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WELCOME

If you are a new member, WELCOME to the SMC and this edition of BikeBytes. We all hope you enjoy our company and activities. The weather is fairly good and now G8 is over we can reclaim the roads in the central area! See the website Events section for fuller details of our planned activities, sometimes including a route. **Steve Middleton**

TRACY MACMILLAN

It is with great sadness that I pass on the news of the death of our friend and long-term Member Tracy Macmillan who died in hospital very suddenly on Sunday morning, from complications following an operation last week.

I have spoken to Gordon, her husband, and he has told me about the arrangements for Tracy's funeral. Gordon asked for them to be placed on the website and circulated to Members.

The funeral will take place on Monday 11th July at the Dunfermline Crematorium, which is off Masterton Rd, which is itself off the B916 Aberlour Road, Dunfermline KY11 8QR (tel 01383 724653).

Tracy asked that there should be no flowers. Instead there will be a collection, with all proceeds going to a young support group, The Pituitary Foundation ("PitPat"), which is very short of cash and which provides support to those with the condition from which Tracy suffered and their families.

Gordon hopes (and from responses so far received expects) that many folk will come on motorcycles. Those on bikes should come to Tracy's parents' house at 52 Old Kirk Road, Dunfermline KY12 7SQ, which is off Garvock Road, which is itself off the A907, to join a procession behind the hearse departing at 11am to the Crematorium.

Those not on bikes should go directly to the Crematorium for 11:30am.

There will be refreshments afterwards at the Garvock House Hotel.

If you would like any more information, please contact me, or enter Postcode in multimap.co.uk

Arthur Shepherd

NEXT MEETING

The next **Club Night Meeting** is on Wednesday **13 July 2005** upstairs in the Black Bitch Tavern, 14 West Port, Linlithgow, and will start at 8pm. Tea, coffee and sandwiches will be served.

RUNS AND EVENTS

Friday 15th – Monday 18th July BMF Kelso BikeFest. Camping for the weekend – Join Arthur Shepherd and others at Dreghorn 12:45 for 1pm depart. Rideout led by Bob Crawley on Saturday. Open day Sunday 17th with all the stalls and show events, join us on the SMC stand. Any help with the stand will be welcomed; please give David Jerome a call on 01506 464122 if you can assist, there are free passes to those who can lend a hand for a couple of hours. Show your SMC member card to get the discount on entry fee. Details at http://www.bmf.co.uk

The rest of July is a bit of a desert with nothing arranged for Sundays. There may be some runs arranged at the Club meeting on 13th and these will be added to the website, so keep an eye out there.

Chair person David Jerome is looking at running a Treasure Hunt / Navigation Test with a BBQ in September, date and details to be confirmed, however if any one wants to give a hand please get in touch.

Why don't YOU organise something? Make a suggestion to John or Janet Moss and help will be offered. We just need someone to act as the focus and inspiration; the rest of us will support and advise. Take us to your favourite roads or destination; show us the interesting or secret parts of your area. Another easy way to get involved in organising a Run is to volunteer for Tail-End Charlie duty – you get to wear a yellow vest and wave Thank You to kind motorists! – and to watch all the others' riding styles.

Steve Middleton

MILAN BIKE SHOW – WEEKEND TRIP

Details were in recent BikeBytes, and Alan Hopper comments that any further bookings should be passed to him using the enclosed form (page 6).

Steve Middleton

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THE "DOUBLE--A" TRIP TO MALLAIG & SKYE

This is a little update on the Mallaig trip over the weekend of 12-14 August 2005, which sees 15 bikers booked on this exciting run. All hotel rooms are confirmed (all deposits paid). We can accept the balance due at any time but before 29th July, please. Payable to SMC. Complete the enclosed form (page 6) and send to A Graham, 1 Almar Cottages, South Glencraig, Fife KY5 8AA.

Slight revision to route (which may change again) as follows: leave Stirling services at 9.30am, picking up at Tyndrum if asked. If not, we proceed to Cruachan Power Station (71 miles) for coffee and an approx. 1 hour rest. You can go inside the hollow mountain by bus (£4) to explore one of the hidden wonders of the Highlands or enjoy the stunning beauty of Loch Awe. Continue at 1pm on A85 then A828 to board the small Corran Ferry (£1.50) over to Ardgour where the Inn will keep the kitchen open for us 'til 3pm. After lunch, on the A861 to Lochailort and another 20 miles to Mallaig. (Total 180 miles)

Petrol will be at about the 100 mile range with another fill up at Mallaig ready for the morning sailing (bike & rider £11.40p booked & paid). Ferry leaves at 09.45. We have to be there at 09.15, so an early brekkie for some which allows us a more leisurely time on Skye.

I have contacted the Skye MCC who were going to get back to me after their meeting on 9th June about the best coffee/lunch stops, and they may come on part of the run with us. Local knowledge and all that. So far no reply.

A video of the trip will be put together by myself, available to all on DVD or VHS at £2, BUT I need someone to video while on the move or only still pictures are possible. No experience at all required and small video camera supplied. OK Lyn & Karen?

Some sites you can check out:
http://www.westhighlandhotel.co.uk
http://www.visitcruachan.co.uk
http://www.skye.co.uk
http://www.undiscoveredscotland.co.uk/corran/corranferry
http://www.ardgour.biz/index.html
http://www.skyemcc.co.uk **Alan Graham**

CHAIRPERSON DAVID'S SHOPPING CORNER

Costco in Edinburgh and Glasgow are selling 4 litres of Mobil 1 Motorcycle oil at £26. If you don't have a Costco card I can get some for you

J& S Hamilton are selling good quality Alpinestars SMX-3 Boots - £99, £50 off.

Yamaha Chain and Sprocket sets - did you know that Yamaha sell a kit that is usually much less costly than pattern parts. There is a specific part number for the kit rather than 3 separate numbers for the parts.

David Jerome

LADIES' GEAR UP FOR SALE

A biking friend has sold up everything and is now sailing round the world! Before he left, he handed in to me the following items:-

1: pair of ladies' Hein Gericke leather trousers size 8. He told me that his wife had tried them on in the shop but other than that had never worn them. They look as new.

2: pair of Hein Gericke ladies' leather Motorcycle Boots. The size is stated as "37" – that's a 3 in UK sizes. They are certainly small! They have been worn but are in good condition.

I am happy to give these away free to a good home or homes. If anyone feels awkward about that, a small donation to Club funds or a favourite charity would do. *(Maybe PitPat? Ed.)*

Anyone interested can contact me on 01698 817027.

John Watson.

THE DUNOON RUN – 12TH JUNE 2005

I finished work late on the Saturday night so that I could have the Sunday off for the club run. On Sunday morning I thought I had plenty of time to water the tomatoes and wash my bike and "before you go please empty the barrow full of horse muck…" (wife!) Fuel? Emergency can in garage. Fine, that's sorted … but, no …. no can in garage. Got to go NOW.

Two miles down the road "Oh no!" - forgot my mobile phone – back to house – time now 9.10am. Shot off to Milnathort for fuel, across Glendevon to Blackford. How many bleep bleep miles to Stirling did that road sign say???

Arrived at Stirling services at 10.10 am. to see a group of bikers at petrol pumps, but, oh no, it's not SMC. There are two more groups up at the restaurant said their leader. Just then, group one pull away (SMC). I went off to restaurant to find SMC not there.

"Ah well, I'll go solo," I thought to myself. Headed off past Drummond Safari Park and on through Crianlarich, Dalmally and headed for lunch in Oban. Coming into Connel, I noticed a group of bikers behind me. I pulled over out of the way and spotted a petrol station so I pulled in, only to see the first half of SMC group and rest of group pulling in behind! I made myself known to run leader Steve Middleton and he made me very welcome and told me to tag on.

Off we go! Until 15 miles out of Oban … then … disaster! Rider has close encounter with the road and it was as if the group had been practising for weeks. Everything was sorted, injured rider helped clear of traffic, walkie-talkies were used to assist in directing traffic, damaged bike was moved to safety. A passing motorist took Jerry off to hospital for a

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check up. The damaged bike was also ridden to Oban hospital car park for safekeeping and collection.

The rest of the group decided it is time for lunch and we found an excellent pizza place on the North Pier. It was decided to save Dunoon for another day! So, we headed back to Balloch where the ride terminated. Hope Jerry is fit and well now.

George Stephenson

WEST COAST AND DUNOON – 12 JUNE

Another report gives some insight into this run, but perhaps I should report from the front, so to speak.

After I advised the nature of the run, all those at Stirling agreed on the full Monty, and we set off for Oban, with maybe an early stop at the Cruachan hydro system if the time was right for coffee. It was, and we were welcomed with a glorious sunny view of Loch Awe and the bikes looking good neatly lined up. We tarried a bit too long really, and by the time we got to and through Oban after a fuel stop and meeting George Stephenson, it was getting to rumbly-tum time.

Judy Broad (Tail-End Charlie for the day) had warned of resurfacing leaving loadsagravel South of Oban and I took this bit dead slow – hate the stuff – and got going again. After a bend-over-a-brow I noticed nothing in my mirrors – Oh Oh! A stop confirmed there was no-one there and I turned back to find SMC members Alan and Jim controlling traffic.

Jerry Dawe had come off on the same corner noted above, running wide before returning to the road over a dip and losing contact with the Multistrada. He was leaning back against the bank being checked over by John Cook, while three others pushed the bike back up the road to a lay-by. Others were tidying up the bits of plastic. John C had a pair of PMR walkie-talkie radios and Jim McKechnie and Alan Cook used these to coordinate the traffic.

Jerry was recovering, but John decided he should not ride, and from somewhere came the clever idea of asking one of the flagged-down cars to take Jerry to the Oban hospital we had passed earlier. I set off to guide the car followed by Jim McK while the others followed, John C on the Multistrada (with a lovely curly footrest). He returned two-up with son Alan to get his own bike.

I checked Jerry into A&E, David Jerome did his Chairperson thing and thanked the car driver (who declined to give details for us to write our thanks), parked the Multistrada and stayed with the patient.

All the while knowledge had been shared about recovery of the bike, insurance and possible tactics to return Jerry home. He had landed on his head (blue streak on the road), crashed his left ribs (making it difficult to sit) and generally made use of the protection afforded by his riding gear, which showed evidence of abrasion but no holes or bursts. We had been discussing the armoured jeans he was wearing at coffee-time, and these certainly did the business in this particular incident. John C was concerned at the cut and damaged skin on Jerry's head above the forehead, but we decided this was possibly due to the Justissimo helmet design incorporating a second inner sun visor.

Lunch was now well overdue, so we left Jerry to his check-up and found food on the quay-side overlooking a Rapid Response craft of the Royal Navy that was open to visitors – just let us pass this sensor over your body sir, and let the dog have a good sniff too. Mobile phones found that Jerry was to be Bed-and-Breakfast-ed overnight; David J would stay a bit longer with him before returning home solo, and that there was no more to be done.

In all the excitement I had lost an earplug and the spare one Judy offered would not go in or stay put, and I was somewhat distracted by this, my HJC SyMax helmet not being at all quiet.

We set off to retrace our route to Dalmally, turn South for Inveraray and return to Balloch via the military road. After about five miles I did a check of my kit and realised my bumbag wasn't round my waist – doh! A hasty rearrangement handed over the leader role to Judy and I prepared to set off back to the lunch stop, when Alan Graham said – have you lost your bag – it's sitting on the tail rack! And so it was – not strapped on or anything, just lying there – with a brand new digital camera in! Thank goodness the roads had been smooth and I'd missed any potholes or sudden bumps. Completely un-nerved by this I left Judy to lead us to Inveraray, resumed the front after a stop there but then completely failed to make any progress through the traffic and was nominated for the "Slowest-ever traverse of the Rest and be Thankful" award! I had my head full of the incident, my ear full of noise, and my conscience full of guilt for nearly throwing away my camera. We made it back safely though, and split up at Balloch to return home. I went with George S back to Stirling and left him to continue North while I gunned it down the M9.

Jerry and bike got collected from the hospital on Monday and taken to Glasgow where the bike was left to the care of Glasgow Ducati. David J bought him home that evening, and next day he was sounding quite chirpy but sore.

I'm considering offering the run again, cutting out the run down to Largs to reduce the distance, anyway Nardini's is closed so no longer an attraction. I've already added a spare set of earplugs to my kit, and a 360' scan for belongings before mounting up.

Congratulations to the members on this run – we worked as an effective team to manage the incident, with the star turn by John Cook.

Steve Middleton

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A COLLECTION OF PHOTOS FROM RECENT EVENTS

David Jerome's run to Campbeltown



Colin Stewart's Chip Shop run at Crieff



- and one of Alan Graham after chips



Steve Middleton's run at Cruachan



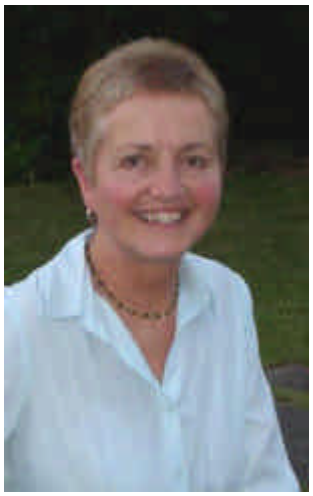
- and at coffee at Cruachan



Committee members:



Chair David Jerome



Treasurer Judy Broad





Meeting Sec'y Janet Moss + Run organisers John and Janet Moss

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COLIN STEWART'S CHIP SHOP RUN, FRIDAY 17TH JUNE

This is what it's all about. Balmy evening, good friends, great roads and a fish supper. It just doesn't get any better than this.

I arrived early at Kinross Services, Bill and Roberta (classic VFR750) were the only ones there. We were soon joined by Colin and his son Kevin (pillion) and another 8 bikes (Alan Graham [STX1300], Ken Glendinning [Deauville], Charlie Porter [VFR800], Mike O'Neil [Moto Guzzi V11 Sport], David and Helen Macpherson [Blackbird], Ian MacDonald [Sprint ST], Brian Cotter[ZX636] and Steve Middleton [VFR750]).

Since the quality of the St.Andrews chips were not up to Colin's discerning taste the last time he went there, we were destined for a different location. Colin led and I took up the tail end Charlie spot. The route took us North via Path of Condie, Forteviot, Tibbermoire, Harrietfield, Gilmerton and into Crieff for the Fish Suppers. The majority of the route was on unclassified road, much of it single track. Some of the road surfaces were a bit gravely, but it was worth it for the fantastic scenery. We all made steady progress and no one had any problems (Except Bill who stopped in front of me because he got a sudden cramp in his leg!). After asking a few of the locals, we selected a chip shop and delighted the proprietor with a mass order (the shop was empty when we arrived). We all sat in the square with our purchases and ate them while watching the local youths go about their Friday evening business (trying to get past the bouncer on the pub door and generally just hanging around).

Ian MacDonald left the group here and we took the A822 South out Crieff towards Muthill. Just south of Muthill we parted company with Bill and Roberta and took the A823 towards Gleneagles. I was now following Alan Graham who was originally in front of Bill and Roberta. I thought it strange that he was not really keeping up with Brian Cotter as we weren't going too fast, however he hadn't noticed that Bill and Roberta had peeled off so when he looked in his mirror he saw a Pan European with a yellow jacketed rider and assumed the worst! It was getting dark after all. After a while he realised it was me and we caught up with the rest. We crossed the A9 again at Gleneagles and headed for Muckhart, then onto the A91 and back to Kinross Services.

After a brief chat and an inspection of David's Scottoiler (David is the first person I've come across that didn't like this device, but it just needs fettling properly and it will save you a great expense in chain wear), we all went our separate ways. Steve and I took a brief detour via Powmill and Knockhill back to the Motorway and home. Many thanks to Colin for organising this event and all the members who attended and made it such an enjoyable evening.

John Moss

JOHN AND JANET'S RIDE-OUT TO KIRKCUDBRIGHT - 19TH JUNE

As no one else volunteered to do a write-up for our ride-out, I thought I'd better pen a few words to tell you all about it (and also keep the Editor happy!).

Nine of us set off from Dreghorn. John, leading and I, tail end Charlie, on Pan and Hornet respectively, Colin Stewart (RT1150), John Cook (Blackbird), Steve Middleton (VFR750), John Watson (VFR), Bob O'Neill (CBR600F), George Warnock (ST1300) and George Stephenson (Triumph Sprint).

The weather was dry and we had a good run down the A701 to Moffat where Mike O'Neill (MotoGuzzi) joined us. After coffee we took some great sweeping, well maintained roads down to Kirkcudbright. Unfortunately just after Dalbeatie we ran into some low mist but arrived for lunch in Kirkcudbright only slightly damp. A good repast was provided at the Gordon House Hotel (I warned you about the pizza Steve!), which included a jazz band thrown in for free.

After lunch the roads became more twisty and not quite so well surfaced as we headed through the Galloway Forest on the A712 (but at least the mist cleared and it dried up) and onto the A702 to Thornhill. The only hiccup was when we met a car in the middle of the road on its roof. The kind policeman, who was in charge, said we would be able to get round (although the muddy puddle he directed us through would have challenged even Dr. Foster) so we were soon on our way again. We ended the ride at Abington Services with a well-deserved cup of tea after 190 miles of many varied roads and scenery. John and I hope you all enjoyed the day. *(Indeed we did, and Ed. is happy now he's got a report. The pizza comment is about a 12" one I could not quite manage)*

Janet Moss

OLD ART'S RUN UP THE LAMMERMUIRS TO NORTH BERWICK. FRIDAY 1ST JULY

The advance notice for this run went as follows:

Depart: Dreghorn Services 19:00
This Run will be at a modest pace through some spectacular scenery and, although some narrow single-track roads will be included, it should be of interest to pillion riders too.

We shall arrive for a sit-down Fish Supper at a restaurant in North Berwick soon after 21:00.

Members can disperse from there or accompany me back to the Edinburgh City Bypass and Dreghorn Services by a more direct but nevertheless interesting route after the meal. The total mileage Dreghorn/Dreghorn will not be more than 100 miles. See you there! **Arthur Shepherd**.

- and so it turned out. We few (5) had a good ride in excellent weather, out as far as Duns and back for

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the meal, even if I broke the design with Spag Bol.! As usual Arthur's planning was precise to the mile, and almost to the minute.

Steve Middleton

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HERE IS THE SOLUTION TO JUNE'S PRIZE CROSSWORD PUZZLE



The May Prize Crossword Puzzle attracted nine entries, all of which were complete and correct. The lucky prize-winner (drawn at random at the Club Night Meeting in June) was Roberta Maxwell who wins £10.

Arthur Shepherd

Scottish Motorcycle Club : Milan show weekend, Thurs 17th– Sun 20th Nov 2005

Please make reservations for the following:

Name 1 …… Address ……
Name 2 …… Town ……
Evening phone …… Postcode ……
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Accommodation required – please tick: Double …./ Twin …./ OK to share Twin …/ Single …/
Any special requirement? (Room, access, diet):
If you want to go to the Bike Show, state number of tickets: …….
Do you intend to just be a tourist instead? …….
Return the pro forma to:- Alan Hopper, 4 Mearnscroft Gardens, Newton Mearns, G77 5QG.
A non refundable deposit of £50 per person is required, cheques made payable to Scottish Motorcycle Club please. Any queries before booking, phone Alan direct on 07860 506188.

Double–A weekend in Mallaig – balance payment form.

Please tick and return: (or on a separate sheet of paper)

Will be taking tour of Cruachan Power Station	Yes/No
Will meet the group at Tyndrum	Yes/No
Would love to help shoot the video	Yes/No
Enclosed balance £65 per person	Yes/No

Name(s)_____

send to
A Graham,
1 Almar Cottages,
South Glencraig,
Fife KY5 8AA

We can still take a booking for this trip as space is available. (BUT no single rooms left)
Tel 01592 861007 or e-mail st1200@hotmail.com Alan Graham

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SCOTTISH MOTORCYCLE CLUB

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 8TH JUNE 2005; BLACK BITCH, LINLITHGOW

Apologies: Jim McKechnie, Alan and Moira Gordon.

Minutes from previous meeting: proposed by Judy Broad, seconded by Alan Graham.

Matters arising: purchase of puncture repair kits for ride-outs. Alan Graham suggested that as most members carried repair kits on rides, instead of buying some, the Club would replace any kits that had to be used by members on ride-outs. This was **agreed**.
New High-Viz vests: **Arthur** will look into getting Club name printed on the new vests.

Secretary's report: Jim absent but David has sent out 33 reminder letters for membership renewal.

Treasurer's report: about 100 members renewed so far. Balance around £1800, which is slightly more than this time last year.

EVENTS
Past Events
20th May, Arthur's dinner – Arthur gave his thanks to the Club on behalf of Fiona and himself for this event and also the Club members' generosity for the trophy and life membership.
22nd May, Judy Broad's run to Glenshee/Tomintoul – a wet but enjoyable run. Great roads.
29th May, David Jerome's run to Campbeltown – good food, roads, weather and views. A long day so might get the ferries back next year.
5th June, Peter Cook's run for the West Coast – another wet event, but again good roads with about 8 riders attending.

Future Events
12th June, Steve Middleton's run to Argyll. Thanks to Steve for stepping in to do this run. Will be a speedy day so Steve will provide an alternative route for those who wish to go slower. Long route will be about 300 miles, slower about 200 miles. He is looking for a Tail-End Charlie and also someone who would be responsible for slower ride.
15-20th June, Arthur's run to Shetland. Only 2 going on this event but they will have a fantastic time as the bar is run by the local brewery manager.
7th June, Colin's Chip Shop run. 7.00pm at Kinross Services.
19th June, John and Janet's run to Kirkcudbright. Depart Dreghorn Services 10.00am.
26th June, Brian Cotter's run to Knockhill. Meet at Dreghorn Services 10.00am.
1st July, David Jerome's East Lothian run. Depart Dreghorn at 7.00pm.
17th July, Kelso Bikefest. David is looking for 4 or 5 volunteers to man the Stand.
12th-14th August, Double A trip to Mallaig. Alan Graham reported that 14 bikes booked for this. Friday will be an easy run from Stirling Services. Saturday – catch the 10.30am ferry to Skye. Skye Motorcycle Club is getting back to him re coffee/lunch stops. They would maybe join up with the group for the ride-out. Back to the hotel via the bridge. Sunday – he will sort out a run so the group will be home in the early afternoon.
11th September, Janet and John to do a run to Floors Castle to replace John Mallets Teddy Bears picnic run.
17th-20th November, Alan Hopper's trip to Milan. 4 people booked so far. Alan needs to know numbers soon so he can arrange accommodation etc. Booking form in BikeBytes.
Arthur had received some details of a Team Motorcycle event run by Caithness MC on the 1st – 3rd July and also a musical weekend in Berwick on the 8th - 10th July.
There are some gaps in the calendar during July and early August. Any volunteers to do runs welcomed. **David** to see Jim about sending out a new contact list for informal runs.

Website: Brian absent. Website gets updated regularly. Any photos welcome.

BikeBytes: Steve gave apologies for lateness of BikeBytes. Some articles being kept for next month. More reports of runs wanted.

Merchandise: orders being taken.

BMF: some e-mails were circulated.

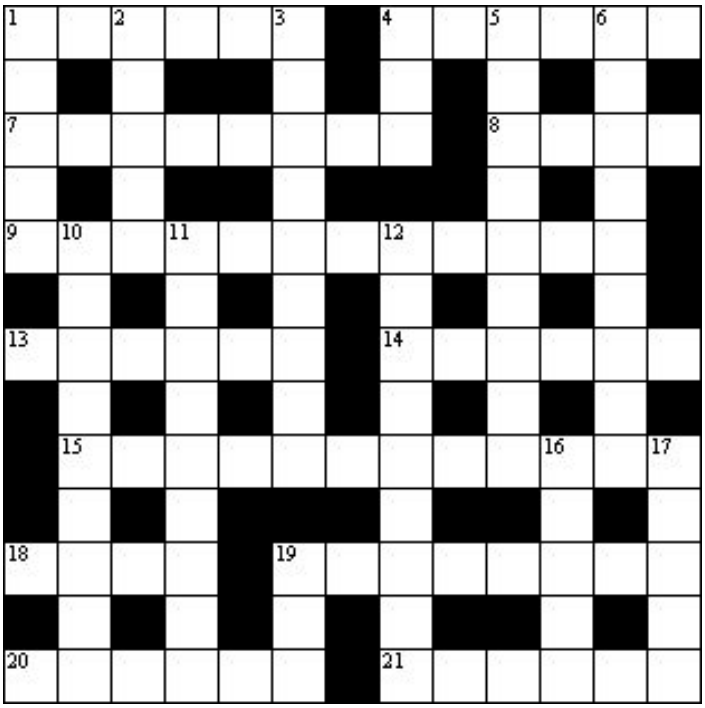
Video: Moira absent.

Crossword: 9 entries. Roberta Maxwell was this month's winner.

AOCB: Arthur has received some leaflets from BMW about Ultraseal tyres. He will pass them to **Brian** for the website. **David** to arrange with Alan Graham about getting the new website address on the banner.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 13th July, 8.00pm in the Black Bitch, Linlithgow. **Janet Moss**

July prize crossword puzzle



Crossword and clues compiled by Arthur Shepherd.
There are several references to the exciting events in this month's Calendar but there's history, science and geography as well as biking.

Across

1 *and 4 Across* Venue of July's Scottish Transport Extravaganza (6, 6)
4 *see 1 Across*
7 Famous Spanish trials bikes (now Honda) (8)
8 Rhyming slang describing your rear end after a long ride in winter (4)
9 It's what pulls your arms and slides you back in the saddle (12)
13 I fancied a Navigator but you may prefer a Raptor made by ... (6)
14 Stand to attention and bring your right hand smartly to your forehead without covering your cap-badge: up-2-3, down (6)
15 Destination of Old Art's *Run up the Lammermuirs* on 1 July (5, 7)
18 Prehistoric chisel (yes, really!); Highlander (4)
19 Don't forget this when checking tyre condition, pressure, tread (8)
20 Consumed completely; exhausted (4, 2)
21 Get along or manage with the means at hand (4, 2)

Down

1 Alpha, beta, - ; high-frequency electromagnetic radiation (5)
2 Where in Birmingham is the *International Motorcycle Show* held? (2, 1, 1, 1)
3 English (9)
4 Because it's a lettuce (3)
5 Husbands of daughters (4-2-3)
6 To do with a common brown iron ore, sounds like an arthritic lemon! (9)
10 The fantastic Deauville (and some others) is this because it doesn't need one and has something better! (9)
11 Left country to live in another (9)
12 Port and Capital of the Netherlands (9)
16 Representation; likeness; optical object (5)
17 Borders town hosting *BMF Bikefest* 17 July and home of long-term SMC Member, MAC Instructor and IAM Examiner (5)
19 Drink delicately a little at a time, not like me with beer! (3)

Write your name here: ……

Send the completed puzzle (or your best attempt if you can't quite finish it) before the end of the month for entry into the £10 prize draw to:

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