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Meeting Notice

Next meeting is at Woodhaven Community Club, 7.30 PM
Meeting date: OCTOBER 26, 1999
Next month: NOVEMBER 30, 1999

President's Note

I missed the last meeting,
Jim H

Editors Note

A quiet meeting last month, and a quiet month.

Fall is upon us and I have to forego the fun of riding in the crisp air as Alan took the plate off his bike.

No particular things to whine about, and no significant developments.

As of the last meeting, Lorne Hallson is no longer the person to open the club. We have to contact another club exec, and I will find out who to phone.

I went to the WHRA swap meet, lots of people, not much Brit stuff, but lots of HD parts. Too bad our swap meets never had that much stuff show up. I did buy an air filter element for the 500 Twin.

Here it is -- puzzle of the month

I put a smaller main jet in the 500 twin (25% smaller) and it seems to run OK, but still has a problem with one spark plug - It runs on one cylinder till you take the plug wire off the dead plug and hold the wire about 5mm away from the plug, --- then the plug starts to fire and we have a two cylinder engine --- as long as you maintain the air gap -- touch the HT lead to the plug and it goes dead --- verrrry curious -- Next step is to remove the mag and check for an internal problem (I think) Unless anyone can suggest another solution.
Ed the ed

Upcoming Events

December Pizza (or other entertainment) Night

Normally held in early December, in lieu of a regular meeting. Last year this was at the Boston Pizza on Portage near Moray.]

Suggestions on venue and date would be welcomed - Repeat of last year if no other ideas.

MAAC Report

I was not at the MAAC meeting in late September due to the flu, and missed the Antique Car Club meeting (would have heard about the MAAC meeting) so do not have any news.

I also missed the Toy Run at Kildonan Place - It was a miserable day!

WANTED AND NOT

Clearing out surplus Ariel parts collected over the years - Ed Pauch 204-832-0255

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Carburetor " Sinking "

On a recent sunny fall Sunday Ted Hector invited me to come on a ride to Roseisle. We had a good ride out there and back except for some odd trouble with my R 90. We had just pulled into Graysville when I noticed my left foot was soaking wet and the engine was running roughly. The float had sunk in the left carburetor. How to fix it?

Ted spotted a couple of thick twigs on the ground and proceeded to install these in the composition float. He did this by boring holes in the float with his Leatherman Tool. He then pressed the twigs into the holes, and filed the ends of them flush. The float became so buoyant the tab had to be bent so as to let fuel into the bowl!

The bike had been flooding off and on lately. I had been joking that it was its way of playing a trick on me as it would stop and I couldn't see a cause.

I have since replaced the float and have quit using gasohol in the BMW in case it was the alcohol that damaged the float.

My thanks to Ted for " twigging " on to a solution to get the bike home.

(My sock and boot are still airing out.)

Jim Harrison

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