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The newsletter for RAT members in U.K.



Winning Ways

Francis Williamson in action



RACING action has been red hot for Triumph mounted Francis Williamson during 1998.

Riding a Daytona T595 for the Jack Lilley Racing Team, Francis has been competing in the Superbike Magazine National Sports Production Championship.

The Sports Production class is open to road-going machines,

and to keep the racing competitive and costs low, tuning regulations are super-tight. Teams are restricted to minor parts like the exhaust end can, brake pipes and pads, and suspension modifications. Slick tyres and major engine work are banned.

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Regional runs to cover the country

RAT is coming your way in '99. As part of the continuous expansion of the club we will be organising a programme of regional runs covering the whole country.

We have split the UK into eight regions and will ensure that each region hosts at least one RAT Run during the season, giving all members easy access to club action, wherever they live.

The format of the runs will vary. Some will be a single day, others will offer the option to go riding on Saturday and Sunday, but each run will have set start, finish and rest points and feature an

interesting theme, destination or route.

There will be no charge for members to take part and there will be complimentary refreshments available on many runs. Some will be organised and hosted by the club's own management team, others will be run on behalf of the club by Triumph dealers.

"RAT Runs are designed to fill the gap between dealer pack outings and the major international events organised by the club," said International Club Manager Neil Webster. "They are the next stage of the club's development programme and will make it easier for all

members to get more from the club.

"Members are free to attend any runs they wish and there will be no need to reserve a place unless specifically stated in Torque. You will be free to take part in the full run, to meet up with members at the rest point, or to ride in to join up at the finish point. It's up to you!"

The initial eight UK regions are the South West, South East, West Midlands, East Midlands, North West, North East, Scotland and Ireland, and it is hoped to sub-divide these into smaller units in coming years.

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Pictured at their 3rd stop in Devon, three members of the Ideal Triumph Owners Club with the Devon Air Ambulance crew.



Flying high

FOUR members of the Ideal Triumph Owners Club undertook a week-long round Britain fund raising marathon this Summer.

Starting out from a sunny Birmingham in July, their aim was to visit all of the Air Ambulance Stations in the UK over the next six days, raising funds for the Midlands Air Ambulance Trust in the process.

Their journey began with a visit to RAF Cosford, then it was on to Newquay, followed by a stop at Exeter Airport, all covered in the first day.

The route then took them across to London and Kent from where they headed north to the RAF base where the Lincoln Helicopter is situated. It was then over the Humber Bridge to Newcastle and on to Inverness, reached at the end of the fourth day.

The final stop was at the Glasgow Helicopter Station before heading back to Cosford and the start point of this epic run, where they were greeted by the first crew.

"Something not a lot of people realise is that Air Ambulance Helicopters are usually funded by public donations and not your Health Authority," said Paul Wood of the Ideal Triumph Owners Club.

"We covered 1828 miles in six days and raised £2000 for the trust. Not bad for a holiday jolly with four lads getting away on their bikes," he continued.

Track Action

MEMBERS from all over the North of England lapped up the atmosphere at County Durham's famous Croft race circuit where the BMF held their Great Northern Bike Show in October.

Billed as an interactive event, the show included stunt displays, charity sidecar rides and mini motos, but the biggest attraction was the chance to ride on the circuit, with several club members making the most of the Autumn sunshine to put in some track time around Croft's sinuous curves.

After taking in the show's attractions or riding their bikes around the circuit, RAT members were provided with free refreshments and the chance to relax and chat with other Triumph owners in the club's own marquee.

Pack leader Dave Sims from Eddy's of Leeds led a ride-out of eleven bikes, which included an attention grabbing modified Speed Triple. "This is the first ride-out I've led, so with eleven bikes turning up I'm really pleased," said Dave.



Eddy's pack leader Dave Sims (far right) pictured at Croft with fellow pack members.

Winning ways

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Taking up the story is Jack Lilley Racing Team Manager Clive Wood:

"The year started with shakedown tests at Keevil - an aerodrome circuit - and they went without a hitch. The weather was dry, enabling Francis to put in some very quick laps. Much to the surprise of many, he was measurably the fastest rider out there. The team went back to the workshop feeling quietly confident.

The season kicked off with some typically consistent rides from Francis, with regular finishes in the top six, the best obviously yet to come.

As we moved into the season the competition was fierce, but at Donington Park in June Francis set a blistering pace in qualifying and gained pole position against a grid of Yamaha R1s and Honda Fireblades.

This achievement was quite a milestone as the Jack Lilley Racing T595 was the first Triumph to gain pole position in a British National race for over 20 years!

Two finishes in the top five at this meeting left Francis second in the series - highlighting his consistent form.

Donington is a track at which the team performs well. The set-up of the bike, Francis's riding style and the circuit's flowing bends proved to be a combination hard to beat. We were already looking forward to coming back later in the season.

As the season progressed, the pace seemed to be hotting up rather than settling down, as the Silverstone meeting proved. With initial qualifying held in the wet, Francis claimed a provisional pole position but drying tarmac saw him eventually qualify in fourth position for the race and he held this position to the flag.

With Francis now holding third in the championship there was still a great deal at stake.

For the penultimate round, it was back to Donington where another pole was taken by Francis with a time of 1m 41.82s - good enough for a place on the grid in the British Superbike race held later the same day!

To confirm he is a force to be reckoned with he went on to win the race in convincing style.

With just one round left, we headed for Thruxton looking to finish the year off by taking second place in the championship. The win at Donington had put us equal on points to Yamaha's Dan Harris and set the scene for a nail-biting finale.

Unfortunately, this was not to happen. Complications ensued and Francis ended up not racing, leaving him fourth overall in the championship.

Despite this, the season has been fantastic for everyone involved. We have shown what the T595 is capable of and we're looking forward to 1999," concluded Clive.



Club members enjoying the Autumn Rally in September.

Damp fun in Devon

TORRENTIAL rain failed to dampen the spirits of the 30 members who attended the first Autumn Rally hosted by Bridge Motorcycles of Exeter.

Based at Finlake Holiday Park in Chudleigh in late September, the beautiful rolling Devon countryside provided some wonderful scenery and challenging roads.

The weekend started on Saturday afternoon with a Treasure Hunt covering Dartmoor, taking in picture postcard villages and some quaint local towns. The seven questions ensured the charming route was enjoyed to the full! There was even a break in the weather!

Once everyone had completed the rambling ride back to the Finlake site and all answers handed in, Steve Privett was chosen as the winner who had answered all questions correctly and the least miles covered. Prizes included a RAT jacket for the victor and t-shirts, pens and keyrings for the

runners up.

With the first day's riding completed, evening entertainment included a disco, a band and a well stocked bar, giving an ideal opportunity to wind down after the ride and look forward to the second day's events.

Sunday's ride started from Bridge Motorcycles and covered a different route, attracting several members who weren't able to attend on Saturday.

The route gave another opportunity to take in the stunning scenery and included a lunch stop from where riders either returned to Finlake or rode back to Bridge to bring the weekend to a close.

Said Bridge's Earl Richmond: "Despite the weather, we've had a good turn out, which I'm sure would have been better if the sun had shone. People came from as far afield as Kent, Yorkshire and Wales, proving that Devon was a popular choice," he continued.

PACKchat

New Pack leader? Change of venue? Read it here for the latest RAT Pack updates...

SEVERAL changes to highlight this issue, starting in the North with **Bill Head Motorcycles** in Preston. Having hung up his RAT leathers, Ian Mossdrop has handed the reigns over to Andrew Barnes who has made a flying start as Pack Leader by...crashing his bike. Understandably, at time of writing things are a bit quiet but Andrew plans to get things moving for 1999. Give Andrew a call to see what he has planned or just to wish him well. Moving now to Leeds dealer, **Eddy's Motorcycles**, their new Pack Leader comes in the shape of Dave Sims. Having been in the post for just a few weeks, Dave has already spent time with the Triumph Roadshow in Scarborough, and led a ride-out to The Great Northern Bike Show at Croft - see full report elsewhere in this issue. Peterborough dealer **Balderston Motorcycles** have introduced Jill Breeze, so give her a call if you're in the Peterborough area. In Melton Mowbray, **Len Manchester Motorcycles** have a new telephone number. You now need to dial 01664 562302 if you want to speak to Arnold Fletcher. Over to Worcester, where **Skellerns Motorcycles** now have Jenny Smith as Pack contact, so give her a call for Pack meetings in the Worcester area. Last but not least for this issue, Welsh dealer **Two Wheel Services** are now **M&P Motorcycles** but all other details remain the same.

■ For full contact details, refer to the Pack directory at the back of the newsletter, but remember some packs are better than others at letting us know what is going on, so speak to your Pack Leader for an update on activities in your area.

Leading Legend

OVER 350 riders completed a ride-out in Northern Ireland, led by a Triumph Legend.

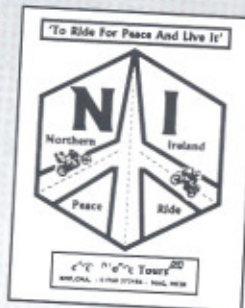
The bike, supplied by dealers GS Motorcycles, covered a scenic route from Carrickfergus Castle to Portrush and was ridden by Samuel Irwin of

Northern Ireland Motorcycle Tours

"I found this machine ideal for the 50 mph pace, but when power was needed it was very responsive" said Samuel.

"It was ideal to have a machine that adapted so well to the road, pace and marshalling conditions."

The ride, which took place in October, was possibly the largest road going event in Northern Ireland this year.



Regional RAT runs

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The RAT Run programme will also be introduced into a number of other countries from 1999, offering members a vast choice of quality riding experiences to choose from.

Details of the first 1999 RAT Runs are announced in this edition of Torque. The full calendar will be released in the Spring issue, out on March 1.

Points make prizes

AS part of the 1999 RAT Runs programme, the club will be running a brand new awards scheme in the UK.

All members taking part in a RAT Run will be given a rider's log book. This will be franked

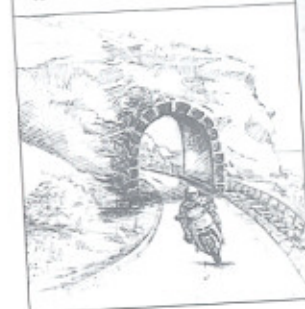
with a different stamp specially designed for each event, making a unique record of the season's riding.

At the end of the season members can submit their log books to club HQ and will receive a bronze, silver, gold or platinum award, as well as their log book, by return.

All entrants will also go into a major end of season prize draw.

"We wanted to add an extra element of fun to the Runs programme as well as giving members something extra to aim for during the season," said Neil Webster. "If it's a success in the UK we will extend it to cover other countries for 2000."

NORTHERN IRELAND PEACE RIDE II
10th October 1998
10 am
CARRICKFERGUS CASTLE
via DUNLUCE CASTLE
to Dunluce Centre, PORTRUSH





Steve (left) and Dan from new dealers Laguna Motorcycles.

South East expansion

TWO new dealers have been added to the Triumph dealer line-up in the South East.

Laguna Motorcycles of Hart Street, Maidstone, join Robinson's of Canterbury to cater for Triumph customers in Kent.

England's oldest established motorcycle dealer, JS Gedge of East Sussex, has also recently joined Triumph.

Voted Motor Cycle News dealer of the year in 1996, JS

Gedge first opened for business in 1897 and have been family owned ever since.

Owner Trevor Gedge said "We have been inundated with enquiries regarding the Triumph range and we are very proud now to be able to offer this excellent British marque from our East Sussex showroom in St. Leonards-on-Sea."

JS Gedge can be contacted on 01424 423520. Laguna are on 01622 681765.

Cyber dealer

LONDON dealer Metropolis have launched their own site on the World Wide Web.

They can be found at www.metrop.co.uk where a host of information will be available on Triumph Motorcycles, RAT and the dealership. Andrew Hale, Metropolis Pack leader, will be contributing to the site, so regular pack updates will be featured.

"We are really excited

about this additional service Metropolis has to offer. It now means we can be visited without leaving your front door," said Andrew.

"Of course, it won't only be bikes that feature as our RAT 99 events calendar will be included, keeping all RAT members posted on our busy schedule for the coming year" he added.

Take a look when you're next surfing the net.



Andrew Hale of Metropolis Motorcycles.

All change

CROYDON dealers, **Carl Rosner Motorcycles**, have changed the venue of their Wednesday meetings.

They now gather at The Haycutter public house, Tanhouse Road, Oxted, where good food, good beer and good company are promised. There is ample parking and all are welcome, especially newcomers.

If you're in the area on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, why not drop in or for more information, call 0181 657 0121 and ask for John or Carl.

On The Move

MARKET Motorcycles of Tring have moved.

They have vacated their Brook Street premises and can now be found at 4 Miswell Lane, Tring, where Nigel Lee remains as pack leader.

Club members should also note that Pack meetings move to a lunchtime slot during the winter months, held on the second Sunday of the month.

Contact Nigel on 01422 822599 or by email: market.mcs@netgates.co.uk.

Triumph for £1

WINDY Corner's Roger Winterburn has been busy supporting a good cause.

As part sponsor of a prize draw for a Triumph Legend, on behalf of Leicester Royal Infirmary's Scanner Appeal, he has been assisting promoter Judy Everitt who has so far sold a staggering £10,000 worth of tickets, and is still going strong.

Call Roger on 01455 842922 for details, and who knows? When the draw takes place on May Day, you could be the proud owner of a brand new Triumph.



Champion fund raiser Mrs Judy Everitt, pictured centre, with colleagues and the terrific top prize.

Winter warmer 1999 starts here!

THE first RAT event of an action packed year will be on 21st February, when we will take a ride from historic Stratford-upon-Avon to the Heritage Motor Centre in Gaydon - the largest collection of British cars in the world.

Starting from The Moat House Hotel in Stratford-upon-Avon at 11am, we will follow a scenic route through charming Warwickshire countryside to Gaydon.

Telling the story of the UK Motor Industry from 1896 to the present day, the Centre features around 200 exclusively British vehicles in a unique open-plan exhibition.

Represented are vehicles from the world famous makes of Rover, Austin, Morris, Wolseley, Riley, Standard, Triumph, MG and Austin Healey so even if the weather leaves us cold, the day will certainly be satisfying.

The run itself is free to enter and there will be complimentary refreshments for RAT members. If you want to visit the museum there is an entry fee of £5 for adults, £4 for OAPs/students and £3 for children.

For further information call Lee Parslow at club HQ on 01455 891515.



Pioneer Run

RAT heads for the south coast on March 21st to capture the action of the 62nd Pioneer Run to Brighton. This historic event, promoted by the Sunbeam MCC and a highlight in the veteran motor cycle movement, will attract the largest gathering of pre-1915 solos, sidecars, tricycles and quadricycles in the world and represents a unique opportunity to see so many historic machines in action.

The 1999 Pioneer Run will begin at 8am from Tattenham Corner, Epsom Downs and it is from near this location where the RAT Run begins, giving you the opportunity to see these fascinating machines start their journey.

We shall be meeting at 'The



Heathside' situated on the A217 at Burgh Heath, Tadworth at 9.30 am to leave at 10am.

The planned route will finish in Goring-by-Sea at The Sussex Yeoman where complimentary refreshments will be available for all RAT members. From there those who wish to see the finishers of the Pioneer Run are only about 15 minutes from Madeira Drive, Brighton where the Triumph Roadshow will be amongst the attractions.

For further details, please phone Lee Parslow at club HQ.

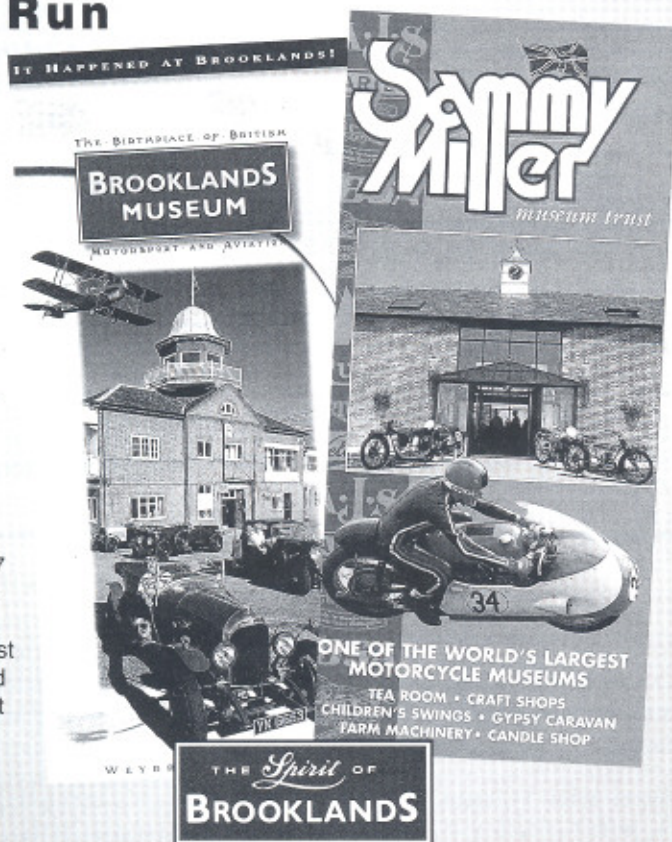
Heritage Run

VISIT two of Britain's most famous motoring sites by joining our run to Brooklands on the 25th April.

Starting from the Sammy Miller Motor Cycle Museum, in the heart of the New Forest, we will ride across the North Downs to the cradle of British Motorsport, Brooklands - home of the famous banked racing circuit.

Situated in Surrey, Brooklands Museum opened in 1991 on 30 acres of the original 1907 motor-racing circuit. The Museum features the most historic and steepest section of the old Banked Track and the 1-in-4 Test Hill. Many of the original buildings have been restored, where period room settings recall the atmosphere of those heady days.

The Museum also has a collection of over 30 aircraft representing 80 years of aviation industry at Brooklands from A.V Roe's first flight to the design and production of Concorde. The unique collection of Vickers and Hawker aircraft includes 'R' for 'Robert', the



restored Wellington bomber rescued from Loch Ness in 1985.

The run is free for RAT members who will also enjoy complimentary refreshments.

Optional entry to the Brooklands Museum is £6 for adults, £5 for OAPs and students and £4 for children aged 16 and

under.

The run will leave The Sammy Miller Museum at 11am.

There are no plans to visit the museum on this occasion, so arrive early if you want to look around before we leave.

For further information call Lee Parslow at club HQ on 01455 891515.

Brands bonanza

ATTENTION all race fans! With the '99 season just around the corner, RAT puts you first in the queue for when World Superbike action reaches Brands Hatch in August.

With over 80,000 people now attending this event, accommodation will be at a premium, so we have reserved a limited number of rooms at The Brands Hatch Thistle Hotel for the weekend 31 July/1 August (Saturday/Sunday) ensuring you capture all the qualifying and race day action.

Situated at the main entrance to the world famous venue, you can't stay closer to the action. The price for the two nights accommodation in this fabulous four star hotel is £237.00 which includes full English breakfast and the chance to mingle with racing heroes.

If you haven't attended a round of the WSB championship - especially at Brands Hatch - this should feature as a high priority in your 'must-do' list. After all, 80,000 people can't be wrong!

With attendances at this event growing every year, accommodation will be snapped up early, so book your place by telephoning Stephanie Keep, the hotel's Reservations Co-ordinator on 01474 854900, stating you are calling for the Riders Association of Triumph reservations. Places are strictly limited and a 50% deposit will be required by 31 March 1999.

Boyer abroad

BOOKED your summer holiday yet? Don't worry if you haven't as London dealer Boyer Racing have two exciting continental trips planned.

In May, they're visiting the Motorcycle Loft Hotel in Belgium, a hotel with a difference, where excellent beer and great company are promised. Catching the ferry to Calais on May 6 the Motorcycle Loft is about an hour from the port, and the beautiful medieval city of Brugge is only minutes away.

Returning to Dover on May 9, this will be a weekend to remember, as a visit to historic Brugge, boasting it's own brewery, heaps of Belgian chocolate and unique local charm, is a must.

For the more adventurous, a touring holiday to the Black Forest in Germany takes place between August 5 and August 15.

Catching an early ferry to Calais, there will be an overnight stop in Reims from where you will continue into Germany the next day. Plans for the ten day trip include a ride over the Alps and a party night with the local RAT contingent as well as some time in Bad Peterstal, the setting for the 1997 RAT Summer Festival.

For more information on either of these two excursions, phone Bill Saker at Boyer Racing on 0181 854 8133

Town	Dealer	Contact Name	Telephone	Meet
North				
Preston	Bill Head Motorcycles	Andrew Barns	01772 252066	The Plough, Eaves, Woodplumpton. 3rd Wednesday.
Hull	Miles Kingsport	Jason O'Neill	01482 323529	1st Monday. 7pm. The Fox and Coney, South Cave.
Leeds	Eddy's Motorcycles	David Sims	0113 232 6665	The Old Red Lion, A64 York Road, Leeds.
Midlands				
Peterborough	Balderston Motorcycles	Jill Breeze	01733 312311	
Tring	Market Motorcycles	Nigel Lee	01442 822599	2nd Wednesday, 8pm. The White Lion, Marsworth.
Barwell	Windy Corner	Roger Winterburn	01455 842922	The Milestone, Hinckley, 1st Wednesday, last Tuesday. Monthly runs.
Melton Mowbray	Len Manchester Motorcycles	Arnold Fletcher	01664 562302	1st and 3rd Wednesdays 8pm. The Linford, Newtown Linford, Leicester.
Lincoln	Webbs of Lincoln	Peter Littlewood	01522 528951	1st Tuesday. The Bridge, Saxilby.
Watton, Ipswich and Lowestoft	PFK Ling Motorcycles	Paul Barkshire	01473 272789	
Nottingham	Pidcock Motorcycles	Chris Pidcock	0115 9692200	2nd Tuesday. 8pm. The Chequers, Breaston, nr M1 jct 25.
Worcester	Skellerns Motorcycles	Jenny Smith	01905 20580	1st Wednesday. 8pm, Hunters Lodge, Sinton Green.

RAT Runs

February 21 Gaydon Run

Run to British Motor Heritage Museum, Gaydon, Warwickshire. The museum features an impressive range of cars tracing the history of the British motor industry.

Meet at The Moat House hotel, Stratford-upon-Avon, 11.00am.
Details: Lee Parslow on 01455 891515.

March 21 Pioneer Run

See the start of the London-Brighton Pioneer Run for pre-1915 motorcycles
the ride down to the south coast for lunch.
Option to continue into Brighton to see the veterans arrive.

Meet at The Heathside, A217, Brighton Road, Burgh Heath, Tadworth Surrey, 9.30am
Finish at The Sussex Yeoman, Goring by Sea - for optional ride to Madeira Drive
Details: Lee Parslow on 01455 891515.

South East

London, SE18	Boyer Racing	Bill Saker	0181 854 8133	Every Tuesday, 8pm, The Pied Bull, Farningham, and every Sunday, 10am, Oakdene Cafe, Wrotham Hill.
London SE1	Metropolis	Andrew Hale	0171 793 9313.	
Croydon	Carl Rosner Motorcycles	Carl Rosner	0181 657 0121	1st Thursday. 8.30pm, King William IV, West Horsley and 3rd Wed, The Haycutter Tan House Road, Oxted.
Canterbury	Robinsons of Canterbury	David Powell	01227 766267	The Roman Galley, A299 at Reculver.
Ruislip Manor	Daytona Motorcycles	Mark Forse	01895 675511	12th of the month, The Windmill, Ruislip Manor.
Shepperton	Jack Lilley Motorcycles	Robin Johnson	01932 224574	1st Wednesday of the month, Bleak House, on B320 between Ottershaw and Woking.
West Kent		John Leigh	01622 871285	1st Thursday. Blue Bell, Beltring.

South West

Exeter	Bridge Motorcycles	Earl Richmond	01392 260200	1st Tuesday, Bridge Mcs, Exeter.
Wimbourne	Three Cross Motorcycles	Lee Wadwell	01202 824531	1st Sunday. Different venues.
Fareham	Rafferty Newman	Chris Linney	01329 232424	
Bridgend	M+P Motorcycles	Nick Cowdry	01656 657887	3rd Monday, Blue Anchor, Aberthaw.

Scotland

Glasgow	Scotbike	Jim Kane	0141 945 5055	1st Tuesday. Beech Tree Inn, Dungoyne, on A81 north of Glasgow.
Edinburgh	Two Wheels	Neil Danskin	0131 667 7305	Last Sunday. 10.30am at the shop.

Please contact the pack leader for further details, as meetings places and times may change. If your dealer isn't listed here and you would like to help get a pack started in your area, please contact club HQ on 01455 891515.

April 18 East of England Run

Ride through the heart of the East Midlands, finishing at spectacular Burghley House near Stamford, Lincs. There is no charge to visit the extensive landscaped grounds (home of the Burghley Horse Trials) and there is an option to tour the house itself.

Meet at Ye Olde Flying Horse, Kegworth, Leics., 11am
Finish at Burghley House, Stamford, Lincs.
Details: Neil Webster on 01455 891515

April 25 Heritage Run

Taste Britain's motoring heritage. Starting at the The Sammy Miller Motor Cycle Museum in Hampshire and finishing at historic Brooklands in Surrey where the Brooklands Museum chronicles the story of the historic race circuit.

Meet at Sammy Miller Motorcycle Museum, Bashley Manor, New Milton, Hants at 10.30 am. Finish at Brooklands Museum, Weybridge, Surrey.
Details: Lee Parslow on 01455 891515

Coast to coast

TRIUMPH-MOUNTED adventurer Nick Sanders has done it again! Building on the success of his global circumnavigation world record of 18,000 miles in 31 days aboard a first generation Daytona, Sanders attempted a new record of riding around the coast of Britain in five days or less.

To set a record for the 4802 mile meant averaging at least 850 miles every day so Nick made sure he had every chance to achieve this by using a brand new Daytona 955i collected at the RAT Summer Festival, in July.

Despite conducting a reconnaissance of the route prior to the record attempt, the journey actually took 9 days and 14 hours. "It would have been faster but the holiday traffic on the narrow lanes made it an impossible record breaking journey" said Nick.

To commemorate the trip, Sanders will be embarking on a video tour throughout the UK, visiting a selection of Triumph dealers during January, February and March where you can share his experiences on this epic trek.

So if you fancy taking a trip around the coast of Britain in a single evening with intrepid adventurer Nick Sanders



Nick Sanders pictured after his record beating run

tickets are available from the following dealers. Be sure to book your place early as demand will be high.

Nick's diary

January

Monday 25th	Knotts Stratford	01789 205149
Tuesday 26th	Ideal Garage Birmingham	0121 327 4559
Wednesday 27th	Greens Langton	01782 319932
Thursday 28th	Wylie & Holland	01952 248868
Friday 29th	Skellerns Worcester	01905 20580
Saturday 30th	Fowlers Cheltenham	01242 262555

February

Monday 1st	Fowlers Northampton	01604 622411
Tuesday 2nd	Eddy's Leeds	0113 232 6665
Wednesday 3rd	Hughenden M 40 Oxford	01844 279701
Thursday 4th	Windy Corner Barwell	01455 842922
Friday 5th	Balderstons Peterborough	01733 312311
Saturday 6th	Market Motorcycles Tring	01442 822599
Tuesday 9th	South Wales Superbikes	01633 277970
Wednesday 10th	Woods Abergele	01745 822922
Thursday 11th	Bill Heads Preston	01772 252066
Friday 12th	Robinsons Rochdale	01706 645964
Monday 15th	Fowlers Bristol	01179 770466

Tuesday 16th	Riders Bridgewater	01278 457652
Wednesday 17th	Bridge Exeter	01392 260200
Thursday 18th	Dave Death Isle of Wight	01983 522160
Friday 19th	Rafferty Newman Fareham	01329 232424
Monday 22nd	Pidcocks Nottingham	0115 969 2200
Tuesday 23rd	Folwers Swindon	01793 534985
Wednesday 24th	Carl Rosner Croydon	0181 657 0121
Thursday 25th	Jack Lilley Shepperton	01903 224574
Friday 26th	Alfs Motorcycles Worthing	01903 200948
Saturday 27th	Robinsons Canterbury	01227 766267

March

Monday 1st	Webbs Lincoln	01522 528951
Tuesday 2nd	Boyer Racing London	0181 8548133
Wednesday 3rd	Two Wheels Edinburgh	0131 6677305
Thursday 4th	Shirlaws Aberdeen	01224 584855
Friday 5th	Miles Kingsport Hull	01482 32352

Brewing triumph

TOP regional brewer Greene King has formed a link with Triumph Motorcycles to launch its newest beer - Greene King Triumph Ale.

The beer, which is now available in pubs, has become the first beer in the UK to be named after a British motorcycle company and the first beer to carry a 'Do not drink and ride' message on all its merchandising, a road safety initiative welcomed by the Campaign Against Drink Driving.

Created by Greene King's award winning brewer, Alistair Heeley, Greene King Triumph Ale uses a blend of four hops and Amber and Suffolk Pale Malt giving a distinctive golden hue and rich flavour, with an abv of 4.3%.

Greene King's Adam Collett was delighted to make the link between the two companies. "We wanted to produce a new beer which was different. During our research we discovered that an important year in the history of Greene King's expansion, 1887, was also an important year for another great British company - the year the Triumph name was registered," he said.

Bruno Tagliaferri, Triumph UK Sales and Marketing Manager, commented: "We are delighted to be associated a British beer of such high quality."

"Greene King and Triumph share a number of similarities - they are both traditional, distinctive and appeal to a discerning customer - as well as being respected within their individual markets."

