

## Basingstoke M.A.G.

### Minutes

02/06/2011



#### Rep Keith:

Welcome: Kev from Portsmouth, Nick and Wally.

#### E-mails:

#### Day-Glo PR:

The move toward the adoption of high visibility clothing stems from the common excuse used by motorists; "I'm sorry I didn't see you."

MAG believes that visually seeing a motorcycle and mentally recognising it as an issue for a motorist are two distinct experiences. Furthermore there may be many instances in which, at the time that a motorist initiates a manoeuvre that leads to a collision, the motorcycle is not within the driver's field of vision. In such cases high visibility clothing is completely irrelevant.

MAG UK will be supporting the French riders who are lobbying vigorously against this intrusive proposal and will fiercely resist any moves to make high visibility clothing mandatory in this country.

MAG President Ian Mutch said: "To criminalise thousands of innocent people unless they adopt a dress style which to many is totally unacceptable, reflects the ascendancy of unsympathetic arrogance over common sense."

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Annual membership is £25

The Motorcycle Action Group – Protecting and promoting motorcycling

#### IAM Poll:

Hello,

I have subscribed to the list of people willing to take part in the IAM polls. I thought you might like to take a couple of minutes to complete their new polls on "Government strategy poll - what do you think of the new propositions?" and maybe the "Eco Driving" poll, which are available online at [IAM.org.uk](http://IAM.org.uk). I have not forwarded your email details to them.

Feel free to pass it to anyone you know who is not an IAM member, as they are seeking a wide range of views.

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## **TYRES:**

These tires are allegedly made in South Carolina, USA. Attributed to Michelin, however, such tyres do exist and have been dubbed "tweels". However, they are not new and Michelin has no immediate plans to release the tyres to consumers for use on normal vehicles. Development of the tyres over the last few years has focused on their suitability for use on low speed applications such as construction vehicles. Certainly, tyres based on the tweel concept may one day replace conventional tyres, but any such change is likely to be some years away.

Yes, those are 'spoke' like connections to the inner part of the tyre. From the outside tread 'wrap!' The next picture shows how odd it looks in motion...

Makes you wonder how the ride feels, doesn't it?

These tyres are airless the bad news for law enforcement is that spike strips will not work on these. Which is probably a reason why we will not see them in general production.

Just think of the impact on existing technology:

- A. No more air valves...
- B. No more air compressors at petrol stations...
- C. No more repair kits...
- D. No more flats...

## **Confirmation of Irish Government intention to make hi-viz clothing mandatory:**

I've just received confirmation from fellow FEMA member organisation MAG Ireland that the Irish Government "... proposes the introduction of regulations for the mandatory wearing of high visibility upper body clothing with full sleeves for ride and pillion passenger." Quote taken from Section 4.4.5 of the Irish Road Safety Authority's NATIONAL MOTORCYCLE SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2010 - 2014

[http://www.rsa.ie/Documents/Road%20Safety/Motorcycles/National\\_Motorcycle\\_Action\\_Plan.pdf](http://www.rsa.ie/Documents/Road%20Safety/Motorcycles/National_Motorcycle_Action_Plan.pdf)

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## **Charity Ride Out 11th June 2011:**

Charity ride-out 11th June is leaving the New Queens Head, Stanmore @ 2-30pm. There will be raffle and after party with band. Ride-out is going Salisbury, then Fordingbridge and back to pub. Being lead by JC. Minimum donation of £3 per bike/trike to go on run For more information contact JC (Southampton Rep) or Shelly (Winchester Dep Rep)

## A.O.B.

**Keith:** On Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June there will be no MAG meeting but will still meet at the Royal Oak at 7,30pm to work on the car park to get it ready for the show on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> ...PLEASE bring a broom to help sweep the car park.

**Keith:** Still want prizes for the raffle.

**Cheryl:** Its time again for adopting a animal.. Nominations in by end of month. Vote first week of July.

**Colin:** Guildford Custom Cycles Moto Monday. 6<sup>th</sup> June 7pm to late Albert st Fleet

**Colin:** Asked if Basingstoke MAG is planning another holiday aboard for 2012.

**Miller:** If anyone has any ideas for social events please email him.

**Colin:** FOR SALE Triumph Sprint ST 955i X reg 22kmiles Tax/MOT...£2200.

## 2011 Events

### June:

**The Farm Yard Party,** 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> June. Pre book £25 otg £35.

**Basingstoke MAG 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Bike Show.** 18<sup>th</sup> June. At the small car park by The Royal Oak.

**Lion Rally.** 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> June. Reading.

**3Bs Rally.** 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> June. Bordon.

### July:

**Help for Heroes: Sunday3rd,** Gosport – Popham Air field. Contact Kev 07990 878596.

**Basingstoke MAG ride out to Donkey Sanctuary Sidmouth.** 9<sup>th</sup> July.

**Andycap Rally.** 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July At Wells, Somerset.

**South West Bike Day.** 15<sup>th</sup> July. At Wells, Somerset.

**Basingstoke MAG Ride out to Ace Café Show at Brentwood** – 31<sup>st</sup> July. Time of meet to be arranged near the date.

### August:

**The Bull Dog Bash.** 11<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> August.

**Popham Bike Show.** 21<sup>st</sup> August.

### September:

**Rog and Lyn Charity Run: Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September.**

## 2012.

**Basingstoke MAG 2012 AGM.** 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 8pm at The Royal Oak.

