

South Cheshire Advanced Motorcycling Club

Newsletter

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Monthly Events

October 2-4th. World Superbikes the last races of the year at Magny-Cours France, just across the water and watch the last rounds and celebrate with Jonathan Rea winning his first Championship.

October 11th. Newark Auto jumble event, classic cars and Motorcycles, Trade Stalls both inside/outside just in case weather is not so good along with display of vehicles/motorcycles. Parking is free. Event venue is Newark Showground Newark – on – Trent Nottingham NG24 2NY

Website www.newarkautojumble.co.uk

October 17/18th. 22nd Carole Nash Classic Motorcycle Mechanics Show held at the Staffordshire Showground Weston Road Staffs ST18 0BD

Club stands, Trade Stalls, Bonham Auctions, with numerous food stalls and special guest appearance by John Mr TT Mc Guinness.

Open from 09.00 – 5pm daily

Website www.classicbikeshows.com

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October 29th – 1st Nov

The International Dirt Bike Show held at Stoneleigh Park Warwickshire CV8 2LZ.

The largest dedicated off road motorcycle event, so for all you BMW GS riders go have a look if you dare. All major manufacturers are attending Honda, Kawasaki, Suzuki, Yamaha KTM and Husqvarna and along with dirt bike displays, Trade stalls, refreshments could prove a good day out

Website www.classicbikeshows.com

October 31st-1st Nov. 4th Chessington Jukebox show & Retro Collection Fair. Something a little different but could send you down memory lane with jukeboxes classic bikes vintage clothing, record memorabilia along with food/drink. You could be one of the "Ton up boys" again on that Cafe Racer.

Website www.jukeboxandretrofair.co.uk

Nov28th-6th Dec. MotorcycleLive NEC, Birmingham.

I can only say its big its bold and you must go if never been and if you have you will be addicted and keep going – enjoy www.motorcyclelive.co.uk

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Social Rides

All rides for the club commence at the Grand Retail Park, Crewe every Sunday with a start time of 09.00am (10-00am from 4th October). Please arrive early and have a full tank of fuel for a day's riding. Meet point is outside Costa Coffee on the retail park.

Looking to organise a ride out well contact the Committee and advertise your ride out details on club website or contact Geoff Highfield to spread the word for you.

Dave Coomber's Cafe Corner

Where will 'Cafe Stig' recommend this month, like planes/helicopters how about a ride to Sleaf Aerodrome for good food and watch the world go by or is it up. Sleaf Aerodrome is situated the south side of Wem Shropshire off the B5476. The owner is biker friendly and offers breakfasts/oatcakes with various fillings along with lunches/salads all with the usual beverages.

Watch out for Cafe Stig may sneak up on you via the runway on his blue mean machine and pinch a chip or two.

Information/Tips

Club Treasurers Vacancy

Club Members as you will already know we have lost our Treasurer Ian Hunt due to work commitments, I am sure your Committee and yourselves thank him for his hard work and commitment to the club. We South Cheshire Advanced Motorcyclists need a new Club Treasurer. The job involves internet banking amassing figures/report for monthly committee meetings if you have any spare time and feel you could fill this position please contact your Club Secretary Ian Cunningham email address ian.t.cunningham@hotmail.co.uk

REMEMBER YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

Membership just a reminder that this is the last newsletter of the year, with a return in March 2016. Please if you have any information or biking news or any material you think fit to entertain us bikers please forward to the Editor's email on the last page.

Motorcycle Articles/Accessories

Bike cleaners are ten a penny on the open market but good ones can be so valuable after that rain/mud soaked Sunday ride out so here are two others by Redant Motorcycle Cleaner & Power Clean.

The motorcycle cleaner is like others easy to use just spray on and leave for five minutes before you wash off all that crud. Priced at £8 for a ready mixed litre bottle or even better a concentrated version at £11.99 for a litre.

For people who clean their bikes once in a life time try the Power clean again spray on and leave for five minutes and watch it change colour as it goes to work, it starts as a clear colour then proceeds to deep purple and I have to say stinks of bad eggs, but it works wonders on aged grease etc.

Redant have the usual range of cleaning products with waxes and finish protectors which are all excellent and with a good coat of ACF50 your bike will be ready for the autumn/winter season ahead.

Have a look at their products on website www.redantbikecleaners.com or telephone 01825 872726

Winter coming so fancy keeping warm or even warmer, then how about some under garment layers from Hevik.

Hevik Technical layers come at a cost of £37 for the top & £30 for the bottoms, they are light and non itchy and give a compression fit – so us over weights need to squeeze into them but they will fit snugly and comfortably. They regulate temperature and if lucky on an autumn/winter ride they will wick away sweat.

They are easy to clean and ideal on any holiday excursions check them out at www.hevik.co.uk

Still using chain lube then try Muc-off this one has a hydrophobic formula that clings and penetrates the chain links, it's a clear spray and is easy to apply with a short nozzle fitted and has a proven non fling which I can confirm actually works

www.muc-off.com

Looking for ideas for Christmas – I know it's early and we all try to forget but the shops have started so we can -:

How about a nice new pair of leather gloves from those 'Rev'It' people with a brand new addition to their glove collection.

Rev'It Jerez Pro Gloves, these are a top of the range glove and come in at a cost of – breathe in £249.99 but are worth every penny with up to date and should I say it over the top hand protection. The design and development comes from Moto Gp and are worn by Bradley Smith & Alvaro Bautista. The gloves are Kevlar lined and have 13 pieces of hard armour and the knuckle section has a titanium cover section along with the cluff , also on the back hand side of the fingers as well. This doesn't affect comfort as you might expect as the leather is actually kangaroo so a good weather proofed glove to boot and the external seams give you good feel for controls.

These will be on my Christmas list hint

www.revit.eu

How about a good read on those dark winter nights. I think this would be good for all our Membership thinking of organising a group Sunday ride out.

250 Tours of Britain from Readers Digest/AA prices vary from £1.95 - £22.66, it may be thirty years out of date but is a great piece of kit and still has all those old roads we remember at the proper speeds before the 'Nanny State' took over. It is a hefty hardback but is full of maps/photos and very detailed text

Not in to tours of out of date Britain how about Normandy France then £7.99 in paperback.

It is like a rough guide and is unhindered by the need to pretend all its readers are back packers. The book has good maps and recommendations for motorcycling tours as well as on foot places to go and see. This book is well worth a read and addition to your book shelf as is Normandy so track it down – or is it down load to your kindle if you find it .

Motorcycle Holiday/Trips

Well bit late in season to put holidays in so thought we would just give some old fashioned advice for you to chose next year's trip away on two wheels.

I know where to go is it Europe or further afield but how do I get there and do I want all this hassle, wait there as the world is your oyster with choices, what you have to decide is where to and how would I like to spend your precious time away, with friends a group from a bike club or just likeminded people like yourself who had the same idea and the same destination – you chose. Remember once you have decided the above you must plan – how about a trip away with a group of good biker friends you have all decided where to go but not how or where to stop off etc now there will always be friends etc who will just say "you sort" and we can criticize after so get a good remit off everyone, do people want to camp, hotels or hostels?

Now to plan you could put in all the hard slog and book the ferries/tunnel etc and map

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The mileage to a nightly stop over and then Trawl the internet for a hotel with secure car parking – remembering your bike is your only means of transport so piece of mind means "safe bike" and a good night sleep to boot. Then the ride outs to where everyone would like to visit and if the weather isn't good do you have an alternative – as everyone will look to you "Squadron Leader" to take them there and back and where is lunch?

All these elements of a good holiday will in the end save you money but add to the stress of the holiday for another instance who will lead the group and is it all agreed the route to take, how long does each rider want to travel before a petrol stop or more importantly as we all get older that W.C. stop and of course the refreshment stop.

All these elements have to be resolved and of course how is every one going to pay the bill – that hotel takes a deposit so do you gamble and pay for all the group and get the money later or do all individual parties contact each hotel to pay – a lot of hassle and the last thing you want on that all important holiday is a falling out over money.

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Now there is another option which a lot of people chose, well simple just like getting a package holiday from 'Thomson's' why not get the same from a specialized motorcycle holiday company. There are too numerous to mention but the few we have used personally like 1. Dragon Moto Tours, 2. Ride With Us, 3.MCi Tours and finally Bike Normandy

All these companies offer great packaged holiday multi-stopover motorcycle holidays and give you the punter the choice of where you would like to go again with a group of friends and within a group of other likeminded bikers. They all have great websites so your party can decide/vote in the piece of their own home on the fixed dates and where the company will take them and all that hassle of booking hotels ,where do we stop for lunch/petrol is all done for you so only one 'Squadron Leader' the companies holiday guide. The other big advantage of the above is pay a deposit per person/bike and nearer the time a lump sum balance just like Thomson's and wait for the tickets and where to turn up for the start of your adventure.

These Companies are professionals earning a

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Living and know the language where to get fuel for you and the bike and God forbid any help should you have problems with your motorcycle. Also you are with a larger group of bikers and we always stop to help or have that puncture repair kit in the tank bag, you know the one you thought you wouldn't need and left on the work bench in the garage.

So the holiday planning is your choice you may even go it alone and do a Nick Sanders either way do your homework and plan well ahead and get ready, preparation is everything in detail to give a great memorable holiday, so do the homework and we look forward to seeing you on the bikes where ever you and who with you decide to go with

Ride Safe, Be Safe, Enjoy

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I thought "Little & Large had retired? or is it Little Ern ?

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Information

If you have any stories, holiday trips or motorcycling tips which you wish to share with us, please forward to your Editor on the email below:

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