

Marches Marching

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February has not been the most appealing month for motorcycling action. Although Essex has had less of a hammering than other parts of the country it has still been inhibiting. The RoFs got out once and went to what sounded a rather unappealing pub. I could not attend as I am without a motorbike as the Bonneville has gone for some beauty treatments at Poulson Creative Customs.

This presents me with a dilemma for when I get the bike back. Do I only use it fine dry weather or do I use it normally and clean it immediately on its return, I suspect I will do a bit of both. Though I am also tempted to buy a cheapish hack for daily use. Sadly, I am unable to wait until Triumph come up with the Indian 250 so am torn between the cuteness of the Mutt and the practicality of the little BMW R 310. Ah, only time will tell.

Meanwhile back at club business, we have had our usual 2 monthly meetings, The Lodge one was well attended and we succeeded in completing a varied list of club activities which I like to think has something for everyone.

The second meeting was at the new venue, The Royal Oak and was sparsely attended with only 8 turning up. The landlord had reserved an area for about 15 and had furnished the tables with fresh spring daffodils. Chairman Peter assured pub staff that the turn out would improve with the weather.

As I write this, in a couple of day's time we try out a new venue, though not a new friend, it is the Dog and Partridge where we hold the Treffen. The idea is to appeal to members who live in west of the county or the far east of London to come and meet us and get involved. I will report on the success or otherwise of the evening in my next missive.

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