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From The Words of Chairman Mao... errr...sorry, Chairman Ken:

To all our members in poor health our thoughts are with you.
With the passing of Titch Allen in England the Vintage motorcycle movement has lost one of its founder members and a driving force in the Vintage Motor Cycle Club.

Thanks to all who supported our Century Run, so ably organised by Alan Young and Doug Cruckshank. The ride around Hesketh bought back lots of memories.

Also the Tiddlers Run under the control of Mike Matthews. The line up of tiddlers at the main meeting was well supported with Raymond Meyers Honda Benly voted as No1. Unfortunately the weather did not play ball on our swopmeet/social but those who attended enjoyed themselves.

By the time this comes out our rally will be a thing of the past. Many thanks to Richard and his team for all the hard work that goes into such an event and Good Luck to those Club members taking part. Members are asked to support the Show and help especially manning the Gate. A date to remember is the Christmas Party on Sunday 21st November. The cost is R40 per child. Contact Sue Wellbeloved on 082-4855-485.

See you at *OUR* club.
Ken.

Announcements:

Club House #01: Weed-eating volunteers are required to help clean up the concrete parking blocks.

Club House #02: The Lions Club will henceforth be doing the catering during our monthly meetings.

Monthly Meetings: For those who really can't wait for two o'clock to arrive, take note that the club house is open on Saturdays from half past twelve onwards.

Bike Raffle: The raffle at this years' Classic Motorcycle Show is a 1983 Kawasaki KZ550. Raffle tickets are already on sale for R100-00 each – speak to Barbara Sink. The draw will take place at the Show (25th July 2010).

New Members

Introduced 3 April:

- Vincent Kinnear
- Chanu Chetty
- Paul Ward
- Andrew Spark
- Smithy Smith

Voted for on 3 April 2010

- Gary Cameron

News from SAVVA: The South African Veteran & Vintage Association is currently involved in discussions with the National Ministry of Transport regarding the registration and licencing of classic vehicles.

Directory of Services

We will be publishing a list of persons and business offering services to the classic bike community. These will not be paid adverts; they should rather be regarded as announcements.

HighTech Autospray for excellent (concourse-winning) paintjobs. Speak to Paul Roux; he is a biker and understands your needs. Tel: (031) 701-8728. They are located in Devon Road, Pinetown.

Events: past

Monthly Meeting: 1st May 2010.

Bikes on Show: Tiddlers, with the Honda Benly belonging to Raymond Myers being the winner.

Cars in the Park: This show was held in Pietermaritzburg on 16th May 2010.

Plums in May: This was held at the club house on 16th May 2010. Unfortunately the inclement weather kept many visitors away.

Sandstone Estates: Dave Stone arranged an overnight trip to the Sandstone Estates 'Place of Old Machinery' in the Eastern Freestate for the 3rd May 2010. An account of this run is sure to be in the next newsletter.

The CMC-N Classic Rally: This rally was held on the weekend of the 29th May 2010. Results will be published in the next Shoptorque.

2010 CENTURY RUN:

On Saturday 17th April, at about 2.00 p.m., 51 entrants along with 4 pillion and 1 sidecar passenger were led off from the VSCC clubhouse by a Metro Police car.

The route followed the old Alexandra Park circuit but unfortunately there were far too many robots and speed humps as well as traffic, which broke up the field over the two laps of the circuit. Nevertheless, entrants were able to experience what was a very fast and demanding circuit. As a matter of interest, very little has changed since the racing days. Obviously, there were no speed humps and few, if any robots. The houses, schools etc. were all extant and residents were happy to co-operate over the two days of the event.

From Alexandra we made our way to the Roy Hesketh circuit and everyone just reveled in the opportunity to zip around the track, particularly those members who raced on the track before it was lost to enthusiasts countrywide. The circuit has been reduced in length but what remains was enough to put a smile on everyone's face.

We then returned to the VSCC where yarns were swapped around braai fires and the guys who raced on the circuit in its heyday could not remove the smiles from their dials!

Thanks to Doug Cruickshank who organized the Metro Police escort and the use of Roy Hesketh, and to the committee and members of the VSCC for use of their club facilities.

A repeat of Hesketh is on the cards for the not-too-distant future.



A Venterdorp Harley-Davidson...

2010 KZN "Century Run" Results.

Name	Bike	Comb. Age	Club	Cat.
Stuart Anderson	'09 Humber	170	CMCN	G
Gerry Ogilvie	'26 Zenith 300	158	CMCN	G
Dudley Schafer	'31 AJS 350 sv	153	CMCN	G
Rod Thomas	'28 OK Supreme	152	CMCN	G
Ken Sink	'29 BSA Sloper	149	CMCN	S
Mike Mathews	'27 Zenith 350 sv	148	CMCN	S
Hans Coertse	'11 Humber	148	CMCN	S
Doug Cruikshank	'34 Triumph P1	144	CMCN	S
Steve Moffat	'32 Velocette GTP	144	CMCN	S
Gary Brown	'36 Sunbeam 500cc	141	CMCN	S
Ron Bosman	'35 Francis Barnett Cruiser	139	VSCC	S
Paul Hawkins	'28 Norton sv	136	None	S
Andrew Hauptfleisch	'42 Harley D + Sidecar	134	VSCC/CMCN	S
Graham Isacks	'44 BSA WM20	131	CMCN	S
Terry Chesterton	'35 BSA B35-2	130	CMCN	S
Ron Richmond	'46 Velocette 350 Special	127	VSCC/CMCN	S
Rob Thompson	'36 Royal Enfield	127	VSCC/CMCN	S
Martin Watson	'57 Triumph 5T	124	VSCC	B
Colin Tromp	'62 BSA Golden Flash	122	VSCC	B
Toosie Hudson	'55 Norton Dominator	122	CMCN	B
Dave Harris	'54 Velocette MSS 500	121	CMCN	B
Ray Nell	'59 BSA Super Rocket	121	CMCN	B
Ivor Carlson	'56 BSA B31	121	VSCC	B
Geoff Isacks	'55 BSA Gold Star 350	120	CMCN	B
Tom McCullouh	'55 BSA A10 Gold Flash	120	CMCN	B
Raymond Meyer	'53 BMW R51/3	119	CMCN	B
Samantha Anderson	'29 AJS 350cc	118	VSCC	B
Ryan Pearce	'29 BSA/JAP 350 ohv	116	CMCN	B
Edwin White	'29 BSA Blue Star	116	CMCN	B
Graham Cain	'69 Triumph Tiger	114	CMCN	B
Doug MacIntosh	'60 BMW R60	113	None	B
Dave Collins	'80 Suzuki GS 450	112	CMCN	B
Meryl Ridgway	'60 Triumph Cub	108	VSCC	B
Bianca Weir	'34 Coventry Eagle	110	CMCN	B
Gavin Richmond	'62 BMW R50/2	106	VSCC	B
Allister Roberts	'78 BMW R100RS	105	None	B
Rod McGarry	'79 Honda 400T	105	VSCC/CMCN	B
Mike Smith	'70 BSA Royal Star	104	CMCN	B
Aubrey Cilliers	'76 Honda Goldwing	101	CMCN	B
Con Engelbrecht	'77 Kawasaki Z650	100	CMCN	B
Jason Anderson	'52 Harley Panhead	98	VSCC	DNQ
Reg Venter	'84 Moto Guzzi LeMans	93	CMCN	DNQ
Hank Raatgever	'80 Moto Guzzi SP1000	93	CMCN	DNQ
John Grobbelaar	'83 Honda Goldwing	92	CMCN	DNQ
Richard Sawkins	'70 BMW R60/5	92	CMCN	DNQ
Adrian Moore	2008 Kawasaki KLR650	67	VSCC	DNQ
Philip Griffiths	2007 Royal Enfield 350	59	CMCN	DNQ
Richard Pratt	'98 Honda CD 200	57	None	DNQ
Tony Tweddle	2007 HD Sportster 1200	56	None	DNQ
Greg McCloy	'82 HD Lowrider	47	None	DNQ

ERRATUM:

The following table was missing from Toosie Hudson's article in the March 2010 Shoptorque:

Members Choice (of most significant motorbikes):

Gerald Alexander: AJS 7R; Velo KTT; Manx Norton; NSU 250 Sportmax; Matchless G50; BSA Gold Star; Honda 50 Road Racer; Yamaha R1; BMW Rennmax /Sidecar Racer; Moto Guzzi 500cc 4 Cyl Racer.

Nobby Clark: 1966 Honda RC166 250cc 6-cyl; 1966 Honda 50cc Twin RC114; 1953 Norton Manx 500cc Single; 1963 Morini Racer 250cc Single; 1957 Guzzi V8 500cc Racer; 1979 Yamaha 750cc OW31 Racer; 1953 NSU 250cc Twin Racer; 1954 AJS 350cc Racer E-95; Vincent-HRD 1000cc Black Lighting Racer; 1963 Yamaha 250cc Racer RD56 .

Don Bristol: Kawasaki 1000cc 4-cyl 2-stroker; Kriedler 50cc watercooled Racer; Honda NS400R; Suzuki RG 400/4; Honda CB 400F Super Sport; Yamaha R2 500cc; 1990 Yamaha TZ250A Racer; Kawasaki 500 Mach 3; Kawasaki 750 Triple.

Dave Harris: Matchless G50; Velocette Venom; Honda CB750 Four; Norton Atlas; Yamaha R3 350cc; Yamaha AS1 125cc; BSA B34 Gold Star; MV Augusta 4-cyl Racer; Manx Norton 500cc; Velocette KTT.

Brian Hinks: Matchless G45; AJS 7R; BSA Gold Star; Velocette; Vincent; Yamaha XS1100; Harley Fat Boy; Honda CB750 Four; New Triumph Thruxton; Itom Super Sport 50cc.

Toosie Hudson: Honda 250cc 6-cyl Racer; Honda 125 5-cyl Racer; Honda CBX 1000cc 6-cyl; Moto Guzzi V8 500cc; Norton 500cc Manx; Norton Isle of Man winner 1907; Suzuki Katana 750cc; BSA Gold Star 500cc; AJS 7R.

Ray Nell: Velocette KTT 1938; AJS 7R 1959; Manx Norton 500cc; Matchless G50; BSA Gold Star 500cc; Vincent Black Shadow 1000cc; Gilera 500cc 4-cyl; Moto Guzzi V8 500cc; Honda 250cc 6-cyl.

Gerry Ogilvie: Velocette; Manx Norton; Vespa scooter; BMW Boxer Twin; Vincent HRD; Harley V-Twin; Ducati 916; Honda CB750 Four; Honda C50; Yamaha DT1.

Alan Young: Velo KTT Mk. VIII; AJS 7R; Matchless G50; Norton Manx M30; Honda 297 6-cyl; Moto Guzzi V8 500cc; BSA Gold Star DBD 34; Yamaha SRX 600; Matchless G45; Matchless G80.

Ken Sink: Honda 50cc; BMW R50 & R60; BSA Gold Star 500cc; AJS 7R;. Triumph Bonneville;. Honda CB750 Four; Honda 250cc 6-Cyl Racer; Honda CBX 1000cc 6-Cyl; Harley V-Twin; Vincent HRD.

Events: future

Himeville Run: Club member Rob Mc Murray has invited the club to visit him in Himeville. This could either be in the form of a day-jol with lunch at the Himeville Arms, or an overnigher, the Himeville Arms being the place to stay. Date to be decided & confirmed.

Our Club's Classic Motorcycle Show: 24 & 25st July 2010. Helpers are needed – and so are exhibitors!

Bike of the month: The competition for 'Bike of the Month' at next months' monthly meeting (5th June 2010) will be for The ShowBike Trophy (bikes from 1937 to 1990).

Bike of the Month Competitions

January:	Best of British (won by Wayne Bagley)
February:	Golden Years Trophy (DJ Rally bikes) (Won by Doug Cruikshank)
March:	Day of the Rising Sun (Classic Oriental Bikes)
April:	Best BMW (Dave Turnbull Memorial Trophy, won by Raymond Meyer)
May:	"Tiddlers" (Up to 250cc) – won by Raymond Meyer's Honda Benly
June:	Showbike Trophy (1937 to 20 years minimum age).
July:	Concourse Competition (Any classic bike, 1989 or older. Winner chosen by panel of judges)
August:	Best Post-Classic (At least 10 years old but not older than 19 years).
September :	Best Sidecar Award (Must be classic, i.e. 1989 or older).
October:	Best Matchless/AJS/Norton
November:	Best Classic Racer
December:	Moderns, incl. scooters. Any make, any size. 2000 to 2010 and a separate category for Harleys, any age.

Technical Stuff And Other Snippets

SAVVA Technical Tip no 36 – Replacement head light bulbs.

Some months ago it was suggested the replacing of 12 volt 60/40 headlight bulbs with 100/90 ones. Many of us went this way with excellent results. Unfortunately, the motoring lawmakers have deemed these bulbs illegal as they are above the prescribed wattage that may be used for headlights. They have therefore become rather difficult to obtain. If you are happy to continue to "break the law" may I suggest you buy a couple of spares whilst there are still some available.

I cannot understand why they have deemed these bulbs illegal when modern car lighting is the pits. I cannot see how some modern cars get through a C.O.R. I'm sure you've experienced a modern car approaching you and blinding you even when they are on "dip" mode.

There is however a legal replacement for 60/40's on the market. It is a bulb manufactured by the German company Osram. Osram are world leaders in the field of specialized lighting and the quality cannot be disputed. The price is a fair amount more than standard bulbs at about R125.00 a pair. They are called Bilux H4 60/40 Night Breakers. Their claim to fame is that they offer 90% more light than normal 60/40 bulbs, are 10% whiter and have 35 meters more road illumination.

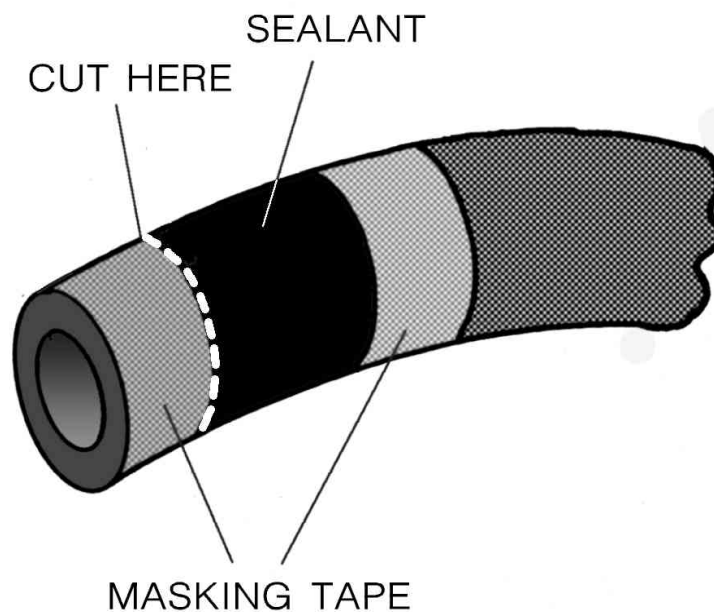
I fitted a pair to a 1960 Bentley to compare with the 100/90's currently fitted and the result was very evident. It made the 110/90's look yellowish in comparison. They do in fact give a very white light and better road illumination.

You may have to use a bit of ingenuity as how to mount them as the base is slightly smaller than the standard Lucas fitting. I was lucky as the spring wire holders/clips were still able to hold the Bilux's in place, in fact, they left a small gap which should help with cooling.

SAVVA Technical Tip no 35 – No-Fray braided Fuel Hoses

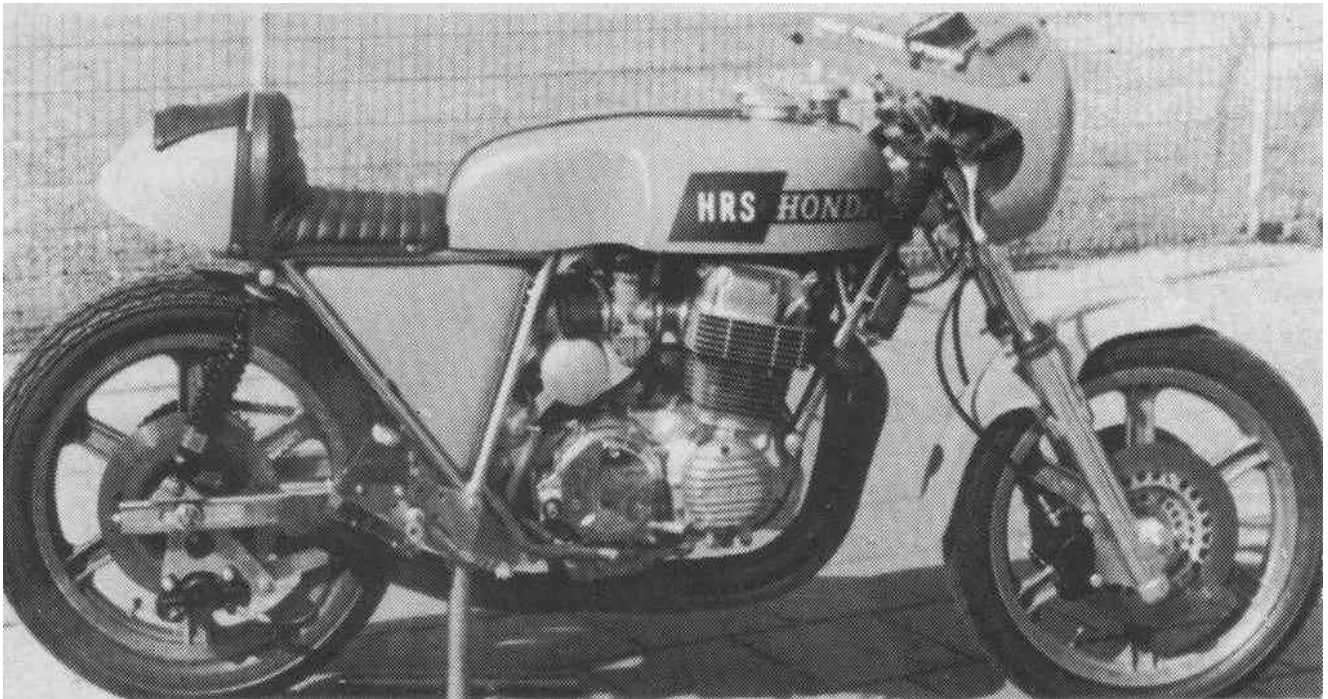
Do the fuel hose ends on your old bike look like the cat's been sharpening its claws on the braiding, resulting in an untidy mess of frayed fabric around the rubber tube? EFCC Member Ray Webber from Pinelands has come up with a practical solution, which is not only economical but looks good enough for a show bike. Illustration by Leo Kritzinger of Brackenfell

1. Wind some masking tape around one end of the braided fuel hose; then, leaving a gap about twice the width of a hose clamp, wind some more tape around the hose (see illustration).
 2. Leave a gap sufficient to cover the length of the fuel hose that you require; then wind two more rings of tape around the other end of the hose, again leaving an adequate clamping gap between the two rings.
 3. Using black automotive silicone sealant or windscreen sealant, and a suitably sized brush, work the sealant well into the braiding gap between the two rings of masking tape at both ends of the hose, so that the whole gap is covered. Leave overnight or as long as required to cure thoroughly.
 4. Using a sharp hobby knife, cut off both ends of the hose where the outer ring of masking tape meets the sealant (see illustration). Finally, remove the masking tape.
- You now have a fuel hose that will not fray and the sealed braiding actually provides better heat insulation, preventing air from entering the fuel line.

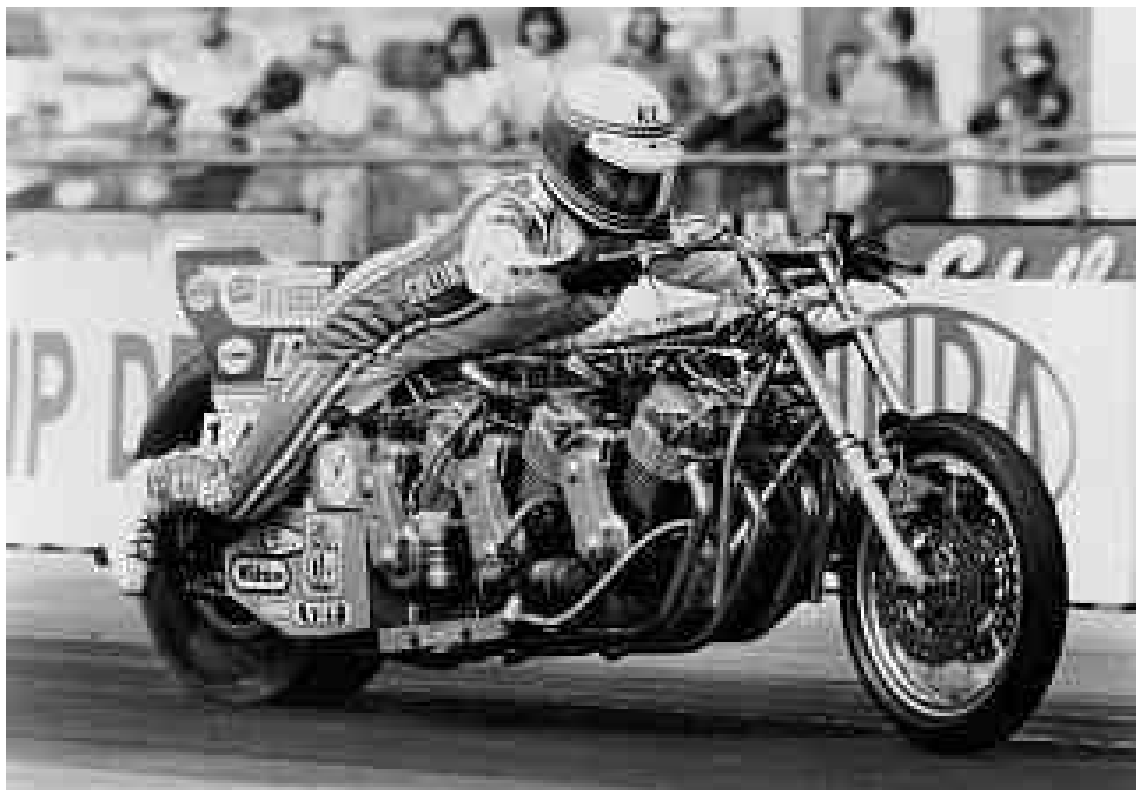


From the editor:

I cut my motorcycling teeth (and my skin!) on a single-cam Honda CB750 Four, (which I still have), so here are some photos from my collection



An Egli-framed Honda CB750 Four (early-seventies)



Russ Collins launches his tripple-engined "Aitcheson-Topeka & Sante Fe" dragster.



A close-up of Dick Mann's 1971 Daytona-winning Honda CR 750, showing the slimmed-down race-only alternator.



All that mattered in about 1970...

Smalls (will appear for no more than two months, unless otherwise arranged)

For Sale 1: Indian Royal Enfield. Low Milage One Owner.

For Sale 2: First of the 4-stroke 4-Cyl Suzuki.

Contact: Ben Vandenberg (021) 7122-661.

Wanted: Spares for Honda Super Sport 400. Contact: Clive Ribbink.

Wanted: Honda 150 cc +- 1967/68 and/or Yamaha 305 cc +- 1967/68

Contact Frikkie Coertse on 082-653-9831

For Sale or Swop: 1941 +741B Indian Frame, forks, seat, front & rear mudguards.

Wanted: For 1921 Indian Powerplus: Forks, Rear Barrel and any other parts - rusty or not.

Contact: Mike Burden: 071-605-1714.

For Sale: I have a 1983 Motto Guzzi V50 for sale. She runs really well & I unfortunately don't have the time to really enjoy her.



Contact Hugo on cell 072-725-1979 OR email: hugo.langerman@gmail.com

For Sale: 2007 Ducati Monster 695 (Red) with 2,680 kms – AS NEW. The bike is in immaculate (showroom) condition & comes with full service history. It is fantastic to ride & can be viewed at the Ducati showroom at the Cape Town Waterfront. Price: R65 000 ono.

Contact Richard Mudie on: 083 899 560 or Gavin Pieterse on 021 – 421-5877

For Sale: Motobecane motorised bicycle in running order with spare tyres.

Contact: Moritz Cloete on (031) 903-4288 or 082-552-9597

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