

Newsletter

July 2015

Recent Events:

“Haddo House Hit the Road Bike Show”
Friday 26th June, to Saturday 27th June,

Unfortunately I was not able to attend as I was otherwise engaged with the Norton Owners National Rally in Wales, however a number of members from our club attended and from what I have been told had a good time, I wait with baited breath for a report on the event and once received will include same in the next newsletter.

Last club night run

“Having received a visit during our 3rd February club meeting from Bill McGregor of the Bon Accord Motorcycle Club when Bill asked our club to participate as much as possible in the success of the Alford Motorcycle Convention, it was decided that for the July club meeting we would meet at the Oldmeldrum British Legion 7 to 7.30 and join a run to the Grampian Transport Museum where we would meet Bill who will show us around the facilities and discuss further how we can help with the convention due to be held in September”

The run to the Grampian Transport Museum was not only rained off but was mired in confusion. The purpose of visiting the museum was based on an invitation

from Bill McGregor an organiser of the annual motor cycle convention, unfortunately Bill had forgotten that he had invited us and when pushed he agreed to honour his commitment but when the heavens opened it was reason enough for him to not want to go so unfortunately there was no club night in July.

Next club night run 4th August.

Mick Elstone and/or Crawford Logan have volunteered to lead the run, I will try to obtain more information and will let all know by e-mail

Norton International Rally Wales:

My wife and I attended the Norton National Rally in Wales departing Oldmeldrum on the 24th June returning on the 28th.

We left home later than planned as I had a minor electrical problem with the Commander, it was as usual raining but undeterred I fixed the problem and set off for the first leg to Westmorland near Carlisle where we stopped for the night, the run down past Perth, Glasgow and Carlisle was a bit wet and windy but still OK the Commander is good in wet

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weather keeping most if not all of the rain off both me and my wife.

Next day we set off for Caernarfon North Wales arriving at the camp site called the River Side around 1300, the trip was dry and mostly sunny and made all the more enjoyable as I had fixed up my daughters TOM TOM satnav, which made finding the camp site a doddle, the sat nav is not motorcycle ready and although it got a little wet it continued to work well without problem, I found it to be very useful on such a long journey especially the speed camera module😊.

Once the tent was pitched we said our hellos meeting up with a number of folk from Aberdeen, there then followed three days of runs, meals out, quizzes plus all the other events and good fun to be had at these rallies, we departed Sunday morning and rode straight back to Oldmeldrum a run of around 480 miles stopping just for fuel and refreshments on the way, the weather was dry sunny and warm, it was a long journey but when riding a bike made for touring long journeys are not too onerous . My wife and I had a really good time mixing with nearly 200 likeminded Norton owners, I look forward to the next Norton rally scheduled to be the International Rally based in Rimini Italy May 2016.

Forthcoming Events:

2nd August **GARIOCH VETERAN AND VINTAGE RALLY Oldmeldrum.** I have confirmation that there will be two club members with their bikes attending the rally in Oldmeldrum, Michael Lawless and myself, the third attendee will be Murray

Reynolds from Dundee, Murray is not a member of our club but regularly attends the Alford Motorcycle Convention each September.

I will take some photos and write up the report for next month's newsletter.

Annual BBQ 15th August

Eileen Burton has kindly agreed to once again this year host the event, Martin Crosswell who will unfortunately be offshore will, before departing for the cold of the North Sea oil field, drop off his BBQ pit, he did such a good job of manning the pit last year his shoes will be difficult to fill, any volunteers?

As the time approaches I will pass on more details by e-mail

Ullapool Camping Trip August

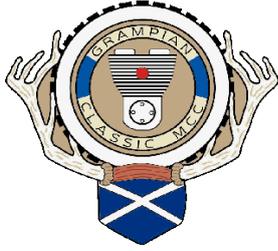
The trip was originally arranged for the 21st to the 23rd however if we go with these dates it will make it difficult for me to be able to join in. We can arrange the trip as originally discussed at the AGM, I can provide all necessary information but will not be able to join you, or we can move the trip to the following weekend on i.e. 28/29 and 30th either way I will make the arrangements **all I need to know is what are the preferred dates.**

Please see attached the 2015 events calendar.

Safe Riding
Tony

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Grampian Classic Motorcycle Club 2015 Events Calendar Please watch out for updates in the monthly Newsletters

7th April, First run of the year to Tarves, Bob Prodger

18th April, Large Lunch at Deans of Huntly, meet there around 12:00 to 12:30 with a run afterwards, destination to be confirmed

3rd May, Ride Route 96, full details in the February Newsletter

5th May, Evening run Crawford Logan

10th May, Annual Cairn O Mount Rally

23rd to 24th May, Fort Augustus Camping trip; Cumberlands Campsite Lochness, Glendoe Road, Fort Augustus, PH32 4BG, for those wanting B&B there are numerous places available in the local vicinity, more details will be provided closer to the date

2nd June, Evening run Maurice Clarke

7th July, Evening run to the Grampian Transport Museum to discuss the Alford Motorcycle Convention scheduled for September

2nd August, Garioch Vehicle Restoration Society Show Oldmeldrum. The organisers have suggested that we enter individually, they will arrange for us to be displayed as a club, please see attached entry form which can also be found on the GVRS website, paste gvrs.net into your browser and look for the Rally plate

4th August, Evening run, Mick Elstone

16th August, Annual BBQ more details to be provided closer to the date.

21st to 23rd August, Ullapool Camping, for campsite details see below, more details will be provided closer to the date:

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6th September, Alford Motorcycle Convention

8th September, Evening run Tony Duffield

12th December, Xmas Bash, more details to be provided closer to the date