



# Newsletter

February 2015

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The meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February saw a good turnout of members, it is a pleasure to see so many attend on dark and cold winter nights.

The evening provided for an very interesting conversation with Bill McGregor from the Bon Accord Motorcycle Club, Bill attended our club night to seek advice and feedback regarding the Grampian Motorcycle Convention held annually at Alford Transport Museum. Feedback from members was good resulting in a lively discussion, which I am sure provided Bill with food for thought.

Events such as the Grampian Motorcycle Convention are an excellent way of involving the general public in our favourite pastime, creating an interest in classic motorcycles especially with the younger generation is critical if our bikes are going to survive in the future, Bill McGregor understands this and wants as many ideas on how to create a more interesting shown than what has perhaps been achieved in the past, I'm sure Bill would not mind if members wanted to send their ideas to him by e-mail, to that end Bill's e-mail address is [bill@bamcc.co.uk](mailto:bill@bamcc.co.uk).

Please note that Bill has suggested that as many members as possible meet to discuss the Convention at Alford Transport Museum on the first Tuesday in

July, this coincides with a run to be organised by John Addison, it has been suggested that we meet as usual at the Oldmeldrum Legion 7 for 7.30 departing for Alford shortly after.

The evening finished with a viewing of last year's Shetland Classic Motor Show and Tours, the video, kindly provided by Martin, is of excellent quality and professionally produced it was a pleasure see so many classic vehicles on show, the video culminated in appearances by our very own superstars Jacqui and Tony.

Bob Prodder has provided information on a run out as follows:

Hi Tony,

Attached is a flyer (see attached) from a local group, they have invited 'us' along. Thought best if you could include it with the next newsletter, **must emphasise though this is an invite to our members only** and is accompanied with a request **NOT to post it on 'our' Facebook page** or our website or anywhere where it may be accessed by non-members.

Bob

Jacqui has provided an entry form (attached) for the Inverness Classic Vehicle Show.

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NEXT MEETING:

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015 7 for 7:30pm at the Oldmeldrum British Legion

Please see attached the Tay Valley Norton Owners Club events list for 2015. Note that the Large Lunch is mentioned for the 18<sup>th</sup> April at Deans of Huntly. I will mention, as reminder to all, of the large lunch in the next newsletter.

**Get Fettling** the 7<sup>th</sup> April is the first run of the year and is being organised by Bob Prodger, see below:

Hi Tony, I am on the list to organise the April (7th) run. Have made the arrangement to visit the Tarves Heritage Centre, it is on The Square in Tarves. They are an interesting group and the feature at the moment is an interesting display relating to WW1. There is limited space so intend to send/guide those who have assembled by 7.30, with a second group a bit later. Tea will be available at the centre, suggest retire to the hotel across the Square afterwards. There is provision for individual donation, thought the club might also make a donation. I don't have a problem with making the destination known, there could well be those who would rather meet there by car!

The problem I do have is I am at the moment not sure I will be available - think I might have to visit family down south and won't be back for the 7th. I am sure anyone of several are able to lead the groups across! The arrangement with the centre are made.

Bob

### **Motorbikes over the ages, classic, modern and futuristic**

The next club night has all the makings of being something really special, Mick Elstone has kindly arranged for Dave Morton who hails from Arbroath to present a short film on the versatility of motorcycles showing how over the years motorcycles have been used to develop unusual vehicles and in more recent times a more imaginative, futuristic and unusual use.

Tony Duffield has volunteered to organise the refreshments.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next club night.

Safe Riding  
Tony