



LOST RIDERS



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VSOC CENTRE 9 – APRIL 2015

OWNERS OF: VIRAGO, DRAGSTAR, ROYAL STAR, VENTURE STAR, MIDNIGHT STAR, WARRIOR, RAIDER & STRATOLINER
(OWNERS OF OTHER CUSTOM BIKES WELCOME AS ASSOCIATE MEMBERS)



Are we all sitting comfortably?

Over the past few weeks and months I have been suffering with back ache, which has made riding the bike quite painful at times. I have been looking for solutions (as well as having some physio) and came across the Mustang range of seats which can be specified with a rider's backrest. Only problem is the price... several hundred pounds! So I thought, there has to be another way of achieving better comfort without a second mortgage.

After a bit of research I found I could gain a similar outcome by firstly having the existing seat reshaped, in a similar way to the Mustang seat. This I had done by a very helpful chap at IEC – Car & Coach Trimmers, based on Trent Sount Ind. Estate, which just happens to be round the corner from our centre meet venue. He added a thick gel pad, created a more supportive rear section and made a brand new cover – all for £110. I then sourced a rider's backrest complete with the Yamaha logo from ebay again at just over £100. So for just over £200 I now have a more comfortable ride at a third of the cost I might have ended up paying.



I think you will agree the overall look is pretty good too? And believe me it's a much better ride.

Ride safe (and in comfort)

Tinker – Ed

LEICESTERSHIRE NEWS



Hi everyone,

Well I don't know... it soon comes round again doesn't it! Went to Leicester meet on Wednesday night and a good turn out again 14 turned up, thanks guys and girls. Terry, Jane, Chris and Wendy came along. Nice to see them travel to our meet we all had a good old natter... where does the time go?

Thanks to Chris and Lorraine who did the raffle, guess who won? Yes Big Tel, jammy bugger. A special thanks goes to Brian who turned up on his bike - a real biker!

I have just done a test run for the ride out to Watermead Country Park which is arranged for Sunday 19th April. We will meet up at M1 junction 23A services [Donington] at 11.30 am leave at 12 00.the ride is about 35 miles so not too long. I just hope it is dry.

I've just watched a program on the box, missed it the first time it was on. It was about the great John Surtees what a great programme, what a man. A really good story about a great rider not to be missed if you get the chance to see it

That's it from me till next time

Rod the Sod

Leicestershire Rep

LINCS LYRICALS



A quiet month for myself having missed the main centre meet due to work commitments. Therefore it was just the Lincolnshire meet I attended this month. This was our first Lincolnshire meeting at our new venue, The Jolly Scotchman, where I was joined by Mum, Dad, Steve, Cath, Lou and Gill. Lou and Gill both braved the still cold and damp night to come on their bikes which included Lou's new Raider.

We met up earlier than the usual time of 19:30 to allow us some time to order and eat food before the meeting started. A good venue with a good atmosphere and the food was good value for money as well.

It's been fairly quiet for myself other than that this month but I know a few others within the area have been out a lot on their bikes, it's great that we've had some weekends which have been good enough to get on the bikes to go for a ride.

Looking ahead to April and we have the Gathering of the Clans. I'll be arranging a meeting point and time for those who would like to ride over together from Lincolnshire and will advise in due course once this has been arranged.

Stay safe out there and see you on the road soon.

Alexander Bridgwood

Lincolnshire Rep

LOU'S NEW RAIDER

On Sat 7th March Lou and Gill planned a ride over to DK motorcycles to pick up his new bike, so we decided to go along for the ride. It was a warm sunny day, had a great 200 mile round trip.

Lou is now the proud owner of a 2008 Yamaha Raider with just 500 miles on the clock.

We're all looking forward to seeing it on the club stand at the next show.

If you've never been to DK motorcycles in Newcastle under Lyme, it's well worth a visit. It has a classic bike display, clothing store and a nice cafe that does a good breakfast.

Steve and Cathy



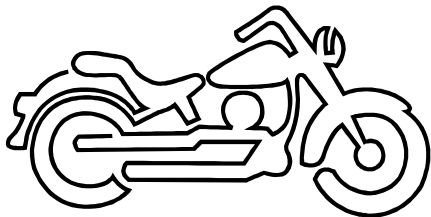
BOTTESFORD EGG RUN

Well done to the small group of Lost Riders who braved the wind and rain to join the 260 riders on the Egg Run.

Starting out at Bottesford the group delivered Easter eggs for deserving children in Grantham and then on to Melton.



JOE'S TIP OF THE MONTH



Are you ready for the camping season?

The weather is getting better so now would be a good time to get the tent out and give it an airing or grab a bargain on a new one. Also check your sleeping bag.

My air beds have never lasted long so I decided to change to a camp bed. Probably also my age, I need to be off the ground. Best decision I've made... no more waking up with a flat bed

Till next time Ride Safe - Joe

ACE CAFE – RIDE OUT



To coincide with our planned ride out to the Ace Café on May 17th Centre 13 have got a club stand there. Any anyone going on the ride out are welcome to put their qualifying bike on the Centre's stand while we are there

More details nearer the time – Chris

VSOC EVENTS

C6 Northstars Jumpstart Party

17th - 19th April 2015

Irish Laughin' Leprechaun Rally

Friday 22nd May to 25th May 2015

Hosted by Centre 2 Ireland

VSOC International Rally



Friday 12th to Sunday 14th June 2015

Hosted by Centre 13 Roadrunners VSOC UK

Scrupy VII

Friday 28th August to 30th August 2015

Hosted by Centre 17 Scrupies





Gathering of the Clans 2015



Sunday 26 April 2015
Meet in the station car park
From 10:00
Leave 11:00
Full Tanks of Petrol
Approximately 40 mile
country ride to Fat Skeleton



START
Quorn & Woodhouse Station Car Park
Woodhouse Road,
Quorn,
Loughborough,
Leicestershire
LE12 8AG

Café available from 10:00

FAT SKELETON

FINISH
Unit E1 Imex Enterprise Park,
Wigwam Lane,
Hucknall,
Nottingham
NG15 7SZ

If you require any further
information
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LOST RIDERS EVENTS

APRIL	17-19	FAT SKELETON BUES WEEKEND
	17 – 19	JUMP START RALLY
	19	RIDE OUT – WATERMEAD COUNTRY PARK
	26	THE GATHERING – LOST RIDERS
MAY	1 – 4	LOST RIDERS BONDING WEEKEND (TATTERSHALL LAKES, LINCS)
	10	RIDE OUT – EAST CARLTON PARK (CORBY)
	16	SHIREBROOK BIKE SHOW
	17	RIDEOUT – ACE CAFE
	22 – 25	VSOC - IRISH RALLY
JUNE	12 - 14	VSOC INTERNATIONAL RALLY (BUSHEY - LONDON)
JULY	17 – 26	LOST RIDERS FRENCH TRIP
	31 – 2	VSOC - YORKIES RALLY DONCASTER
AUG	9	RIDE OUT PITSFORD RESEVOIT
SEP	4 – 6	LOST RIDERS WOODTHORPE WEEKEND

NOTE: detailed information on ride outs will be available nearer the time

LOST RIDERS APRIL 2015 EVENTS

5th	Sun	Derbyshire Breakfast Meet. (1st and 3rd Sunday of month). CMC Clay Cross (the old Stratstone) from 10am. Contact: Rick 07828 801009
7th	Tues	Centre Meet (1 st Tuesday of month - The Park Yacht Inn, Trent Lane South, Colwick, Nottingham NG2 4DS – from 7.30pm. Contact - Chris 07739 913807
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