

Welcome to Spring

March “comes in like a lion and out like a lamb”, as the old proverb has it. I’m not sure whether that is true or not this year but its certainly good to see the back of winter. It’s the time of year when laid up bikes will have been dragged out of the garage, the rally season kicked off again and ride outs and meet ups restarted (see Classic Bike Nights below). So, as the song goes, enjoy yourself - it’s later than you think!

Last Month – North West AGM 28th Feb

Last month’s NW AGM at the Petre Arms Langho was really well attended and it was great to see reps and members turn up from all over the region. I think that the sunny weather helped! All at the Petre deserve a massive thanks for shutting off half the pub on a Sunday lunchtime for us.

The reps reports and lively debate show that the North West is buzzing with activity at the moment, which is great for an organisation run solely by volunteers who are also holding down full time jobs. As ever, we’re on the look out for new faces to get involved but grateful to all of you out there who support MAG through your membership subs every year. Cheers!

Next Month – Manchester Bike Show 2nd-3rd April, Event City



The bike show at G-Mex now seems well dead and buried but this show seems to have established itself on the calendar – it’s hard to believe that it’s now in its fifth consecutive year and going from strength to strength. It promises to have over 1000 display bikes in the largest indoor show in the North.

NW MAG will have a stall there again this year, (plot 473 in the posh end next to the Honda stand) so why not stick your head in and say hi if you’re there. You’ll always get a friendly welcome.

The price is **£13 advance** before 1st April, **£16 on the door** (£2 off if you’re an OAP), £3 for kids and free parking.

Next month – National AGC Saturday 9th April

This year’s Annual General Conference is being hosted by BaD MAG (Barnsley and Doncaster) on **Saturday 9th April 2016 at Barnsley Rugby Club, Shaw Lane, Barnsley, South Yorkshire S70 6HZ** Registration is open from 10am and the AGC starts at 12:00. Please remember to bring your membership cards to book in and be able to vote during the meeting, otherwise you’ll have had a wasted journey!

The AGC is for existing MAG members and representatives of affiliated clubs (registered in advance) only.



Classic Bike Nights – 1st Thursday of each month

The dates are out for the 2016 **Classic Bike Nights** at **Bridge House Farm tearooms, Wray, near Lancaster LA2 8QA**. This year the first one will be on the evening of 7th April and on the first Thursday of each month afterwards. Last year up to 100 bikes were attending, with food and hot drinks available and a very friendly, enthusiastic atmosphere. Best of all - it's free! If you need more info please call Peter Foster on 015242 21459. (See poster below)



North West Motorcycle Alliance

This is not a MAG organisation but a monthly meet for all bike clubs, organisations and interested bikers anywhere from Cheshire up to Lancaster. The next meeting is hosted by **Leyland Eagles MCC** at **8pm** on **Monday 18th April** at the **Leyland & Farrington Club, Leyland**. Here is the latest, up to date list of biker events this autumn which the Alliance has put together, which includes a few changes from the previous month.

Regular monthly events

HAMC Liverpool Open night 3rd Saturday of month, open 7.30 'til late

HAMC Manchester Open night last Saturday of month, open 7.30 'til late

Black Diamonds open night every Friday at the clubhouse in Hindley

Salford MAG meeting – meet at Bird in Hand, Eccles, last Thursday of month

Red Rose MAG meet every 1st&3rd Wednesday, Petre Arms, Langho

Millennium MCC Biker Meet every Tuesday night from 12th April at Euxton Golf Club, Euxton Lane PR7 6DL

Anvil MCC meet every Wed 8pm - contact Ray 07747748946

Avernus MCC – open clubhouse - last Saturday night of month Coppull Mill, Mill Lane PR7 5BW

Mid-Life Crisis Meet'n'greet, BBQ _starts again April 2016 then 3rd Wed of month

Brotherhood Quest Bike Nite - every second Monday Black Bull in Penwortham on A59

Cogheads MCC meet every Thursday Black Bull Huncoat BB5 6LN Contact David 07480927399

MT Heads Meet – Flying Horse Rochdale 8pm every Monday

Gypsy Divas meet – 1st&3rd Wednesday, Woolpack, Haslingden from 8.00pm.

Rigby's Guardians meet every Sunday 6.30-9.00 at the Gardener's Arms, Hollin Lane, Middleton M24 5LE (near Junc. 19 M62)

Known upcoming events –

8th April – Brotherhood Quest Rock Night CANCELLED

2nd-3rd April – Manchester Motorcycle Show – Event City, Trafford Park.

8th-10th April Rising Moon MCC Rally, Lowerhouse Cricket Club, Padiham

17th April – Cogheads MCC Petfood Run – Black Bull, Huncoat 12.30pm start, ride to RSPCA and Bleak Holt

Avernus trip to Ibiza 9th -19th May – Rock festival, 1497miles – anyone interested contact Ant 07584098610 for details of discount. Itinerary, costs available for next meeting. £270 for 10 days, hotel inclusive.

29th April-1st May – Into the Valley Rally – Dalton Estate, South Dalton, Yorkshire

6th-8th May – You've Been Nabbed 25 – Astle Park, Chelford, Cheshire

7th May – Bikes & Trikes RC Rocknight – Southport Railway Club, Sussex Rd. Southport

20th-22nd May – Leyland Eagles MCC Rally – owing to flooding venue to be confirmed

17th-19th June 30th Farmyard Party – Duncombe Park, Helmsley N. Yorkshire

24-26th June – Blackpool MAG Rally – the North-West's No.1 Riders' Rights Rally! – Fleetwood Rugby Club

3rd July NW MAG Bike Show – Italian Gardens, Stanley Park Blackpool

2nd -3rd July Mid-Life Crisis Bike Show – Ship Hotel, Irlam

7th – 10th July – Caveman Bash Rally – Canberra Club Salmesbury 18 pre-book, £23 o/g

8th July – Jimmy T's Party for Elaine, Britannia Hotel, Palatine Rd, Didsbury (with Deathwish)
 10th July Salford MAG AutoJumble – Bird in Hand, Eccles – stalls £10, free music
 22nd– 24th July AAVMCC Not Forgotten Rally, Bradford on Avon
 22nd– 24th July MT Heads 7th Kingdom Viking Invasion Rally- Collop gate farm Manchester Rd, Heywood OL10 2 NL
 5th-7th August – Yorkshire Pudding Rally – Escrick Park near York
 21st August Cogheads Bike Show – rear of Arndale, Accrington 11am on
 26th-29th August – Avernus Underworld Rally - Hamilton House Farm, St. Michaels on Wyre PR3 0TB
 16th-18th September Jesters MCC Rally – Whittingham Social Club, Goosenargh
 7th-9th Oct Rising Moon MCC Rally, Lowerhouse Cricket Club, Padiham
 8th Oct Mid-Life Crisis Birthday Bash – Ship, Irlam – ticket only
 29th Oct Millennium Rock Night –Canberra Club, Salmesbury £5 otd
 5th Nov Blackpool MAG Hellfire Bonfire Party – fancy dress, Blackpool Rugby Club
 11th Nov Leyland Eagles Rock Nite – Leyland& Farrington Social Club
 19th Nov – Avernus Anti-Christmas Party – Red Herring, Coppull
 26th Nov – Cogheads MCC Frightmare before Xmas – Fancy dress, Poplar Social Club, Wellington St Accrington

As ever, if you would like to have your say on anything vaguely MAG-related, or sell something bike related, just drop me a line at billgreen@madasafish.com and I'll put it into the newsletter next month.

Bill
 NW Political Rep

**Got your tickets yet
 for
 YOU'VE BEEN
 NABBED 25?**

6th-8th May



Events around the region

Classic Bike Night
 1st Thursday evening each month,
 from April to September
 2016 Sixth Annual Event Refreshments Available
 Bridge House Farm Tearooms
 Wray, Nr Lancaster. LA2 8QA

2016 DATES:
 APRIL 7th
 MAY 5th
 JUNE 2nd
 JULY 7th
 AUGUST 4th
 SEPTEMBER 1st

BRING YOUR MACHINE ALONG FOR A FRIENDLY AND INFORMAL GATHERING FOR ALL BIKE AND SCOOTER ENTHUSIASTS, HELD IN THE VILLAGE OF WRAY, NEAR HORNBY, LANCASHIRE
 FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL PETER FOSTER ON 015242 21489.

Manchester
 BIKE SHOW 2016
 THE NUMBER ONE MOTORCYCLE SHOW IN THE NORTH

**2ND & 3RD
 APRIL 2016
 9:30AM – 5:00PM**

EventCity

NEXT TO THE INTU TRAFFORD CENTRE, MANCHESTER, M41 7TB
 ADVANCE TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM WWW.MANCHESTERBIKESHOW.COM
 INFO@MANCHESTERBIKESHOW.COM | 01484 867778

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 ALL RALLIES & EVENTS

Pet food run
17th April 2016

Departing at 12.30pm from The Black Bull
 Lower Gate Road, Huncoot, BB5 6LN

**PLEASE DONATE ANY
 PET FOODS,
 PET SUPPLIES OR MONEY
 ALL COLLECTED ON THE DAY**

Supporting **RSPCA, Altham**
 &
Bleakholt Animal Sanctuary

Please contact **STREAK**
 Vice Chairman / Rally sec.
 On 07584 095298
 For further details

**6th WARRINGTON WHEELS YOUTH
 MOTOR CYCLE COMPETITION 2016**

ARE YOU A YOUNG PERSON?

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN MOTOR CYCLES?



HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO ENTER A LOCAL MOTOR CYCLE
 (OR MOTOR CYCLE RELATED VEHICLE) BUILDING COMPETITION
 TO TAKE PLACE AT WOOLSTON BROOK SCHOOL, WARRINGTON, CHESHIRE, WA1 4LJ,
 ON FRIDAY 27th MAY 2016, 10am-2pm

ENTRANTS CAN BE TEAMS OR INDIVIDUALS AGED 18 YEARS OR UNDER

ENTER AS MANY VEHICLES AS YOU CAN BUILD.
 (Any type of bike, running or not)

ENTRANTS WILL ALSO BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENTER THEIR
 EXHIBITS IN THE NATIONAL YOUTHBIKE COMPETITION
 (www.youthbike.com) HELD IN LINCOLNSHIRE 24-26 JUNE 2016

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT BOB TOWLER
 C/O WOOLSTON BROOK SCHOOL, GREEN LANE, WARRINGTON, WA1 4LJ
 01925 838549
 Or E-mail bbtowler97@hotmail.co.uk

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Blackpool Motorcyclist Action Group

HIGH CHAPARRALLY
24th-26th June 2016

**£15 pre-book,
 £18 OTG.
 Affiliated Clubs,
 Buy five, get one
 free**

**Fleetwood Rugby
 Club, Melbourne
 Avenue, Fleetwood,
 Lancashire. FY7 8AY**

**Cheque & SAE to: Blackpool MAG Treasurer,
 29, Lincoln Avenue, Cleveleys. FY5 2DT
 or PayPal via web-site.
www.north-west-region-mag-uk.org
 All profits go to protecting "Riders' Rights"**

Motorcyclist Action Group

**Blackpool Stanley Park
 Motorcycle Show**
 Featuring Rupert Fabulous in the Bandstand
**Sunday 3rd July 2016
 11am-3:30pm**

**£2 per bike/trike parking
 which gains free entry in
 the show. Trophies for best
 in each class and overall**

**All profits to MAG's
 Fighting Fund
 Protecting "Riders' Rights"**

**Further details at
www.north-west-region-mag-uk.org**



Everybody is racing to the Salford MAG
**Mid-Summer Motorcycle
 Auto Jumble**

Finished your winter project?

Got spare parts left over?

Want to sell, buy more or swap?

Private stalls: £10.00 upfront buys you a plot from
 12.00 noon til 5pm on **SUNDAY 10th July 2016**
 at the Bird in Hand Eccles M30 0RY

Traders by appointment Only apply to Blayz for price
 Queries to Blayz 07791 794740 or Floyd 07763569438

Free live music all afternoon



THE 5TH

DEAD END RALLY

15TH - 17TH JULY 2016

DALTON UNITED F.C.

BECKSIDE ROAD

DALTON IN FURNESS

LAINSDIP

TICKETS £12.50

200 LIMIT

PRE-BOOK ONLY

CUT OFF DATE FOR TICKETS IS 08/07/2016
LIVE MUSIC BOTH NIGHTS

NO CARS
 DISABLED BY PRIOR
 ARRANGEMENT ONLY

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