

South of England

RealClassic

Show & Bikejumble

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Show Results : Sunday 12th October 2014

Best Pre 1950

1st Steve Elston, West Sussex: 1902 Minerva 211cc. This Pioneer motorcycle is fitted with a surface carburetter. Made in Belgium 112 years ago and still going strong!

2nd Arthur Walls, East Sussex: 1932 Francis-Barnett Model 26 Condor. Restored and hand painted by the owner, this machine is one of only two known to exist. A rare machine, made for one year only and one of only two known survivors. Fitted with the Brooklands engine, it has completed the test hill at Brooklands museum with ease many times. Arthur and Rosemary organise the Francis-Barnett OC stand.

Best 1950 – 1959

1st Paul Adams, Kent: 1955 Vincent Black Knight. Bought as a box of bits and restored by the current owner. Vincent OC (South London)

2nd Mr RJ Woolford, West Sussex: 1955 Matchless G9 Super Clubman. This machine has covered 71,000 miles and had never been restored, only the wiring and tyres have been replaced. It was laid-up from 1968 until purchased by the current owner in 2012. AJS & Matchless OC (Sussex)

Best 1960 – 1969

1st Derek Mulley, West Sussex: 1968 BSA B44 Shooting Star. BSA OC (West Sussex)

2nd Brian Howard, Surrey: 1965 Norton ES400. Built in October 1965, last but two of the production line, and is believed to be the last surviving. Despatched from Plumstead on the 17/10/1965 JB Matchless Corp. of New York. Unknown when re-imported to the UK. Restored by the owner 2008/09. Only two further examples of this model were built, is this machine the 'newest' survivor? Norton OC (Surrey)

Best 1970 on

1st Alan Ferguson, West Sussex: 1976 Kawasaki Z900 A4. Mainly original but modified with upgraded brakes, swinging arm and rebuilt wheels. Finished in the 1975 Candy Blue livery. A good example of the model.

2nd Piers Richardson, Surrey: 1971 750cc BSA A75R Rocket 3 Mk II. Manufactured at Armoury Road, Small Heath, Birmingham on 9th July 1971 & exported to Baltimore, USA, a few days later, as were the majority of bikes BSA made that year. It was re-imported back to the UK in 1991. Fully overhauled in 2001 following an engine failure, taking 2 years to complete. To improve reliability it includes many modern, enhanced components, while attempting to maintain the original look. The Mk II model features the newly introduced front telescopic forks with alloy lower sliders & internal coil springs, conical wheel hubs with redesigned drum brakes, new moulded side panels with flatter flanks, megaphone-style silencers, rubber mounted, chrome-plated mudguards, chrome flat-back 7 in. head lamp & indicators. Under 6,000 Rocket 3's were made between Aug 68 & Jan 72. Piers organises the BSA OC (West Sussex) Cub Stand.

Best Competition/ Special

1st Mr R Murray, Surrey: 1949 350cc Norton M40 International. 1946 Garden Gate frame converted to McCandless swing-arm & re-registered in 1949.

2nd John Gates, Kent: 1940c Rotrax JAP 500cc Speedway. Speedway competition machine. Fitted with a 1938 5-stud JAP S/S engine in an early forties Rotrax frame.

Best Heavyweight (250cc and over)

1st Anita Dray, Kent : 1930 750cc Indian 101 Scout. Restored mainly in Sweden, using many original parts. This bike was exported to Sweden from new so has the European specification Bosch headlight, charging & electrical system, which were fitted on import. The American & UK machines were fitted with standard Indian equipment. The Scout was popular for its handling, speed/weight ratio & versatility. Fitted with hand gear change, foot clutch and a left-hand throttle. Indian Riders MCC

2nd George Page, Surrey: 1969 BSA A65 Firebird Scrambler. The Firebird was launched in 1968 as a dual-sport scrambler. It was dropped from BSA's line-up in 1972. This bike has been completely refurbished.

Best Lightweight (Under 250cc)

1st John Bonugli, Kent: 1925 211cc Levis T3. Levis were manufactured by Butterfields of Birmingham, for many years one of England's leading manufacturers of two-stroke motorcycles..

2nd Brian Fowler, West Sussex: 1964 250cc Francis-Barnett Cruiser 91 Sports. This bike is a clone of the 'James Superswift' with a Villiers 4T engine. Restored by the owner & owned for 13 years, regularly ridden and showed. Francis Barnett were in business from 1919 to 1966, specialising mainly in two strokes. Featured in Classic Bike Guide magazine October 2011. Francis-Barnett Owners Club

Best British

1st Peter Gibson, West Sussex: 1967 750cc Matchless P11. Brought back from the States and restored in 2002. Used regularly for Club, National & International rallies all over Europe, including Italy, Poland and Ireland. AJS & Matchless OC (Sussex)

2nd Ian Neve, Sussex: 1960 692cc Royal Enfield Constellation. This model was a development of the Meteor and Super Meteor. Until the Norton Atlas, the Constellation was the largest capacity parallel twin.

Best Overseas

1st Murray Freeman, West Sussex: 1956 249cc NSU Spezial Max. This is the model between the Max and the Supermax. It's fitted with the factory conversion for the rear suspension, and has the unusual OHC drive system. Superb engineering.

2nd Mr AR Murphy, London: 1962 1200cc Harley Davidson FLH Duo-Glide. Imported from the USA in 1990 in running order by previous owner. With current owner for 17 years.

Best Club Stand: BSA Owners Club, East Sussex Branch.

Best RealClassic: M Brinkley, East Sussex: 1952 500cc Triumph Trophy TR5 ISDT. The TR5 was Triumph's first production trial bike, the model was introduced in 1948. This machine is in International Six Day Trial (ISDT) trim. Used regularly on Club runs and classic long distance trials, and is still winning its class with the battle scars to prove it.

Best Café Racer: Dave Willmer, West Sussex: 1958 500cc BSA A7 Café Racer. Bought 20 years ago in a very poor condition, it was rusty and seized and had been unused for twenty years. Since a two-year restoration starting in 1996, it's covered over 83,000 miles including tours of the Alps, the Pyrenees, the Isle of Man and Yorkshire. BSA OC (West Sussex)