



# LOST RIDERS



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## VSOC CENTRE 9 – EAST MIDLANDS – MARCH 2014

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



### New Bolt featured in the Sunday Times

I came across this article (right) in the Driving section of the Sunday Times. It was interesting to note that the main point they focussed on was the ability to change and customise the bike.

They state that Yamaha plan to offer a huge range of customisation options and accessories to turn it into bobber, tourer, cruiser or cafe racer. It will be interesting to see whether VSOC members take to this new model and how they go on to create their own incarnations.



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I also came across this advertised on eBay – I'm not sure how this compares with Yamaha's pricing but thought it may be of interest to anyone thinking of a Stryker. It looks like a great bike, hopefully one of us will get to test ride one soon!

Ride safe all

*Tinker – Editor*

### The 15th Classic & Modern Japanese & European Motorcycle Show - Donington



This event has been running continuously for over a decade and showcases the best of the Classic Japanese bike scene in the UK with displays from the leading clubs, around 50 individual concours entries and over 60 traders occupying around 130 stands inside the heated exhibition hall at Donington Park. Lost Riders once again turned out with a wide range of models to create interest and attract potential new members. Thanks to Mark and Alex for organising this event and to all who manned (and women'd) the stand over the weekend.

## BOWLS AND CARVERY – Long Eaton

Another great day bowling with friends! We raised £69 for our charity from the text service collection and Whisky coin toss game. On top of that we also raised £131 in the raffle. A huge thanks to Jim for organising, Kev & Bev for their great food, Chris and Lorraine for organising the raffle and Terry for the coin toss event.

We had two teams of runners up in the team events with the overall team winners also being Lost Riders – Well Done All! The cup for the overall best individual performance went to a Yorkie member, but we of course aim to win it back next time.



Hello all,

We started off February by attending the Japanese bike show at Donington on the 2nd February. A brilliantly well attended event which was organised by Mark with myself bringing over the display stuff, thanks Mark for organising the stand.

A great show which was held in the large exhibition hall and had many different stands. We didn't manage to win best club stand (One day maybe!?! ) but we did all get a plaque for attending which was a nice touch.

Many thanks to those who displayed their bikes on the day; Mark, Ricky, Paul, Trevor and Rachel and many thanks to Claire for keeping us fed and watered! Thanks to those who came and visited the stand, it's great to see members at events we attend to show support for us.

That's all for this month aside from the usual attendance at our monthly meetings. I'll have an update on the May Bank Holiday Kings Lynn camping weekend for the next newsletter so we can look forward to preparing for that event.

See you all soon,

Alexander Bridgwood - *Lincolnshire Rep*

## FREE PARKING FOR BIKES IN NOTTINGHAM

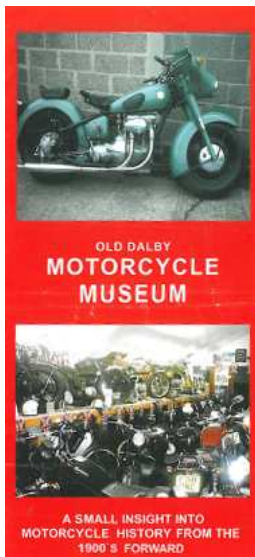
Thanks to Paul Caine who spotted this useful information for those who wish to park their bikes **Free** in Nottingham city centre.

### **Extract from the [www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk](http://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk) site under Parking (as at 4<sup>th</sup> December 2013)**

There are several on-street motorcycle parking bays situated in Nottingham City Centre. Parking in these bays is free of charge for an unlimited period of time. The bays are situated in the following streets:- Kent Street, Convent Street, Wollaton Street, Mount Street, Hounds Gate and Castle Road

Motorcyclists may also use any other pay and display parking bays free of charge for an unlimited period of time. In residential parking areas, motorcyclists can park if in possession of a valid permit, but please park sensibly, preferably not taking up the whole length of a bay area.

Motorcyclists must adhere to the restrictions in limited waiting bays and cannot park on double or single yellow lines, in taxi ranks, bus stops, disabled or loading bays.



### **GATHERING OF THE CLANS - RIDE OUT**

**Sunday the 11th of May**

The gathering will start at Gunthorpe Bridge cafe leaving at 11.30am for a 35 mile rideout through the Vale of Belvoir arriving at the motorcycle museum at old Dalby.

There will be food and drinks available at Old Dalby

For more details contact Chris Healey

### **CHRIS WANTS YOUR NUMBER**



Some of you will know that Chris recently lost his phone, which has now been replaced. He has kept his old number but has lost all the numbers he had stored in his address book. Can you all please drop Chris a text (just your name will do) – he can store this to re-create his address book and keep you informed of what's going on in the club. – Thanks

### **RIDE OUTS**

Ride outs have been planned in Lincs, Leics and Derbys areas (more details to follow). We are looking for a volunteer to organise one for August in the Notts. Area.

Please contact Chris if you are able to help with this.



## LOST RIDERS CHARITY APPEAL



We are aiming to conclude our support for our current chosen appeal, the **Sure Start Children's Centre, Sensory Room Appeal** in April, when we plan a ride-in to the centre in Hucknall to donate our final contributions, sometime in April.

Looking ahead, we are looking for nominations for our next cause, worthy of our support. It would be great if we could support a small, local charity, which is close to a club member or their family. If you have any suggestions of causes you feel could benefit please contact Chris as soon as possible as we would like to have this in place by mid-April.

## CHRISTMAS PARTY

Following the great success and by popular demand, our Christmas party has been booked again with Bestwood Lodge for **November 22nd**

If you wish to attend please let Chris have a £10 (non-refundable) deposit per head.



## DERBYSHIRE CARETAKER



Harry Thompson has kindly agreed to look after the Derbyshire region whilst a more permanent Regional Representative is found. In the meantime please contact Harry with any Derbyshire related matters.



## LOST RIDERS PLANNED GERMANY INVASION

We now have 32 planned to make the journey to the Germany Rally. If you want to go but have not yet made your intentions known, please talk to Chris as soon as possible.

Harry is looking into transport for luggage and would like to know how many people would be interested

in sending their tents by UPS and returned.

He will see if we can get them delivered to site but failing that, they will be sent to our German contact's house and he will take to the site. With the return we will see if they can be collected from site but again failing that collected from his house. The estimated cost for 100kgs is £1 per kg each way. So if on average 10kgs would be £10 each way approximately. At this point we are trying to get an idea of how many people are interested.

No gas or flammable substances please.

Anyone interested please contact Harry ASAP.

## WELCOME BACK MALCOLM!

Malcolm Clarke has decided to re-join the club after a few years break. He is keen to get stuck-in and is already planning to attend rallies and events



**Centre 9's May Bank Holiday  
camping weekend  
2nd - 4th May 2014**



**Where?**

King's Lynn Caravan & Camping  
Park, Parkside House  
New Road, North Runcton,  
King's Lynn, Norfolk PE33 0QR

[www.kl-cc.co.uk](http://www.kl-cc.co.uk)

**Contact to book:**

Alex Bridgwood - 07815972037  
or [ajbridgwood@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:ajbridgwood@yahoo.co.uk)

**Tickets £12 per tent/caravan per night.**

**Hook up available for caravans.**

**Two ride-outs around Norfolk.  
Local pub.**

**Chilled out camping weekend with  
music and friends.**



**LOST RIDERS  
WOODTHORPE  
WEEKEND IS  
BACK!**

**SEPTEMBER 5 & 6th**

**WOODTHORPE HALL LEISURE PARK**

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£5 /PITCH (FULL AMOUNT WILL BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO EVENT)**

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[www.woodthorpehallleisure.co.uk](http://www.woodthorpehallleisure.co.uk)

## 2014 RALLIES & PARTIES

Jumpstart Party, Golborne WA3 3HG	25 - 27 Apr
Rama Lambo's Ding Dong Rally - Centre 7, Tonna SA11 3HX	23 - 26 May
VSOC International Rally, Germany	13 - 15 June
Thames Valley – Centre 12	27 - 29 June
Solent Rally – Centre 16, Headley GU35 8TE	25 - 27 July
Fourgasm IV – Centre 4, North Shields NE30 2BE	22 - 25 Aug

LOST RIDERS MARCH 2014 EVENTS		
2nd	Sun	<b>Derbyshire Breakfast Meet.</b> (1st and 3rd Sunday of month). CMC Clay Cross (the old Stratstone) from 10am. Contact: Rick 07828 801009
4th	Tues	<b>Centre Meet</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of month) - <b>The Park Yacht Inn, Trent Lane South, Colwick, Nottingham NG2 4DS</b> – from 7.30pm. Contact - Chris 07739 913807 <a href="mailto:onelotrider@yahoo.co.uk">onelotrider@yahoo.co.uk</a>
10th	Mon	<b>Derby Meet.</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of month) Arkwright Arms, Sutton cum Duckmanton, Chesterfield. S44 5JG. Off M1 J29 Contact: Rick 07828 801009
11th	Tues	<b>Lincolnshire Meet</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of month) The Duke of Wellington, Lincoln Road, Leasingham, Sleaford. NG34 8JS Contact: Alex 07815 972037 E-mail <a href="mailto:ajbridgwood@yahoo.co.uk">ajbridgwood@yahoo.co.uk</a>
12th	Wed	<b>Leicester / Northants Meet.</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month). Nags Head, Station Road, Glenfield, LE3 8BQ Contact: Pete Brown 0116 291 6809 E-mail <a href="mailto:leonebrowne1@live.co.uk">leonebrowne1@live.co.uk</a>
16th	Sun	<b>Derbyshire Breakfast Meet.</b> (1st and 3rd Sunday of month). CMC Clay Cross (the old Stratstone) from 10am. Contact: Rick 07828 801009
18th	Tues	<b>Notts. Area Meet.</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month. Rolls Royce Social Club, Gate 1 Watnall Road (B6009), Hucknall (0115 964 23800) Contact Chris 07739 913 807 or Jim 07867 868 582
23rd	Sun	<b>Notts. Breakfast Meet</b> (4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of month). McDonalds, Sir John Robinson Way, OFF A60 Mansfield Rd., Daybook, Arnold. From Nottingham turn right at CMC follow and Mc D on left. From Mansfield turn left at CMC. From 10.30, food and or a ride-out. Contact Jim 07867 868 582 or Chris 07739 913 80

## LOST RIDERS APRIL 2014 EVENTS

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6th	Sun	<b>Derbyshire Breakfast Meet.</b> (1st and 3rd Sunday of month). CMC Clay Cross (the old Stratstone) from 10am. Contact: Rick 07828 801009
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I love this new word - I even like pronouncing it!!!



**New Word: Exhaustipated**

Here is a new word to add to your vocabulary.  
It will be especially useful to us senior folks!

Exhaustipated: meaning "too tired to give a shit."