



VIRAGO STAR OWNERS CLUB



OCTOBER 2006



NEWSLETTER



The Ace Café Run Sunday 17th September

Groups rode in to gather at the Tavern Inn, Walcote on a warm and sunny Sunday morning.

At 11am 19 bikes set off for the Ace Café, led by 'Armani' Joe.

On the 80 or so mile trip a bit of filtering was required due to road-works on the M1, and we re-grouped at the London Gateway Services before setting off on our final leg and our destination just off the North Circular, London.

One or two had near misses with the London drivers (as again on our way out later). We found parking not too difficult as we managed to get several of our bikes right in front of the Café (see pics).

Thanks go to Kev and Pete for organising this ride.

Probably a one-off for some of us who travelled approx 320 miles on the round trip.

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WOTTS-ON?

SEPTEMBER

30 Halfway Heroes mcc - Leathered in Lincoln Bike Rally at Lincolnshire Showground. Tickets £12. Bands/ Camping/ Bar/Stalls. For info call: 01522 511652 or visit website www.halfway-heroes.co.uk

OCTOBER

- 3 **VSOC C9 Meeting at the Grey Goose, Gedling - AUTOJUMBLE NIGHT - don't forget to bring those items for sale!**
- 6-8 **Outriders Party at the Packhorse on A5 nr Kensworth, Beds.** Buffet included Friday Night. Pub Food available on Saturday. Cooked Breakfasts available from the Pub All the usual fun. Camping on-site or Hotels nearby £11.00 per head cover. Contact Geoff 07771 751177 to reserve your place.
- 8 **Yorkies Ride to Lincoln (see Lincolnshire item 3 on page 6 for details and Ride-ins)**
- 8 **BBC Radio Derby Money Mountain Charity Ride.** Meet Clay X Powersports from 10.30am - Leaving Noon (see ad on page 4).
- 9 **VSOC Derbys Area meet, Barlborough**
- 11 **VSOC Lincs Area Meet, Castle Inn, Coningsby**
- 11 **VSOC Leics/Northants meet, Walcote**
- 9-12 **Octoberfest at Calpe in Spain.** Contact: linda@melonholidayhomes.co.uk
- 21-22 **13th Classic Motorcycle Mechanics Show, Stafford County Showground.**
- 22 **Get-Together at the Barge, Newark. The Barge opens at noon (see item on page 6).**
- 22 **Ride-in 1 to the Barge, led by Little Malc, meeting at Gunthorpe Bridge 10.30am, leaving 11am.**
- 22 **Ride-in 2 to The Barge led by Ken Collingwood, leaving the Dusty Miller 10.15am.**
- 25 *Deadline for receipt of items for inclusion in next month's newsletter*
- 28 **Centre 8 Halloween Party 'Fright Night 2' at Lichfield RFC, Staffordshire. Over 18's only. Limited tickets (see ad on page 4)**
- 28-5 Nov **International Motorcycle & Scooter Show NEC Birmingham**

NOVEMBER

- 4 **Bonfire Party at Brandy Wharf near Waddingham** £4.50/person (see details across)
- 7 **VSOC C9 Meeting at the Grey Goose, Gedling**
- 8 **VSOC Leics/Northants meet, Walcote**
- 12 **VSOC Lincs Area Meet, Castle Inn, Coningsby - SUNDAY MEET !**
- 13 **VSOC Derbys Area meet, Barlborough**

DECEMBER

- 2 **Centre 9 Christmas Party, Gedling - Disco, Buffet, Raffle - Everyone Welcome - £3.50/person. More details to follow.**
- 16 **Lincolnshire Area Christmas Party (see Lincolnshire item 2 on page 6 for details or contact Trev)**
- 16 **Derbyshire Area Christmas Party at the Dusty Miller, Barlborough (see separate ad on page 3).**

APRIL 2007

20-22 **Centre 6 Jumpstart Party (see ad on page 5)**

MAY

25-28 **VSOC Centre 5 Yorkies Rally - Return of the Peacock.** Doncaster Rugby Club, Castle Park.

JUNE

29-1 Jul **Centre 9 National Rally - Sherwood Shindig II.** Advance tickets £15. Contact Terry Warren.

MEETING DATES & VENUES

CENTRE 9

Grey Goose Public House
Gedling, Nr Arnold
NOTTINGHAM
1st Tues of the month from 7.30pm
includes **FREE BUFFET**

DERBYSHIRE

Dusty Miller Public House
BARLBOROUGH
(just off J30 M1)
2nd Monday of the month from 7.30pm

LEICESTERSHIRE / NORTHANTS

The Tavern Inn
WALCOTE,
Nr Lutterworth
1 minute from J20 M1
2nd Wednesday of the month from 7.30pm

LINCOLNSHIRE

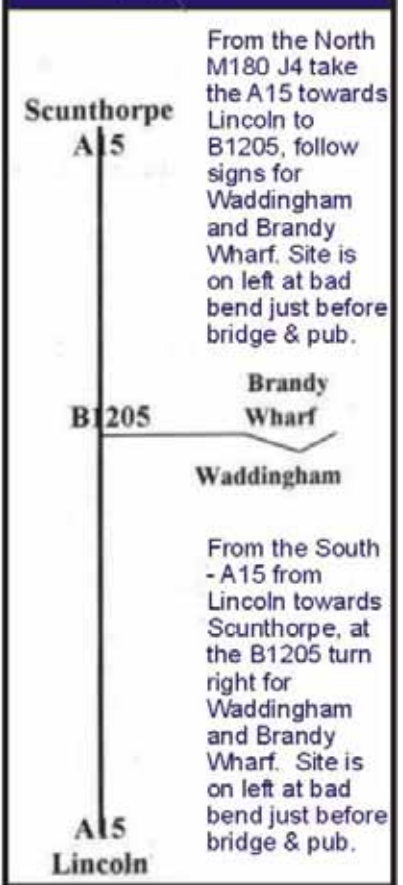
Castle Inn
CONINGSBY
2nd Sunday / Lunchtime
for November to February meets

Bonfire Party 4th November

At Brandy Wharf Leisure Park. It's an excuse to get together really, not a rally or a bikers party. Just camping, use your camper or caravan if you wish.

Come in the car - just come and be with your friends.

Camping £4-50 per person.
Caravans £10-00 for 2 adults.
Showers, toilets, pub across the road.



NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL



The C9 newsletter is available by email and takes the form of a 6 page 'Word' document of around 3mb size and in **FULL COLOUR.**

If you would like to be included on my circulation list, please email me at: jayne.bell@hemscolt.net

The emailed file should reach you up to 5 days before the Gedling meeting.
PS: PLEASE ASK FOR A READ-RECEIPT ON YOUR REQUEST SO YOU KNOW I HAVE RECEIVED IT!

WEBSITES

www.vsoc.org.uk
www.lostriders.co.uk

MALC'S Bit

Hi everyone
hope you are all
fit and well.

October's here
and life for some of
us starts to slow down a
bit. I know some of you feel
that during the summer when ride-
outs should be a plenty that there are actually less of
them. It's simply that in the summer we (that's all
Centres) try to concentrate our efforts and time on
the National VSOC stuff - rallies, parties, the BMF
etc.

We are aware that the minority of members who
do not want to do the rallies feel a little left out, but
there are plenty of meetings or events ie Lincs bike
nights to keep you busy or why not organise a ride-
out yourself, contact our events/ ride-out man to
make sure it doesn't coincide with other events and
just do it, its as easy as that.

People for many reasons don't want to do the
National stuff but these type of weekends are wot the
VSOC is all about and you begin to realise how big
the VSOC is. I think since early May till now we've
only had a couple of non-VSOC weekends at 'ome
blimey, no wonder I'm knackered.

So for some the ride-outs will be more, for some
less, that means I'll have time to do the garden and
finish my drive I started last winter or maybe the
kitchen I started several years ago well ok
maybe not

August bank holiday saw the last VSOC rally of
the year, suitably called The Fourgasm Rally - walk
around the campsite late at night and you'll know wot
I mean. For us it should have been an easy 2 hour
trip up the A1, but oh no !!! a number of accidents
turned it into a 4 hour epic.

My new **huge trailer** - stopped us filtering -
sorry guys. By the way if you're interested I've just
sent it off to the painters to have it colour matched to
the Royal Star - Oh yes !!!!! if you weren't tough.

Sorry about that got a bit carried away, anyway
for a change most of us managed to camp together
for a good old traditional biker's rally. The whole
weekend had a nice feel to it. There was no official
ride-out, so people made their own, some for
example went to Whitby some went to Masham
(black sheep brewery), we went to Wensleydale and
then onto Route 66 no sorry the A66, cracking road
and of course toast gromit, sorry

Only a couple of weeks later we were off to the
Yorkies Bondage Party (they'd get a lot more people
if they called it that) at Hirst Courtney. Many thanx
must go to Terry and his gang for an excellent
weekend. For me tho' something was missing - one
vital ingredient - no no, not the naked chef; it was
THE SPAM MAN, never was one man missed by so
many

By the time you read this tickets will be on sale
for our Rally next year, they are very competitively
priced at £15 (£20 on the gate) and I can see no
reason at all why it should be any less enjoyable or
successful than the party we held - **and is still talked
about** - just a few months ago.

That's it I've got to go and do some painting now,
so enjoy your newsletter, read about other events
that happened this month - the Tail-end BMF and
Pete & Kevs run down to the Ace Café. More
especially read and find out why we are, and have
been for a long time **THE** most supported Centre in
the country.

Ps Quiet weekend this one for me, to-nite
going to Janes (Terry's much better looking half)
birthday meal, tomorrow nite watchin' a band to
maybe use for our rally, Sunday autojumble,
Monday work

Pps: Centre Xmas party at Gedling 2nd
December disco, buffet, raffle - everyone welcome
£3.50/person

Oh , whilst I think about it on 4th November quite
a few of us (2 dozen on the last count and rising) are
going to a fire work/camping/piss up at the pub
somewhere in Lincolnshire - Waddingham I think
£4.50/ person (see details on page 2).

That's it I **HAVE** got to go and do some painting
so enjoy your newsletter. See you all soon.

Male

Jane at
'Carrion Camping'
last year,
HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Centre 9 Xmas Party

2nd December at the Grey Goose
Gedling starting at 7.30pm at an
unrepeatable £3.50/person.

Disco, Buffet, Raffle.

More details to follow.



VSOC Derbyshire Xmas Party

The Xmas party will be held at the
Dusty Miller Pub on Saturday 16th December at 7 for 7.30.

Bookings to be made through Ken (Derbyshire rep).

A £5.00 deposit is required at the time of booking, and you will need
to make a choice of starters at the same time (see Ken for menu).

We will also be holding a Xmas raffle at the same time, so donations
of prizes will be very welcome. Places will go fast, so be quick !!

Ken 01246 229315 Mob. 07796544810

The 4th Charity Ride for

Money Mountain (BBC Radio Derby)

(Registered Charity No. 1103168)

SUNDAY 8th October 2006

Meeting at Claycross Powersports
from 10.30am

Leaving at 12 mid-day

To arrive at Radio Derby for 1.00 pm

There'll be Tea, Coffee, Raffle

£5 a bike

All welcome to attend

Money Mountain 2006 will help these chosen local charities, voluntary organisations and self help groups Derby Hospitals Charitable Trust to provide a mobile intensive care ventilator; Friends of Queen's Hall Women's Hostel; Derbyshire branch of the Motor Neurone Disease Association; Exercise for the Heart; Derby Gujarati Association and Tansley Chair Exercise Group.

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IT'S BACK!!! FRIGHT NIGHT 2

Centre Eight's Halloween party is on again, the date, Saturday 28th October, the place, Lichfield RFC, Staffordshire.

Those that came to the last one a couple of years ago will remember just how good the night was and this one should be no exception.

Live music on the night from the Whiskey Bandits, camping and hard-standing available, all for £6.50 a ticket. Same rules as last time, obligatory fancy dress, (How can it not be for Halloween??), over 18's only.

Please note that there is a 120 limit on the room, for tickets and more information, please contact either Ian or Tina Forkin on 07952 385723 or 07743 522756 or email at ianforkin@aol.com (<mailto:ianforkin@aol.com>)



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More details to follow
or ring Phil on 01254 245956



A Greek road sign !
Supplied by Terry & Clive Hadley

Pictures from the Barn Weekend - North Yorkshire

supplied by Jayne, Ros & Tessa



Whitby Church



Malc having a few difficulties



A pair of Johns





Lincolnshire September Meeting

Unfortunately Roy was unable to make the meeting on 13th Sept as he was having problems with his knee following the operation. Hope everything is ok now Roy. I hope you don't mind me standing in for you.

For those of you that didn't make it to the meeting at Coningsby here is a short update. The meeting was attended by eight Lincolnshire members and we had a good chat over drinks. As usual an excellent buffet was laid on by the pub. As well as drinking, eating and chatting we agreed a few other items which were:

1. We would endeavour to continue the Lincolnshire meetings through the winter. In order to avoid the dark nights it was decided to **move the November to February meetings to the second Sunday of the month at lunchtime**, (Sunday lunches at the Castle Inn come highly recommended).

2. Gegsy agreed to arrange the **Christmas party**. The date will be **Sat 16 December**, (apologies to those that attended and agreed the 9th but the pub is booked on that night).

3. **The Yorkies are having a ride down to Lincoln on Sunday 8th October**. A few of the Lincoln members are planning to meet them and show them round the city. If any of you would like to come along also you are most welcome. Details are still being finalised but we are in the process of sorting secure parking. EJ will meet Lincs members in Coningsby to ride in from the South and meet in Lincoln. If anyone is interested I will meet people at The Cherry Tree café then ride round to meet the Yorkies at Saxilby then on into Lincoln to meet the others.

Please e-mail me for more details (contact details on front page of this newsletter).

Details of Yorkies route is as follows:

Yorkies are meeting at Squires to leave around 10am, heading down via:

- Bawtry
- Gainsborough
- Normanby by stow
- Stow (b1241)
- Saxilby
- and into Lincoln at the Castle end

We now have a regular core of Lincs members attending the meetings at the Castle Inn but we would love to see more of you there also. I appreciate that it's a big county so if you can't make it but would still like to contribute please e-mail me.

Thanks to everyone who did come and I hope you will all be at the October meeting which is **Wednesday 11th October**.

Trev

Get together at the Barge, Newark

- Sunday 22nd October

At the beginning of the year we had a 'get together' at the Barge in Newark, we talked of the year ahead and what we were all going to do and see, it's always exciting to get together at that time with the summer ahead of us.

Well I think it would be nice for us all to get together again to recall and relate what actually we did do.

What ever you do DON'T ask me or we may end up talking about the car parking costs of all the hospitals I visited over the year, the A&E in Rhyl is very nice, the car park in Worksop whilst not pretty is cheap.... Oh there I go, sorry!

So on the **Sunday 22nd Oct 2006** I would like to invite old and new members to the Barge at Newark.

They do great chips and hot chocolate. Contact your centre reps for details of their individual ride in.

The Barge opens at Noon.

I will be in the car park at Gunthorpe Bridge at 10.30am to leave at 11am for Newark.

I would like to go via Southwell cos I like that road but we will see on the day if anyone else has a favorite route.

Malc (Liaison)



RIDE-IN TO THE BARGE

Ken Collingwood is to lead a ride-in to the Barge get-together (above)

leaving the Dusty Miller, Barlborough at 10.15am.