

Basingstoke MAG

04/11/2010

Rep Keith:

Welcome: Leigh, Denise, Mike, Jim and Sammy

Apologies: Dave R.

1. Next year charity has to be picked soon. So please let me know the charity you would like. The last meeting of the month the voting will be done.
2. Donations for the Christmas prizes in the last meeting of the month. The ride out to the kids home in Old Basing has been set for 18th Dec 2pm at The Royal Oak. See the attachments

E-MAIL'S

MAG PRESS RELEASE

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For immediate use

Brussels says: "You will have anti-Lock Brakes and like them."

Riders will have anti-lock braking systems (ABS) with no option to disable them whether they like them or not if the European Commission gets its way. The Commission plans to enforce the fitment of ABS to all new bikes above 125cc.

A compromise that might have enabled riders to switch their ABS off has been rejected by the Commission on the grounds that ABS will offer safety benefits far more often than it will pose safety problems. The Commission is concerned that what they describe as false anxiety about ABS, may lead riders to disable their systems in normal on-road use and thus lose the benefits these systems offer.

The Commission acknowledges that ABS may pose disadvantages in off-road situations but considers the number of citizens living in areas with a high percentage of unpaved roads as negligible compared to the broader riding population.

MAG President Ian Mutch said, "This is typical Commission bullishness of the 'one size fits all philosophy.' Very few road accidents have anything to do with the machines themselves. Unless we can steer the Commission away from this obsession with technical solutions then we are just going to face a lot of expense with no certainty that it will reduce accidents at all."

The Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations (FEMA) argues that in addition to the limitation of consumer choice, the fitment of ABS will significantly increase the purchase cost and maintenance cost of motorcycles.

On a positive note, following FEMA's suggestion, the Commission proposes to prohibit member states from applying national power limits like the 100hp limit currently in place in France.

NB MAGUK is a founder member of FEMA . One Euro from each £25 MAGUK membership subscription goes to help fund the cost of running FEMA.

Not to do with MAG.

Afghan Heroes November Newsletter

www.afghanheroes.org.uk

Afghan Heroes Charity Riders

We are proud to announce the launch of AFGHAN HEROES CHARITY RIDERS.

We are overwhelmed by the support the Bikers have shown us and we want to work together to ensure that we create a National Framework of regions, operated under one National organisation.

The aims are to raise awareness for the charity, promote social occasions, bike runs and a general ambience of biker camaraderie. The framework is being assembled; Chairman will be Stitch.

Membership is priced at £35 per annum, as part of your initial membership you will receive a T-Shirt and Patch (pictured). Each region will have the freedom to organise events and runs, with the intention of all regions congregating annually at the Thunder Rally.

As a member you will also be entitled to a 10% discount on all Afghan Heroes events, including the Thunder Rally. Membership will run from 1st January - 31st December, and we are inviting membership now, to ensure that everybody has a chance to benefit for the Thunder Rally 2011, which will be held over the weekend 18/19/20th June 2011.

Afghan Heroes Charity Riders will have its own dedicated website. Within the website you will have access to Events, Calendar, Forum and a shop for purely biker merchandise of which you will be entitled to 10% DISCOUNT. We will be tying up with suppliers to get the best deals, for you.

You will also be entitled to 10% off all events which are organised by Afghan Heroes.

Afghan Heroes Charity Riders will also give back a percentage of your membership as a float to enable you to



organise events and ride outs.

If you would like Stitch to attend with the Tour of Duty Bike, please get in touch with Stitch for his availability.

Regular Newsletters and updates will be emailed to keep you up to date with what is going on.

We hope that every year we can meet up at the Thunder Rally.

With my greatest appreciation

Denise Harris

For the Southern Region AGM on the 13th Nov:

We need to decide whom is nominated for and will get the following awards

i) **Group Award:**

Last year Southampton won this due to the work on the A326

ii) **The Gareth Award:**

Not awarded last year

iii) **Regional Award:**

Vicki from Southampton

A.O.B

Keith: Need to sell tickets for MAG raffle £1 per ticket.

Colin: New SEB books are in.

Colin: Hein Gericke have said that they will donate a prize for the Christmas raffle.

Cheryl: Products book here and the orders will be going in soon.

Keith:

BIKE STOLEN::: PLEASE CONTACT RICHARD EWERS IF HEAR OF THIS BIKE Bike details -Honda Shadow VT750X, reg AE05 KRO, black and hadgreen n white Pro Patria rockers & AAVMCC club patch stickers on, probably now removed but some glue may still be there.

Tc had raised the alert so thought I would pass it on to you all to pass on incase anyone hears anything. Ps I don't know Richard Ewers but can ask TC for contact no if anything crops up. Please can email your contacts so everyone can keep an eye out.

Meeting closed.

EVENTS:

November

9th November: Winchester MAG AGM. At The New Queens Head.

13TH November: Southern Region AGM. At the Royal Oak Basingstoke. 6pm

27th November: Carole Nash Bike Show, NEC 27th November-5th December. £15

December

18th December: Basingstoke MAG. Christmas Children's Run and Evening Party at the Royal Oak.

2pm at The Royal Oak for the ride out to the children home in Old Basing. The party is from 7.30pm. The band is STRICKEN 22.

30th December: NO BASINGSTOKE MAG MEETING.

30th December: Basingstoke MAG Christmas Meal. 7.30pm at AM top of town. Names to Keith please so I can book the tables.

31ST December: NEW YEAR EVE at THE ROYAL OAK. Ticket for the night.

January 2011

6th January: The first Basingstoke MAG meeting of the new year.

15th January: Salisbury MAG, AGM. At The Village Pub in Salisbury.