



## THE SILVER SPOKE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE GRAMPIAN CLASSIC MOTORCYCLE CLUB

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### ODDS 'N' SODS



#### Naming the Newsletter

Last month we ran a wee competition for a name for the Newsletter. All clean suggestions were considered and the declared 'winner' is 'The Silver Spoke'. As you will know one of the names for the 'Deen is the Silver City with Golden Sands' so it seemed a good fit.

#### Members Buy/Swap/Sell/Wanted

Selling a bike or parts? Looking for some hen's teeth or got a space in your shed that needs to be filled? Send it in and I'll stick it in the next edition.....

#### Show us your Shed!

Coming soon...maybe...members reveal the hidden treasure and rusty scrap lying in their lairs... **Volunteer now!**

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### CLUB NEWS

#### November Club Night

3 Nov was a great success, despite the poor weather that hampered attendance by some. A range of weird and wonderful widgeets were brought along for discussion:

- Matchless crankcases (before and after performance improvement)
- Cable oiler
- Iambic paddle (used for sending morse code)
- Wire lock pliers - including a great demonstration!
- Tyre inflation thing that took some kind of prehistoric sodastream cartridge
- Side valve spring compressor
- Knitting needle counter - used for trials before paper cards were invented
- An escape axe from a Handley Page Herald aircraft
- And.... rods used by body snatchers to find a coffin under the ground

In a similar vein I picked up some Norton NOS bolts recently for the Big 4. Date stamped September 1944 and marked RAF, they're almost too nice to use.



### EVENTS AND INFORMATION

#### CHRISTMAS MEAL

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> December  
12.30 Newmachar Hotel. See email

#### FACEBOOK GCMCC has a Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/336379426435118/>

#### WEBSITE Don't forget the GCMCC website for events, photos and more [www.gcmcc.co.uk](http://www.gcmcc.co.uk)

CONTRIBUTIONS  
Thanks for the great response last month. Material now needed for **DECEMBER!**  
Please send by email

### BIKE OF THE MONTH

- This month's featured bike belongs to member Crawford Logan
- Crawford sent in this photograph of his 1964 Norton Navigator 350 twin
- The photograph is a 'before' shot and the bike is now stripped and a rebuild ongoing
- There were quite a few made apparently, along with its stable mates the 250cc Jubilee and 400cc Electra. Very nice and another one to add to my list!
- Watch this space for the finished article...and thank you Crawford.

*Until next month! Dave*

