



Thunderbird Times

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*Newsletter of the Mighty South London branch of the **TRIUMPH** Owners Motor Cycle Club*

CAPEL SHOW

Saturday 20th – they want exhibitors on site by 1130, show opens at 12. Always plenty to see at the show if you have an interest in vehicles, over 550 entres so far. We'll be leaving Rykas 1100.

Capel is just off the A24, near Beare Green

RUNS

The last Tuesday club run (July) to Newdigate went off OK. Newdigate has been on the list ever since I've been in the branch – the last couple of times it's coincided with their folk music night. Not my taste, but somebody likes it. My first year with the branch, we got to the penultimate corner before the Surrey Oaks, which was my stop. By this time we'd lost everybody else. After a couple of minutes I switched off the engine. Couple more minutes and I got off and took off the helmet. It was just about dark, still a bit of light in the sky, and as I stood there I could hear motorcycles in the distance, in every direction, but no sign of any - but they all turned up in the end.

HORAM

Nice day for our annual run to Wessons café for breakfast. Good to see one of our long-standing branch members, Timothy Rendall, who moved down to Sussex some time so no longer attends the club. He was asking if anybody is still around who knew him in the 70's – if you do & want to get in touch I have his email address.

From branch member Gary...

Hi Everyone,

I would like to say a massive thank you to each and every one of you for supporting my London Surrey 100 mile ride last weekend. As it stands we have raised a fantastic **£1665.55** plus **£322.50** gift aid **Total: £1988.05**

This will be greatly appreciated by the Hospice of St. Francis and every donation helps to make a massive difference to the lives of the people in need of hospice care.

The ride itself was brilliant!! It was long and tough, but the route was fast and the roads were good.

And the weather was perfect!

The Surrey Hills were challenging, and I was glad I'd put the training in around here in the Chiltern Hills.

Full concentration was required to stay out of trouble as there were several crashes and several hold ups, at one point we were stopped more than an hour and then walked a mile before the jam had eased enough to cycle again, I think, overall, I lost about two hours. But that is all part of being involved in the world's largest cycling event and thankfully I avoided some of the incidents that others were unlucky to get caught in.

The support from the public throughout the ride was amazing, the roadside was packed through many of the towns and villages along the way.

And riding up The Mall to the finish felt like the end of a stage at The Tour de France! Although I'm more Fatley Wiggins than Bradley Wiggins!!

I've attached some piccy's to prove I've done it and give you value for money, by having a chuckle at me in my cycle kit!!





Once again, a big, big

THANK YOU!

Much appreciated!

Regards, **Gary Humphrey**

EVENTS

Aug 20 th	Saturday	Capel Village Car & Bike Show. Meet Rykas 1100
Aug 23 rd	Tuesday	Club Run – William IV, Little London, Albury Heath, GU5 9DG
Sept 4 th	Sunday	Brighton Burn-Up, Ace Reunion
Sept 10 th	Saturday	Old Coulsdon Show
Sept 17 th	Saturday	Kempton Park bike jumble
Sept 18 th	Sunday	Tilford Show, Rural Life Centre, Reeds Rd, Tilford, Farnham GU10 2DL
Sept 27 th	Tuesday	Club Run - Well House Inn, Mugswell, CR5 3SQ

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THE BRANCH:

Meets at the Prince of Wales,

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(Tel: 020 8542 6084) every Tuesday from 8.00 pm

Runs leave the pub at **8.00pm sharp,**

4th Tuesday of the month, April to Sept.

Please ensure you have a full tank of petrol!