



BikeBytes

Scottish Motorcycle Club

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GREETINGS FROM THE CHAIR!

Hopefully those who have not yet been out on their bike this year are about to unSORN and tax it and start joining in some of our runs. Some will need to renew their club membership because this will be the last newsletter they receive on last years membership. Contact John Quirk for a renewal form, his details are on the bottom of the page, then fill it in and return it ASAP. Thanks. You might consider the SMC Challenge if you like doing self organised runs.

By the time you read this we will have had the first of our Monthly Chip Shop Runs, the first is based around Linlithgow. As the light and weather gets better we will go further a field, however in all cases I plan to give a time at the Chip Shop so that if you can't get to the run in time (or have to use the car!) that you and your friends/family can join us at the chippie.

At the last Monthly Meeting we were pleased to present the Arthur Shepherd's Annual Merit Award for 2006 to not just one person but two! Janet and John Moss have supported the clubs activities in a number of ways including their committee responsibilities, so well deserving winners of the award. Congratulations!!

At the next Monthly Meeting on the 11th April we have invited Paul McMenemy, Motorcycle Sales Manager, Phoenix Honda to come and chat to us about the joys (or not!) of trying to set up the new dealership. He has invited us to join in the Easter Egg run from the dealership on the 8th April. See the events calendar. Also, on the 11th he will invite us to a special event, so come and find out the details!!

The events calendar is building well with a number of runs already scheduled; in this newsletter you will find details of our first weekend event of the year. Get the diary out and book some dates to join us, we look forward to seeing you on a run or at the Monthly Social Meeting.

Jerry

BBQ WEEKEND UPDATE

Plans for the first weekend run scheduled for the last weekend in May are coming together. Saturday will

comprise a shortish run to Dunoon to arrive around 2-00 pm for the afternoon BBQ at Dunmore.

Overnight b&b accommodation has been arranged at the Esplanade Hotel for £35 pp. If anyone wants a dinner at the hotel this will be £10 or a selection of lighter snacks will be available. These can be ordered at the time. Further info about the hotel is available on their website www.ehd.co.uk.

Sunday's run will take the ferry across to Tarbet then down to Campbeltown before heading back north up the A83.

Please note it is not compulsory to stay overnight. Anyone is welcome to come to just the bbq or the Sunday run, or stay over and skip the Sunday run – the choice is yours.

Anyone wishing to join any part of the weekend should complete the booking form at the end of **BikeBytes** (as soon as possible if you're staying over so that we can firm up the hotel booking).

John Quirk

CLUB MERCHANDISE – CONTACT STEVE MIDDLETON

I am close to being able to send an order to our supplier of regalia. I need a minimum number of items and after the winter break you maybe now want to buy, so let's get together and place an order. I expect to be able to send off after the April meeting.

The Club's logo looks really good when embroidered, and our supplier uses good quality clothing to put it on. Most popular is the basic **T-shirt** at £5, and **Polo** shirts at £10. Then there are **rugby** shirts at £15 for plain or £17 for striped or quartered. All come in a variety of colours. A personal favourite is the **Roll Neck** Shirt that is really good for biking with a high neck that is close fitting and a construction that doesn't lose its shape - great value at £12.50. **V-neck** and round **crew-neck** pullovers in lambswool are good quality and survive washing and riding really well - £20.50. To keep your head warm after taking off the helmet there is a well-made and neatly styled "Low profile **cap**" with a contrasting peak – most favour black with red peak, but there are six

Contact the Scottish Motorcycle Club via the Membership Secretary:

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colourways so you should be able to match it with something! There are **other items** including men's shirts, ladies' tops, fleece and jackets.

You can see the catalogue at any Club meeting, email to committee1@scottishmotorcycleclub.org.uk or phone me on 01506 842626 to discuss. Terms are payment on delivery. You pay the price in the catalogue, the Club pays the VAT – you can't do much better than that, eh? (NB – prices quoted are indicative – I need to get the latest list)

I also have the Club **stickers** for putting on the bike or other smooth surfaces @ £1 each.

(Note that examples of the merchandise is shown at the end of [BikeBytes](#).

Steve Middleton

HERE IS THE SOLUTION TO MARCH'S PRIZE DRAW CROSSWORD PUZZLE

The February Prize Draw Crossword Puzzle attracted five entries, all of which were complete and correct. The lucky prize-winner drawn at random at the March Club Night Meeting was Judy Broad.



Arthur Shepherd

EVERY THOUGHT YOU NEEDED EXTRA STORAGE ON YOUR BIKE?

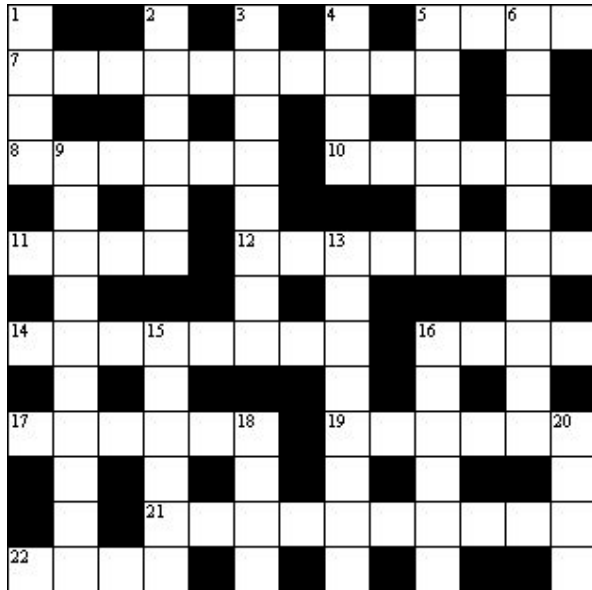


Ken Glendinning



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April PRIZE CROSSWORD



Crossword and Clues compiled by Arthur Shepherd. Look out this month for several towns, most of which have been visited by the SMC over the years and - may be again this year!

Old Fine Art

ACROSS

- 5. Not necessarily called Sally or a target - any parent's sister or uncle's wife (4)
- 7. Aberdeenshire fishing port (10)
- 8. Oblong, sweet, creamy puff (note the non-discriminatory noun) usually with chocolate icing - tasty if you like that sort of thing! (6)
- 10. End of the A9 and BR (as it was), further north than the capital of Alaska and the most northerly town on the British mainland (6)
- 11. For motorcyclists, these sliders are nothing to do with ice-cream (4)
- 12. Ancient royal burgh and former capital, now our smallest city, with a university, a castle guarding a key Forth crossing where Edward 1 was defeated and the Wallace Monument commemorating that defeat (8)
- 14. Town and former royal burgh, birthplace of Macbeth, at confluence of Peffery and Conon near the head of the Cromarty Firth, at junction of the Far North and Kyle of Lochalsh Lines (8)
- 16. Inner Hebridean island (usually misspelt as here) with Cuillin hills and ferry to Mallaig (4)
- 17. Tayside spa town, about 16 miles west of Perth on the A85 (6)
- 19. Most agreeable, pleasing, well-done (6)

- 21. 'Meadow of the birch trees' in Dumfries and Galloway on Urr Water, 5m E of Castle Douglas on A710, 711, 745 (10)
- 22. Suggestive, stimulating, erotic, attractive (4)

DOWN

- 1. Small island (4)
- 2. Cause mechanical parts to mesh, interlock, put into gear (6)
- 3. Charm, magnetic appeal (8)
- 4. Writer James Herriott's profession (not a doctor) (1,3)
- 5. Takes place every year (6)
- 6. World War Two buildings; the Italian Chapel on Orkney was made from one (6,4)
- 9. Old name for the scale of temperature (10)
- 13. An inhabitant of the Hebrides, Orkney, Shetland etc (8)
- 15. Eager for food or money (6)
- 16. To repeat from memory or read aloud, especially before an audience (6)
- 18. Containing as much or as many as possible (4)
- 20. Plant usually with a trunk and branches (4)

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:

Arthur Shepherd, 41 The Gallolee, Colinton, Edinburgh EH13 9QL



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SCOTTISH MOTORCYCLE CLUB MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 21ST MARCH 2007 PAUL BROUGHTON'S HOUSE

Present: Paul Broughton, Steve Middleton, Jerry Dawe, John Quirk, Janet Moss, John Moss.

Apologies: Judy Broad, Arthur Shepherd.

Minutes of February Committee Meeting: Accepted at Club night. Proposed by Jerry Dawe, Seconded by John Quirk. No matters raised.

Secretary's Report: around 50 renewals so far. 2 new members. 3 entries for the Summer Challenge, one of them from a new member.

Treasurer's Report: no report.

EVENTS

Past

4th March – only Jerry and David, so they went to Edinburgh instead.

18th March – Steve's Run. Only 3 turned up so Run abandoned due to bad forecast. Steve is offering to do it again at a later date.

10th/11th March – Scottish Motorcycle Show.

Future

Friday 30th March – First Chip Shop Run. Meet at West Port car park 7.30pm, run will be around Linlithgow area.

Saturday 8th April – Easter Egg Run to Yorkhill Hospital. Paul McMenemy from Honda Phoenix (Falkirk) has offered to put on a breakfast at 10.00am. Any donations made there will be matched by Honda Phoenix, then anyone wishing to ride onto Yorkhill Hospital is welcome to do so.

Wednesday 11th April (Club Night) – Paul McMenemy is coming to give a talk to members.

Monday 28th May – Honda Phoenix (Falkirk) are having an Open Day. The Honda truck will be there and there will be demo rides.

Website: Nothing yet gone on the public area about the Summer Challenge. John Q to send details again and request urgency that this is put on. There was a discussion about the Public Area which needs updating and whether Members Area should be made public as well. There are issues which need to be resolved before this could possibly happen. Paul to look into group text distribution system. John Q to phone a member who had expressed interest in running the website. All Committee members are to look at the website individually and see what changes need to be made. This will be discussed at the next Committee Meeting. John Q to contact Brian.

BikeBytes: Paul is happy with what is coming in. Jerry to put a reminder in Bikebytes for members to renew membership. Paul will put a renewal form in next month's edition.

Merchandise: Steve got several orders at the last Club Night so there maybe enough to put in an order next month. He will put something in Bikebytes. Steve also to follow up printing of web address on t-shirts for Kelso.

AOB

Video Club – nothing to report.

Crossword – Drawn at the Club Night. Judy Broad was the winner.

Janet is having back surgery (possibly in May) so Steve has offered to do the Minutes while she is out of action.

Annual Merit Award was awarded to Janet and John Moss at the Club Night.

Date of next Committee Meeting: Friday 20th April at the Moss' house (apologies from Steve).

AGENDA FOR MONTHLY MEETING 11TH APRIL, BLACK BITCH, LINLITHGOW

- 1 Any matter arising from Minutes of Committee Meeting.
- 2 Video Club
- 3 Crossword
- 4 Events
- 5 AOB

Janet Moss

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Events for 2007

Date	Destination / Meeting point	Details	Organiser
Sunday, 8 April 2007			
Wednesday, 11 April 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Sunday, 15 April 2007			
Sunday, 22 April 2007	Placeholder	Details TBA	Jerry Dawe - jerrydawe@hotmail.com 07710 569121
Friday, 27 April 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Sunday, 29 April 2007			
Wednesday, 9 May 2007	Club Night; Black Bitch Tavern @ 8pm		
Sunday, 6 May 2007	Placeholder	Details TBA	Steve Middleton - middleton27bha@aol.com
Thursday, 10 May 2007	Recce for weekend away later in year.	Details TBA	Jerry Dawe - jerrydawe@hotmail.com 07710 569121
Friday, 11 May 2007	West Coast, Applecross		
Sunday, 13 May 2007	Kirkcubright; Meet at Dreghorn Services on Edinburgh Bypass (A720) 9:45am for a 10am departure.	Dreghorn, Moffatt (coffee), Dumfries, Dalbeattie, Kirkcubright (Lunch), New Galloway, Thornhill, Abingdon Services (End)	Janet and John Moss - john.moss@sun.com
Sunday, 20 May 2007			
Friday, 25 May 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Saturday, 26 May 2007	BBQ weekend at Secretary Quirk's place	Stay overnight at local Dunoon hotel (booking will be required). Ride to Dunoon for BBQ on Saturday, then ride home on Sunday. Routes TBA	John Q and Jerry D
Sunday, 27 May 2007			
Sunday, 3 June 2007			
Sunday, 10 June 2007			
Wednesday, 13 June 2007	Club Night; Black Bitch Tavern @ 8pm		

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Sunday, 17 June 2007			
Sunday, 24 June 2007			
Friday, 29 June 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Sunday, 1 July 2007			
Sunday, 8 July 2007			
Wednesday, 11 July 2007	Club Night; Black Bitch Tavern @ 8pm		
Saturday, 14 July 2007	BMF Kelso Bikefest; 10am-5pm, Springwood Park, Kelso	Club will have a stand again this year; looking into camping behind the stand	
Sunday, 15 July 2007			
Sunday, 22 July 2007			
Friday, 27 July 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Sunday, 29 July 2007			
Sunday, 5 August 2007			
Wednesday, 8 August 2007	Club Night; Black Bitch Tavern @ 8pm		
Sunday, 12 August 2007			
Sunday, 19 August 2007			
Sunday, 26 August 2007			
Friday, 31 August 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Sunday, 2 September 2007			
Sunday, 9 September 2007			
Wednesday, 12 September 2007	Club Night; Black Bitch Tavern @ 8pm		
Sunday, 16 September 2007			
Sunday, 23 September 2007			
Friday, 28 September 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Sunday, 30 September 2007			
Sunday, 7 October 2007			
Wednesday, 10 October 2007	Club Night; Black Bitch Tavern @ 8pm		
Sunday, 14 October 2007			
Sunday, 21 October 2007			
Friday, 26 October 2007	Monthly Chip shop run	Details TBA	
Sunday, 28 October 2007			
Sunday, 4 November 2007			

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Sunday, 11 November 2007			
Wednesday, 14 November 2007	Club Night; Black Bitch Tavern @ 8pm		
Sunday, 18 November 2007			
Sunday, 25 November 2007			
Sunday, 2 December 2007			
Sunday, 9 December 2007			
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Sunday, 16 December 2007			
Sunday, 23 December 2007			

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BBQ weekend booking form

Name

Attending Barbecue (€5 pp)

Requiring accommodation * (€35 pp)

Prepared to share a room? Yes/No

Attending Sunday run only

Please send to John Quirk, Dunmore, Alexandra Parade, Dunoon PA23 8HA

*Please include €10 pp deposit.

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Merchandising

Heavyweight Cotton Polo Shirt

100% cotton.
Three button placket.
Side vents with drop tail.
Taped neck reinforced shoulders.

Black	Fl Navy	All Day
Green	White	Maroon
Blue	Yellow	Red

Weight: 210gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 43 45 47 50 52

SC02

Contrast Polo Shirt

100% cotton.
Three buttons.
Side vents.

Body	Placket	CAC	Body	Placket	CAC
White	White	White	White	White	White
Black	Black	Black	Black	Black	Black
Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue	Blue
Green	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow	Yellow
Red	Red	Red	Red	Red	Red

Weight: 240gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 43 45 48 50 53

SC04

Roll Neck Shirt

100% cotton.
Elasticated neck and cuffs.

White	Black	Red	Green	Blue
Yellow	Orange	Purple	Grey	Dark Blue

Weight: 200gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 43 45 48 50 53

SC06

Set in Sleeve Sweatshirt

80% cotton.
20% polyester.
Locker patch at back of neck.
Tubular construction for shape retention.
Cover seam.

Black	Fl Navy	All Day
Green	White	Maroon
Blue	Yellow	Red

Weight: 300gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 40 44 47 50 52

SC10

Open Hem Pique Sweatshirt

80% cotton.
20% polyester.
Locker patch at back neck.
Side vents.

Black	Fl Navy	All Day
Green	White	Maroon
Blue	Yellow	Red

Weight: 300gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 43 45 47 50 52

SC12

Heavyweight T-Shirt

100% cotton.
Tubular neck.
Taped neck.
Twin needle hem and sleeves.
*Available in 4/6.

Black	Fl Navy	All Day
Green	White	Maroon
Blue	Yellow	Red

Weight: 180gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 40 44 46 48 50 52 54

SC13

Plain Rugby Shirt

100% cotton.
Traditional styling with white cuffs and rubber buttons.
For leisure use only.

Black	Fl Navy	All Day
Green	White	Maroon
Blue	Yellow	Red

Weight: 292/300gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 36 40 44 48 50

SC16

Quartered Rugby Shirt

100% cotton.
For leisure use only.

Body	Collar	Cuffs	CAC
Blue	White	White	White
Black	White	White	White
Green	White	White	White
Yellow	White	White	White
Red	White	White	White

Weight: 292/300gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 36 40 44 48 50

SC17

Striped Rugby Shirt

100% cotton.
Sewn strip.
Rubber buttons.
For leisure use only.

Body	Collar	Body	Cuffs	CAC
Blue	White	Blue	White	White
Black	White	Black	White	White
Green	White	Green	White	White

Weight: 300gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 36 40 44 48 50

SC19

Long Sleeve Twill Shirt

100% brushed cotton twill.
Button down collar.
Left breast pocket.

Black	Fl Navy	All Day
Green	White	Maroon
Blue	Yellow	Red

Weight: 300gsm
Garment sizes: These are approximate and for guidance only
Size: S M L XL XXL
Chest: 37 39 42 45 48

SC22

