 Model P (4.99hp) ridden by an Australian, Adrian Lockrey, also known as Skippy, now living in Middleton, Tamworth, UK (No. 30).

1920 Model H (4hp) ridden by Paul Warrenfelt of Indianapolis (No. 90).

1919 Triumph N ridden by Arrie Redenlinghuys, Rochester, Detroit (No.70).

This all came about after a meeting at Stafford with Skippy who had previously met Paul and Arrie at a Beaulieu Auto Jumble.

The event started on the 8th September and finished

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CLUB NIGHT 3rd TUESDAY EACH MONTH – THE MAYPOLE INN, YAPTON, 8.00pm

NOGGIN' & NATTER 4th TUESDAY EACH MONTH – THE RED LION, ASHINGTON, 8.00pm



on the 23rd. However Chris went a week early to help set things up, sorting, cataloguing and loading up spares into the hire vehicles, RVs and truck with trailer. Chris returned to the UK on the 25th.

There were 107 riders (22 DNF) from six different countries signed up to weave their way across the nation from Portland, Maine, to Portland, Oregon (E to W).



The coast-to-coast 3,500 mile ride is meant to keep vintage motorcycles in use and on the open road. No motorcycle produced after 1929 is allowed to compete in the race. A good number appeared to be Harley Davidsons but also Hendersons, Indians, & Thor, even a Nerocar.

The bikes were sent off at 15 minute intervals starting at 7.00am each morning. Chris spent his time as backup and his main tasks started at the end of the day! Sometimes working into the early hours when major works/rebuilds had to be carried out to ensure the bikes were fit for the next day's ride.



The route crossed 11 states, 3 time zones and travelled from sea level to over 3,100 ft. The weather was diverse from hot to cold, wet to dry, still to windy. Some of the roads are straight but

undulating and others are in the mountains or through towns. Average of 250 – 300 miles a day. To view a video of the run click on the link below, scroll down to where it says *click for more*, twice and you will see the film start button in middle of the logo. <http://motorcyclecannonball.com/>

I watched this with great interest and found the following shots of the riders, and Chris..



No. 30, Skippy - 11th - 3,441 miles



No. 90, Paul - 8th - 3,441 miles



No. 70, Arrie - 69th - 3,001 miles



Chris on night shift with his hands dirty!!

A great evening Chris and hopefully the details reported here are correct !

Jeff's Jottings and AGM Report

As I write this I realise how active we are as a section and how diverse our activities are. Great! There have been two notable events since the last newsletter. Firstly Chris Ronalds talk on the Cannonball Run, superb event, superb speaker, splendid evening that had everyone enthralled. Thanks Chris. We need to think about next winter's speakers so more like this please.

The second event was the March Winter Wobble. We had a good turnout and the wind/gale certainly enhanced the wobbles, however it was quite manageable and the weather as promised was bright and sunny. See the pictures on our Facebook page. Click here for the link <https://www.facebook.com/VMCCGoodwood/>

April is very busy, see the Newsletter calendar for details. But to illustrate the scope we have two runs of our own, two runs with adjacent sections, a social evening in the Chinese Restaurant in Arundel, an opportunity to gorge on Fish and Chips in Petworth after a short run, and the highlight - our AGM.

In the spirit of the original Norman Broadbridge runs we would like to encourage as many as possible to bring vintage bikes but of course we will give a warm welcome to everybody whatever you wish to ride. Isn't Malcolm's poster great? see attached.

The Brooklands Section Jim Allen Run is a must for me. I've known Jim for 30+ years and have ridden 1000's of miles with him. He has always been a great ambassador for our movement and deserves support. The details can be found in the March Journal and if you wish to join me I'll be

leaving from Whiteways at 8.30am on Saturday 30th to ride to the start. The other run, with our neighbours, is the Nigel Pepper's Memorial Run with Surrey and Sussex on Good Friday. Again I think we should support this event.

Let's get sociable and get as many of us as possible to the Chinese Supper in Arundel on Saturday 13th. A good opportunity to get together with partners for an excellent meal. As usual speak to Roger for tickets. Details below.

This just leaves the tale of two AGM's. Andy and I attended the VMCC AGM on a very wet and windy Sunday to represent the section.

I won't bore you with all the details I'm sure they will be in the next Journal (I bet you can't wait). There are just two points I'd like to bring to your attention. The first is to note that all six nominees for Club Directors were elected so now we have a fully functioning Board that has a published Business Plan to enact. Quite encouraging. The second point was that the AGM voted to **RETAIN** the Retail Operation. It looks as though it was carried by the proxy votes.

The other AGM is of course our own. At the risk of being repetitive could I please ask you to consider volunteering to stand on the Committee, any extra help would be appreciated. A further more detailed note about the AGM will be issued shortly.

And finally one for the grandchildren:
Why did the bald man paint rabbits on his head?
Because from a distance they looked like hares.

Winter Wobble III – 10 March Malcolm Piper

With unabated sunshine and a bit of a blow forecast, it was good to see eight turn up at the The Forge, Slindon for Winter Wobble number III.

Most notable was Dave who braved the journey on his Norton down from Leatherhead to join us. With spring on the horizon this was the last winter run for now and a full program of events starts with our Norman Broadbridge Run on Sunday 7 April. See attached and events listing for full details.





Chinese Night – 13 April

Roger Seymour is again organising the Goodwood Section Chinese Night at the China Palace, 67 High Street, Arundel.

These meals have always been an excellent night out and all members and friends are welcome. If you are interested please let Roger know by the 30 March. A £10 per head deposit with names please, cash, or cheque payable to R.F. Seymour, can be handed to him Club Nights. Alternatively cheques can be posted to 51 Worthing Road, East Preston, BN16 1DE. Tel 01903 770515.

Wrinkly Run – Friday 26 April

John Pocklington has suggested, and volunteered, to lead a Wrinkly Run on the above day. Unless you hear to the contrary here are the details:

Date: Friday, 26 April

Start: Chichester Northgate Car Park at 10.30a.m.

Finish: about 2 hours later at the **Hare and Hounds**, Stoughton, Nr Funtington, PO18 9JQ.

.... And finally, a joke from John Pocklington

My neighbour knocked on my door at 2.30a.m. last night. The cheek of it, 2.30 in the morning! Luckily I was still up, tuning my carburettor.

It's the way I tell 'em.....

WHAT'S ON & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MARCH	
Tues 19	Club Night, The Maypole Inn, Yapton, 8.00pm – Malcolm's Film Night
Sun 24	80 th Pioneer Run – check new route Handcross, Lower Beeding, A281 Cowfold, Henfield, A2037 Small Dole, Upper Beeding, A283 to Shoreham, then A259 coast road to Brighton

Tues 26	Noggin 'n' Natter, The Red Lion, Ashington, 8.00pm
Sun 31	South of England Classic Show & Bikejumble, Ardingly Showground – theme NORTON mark
APRIL	
Sat 6	Kempton Park Autojumble
Sun 7	Norman Broadbridge Run, 10.30am Tangmere Aviation Museum, Contact John Taylor 01903 892314
FRI 12	Evening Fish & Chip Run, Whiteways Lodge CP 6.00pm
Sat 13	Chinese Meal, Arundel – see elsewhere in newsletter for details
Sun 14	Snow-Mann Regularity Test – East Sussex VMCC at Bo-Peep Bostal, Bo-Peep Lane, Selmeston, East Sussex BN26 6UJ commencing at 9am sharp. Regs Available
Tues 16	Club Night - AGM, The Maypole Inn, Yapton, 8.00pm
Fri 19	Surrey & Sussex Good Friday (Nigel Pepper Memorial) Run 11am SCHPT
Tues 23	Noggin 'n' Natter, The Red Lion, Ashington, 8.00pm
Fri 26	Wrinkly Run, 10.30am, Chichester Northgate CP to Hare & Hounds, Stoughton – John Pocklington
Sat 30	Brooklands Jim Allen Run, Newlands Corner to Fort Nelson, Fareham 11am
MAY	
Sun 5	Ixion Cavalcade (SMCC), pre 1940, Bexhill on Sea, St Barnabas Churchyard
Fri 10	Wrinkly Run, Adj Green, Durbans Road, Wisborough Green, 10.30am
Sat 18	Kempton Autojumble
Mon 20-23	Brooklands Break
Tues 21	Club Night, The Maypole, Yapton, 8.00pm
Sat 25 – Sun 26	Conyboro Run & Auto Jumble, Six Bells, Chiddingly, pre 1940 (Sunbeam MCC)
Tues 28	Noggin 'n' Natter, The Red Lion, Ashington, 8.00pm

Norman Broadbridge Run 2019
on Sunday 7th April at the Tangmere Military Aircraft Museum
start 10:30 PO20 2ES

A 40 mile route card run through the Sussex countryside for all classic and vintage motorcycles.

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