

# July's Gibberish

(Included in July's edition of Nacelle)

Firstly 2 apologies. At the start of last month I had a senior moment and forgot to write the branch report until the deadline had passed, again my apologies.

Secondly I suffered a "Trigger" instant that in last month's report I referred to our esteemed Chairman as Dave instead of Peter, I have apologised for this mistake (I have never been good with names).

Well round these parts as the weather has finally come good. So has the action and we have been busy.

Most recently we had a final scheduled meeting to pull together The Treffen that will be held June 21-23 at the Dog & Partridge Orsett more detail in other parts of this magazine. It does look as though it will be fun weekend with barely time to draw breath from Friday evening onwards. Starting after everyone has had a chance to settle down with a drink or 2 with a fun quiz covering music, general knowledge and of course motorcycles. After which we have our own fabulous DJ Tim who will be spinning the platters that matter until late into the Essex night. So after a refreshing night under canvas (hollow laughter from myself), we have organised a terrific 70/70 ride out for the late Saturday morning. On our return in the evening we will be noisily entertained by the excellent VT 11 with there hugely entertaining set of rock classic covers.

After a hearty breakfast it will be time to pack up and take a leisurely and reflective ride home, but spare a thought for the hard working committee who will be returning the camping field to it's previous agricultural state.

Otherwise, we have had our usual well attended 2 meetings at The Lodge and the Shepherd & Dog. Also, a great ride out through South Essex to the Olde Dog Inn just outside Brentwood. Nice pub, but a bit pricey for the food and the service appeared glacially slow. Still an enjoyable night out.

We have also had the wives weekend, but no word of what happened during the weekend. This left the 3 hipsters Darren, Peter H and myself who visited Bike Shed to view some magnificent jaw dropping custom bikes. As usual there were many Triumph concoctions particularly the Triumph Dealers Bobber build off challenge which gave some remarkable and imaganitive variations on the Bobber. But also memorably lots of really fast looking Ducati's and a lot of the R series BMW's plus just the beginnings of a move towards Motto Guzzi's as a base for customization. Also there are still people chopping Harley's and for this I for one am grateful as I feel it is the best use of that motorcycle.

I now find I have written 458 words so 200 words will have to go, that should see me through to the Champions League Final come on you Spurs I shall support Spurs for one night only. Oh a postscript on Horrid Henry Honda, Mrs O'May has begun her campaign to see the back garden rid of the "ugly piece of scrap" as she lovingly refers to it. I have insisted this will involve some sort of trade off, watch this space.....