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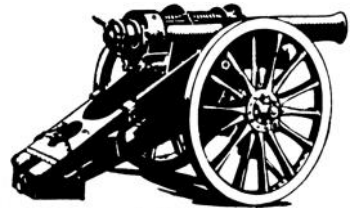
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EDITOR'S NOTES

Hello All,

As you will see, the Newsletter is almost as big as The Gun! There is a plethora of rallies being held out there so there's no excuse for having "nowhere to go", especially as the weather has now improved.

Please, Please, Please take heed of the appeal below!

We are in dire need of a Sales Officer.....go on, you know you want to!

Editors Paula and Doug.



REOC needs your involvement!

Club Merchandise/ Sales Officer.

****Please note All club sales are suspended until the post is filled. ****

See advert on page 28

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The Kiwi Bulletin Snippets
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Annual Rally at Motueka March 2026



Reuben and Hunter on the Cont. GT

Reuben, you know how time flies, well it will not be long before the day you see Hunter disappearing up the road on your Interceptor . Lew martin





Obituary



We were extremely saddened to hear that John passed away unexpectedly at the beginning of April. Known for his companionship, humour, determination to ride in all conditions... he will be greatly missed. A LOT of positive comments came in from friends remembering him in the South Lancashire branch.

John Bradshaw's funeral was on 21st April, a bright and sunny day. A column of over twenty-five bikes, led by John's RE Classic 350, rode on to the Howe Bridge Crematorium.

A moving ceremony, it celebrated a full, interesting and good life. His daughter, Deb, paid her tribute to her dad magnificently. Christine Twigg was asked to read a poem she had written. Wonderful.

Great to have a chance to meet up with everyone afterwards. The event demonstrated a thorough, total appreciation of John.

Deb has approved the plan to hold a Ride-out, one year on, in April 2027. In remembrance and honour of her beloved dad.

Our condolences to Deb, Paul and all the family. John will be greatly missed.

Chris Robinson (12345)

Poem

Written and read by Dr Christine Twigg and dedicated to John

I wake up and look towards the morning sky—it is the start of me

I put on my jacket, helmet and boots—it prepares me

I mount my steel horse, like a Cossack raring to go—it awaits me

I ignite the engine and listen to its call—it entices me

I turn the throttle and revel in its roar—it excites me

I am ready to race, rattle or roll—it brings out the child in me

I ride with my kith, kindred spirits, some gone for ever alongside— it reassures me

I glide, swoop and wind along the open roads, like a clock that forgets time— it frees me

I go further and further, daring to go faster and faster—it finds the rebel in me

I feel the wind on my face and the sun's embrace—it refreshes me

I near the end of my journey and reflect upon the adventures of my day—it impresses me

I return home, turn off the engine and no longer hear its purr—it relaxes me

I look down and gently lay my hands on my trusty steed whilst it sleeps—it is part of me



When applying for an REOC 'Machine Dating Certificate' please follow the process below in full:

Please e-mail clear, colour, side-on digital photos of the completed, MOT ready, motorcycle.

Please e-mail clear digital photos of the engine and frame numbers along with photos of where they sit on the engine and frame.

Please supply your current REOC membership number, full name (no abbreviations please) and full postal address.

Please ensure that you provide all of this in a single email to; machinedating@royalenfield.org.uk

A £25 fee for the supply of an MDC to Members with a £60 fee for non-members. That decision brings the REOC fee structure in line with the least costly of the services provided by other single make organisations and significantly lower than the VMCC.

Machine Dating Update

We have two machine dating officers in the Club. Please note one dates Redditch machines and the other Indian machines

John Dove - machinedating@royalenfield.org.uk

Henry Price - enfieldindiamdc@royalenfield.org.uk

Do you want to share information, seek technical advice or make contact with other Club members? **Royal Enfield Owners Club Est. 1977** is our own growing and successful "closed" Facebook group for Club members only, policed by Club Committee Members.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Branch Scribes please remember to inform the Branch coordinator Alasdair McIntosh if you change your Branch meeting venue or your meeting times.

Send your new information to

Email :- branchcoordinator@royalenfield.org.uk



british motorcyclists federation

The Royal Enfield Owners club is now affiliated with the British Motorcyclist Federation. This brings a whole range of benefits to the Club at a national level. The BMF represents the best interests of UK Motorcyclists as they campaign against dangers to your safety and safeguard your freedom to ride at a local, national and European level. They also have an association with the Federation of European Motorcyclists.

On a club level, the benefits include a club discount code which will enable REOC members to access benefits such as reduced price tickets for BMF events and discounts on insurance .

More information is available from

<http://www.britishmotorcyclists.co.uk>

BMF you tube channel

BMF community Facebook group

I am the REOC liaison representative to the BMF

contact me Patrick Hurley (MNS) at bmfrep@royalenfield.org.uk

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BMF Political & Lobbying Update

March 2026



british motorcyclists federation

Political & Lobbying

Road Safety Strategy Consultation

Key political and lobbying activity by the BMF has remained focused on the response to the consultation on the Government's new Road Safety Strategy.

On 23 March 2026 the BMF, along with other motorcycle sector representatives, attended a roundtable meeting with the **Road Transport Minister Lillian Greenwood MP** to discuss the Government's proposals for motorcycling and to put forward our ideas for reform of the current training, testing and licensing regime. The BMF's position remains that, whilst the proposed reforms are welcome, we would like to see a wider review to develop a specific motorcycle road safety strategy, which would incorporate better road and infrastructure design, including default access for motorcyclists to bus lanes.

The current consultation runs until **11 May 2026**. We continue to encourage all BMF members to respond individually to the consultation and to copy the BMF Team into any responses submitted via admin@bmf.co.uk.

Details of the consultation, including the response template can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/improving-moped-and-motorcycle-training-testing-and-licensing>

Plug-in Motorcycle Grant

The BMF has supported the call by the MCIA for the Government to re-think its decision to scrap the £500 Plug-in Motorcycle Grant (PIMG). If this decision goes ahead, it will mean that Powered Two Wheelers (PTWs) will become the only personal road transport segment without any form of financial purchase support to encourage zero emission uptake, which is likely to seriously impact the future growth of the emerging electric motorcycle and moped sector. A joint letter signed by motorcycle manufactures, logistics providers, retailers, road safety experts, rider groups (including the BMF) and clean transport advocates has been forwarded to Ministers calling for an urgent re-think by the Government. A coordinated media campaign was also launched. The Daily Telegraph subsequently ran a story on 30 March with the headline "[Motorbike sales poised to plunge after Labour scraps grant.](#)" The BMF will continue to work with our partners to press Ministers to reconsider its decision which flies in the face of the wider Net Zero ambitions of the Government.

National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) Consultation

The BMF submitted a detailed response to the Government's Consultation on the new National Planning Policy Framework. We highlighted our concerns that the proposals, as currently framed, do not explicitly recognise motorcycling. We have made it clear that motorcycling should not be an afterthought in planning – but rather afforded the same status and requirements that the NPPF already commits to for cars, cycling, walking and wheeling, and that motorcycling should be fully recognised in government transport policy as an important and sustainable future transport option.

National Integrated Transport Strategy

The Government's long-awaited Transport Strategy [Better Connected: a strategy for integrated transport – executive summary - GOV.UK](#) was published on 2 April 2026. The strategy sets out the Government's plans for future transport provision and connectivity across the UK for the next decade. The BMF submitted detailed comments to the original consultation launched in early 2025, when we called on the Government to recognise motorcycling as an integral part of the UK's future transport model. We are therefore pleased to see the Government's commitment to view transport through a new lens and that motorcycling has been included in the strategy as a future sustainable transport option that can both cut congestion and reduce overall UK carbon emissions. We look forward to working with the Government and Local Authorities to further develop motorcycling as a sustainable, accessible and affordable future transport option of choice; one that will connect communities and support future economic growth, whilst assisting in the delivery of wider Net Zero ambitions. Also welcome, as part of the new strategy, is a focus on improving the state of the UK's roads with a shift from short-term fixes to long-term preventative maintenance; an issue the BMF has long campaigned on (see section on Potholes below)

Potholes

The BMF remains extremely concerned about the current state of the UK's roads, which present a real risk of serious injury or worse for motorcyclists and other vulnerable road users. Tackling the scourge of potholes and ensuring better and safer roads for riding is at the top of the BMF's agenda and we regularly meet with Ministers and officials from the Department for Transport (DfT) and National Highways (NH) to press for a firm government commitment to fixing the UK roads long-term. This includes pressing central government to make sufficient and ongoing funding available to local authorities to deliver permanent and timely repairs to the road network, including both "A" roads and rural roads. We have also sought greater transparency from Ministers and Local Authorities on specific progress on pothole and road surface repairs. The BMF

has also been active in supporting media campaigns highlighting the pothole problem, and we have previously appeared on regional and national TV and radio highlighting the particular risks to motorcyclists from un-repaired potholes, as well as from “temporary” pothole repairs (referred to as the “patch and dash” approach often employed by Local Councils) that then quickly fail.

In addition, the BMF works closely with our key partner, the National Motorcycle Council (NMC), to improve the poor state of the UK’s roads, through the BMF’s support of the Pothole Partnership launched on 15 January 2024, which brings together both road users and industry in a joined-up approach to tackle potholes. On 15 January 2026 the BMF supported “National Pothole Day” with key media messaging emphasising the work of the Pothole Partnership and the need for a “game changing” approach to fixing the pothole problem so as to reduce the significant risk to motorcyclists from the continuing poor state of the UK’s roads. The campaign received significant national and local media interest with key reporting on the Pothole Partnership’s Call for Action appearing on national and local news programmes.

Following sustained lobbying by the BMF and the NMC of Ministers and officials (both of the previous and current governments) we were pleased to see a welcome government announcement during 2025 that another £1.6 billion in ring-fence funding will be allocated to fix the UK’s roads. This funding will make a real difference to Local Authorities being able to get on and carry out much needed repairs to the road network, including both major and rural roads. Importantly, alongside the announcement of £1.6 billion of extra road funding, the Government has said that 25% of the funds allocated to Local Authorities will be withheld until Local Authorities can prove that they are delivering more proactive road maintenance, including delivering a programme of effective road maintenance before potholes start to form and moving away from the wasteful patchwork approach. Local Authorities also now need to report their progress on pothole repairs and provide wider road maintenance data to access the full amount of government funding. Local Councils must publish reports on their websites detailing repair spending, the number of potholes filled, general road conditions in their area and their strategies to minimise disruption whilst repairs and resurfacing works are carried out.

Following continued pressure on the Government by the Pothole Partnership and the BMF to fix the UK’s roads, the Government has this week announced a major £27 billion funding boost to upgrade England’s motorways and major A-roads over the next 5 years. This will be one of the largest ever road investment plans that will resurface over 9,000 kilometres worth of motorway and major A-road lanes – almost a quarter of the network. You can read more about the RIS3 announcement here: [RIS3-2026-to-2031](#)

The key issue now will be to ensure that Local Authorities get on with the necessary repairs to the road network. Centrally, the BMF will continue to hold Ministers and road transport officials to account to ensure that promised funding is allocated for repairs and that this is spent appropriately by Local Councils with visible signs of improvement. BMF Members will be able to monitor the progress of their own local councils through the reporting that councils are now required to publish on their websites. The BMF is also encouraging our members to write directly to their Borough Councillors to request specific details of the funding they have been allocated by central government and their plans and timeline for fixing potholes in their particular region. Additionally, where progress on repairs is not evident, we would encourage BMF Members to contact their local MP directly to demand urgent action so that the relevant Council delivers the necessary pothole repairs to ensure the continued safety of motorcyclists.

In the meantime, the general public can continue to report specific potholes in the UK via the www.gov.uk/report-pothole link by entering the relevant post code, or by using apps like <https://www.fixmystreet.com>, which will direct reports to the correct local authority for action.

Hackney Motorcycling Parking Charges

In what amounts to a major victory for the BMF, Save London Motorcycling (SLM) and for wider motorcycling, Hackney Council has been forced to significantly scale back its plans to introduce what would have amounted to extortionate parking charges for motorcyclists, following legal action launched by the BMF and Save London Motorcycling. This result represents a victory not only for motorcyclists but also for common sense and sends a strong message to other councils who may be thinking that they can supplement their income by unfairly targeting motorcycling.

Other Key Meetings Attended

Parliamentary Advisory Committee on Transport Safety (PACTS) Motorcycle Safety Group (Chaired by Anna Zee BMF)

The BMF has been holding a series of meetings with key motorcycling and road safety partners, including those involved in motorcyclist training, to gather views for a paper that will both inform the BMF's response to the current consultation on the Government's proposed reform of motorcycle training, testing and licensing and a separate report on motorcycling safety for PACTS.

PACTS Conference on the Government's Road Safety Strategy

Anna Zee and Craig Carey-Clinch (NMC) attended a conference in London on 24th February, which brought road safety organisations to consider the detail of the proposed Road Safety Strategy. The objective of the event was to generate agreed positions and draw up an overarching 'sector statement' on the Road Safety Strategy which will be prepared in the next few weeks.

Warwickshire Police & Crime Commissioner's (PCC) Event on Road Safety

Craig Carey-Clinch (NMC) and Paul Morgan CBE (BMF) attended a multi-sector Road Safety Strategy event organised by the office of the Warwickshire PCC designed to develop Safer Roads Warwickshire's response to the National Road Safety Strategy. Craig and Paul gave a joint presentation to a multi-agency audience on improving motorcycle safety as part of a "Safe System" approach.

Project Edward Symposium on Implementing the new National Road Safety Strategy at Local Authority level

BMF attended a web-based symposium hosted by Agilysis to examine specifically how the new Road Safety Strategy can be converted into funded, local delivery. The symposium was attended by a large range of senior leaders with responsibility for transport, community safety and public health, as well as road safety, highways and casualty reduction practitioners in local authorities, police, fire and rescue, health and NHS trauma networks.

Other News

National Young Rider Research Project

The National Young Rider Forum, of which the BMF is a key supporter and member, has launched the 'Young Riders Matter' report. It is the most comprehensive research project into young motorcyclists to date, commissioned to understand the attitudes, behaviours, needs and preferred methods of communication of young riders.

Please follow the attached link to access the report. <https://newriderhub.net/young-riders-matter/> Anna Zee anna.zee@bmf.co.uk
BMF Director of Political and Technical Services

Paul Morgan CBE paul.morgan@bmf.co.uk
BMF Government Relations Executive

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May 2026

Cornish Rally 8th, 9th & 10th May At Trethiggey Holiday Park, Quintrell Downs, Newquay TR8 4QR. Campsite is 01673 877672

Email:- Enquiries@trethiggy.co.uk

Marshal/Contact Email:- bob.reed946@btinternet.com

Tel:- **01326 572032**

May 2026

RALLY ZERO - REOC ITALIA May 16 and 17, 2026: Camping Village Punta Navaccia, Tuoro sul Trasimeno, (PG), ITALY

Registration fee/deposit: €50 per person, to be paid by bank transfer to the REOC Italia account or PayPal, specifying your preferred accommodation type: Tent 1 person, Tent 2 persons or mobile home.

DEADLINE: April 24 2026 (the date of the bank transfer or PayPal receipt will be taken into account). The deposit will cover the costs of the aperitif and social dinner on Saturday (additional drinks not included), live music, and the evening's activities. In case of cancellation received via email by May 1st we will be able to refund 60% of the fee/deposit.

Balance: The remaining amount will be calculated based on the type of accommodation chosen and must be paid by bank transfer or PayPal by April 30.

If you cancel your reservation by email by May 5th, you will receive a 50% refund.

Accommodation type and cost:

Mobile Home (unit with 1 bedroom with queen bed, 1 bedroom with bunk beds, dinette with sofa bed, kitchen, TV, terrace/veranda, AC, toilet, and bathroom with shower) - (maximum occupancy of 5, cost to be divided based on the number of occupants per mobile home) €90

Tent for 2 people + car or motorcycle €27

Tent for 1 person + car or motorcycle €24

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Additional costs will be applied upon check in in case of requesting bed linen and towels for mobile homes (€10 per person).

Such deposit fee and balance do not include any other item not clearly specified above (as an example: extra costs for drinks, breakfasts, lunches, other meals not specified above, all travel costs, fuel etc.

Deposit and balance payment details will be communicated by the first week of March

Provisional programme

DAY 1, SATURDAY MAY 16, 2026

7:45 AM Meet in Latina, Piazza del Popolo.

Route Talk and departure for Camping Village Punta Navaccia.

1:30 PM Arrival at the campsite, check-in.

2:00 PM Lunch (ON YOUR OWN, mobile home kitchens, campsite bar, lakeside bar, sandwiches, etc.)

3:00 PM Walk in the nature reserve and swim in the lake.

5:45 PM Motorcycle ride to Tuoro sul Trasimeno and aperitif in Piazza del Municipio.

8:30 PM Return to the campsite and catered dinner in the Auditorium.

Live music and fun activities (karaoke, singing, music, stand-up comedy)

DAY 2, SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2026

8:00 AM Wake up and breakfast (on your own)

9:00 AM Route Talk and departure to Castel Rigone: walking tour of the historic village.

12:00 PM Return to the campsite and check-out.

1:30 PM Stop for lunch in Castiglione del Lago, including a tour of the historic center.

3:00 PM Rally conclusion, family photo, and farewells.

For all our international friends we will be happy to help with any further logistic details and information needed for your motorcycle adventure in Italy.

We look forward to hearing from you via email at

Mauro "Jack Black" Social Secretary

Email:- royalenfieldownersclubpontinoinfo@reoc.it

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May 2026

2026 REOC Greek National Rally Friday, May 22nd-Monday, May 25th , 2026,

We are very pleased to announce yet another rally in Greece. Specifically, the 2026 REOC Greek National Rally will take place from Friday, May 22nd to Monday, May 25th in Gytheio, Mani. Next year will mark the fourth season, following three successful events with over 120 participants each.

All of you are very important to us, and this gathering of nations is truly something unique. This year, the rally will be held at Camping Gytheio Bay a high-standard campsite located by the sea, which also features a swimming pool (*see photo below*), restaurant, bar, coffee shop, mini market and many other facilities. For more information check here: <https://gythiocamping.gr/>

Next to the campsite, there are rented rooms at very competitive prices for those who prefer not to stay in tents. These are already reserved for rally participants.

Once again, the four-day event will be filled with activities, travel presentations, group meals, visits to archaeological sites, live music, show & shine, and much more. Registrations are already open for the rally.

For those of you who prefer not to travel by road, there is also a fly-ride option, with Royal Enfield Super Meteors 650 available for rent in Athens by the GStraveler rental company. More info here: <https://gstraveler.com/>

The wider Mani region is truly unique, and we highly recommend staying a few extra days if you wish to explore more of the Peloponnese.

It will be our great pleasure and honour to welcome you once again and to have you participate in this celebration of Royal Enfield owners from all around the world!

If you have any questions please email to reocgreece@gmail.com

Best Regards

Andreas Papadakis (MNS)



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2026 REOC Greek National Rally
Friday, May 22nd-Monday, May 25th , 2026, Gythio-Mani,23200
Greece Gythio Bay Camping
(<https://gythiocamping.gr/>).

Tents or rooms very reasonably priced next to the campsite by the sea! For information and bookings Event Contact: Andreas Papadakis Tel: +30 6974805700 Email:- reocgreece@gmail.com



May 2026



Scottish REOC Camping Weekend rally
22nd to 24th May 2026

Venue:- Ewes Water Caravan and Camping Park,
Langholm Rugby Club, Langholm, Dumfries and Galloway, Scotland, DG13 0HG Contact Alan @ Marion Email:- constellationthirsk@gmail.com

June 2026

Glorious Glevum Rally Date; Friday 5th to Sunday 7th June 2026 Location; Apple Orchard Campsite, Westbury-on-Severn. (Same location as last year) <https://appleorchardcampsite.co.uk/>

Please join us for a camping weekend at this excellent venue with camping, caravanning as well as deluxe camping pods available. Open fires and barbeques, bar on site with home pressed cider, fantastic food in their cafe and excellent amenities throughout. We are also hoping to join up with the Severn Bore Scooter rally which is a fairly large event happening the same weekend, nearby. Email:- reocglos@hotmail.com

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June 2026

Kent Branch "Otty Bottom" rally date Friday 12th to Sunday 14th June, Palace Farm Camp Site, Down Court Road, Doddington, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME9 0AU. Local Pub Friday eve, ride out on Saturday. Mick's Griddle grub incl. breakfasts all weekend. Early arrivals Thursday and stay on's possible let Graham know. For the farmyard accommodation rooms this year see www.doddingtonplacegardens.co.uk Please let the campsite know you are coming- Graham Cuthbert

Email:- graham@palacefarm.com, tel. 01795 886365, mobile. 07843 287704

June 2026

**Royal Enfield Owners Club Devon Branch
Weekend Social Event for REOC Members
Friday 12th to Sunday 14th June At the
Plume & Feathers, Princetown, Dartmoor,
Devon, PL20 6QQ**

Reduced rates for camping, campervans and bunkhouse accommodation (from £10pppn)
Live music and special offer on food for Friday and Saturday nights. To attend contact the pub to book accommodation tel. 01822 890240 Email:-info@plumedartmoor.co.uk then contact the REOC Devon branch to register that you have booked the accommodation and are coming to our event Please include your membership number. via Email reocdevonmembership@gmail.com .



June 2026

The Wiltshire Branch Moonraker rally is to be held on 26th to 29th June at Marlborough Town Football Club, Elcot Ln, Marlborough SN8 2BG
Tel, 01672 513340 Rally Contact
Email:- charlesnotton@gmail.com

A promotional poster for the 'Wiltshire Moonraker Rally'. The background is a vibrant green with a yellow silhouette of a person riding a bicycle. The text is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. At the top, it says 'Wiltshire Moonraker Rally'. Below that, '26-29 June 2026'. Then 'Marlborough Town Football Club'. At the bottom, it says '£10 per night - Barbecue Friday and Saturday' and 'Contact: moonrakerrally@outlook.com; Tel: 07909810512'.

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July 2026

The 2026 Yellow Belly will be held at the Rose and Crown, Holbeach Hurn, PE12 8JN on July 4th and 5th 2026. On Wednesday evening there will be a short ride to a local classic car and bike meet, On Thursday afternoon there will be a ride out to the Boston bike night. On Friday evening there will be a fish and chip run. On Saturday there will be a ride out with a visit and for those staying on, there will be a short ride on Sunday. It would be really helpful if you could notify me if you are going to attend Thanks in advance Carl Lemon Tel:- 07939 724080
Email:- winchester.taxi@btinternet.com

July 2026

Power's The Pot 10th to 12th July Harneys, Cross St, Boola, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary Ireland Camping and Caravan Park Please book directly with Powers the Pot Powers the Pot Email:- powersthepot1@outlook.com
Tel +353 860879855 Marshal/Contact John Nicholls
Email:- thatboyinkerry@hotmail.com

July 2026

The National Rally 17th 18th 19th July Stanford Hall, Leics. LE17 6DH

See advert page 21/22 for all the details

Have Your Say!

If you have a good idea for a proposal at your AGM,
please write to general secretary@royalenfield.org.uk.

This must be seconded by another member
(see your Information Pack, available online).

Your proposal must be received by June 30th.

July 2026

Royal Enfield Owners Club



National Rally 2026



- Camping
- Bar and Food
- Live Music
- Presentations
- Bike Raffle!
- Bike Show
- Test Rides
- Guided Ride Out

July 17th, 18th, 19th
Stanford Hall, Leics, LE17 6DH

https://www.royalenfield.org.uk/

£30 ticket price includes two night's camping plus admission to the VMCC Founder's Day event on the Sunday

Remember!

Please register with us via the website so that we know who is going to be attending:
<https://www.royalenfield.org.uk/2026-national-rally-registration/>

Pre-book your admission/camping directly with the Taverners, here:
<https://www.tickettailor.com/checkout/view-event/id/7402292/chk/acf0>
(link also available from the REOC registration page)

Bike Show Classes

Furthest ridden
Best Indian machine
Youngest bike and rider
Best Combo

Best Redditch machine
Oldest bike and rider
Best special
Chairman's choice





Bike Giveaways

REOC National Rally 2026
Stanford Hall

The club will be giving away **THREE brand new** motorcycles to lucky members through 2026 and 2027. Thanks to the generous bequest left to us in the estate of a late member.

The prize draw for the first bike will be drawn at the National Rally in July 2026, and the bike will be a Royal Enfield 350 Classic.

The second bike, in celebration of 125 years of Royal Enfield, will also be a Royal Enfield 350 Classic, to be drawn at the REOC AGM and Rally in September 2026

The draw for the third bike, to be decided, will be held in 2027 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the formation of the REOC.

ALL current members are eligible, and no purchase or registration is required, the draw being based on membership numbers.

August 2026

**South Wales Fuddles Rally 21—
23rd August The Glascoed Pub,
Monkwood, NP15 1QE (A472
between Usk and the A4042)**

There's Camping with various facilities:- level camping, showers, toilets, campervans/motorhomes welcome but sorry no caravans. However if camping isn't your thing, accommodation in Usk is recommended. There's a full Ride-Out Programme with Self-guided route suggestions available throughout the weekend. There's live entertainment Friday and Saturday in the pub function room. Entry with wristband (issued on arrival once payment is confirmed- prices below). Food and Drink is at an on-site breakfast wagon with Pub food available during opening times.

Pricing is as follows:- Camping (includes day and evening events.) Thursday: £12 Friday: £16 Saturday: £16

Day Tickets £12 pre-paid or £16 on the day (Wristband required for evening access) All bookings via Eventbrite. Just scan QR Code: Visit www.EventBrite.co.uk – search South Wales REOC

Please do not contact the pub directly



All Event Organisers please note

Dates and details of all club events must be authorised by Neil Davis, our new Social Secretary or they will not be published in The Gun or on our website. Contact Neil by email:-

socialsecretary@royalenfield.org.uk

or send him a message via "Contact Us" on the website

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**LANCASHIRE
RED ROSE RALLY**

**DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF
JOHN BARNARD**



**ORCABER
CAMPSITE
LA2 8AE**

**PHONE:
07800 624994
TO BOOK**

**WONDERFUL VIEWS
GREAT CAMPSITE
PIZZAS ON SITE
SCENIC RIDES**

When phoning, please tell them that you are with the Royal Enfield Red Rose Rally, and if possible email Steve, to give us an idea of numbers. Thanks! Information in the E-newsletter, the REOC Facebook and *The Gun*.
stephen.curvis@ntlworld.com

Information from the Campsite:

Tent/one person £14 per night,
Tent/one person with electric £24 per night,
Camper-van with electric and one person £24 per night.

These are all for grass pitches, if anyone wishes to go onto a hard standing pitch, the cost of this is £32 inclusive of 2 adults.
Additional occupants £6 per night.
Dogs £2 per night.

The standard pods which require all bedding/camping beds is £45 per night (minimum 2 nights)
The large camping pods which are kitted with 2 single beds and a double mattress floor bed (bedding still required) cost £65 per night.

Pods are inclusive of 2 adults.

If you have any other questions please do get in touch.

Club Calendar 2026 Official Rallies

September 2026

The AGM rally and camping weekend is 10th - 13th September

The South Wingfield Social Club. 43 High Rd, South Wingfield, Alfreton DE55 7LX Rally organiser Bob Murdoch **For more information see page 23** Email:- **re-**

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Telford Rally the weekend of the 19th - 20th of September.

Please do all bookings through our website

<https://fforestfields.campmanager.com/22376/>

Check-Availability/. and when asked please use the discount code RECLUB10 (all in caps!). There will be plenty of space but we are not reserving pitches in advance so if anyone leaves it too late it is possible that the pitches will have already been taken.

We shall put you in the big field, in your normal place, where there is a mixture of hard and grass pitches, with or without electric. If you book for a single person the discount is automatically deducted. Campsite Tel:-01982 570452/406

Full address is Forest Fields Hundred house Llandrindod Wells LD1 5RT Marshal/

Contact Barry Carson Tel:- 07739 473752

Email:- Barry.Carson@lyndexrecycling.com

October 2026

October Fest Rally 9th—11th Island Meadow Caravan and Camping Park, Aston

Cantlow, Henly in Arden, Warwickshire B95 6JP

<http://www.islandmeadowcaravan.co.uk>

Email:- holiday@islandmeadowcaravanpark.co.uk

Phone Katherine 01789 488273 with your eta. Agreed rally fees: 1 person tent £7 per night, 2 people tent £12 per night. Camper vans and caravans with power . 1 person £22 per van, 2 people £25 per van . Rally rates apply for early arrivals and those who stay over .MARSHAL-Michael Sliwowski Tel:-0773 0110158

Email:- poloenfield700@googlemail.com

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**Thursday September 10th – Sunday September
13th 2026**

**Royal Enfield Owners Club AGM and Camping
Weekend**



We are moving! This year's AGM will be held at The South Wingfield Social Club, 43 High Rd, South Wingfield, Alfreton DE55 7LX.

The club has a function room and several other bar areas, with reasonably priced beer etc. There is a camping field for tents and an area for camper vans. Camping is £5 per night per person, it is the same price for camper vans. For anyone who doesn't want to camp but wants to stay nearby, there are a lot of air BnBs, BnBs, etc. in the area including a Travelodge about 5 miles away. South Wingfield is on the edge of the Peak District and has fantastic roads and attractions nearby. Because of this we are inviting members to come up on the Thursday night or Friday morning. We will have a ride for Fish and Chips on Thursday evening to Matlock Bath and a longer ride out to a local place of interest on the Friday. The AGM will take place on Saturday from 10:30 followed by a lunch provided by the club for those who attend the AGM.

The social club does not normally serve food but will be putting breakfasts, a BBQ one evening, a pie and chip supper on the other evening and the post AGM meal. These will need to be booked in advance. If these are not to your taste, there are two pubs a short walk away which do food or numerous takeaways which deliver to the site.

The event will be organised by the Peak District Branch and in order to help us out we ask that you let us know in advance that you are intending to come and how many nights camping you require. There will be a form on the website, the Newsletter and in future issues of the Gun. Jak Lemon (MNS)

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Club Assets

As a committee member I have been tasked with trying to locate all the clubs assets that are not accounted for in order that they can be stored in a central location. I have been asked to contact you as a former Committee member or Club Officer and asking members to contact me or any other committee member if they have any or know of any Club assets, I can be contacted by Email:- barry.carson@lyndexrecycling.com or by WhatsApp on my mobile:- 07739 473752

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Promotional Leaflet

The club has had some quality promotional leaflets printed. The idea is that they will be sent to branches who can then distribute them at shows, to motorcycle friendly cafes, local dealers or to Enfield riders they meet.

There is a space for a sticker with local branch details. Please could local branch contacts email me with: How many copies you would like, what you would like printed on the sticker, what address you would like them sent to?

Thank you.

Jak Lemon reoc.pro@gmail.com



**The club for
enthusiasts of
Royal Enfield
Motorcycles old
and new**



New Branch coming soon—North Cambs Branch

I will hopefully be starting a **North Cambs branch around Easter time**. I will post details nearer the time on the clubs FB page. Initial meeting will be at the dealership (because there are bacon butties on a Saturday morning) until a venue is agreed.

10 % off clothing, accessories and labour and you can add helmets to that as well, as I just bought an RE helmet. (**Sycamore RE Peterborough**) not forgetting to show your REOC membership card. Regards,

Alasdair R McIntosh MA (Branch Coordinator) (MNS)

Email:- branchcoordinator@royalenfield.org.uk

YOUR CLUB



NEEDS YOU

REOC needs your involvement!

Club Merchandise/ Sales Officer.

Our comprehensive and efficient club 'shop' needs a new keeper to manage sales of clothing directly to the manufacturer and to post small items to members.

If you'd like to know more about the above vacancies, contact the above titles, or the Chairman via 'contact us' on the website – royalenfield.org.uk.

All club sales are suspended until the post is filled.



The All new 250cc
Crusader Sports
For 1959

Market place

For sale

For Sale 1973 Harley Davidson 1000cc Ironhead Sportster, fitted with 1974 engine in its former USA life. Runs well, owned and UK registered by me for 9 years. Too heavy for me now. Electric and kick start. £3750. Ivor Leach (MNS) Tel:- 07798601997. Warwickshire.



For Sale I have a brand new 400 x 18 Avon Mk 11 Road rider rear tyre. It has never been used. They are £123 to buy. I would like £65 for this one . Either buyer collects or pays the postage. Stephen Lucker (MNS) Tel:- 07887820105

For Sale 1952 Royal Enfield G2 Bullet in mostly original unrestored condition with original Scottish registration. 12V electrics / regulator. All original parts kept. Running with oil leak! Can deliver. £3,000 ONO Dave Thorpe (MNS) Tel: 07789 180542 Email:- ramblingbiker@yahoo.com



For Sale 1963, 350 New Bullet, recent restoration. 2020, Interceptor Chrome 650, sensible modifications, original parts included. 2021, 500 Classic Chrome, last batch in country, bog standard. 2022, Classic 350, speedo replaced. Sensible offers considered. Leonard Nelson (MNS) , Tel:- 07397 172447

For Sale 1960 Triumph Trophy 650cc currently on SORN starts easily. £3500. Chris Brady (07170) tel-01280 848491 or 07778-330108

Market Place

For Sale

For Sale 2021 Meteor 350 complete with screen and pillion seat and pannier frame 4400 miles. £2950. Also four year old RoRo (Roll on Roll off) bike trailer built by professional and registered manufacturer £950 and complete with fitted lights John P John Hamer (MNS) Email:- hamer89@btinternet.com

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For Sale Royal Enfield Bullet Thunderbird 2015 with 500cc twin spark engine. Metallic blue. Excellent condition. Approx 9k kilometres. Screen. Mot. Currently Sorned. £2500. ono. Email images if required. Geoff Barfoot (MNS)
Tel 07860 665998 Email:- bearsrest@btinternet.com

For Sale Crusader parts. crankcases, 2 heads, 3 barrels 3 outer covers, 2 cranks, 2 conrods, rocker cover, clutch parts, gearbox parts and loads of other parts. £150 ono phone 01562637905. Stephen Stott, (MNS) Kidderminster.
Tel:-. 01562637905 Email:-stevestott@blueyonder.co.uk

For Sale Immaculate low miles Royal Enfield Meteor reg. 2022. £2800. Carefully ridden and maintained. Please send email for details and photos. John Bowditch (MNS) Ivybridge Tel:- 078660 77030 Email jb164@me.com

For Sale 1957 Crusader, sports engine, Earls forks, 7.5inch brake, like the Olympic registered a year before RE made one, rides well, red and black paint. £1950 Philip Whitney (MNS) Surrey, Tel:- 01483 422289,
Email:- pwhitney1608@gmail.com.

For Sale 1969 RE Interceptor Series 2. Ex-Hitchcock's. Very well sorted bike with many mods & upgrades. Nova 5-speed gearbox, t/s o/s mod., TLS f/b, oil-cooler, Ferret rewire, et al. Owned since 2018 Sale price £11,000. Location: West London. Dave Baron (MNS)Tel:- 07 803 045 419

For Sale 1964 250cc Crusader 95%. Sadly my friend died before it was finished Everything is there plus spares in lots of cases. I have photos to show his progress done, docs and sundry paperwork is present. A fair price is asked for my old friend's machine and would like to think it's going to someone who will cherish it. If you feel inclined we could chat on Tel:-07877 053029. Chris Hall Lincs.

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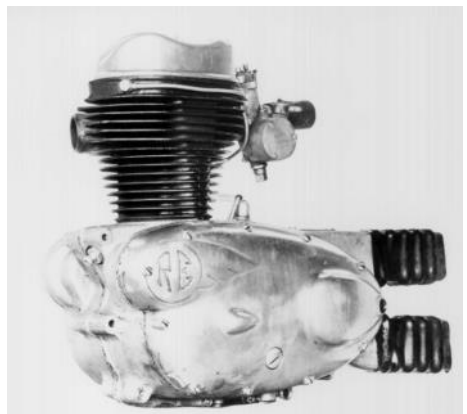
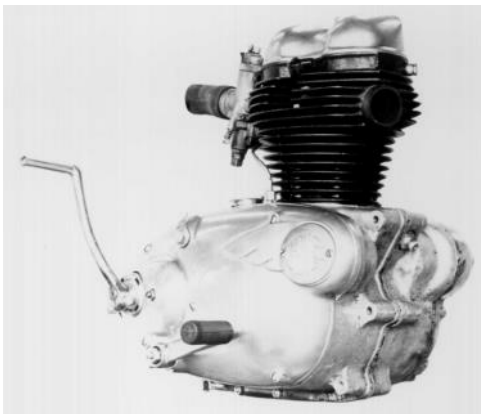
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Advertisements

These are free to all paid up (non trade) R.E.O.C. members. These adverts should be limited to 30 words or less. Send adverts directly to the Editor, quoting your full name, membership number, county or town, telephone number, email address. Non-members £5.

Trade advertisements rates as follows per issue .

—full page £120, 1/2 page £60.



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The REOC Archive

The club Archive has thousands of original documents, many from the earliest years, including:

- sales brochures
- parts books and handbooks
- workshop manuals
- factory photographs
- engineering documents
- Articles and road tests.

Some are available on our Website, but most can be provided in digital copy upon request, from which your hard copy prints can be made.

Donations of new material are always very welcome.

Contact: archivist@royalenfield.org.uk



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