

# VIBRATIONS!



**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Triumph Day at Jack's Hill Cafe.**

**September 2018**

**Triumph Owners M.C.C.**

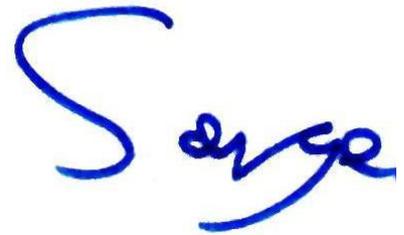
**Northants Branch**



# Scribblings

It's been a pretty good summer for riding and lots of branch members have had several adventures. Hopefully the weather over the next couple of months will be fairly mild and dry to extend the riding season a bit more, before most bikes are put into store for the winter (yes, I know that there are a few hardy souls out there who still ride year round).

Three more weekday runs and one more display are in the branch calendar, after that it's just the twice monthly club nights until the Spring. Our calendar is looking a bit bare at the moment so if you have any ideas for things to keep us occupied at The Crown: guest speakers, etc; have a word with one of the committee members.



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## New Members

Welcome to the following new Branch members, who have joined in the last couple of months.

Martin Bell of Bozeat

John Pamely of Northampton

David Braun of Calverton

Alan Price of Great Billing

David Cook of Spratton

Sally & Michael Ryan of Kettering

Mark Danis of Scaldwell

Paul Townsend & Gail Cowley of Barton  
Seagrave

Nick Golder of Olney

Philip Wood of Raunds

Craig Harris of Wollaston

Douglas Oliver of Harpole

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## Membership Renewals

If your club membership is due for renewal here are the best ways of dealing with it...

- 1) Renew on-line via [tomcc.org/Home/Membership](http://tomcc.org/Home/Membership) with a credit card, debit card or PayPal account. You can also get a £2 discount using this method.
- 2) Fill in the membership form that was sent to you, then post it direct to the HQ Membership address at Horley, as shown on the form. Include a cheque made payable to Triumph Owners MCC.
- 3) Fill in the membership form and hand it to the Branch Membership Secretary at a club night. Payment by cheque or cash. Memberships renewed this way are only sent to HQ a couple of times a month, so will take longer to process than 1 or 2 above.

Don't worry about the money as the Branch receives the same amount per person regardless of the method used to renew.

## Northants Branch Info and News

Non-club members are welcome at all events unless specifically marked otherwise. Listen out for details at club nights, or check with committee members beforehand in case of short-notice alterations or cancellations. Except where indicated, club nights start at 8pm.

	<b>Events List</b>
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Wrinklies Run</b> to The Royal Oak, Walgrave, NN6 9PN. Meet at Pure Triumph 10.45am.
Fri-Sun 14 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> Sep	<b>Bonneville 60</b> at Uttoxeter Racecourse. Branch ride-in: meet 8am on Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> in the lay-by on the A303 on the west side of M1 Junction 20 (signposted Hinckley). Breakfast stop en route.  Tickets & info: <a href="http://trifest.co.uk/bonneville60">trifest.co.uk/bonneville60</a>
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm
Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	<b>Pistons &amp; Props Show</b> at Sywell Airfield. Branch Display.  <a href="http://www.sywellclassic.co.uk/">www.sywellclassic.co.uk/</a>
	
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Wrinklies Run</b> to The Bell Inn, Gumley, LE16 7RU. Meet at Pure Triumph 10.45am.
Thu 27 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>Annual 10-Pin Bowling Night</b> at AMF Bowling, Wellingborough. May still be one or two places left – book with Les Barras.
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>MacMillan Coffee Morning Run</b> Meet Pure Triumph 9.30am
Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Distinguished Gentlemen's Ride – The Northants one is organised by Pure Triumph. If you want to take part you need to register here: <a href="http://www.gentlemansride.com/rides/england/northampton">www.gentlemansride.com/rides/england/northampton</a>
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> October	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm
Fri-Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> October	<b>Trifest Skegness</b> <a href="http://trifest.co.uk/skegness">trifest.co.uk/skegness</a>
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm
Fri-Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> November	Classic Motorbike Show at the NEC. <a href="http://www.thenec.co.uk/whats-on/classic-motorbike-show/">www.thenec.co.uk/whats-on/classic-motorbike-show/</a>
17 <sup>th</sup> -25 <sup>th</sup> November	Motorcycle Live at the NEC. <a href="http://www.motorcyclelive.co.uk/">www.motorcyclelive.co.uk/</a>
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> November	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Club Night</b> at The Crown from 8pm. Branch Christmas Party
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> December	Wild & Woolly Scramble at The Arm Farm, Blisworth. Practice at 10am; race at 11am

**Events in bold are branch events, others are for information only.**

# Northants Branch Info and News

## Branch HQ:

The Crown, Senwick Road, Wellingborough, NN8 1NJ. The pub is on the south-east side of Wellingborough, a 5 minute ride from the A45 and the southern section of the A509. It's only a few hundred yards away from Pure Triumph, so if you know where the dealer's showroom is our HQ will be easy to find.

Meetings are held on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month, starting at 8pm.

***Please park motorcycles in that section of the car park to the right of the pub's front door (by the crossing in Senwick Road).***

## Pure Triumph:

Our local Triumph dealer is based at The Embankment, Wellingborough, NN8 1LD. The company's website can be found at [www.puretriumph.co.uk](http://www.puretriumph.co.uk).

*On production of a current Triumph Owners membership card, Pure Triumph at Wellingborough will give a 10% discount on the following items: Clothing, Oxford Products, Helmets, Oil products, Labour on Servicing.*

## The Branch on the Internet:

Our website can be found at: [www.northantstomcc.org.uk](http://www.northantstomcc.org.uk). Most pages are public but there is one small section that is restricted to branch members only, accessed via the password that is advised separately.

We also have Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/groups/northantstomcc/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/northantstomcc/)

If you go on any branch events please make a conscious effort to take a photo (high quality mobile phone OK) then send it to Sarge and Steve. This will ensure the newsletter and website have something to show when writing the reports.

**Unfortunately, our Webmaster Steve Haughton is no longer able to keep the website up to date so we are looking for someone to fill his shoes. Is there anybody in the branch who would be prepared to take over? Steve would provide some assistance.**

**If you are interested please have a word with Chairman Phil Barton.**

## Other Internet Links:

Triumph Owners MCC national website: [www.tomcc.org](http://www.tomcc.org)

Triumph Owners MCC events website: [www.tomccevents.co.uk](http://www.tomccevents.co.uk)

Triumph Owners Clothing: [www.tomccmerchandise.com](http://www.tomccmerchandise.com) (new link)

The club also has a page on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/groups/4526704577/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/4526704577/).

British Motorcyclists Federation: [www.bmf.co.uk](http://www.bmf.co.uk)

Triumph Motorcycles: [www.triumphmotorcycles.co.uk](http://www.triumphmotorcycles.co.uk)

# Northants Branch Info and News

## Northants Branch Clothing Range

The range of Northants Branch clothing: T-Shirt, Polo Shirt. Sweatshirt, Hoodie, Fleece, Business Shirt and Baseball Cap; can now be purchased on-line rather than having to wait until the next club night.

Some items can also be done with a large back-print for an additional fee.

To order click on this link:

[www.customkit.co.uk/northants-triumph-owners-club-52-c.asp](http://www.customkit.co.uk/northants-triumph-owners-club-52-c.asp)

## Ordering instructions:

On the web page, click on the Garment you want to purchase then fill in the size, badge version and back print (if required).

Click on ADD TO CART

In the Shopping Cart page double-check your order then GO TO CHECKOUT

One more chance to check your order or Checkout Securely

Enter your e-mail address and password to set up an account

You can now go to > Delivery Details > Order Summary > Payment Details

At the Payment Details you will see 3 Options:

Pay Pal-Click and Pay > Go to Order Complete

Credit Card-Click and Pay > Go to Order complete

Debit Card-Click and Pay > Go to Order Complete

Or you can pay by phone during office hours using your credit card, you will see > Telephone > Click here and the order will be placed and ask you to phone 01327 311125 (office hours) and make your payment. You will be asked if you want Delivery or Collect

When your order has been placed you get an order confirmation, with unique number to quote, which will be copied to you in an e-mail.

If your order gets mucked up during all this, click on Cancel to return to the main Custom Kit page and start again. Select Club wear and then select Northants TOMCC.

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## For Sale...

This was sent to us in mid-August so no guarantee that they are still available:

Pannier brackets for a 2014 Tiger 1050 (but the owner thinks that they should fit most of the newer models).

Telephone 01869-810735 and ask for Dave. He lives near Brackley but would meet any-one at Jacks Hill café if they are interested.

## Members' Machines



Owned for 6 years, 22k miles, bought as a standard Trident 900, have changed everything apart from the engine internals and frame.

Speed Triple forks, swing arm, wheels, rear calipers, seat unit.

Triumph 6 pot front calipers.

Galfer discs.

Top yoke conversion, Renthal bars, radial master cylinders, Thunderbird switches.

One piece ram-air air-filter, carbs reset with different needles, main jets, pilot jets, jet needles.

Ex Speed Triple race series three in to one exhaust with one off link pipe and "silencer".

Stacks of one off stainless parts. Every fastener changed to titanium.

CRK front mudguard, Daytona clocks in a different housing.

Lithium battery in one off battery box.

Trident 750 igniter to give 10500 red line.

2018 T120 headlamp with LED running lamps.

Modified VFR1000 torque arm frame mounted.

Rizoma grips and mirrors.

LED indicators and tail amp.

Paint job with airbrushed ghosted Union Jack on the tank and hand painted lettering.

One off frame covers. Etc, etc, etc, etc.

Paul Humphries.

# Odds & Sods

## Should I wear earplugs?

1 in 6 Britons have some form of hearing loss, over 6m people have tinnitus!

According to Doctors you should wear earplugs if you are going to ride at over 35mph. At 65mph wind noise can easily reach 103db. In the work place you must have ear protection at anything above 80db!. So you can see that even relatively minor speeds wind noise inside the Helmet can be significant.

Earplugs also reduce fatigue. Wind noise can cause fatigue and tiredness without you knowing it! Any protection is better than none; also make sure your helmet is a good fit.

## Ethanol

For members with older bikes Esso Super Unleaded is Ethanol Free, so it has been said.

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## Her Diary

Tonight I thought my husband was acting weird. We had made plans to meet at a nice restaurant for dinner. I was shopping with my friends all day long so I thought he was upset at the fact that I was a bit late, but he made no comment about it. The conversation wasn't flowing so I suggested we go somewhere quiet so we could talk. He agreed but didn't say much.

I asked him what was wrong. He said "Nothing". I asked him if it was my fault that he was upset. He said that he wasn't upset, that it had nothing to do with me and not to worry about it. On the way home I told him that I loved him. He smiled slightly and kept driving. I can't explain his behaviour. I don't know why he didn't say "I love you too".

When we got home I felt that I'd lost him completely, as if he wanted nothing to do with me anymore. He just sat there quietly and watched TV. He continued to seem distant and absent. Finally, with silence all around us, I decide to go to bed. About 15 minutes later he came up but I still felt that he seemed distracted and his thoughts were somewhere else. He fell asleep – I cried. I don't know what to do. I'm almost sure that his thoughts are with someone else. My life is a disaster!

## His Diary

Motorcycle won't start. Can't figure out why.

**Oops!**



## Recent Events



July – Open Evening at The Crown



August – Brackley Festival of Motorcycling