

Norfolk Gala Day September 6th, 2009

Another glorious day greeted the Pedalers as they made their way to the Norfolk Showground for the Norfolk Gala Day. Our pitch was easily spotted as Frank Brzeski had already parked his Ducati & Mini Motor Cyclemotors, and Barrie Brasted and his wife were already there having stayed overnight in their vintage Caravan, and their nice trio of Raleigh mopeds were also already on display.

A good turn out especially from our Norfolk members ensured we had 24 machines on show, and if that wasn't enough the public were kept entertained by Terry Keable fixing his Motomite engine to his BSA paratroopers folding cycle and all the associated dramas that went with it; he did eventually succeed though and was seen riding the contraption around the car park area - we did have a whip round to buy him an Ice Cream to celebrate his achievement but the old boy scoffed it down before we could get a camera !

A really nice day was had by everyone, we were parked in-between the Triumph motorcycle club and The Christian Motorcycle Owners Club, both clubs were very friendly and showed interest in our machines, we had loads of Public interest too and a couple more machines should be on the way to us following on from conversations with those looking at our machines. The Public were seen taking loads of photographs of our varied display, Cyclemotors, Autocycles, Mopeds, Sports Moped, Sidecar, Electric cycle attachment unit, I don't really know where else you could see such a variety - one chap took a whole hour making his way down the line up of machines, taking photos of each and every machine as he went !

Even Dave Watson's pair of unrestored Norman Lido's still loaded on the trailer created much interest. Every one from schoolkids to OAPs were fascinated by our machines, but for me the highlight of the day was a sweet little old lady who was seen looking intently at Terrys Raleigh RM1 we got talking to her and she told us that she used to commute to work everyday on the same model in her working years, she never thought she would see one again, her husband had a Camera phone with him but didn't know how to use it, eventually thanks to Debbie the lady had her picture taken with the bike so she could show her relatives, she went home very happy and her last comment was " see you all here next year " To me that is what the NACC is all about, making people happy and putting smiles on people's faces.

I went home a happy man after all the events of the day. Thanks to Frank for organising the pitch and entrance passes for us, also thanks to Barrie's wife for washing up the cups for us, and to Debs for once again keeping us fed and watered again.

We now move on to Barford (also in Norfolk- who said the NACC was dead in this county ?) for their Funday this coming Sunday 13th September.

Picture 1: Derek Ashworth and Andy Speake made the long trip down to see us with their New Hudson Autocycles

Picture 2: Frank had his Ducati and Minimotor there

Picture 3: Martin Wikner bought along this nice Norman Nippy

Picture 4 : Barrie had a nice trio of Raleigh mopeds on display

Picture 5: Brian Lillys very nice Cyclemaster

Picture 6: Old Clanky was there !

Picture 7: Terry was soon hard at it !

Picture 8: Look out your on Candid Camera !

Picture 9: With a little help from Andy

Picture 10: he got it going !

Picture 11: this bit goes roundy, roundy, and smokey comes out here !!

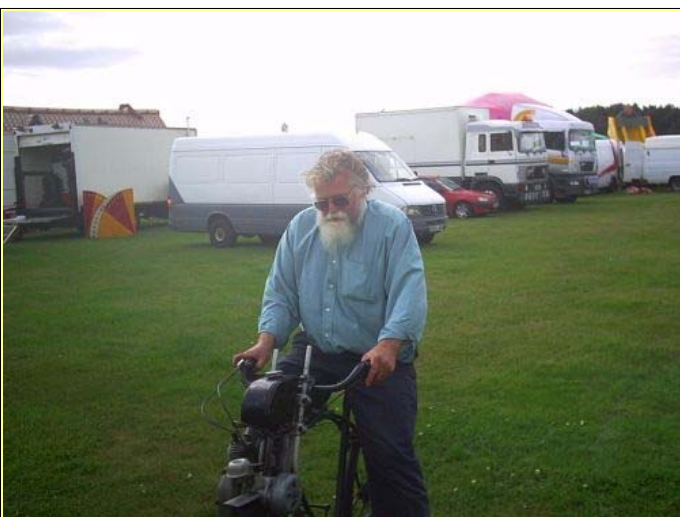
Picture 12: Some of the bikes lined up on display

Picture 13: early arrivals take a close look at "Le Mobchop"

Picture 14: The Daleks were there and we had no Sofa to hide behind







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