

NEWS IN BRIEF



■ VINTAGE RUN IN DORSET

It was celebration time in Tenterden, Kent over the weekend of August 7-8 as the town's motorcycle club marked its 75th anniversary. The town's museum hosted events on day one as members marked the anniversary of a club started by local motorcycle dealer Karl Pugh in 1946... and he remained a very active member for many more years. A selection of competition bikes was on display, talking points for the many past and present members who called by 10.30am start. The route will be approximately 45 miles and specially chosen to be suitable for the older machines. A lunch stop will be taken mid route. Further details can be obtained from Rod Hann on 01935 872528.

■ KEMPTON PARK

The next Kempton autojumble is on September 11.

■ CHEFFINS IN OCTOBER

There's an auction at Cheffins on October 23, at the company's site near Ely. Details will be forthcoming at [www.cheffins.co.uk](http://www.cheffins.co.uk)

■ EUROJUMBLE NEARS

The south coast's Netley Marsh hosts the famous Eurojumble on September 3-4.

■ DIRT BIKE SHOW OFF

The delayed and rearranged Classic Dirt Bike Show has been cancelled for 2021, though it will come back again over February 12-13, 2022.

■ THE BORDERS SHOW

The popular Borders Show is back, with great catering including home-made cakes and an all-day breakfast. There'll be bikes from vintage to classic, trade stalls and autojumble, fire-up for racing bikes and a concours with a big range of awards. It's 10am to 4.30pm, guest of honour is nine time TT winner Mick Bodlice. Reserved area for bike parking. Admission £5. Enter your bike on [www.bordersbikeshow.com](http://www.bordersbikeshow.com)

Tenterden's big birthday



Road, road race, grass track and trials. Like the club, riders of all road, and of all ages are welcome.



Ben Read of Godden Engineering and the replica Vincent Black Lightning that is ridden, not hidden.

The museum was happy as it adopted a wider profile when it entered riders for the TT and teams for major trials such as the Scottish Six Days. Godden Engineering has premises a few miles distant and has had a long association with the club. As well as manufacturing engines and competition machinery it is also the home of Vincent specialist Conway Motors, represented at Tenterden by a much-admired replica Black Lightning. The bike is also joined Tenterden's raft of trials riding talent, the likes of Gordon Farley and Murray Brush, to



A selection of old and new off-roaders. In the foreground is the unusual Japanese speedway bike that recently captivated Martin Squires, who sketched it for his regular TCM feature.



The Tenterden club does classics as well.

Sunday was true to tradition with a trial that attracted 60 entries and was held on land at Clay Hill owned by the Millen family. The tradition? postwar Southern Trial, with Harold Tozer (496cc BSA) taking the sidcar trophy and the Midlands Centre beat Yorkshire to take the ACU Inter Centre

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Alan Turner.

THE WAY WE WERE IN OCTOBER

1921 A recent ACU press release had confirmed the 1922 TT races would be held in the Isle of Man. The previous Saturday, the ACU general in Belgium.

1946 Motorcycling was now in its second year after the cessation of the war. Much best individual performance. Speed events were winding down for the winter, with Johnnie Lockett (490cc Norton) winning the up to 650cc class at Brands Hatch and Ernie Lyons (498cc Triumph) setting the record at Shelsley since 1912.

1971 Despite the freedom and fun, a storm cloud was to remain for the foreseeable future, while material shortages were threatening manufacturing and economists were predicting hard times. The Centre beat Yorkshire to take the ACU Inter Centre

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Richard Rosenthal. Rocket 3 development. the Triumph Trident/BSA the A10, was involved with short-stroke BSA A7 and Norton Dominator series, and BSA and design Ariel. He worked variously at Ariel, Triumph, Norton

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