

2008 Event Report/Souvenirs

Music Festival goers have Glastonbury, Opera Buffs have Glyndebourne and Horse lovers have Badminton. Motorcyclists have Mallory Park. This is the 'Glastonbury' of the motorcycle. There was even a little bit of mud around on Friday!

Thousands of enthusiasts descended on Mallory Park for the weekend of 11/12/13 July to see and hear the 'stars' perform. But unlike Glastonbury, many of the enthusiasts were performers in their own right having signed up for appearances on the 1.35 mile track on both the Saturday and Sunday. However the VMCC had its own musical element this year with the famous Ace Cafe providing their "Rock N Roll" stage in the big entertainment marquee which included DJs and live bands each night.

Rain on Friday seemed reluctant to give way, but Saturday did dawn dry and it remained so throughout most the day for the continuous succession of road machine track sessions that saw almost 1000 machines on the track in the course of the track sessions for road machines.

The superb sunny day on Sunday brought record crowds through the gates who witnessed another 1000 machines out for Track sessions for road and (mostly) racing machinery. Indeed, roads around Mallory came to a standstill as traffic queued for more than an hour to get into the public car park!

If Saturday was members' day, then Sunny Sunday was the day for the 'stars'- both man and machine.

The Past Masters demonstrated to us that they have lost none of their style and their élan. Some iconic machines from the past wafted stylishly around the circuit piloted by some iconic names including Phil Read, Mick Grant, Sammy Miller & Charlie Williams.

An electrifying display of speed and skill came from the National Motorcycle Museum 'team' of Norton Rotaries under the watchful eye of their creator Brian Crighton. The crowd watched in silence as the four machines howled around the circuit in a tribute to the late Roy Richards, founder of the Museum.

The highlight for many was when Giacomo Agostini & John Cooper took to the track in a re-creation of their 1971 Race of the year battle. With Ago and Cooper turning back the clock the site and sound of the MV and BSA Triple bought the crowds to their feet in appreciation of these great champions. VMCC CEO James Hewing presented both Ago & Cooper with framed picture of the event in recognition of this Historic re-enactment.



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The entire event was filmed to be included in a VMCC 2008 DVD which will also feature the Clubs Vintage Training Day and the 60th anniversary Banbury Run. Available in the autumn from the VMCC at £15.99 the footage will also be broadcast via an exciting internet arrangement that the VMCC has recently agreed.

The Festival of 1000 Bikes gives 3 awards every year for best post war machine, best Pre war machine and best Club stand from within the massive 50 strong Ave of Clubs. The 2008 awards are as follows-



Best Pre War machine (Sponsored by the Classic Motorcycle)-Mike Griffith, 1939 Rudge Ulster.



Best Post War machine (Sponsored by Old Bike Mart) Don Richards 1957 Norton Dominator.



Best Club Stand (Sponsored by Classic Racer) The Historic Police Motorcycle Group.

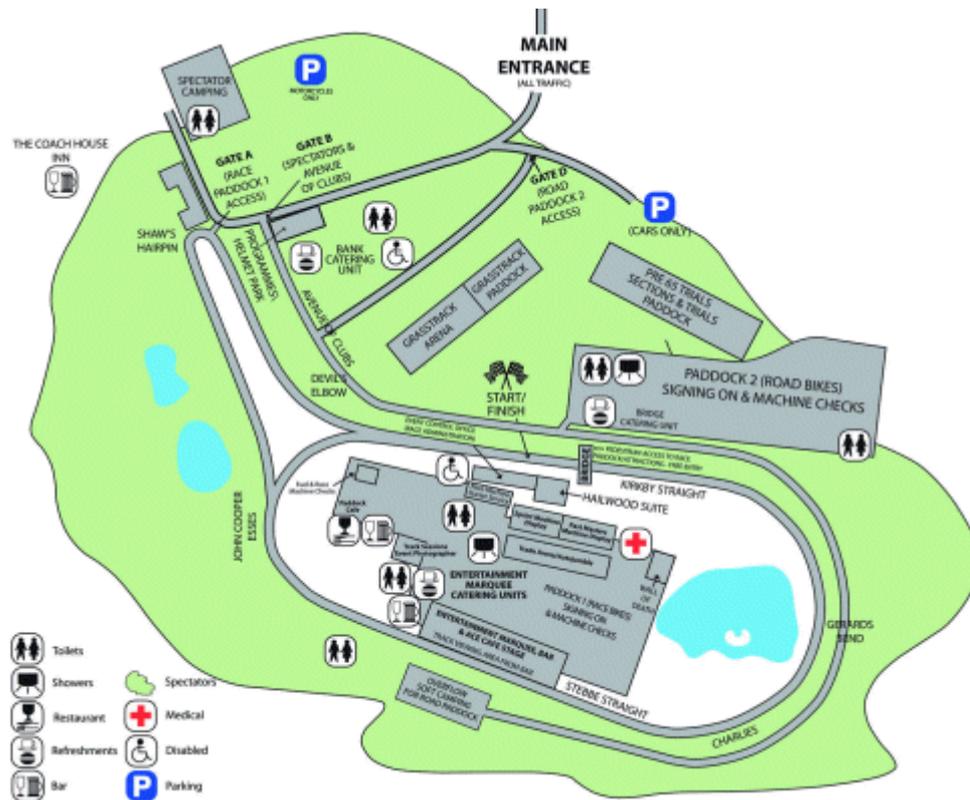
The “1000 bikes” weekend offers EVERY lover of old motorcycles the opportunity to participate at some level- and if not participating, there is something to appeal to the broadest range of “classic tastes”. That’s why the VMCC Festival of 1000 Bikes is supported by some of the biggest names in

the old bike movement including Footman James Insurance Brokers, Bonhams Auctioneers, Mortons Motorcycle Media, The Ace Cafe, The National Motorcycle Museum & Eriks (UK).

Want to know more?

More fantastic images of the event are available on request from VMCC HQ.

You can now enter for this event online using the [2011 Entry Form and Guidance Notes](#).



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TRACK SESSIONS





You can book your place to ride on the historic Mallory Tarmac by the following means-

Download an [2011 Entry Form and Guidance Notes](#).

Contact us via Phone, Fax, e-mail or write to us at [VMCC HQ](#).

TRIALS

Pre 65 Trials at the 2008 Festival of 1000 Bikes, Mallory Park.

The Taverners section of the VMCC has been asked, by the organisers of the Festival of 1000 Bikes, to look after the trials demonstration events taking place alongside the track and grass track displays.

A Trial will run on each day of the weekend (Sat 12th & Sun 13th July 2008).

The Taverners have been running a winter trials series in and around Leicestershire for about 40 years. Our events are laid out to suit the 'Big Old Bikes' that have fallen out of competitive favour in most



'classic' trials events. With that in mind, our trials are usually restricted to Pre-57 solo motorcycles and are divided into 4 classes (see [regs for details](#)). Machines should be, generally, of the period. Concentric Carbs, Electronic Ignitions and nonstandard fork internals are acceptable modifications.

We anticipate a healthy interest in the trials. The area designated and the likely close proximity of spectators has necessitated that we restrict the number of entries to 50 riders per day. To make the trials as interesting as possible to spectators; it has been decided that entries will be granted on an **oldest bike** basis. Hopefully numbers should permit entries from machines manufactured between 1957 and 1965 & these will be accepted up to the maximum entry.

Entries received, on or before the closing date, will be sorted by the age of machine and entries will be filled with the oldest 50 machines. We will notify successful entrants within one week. If you don't receive a notification then, unfortunately, you have been unsuccessful.

Entries should be accompanied by the entry fee(s) which will be returned if the entry is unsuccessful.

If you are flexible and can ride on either of the two days please indicate, on the entry form, which day you would prefer to enter. We will endeavour to get you in on your preferred day.

Successful entries will be entitled to two free passes to the event.

Volunteers to act as observers are always welcome. Please contact the Clerk of the Course (Roger Monk, details below) if you, or friends, or family can assist. A free pass is the only reward we can offer other than our usual observers' raffle! There may even be prizes for riders. We'll let you know when we know.

ALL RIDERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR HELMETS

We hope to see a good range of interesting machines (and riders) over the weekend and hope to provide a good demonstration of our sport in a safe and enjoyable environment for all.

For more details and an entry form please contact-

Festival of 1000 Bikes Trial
VMCC HQ
Allen House
Wetmore Road
Burton upon Trent



Staffs

DE14 1TR

Observers please contact- Mr Roger Monk Tel:(01509) 412662

Or download an [entry form/regulations/information here](#)

GRASS TRACK

The Grasstrack will be held on Sunday 13th July 2008 on a brand new course (following extensive landscaping works at Mallory) situated at the end of the Avenue of Clubs.

VINTAGE MOTORCYCLE GRASSTRACK

“Oh how the gods smile on the assembled band of enthusiasts”. The Festival of 1000 Bikes brings joy to thousands of Vintage Grasstrackers... “Is that the fanatical vintage stalwart followers, the vintage bikes, or the vintage riders?” you may ask, (in jest of course.) The truthful answer is, a bit of all of these.

This year the Grasstrack Demonstration promises to be even better than the previous event. The tricky, bumpy, technical track of last season is replaced with a smoother, better shaped well placed oval that will encourage excellent racing with close dices and fearless passing. The format of the demonstration this year follows the usual structure of our race meetings.

We have classes for: Vintage solo, Post Vintage Solo, Pre and Post War solo, Classic solo, Classic 4 valve solo, a new class for post 1975 250 c.c. solo machines and two classes for vintage and Pre- 75 sidecar machines. The Section also caters for a growing number of junior riders who enjoy classes commensurate with their age, experience and the machines they ride. It has been good to see a growing number of youth riders on real vintage machinery. This situation has been encouraged though our policy of allowing the youngsters to gain experience of our club by riding any and every machines they already have. The new track promises much. With a smoother surface to ride we can expect a show of full throttle intelligent bravery second to none

You must look out for The Priestly Brothers on super-fast vintage machinery. Also, watch for former Champion, Dave Abbot on B.S.A. and J.A.P. solo's, and Andy Smith with son Chris on Velo. and J.A.P. machines plus 4 valve mounted Les Rowland. We also have the spectacle of vintage sidecars dicing for every inch of the track. Riders to watch out for include Mike Wild (Triumph), Stu Towner (Vincent), Bob Miles (Triumph), and mother and son duo, Celia and Arthur Walton (Ariel).



At this venue the true spirit of the vintage movement really shows through. The gentle atmosphere with great racing and the friendly, helpful fellow riders, never fail to amaze and satisfy. These are true enthusiasts who care about their sport.

Organised by the Grass Track Section of The VMCC for more details and an entry form please contact the entries secretary enclosing an SAE to:-

Trevor Hopkins,
2 THE WILLOWS,
DAVENTRY,
NOTHANTS,
NN1 0PY.



SPRINT DEMONSTRATION (Sunday)



No	Rider	Machine
1	John Brent	Velocette – ‘Ironing Board’ Special
2	Chris Illman	Leigh Rudge Special
3	Alan Clark	Dr. Joe Bayley's Brooklands Douglas
4	Frank Whitby	Rudge Sprint Special
5	Bob Anderson	Cotton-JAP
6	Peter Freestone	Honda CR110 - Replica
7	Derek Fox	Norton-JAP ‘THOR’ V/Twin
8	Ted Reading	Triton
9	Andy Forward	Triumph Sprint Special
10	Nigel Fox	Titch Allen’s Norton Sprinter (Side Valve)
11	Rhett Fisher	Bultaco Pursang
12	Rhett Fisher	Douglas SW6
13	Robbie Brown	BSA Bantam
14	Ray Law	Double Engined Triumph
15	Dave Allman	Harris Matchless
16	Ben Allman	Yamaha FZR
17	Simon Rees	Jawa Sprint Special
18	Martin Newton	Honda CBR
19	Steve Wood	Suzuki Hyabusa Special
20	Andy Martin	Suzuki GSXR
21	John Young	Triumph-JAP
22	Howard German	AJS R7
23	Ron Cheesman	Suzuki Sprint Special



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| 24 | Charlie Butterworth | Triumph (Supercharged) |
| 25 | Merv Evans | RSM Triumph 'Blue Bomber'
(Supercharged) |
| 26 | Colin Jeffries | Hagon Greeves Griffon Sprinter |
| 27 | Graham Martin | Derek Chinn Vincent 'PEGUSUS' |
| 28 | Mark Illman | LF Rudge Special |
| 29 | Jerry Larke | TT New Imperial - JAP |
| 30 | Jerry Larke | Hagon-JAP (Supercharged) |
| 31 | Frank Mace | Sunbeam Sprint Special |
| 32 | Len Wallbank | Velocette |
| 33 | Pete Scott | Rickman Kawasaki Z900 |
| 34 | Trevor Hing | Triumph 'Grand Prix' Rep. |

Sidecars

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| 40 | Dave Woodard | Suzuki Superside |
| | Pass. Ballast | |
| 41 | Stan Whitton | Triovad - 3 Wheeler |
| | Pass. Ballast | |
| 42 | Paul Standing | Formula 1 Asco Yamaha R1 |
| | (Pass) Jill Standing | |
| 43 | Vicky White | Morgan S/S Matchless |
| | Pass. Richard White | |
| 44 | Steve Wheatley | Triumph |
| | Pass. Graham Keymer | |

Juniors

J1 Christopher Fisher Bultaco Pursang

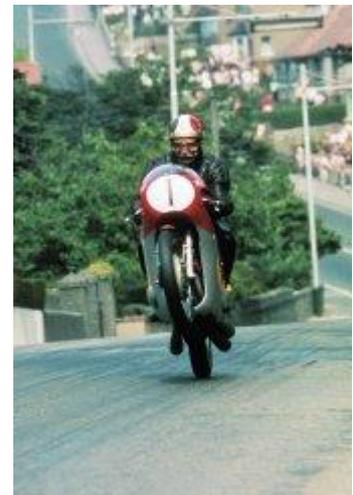
J2 Jasmine Fisher Kawasaki AR

J3 Michael Brown BSA Bantam

More details can be gained by contacting the **Sprint Section** or visit our new website:- www.vmccsprint.co.uk

Section Secretary - Juan Manzano:- juanmanzano@vmccsprint.co.uk

PAST MASTERS PARADE





Motorcycling legend, Giacomo Agostini will take to the Mallory Park race track at the Vintage Motor Cycle Club's Festival of 1000 Bikes on Sunday 13th July.

Multiple World Champion and 10 times TT winner, Agostini, returns to the Friendly Circuit where he was beaten by local motorcycle racer John Cooper back in 1971 at the Race of the Year.

John Cooper will also attend the event and he will be bringing along his BSA Rocket 3 which he beat Agostini on all those years ago.

A plethora of riders including Multiple World Champion Phil Read will join the duelling pair on track for the Stars Parade which forms the highlight of the Festival.

On the afternoon of Sunday 13th July many famous names and machines will take to the track in a thrilling mixture of sights and sounds.

Just some of the names already confirmed:-

NAME		MACHINE
GIACOMO	AGOSTINI	MV AUGUSTA 500 (4 cylinder)
TITCH	ALLEN	MORGAN
STEVE	ALLEN	TITCH ALLEN VELOCETTE KSS



ALTO PERFORMANCE TEAM

PETE	WHITELEGG	LAVERDA 750S FORMULA
PHIL	READ JNR	VYRUS DUCATI 944 RVC2v08 - MORE...
PHIL	READ MBE	MOTO PATON 500
		LAVERDA FORMULA 750S



CLASSIC ENDURANCE TEAM

ROGER	HURST	WORKS HONDA CR820
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RON	CHANDLER	WORKS BSA ROCKET 3
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JOHN	COOPER	WORKS BSA ROCKET 3
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JOHN	DAVIES	SEELEY G50 OUTFIT
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DES	EVANS	VINCENT GREY FLASH
HOWARD	GERMAN	MELLORS 1937 VELOCETTE 500
MICK	GRANT	TUL-ARIS 800 - MORE.. SUZUKI RG 500
DAVID	HAILWOOD	HONDA RC181
KEITH	HECKLES	MANX NORTON 500
MICK	HEMMINGS	TAIT 500 GP TRIUMPH DAYTONA 500 TRIUMPH
OLLIE	HOWE	MANX NORTON 500
ROB	MALTBY	YAMAHA TZ 250 YAMAHA TZ125



SAMMY	MILLER	GILERA 500 REG 250 HAILWOOD HONDA R181 500
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**NATIONAL M/C MUSEUM
WORKS MACHINES WITH ORIGINAL STAR RIDERS**

LEE	DICKINSON	NEW NRV588 PROTOTYPE MORE...
TREVOR	NATION	JPS NORTON RCW ROTARY
JIM	MOODIE	JPS NORTON RCW ROTARY
IAN	SIMPSON	DUCKHAMS QXR NORTON ROTARY
PHIL	BORLEY	DUCKHAMS QXR NORTON ROTARY

FRANK PERRIS YAMAHA 250 V4

DEREK PLUMMER BMW R75 OUTFIT

IVAN RHODES COLLECTION

IVAN RHODES WOODS/MELLORS 1939
VELOCETTE WORKS 350

GRAHAM RHODES VELOCETTE 'ROARER'

HOWARD GERMAN MELLORS 1937 VELOCETTE WORKS 500

JOHN KIDSON WOODS 1937 VELOCETTE WORKS 500

SAM RHODES TOMKINSON 1928 VELOCETTE KTT 400

DEREK RUMBLE RUMBLE BSA OUTFIT

KEN SPRAYSON ROYAL ENFIELD GP5

NIGEL STONE CR93 HONDA

MORBIDELLI VR125

TST RACING

MICK GRANT EX SHEENE SUZUKI RG500

TONY SALT EX ROGER MARSHALL GSXR750

IAN GASKELL YAMAHA TZ250S

CHRIS VINCENT NORTON ROTARY OUTFIT

MALC WHEELER MAMOLA SUZUKI XR 45

R.E.G. 250

SEELEY G50

ROGER WINTERBURN SEELEY G50

CHARLIE WILLIAMS MAXTON TZ385

WORKS HONDA ENDURANCE RACER
(TBA)

Special thanks to The National Motorcycle Museum (Birmingham), The Sammy Miller Museum, Mr Tony Salt (TST Tyres), Mr Ivan Rhodes, Mr Bernie Saunders, Alto Performance and all our Riders & Suppliers of machines for their generosity.

GIACOMO AGOSTINI OFFICIAL SIGNING & APPEARANCE TIMES

Saturday - 4.00pm VMCC Stand in Trade area of Race Paddock (with John Cooper).

Saturday - 6.30pm VMCC Entertainment Marquee in Race Paddock (Stars on Stage).

Sunday - 10.00am VMCC Stand in Trade area of Race Paddock.

Sunday - 1.30pm On Track (Past Masters Track Session).

Sunday - 2.30pm VMCC Stand in Trade area of Race Paddock (with John Cooper).

WHAT THE PUBLIC SAID

The following are just a few extracts from the dozens of emails and letters received by the VMCC HQ within days of the event.

*Wonderful event. You all deserve congratulations. No other organization could have put this huge event on so well. Best Wishes **Mr Murray - 3564***

*I would again like to pass my thanks to you for giving me and my father the opportunity to ride together. We tried to put on a good "race simulation" and I hope the crowd enjoyed it as much as I did. The whole event is quite spectacular and I thought you and your team did a splendid job. Having organised big events and exhibitions myself I know how huge the task is just to get the gates open! It appeared from our side to run smoothly and safely. I hope your sponsors valued it too. Again, thanks and good luck with next year. (Please order the same weather conditions) Best wishes **Phil Read Jr***

*May I congratulate you and everybody involved at this event in one word it was fantastic. How on earth can you better it next year? I rode Saturday and Sunday it was just brilliant regards **Gary Hoyle***

*May I express my thanks to you and all the staff for all your hard work and effort that was put into the Festival last weekend. In spite of Friday's weather, it was a wonderful weekend. Best wishes and many thanks once again. **Emlyn Evans***

*Just a quick note to congratulate you on a fantastic weekend. I thoroughly enjoyed myself and it seemed that all around me did too. Well done – it just have been very hard work, but well worth it in the end. Regards **Nigel Wynne***

*To Everybody Concerned. A big thanks you for a Brilliant day out. What a Show!! Well done Again!!! **Bob Peck No 93 & Kevin Harland No 92 Looking forward to Next year***

*Just an e-mail to say what a great weekend my wife & myself had at Mallory for the 1000 bike festival! We went out on track on Saturday & it went far too quickly!! But it was great & hopefully we will be able to attend next year. The track action was great but all the rest of the event was outstanding as well. We got to see & meet a couple of my racing hero's! as well. You all deserve a big pat on the back, as I'm sure it wasn't easy to arrange such an event. A Big Thanks from **David & Wendy Smith. (class F / 931)***

*Thanks for a great event! Bloody brilliant. Next year I'll have some better leathers and hopefully avoid being black flagged. sorry about that! However, Mallory can't avoid criticism-bikings answer to Glastonbury. To see priceless classics covered in mud was terrible, not to mention the potential for trouble caused by riding on track on muddy tyres. "Newly improved Mallory"-I didn't see it. In addition there isn't a single seat in the place. Most tracks have the occasional scaffold seating. Loved the beer in the tent-a good effort to have real ale on, however the "music" was so loud and awful I couldn't stay in it. Loved the chance to hear the superstars talk, but the interviewer didn't seem to have planned his questions. After saying how much charisma Ago has he hardly gave him a chance to speak! Minor gripes however, can't wait for next year, Regards, **Brian Forster. 43439***

I am the competitor N 692 during 1000 bikes of Mallory Park on July 12th and 13th. With my friends In 588 and 646 we passed an excellent weekend, all the organization was completed except maybe on Friday afternoon during our arrival in the rain or the members of the VMCC seemed a little exceeded by the meteorological conditions ... The demonstration was formidable and machines on the track, in the exposure in the paddock and in the space club, of high quality. The series took place correctly and we appreciate the presence of the marshal controlling the most passionate and protecting the least fast (what misses in the French demonstrations) one thank you to them. I think that we were that 3 French people for these 1000 bikes, my friends coming from Paris and I of the region of the castles of the Loire

and crossed 780 km to come to your demonstration. So much people were very nice on the "road bike" paddock, he seemed to me glances a little bit dark in the pre-railing, with our German motorcycles and our small French flags on Mb machines and on our helmets. Or can we read the report (Web or magazine) of the demonstration ? On Monday, July 14th being holiday in France we visited National Motorcycle Museum de Birmingham or we were amazed of the restoration and the quality, once again, presented motorcycles. To summarize, bravo, thank you and in the next year !!!! Best regards
MAZURIER Jean-François

I had meant to contact you before - but obviously my memory is failing due to advancing years. It was only to say that, from an entrant's perspective, I thought that the event was significantly better than the last two years. The only negative feedback I got was that some of the pre-war riders on Sunday afternoon were a little unhappy at sharing the track with a small number of modern sports bikes. In fairness the "moderns" did ride with some care, and didn't carve me up anyway. All in all it seemed to be a great success, a triumph in fact; or should that be a Scott or a Velo! (sorry, couldn't help that). Best wishes & see you soon I hope
Martin

Thank you for a great weekend at Mallory. We all had a really good time and there was a lot of interest in our stand. Hopefully there will be a bit of restoration work from it. We will see. The event was perfectly organised and seemed to run like clockwork. It was a shame that my Honda was misfiring, the new carbs needed the jets changing. It has all been sorted out now but it was blowing flames a foot out of the pipes. Wow. I would like next year to organise a track day for our clients here at HMR. When you have a bit of time, maybe you could advise me on how to go about it and I think that Mallory is the perfect place considering the history involved, not only with the bikes that we restore and build but also with my father and Mallory's race history. The ideal place for the ideal bike. Let me know what you think. Anyway, thanks once again for a brilliant weekend. Speak to you soon.
Dave

Just a quick note to thank you all for all your hard work in making this year's Festival of 1000 Bikes weekend such a Splendid Affair! I have no complaints to make what-so-ever, Only Praise & Compliments for it being such an exceptional event. I can't wait to do it all over again Next year & the year after!! The memory of using the Thunderbird rigid racer in anger for the first time around (any track, let alone proper open circuit) Mallory will live with me forever (Fear has a way of staying etched into the mind!) & also with my dad, Gordon, who hasn't seen the bike circulate a track in that manner for 30 years! He originally built the bike in 1974 & retired it in 1978 - replacing it with a later swinging arm version in an attempt to improve the somewhat wayward handling! Many thanks again for organizing such a

wonderful weekend, the success that the Festival has achieved is most well deserved & only bore out of the hard work & enthusiasm that you all put into making this event so unique. Kindest regards **Rod Gaskell**
North West VMCC member

The team would just like to say thank you for the weekend we had a lot of interest in the bike. Thanks again on behalf of the Norton rotary sidecar team Richard

What a weekend! Hope you all at HQ are now suitably refreshed! I think it may take me a little longer yet. I am still shattered! Thanks to everyone at HQ for all your help. I hope we fulfilled your expectations? I think our Marquee was busier than ever this year and despite not having anything from the Museum, we had some great stuff on show. Had some great feedback already about what an amazing weekend it was. Thanks again. Cheers, **Chris**

The event on Sunday proved to be very successful and I have received more e mails and phone calls thanking us for the day than any other event we have organised this year. The day ran very smoothly, with excellent service from all the VMCC and Mallory Park staff. Many thanks again **Geoff Cox Regional Operations Director Eriks UK**

Many thanks, you organized a great event with many good helpers. I hear from my many fans Phil and I put on an impressive show. He was playing with me! Cheers, **Phil**

Thank you very much for the invitation and hospitality and for staging this very fun event – great atmosphere in the paddock, it reminded me of the joys of bike racing again. I had a very enjoyable weekend and Mick very much liked the bike. I had fun riding the bike in the morning session, Mallory is a track that suits it ok, provided you can keep the front end down J. Mick and I even swapped bikes for the afternoon! Unfortunately tranny niggles meant Mick could only do one full session, but we are both keen to come again next year. I'll be in touch by then, but if there is anything please just drop me a line, All the best, **Robin**

Sorry for the delay in saying "thank you" for the very nice day at your 1000 bikes Mallory meeting. I really did enjoy it and met quite allot of old friends. It was a pity I did not meet you in person I know you were a very busy man with all those wonderful bikes to look after. Your girls in the show aria were very helpful and intensive to us all there, thanks to them also. Regards **David Moore NSU**

I'm sorry that this isn't very timely but I would like to thank all the team sincerely for a brilliant weekend Festival event at Mallory. We got put around the back of the circuit for hardstanding / camping but apart from the dirt track back to the paddock it was fine, with a brilliant view of the circuit. You must have all put in a huge amount of

*effort in preparation for the event so please accept our grateful thanks to all concerned at Allen House and elsewhere. I hope it was commercially successful for the club and we look forward very much to future festivals. (I know there must be a thousand good reasons to have it at Mallory but is it not an option to consider Cadwell or any other venue?) Thanks again to all the team for a super event with kind regards **Steve Hughes***

*Not cleaned the bikes yet, but what a fab event the whole weekend went so well I'm glad you enjoyed it as well, next year you must have a blast round on one of my bikes, many thanks once again for the invite Best Regards **Nyto stal #69 !!***

*Can I take this opportunity to thank and congratulate everyone at the VMCC for what can only be described as the most spectacular event that I have attended? How you achieved it to run so smoothly is beyond me. It is the first time we attended this event and hope it won't be the last! Its 40 years since I last rode at Mallory, although we've been once or twice since. I'm 63 now and took my little 50cc Minarelli with me. Full chat round some of the bends on it, exhilarating to say the least and the best ride I've had in a long time. Will I be back, you bet. Lots & lots & lots of people made comment on my bike in the paddock & said it should have been on display up in the main marquee for everyone to see, maybe next year. Anyway Jim thanks for a great weekend and best wished to everyone concerned, you made a 63 year old realise what life is about. Regards & Best Wishes **Mike Richards***

*My second year of the festival and once again a superb weekend. met up with friends we made last year and looks as though a number of my friends from home intend to participate in 1000 bikes 2009. Thank you to everyone involved in making this a fantastic event. Regards **Andy Cooper rider 399***

*Just a few lines to thank you and all those (except the thief!) who attended Mallory, it was a great weekend. Trusting that it was successful for the club such that 'Ace' may look forward to being part of it next year. See you at the Ace! Regards **Mark***

*A BIG BIG thank you for a great weekend..... From **Dave King** sometimes known as **Hugh Fernley something or other,, and the HDRCGB***

*I would like to thank you for all your efforts with the 1000 bikes event last weekend. We managed to get 8 Royal Enfield GP5 together but only 5 "runners". That is a quarter of all GP5's found, and more than have ever been together in one place than ever before. Thanks for your help in the organisation, and maybe more next year? Thanks again. **Andy Boyle***

Just a thank you and your team for a brilliant weekend. We had a great turn out with plenty of bikes and lots of people showing interest. All members had a great time and I'm also sure the weather helped. The club would like to thank you all again for inviting us and would love to be able to attend again and perhaps any other show the VMCC was putting on. Thank you, Cheers **Gary Wise. CB1100R Owners Club.**

Just wanted to say "Thank You" for your kind hospitality over the weekend. The event was superbly organised and has obviously become - and rightly so - one of the main highlights of the biking calendar! Many congratulations to you, and all the VMCC staff, who worked so tirelessly both before and during the weekend. Once again, many thanks. Kindest, **Emma**

wow! good stuff big lad. - **Classic Bike Guide**

VMCC FESTIVAL OF 1000 BIKES™ 2009

Friday 10th, Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th July 2009 Mallory Park














THE BEST IS BACK ON TRACK AT MALLORY PARK





PAST MASTERS TRACK SPECTACULAR

On Sunday 12th July Four Times World Superbike Champion Carl Fogarty MBE returns to Mallory Park to ride a very special machine in our Past Masters Track Spectacular. Not only that but TT Ace & Norton Works rider Michael Dunlop will be appearing on the new NORTON NRV588 race machine that he will be riding at this years TT. Courtesy of the National Motorcycle Museum 4 of the original Norton Rotary Race Machines will be out on track with their original star riders aboard!

Also appearing on track in the best line up of Stars and Machines in Europe:
PHIL READ MBE, JOHN COOPER, MICK GRANT, SAMMY MILLER MBE, TONY RUTTER, RON CHANDLER, CHRIS VINCENT, CHARLIE WILLIAMS, FRANK PERRIS, TOMMY ROBB, KEITH HECKLES, COLIN SEELEY, DAVID HAILWOOD, PIERO LAVERDA (LAVERDA V6), TREVOR NATION, STEVE SPRAY, IAN SIMPSON, MALC WHEELER plus many more (see event website for updates).

YOU CAN RIDE YOUR OWN MACHINE ON TRACK

Track Sessions.	VMCC Members	£30 First Session	£20 Subsequent Two Sessions (Each)
	Non-Members	£33 First Session	£23 Subsequent Two Sessions (Each)

Track sessions **sold out early in 2008** so get your entry form now

VMCC Track Sessions Entry Form
 Hotline 01283 540 557 or visit www.vmcc.net

PLUS SO MUCH MORE THAN A TRACK WEEKEND

Pre 65 Trial (Sat 11th)

Historic Grasstrack (Sun 12th)

Historic Sprint Bike Demo (Sun 12th)

The Ave of Clubs (over 40 clubs in attendance)

Firework spectacular (Sat 11th in association with Norton Motorcycles)

Auto Jumble

Massive Entertainment Marquee open from Friday 10th July featuring the Ace Cafe Rock n Roll Stage with DJs, Live Bands, Real Ale Bar & the famous Stars on Stage (Sat 11th) featuring Carl Fogarty & other Star riders.

Mallory Park Spectator Ticket Hotline 01455 842931 or visit www.mallorypark.co.uk

Under 16s Free & Weekend Camping Also available (payable at the event)



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OTHER ATTRACTIONS

AVENUE OF CLUBS

With over 40 one make Clubs in displaying in the Avenue of Clubs in 2007 this was be a big hit with visitors to the event. Again in 2008 each Club will be displaying their Members machines as well as many of those same Members riding in the Track parades.

Clubs wishing to attend or wishing to have a special track session for their Members should contact VMCC HQ as soon as possible hq@vmcc.net

List of Clubs that have already confirmed their attendance in the Avenue of Clubs at the 2008 Festival of 1000 Bikes .



AJS & Matchless Owners Club	Moto Guzzi Club of Great Britain
AMC Hybrids Association	Moto Morini Riders Club
Berkeley Enthusiasts Club	MV Owners Club
BMW Club (Vintage & Classic Register)	MZ Riders Club
British Motorcycle Charitable Trust	National Autocycle & Cyclemotor Club
British Motorcycle Federation (BMF)	Northampton Section VMCC
British Motorcycle Preservation Society (N Wales).	North West Section VMCC
Brough Superior Owners Club	Norton Owners Club
BSA Bantam Club	New Imperial Owners Association
CBX Riders Motorcycle Club	Royal Enfield Owners Club
Cedos Owners Club	Rudge Enthusiasts Club
Cycle Motor Section VMCC	Scott Owners Club
Chiltern Section VMCC	Sheffield & S Yorkshire Section VMCC
Difazio Hub Centre Steering Owners Club	Surrey & Sussex Section VMCC
Excelsior Talisman Enthusiasts	Suzuki Owners Club
Federation of British Sidecar Clubs	Tamworth & District Classic Motor Cycle Club
Gold Star Owners Club	Taverners Section VMCC
Goodwood Section VMCC	Tiger Cub Club incl Real Classics Magazine.
Harley Davidson Riders Club of Great Britain	Triumph Owners MCC
Historic Police Motorcycle Group	Triumph Owners MCC (Meriden Branch)
Honda RC30 Owners Club	TR3 OC MARQUEE
Honda CB1100R Owners Club	Vintage Japanese Motorcycle Club (VJMC)
Indian Riders Club	West Wilts Section VMCC
Italian Motorcycle Owners Club (GB)	Yamaha TZ OC (in race paddock)
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AUTO JUMBLE/TRADE STANDS

Auto jumble

There will be a large Auto jumble held on both days of the 2008 event.

Following extensive landscaping work at Mallory Park over the last 2



years the Auto jumble will have a new dedicated area located on the outside of the circuit.

Each auto jumble stand measures 4M X 5M which can be booked by contacting VMCC HQ or e-mail hq@vmcc.net

Trade Stands

The Trade Village will be located within the race paddock and will also feature stands from all the events partners including Footman James Insurance Brokers Ltd, Bonhams Auctioneers, Mortons Media, The National Motorcycle Museum & The Ace Café.

Trade Stands can be booked by contacting Mrs Helen Lovell at Mallory Park on (01455)842931 or e-mail helen@mallorypark.co.uk

CAMPING AND ACCOMMODATION

Great Camping facilities will be available at £10.00 per pitch for the entire week-end, Fr-Sun inclusive. There is no need to pre book as your camping fees will be collected on the day of arrival.

If you require accommodation we have negotiated a special deal for you at the Holiday Inn. Holiday Inn Coventry is pleased to offer this special weekend rate in association with the Vintage Motor Cycle Club throughout 2008!

Located in the heart of the UK, Holiday Inn Coventry is the perfect venue to stay when visiting historic Coventry, the birthplace of the British motor industry. Coventry Transport Museum and the National Motorcycle Museum are just 10 minutes' drive, or visit nearby Mallory Park or Silverstone.

VMCC offer of £58 per room, per night, bed and breakfast.

Book now, quoting "VMCC rate" on **024 7658 7420**
Holiday Inn Coventry M6, J2 Hinckley Road, Walsgrave, Coventry, CV2 2HP www.holidayinn.co.uk

[More...](#)

A further list of accommodation can be found on Mallory Parks own Website www.mallorypark.co.uk accommodation.

HOSPITALITY

VIP hospitality for Sponsors and Past Masters will be provided in the Hailwood Suite on Sunday 13th July.



ENTERTAINMENT/OTHER ATTRACTIONS

Ample catering to suit all tastes will be provided over the course of the weekend with the VMCC "Big Top" Marquee with Separate bar area also providing refreshment.

On the evening of both Friday 11th & Saturday 12th there will be live bands providing entertainment on The Ace Cafe Stage within in the VMCC "Big Top" marquee until late in the evening. Also in this area on Saturday evening there will be a "Stars on Stage" feature with interviews with some of the past masters who will be riding on Sunday 13th.

General Timetable Of Events & Facilities Opening Times.

(Please note specific days as shown, all locations marked on event map)

Friday & Saturday - 6.30pm – Late

VMCC ENTERTAINMENT MARQUEE & BAR FEATURING THE ACE CAFÉ ROCK N ROLL STAGE.

Come down and visit the VMCC Marquee and bar located within the race paddock. The bar will be open from 6.30pm with the following the entertainment.

FRIDAY - 6.30pm-Late.

Bar Open.

THE ACE CAFE ROCK N ROLL STAGE

6.30pm-Rock n Roll DJ Tracy Dick

8.00pm Lynette Morgan & The Blackwater Valley Boys.

Following on from their appearances at the Ace Cafe and venues around the UK we are delighted to welcome this nationally acclaimed band to the event. You can hear tracks from the country/rock n roll influenced sound on their website-



www.myspace.com/lynettemorganandtheblackwatervalleyboys

SATURDAY - 11.00am-Late

Bar Open (excellent track viewing from the seated area overlooking Stebbe Straight).

THE ACE CAFE ROCK N ROLL STAGE

7.00pm Stars On Stage.

Stars including Giacomo Agostini & Phil Read who are taking part in Sunday's "Past Masters" Track display will be interviewed on stage by well known journalist Jim Reynolds.

7.30 pm-Rock n Roll Dj Tracy Dick

8.30pm Darrell Higham & The Enforcers.

Stalwarts of the Ace Cafe stage in London the VMCC is delighted to welcome this most famous of Rock N Roll bands to the Festival of 1000 Bikes. One of the most talented & original artists on the UK rock n roll scene Darrell has 15 solo albums and west end stage appearances to his multiple credits. Also an accomplished session musician the band quote influences from country through to rockabilly and 60s blues and pop.

Website www.darrellhigham.co.uk

Saturday & Sunday 9.00 am to event close

TRADE STANDS/AUTO JUMBLE/AVENUE OF CLUBS

With some of the biggest names in the movement on site and a packed auto jumble not to mention over 40 Club displays there is something around every corner at Mallory this weekend. (See separate list of [Club Entries](#))

Saturday & Sunday 9.00 am to event close

WALL OF DEATH

Experience the thrills and spills of the “DemonDrome” Wall of Death situated near the road paddock on the outside of the circuit. www.demondrome.com

Saturday & Sunday 11.00am – 3.30pm

PRE 65 TRIAL

Classic pre 65 Trial organised by the Taverners Section of the VMCC on Mallory Park’s off road courses.

Saturday & Sunday 9.00am - event close

STATIC DISPLAY OF TRACK SESSION ENTRANTS MACHINES

Come and see the display of VMCC Members machines in both the road & race bike paddocks.

Sunday 9.30am - event close

STATIC DISPLAY OF PAST MASTERS RACE AND SPRINT MACHINES

From Sunday Morning come and see some of the incredible machines (& mingle with their star riders) such as Agostini’s MV500, Phil Read’s Paton 500 and the incredible Tul-aris plus the works machines supplied by The National Motorcycle Museum all displayed in the Past Masters section of the static display area within the race paddock. In a separate display area you can also see some historic Sprint bikes in the VMCC Sprint Sections own marquee.

Sunday 10.30am – 3.30pm

GRASS TRACK

Historic Grass Track organised by the Grass Track and Speedway Section of the VMCC. Come and see some spectacular “grass action” on a brand new course situated at the end of the Ave of Clubs.

Sunday 12.30pm – 1.30pm & 5.00pm - 5.45pm

SPRINT DEMO

A fantastic display of straight line action will be provided by the Sprint Section of the VMCC during Sunday lunchtime & late afternoon on the Start/Finish straight. There will also be a Static Display of sprint machinery in the dedicated VMCC Sprint Section static display marquee located within the race bike paddock on both Saturday and Sunday.

Sunday 1.30pm – 2.30pm

THE PAST MASTER'S TRACK PARADE

See the incredible line up of Past Masters and machines take to the track in a spine tingling display of sights and sounds. Including a reprise to the epic 1971 race of the year battle between Ago & Cooper who will be joined by 70s superstar and multiple World Champion Phil Read on the awesome Paton 500 (See separate list for current line up).

Sunday 4.00pm

VMCC PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

After 4.00pm the following prestigious awards will be and presented directly to the winners and their machines with details being published in the VMCC Club Magazine and via Mortons

Motorcycle Media Titles.

For Machines Ridden In Track Sessions -

- Best Pre War Machine (Sponsored by The Classic Motorcycle)
- Best Post War Machine (Sponsored by Old Bike Mart).

Other Categories

- Best Club Stand (Sponsored by Classic Racer).

Event Services

Fuel - Will be available during the times set out on the event map - [Mallory Park Map](#) for location

Starter Service - Will be available on Sunday in the race paddock for the “reluctant machines” courtesy of Hawksley Engineering Ltd.

Track Session event photographer - Reilly Studios will be filming each entrant in every session. Your souvenir photograph will be available to purchase at the event from their office located in the race paddock ([Mallory Park Map](#) for location). Photographs will also be available following the event by contacting Reilly Studios on (01455) 610782

In case of query or in case of emergency/fire – Please contact an event Marshall/Member of Security Staff or the event Control Office located in the Race Administration Office.

[Link to Mallory Park Map](#) - PDF file

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