

## 2009 Event Report

Thousands of enthusiasts descended on Mallory Park for the weekend of 10/11/12 July to witness what has become the best “live action” Classic Motorcycling event in the UK. Not only did this year’s sold out event attract the most Star riders of any event in Europe but the 1100 enthusiasts who rode in the “public” track sessions were stars in their own right having signed up for appearances on the 1.35 mile track on both the Saturday and Sunday. With the famous Ace Cafe providing their “Rock N Roll” stage in the big entertainment marquee which included DJs and live bands each night and a massive firework display provided by Norton it certainly made for a packed weekend.

Saturday’s weather provided some showers with all but 5 of the 27 track sessions for road machines being dry & which saw almost 1000 machines on the track through the course of the day. Hosted by the Taverners Section of the VMCC Saturday also saw over 50 entrants in the pre-65 Trial that took place in the wooded area adjacent to Gerards Bend.

The superb sunny day on Sunday brought record crowds through the gates who witnessed another 1000 machines out for the 23 Track sessions for 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. The record crowds know that there is always so much happening on Sunday including 2 sessions of Sprinting on the circuit start/finish straight & a highly competitive Grass Track which saw over 30 entrants on both solos & outfits.

Also on Sunday 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 & Jim Redman.

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 huge crowd watched as the four National Motorcycle Museum machines howled around the circuit lead by the new Works Norton NRV 588 in the hands of works development rider Lee Dickinson.

The highlight for many was when Carl Fogarty took to the track on a Ducati 996 which was a perfect replica of the machine that took him to 4 World Superbike Championships. With Foggy riding at Mallory for the first time in 18 years he was certainly turning back the clock & bringing the crowds to their feet as he left black marks on the tarmac as he spun up the rear wheel exiting some corners! Foggy said “I have not ridden that fast or had my knee down since I retired”.

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 2009 award for best Club Stand was won by The Harley Davidson Riders Club.

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 & corporate partner Eriks UK.



VMCC CEO with "Foggy" before his parade session

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Colin Seaton VMCC President, presenting the **Classic Racer** award for the best club stand to Vince Lay of the Harley-Davidson Club for their recreation of a western saloon



Colin Seaton, VMCC President, with John Aston of the National Autocycle and Cylemotor Club who received the **Old Bike Mart** trophy for the best post-war machine for his 1951 New Hudson autocycle



The President of the VMCC Colin Seaton with Joan Crawford, who accepted **The Classic Motorcycle** trophy for the best pre-war machine on behalf of her husband, David, pose with his winning 1928 Moto Guzzi 'Sport'

**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](#) ..





PRE 65 TRIALS (Sat 11th July)

**Pre 65 Trial at the 2009 Festival of 1000 Bikes, Mallory Park.**

The Taverners section of the VMCC will again be organising a pre-65 Trial which will be taking place on Sat 11th July 2009

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 non-standard fork internals are acceptable modifications.

We anticipate a healthy interest in the trial as it will only be held on the Saturday of the event to give riders the chance to enjoy everything that "Past Masters Sunday" has to offer. We therefore advise that entries are received as soon as possible & be accompanied by the correct entry fee which will be returned if the entry is unsuccessful. Successful entries will be entitled to two free passes to the event & Volunteers willing 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.

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.

**ALL RIDERS ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR HELMETS**

**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



## GRASS TRACK (Sun 12th July)

The Grasstrack will be held on Sunday 12th July 2009 on the same course as in 2008 which is situated just outside the pay-line near the "Lodge Gates D" (see [map for details](#) ).

"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 just as good as last year's exciting event with 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 the 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

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,  
NORTHANTS,  
NN1 0PY







#### SPRINT DEMONSTRATION (Sun 12th July)

**Sprinting** - possibly the earliest, purest and one of the most challenging of the motorcycle sports.

The **Sprint Section's** dedicated team of volunteers and their members will once again put on a Display of Alcohol Burning, Tyre Smoking and Ear Shattering action on the Mallory Start & Finish straight. We will have two sessions during the Sunday of 12th July.

The foundation of the Club's early days was very much based on the Sporting element of motorcycling with the founder members starved of competition during the hostilities of '38 to '45. What was needed was an outlet for showing what could be achieved with little or no money to prove to yourself and your mates that you could go faster than they could. What followed was a resurgence in the art of Sprinting (or short-distance Speed Trials as they were commonly called). Titch and his dedicated followers were soon emulating their pre-war hero's by attempting to cover the distance, usually a quarter mile, in the shortest possible time. Timing was rudimentary in those days with Flag Starts and hand held stop watches. It is the spirit of those early days that we use a Flag Start again this year with two lanes, running the old and the new, side by side. It will soon become clear that the oldie's are no slouches!

We will have machinery from every decade since the 1920's in action on the 1/8th mile course. The great thing about sprinting is that almost anyone can do it on almost any machine.

Do you fancy having a go sometime? Take a few minutes to visit our Marquee and talk to some of the experienced Sprinters on hand this weekend who will be only too pleased to give you loads of helpful advice – but, be warned, it's very addictive!

Organised by The Sprint Section of the VMCC more details can be gained by contacting the **Sprint Section** or visit our dedicated website:-[www.vmccsprint.co.uk](http://www.vmccsprint.co.uk)

Acting Section Secretary – Rhett Fisher [rhettvmcc@ntlworld.net](mailto:rhettvmcc@ntlworld.net)

The Sprint Section is pleased to announce that former Drag Race Champion, Ian Turberville has agreed to bring and run his mind blowing 'Super Twin' Drag Bike 'Mr Spokehead' to wow the crowd



on the Sunday of this year's 1000 bikes festival during the Sprint Demo. ([click here for further details](#))

Rider No.	Riders Name	Machine/Model (Solo's)	Capacity	Year
1	Phil Harding	WODEN - V Twin Norton - JAP	500	1956
2	Derek Fox	THOR - V Twin Norton - JAP	998	1954
3	Frank Whitby	Rudge Sprint Special	350	1931
4	Phil Steele	Rouge et Noir 2	748	1975/76
5	Martyn Greathead	Kawasaki ZX12R	1199	2000
6	Levi Krause	Yamaha TZ	50	1994
7	Mick Collins	TBC	TBC	TBC
8	Len Wallbank	Velocette	350	1931
9	Andy Forward	Triumph Sprint Special	500	1965
10	Chris Illman	Leigh Rudge	500	1930
11	Mark Illman	Leigh Rudge	350	1930
12	Dave Burfitt	Suzuki GSR	1100	1992
13	Bob Anderson	RSM Triumph	500	1965
14	Peter Freestone	Honda CR110 - Replica	49	1997
15	Sheelagh Neal	Velocette	250	1936
16	Dave Allman	Harris Matchless	500	1983
17	Ben Allman	Yamaha FZR	400	1990
18	Alan Tinnion	Frankies Monster	500	1980





19	Jack Graham	Yamaha TZ	250	1975
20	Merv Evans	RSM Triumph S/C "Blue Bomber"	650	1956
21	Rhett Fisher	Bultaco Pursang	370	1967
22	Christopher Fisher	Bultaco Pursang	125	1972
23	Ray Law	Double Engined Triumph	1000	1973
24	Simon Rees	Jawa Sprint	496	1975
25	John Edward Young	Tri-JAP	500	1936
26	Ron Cheesman	Suzuki Sprint Special	125	1970
27	Colin Jeffries	LFRS Rudge	500	1935
28	Graham Martin	Vincent "Pegasus"	998	1953/85
29	Peter Scott	Rickman Kawasaki Z900	1105	1976
30	David H Smith	Excelsior/JAP	500	1936
31	Ian Dentith	Triumph Grand-Prix Replica	500	1947/48
32	Trevor Timberley	Honda "Little Atom"	50	1968
33	Martin Newton	Honda CBR	400	1992
34	Steve Vardy	Kawasaki	1000	1975
35	Roy Robertson	Egli Vincent Rapide	1272	1972
36	Steve Wood	Hyabusa Special	1400	2000

37	Andy Martin	Suzuki GSXR	1000	2006
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<b>Rider No.</b>	<b>Riders Name</b>	<b>Machine/Model (Sidecars)</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Year</b>
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43	Chris Illman	Booth Matchless	500	1966
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44	Dave Woodard	Suzuki Superside	1500	2000
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45	Roger Hollingshead	TBC	TBC	TBC
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46	Paul Standing	Formula 1 Asco Yamaha R1	1000	1995/2004
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Pass	Jayne Standing			
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47	Steve Wheatly	Titch Triumph	650	1955
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48	John Renwick	Vincent	1665	1951
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49	Trevor Duckworth	Yamaha TZ Cyclecar	350	1970
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50	Paul Gregory	Asco Honda	1150	1991
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### **HISTORIC SPRINT MACHINE DISPLAY (Saturday & Sunday)**

For 2009 we will be having a large marquee where many of the machines appearing in the demonstration will be on display as well

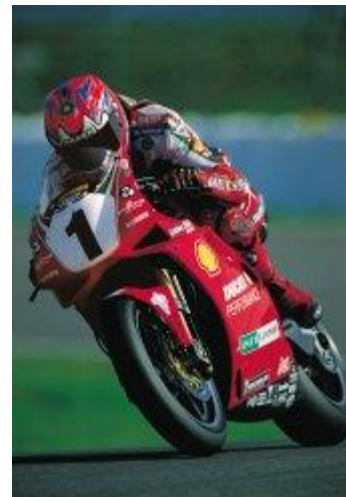
as some historic machines from the past to represent the high points in Sprinting History. Once again our thanks go to the many owners of these rare machines for allowing you such close contact with the exhibits.

The display Marquee will be located in the Race Paddock & particular thanks go to the National Motorcycle Museum who have given us such tremendous support during the last two years at Mallory with the loan of exhibits.

Riders in the sprint demo are mounted on a cross section of machines from the Vintage era, through to Modern Rocket Ships. Few remain as the maker intended, having been either much modified or tuned (usually both!) They have been selected to represent a typical Sprint Meeting that could have taken place on any Sunday during the last 60 years and to give an idea of the sort of machines that form the backbone of Sprinting.



PAST MASTERS PARADE







## THE BEST IS BACK!

The VMCC is proud to announce some very exciting news concerning this year's event which will be held at Mallory Park on 10/11/12 July 2009.

None other than 4 times World Superbike Champion **Carl Fogarty MBE** will be riding a very special race machine in our "Past Masters" track feature on Sunday 12th July. Also following Norton's return to the 2009 TT with **Michael Dunlop** on the new **Norton NRV Race Machine** both man & machine will be out on track in a feature that will also include some very special celebrity guest riders aboard the new Norton Commando road bikes! Keeping with a Norton theme

Sammy Miller MBE will be giving the first public track outing to the newly restored “Lowboy” prototype race machine.

Courtesy of the National Motorcycle Museum 4 of the Original Norton Rotary Race Machines will be out on track with the original riders on board including Steve Spray, Trevor Nation & Ian Simpson.

On the afternoon of Sunday 12th July a plethora of riders including Multiple World Champion Phil Read MBE will join with a whole host of famous names on track for the Stars Parade which forms the highlight of the Festival.

Here are just some of the names already confirmed (keep watching for updates):-



NAME		MACHINE
CARL	FOGARTY MBE	DUCATI 996
TITCH	ALLEN OBE BEM	MORGAN
STEVE	ALLEN	TITCH ALLEN VELOCETTE KSS



#### ALTO PERFORMANCE TEAM

PHIL	READ JNR	VYRUS DUCATI 944 RVC2v08 - <a href="#">MORE...</a>
PHIL	READ MBE	ALTO PERFORMANCE MV AUGUSTA F4



#### CLASSIC ENDURANCE TEAM

TONY	CAWTE	JOEY DUNLOP WORKS HONDA 250
JIM	REDMAN	HONDA CR750

RON	CHANDLER	WORKS BSA ROCKET 3
JOHN	COOPER	WORKS BSA ROCKET 3

JOHN	DAVIES	MAGNI MOTO GUZZI
DES	EVANS	VINCENT GREY FLASH
MAURICE	EVANS	HONDA RC161
BILL	DAWSON	VELOCETTE "COVEL"
MICK	GRANT	TUL-ARIS 800 - <a href="#">MORE..</a>



SUZUKI RG 500

DAVID	HAILWOOD	HONDA RC181
KEITH	HECKLES	MANX NORTON 500
MICK	HEMMINGS	TAIT 500 GP TRIUMPH
OLLIE	HOWE	MANX NORTON 500
ROB	MALTBY	YAMAHA TZ 250



SAMMY	MILLER	GILERA 500
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REG 250

NORTON LOWBOY PROTOTYPE



## NORTON MOTORCYCLES

MICHAEL	DUNLOP	NRV ROTARY RACER
CELEBRITY RIDERS	TBA	NEW NORTON COMMANDO ROAD BIKES!

## NATIONAL M/C MUSEUM

TREVOR	NATION	JPS NORTON RCW ROTARY
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STEVE	SPRAY	JPS NORTON RCW ROTARY
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IAN	SIMPSON	DUCKHAMS QXR NORTON ROTARY
TERRY	RYMER	DUCKHAMS QXR NORTON ROTARY
WESLEY	WALL	TRIUMPH GP500

#### PHIL MORRIS RACING

FRANK	PERRIS	YAMAHA 250 V4
TOMMY	ROBB	HONDA 250-4
TONY	RUTTER	DUCATI 750 F2

#### RHODES COLLECTION

IVAN	RHODES	WOODS/MELLORS 1939 VELOCETTE WORKS 350
		AJS BIG PORT 350
GRAHAM	RHODES	VELOCETTE 'ROARER'
HOWARD	GERMAN	MELLORS 1937 VELOCETTE WORKS 500
SAM	RHODES	TOMKINSON 1928 VELOCETTE KTT 400

COLIN	SEELEY	SEELEY 750 COMMANDO
KEN	SPRAYSON	ROYAL ENFIELD GP5
BILL	SIMPSON	YAMAHA TZ750



## LAVERDA CORSE

PIERO	LAVERDA	LAVERDAV6 1000cc
FERNANDO	CAPELOTTO	LAVERDA RGS TT F1 1000CC
EDUARDO	DOSSENA	LAVERDA TT F2 600CC
MARNIX	VAN DER SCHALK	LAVERDA SFC 750CC

## TST RACING

MICK	GRANT	SUZUKI RG500
		TUL-ARIS 800 GP BIKE
TONY	SALT	EX ROGER MARSHALL GSXR750

RICHARD	TRACY	KENNY ROBERTS TZ250
CHRIS	VINCENT	NORTON ROTARY OUTFIT
		SOLO TBA
MALC	WHEELER	SEELEY G50
CHARLIE	WILLIAMS	MAXTON TZ385
		WORKS HONDA SUPERBIKE (TBA)

## HONDA 250-4s

In addition to the above star studded line-up & courtesy of Phil Morris Racing we will be featuring no less than 18 Honda 250-4 cylinder machines as part of our Past Masters feature. Lead by Tommy Robb, David Hailwood & Malc Wheeler this will be the biggest ever collection of these amazing sounding machines assembled on track at the same time. Imagine the noise (music!)

Special thanks to The National Motorcycle Museum (Birmingham), Norton Motorcycles, The Sammy Miller Museum, Mr Tony Salt (TST Tyres), Mr Ivan Rhodes, Mr Bernie Saunders, Alto Performance, Phil



Morris Racing and all our Riders & Suppliers of machines for their generosity.

#### **CARL FOGARTY OFFICIAL SIGNING & APPEARANCE TIMES**

Saturday - 4.30pm VMCC Stand in Trade area of Race Paddock

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.

#### **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.

*Once again a supreme example of organisation, spectacle and downright good fun. Despite his age, 94 this year, my father still looks forward to the event and marvels at the sheer number of participants and attendees. A wonderful event and one that I hope will stay in the calendar always. Well done to James, the VMCC staff and all of the many volunteers and helpers that make the day such a success. - Steve Allen and Founder Titch Allen OBE, BEM*

*As a participant in the HONDA (Phil Morris Parade) I would just like to say thanks you to ALL members of the VMCC who organized the 2009 event .What a brilliant well organized event once again .!!! I would also like to thank the Travelling Marshall's for their Presence on the circuit A JOB Well Done! Roll on Next year. - Bob Peck No 31.*

*I have just returned from a fantastic day out at Mallory Park and would like to congratulate all the organisers for a job well done. On seeing all the classic machines riding round I was wondering if it was possible for me to take my Matchless G9 500 Clubman 1955 on to the circuit or would I need a race licence. If I need one how do I go about getting one and would my age be against me achieving this. I am 67. If you can give me any advice I would be great full. Once again thanks for a terrific day. Thankyou - Michael Jebb.*

*Just thought I would drop you a quick line to say great show, as I was walking about everyone (trade and visitors) seemed to be very happy, sometimes people are too quick to complain about things but never praise when everything goes well. Anyway I really enjoyed it, it's the first time I have been and didn't know what really to expect, and I was pleased that I went. -Steff Woodhouse*

*Congratulations to the club, the army of VMCC volunteers, and to you, for a fantastic weekend at the Festival of 1000 Bikes 2009. As someone privileged to be riding in the Past Masters Parade I would congratulate you on the slick way they were handled too, and the*



way we were looked after. As I think you know I get to ride in similar events across Europe and I think they now have to look to their laurels. And as someone who loves all forms of motorcycling the weekend as a whole was a veritable feast. - **Malc Wheeler**

Just a quick message regarding yesterday at Mallory. I was entered in three parade laps and had a wonderful day, you even sorted-out the weather! Well done to all concerned. - **Nick Oldfield (931)**

Congratulations to you and your team, you have done it yet again. What a fantastic weekend at the 2009 Festival of a 1000 bikes, for spectators riders and past masters, completed by the wonderful weather that everyone deserved. I find it both exciting and humbling to see the satisfied looks on the faces of the fans, who get a chance to have a chat with their stars of the past. Some of them are achieving a lifelong ambition by sitting down and reminiscing with their favourite riders of up to fifty years ago. As one of those older and more senior riders, thank you all for providing us with so much enjoyment in one weekend. Well done yet again and long may your success continue. - **Tommy Robb.**

Hope you're recovering..... Well done (to all at the club etc) for a great event ! I had a blast... and I managed to survive the "fast" Past Masters group unlike Charlie & 1 of the Nortons..... Not the fastest one out there, but hey, it's only a 250 and scrubbing in a new set of tyres..... (and of course I'm not an ex-World Champion sat on it !!!) Still, it was fantastic to be out there, so thanks.....Hope I didn't let the side down too much. - **Richard Tracy**

I have just returned from my third festival along with three friends. We all entered in the road bike sessions 2 on Saturday and 1 on Sunday. Yet again the whole event was fantastic and brilliant organisation made everything run smoothly. My thanks to everyone involved and next year's event is the first entry on the Cooper household 2010 calendar. - **Andy Cooper Rider 263**

Thank you for such a wonderful experience. - **Jimmy Boyd.**

Hope you have recovered after the weekend. Just to say it was the best ever and whilst we were very busy, we did enjoy ourselves. Congratulations on a great event. - **Chris & Fiona , Hawksley Engineering**

What a fantastic weekend at Mallory!!!!. The hard work put in by the team certainly showed. I have to congratulate you for a job well done and please pass on my thanks to everyone else who worked tirelessly in both the initial organising and their joint efforts in making this a truly great event. Go and cool your Jets and recharge your batteries and catch up on those sleepless nights mate you did it again. WELL DONE see you soon - **Alex Graham**

*Well done. We were all so impressed with the event. You all must be exhausted. It must be an administration nightmare to organize. It was a credit to the VMCC. It is such a showcase event you should be extremely proud and congratulated on turning the event into a profit making situation and such a success. Many thanks for taking the time out to organise the Adams Family personal signing by Foggy. James was particularly chuffed to bits. He has tried to get his autograph for years, after several unsuccessful attempts it was thanks to you this was so easy. - **Mary***

*We've had a lot of positive comment from our members about the Festival - I hope everything worked well for the VMCC too. From my perspective, the whole weekend certainly seemed to have a 'good vibe'! Please pass on the thanks of the ILOC to your staff and helpers who made the Festival a success for us. - **Rob Dixon***

*Thanks for the invite to take part with the ride out on the Honda reps. It was a great weekend, which the highlight was the ride out for the spectators, proved by the massive turnout which completely covered the embankment from the hairpin down to the start . The crowds all waiting for the Honda replicas to come out. We spoke to people throughout and after the event, all of whom agree that it was something to remember and would definitely attend again. All the past masters were in their element and happy to chat to the crowds. A great weekend of history! Please let me know if you have any other events going off anywhere for another chance to get the bike out again. - **Vincent Hunt***

*I wanted to say thank you to you and the Team for organising such a spectacular event, somehow, and I have no idea how you do it, the event gets better and better.... The crowd seemed to be bigger than in recent years and the atmosphere was electric, I especially enjoyed the number of families attending, it was really encouraging to see so many small faces thoroughly enjoying the event. This is a credit to both you and the Team.... We are looking forward to coming back next year...!!! Tony and Jim both seemed to enjoy their respective rides and the Joey Dunlop machine had significant interest... We have posted a You-Tube video of the first five laps of the Past Masters (can't remember the link, however if you do a search for the Festival and include the year and Joey Dunlop you will find it). and also the new website is finally nearing completion: [www.darvillracing.co.uk](http://www.darvillracing.co.uk) Look forward to catching up soon, All the best, and thanks again for everything. - **Alex Aitchison***

*My muscles are still aching from all the riding I did over the weekend (as a travelling Marshall) but I have been smiling ever since at the thought of such a great weekend Following on from 2008 everyone at the VMCC should be very pleased with themselves for organising a unique and superb motorcycling event. I doubt that such a broad*

range of motorcycling interest could be found anywhere else just to view, let alone be seen in action! Do you want my entry for next year now or shall I wait for the details to be published in the spring of 2010!! Also, on behalf of all the guys and gals at TEAM JAM RACING I would like to say a thank you for allowing us a prominent pitch alongside the trade stands. It certainly added to the occasion as so many people stopped by to view and talk about the range of bikes that we were displaying and riding. If you will allow we would like to do the same next year - and expect to have even more interesting bikes to display. Certainly the weather gods responded favourably, which was the least they could do, as the event must have brought so much enjoyment to so many..... Once again, well done and thank you. - **Stuart Seber**

We had a great day thank you. The pit worked loads better too and seemed really well organised re the sorting and sending out of the riders...really enjoyable. I have some shots & will gladly send you what I have once I get back. - **Ben Shaughnessy**

Just a quick line to thank you for yet again another excellent weekend as guests of the VMCC, the organisation was again superb Once again many thanks **Tony and all the gang, oh and Granty and Robin T.**

We managed to get 6 GP5's to Mallory this year, for the 1000 bike event including two ex-works bikes. I would like to thank all those that turned up, and for all the help provided by the team, with special thanks to Sue for the cups of tea/coffee, Wes for the starting rollers, and Dave for the pushing, and Sam and James of the VMCC for all the hard work setting up the meeting. We did create a fair amount of interest, which is all for the good. The other good thing was there were five runners at the start of the event and five runners at the end of the event, now that's a big improvement. - **Andy Boyle**

I would just like to say a big thank you from all the members of the CBX Riders Club who attended either for the track event or as displayers of their bikes in the Avenue of Clubs Everyone said how smooth the event went and how friendly all the Vintage Club Staff were to them and what a happy trouble free event it turned out to be. We had a couple of guys who were first timers but are definitely booking for next year. Again congratulations and thanks for all yours and your team's hard work - **Janet Stone CBX Riders Club Events Manager**

# VMCC FESTIVAL OF 1000 BIKES™ 2009

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



Bonhams



## 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](http://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](http://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 nearly 50 one make Clubs in displaying in the Avenue of Clubs in 2008 this was be a big hit with visitors to the event. Again in 2009 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](mailto:hq@vmcc.net)

List of Clubs that have already confirmed their attendance in the Avenue of Clubs at the 2009 Festival of 1000 Bikes-



AJS & Matchless Owners Club	Moto Guzzi Club of Great Britain
Berkeley Enthusiasts Club	Moto Morini Riders Club MZ Riders Club
BMW Owners 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
British Owners Club of Essex	Norton Owners Club
Brough Superior Owners Club	Royal Enfield Owners Club
BSA Bantam Club	Rudge Enthusiasts Club
BSA Owners Club	Scott Owners Club
CBX Riders Motorcycle Club	Sheffield & S Yorkshire Section VMCC
Chiltern Section VMCC	South Hants Section VMCC
Difazio Hub Centre Steering Owners Club	Sunbeam Owners Fellowship
Francis Barnett Owners Club	Suzuki Owners Club
Gold Star Owners Club	Tamworth & District Classic Motor Cycle Club
Harley Davidson Riders Club of Great Britain	Tiger Cub Register
Hesketh Owners Club	Triumph Owners MCC
Historic Police Motorcycle Group	Triumph Owners MCC (Meriden Branch)
Honda CB1100R Owners Club International	Triumph Owners MCC (Derby)
Laverda Owners Club	TR3 OC
London Douglas MCC	West Wilts Section VMCC
Italian Motorcycle Owners Club GB	Yamaha TZ Owners Club (In Race Paddock)
MAG UK	

### AUTO JUMBLE/TRADE STANDS

#### Auto jumble

There will be a large Auto jumble held on both days of the 2009 event which will again be situated in the race paddock.

Each auto jumble stand measures 4M X 5M which can be booked by contacting VMCC HQ or e-mail [events@vmcc.net](mailto:events@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 & Norton Motorcycles.

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

### CAMPING AND ACCOMMODATION

Great Camping facilities will be available at £15.00 per "unit" for the entire week-end, Fri-Sun inclusive. There is no need to pre book as your camping fees will be collected on the day of arrival.



### SPECIAL VMCC/BARCELO HOTEL OFFER



- £55.00 bed and breakfast (single)  
£60.00 (double/twin)
- 4 star hotel with full leisure facilities
- Located directly off the M69 (junction 2)  
5 miles from Mallory Park
- Special private breakfast served in the  
'Triumph Bar' on the morning of the 12th July
- 600 complimentary parking space

Contact our reservations team  
on **01455 631122** and quote  
**VMCC** to obtain this special rate

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If you require accommodation we have negotiated a special deal for you at the nearby 4 Star Barceló Hinckley Island Hotel. This superbly appointed hotel is pleased to offer this special weekend rate in association with the Vintage Motor Cycle Club throughout 2009! Located less than 10 minutes' drive from Mallory Park this is the perfect base for the event. Not only this but the hotel features great leisure facilities, and a special private breakfast served to VMCC members in the Triumph Motorcycles Themed bar on the morning of Sunday 12th July.

**Barcelo/VMCC offer of £60 per double room, per night, bed and breakfast.**

Book now, quoting "VMCC rate" on **01455 631122**

Barcelo Hinckley Island Hotel, Watling St, Hinckley, Leicestershire, LE10 3JA You can book the offer directly by following this link:

[Click Here for Special Offer](#)

Email [Hinckley.mande@barcelo-hotels.co.uk](mailto:Hinckley.mande@barcelo-hotels.co.uk)

Web: [www.barcelo-hotels.co.uk](http://www.barcelo-hotels.co.uk)

A further list of accommodation can be found on Mallory Parks own

Website [www.mallorypark.co.uk](http://www.mallorypark.co.uk) accommodation.

**RAFFLE**

The VMCC offers two superb machines every year as part of our twice yearly Raffle competitions.

First prize in our July-Dec 2009 Raffle will be non-other than a beautiful classic motorcycle.

Tickets will be available to buy at just £1.00 each from the VMCCs Stand within the race paddock at Mallory where the machine can be seen in the flesh! (see event map).

Books of 3 Raffle Tickets will also be distributed via the VMCCs own monthly magazine "The Vintage Motorcycle" and in the July edition of "Old Bike Mart".

Not only do you have the chance to win this beautiful motorcycle, but each ticket purchased offers you the chance to win these other great prizes.

Second Prize-DAVIDA "Classic" Helmet

Third Prize-One Year's Subscription to Old Bike Mart & The Classic Motorcycle magazine.

Fourth Prize-Ones Years subscription to Classic Racer magazine

Fifth Prize-Ones Years subscription To Bonhams Motorcycle Auction Catalogues.

The VMCC would like to thank Mortons Motorcycle Media, Davida Helmets & Bonhams Auctioneers for their support.

**THE HAILWOOD SUITE/HOSPITALITY**

The International Laverda Owners Club will be holding a special interview with non-other than Piero Laverda in the Hailwood suite on the evening of Sat 11th July.

VIP hospitality for Corporate guests, Sponsors and Past Masters will be provided in the Hailwood Suite on Sunday 12th 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 10th & Saturday 11th 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 12th.

**Provisional 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 CAFE 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 on Friday 10th & throughout the weekend. See below for opening times & entertainment listing.



**FRIDAY - 6.30pm-Late.**

Real Ale Bar Open.

**THE ACE CAFE ROCK N ROLL STAGE**

**6.30pm-Rock n Roll DJ from The Ace Cafe**

**8.00pm- Live Band - The Rock n' Roll Society.** Bring along your dancing shoes, as these guys will have you out of your seats or at the very least singing along to the best powerhouse versions of "Roll Over Beethoven", "Whole Lotta Shakin' Going On", and "Midnighter", served up with a barrel of fun!"

See [www.therocknrolldociety.com](http://www.therocknrolldociety.com)



**SATURDAY - 11.00am-Late**

Real Ale Bar Open (excellent track viewing from the seated area overlooking Stebbes Straight).

**THE ACE CAFE ROCK N ROLL STAGE**

**6.30pm Stars On Stage.**

Stars including Carl Fogarty, Michael Dunlop & Phil Read who are taking part in Sunday's "Past Masters" Track display will be interviewed on stage in this brilliant feature that has the marquee busting at the seams.

**7.30 pm-Rock n Roll DJ from The Ace Cafe**

**8.30pm & 10.30pm - Live Band on Stage - The John Lewis Rock 'n' Roll Trio**

John Lewis, a living legend on the Rock 'n' Roll Scene and an Icon in song writing. The VMCC are



proud to present his new Rock 'n' Roll Trio bashing the piano and picking the guitar in a manner to impress even the most accomplished of musicians. With John's instantly recognisable voice this trio will rock the VMCC big top with some great classic tunes.

You can see more at [www.myspace.com/johnlewisrock39n39rolltrio](http://www.myspace.com/johnlewisrock39n39rolltrio)



#### **10.00pm-Firework Spectacular in Conjunction with Norton Motorcycles**

**Real Ale & Fireworks!** In conjunction with Norton Motorcycles the massive Firework display late on Saturday evening following the entertainment on the Ace Cafe Stage in "VMCC Big Top" makes this a part of the event not to be missed!

#### **SUNDAY - 11.00am-Event Close**

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

#### **OTHER ATTRACTIONS**

#### **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 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 situated in the woods behind "Gerards" bend.

#### **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**

During Saturday & Sunday come and see some of the incredible machines (& mingle with their star riders) such as Carl Fogarty's, The Laverda V6 the incredible Tul-aris GP bike 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 challenging course situated near the “lodge” entrance gates “D” (see [map](#) for more details).

#### **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 four times World Superbike Champion Carl Fogarty MBE plus TT Star Michael Dunlop on the new Norton NRV race machine. Also appearing will be World Champion Jim Redman on a works CR750 Honda as well as no less than 18 Honda 250/4s on track at the same time lead by Tommy Robb & David Hailwood. (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 Morton's 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 both Saturday & Sunday the assembly areas for the “reluctant machines” courtesy of Hawksley Engineering Ltd.

**Consumables & Spares**- Will be available all weekend from the “Carrot Cycles” trade stand that will be located in the race paddock. As well as Lubricants, Cables, Chains, Batteries, Fuel Fittings & Ignition Parts they also bring along a good range of tools & equipment including a lathe to keep you out on track!

**Track Session event photographer** - “Captured in Digital” are Mallory Parks new official track photographers & will be filming each entrant in every track session. Your souvenir photograph will

be available to purchase at the event from their office located in the race paddock overlooking the start/finish straight. ([Mallory Park Map](#) for location). Photographs will also be available in the weeks following the event from “Captured in Digital” (01455) 841707 [www.capturedindigital.co.uk](http://www.capturedindigital.co.uk)

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