



Thunderbird Times

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

MSL Barbeque & Bike Show

Saturday 13th July – 7pm onwards at the Goat. Please support your branch.

Triumph Day at the Ace Café (two views!)

1. I went to the Ace on Sunday about 12.00 but did not see anyone!. It was banged out with Triumphs though including a large number of early Speed Triples. Their owners have started a dedicated club for them and I must admit they had a good selection lined up, including an ex-racer. Although the car park was full, the attendant found a spot near the front for my little T100C and one sad git even came over to give it a thorough examination for ten minutes, I would have thought ten seconds would have been more than enough. I waited until 1.30 and left for the museum in case the club had gone there but no luck and as the museum car park was completely empty I left for home. I must admit that the weather was not as predicted by the Telly , in fact even though I had our famous club sweater under my leather jacket (yes I made an effort to look in period) I was nowhere near warm. Got back in time for the Superbike racing so all was not lost. **Ron Granger**

2. Again the weather was not kind to us on Sunday. It was cold and very overcast. Despite this seven brave souls led by Mac, including Terry our new member on his very new Triumph Scrambler, ventured across London to the Ace Cafe where we were not allowed in the car park because it was too full. This was probably because too many non Triumphs had the audacity to attend. A not so quick cuppa, queues out of the door and back to Mac's house where Teresa fed us with beer and sarnies. **Fred Reavell**

Club Run to the Mucky Duck, Rudgewick

This was a bit more like it – 23 bikes , a nice warm evening, and a not too taxing ride for those of us who don't go round corners well! And a new (for me) beer to try. Nice to see Ray Franklin back again after about 15 years – still on the same Daytona and appeared to be wearing the same track bottom! The usual collection of £1 per head to help pay for the food garnered £29.99. I shall say no more – you know who you are!!!

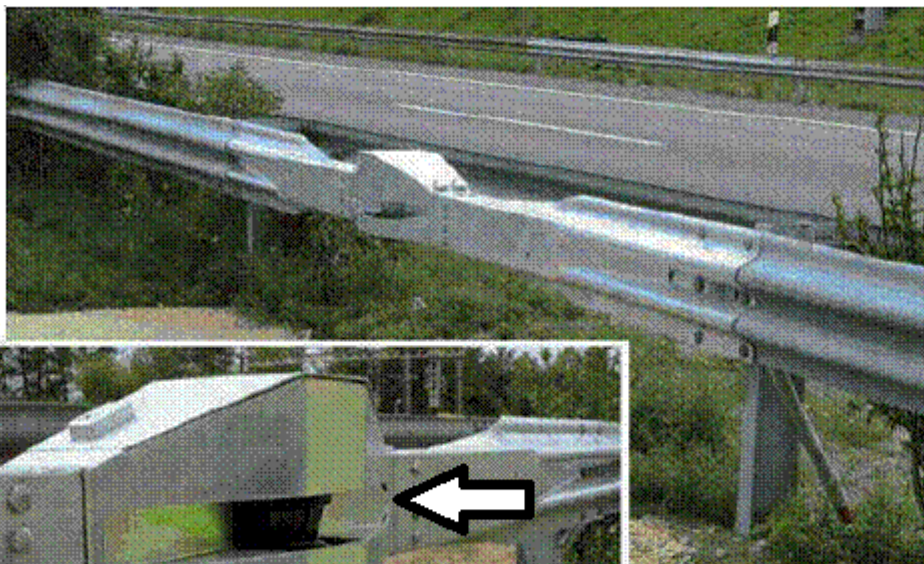
Coming up at the end of the month (26th) the South London Classic MCC has invited us round for the evening. They have a guest speaker, one Gordon May, who has written two books, on his journey overland to India on an Enfield, and a later ride around the Middle East on a 1052 Bantam. I shall send out a reminder nearer the time.

Not the latest news, but I hadn't seen this before...

A New Type of Speed Camera !!! BEWARE

Pay great attention to the new cameras, two are already in operation on the A52 dual carriageway into Nottingham, see attached photograph. Six further cameras became operational on the A1 between Great Gonerby, Lincolnshire and Oakham, Rutland on Monday 22nd October 2012.

New Version of Speed trap camera trialling in UK presently, and more expected nationally in 2013..and these are not so easy to spot !!!.....The idea is to clock speed & distance of tailgaters, and those hogging the centre lanes, as well as those over the 70 mph limit. Drive carefully. **Paul Skeet**



EVENTS

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| July 6 th | Old Coulsdon Fair, Coulsdon Rd/Cannon's Hill (opp. Tudor Rose pub) CR5 1EB, 1200 |
| July 7 th | Car & Bike show, Unstead Park School, Munstead Heath Lane, Godalming GU7 1UW. Tolworth 10am. |
| July 13 th | Bike Show & BBQ (Saturday) begins 7pm |
| July 20 th | Claygate Flower Show. (Tolworth 1200) |
| July 23 rd | Club Run – The Surrey Oaks, Newdigate RH5 5DZ |
| July 27 th | Kempton Park autojumble |
| July 28 th | Tadworth Children's Hospital run |

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THE BRANCH:

Meets at the Goat,

Carshalton Road, Mitcham, CR4 4HJ

(Tel: 020 8648 1935) every Tuesday from 8.30 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!

DROP-OFF SYSTEM RULES:

- 1 Nobody is to overtake the Runs Leader.
- 2 The rider behind the Runs Leader **must stop** when Runs Leader points to a corner.
- 3 The rider on the corner must ensure they are visible to the following riders.
- 4 The rider on the corner **must wait** for the Tail End Charlie to wave him/her on in front of him, however long it takes.