

STEVENAGE AND DISTRICT MOTORCYCLE CLUB

NEWSHEET - FEBRUARY 1964

The first of a new series of monthly newsheets bringing news of club events, activities, decisions of Committee and also of persons in the club.

Should you, members of this club, have any suggestions, ideas or things you want advertised, please let the Club Secretary or any member of the Committee know.

Club Officials

Chairman	D. Huddle	P. Burnett.
Hon. Secretary	M. Bailes	
Treasurer	B. Young	L. WARD.
Competition Secretary	G. Angel	R. CIBBS.
Committee Members	P. Barrett	M. Merrick P. WOODWARD
	A. Heiles	M. Tooley R. CIBBS.
	G. Gillett	A. Driscoll
	V. Fortune	S. Connors (Club Captain)

Club Dinner and Dance

On February 1st, 1964, the club held its first dinner and dance, which it is hoped will become an annual event. It was most gratifying to the organisers to see so many of the club in attendance and also those members of the National Sprint Association, the Cambridge Centaur Club and also the contingent from the Eastern Sporting Sidecar Association. The latter "yobs" again beat our own team in the competitions field, the Stevenage Club having lost in a team game at the Social at Chelmsford earlier. After dinner music for dancing was provided by the Toni Craig Quintet, or as the M.C. announced, the Strumming Crooks.

So that this function can be successful, would all who had tickets and have not paid for them please do so as soon as possible.

Paley Cup Trial

February 2nd, 1964. Telegraph Hill; the Stevenage Club had marshals and observers on seven Sections: also in attendance, one cream van (kitchen), one 4½ gallon barrel mild beer, and one cowboy on a 'Gold Star'. All in attendance said that it was a good day and quite a few were seeing Mud plugging for the first time. It has been said since that it was a good day because of the Hot Dogs, Soup and Beer delivered nearly every half hour by the Treasurer's wife.

Film Show

Sid Connors has been notified by the Film Companies that all (or nearly all) films requested are either not available on the date asked or are withdrawn from circulation. Sid feels that it would be better to postpone the Show until he can get hold of some good films rather than show all that have been seen before.

'Cowboy' Young, the Treasurer, keeps beefing that he has a load of club badges he would like to dispose of. Anyone who wants a club badge to adorn his machine please contact Brian at the next club meeting.

South Midland Review

It is rather good to see the club members are not only fine weather Sportsmen. Mick Tooley rode in the Scimitar Cup Trial in January snow, but was plagued with electric and water trouble, so had to retire.

Peter and Con Clark had an outing in the Paley Cup Trial but were forced to retire with a burnt out clutch.

Ian Ashwell is busy with Sprinter - working out how to go faster. He is seriously "blowing" on the engine - rather than breathing on it.

Pat Barrett has not yet started any work on his Sprint iron, being rather busy restoring his vintage Norton to good order. He says it will make Ian Ashwell's Douglas look like a junk heap when finished.

Ted Merrick is working furiously on his grass lot, he is after more 'poke' this year.

Tony Driscoll has stripped his road Norton for sprint conversion. If it goes as well as it looks Tony you should be up with the winners.

Forthcoming Trials in the Area

February 23rd (Sunday) West Ham Club. Solos only. Beamans Garage, A.10, High Cross, near Ware. 10.30 a.m.

March 1st (Sunday) Cambridge Centaur Club, Solos and Combinations, Flint Cross Cafe, Royston - Newmarket Road (A.505) 3 miles from Royston, 10.30¹/₂ a.m.

Annual General Meeting - March 16th, 1964.

XXX

Will all members please make a special effort to attend as this is the most important meeting of the year. It is imperative that all Committee Members attend.

Agenda

Minutes of last meeting
Matters arising from Minutes
Chairman's report
Treasurer's report
Election of officers
Any other business

Vacancies of Officers:

Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Competition Secretary and five other members. Nominations for these posts will be received on the night. The meeting will start at 8 p.m. at the Man in the Moon.