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### Classic Motorcycle Club of Natal

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### Announcements:

#### *Club Trailer:*

The Club trailer is stored at the home of Theo Alberda. If anybody requires it, please collect it from him. Telephone numbers: (031) 262-9953 or 076-051-6323

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*We have some new members:*

- Winston De Kock with a BSA and a Matchless
- Dave Draper with a Matchless being restored
- Deena Naidoo with a Kawasaki 550 and Triumph Street Triple
- Samantha Anderson, with two Matchlesses, an AJS and a BSA

Please make them feel at home!

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### *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.

**G&M Automotive Engineering cc**, 234 Bluff Road, Jacobs, Tel (031) 467-0733  
Specialists in Cylinder Heads, Reboring, Conrods, Crankshafts, Compressors, Marine and General Engineering. Speak to Greg or Maurice

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### Events: Past

Club Meeting: March 2011

March 100-Club

1st: No 84 - Dave Draper

2nd: No 23 - Gary Brown

3rd: No 61 - Frans Vera

The Day of Rising Sun was won by Don Bristol's Yamaha RD 350

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Club Meeting: April 2011

April's 100-Club:

1st: No 57 - Edwin White

2nd: No 61 - Frans Vera

3rd: No 7 - Tom Warren

Lizzies Raffle was won by Kenny Groenewald, and the BMW show bike was won by Raymond Meyer's BMW R60.

This was the line-up at BMW showbike competition:



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## Events: Future

Event	Date	Other
January 2011 Club Meeting	Saturday, 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2011	Clubhouse
January Club Breakfast Run	Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2011	To be confirmed
2011 D-J Commemorative Run	11 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2011	Durban to Johannesburg
Natal Classic Rally	19 <sup>th</sup> to 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2011	near Midmar Dam

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## *Bike of the Month Competitions*

January:	Best of British:
February:	Golden Years Trophy:
March:	Day of the Rising Sun:
April:	Best BMW:
May:	Best Tiddlers:
June:	Showbike Trophy:
July:	Concourse Competition:
August:	Best Post-Classic:
September:	Best Sidecar:
October:	Best Matchless/AJS/Norton:
November:	Best Classic Racer:
December:	Moderns: any make, any size, 2000 to 2010. Also a separate competition for Harleys, any age

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## Technical Stuff And Other Snippets

### SAVVA Technical Tip no 49 – Flasher Units

Over the last few weeks I noticed more and more motorists giving me “the finger”. At first I thought they were just being friendly then I realized that there was something amiss. The fingers were more prevalent when I made a right turn. Then one day, a very irate chap came past me pointing to the front of my car.

I knew it couldn't be indicator problems because as all of us well-informed D.I.Y. types know that if an indicator (flasher) bulb burns out the other bulb on that side of the car will flash at twice the speed warning us of a pending problem.

However, one day coming home at night, I parked in front of my garage door and checked the reflection of my indicators against the door – guess what? The right hand one wasn't working – hence the finger exercises from irate motorists when I unexpectedly turned right – bless them! I put my thinking cap on and then the penny (cent) dropped. I had replaced the flasher unit about a year or so ago with one of these modern electronic ones which, unlike the older types, don't use a "hot wire" in series with the bulbs to operate. The modern ones use an electronic timing device so the current draw of the bulbs is immaterial. Therefore if a bulb goes awol there will be no warning.

There is however an "upside" to these electronic units - they can be used in combination with diode type (LED'S) bulbs where as the old type flasher units cannot. It's only a case of time when the current "filament" bulbs we are currently using will be replaced by LED's. You may have noticed more and more modern cars are using them. Incidentally they are currently available at about R50.00 each. They are as bright as 20 watt bulbs but draw virtually no current and don't generate any noticeable heat. If you fit an electronic flasher unit I suggest you fit LED's in place of the current bulbs at the same time. The combination will be/should be trouble free for years.

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**Smalls** (*will appear for no more than two months, but may be resubmitted*)

*For Sale:*

A. Honda CB750K, ±1976. Still original and still has the 4-into-4 exhaust and side-covers etc. It's licensed but needs the fuel tank to be lined and a new battery. The asking price is R20 000.

B. Sprite Storm caravan; 3-berth, with full tent, rally tent, cover, and a trapezium tow-hitch. Going for R25 000.

These three articles are located in Johannesburg. Interested? Call Kevin on 083-256-5820.

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*For Sale:*

Smiths Chronometric rev counter: it reads to 8000 rpm; it has "RC83" printed on the front and the needle is missing. The asking price is R500-00.

Contact Chris James on 031 564 5611 or email him at [flatearthspares@worldonline.co.za](mailto:flatearthspares@worldonline.co.za)

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*Wanted:*

Ed & Kevin **need spares** donated for the Club's Spares Container. You can bring them any bike spares, old, new, whatever, and let them decide if it is useable.

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*For Sale:*

1997 Harley-Davidson Road King in excellent condition.

Lots of stainless steel parts incl. exhaust. Also adjustable windscreen, panniers, backrests, new tyres, big-bore pistons and many more accessories. Over 100 000 kilometres and still running strong in daily use.

For more information and to make an offer, (open to negotiation), phone Frank on 0832 777 069.

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*Wanted*

I am looking to buy a Honda CB750 1969 to 1975 either in good condition or to restore.

Regards Morris Clifton - - - Cell 082-446-5454

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*Wanted.*

1. Oil Pump Feeders and a Gear Lever for a 1932 ROYAL ENFIELD 350;

- 2a. Front Fender/Mudguard,
- 2b. a Grille Plate (below the headlight)
- 2c. a Badge

All this to fit a 1960's HONDA C110 or C200.

Contact Thinus on 083-293-5495 or (027) 218-1076

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*For Sale.*

1967 MGB (car) tourer in good condition. Present owner has owned the car for more than forty years. It is British racing green. The car underwent a complete rebuild in 1982 and has only covered 6000 Km since then. The cylinder head has been converted for unleaded fuel use. There are several spares and a set of workshop manuals that come with the car. The car was imported from the Netherlands and registered in SA in 1976. It is therefore a left-hand drive vehicle but as it is already registered in South Africa transfer of ownership to the new owners' name will not be a problem. The asking price R55 000.

Email Koos at [jverbeek@iafrica.com](mailto:jverbeek@iafrica.com) , or phone him on (031) 708-1071 or cell 071-6047-518

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*For Sale:*

1983 Suzuki GSX 1100.

The engine needs assembly and installing in the frame. There are many new parts included in the deal, and all other parts are labelled, ready and waiting to be assembled. Also included is a set of Koni rear shocks, a new aftermarket swinging arm, a Boyer Bransden electronic ignition unit. Many chassis parts have already been either powder coated, plated or repainted.

It is currently registered and the licence is up to date. Also included is a complete spare 750 GSX motor, head and carbs and all its bits & pieces.

Interested in this little winter project? Phone Don Macleod on (031) 764-6797 or 084-644-4313 (*I understand workshop manuals etc. are also included – Ed*)

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*For sale:*

A. 1982 Yamaha XT 250, maroon, 51157 Km, Good condition, R15 000-00. Same owner 27 years. [New model R39 500-00]

B. 2007 Honda Bushlander, Red, 9097 Km, One owner, Immaculate condition, R20 000-00. [New model R36 000-00]

Both bikes can be viewed at Cyclecraft, see Eben or phone on (031) 337-1716 or contact the owner, Adrian on (031) 4664-266 or 0844-664-260

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*Wanted:*

A Triumph Bonneville, preferably a 1964 model, condition to be commensurate with price. Please contact Blackie on 082-444-8849

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*For Sale:*

A. 1962 Matchless G80S 500 cc - 750 miles since completely restored, stainless rims, spokes, nuts & bolts; R300 00-00 or nearest reasonable offer. Owner moving to retirement village. Buyer to collect in Hillcrest, Kwa-Zulu Natal.

B. Restoration project abandoned; 1972 BSA A65L Lightning, OIF, with new pistons/rings, shells, bearings. All parts boxed and marked; only mudguards missing. Bore and journals unworn and standard dimensions. R12000-00 or nearest reasonable offer. Owner moving to retirement village.

Phone Gary 082-885-1217, or (031)7655-463, or email: [gary@reabow.com](mailto:gary@reabow.com)

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*Wanted:*

Wayne Bagley is looking for a handle-bar mounted choke lever for a vintage/classic bike- his AJS, the Amal type.

If you can help, contact Wayne on (031) 263-0034

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*For Sale:*

1946 AJS 500 Single

Licensed in Kimberley, Northern Cape. License has expired as I have been out of country. Last on the road so to speak was 2006. Can be sorted out a.s.a.p. if interested buyer though. I can also deliver the bike in JHB if someone requires this.

Interested? Phone Vince on 079-915-3332 or else email [kannemeyerv@yahoo.com](mailto:kannemeyerv@yahoo.com)  
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*Wanted:*

My BMW R75/6 was stolen and recently recovered by the police. However on its' return I noted that its' front mudguard had been removed.

Could anybody help with a new/used mudguard for my bike?

Any assistance would be most appreciated.

Dominic

Tel: (011) 646 2000 Ext 211, or Cell: 083-564-5348, or Email: [research@jhbzoo.org.za](mailto:research@jhbzoo.org.za)  
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*And now for something completely different...*

A tough-looking group of bikers were out riding when they saw a girl about to jump off a bridge so they stop. The leader, a big burly man, gets off his bike and says, "What are you doing?"

"I'm going to commit a suicide," she says.

While he did not want to appear insensitive, he didn't want to miss an opportunity so he asked "Well, before you jump, why don't you give me a kiss?"

So she does and it was a long, deep lingering kiss.

After she's finished, the biker says, "Wow! That was the best kiss I have ever had. That's a real talent you are wasting. You could be famous. Why are you committing suicide?"

"My parents don't like me dressing up like a girl....."