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VSOC CENTRE 9 – August 2018

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

Hi All,

The weather was great during July, I managed to attend a number of events. Paul Burdass and I rode over to the Boston Bike Night and met up with Rachel, Trevor, Cath and Steve who had a VSOC stand there. I joined the MAG Brum Demo which was more of a country ride out than a traditional demonstration ride and ended at the National Motorcycle Museum. We had a good turn out for the Ton Up Day ride out to Jacks Hill Café – see Brians write up. Thirty three Lostriders attended the Centre 7 Rally in Aberaeron. It was a good venue just off the beach on the mid Wales coast line. The ride there and back was enjoyable apart from the sporadic sections of newly laid chippings which felt like riding on a sea of marbles!



Pictures from the Centre 7 Rally (Thanks to Mike Godwin) The nail varnish was instead of wristbands!



Congratulations to Pat Hamilton who has ridden 100000 miles on his 1100 Virago which has owned since new.

Ride Safe Everyone

Clare & Mark – Editor

Kevin's Clatter Report

Unfortunately, the Centre 9 Report for the inclusion was omitted, so here it is.

Clatter 88 May 25th 2018 LOSTRIDERS CENTRE 9

Hi All

Centre 9 have had a busy social programme leading up to the biking season, we have lost a few members but gained the same number through spreading the VSOC ethos at shows, ride outs and bike meets.

I thank all our members for their support in various ways it makes my position easier.

Our attendance at our Centre meet is well over 45 each month that's just in the cooler months roll on the summer. Looking forward to meeting our new members at one of our regional meets, Rallies or Social events welcome to the VSOC family.

Welcome to Neil Armitage, Stephen Blackham, Alan Bennett, Eddie Eden, John Bodycott,

Stephen Challoner, Andrew Webb, Jim Laverie, Kenneth Chick and Caroline Burnett

Looking forward to the rallies near the sea lets pray for good weather.

Ride safe

See you in a field or a Hotel lobby

Kevin Knowlden Centre 9 Rep



Hi Everyone,

Another brilliant biking month with plenty of sunshine. At the start of June, Steve, Cath, Trev and myself manned a stand at Boston Bike Night. The new venue in the park worked well with the stands around the edges and the bikes in the middle. We spoke to a couple of potential members and had a visit from Mark, Paul and John Holmes.

A couple of days later we attended Bakewell Carnival where the British Legion had been asked to take part in the parade in return for a donation of £200. Another beautiful day, with lunch at the Austrian Sausage House. Neil and Charlie joined Trev and I and the boys enjoyed themselves by seeing who could rev their engines the loudest.

Also on behalf of the Legion we attended Mablethorpe Bike Night. The council decided to move the venue from the main street to two carparks near the sea front. It didn't have the same feel and it didn't seem to be as well attended. Such a shame as it's normally a good night out. They also pulled the plug last minute on Skegness which was the following night. They just don't want us to have any fun.

Next came the Welsh Rally. After leaving home in the glorious sunshine the closer we got the colder and darker it became. We spent the last 100 miles in the rain and had fun on the newly chipped roads. Arrived shivering, but at least it dried up for us to put the tents up. It was a cracking venue with views overlooking the sea. Friday night's entertainment was in the form of a Meatloaf tribute who was very good. The 120 mile ride out on Saturday was lovely and we did the Elan Dam and Devils Bridge with a lunch and cake stop in the middle. Saturday night was equally as good as Friday. It was so nice to see some Centre 9 members attending their first rally.

Some of us had decided to stay over and had paid to stay in a campsite a couple of fields away. We weren't looking forward to moving everything but on Saturday night the Rugby Club said that people could stay and they would leave the toilet and shower block open. What a result! We had a couple of great days out in New Quay and one afternoon John Simpson kindly took Dave, Jennifer, Steve, Cath, Trev and myself out on his sailing boat. What an experience we all had such good fun. Another day we had a lovely ride to Brecon. Apart from a little rain and the temperatures being a little cooler we had a great time.

Lots more planned this month with Party on the Farm and Centre 4 Rally in Redcar.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 14th August at the Jolly Scotsman, Sleaford.

Ride Safe - Rachel – *Lincolnshire Rep*



RIDEOUT - JACKS HILL CAFÉ, TON-UP DAY - SUNDAY 15TH JULY

It was another roasting Sunday in the East Midlands when Chris, Lorraine and Brian arrived at the Leicester Forest East Services (M1, J21) and found several bikes and a trike waiting to greet them. At the services, we saw plenty of other bikers who were en-route to Jacks Hill and Kev even tried to sign one of them up in the car park; like a copper, he's never off duty! It was also nice to see one of our new members, Jim Laverie joining us on his recently acquired ultra-low mileage Virago 1100.

By 11:00 we had the full complement for our Rideout and the first ten miles were down the M1, off at the next junction and then a rolling pickup of John and Helen Wood from a layby just outside Lutterworth. From there Chris and Lorraine set a steady pace over the next thirty miles and with the long straights on the A5 our group of fourteen bikes and one trike, in neatly staggered formation, was quite a sight from the back. An unknown couple on a trike joined the rear of our convoy seemingly content to be part of the spectacle. On arrival at Jacks Hill Café, the organisers blocked the road to get us in safely and then it was a case of navigating the mainly gravelled car park and squeezing between rows of bikes and the usual crowd that gathers to see who's on what. Despite the arid conditions a couple of us still had difficulty positioning our side stands and Chris only just saved his bike from rolling into a ditch!

Jacks Hill Café put on quite a show with Trade Stands, Auto Jumble and outdoor BBQ. There were lots of older bikes on display including many BSA Goldstars and even a solitary fifty-year-old scooter, which surprisingly was still upright on its stand! The whole venue was heaving with bikers, we also saw a few other VSOC members and most of us spent considerable time eyeing up the hundreds of bikes which were constantly coming and going in the car park. Last but not least, "The Rapiers" were on stage in the café with their fabulous (Shadows) instrumentals plus Jimmy Jemain performing as Cliff Richard.

Thanks to Chris and Lorraine for taking the lead with another great biker day out!

Brian Timms. C9

Message from Chris & Lorraine – Please provide any raffle donations for Christmas Party

Centre 9 – 20 years ago

August 1998:

- There was the 3rd Wimbish Rally at Saffron Walden
- The first international rally was held to be held in Denmark

EVENT NEWS



Dates for your diary

11 -12 August - Centre 8 Janet Deakins Farm Party Names with £10.00 – Kevin Centre Rep or Area rep
Apologies for previous wrong dates given to me.

11 August – Nailers MCC Custom Show, The Nags Head, Belper – from 12:00

12 August – Ilkeston Heritage & Classic Vehicle Show

12 August – Brackley Motorcycle Festival

15 August – Lincolnshire Bike Night, East Kirby – Lancaster Bomber

18 – 19 August – NCC Nottingham Custom Show, Newark Rugby Club

17 – 19 August - BMF Dambusters Rally, Thorpe Camp Visitors Centre, Woodhall Spa (Sold Out)

24 – 26 August – VSOC Centre 4 Fourgasm V Rally, Redcar Rugby Club

31 – 02 August – Kustom Kulture, Lincoln Showground

31 – 02 August – MAG Storming the Castle

01 September – DJ Pauls BBQ Party (Home) – names to Dave Freestone 07794521322

01 September – Sleaford Classic Show, Lafford Terrace, East Gate, Sleaford

02 September – Centre 9 Ride Out from CMC breakfast meeting

07-09 September - Centre 5 Bonding Party. Names with £10.00 – Jim Salmon 07867 868582

14-16 September - Centre 9 Woodthrope Weekend. Names – Jim Salmon 07867 868582

23 September – Ride to Save Lives (Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance) Newark Showground 11:00

Future Events

14 October – Centre 9 Ride Out – Triumph Motorcycle Factory Heritage Centre, Hinckley

11 November – Centre 9 Ride Out – Mablethorpe / Skegness Beach Racing

LOST RIDERS AUGUST 2018 MEETINGS

05	Sun	Derbyshire Breakfast Meet. (1st and 3rd Sunday of month). CMC Clay Cross (the old Stratstone) from 10am.
07	Tues	Centre Meet (1 st Tuesday of month - The Vale Social Club, 54 Vale Road Colwick, Notts NG4 2ED – from 7.30pm.
08	Wed	Leicester / Northants Meet. (2 nd Wednesday of each month). The Railway, 152 Station Road, Glenfield, LE3 8BR
13	Mon	Derby Meet. (2 nd Monday of month) Arkwright Arms, Sutton cum Duckmanton, Chesterfield. S44 5JG. Off M1 J29
14	Tues	Lincolnshire Meet (2 nd Tuesday of month) The Jolly Scotchman, 18 Lincoln Rd, Sleaford, NG34 8NP
19	Sun	Derbyshire Breakfast Meet. (1st and 3rd Sunday of month). CMC Clay Cross (the old Stratstone) from 10am.
21	Tues	Notts Area Meet. 3 rd Tuesday of the month. Rolls Royce Social Club, Gate 1 Watnall Road (B6009), Hucknall

LOST RIDERS SEPTEMBER 2018 MEETINGS

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**LOSTRIDERS
CHRISTMAS
PARTY**

at
Yew Lodge Hotel
Kegworth, DE74 2DF

Saturday 24th November 2018

£62.00 pp

Bed & Breakfast
Three course dinner & coffee
Entertainment
Deposit £10pp

Tickets from Kevin Knowlden
T: 07816434108
E: kevinsales@live.co.uk

Single room available on request.

Lost riders Gone to the Dogs

Saturday 6th October 2018

Grey Hound racing

Nottingham Stadium Daleside Rd

Colwick NG2 4BE

Meet in the Car park entrance

For your ticket from Kev Centre rep

At 6.30pm racing at 7.20pm

6 Pack Deal

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| 1 | Admission | 4 | £1 Lucky dip |
| | | | Jackpot tote bet |
| 2 | Free Race Card | 5 | 1 bottle of Carlsberg or |
| | | | Or VS or J20 |
| 3 | Pie and Pea Supper | 6 | £1 Trio Tote bet |

A great deal for £10.00 payment in full by Tue 4th Sept

Must pre- book

Contact Kevin Knowlden 01786 434108

