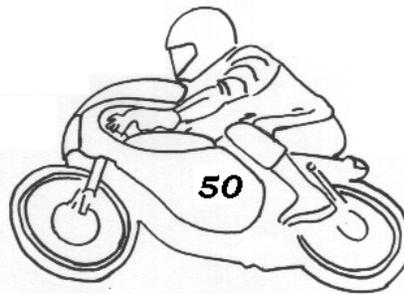


Racing 50 Enthusiasts Club



Members Newsletter

From Steve Bedford.

Welcome to the Racing 50 Enthusiasts Club and its newsletter.

Some of us have been parading and racing our bikes with the C.R.M.C. for a few years and it became obvious that forming a club would not only benefit the class but would keep all of us, with 50's at heart, together. So in September 1997 a few of us decided to set up a club and call it the Racing 50 Enthusiasts Club.

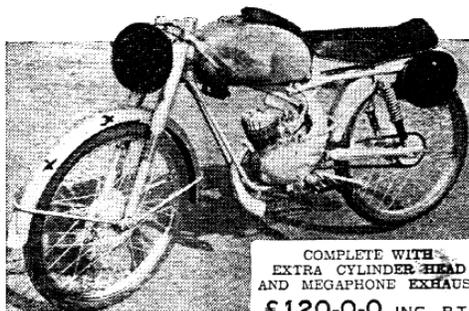
The club is targeted at all 50cc racers and their riders from the early beginnings around 1958, through the classic period and upto the time when the class was dropped from the GP's in the 1980's.

The club aims to promote the class through Racing - Shows - Exhibitions. Having a club enables organisations and others to contact us at a single point and makes it easier for us to be involved. When setting up the club I wrote to some of the motor cycle media and they, Classic Bike Guide for one entered a small piece in the December issue and that has engendered some interest already.

Some of us have never lost the affection that developed when we first saw these little racers, Itom, Motom, Demm, NSU, as they were a perfect form of racing, within our budget and gave as many thrills as the lads on the big bikes. There must be enthusiasts who still are or were racers, builders, or followers who have tales to tell or some photos to share or even cine or video to show. If they are out there we would like to know and if while you are reading this you remember someone call them and let them know that the club exists.

I aim to produce 4 newsletters in this first year, more if I can manage it. I can only do this if I have your support and contributions. If you have any suggestions, information or you want to include any adverts for Items for Sale, Wanted, Spares or Swops etc. please send me a note. JEEP, that's the nick name of the chap whose helping with the production of this issue has asked that if you have contributions for future letters they be easy to read and accompanied by photo's if possible, if any of you are up to speed with floppy disks (sounds like a bad case of brake failure) then even better. All photos and articles can be scanned so send them along.

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AND MEGAPHONE EXHAUST
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(Taken from sales literature in 1963)

LOGO

I hope that you like the design. I think it's simple but effective. Maybe it can be incorporated onto Tee Shirts etc. if we can get it done at the right price. The original artwork was by Pat Sproston (free of charge) Thanks Pat!!

Events

Sandringham

We have been invited to put on a display at the Sandringham Spring Spectacular over the weekend of May 24th and 25th. The theme of the event is "Transport through the Ages" and includes Steam, Commercial Vehicles, Tractors, Stationary Engines, Classic Cars and Motorcycles. Unfortunately the organisers do not grant the entrants any insurance cover and we will need to take out our own Public Liability cover of £2,000,000 if we are to enter the event. If this can be sorted quickly and for reasonable cost then we will attend the event.

Stafford

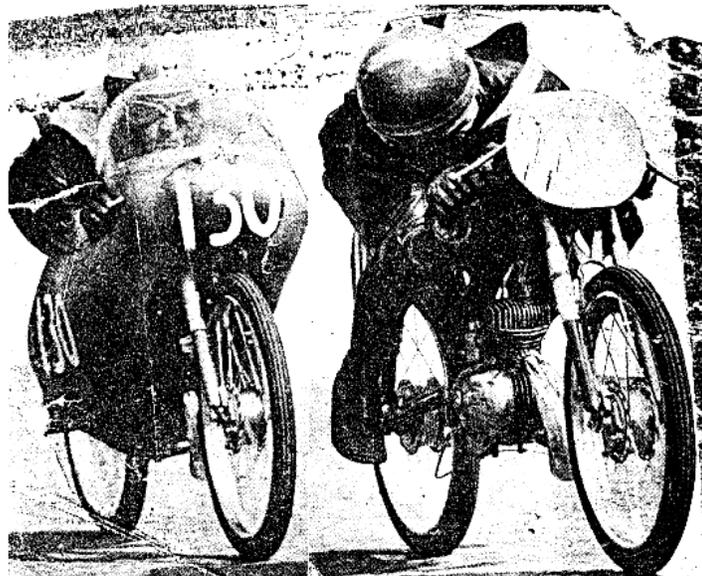
We will be having a stand at this years Classic Bike Show at Stafford on the weekend of the 25th and 26th of April. We will be showing approximately 10 bikes including a Honda CR110, various Itoms and Kriedlers. This will be our first show and I am sure that it will create lots of interest and be good exposure for the club generally.

Any members interested in attending and **HELPING** please contact Steve Bedford on 01733 345693 or Chris Alty on 01695 720806. For this event we could do with some cine or video footage of 50cc racing. If you have any please call JEEP on 10403 210501 who can copy it or convert cine to video.

Scarboro

The weekend of the 5th and 6th of September sees Classic Racing at Olivers Mount for the start of the Scarboro Bike Week. 50s are to be included in the programme for both racing and the parades. We are hoping to have some support at this meeting from our friend across the water. We will post further news as it progresses but anyone interested in attending this meeting please contact Steve now on 01733 345693

"Clear off !"



Where are they now ?

From Steve. On the right is my father, Geoff Bedford riding a Maserati: as he is wearing a bib I assume that the period is 1958-1959. Questions. What

Venue? Who is the rider on the left? Does anyone have a programme of the event?



Race Dates 1998

C. R. M. C.

April	12 - 13	Cadwell Park (Sat+Sun)
May	2 - 3	Pembury
May	30 - 31	Lydden
June	27	Darby Moor (Sat)
July	11	Oulton Park (Sat)
July	26	Mallory Park (Sun)
August	8 - 9	3 Sisters (Wigan)
September	19 - 20	Snetterton --- Race of the Year---
October	4	Invitation to Cadwell Park short circuit with V.M.C.C.

There will be a 50cc Championship in the C.R.M.C. next season. The format and trophies will be discussed at the next meeting of the C.R.M.C. committee. Further news on this later.

Holland & Germany

These dates have been sent in by Hans van Breet

- 1) Long Circuit
- 2) Street Circuit
- 3) International Meeting

30 April	Holten	(2)		H.M.V.
30 April	Boskoop	(2)		C.R.T.
21 May	Duisburg (Germany)	(2)		C.R.T.
6 June	Grijpskerk	(2)	New	C.R.T.
7 June	Eenrum	(2)		H.M.V.
13 June	Groot Ammers	(2)		C.R.T.
26 June	New Vennip (Evening event)	(2)		C.R.T.
5 July	Moergestel	(1)		C.R.T.
8 July	Hengelo (GLD (Evening Event)	2)		H.M.V.
18 July	Barneveld "The Event"	(3)		H.M.V.
15 August	Vlagtwedde	(2)		H.M.V.
23 August	Baarlo	(2)		H.M.V.
29 August	Venendaal (Indust park)	(2)		C.R.T.
30 August	Duisburg (Germany)	(2)		H.M.V.
5 Sept	Basse	(1)		C.R.T.
5 Sept	Stiens	(2)		H.M.V.

No Dates Uden (Indust Park)

No Dates Sloten Long Circuit

It is hoped that a few members will be able to attend some of these meetings but if you are only able to make one then Hans suggests that it should be the 18th July @ Barneveld. Maybe we could organise a club trip if there is enough interest, Please send in your comments or suggestions.

**Early meeting in progress.
Remember the days ?**



In almost perfect echelon formation, four 50cc riders dice round the embankment for 2, 3, 4, 5 positions. On the inside is V. Wijerane (No. 19), with J. C. King (No. 15), G. F. Ashton (No. 22) and P. Saarland (No. 20) leaning on him at Gosling Stadium on Saturday.

Club Services

50cc Register: Vince Gunning is running a register of our bikes and this can help in many ways. We will be able to identify the machines and their current owners. We will be able to confirm the details of bikes, in the event of theft or damage, to the Police or Insurance Companies.

If you would like your bike registered please send the details to Vince Gunning 6 Oakford Close, Nythe, Swindon, SN3 3RN or call him on 01793 618939

Library of articles and photos: JEEP, like most of us, has been keeping a file of photos and cuttings since he was involved in racing 50s in the late 1960s. We believe that a central collection of information on the 50cc class would be an asset to the club and allow members to get information for projects etc. We have the facilities to copy or scan articles and photos (black and white or colour) and to convert cine to video and copy your own video footage. If you would like to contribute to the library please send your items to JEEP at Broomlands, Robin Hood Lane, Warnham West Sussex. RH12 3RR.

Old Friends: Anybody looking for an old racing friend. Maybe we could act as a contact agency / dating service.

ADVERTS

For Sale:

Kriedler, Air-cooled, 5 speed, Good condition offers in the region of £1,500.00.

Tel Hans van Breet 00 31 10 456 0408

Special offer to club members
Britool lockwire pliers 6 or 10 inch
£19 or £20 each inc post and vat.
John Bowers 01329 310985

ITOM points £8.00 per set.
Steve Bedford on 01733 345693.

Full fairing 2-piece suit CR110 or other. New with screen. Good condition never been fitted. £65.00
Call Chris on 01695 720806

Sort out your Garage / Workshop. Lets get some adverts and spares moving and get more 50s running again.

Information / Help

JEEP is rebuilding a MOTOBİ 50cc 1963 but the pressed steel frame has succumbed to the rust bug. Does anyone know of a replacement frame or a tube frame of that age which will take the engine and maintain the period? Tel: 01403 210501.