



# Thunderbird Times

December 2010

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

## Happy Christmas

The MSL management and editorial staff (!) would like to take this opportunity to wish all our members a happy Christmas and a successful New Year.

**Boxing Day Run** – The weather forecast seems to change by the day, if it's OK on the day, meet at the red tree lay-by, A217, at 1130. Run to the Skimmington Castle, Reigate (not too far).

## Tadworth Run

Fortunately the first lot of snow had melted in time for the run, so supported by the South London Classic Bike Club, the South London Institute of Advanced Motorcyclists, & the Surrey branch, we mustered around 30 bikes for the run, and were joined at the hospital by a few less hardy individuals who chose to go by car. Between us, and with a donation from club funds, we raised £640 for them.

On the right, run organiser Bob & Lurch posing with a card prepared by some of the kids & presented to the club.



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**Quiz Night** went well, £70 raised for an as yet undecided charity. Dave Kent dragged his team through to win yet again.

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The other night I happened upon one of those interminable police video programmes, but I learned something, which maybe you're already aware of. If you have a 'modern' photocard driving licence, the card part is only valid for 10 years. I looked at mine and it expires next April. Maybe they send out reminders, I don't know yet, so check it out. Even though your licence may still be valid, if the card has expired you could be charged with failing to renew it (up to £1,000 fine), and insurance companies may refuse payouts in the event of an accident while it's expired. A new card will cost you £20, plus a passport photograph. Another way for HMG to get their hands in your pocket. Details at:-

[http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/Motoring/DriverLicensing/NeedANewOrUpdatedLicence/DG\\_078070](http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/Motoring/DriverLicensing/NeedANewOrUpdatedLicence/DG_078070)  
or visit your nearest main post office or DVLA branch.

## EVENTS:

Dec 26<sup>th</sup>

Boxing Day run – Skimmington Castle

Jan 1<sup>st</sup>

New Years Day run – William IVth, Little London, Albury.

Jan 8<sup>th</sup>

**Post-Xmas bash at the POW**, music & a bit of food provided!

THE CLUB:

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