# Shoptorque



# **Classic Motorcycle Club of Natal**

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#### **Chairman's Chatter**

Welcome to my first Chairman's Chatter in our News Letter –Shoptorque and Best Wishes to all of you for 2020.

By way of introduction my name is Wayne Bagley and I have been a member of the CMCN for more than 20 years. I joined the Club as I own a rare AJS R10 500 cc 1930 motor cycle and am eternally grateful to the members of this club who have been instrumental in helping me to get it into the reliable condition that it is today – a far cry from what it was when I joined.

On behalf of the club I extend a huge appreciative THANK YOU to Rod Thomas for his years of being Chairman of our Club and the amount of time and work that he put into holding this position. Well done Rod.

At the AGM I was struck by a point that Ron Dukes our treasurer made during his report- Our good financial position is being eroded by the fact that our numbers (of members) is decreasing. I have ideas in this regard and believe that we have largely become a 'monthly meeting' only club. I honestly believe that if we as

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members were more involved in riding activities, the Club would be a much more attractive proposition. Any suggestions from the membership in this line are encouraged and welcomed. If we have activities at the club such as simple Gymkhana tests etc. after Monthly runs that end at the club, possibly a club ride to Dezzie Raceway when they have Classic Racing there, a picnic ride etc. we would surely increase interest in our Club.

While on the subject of Club Runs/Breakfast runs, due to the lack of member's interest in these, our coordinator of Breakfast Runs, Alan Young has indicated that he will no longer be organizing the runs. I extend a big Thank You to Alan for doing this for us over the past few years. If I look around the bike park at our Monthly Meetings I notice that the vast majority of the bikes are Modern Classics.

One of the reasons for poor participation in our runs could well be that riding at 80kph on a Kawasaki Z1 may not be too appealing. The time may have come to hold alternate monthly runs for Modern Classics at the appropriate speeds. Your thoughts on this please......

It is with great sadness that we mark the Passing of one of the great characters of our Club- Doug Cruikshank. Monthly meetings will never be the same without his presence at 'His Table' in the corner of the lean-to closest to the grass and Bikes on Show. The immaculate Bikes that he regularly brought down by trailer from PMB will be sorely missed as will his presence at future DJ Regularity trials.

Please consider entering our Natal Classic Regularity Trial. It is an unintimidating fun event. Remember that we all joined this Club because of an interest in RIDING Classic Bikes.

Wayne Bagley.			
Keep Riding The	m. Ride Safe.		

#### The Club's bike trailer

The Committee decided to sell the trailer, which happened in November 2018. If you need a bike trailer for any occasion, you will have to hire one from a trailer hire company which offers motorcycle trailers as part of their product range.

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Find us on Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Classic-Motorcycle-Club-of-Natal">https://www.facebook.com/Classic-Motorcycle-Club-of-Natal</a>

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# **Bike of the Month Competitions**

January:	Best of British / Racing Bike / Italian :
	Winners:
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 ( 2001 – 2010 )
September:	Show Bikes: BSA & Triumph
October:	Best Matchless & AJS
November:	Italian Bike and Racing Bike
December:	Moderns: Any make, any size and Harleys, any age.



December Bike of the Month Entries – Harley's and Moderns

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Winner of Best Harley – Jayson Anderson



Winner of Best Modern - Frans Vera - BMW

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# **Bike of the Month Competition Guidelines:**

Members are reminded that to qualify for the competitions they must be fully paid up members; the bike entered in the competition must be owned by them; it must comply with the category entered and it must be a runner. If the bike is a non-runner it will be accepted for display, but will not considered as a competitor.

Many thanks and regards,

Alan.

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#### **AWARD WINNERS AT OUR 2019 AGM**



Terry Chesterton – Highest Position in the DJ 2019



Danielle Beltrain – Bum Pad Rider

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Rob Wiles - Wooden Spoon Award

Other Awards: Buckled Wheel Trophy to Dave Stone



Richard Sawkins – Bike of the Year: 1936 Norton Model 18



Entusiast of the Year – Mike Matthews, Received on his behalf by his wife, Liz



Youngest Rider – Josh Marais. Award accepted on his behalf by his step-father, Trevor Davids

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#### **OBITUARIES**

**DOUGLAS CHARLES CRUICKSHANK** - Born to Harry and Amy Cruickshank in Johannesburg on 7th July 1941 - the youngest of twin sons by 15 minutes, he lived in the Southern Suburbs of Johannesburg and went to school at Kenilworth Junior and then The Hill High School, where he excelled at cross country running, water polo and soccer.

Doug worked in the shoe business, both as an employee and as a shoe store owner, for much of his early life and it was whilst working at Scotts Shoes he met and later married Ann Kenyon. Their son, Hylton, was born in 1971, followed by daughter, Hayley, in 1974.

Over the years, Doug worked in a variety of roles in different industries – he worked as a sales rep, owned a trading store and a material shop amongst others but in 1986 after having been retrenched from the chemical company, he took a bucket, mop, samples of chemicals he had left over and the maid's son, and went into town to find work cleaning ablution facilities in shops, offices, factories, hotels and schools, and thus Pietermaritzburg Ablution Cleaners was born.

Ann passed away in 2003, leaving a large hole in his life. However, Doug found a true friend and companion in Angela, who he met at a mutual friend and later married in May of 2008.

His hobby, interest and passion were rebuilding vintage and classic motorbikes. His reputation for clean lines, exceptional paint work and amazing bodywork with a keen eye to detail won him numerous exhibitions on a number of his rebuild projects, from Norton Commando, BSA Gold Star, AJS, Triumphs, Vellocette and many more. His workmanship was superb and everything had to be absolutely perfect and spotless.

Doug and Angela became notorious on the annual DJ Bike Rally and for the remaining years enjoyed attending functions, club rallies and just about anything else so long as they were together.

Doug passed away in Pietermaritzburg on 9th January 2020 after a short illness and is survived by his wife, Angela, son Hylton (and daughter in law, Ali), daughter Hayley and 4 loving grandchildren Brodie, Katelyn, Angus and Jude.

Our condolences to his	s ramily.	

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# **SAVVA Indemnity Forms and Cards:**

### **Indemnity Forms and Indemnity Cards**

The form is available for download on the SAVVA website under Forms.

Indemnity forms are legal documents. Both sides of the forms must be completed, signed and witnessed, and after the number of the indemnity card issued has been recorded on the form, the original forms should be posted to the SAVVA Secretary, or brought to the SAVVA AGM each year. Clubs are encouraged to keep copies of the forms.

<u>SAVVA Indemnity applies to all events, socials, fun runs, displays, nothing excluded, organised and promoted by a club affiliated to SAVVA.</u> The onus rests upon the Club to ensure persons listed in Section 5 of the Handbook complete the forms.

Indemnity Cards It is suggested that when a new member joins a club that an indemnity card be issued to him/her and spouse immediately.

Every single person involved with a SAVVA competitive event where a permit has been issued shall have in their possession an Indemnity Card issued by the Club on behalf of SAVVA, that is all drivers, navigators, passengers of participating vehicles, all officials, marshals and their assistants, including drivers and passengers of tender vehicles and in modern vehicles who are part of the event, and persons representing sponsors, the press, SAVVA or the host club who will be present on the event or who may travel in competing vehicles.

Thus, as Club Members wishing to participate in any Club organised event, please ensure that you have a SAVVA indemnity card, which is issued when you join, and that your Bike is SAVVA dated. Rod Thomas can assist in this regard, as he's the Club Dating Officer.

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For the interest and benefit of members listed below are the SAVVA classifications of vehicles:

Class A Ancestor: Built prior to December 31st 1904.

Class B Veteran: Built between 1st January1905 and December 31st

1918.

Class C Vintage: Built between 1st January 1919 and December 31st

1930.

Class D Post Vintage: Built between 1st Jan. 1931 and December 31st 1945.

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Class E Post War: Built between 1st January 1946 and December 31st

1960.

Class F Post 1960:Built between 1st January 1961 and December 31st 1970.

Class G Post 1970: Built between 1st January 1970 and SAVVA age limit

as defined in their constitution.

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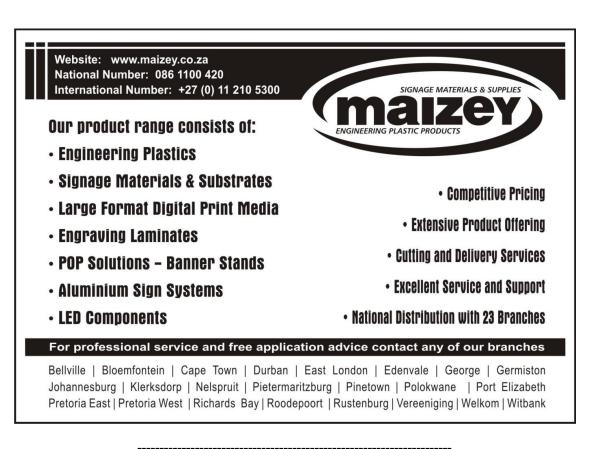
# **Apology:**

When awarding the Enthusiast trophy at the AGM I paid tribute to a number of members for their generosity to the club and it's members.

Subsequent to the meeting I realized a glaring omission on my part in failing to acknowledge the generosity of Grant Vacy-Lyle of Fragram who, for many years has donated so many outstanding prizes to our annual Regularity Trial.

Grant, please accept my humble apology and thanks on behalf of all members for your generosity.

Alan.



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### Other stuff: Adverts, Technical, News etc.

# **SAVVA Technical Tip 151 – Alternators**

Last month we discussed the "ins" and "outs" of changing a cars system from 6 volt vehicles to 12 volts. Firstly, take into consideration your older car may be positive to earth. You would be well advised to change to negative to earth. If you go the alternator route you will have no choice but to go negative to earth.

There are a few plus points when changing to 12 volts, for example, one can increase the wattage of headlights and taillight bulbs for safer night driving. Most older 6 volt generators have limited output and jf you fitted high wattage bulbs you could run the battery down.

The next question is — a generator or an alternator. From a reliability and a functional point of view the alternator is way ahead of the generator. The only reason to fit a generator will be from a visible/cosmetic point of view. If you are well heeled you can always import an alternator that looks like a generator. But these don't come cheap. You could be looking at a good US \$500.00 plus postage for a 45 amp unit.

If you fit an alternator try and made it look as much like a generator as possible by fitting a broad pulley and painting it black.

Buy the smallest one you can find. Even a compact 45 amp should produce all the current you will need. They are small and can be camouflaged a lot easier. Don't use an early alternator with an external regulator, use a modern one with a built in regulator.

The main advantage of the alternator is that it will automatically regulate the charging rate and dispense with troublesome regulators and cut-outs. You can just leave the regular or cut-out on the firewall for appearances sake.

Next chat we'll discuss fitting an alternator.

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# Terry's Classics

General work/repairs carried out on Vintage and Classic Motorcycles. Mechanical, Electrical, Wheel building, Limited panel beating and spray painting.

### **Contact Terry**

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# **SMALLS** (will only appear in two issues but may be resubmitted)

#### For Sale:

Peter Powell has a G9 Matchless 600 as well as a BSA 500 Twin and a 250 BSA C 15. The BSA's were runners when they were parked in a shed, the Matchless will need a full restoration.

He is looking for around R 35 - 40k for the matchless and BSA 500, and around R 25 - 30k for the 250 BSA.

Peter's contact number is 083 265 5052

#### For Sale:

Would you please inform your members of the club that I have a Matchless G.80 1960's model for sale.

It has internal push rods, it was a runner when I brought it to RSA. It is not registered in South Africa.

The bike is in Hillcrest at my daughter's house. Her address is 33 Gillitts Road. Her cell no.is 0725222365. Her name is Cherryl Burgoyne, Freeman. Price Negotiable.

#### For Sale

- 1) 1957 BSA B31 350cc including a complete spare frame, petrol tank and new tank badges R40 000.
- 2) Early 1980s Suzuki PE 250 with 8153 km on the clock in original condition in storage and not used for 27 years R25 000.
- 3) Suzuki PE 250 box job, motor complete. also some additional spares R5 000 the lot.
- 4) 2 X BSA Bantam frames with forks, petrol tanks, mudguards and other smalls, frame no BD2S 52370 and BD2S 66402 respectively R1 500 each set.
- 5) Suzuki GT 250 project bike R2 000 ONO. Contact Eugene Mulder on 0824588227 or emgessengineering@telkomsa.net

#### For Sale:

Tony Cowden has some BMW /5 spares for sale. If you're restoring a BMW /5 and need spares, please contact Tony as follows: AB Cowden, 4 Cycad Lane, Amber Ridge, Howick. 079 - 532 7003

### Wanted:

Sunbeam Lion Gearbox – 1932

If you have one, or know of someone who does, please contact **Philip Gordon on 082 442 0829** 

#### Wanted:

Greetings all,

A motorcycle friend is in need of some help please.

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Willie Tenner copied in, is looking for two exhaust joints for a 1982 Honda CX500 motorcycle.

The Honda part number is 18231-415-000 Muffler, head flange pipe joint.

Please will you send out an APB/forward this request with its attachments, to every bike collector/enthusiast you know - all the various clubs and their respective members et cetera.

#### Willie's cell is 0824554170

Thanks kindly in advance.

Best regards to all, Jaws (John Austin-Williams) 0834597802

#### Wanted:

Wanted - A Norton Twin, if not available, then a Norton Single could be acceptable. Has anyone got something to sell ??

Please Contact **Norman Erasmus on +27 76 603 3553 or 076 603 3553**NB Norman will be remembered as one of our members from the SOUTH COAST.

As Norman is presently working in Zambia it is difficult to reach Him. I can receive WhatsApp messages on his behalf on 082 437 4131 and then forward them. (Mike Matthews)

#### Wanted:

Flat tank frame for teens first war any frame two or four bolt good or bad shape or parts of frame.

Michael Burden 071 6051714

Spotydoty@me.com

#### Wanted:

Second hand Heynes Manual for a 1982 Yamaha XJ 750. If you have one to sell or give away, please contact

Big Ed on 072-165-5046

#### Wanted:

I am looking at building a special 2 engine bike and need 2 off T100 500cc engines. 2 off..... Triumph, 500cc, T100 motors complete. Pre-Unit preferred but can also use Unit motors.

Building special with 2 engines in 1 Featherbed frame.

Please contact Steve Edwards on 082 445 9991

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#### Wanted:

A working speedometer for a BMW R65 LS. Please contact **Rob Thompson** if you have one to sell. **083 658 9730** 

#### Wanted:

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

#### Wanted:

Handle bars for a 1950-1960 Triumph speed twin or thunder bird Nacelle model. Please contact **George Nairn** email: <a href="mailto:nairngm@telkomsa.net">nairngm@telkomsa.net</a> or **039 737 3980** 

#### Wanted:

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#### **LIFE AFTER 40**

Everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt, doesn't work

The gleam in your eyes is from the sun hitting your bifocals

You feel like the night before but you haven't been anywhere

Your little black book contains only names ending in MD

You get winded playing chess

Your children begin to look middle aged

You join a health club and don't go

You begin to outline enthusiasm

Your mind makes contracts your body can't meet

You know all the answers, but nobody asks you the questions

You look forward to a dull evening

Your favourite part of the newspaper is "25 Years Ago Today"

You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going

Your knees buckle, but your belt won't

You regret all those mistakes resisting temptation

You stop looking forward to your next Birthday

Dialling long distance wears you out

Your back goes out more often than you do

A fortune teller offers to read your face

You turn out the light for economic reasons rather than romantic ones

You remember today, that yesterday was your wedding anniversary

You are startled the first time you are addressed as "Old Timer "

You burn the Midnight Oil after 9:00pm

Your pacemaker makes the garage door open when you see a pretty girl

You get your exercise acting as a pall bearer for your friends who exercised

The best part of your day is over when your alarm goes off



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