



Wind & Fire UK

Chapter 12

years. As you can see below there was cake and plenty of it.



Photo by Lio

Steve has since been invited back to meet Princess Anne later in the year. Apparently they didn't realise one human could eat so much cake on his own and Buckingham Palace wanted to meet this phenomenon. I am sure he will have some photo's and a write up for us in the near future.

Poker Run.

Sunday saw Grandad, Andy, Gruff and myself taking part in a very soggy Battle of Britain Memorial Poker Run organised by the Kent Pow Wow. This group has regular meetings of all clubs in the region to 'iron out' any problems that may develop between different groups. The event was in aid of the Spitfire memorial and proceeds were donated accordingly.



Andy purchased 10 entry tickets which each attracted a free T-shirt. As only 4 of us turned up the remaining T-shirts are available for purchase at a very reasonable price. (see photo)

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As can be seen from the photo, the shirts are ingeniously designed to match any colour scheme and are made of a miracle fabric that makes anyone wearing it look slim and attractive. A side effect is that the wearer becomes irresistible to people of the opposite sex.

Attendees on the day included representatives from Wind & Fire, HAMC, Patriots MC, Rejects Brotherhood, Renegades MCC, Tsunami Riders MCC, 69 Club, Legionnaires MTC, Iron Horses MC, Christian Motorcyclist Association, Armada MCC, Cobbs MCC, National Chopper Club, Nightrider MCC, Oakmen MC, Little Sisters MC, Motorcycle Action Group (Kent), NABD, Birchington Oaks MCC, Brothers of the Third Wheel MC, Highwaymen MC, Cobra (United Nation) MC, Invicta HOG, Thantos MCC, Celtic Warriors MCC and Merlin Riders. The weather was to say the least WET!! Photo's were taken by the club's ace photographer Gruff.

Fenlanders.

The Fenlanders rally has now become established as the date and venue for the AGM and also our unofficial annual rally. The event is very well organised and held over four days towards the end of July.



Some of the UK Chapter. All good looking blokes.



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This year as always we provided the first aid cover for the whole weekend. Some of the cases treated included insect bites, burns caused by getting off the wrong side of a bike and legs coming into contact with exhausts, one young lady who tried to 'pole dance' on a friend she hadn't seen for a while and cutting her stomach on his HOG event pins, bite marks on a trader who was the worse for wear and promptly savaged by his own dog and a cardiac arrest on the morning of the last day.

The quality of machinery attending was high as was the quality of the food. The venue benefited from its location which was the Great Yarmouth racecourse. Bands included the Hamsters and Dumpy's Rusty Nuts who were both up to their usual standards.

The following photo's were taken by Gruff and have been included to show you the standard of exhibit.



Very shiny wheels



You can never have too many headlights.



Magic roundabout paint



Big boys toys.



Panoramic views.



And Little boys toys



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The Godfather.



You tell me where the exhaust comes out.

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AGM.

The AGM was held at the Fenlanders rally and as I write, Lyndon is writing up the minutes. I'm sure that they will be published and circulated to you all shortly!

Update from the offshore members.

Below is a recent update from Andy and Russ. Excellent work especially given there are only two of you co-ordinating the fundraising activity.

'H',

Just a line from the two members on the South Island regarding an amount of money that was raised during the course of our recent Riders Club regional rally held at Smallbrooke on the Island.

A figure of £252.70 was raised for the IOW Childrens Diabetic fund obviously a local cause and one we are supporting this year.

Happy Riding Andy and Russ.



Euro Rally 2006.

I have just received the draft itinerary for the UK leg of the European tour 2006 from Steve. Below is the general outline. Looks like it is going to be an excellent event. Steve is co-ordinating the UK leg and any enquiries need to be sent to him. I will of course be keeping you all updated with info I receive in the newsletter.

Sunday 25th June

Portsmouth to Stonehenge. Stonehenge to Stow-on-the-Wold for lunch Overnight hotel in Moreton-in-Marsh Evening Party with Oxford HOG Chapter



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Monday 26th June

Visit Shakespeare's Stratford on Avon. Ride past Warwick Castle. Afternoon English tea at Sulgrave Manor, (Ancestral Home of George Washington)
Return to hotel in Moreton-in-Marsh

Tuesday 27th June

Ride through the Thames Valley to London Blessing at WW2 Fire Fighter Memorial at St.Paul's Cathedral
Ride past; Buckingham Palace, London Fire Brigade HQ, Tower of London, Tower Bridge Late lunch at English style Oakdene café Ride to Dover for 16.30 Calais ferry.
Steve.

Yan's Accident.

Below is a recent e-mail from Yan, somehow this situation has slipped through the net and we have been totally unaware of the circumstances. Consequently we have been under the impression that Yan had left the fold despite several attempts to make contact.

'Dear All,

I don't know if you heard, but I had an accident with my road king last July whilst on the way to a rally in Belgium. Unfortunately for the King, the M25 won and it was written off. I shall be riding to Thunder in the Glens at the end of August on my new v.rod. It had to be done, as due to my injuries I was unable to ride for 2 months, and have only attempted short distances since. Also, I couldn't handle the weight of a big twin. This is the first time I have got this e-mail address to work since moving to Somerset some 18 months ago; and as I don't know if I'll be able to access your addresses again - my new e-mail address is: fiskeian@yahoo.co.uk regards, and ride safe,

Yan'

Hopefully your injuries are now healed Yan and we will see you on the road soon. This just highlights the need for everyone to utilise the yahoo groups forum to keep in touch!

Burns Camp Run 2005-08-14

G'day all,
this is just a quick reminder of the Grafton Water Burns camp run date i.e. 17-08-05. Those of you who

are able to attend please contact me to arrange place and time to meet. If you want to know more about this event before making a commitment then E,Mail , Phone or pigeon post me .We need your support!!!!!! All the best and see you there.
Grandad

Euro Rally 2005.

Lyndon has confirmed with "Firefighters France" the people listed below who have all confirmed their attendance at Bourges

Leaving UK on Wednesday 14th, overnight at Derux, then travel to Bourges, Lyndon Fraser + 1, Steve Drawater, Steve Whitmore, "H", Bill Morris + 1, Eddie Fenn.

Leaving UK on Friday and travel direct to Bourges, Brian Hanmore, Dennis Newman, Paul Hillier.

Travel direct from Faker Zee arrive Friday 16th at Bourges, Andy Hill + 1.

No travel arrangements but will attend, Dicki D'rane + 1.

If anyone is missing from the list you need to contact Lyndon ASAP or you will be sleeping with the cows and sheep under the hedges.

Belgian Chapter Run.

Wind & Fire MC Diamond Chapter invites you to join them for :-

2nd Belgian Coast Run Ride out for Fire fighters
On Saturday the 3rd September 2005 at 10.30 local time, Run starts at Motorcycle Lofthotel in Oudenburg (Ostend) Belgium, Groenendijk. 180 km Ride Out in the Flanders fields. In the evening eat and drink with other members of Wind&Fire and other Fire fighters. You can sleep in the motor cycle lofthotel. If you want to sleep there you have to reserve at phone number +32(0)59 26 85 40 (web-site www.grd.be) And send me an e-mail before the 20 August so that I know how many people will do the ride out.

Hopefully I will see you there
Filip and Linda.

That's it for this edition. I think I've covered everything, if not, get in touch and I will put things right.

'H'