

Ashford Classic Motorcycle Show

Easter Monday 6 April 2026



Dave Hughes with his Matchless G50 That He Rode
to Victory in the 1972 Manx Senior.

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Ashford Classic
Motorcycle Show & Bikejumble
Easter Monday 21st April 2025
Show Results

Best Pre-1950: Julian East, KENT. Sunbeam MCC. Machine Details: 1925 399cc Raleigh 5.

Runner-up pre-1950: Rick Bailey, KENT. VMCC (Men of Kent). Machine Details: 1930 496cc Dunelt SD

Best 1950-59: Martyn Carter, Essex. Machine Details: 1956 499cc Norton International Model 30.

Runner-up 1950-59: Tim Eade, East Sussex. Ariel Owners MCC. Machine Details: 1929 500cc Ariel E (Black Ariel).

Best 1960-69: Graham Smith, KENT. Machine Details: 1961 500cc BSA DBD34.

Runner-up 1960-69: Kevin Richards, KENT. Machine Details: 1964 500cc Triumph Tiger T100 SC.

Best 1970-79: Ian Cook, KENT. Machine Details: 1978 1000cc Honda Gold Wing GL1000KZ.

Runner-up 1970-79; John Gallagher, Essex. Machine Details: 1970 750cc Honda CB750/4 K1.

Best 1980-on: Paul Pearl, Kent. TOMCC. Machine Details: 1981 750cc Triumph TR7T Tiger Trail.

Runner-up 1980-on: Stephen Jones, KENT. Machine Details: 1995 400cc Honda CB400 SF version R.

Best Competition/Special: William Knight. Machine Details: 1974 248cc Montesa Rickman

Runner-up Competition/Special: Kevin Richards, KENT. Machine Details: 1975 350cc Yamaha TZ 350A.

Best Heavyweight: John Newson, Kent. Vincent HRD OC. Machine Details: 1956 998cc Norvin.

Runner-up Heavyweight: Malcolm Folwell, KENT. BSA OC (Kent). Machine Details: 1936 500cc BSA Empire Star.

Best Lightweight: Martin Short, Essex. Machine Details: 1939 150cc New Imperial Model 23 Unit.

Runner-up Lightweight: Joe Garrett, Kent. The BSA Bantam Club. Machine Details: 1951 125cc BSA Bantam D1.

Best British: Martyn Carter, Essex. Machine Details: 1961 650cc Triumph Bonneville.

Runner-up British: Ron Hyder, Norfolk. Machine Details: 1961 500cc Velocette Venom Thruxton.

Best Rider under 30 (Pre-2000 machine): Jack Osborne, Kent. VMCC (Men of Kent). Machine Details: 1979 50cc Honda Express NC 50.

Best Goldwing: Steve Lancaster, East Sussex. Martello Sidecar Owners' Club. Machine Details: 1975 1000cc Honda Gold Wing GL1000.

No	Year	Make	Model	cc / HP	Classes Entered
78	1913	Triumph	Model C	500	Pre 1950
				Club:	Sunbeam MCC
Bike Details: My first time at this show with this bike, which has been local for around 10 years. Always looking for any history on this bike - can you help?					
25	1922	Le Grimeur	PS	170	Pre 1950 Lightweight Overseas
				Club:	VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: A rare lightweight two-stroke built in Paris. Mostly original, with matching engine and frame numbers and retaining its original two-speed Picard gearbox and Saga magneto driven from the open crankshaft giving fixed ignition timing. Wheels were rebuilt using the original beaded edge rims. The engine is believed to be an LPL as it's cast iron. This and Bechir et Colin were the main engines used in this model. Carburettor is an Amal with no choke slide, which is correct, although I believe other makes we're used. The only job left to do is to replace the worn kickstart quadrant, although the bike bump starts quire readily.					
42	1924	AJS	D	799	Pre 1950
				Club:	VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this Show! An unrestored Model D. 799cc side valve. Original AJS sidecar from new. Foot brakes only!! Manual oiling, one pump every 8 miles!					
40	1926	Ariel	C	500	Pre 1950
				Club:	
Bike Details: First time at this show for this, one of the first of the Val Page produced Ariels. 100 years old.					
37	1927	Armor	Motocyclette Légère	175	Pre 1950 Lightweight
				Club:	VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this show for this French machine, a 'Motorcycle Lightweight Sport'. It has a high compression engine with double exhaust port and removable cylinder head. Alpax three-ring piston. Three-speed gearbox. Special Sport Type handlebars. 600 x 55 clincher tires. It was found in the loft of a barn in France. Bought at Ardingly in 2015, "in its juice" ("dans son jus" in French). Probably hidden away during the second world war to avoid commandeering by the occupying forces and not retrieved by its original owner. I have set about mechanical restoration leaving its patina. Brakes relined, new tyres/tubes, complete rebuild of the gearbox and clutch, rebuild of the engine with new big end/rod from a KTM200 and a gudgeon pin from a Mercury outboard engine. In the final stages of commissioning. It's a long term project.....					
88	1929	Excelsior	Model 7	250	Pre 1950
				Club:	VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this Show for this pre-War two-stroke.					
69	1936	Ariel	Red Hunter	350	Pre 1950
				Club:	Ariel Owners MCC
Bike Details: First time at the show - this machine has been registered in Kent since 1953. Recently undergone complete rebuild.					
27	1936	BSA	Empire Star	499	Pre 1950 Heavyweight
				Club:	BSA OC (Kent)
Bike Details: Used regularly all year round.					
7	1939	Triumph	SPEED TWIN	500	Pre 1950
				Club:	Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: First time at this show.					
33	1950	Ariel	VH Red Hunter	500	1950-59
				Club:	Ariel Owners MCC
Bike Details: First time at this Show!					

No	Year	Make	Model	cc / HP	Classes Entered
50	1950	BSA	B31	350 1950-59	
Club: BSA OC (Kent)					
Bike Details: First time at this show for this 1950 BSA B31 purchased by my late Mother and Father Frank & Kitty Matthews. They much regretted selling it in 1956, when I was just 1 year old, but they needed the money to buy a car. Two years ago with help, and a fluke of luck, the BSA owners club located the current keeper for me and we were put in contact. Fortunately the keeper was more than keen to sell the bike to me. The bike was affectionally known as Eddy by Mum and Dad. RIP mum and dad, I will ride Eddy with pride.					
51	1951	BSA	A7 Plunger	500 1950-59	
Club: BSA OC (Kent)					
Bike Details: Bought as seen, just a few engine repairs.					
14	1952	Ariel	VH Red Hunter	500 1950-59	
Club: Ariel Owners MCC					
Bike Details: First registered 16th April 1953. Ridden to the event, lets hope it gets me home!					
62	1953	BSA	Bantam D1	125 1950-59	
Club: BSA Bantam Club					
Bike Details: First time at this show for this BSA Bantam D1 Lucas model 1953.					
68	1954	BSA	A10 Golden Flash	650 1950-59 Heavyweight	
Club: BSA OC (Kent)					
Bike Details: This bike was 70 years old in February when it left the factory in Birmingham it was sent to a motorcycle dealer in Ayr Scotland. How it got down here I don't know - I've owned it for 40 years. Used on club runs club camping weekends, and internationals.					
1	1954	Vincent	Black Shadow	998 1950-59 Heavyweight	
Club: Vincent OC					
Bike Details: Owned since 1984 and ridden across the USA, twice. With upgraded cycle parts including forks from a 1976 CB750 Honda. Much modified for long-distance touring purposes. A recent restoration still running in.					
77	1954/4	Norton	International Model 3	500 1950-59	
Club: Norton OC (Kent)					
Bike Details: This is an International Special. 1948 Norton 30M (Manx) 499cc all-alloy engine with 9-to-1 piston, fitted with a 1948 Manx head/barrel into a 1954 bolt-up Wideline featherbed frame built by Reg Dearden. It is used for club runs and VMCC outings and starts very well, an absolute joy to ride as it handles exceptionally well. It now has a Amal Concentric carburettor fitted for day-to-day riding as the TT carburettor fitted was very good it was not convenient in today's traffic, as it had no reliable tick-over.					
84	1954c	MV Agusta	Grand Prix Racing M	500 1950-59 Competition / Special	
Club:					
Bike Details: This iconic MV Agusta is the same model as raced by Agostini and Hailwood.					

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19	1955	BSA	Bantam D1	125	1950-59 Lightweight
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Under-30

Club: BSA Bantam Club

Bike Details: This lovely little 1955, BSA Bantam D1, is owned by a proud, young lady rider. This was her very first bike which she won a bid for, on eBay when she was 19.

The Bantam was suggested and introduced to her by a fellow family friend. As soon as she saw it, she started searching for one. And so here we are!

Unfortunately though, to her disappointment, the Bantam was not in running condition like she had hoped/expected. So, it was with great gratitude to Rick Parkington, who took it on as an engine rebuild project for the Classic Bike Magazine, which ended up being a great success! And it has run perfectly, for many years, up until recently, with which it has now been upgraded with a CDI unit.

For those that do not know much about the D1- It's a 2 stroke 123cc, 3 speed, single cylinder engine. The average speed ranges between 35-40mph, can hit 50 on a decline and 20 on an incline (depending how steep). This particular model is a plunger, so called due to the rear wheel suspensions.

This chicken has been well loved, ridden and displayed with pride.

One of the most fondest moments was taking the opportunity to ride down the Mall of Buckingham Palace for the recently passed, Queen Elizabeth the II for her Platinum Jubilee pageant - May she Rest In Peace!

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46	1955	BSA	B31	500	1950-59
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Club: BSA OC (Kent)

Bike Details: First time at this show for this B31 with ZM33/BB34 engine bits. A bike built from bits of this and that turned out to be a lovely old thing to ride

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15	1955	Triumph	T100	498 1950-59	
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Club:

Bike Details: The T100 on display was purchased new from the Triumph Dealership called Harvey's at 47, South Camberwell Road, London (later to join forces to become Harvey Owen) by Ernie Hall and taxed from 12th November 1954. Ernie was a toolmaker and worked during the 1950's and 1960's for Motor Cycle News, Motor Cycle Sport and Motor Cycle Mechanics and other motor cycle associated companies. He was the secretary of the Triumph owners club in 1956. He was also an ACU instructor on the RAC/ACU motor cycle training scheme. PLM 16 was originally used on the road and his wife Joan Hall also learnt to ride on PLM 16. She was to become Miss Filtrate and posed as a model on many bikes at shows including Earls Court in the 1960's.

Ernie Hall converted PLM 16 and raced it regularly at Clubman's events at Silverstone and other short circuit venues. He would ride it to the race meeting and ride home afterwards. He also competed at the Thruxton 500 on a BSA B34GS. He had many friends and associations with other well-known racers from the 50's and 60's including John Surtees, Johnny Allen, Barry Sheene, Joe Dunphy, Phil Read, Martyn Ashwood, Graham Bailey, Bob Lilley and many more.

Originally the T100 was introduced by the Meriden factory in 1939 with an iron engine top end. Intended primarily for Clubman's racing. Ivan Wicksteed and David Whitworth won the Maude's Trophy, riding up to John O'Groats down to Lands' End and back to Brooklands for a six hour speed test, averaging 78.50mph for six hours with a last lap of 88.46mph.

A T100 holds the Brooklands 500cc lap record for perpetuity.

A works T100 won the Manx Grand Prix in 1946 in the hands of Ernie Lyons.

A T100 won the Clubman's senior 1952 TT in the IOM, ridden by Bernard Hargreaves at 82.45mph. The Rickman Brothers in 1958 had many National wins in Moto Cross using a pair of Tribsa's by inserting T100 engines in BSA's Gold Star rolling chassis.

Fred Cooper was a well-known sprinter in the 1960's campaigned 'Hermes' at National and World level with a supercharged T100 special. Breaking National and World records. A 11.34 sec standing ¼ mile and 21.59 sec standing kilometre. Also, British 500cc and 750cc flying kilometre records in 1964 at 138.7mph.

A race kit was made available by the factory during 1951–1953 and discontinued when the swing arm models were introduced. In 1953 a T100C was made available for a short period. Optional performance extras however, were still made available. The Triumph factory performance figures quoted on the 498cc T100 was 32BHP at 6500rpm and with a race kit 42BHP at 7000rpm.

At the end of its race career PLM 16 was to be laid up for decades partially dismantled until purchased at the Stafford Bonham's auction on the 15th October 2022. Now fully restored by the current owner, all numbers have been verified by the Triumph Owners Club and VMCC. PLM 16 has race kit and other features such as smaller bore exhaust pipes, Les Harris connecting rods, Triumph GP valve timing, 'R' cam followers, gas flowed Delta cylinder head, twin Amal 376 chopped Monobloc's with a remote float chamber, uprated oil pump, uprated valve springs, Les Harris 9:1 pistons, folding kick-start and ball ended levers.

First time at this show.

5	1957	Ariel	FH Huntmaster	650 1950-59	
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Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)

Bike Details: This bike is originally from Essex, purchased in pieces from a friend's dad. All numbers match, and we have been over 30000 miles on the old girl. Engine has just enjoyed a full and comprehensive rebuild, all properly done with much help from some of those clever people who know what they're doing (Unlike me), including friends and professionals.

4	1957	BSA	Bantam D3	150 1950-59	
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Club: Deal & District MCC

Bike Details: First time at this show.

75	1957	BSA	Goldstar DBD34	500 1950-59	
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Club:

Bike Details: Originally exported to the USA from new and brought back to the UK in the late eighties. The paint scheme is different to the factory standard but it was retained simply as an American preference for the period. The machine was fully refurbished over a long period to a high standard.

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34	1957	Douglas	Dragonfly	350	1950-59 Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: The "last hurrah" of the Douglas factory, the Dragonfly model was introduced at the London Show in November 1954. Sadly not a commercial success; despite good handling & ride comfort it was seen as rather underpowered and a little old-fashioned, and fewer					
31	1957	Norton	ES2	500	1950-59 Heavyweight Club:
Bike Details: Acquired in a very tired condition in 2012, this bike has been fully restored by the current owner over a four year period. Revised in 2025 / 2026 and minor improvements made.					
81	1958	Matchless	G80S	500	1950-59 Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: First time at this show for this single cylinder machine.					
10	1959	BSA	Bantam	175	1950-59 Lightweight Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: A Bitzer self-build!					
35	1959	Norman	B2 Sport	250	1950-59 Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this Show! Older restoration, purchased by me recently!					
63	1960	BSA	Bantam	125	1960-69 Club: BSA Bantam Club
Bike Details: First time at this show for this Bantam, which came from Aberdeen and was rebuilt in 2023.					
64	1960	BSA	Bantam	125	1960-69 Club: BSA Bantam Club
Bike Details: First time at this Show for this two-stroke.					
17	1960	Norton	ES2 Cafe Racer	500	1960-69 Club: Norton OC (Kent)
Bike Details: The OHV single cylinder model 50 was introduced in 1933. Halted by World War II, production of the Model 50 restarted in 1956. This model has the Wideline featherbed frame model. Built from my old Model 50 frame, numerous eBay purchased spares on an ES2 bottom end and 500T alloy Wellworthy Alfin head and barrel. BTH electronic Mag. Some parts handmade by clubmate Steve Emery who built the motor and final assembly.					
90	1960	Norton	ES2	490	1960-69 Club: Norton OC (Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this Show! Restored after being left outside for many years!					
53	1961	AJS	Model 31 CSR	650	1960-69 Club:
Bike Details: Please supply Bike description					
38	1961	Arter Matchless	G50	500	1960-69 Competition / Special Club: Barham & District MCC
Manx Bike Details: Dave Hughes was the last person to win the Senior Manx Grand Prix on an air-cooled British motorcycle. This is the winning Arter Matchless G50, which was built up to display at the 2022 Manx GP. The 500cc single G50 engine is fitted into a Ken Sprayson frame. This machine also competed in the Continental Circus with Jack Findlay. Dave has had a long and illustrious career in the Isle of Man, racing from the late sixties through to the mid-noughties. A win in the Senior Manx Grand Prix and a class second in a Production TT were highlights. From Rex Butcher: John Surtees originally built this bike with a 7R engine, Rex Butcher bought the 350cc Surtees Special from him. Rex couldn't get on with the bike, so he sold it to Tom Arter who sorted it out and fitted the 500cc G50 engine. Mike Duff rode it for Tom Arter.					

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60	1961	BSA	C15	250	1960-69 Lightweight
Club:					
Bike Details: First time at this show for this bike, restored in memory of my friend Tony Reynolds who passed away last year and built all my pre-unit triumph gearboxes. Tony finished the engine but I built the rolling chassis with new wheels and paint!					
59	1961	Norman	B4 Sports	250	1960-69 Lightweight
Club: Norman Cycles Club					
Bike Details: Acquired in 2000. Dad restored it and rode it regularly on West Kent run. Probably the most used B4, with the highest annual mileage. Has CB77 200mm front brake, thicker brake cable and electric world electronic ignition. A flyer, made in Ashford, Kent. Fliglass Brands replica GRP seat.					
83	1961	Norton	Manx Francis Beart	500	1960-69 Competition / Special
Manx Club:					
Bike Details: 1961 Manx Norton 500 Francis Beart replica with a modern twist short-stroke, just completed a one year full nut and bolt restoration.					
76	1961	Velocette	LE	200	1960-69
Club:					
Bike Details: 1961 Ex-Police Velocette LE, the 'Noddy Bike', as used by over 50 UK Police forces in the 50's, 60's and 70's! It was used for many roles, but most often associated with the Village Bobby or Town Officer, silently patrolling his Beat area, covering more ground than he could on foot or by bicycle. I purchased the machine in 2023 as a semi-finished restoration and built it to a useable condition. It was used regularly in 2024 and 2025 for pleasure rides and shopping trips and was taken to many events, such as Village fairs and Classic Bike and Car shows. Over the 2025/6 winter, the bike has been completely stripped and re-built, with many new parts in the engine, clutch and gearbox and a complete re-wire, in order to improve reliability and make it a pleasure to ride. I have fitted the indicators and mirrors for safety on modern-day roads and traffic conditions. "1961 Ex Police Velocette LE. 'Noddy Bike' As used by over 50 UK Police forces in the 50's, 60's and 70's for many roles but most often associated with the Village Bobby or town Officer silently patrolling his beat area and covering more ground than he could on foot or by bicycle. I purchased the machine in 2023 as a semi finished restoration and built it to a useable condition. It was used regularly in 2024 and 2025 for pleasure rides and shopping trips and was taken to many events such a village fairs and classic bike/car shows. Over the 2025/6 winter the bike has been completely stripped and rebuilt with many new parts in the engine, clutch and gearbox and a complete re-wire to improve reliability and make it a pleasure to ride. I have fitted the indicators and mirrors for safety on modern day roads and traffic conditions.					
39	1962	Triumph	TR6SS	650	1960-69
Club: Triumph OC Medway					
Bike Details: A much treasured bike!					
91	1962	Velocette	Endurance Replica	500	1960-69
Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)					
Bike Details: Built by a Sussex engineer to replicate a Velocette endurance model.					
11	1963	AJS	7R	350	1960-69 Competition / Special
Manx Club:					
Bike Details: This machine won the 1963 Junior Manx GP, entered by Francis Beart and ridden by Peter Darvill. With an average speed of 92.48 mph on the Mountain circuit. Later campaigned by Bob Warren. The AJS 7R was built from 1939 through 1963, at first as a works racer only, but was supplied to privateers from 1954 following the withdrawal of AJS from works racing. First time at this event for this race machine, commonly known as a 'Boy Racer' and with a chain-driven overhead camshaft.					
12	1963	Royal Enfield	Crusader	250	1960-69 Lightweight
Club:					
Bike Details: Owned and restored by me over the 15 years that I have owned it .					

No	Year	Make	Model	cc / HP	Classes Entered
65	1964	Triumph	Tiger T100 SC	500	1960-69 Competition / Special Heavyweight
Club:					
Bike Details: Imported from the South Africa, it took 9-10 months to restore. This model was never sold in the UK.					
8	1966	BSA	Bantam	173	1960-69 Lightweight
Club: Deal & District MCC					
Bike Details: First registered 10th April 1966.					
9	1966	BSA	Bantam D10	174	1960-69 Lightweight
Club: Deal & District MCC					
Bike Details: Popular lightweight two-stroke.					
18	1966	Greeves	Anglian	250	1960-69
Club:					
Bike Details: This is the first time this bike has been shown here. It is an ex-works bike being first owned by Greeves Invacar Ltd. The first signature on the log -book is Derry Preston Cobb. It was then sold later to trials and scrambles ace Peter Vine who also worked for Greeves. It did spend a few years here in Ashford and Dartford then went to Yorkshire which is where I purchased it from. a year later to trials and scrambles ace Peter Vine who also worked for Greeves.					
74	1966	Norton	Jubilee	250	1960-69
Club:					
Bike Details: First time at this Show! Norton Jubilee supplied to Milburn motorcycle dealer on 10th December 1965.					
16	1966	Velocette	Thruxton	499	1960-69
Club:					
Bike Details: This Velocette was dispatched by the Hall Green factory on the 8th December 1965 and EKW 29D was purchased new by Roy Jagger of Cleckheaton, West Yorkshire from the dealership called Cowie Ltd of Bradford on the 8th April 1966. Sixteen years later it was noticed by the current owner parked up underneath a hotel fire escape on the Douglas seafront during the 1982 TT week. Eight years later in February 1990, the current owner responded to an advertisement in the MCN for a Thruxton and on viewing the bike instantly recognised it as being the same observed in the IOM eight years earlier. EKW 29D was purchased from the original owner on the 17th February 1990 and then stored again in the same condition for another eight years. It was finally fully restored between 1998 and 2001. There were approximately 1100 Thruxton's produced by the factory and 55-60 produced by four main dealers from new parts. There are 692 plus machines Worldwide on the Thruxton Register.					
30	1967	AJS	Sapphire Sport	250	1960-69 Lightweight
Club:					
Bike Details: This is the last of the lightweight singles, produced to keep up with the Japanese machines that were beginning to dominate the market in the mid 1960s.					
26	1967	Ariel	Arrow	250	1960-69
Club: Ariel Owners MCC					
Bike Details: First time at the Show for this Ariel Arrow HMG Café Racer - it is a 5 port with twin carbs and reed valves. It has a custom swing arm, seat, fairing and fuel tank. It also has a programmable ignition. RD Expansion Chambers.					
80	1967/8	Aermacchi	Ala D'Oro	350	1960-69 Competition / Special
Manx Club:					
Bike Details: First time at this show for this racing machine, bought in the early eighties and finished in Shell Sport colours. The current owner has ridden it in the Manx GP 11 times between 1984 and 1999, with a best place of Eighth in the 1989 Junior Classic MGP. Sid Lawton described it as a "bloomin' good 'un, with no oil leaks"!					
28	1968	BSA	Bantam D14/4 Supre	175	1960-69 Lightweight
Club: BSA Bantam Club					
Bike Details: Purchased in 2010 and restored in 2012. The intention was to create a rideable and tidy bike. Since restoration it has covered about 6000 trouble free miles.					

No	Year	Make	Model	cc / HP	Classes Entered
72	1968	Montesa	Cota 348	310	1960-69 Competition / Special Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this show for this trials bike with six gears.					
55	1969	Triumph	Tiger T100S	498	1960-69 Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: First registered 3rd July 1969.					
23	1969	Triumph	Trident	741	1960-69 Competition / Special Club: Manx
Bike Details: First time at this Show - this machine was raced in the 1973 Zandvoort 600km Production race by its current owner and by Mike Trimby (5th place) in the 1000cc class. The current owner also rode it in the 1974 Final Production Race at the TT (10th place).					
57	1970	BSA	A50 ROYAL STAR	500	1970-79 Heavyweight Club: BSA OC (Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this Show - The very last year of the A50 models - According to factory records, this Royal Star was built in August, 1970!					
29	1970	Honda	CB750/4 K1	750	1970-79 Heavyweight Club:
Bike Details: This Honda CB750 Four K1 1970 is in blue with 22,235 miles on the clock in original unrestored condition. Not bad for a bike that is 56 years that is still going.					
2	1970	Puch	VZ50	49	1970-79 Lightweight Overseas Club:
Bike Details: This is the first time at this show for this Puch VZ50, also known as the Flying Banana! This bike has competed in the Moped Mayhem Challenge at the Heritage Sprint for the last two years. It features a three speed twist-grip gear change and can reach speeds of 40mph - with a tail wind! Known as the Flying Banana in it's day. It was in competition with the Yamaha Fs1e and Honda Ss50, although never as fast. Twist grip 3 speed gears. This bike has competed in the Heritage Sprint moped challenge at Betteshanger Park and will be again competing this year. It takes many people back to being 16 again!					
70	1970	Suzuki	Stinger T125-2	125	1970-79 Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this show for this 'wood find' machine; yes, complete with bird nest in the middle of the frame! The engine was seized but is now working fine. Petrol tank repainted in 'Candy Gold' as original. It was marketed as a Street / Off-Roader, hence the generous ground clearance. Very nippy, with five gears.					
87	1971	Kawasaki	H1C	498	1970-79 Overseas Club:
Bike Details: This is a 1972 model was not officially recognised by the factory, as these were seen treated as a parts bin special to bridge the gap before the arrival of the 1973 model. With only an estimated 1200 made for the USA market, few have found their way to the UK and are generally acknowledged as being the rarest of all of the Kawasaki 500 triples.					
32	1971	Norton	Commando	750	1970-79 Club: Norton OC (Kent)
Bike Details: 1971 Norton Commando Interstate – purchased in Scotland in 2011 and ridden home to Kent! I've now covered 22k trouble free miles! Best modification is the Alton electric start!					
This is still my favourite bike, particularly after I have made life easy and fitted an Alton electric start upgrade. She's now done 60k miles, 18k of which I have done and still going strong. Happy Days!					

No	Year	Make	Model	cc / HP	Classes Entered
79	1972	Norton	Commando	750	1970-79 Club: Norton OC (Kent)
Bike Details: Repatriated (imported) from the USA in 1996 in near original condition. I bought the bike in 2010, the previous owner re-built the engine in 2009, The rest of the bike was the same as it came back from the states until I fitted a Mikuni carb in February 2018 and an Alton electric start kit in April 2022.					
86	1973	Kawasaki	H2A 750	750	1970-79 Overseas Club:
Bike Details: Kawasaki 750 Triple. This was a model produced by Kawasaki for one reason only....performance. Noisy, smelly and antisocial it was loved for three years before the fuel crisis switched everyone's attention to four stroke machines.					
52	1973	Yamaha	YR5	350	1970-79 Overseas Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: Partly restored over the years, carried out a few modifications to my liking.					
20	1973	Yamaha	YR5	347	1970-79 Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: I purchased this bike back in 1998 as non runner, rebuilt it and added an electronic ignition and it ran great for 25 years & 12,000 miles. Then it dropped a piston ring two years ago. The engine was rebuilt with oversize pistons after a rebore & crankshaft overhaul, the frame powder coated and expansion chambers fitted. It now runs great again, with attitude - ting ting ting!					
36	1974	Kawasaki	Z900	900	1970-79 Overseas Club:
Bike Details: The Z900 is an all-time classic, and the first SuperBike - it moved the game on massively from the CB750 Honda.					
41	1974	Kawasaki	H1E	500	1970-79 Club:
Bike Details: First time at this Show!					
66	1974	Yamaha	TZ 350A	350	1970-79 Competition / Special Heavyweight Club:
Bike Details: Purchased from Bill Smith's bike shop in Liverpool in 1975, it was raced under the sponsorship of Hallet's of Canterbury and ESSO at various tracks around the UK.					
56	1976	Hercules	Wankel	300+	1970-79 Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: The first Hercules Wankel 2000 was made in Germany and was developed and produced by Fichtel And Sachs. One thousand, eight hundred bikes were produced from 1974 to 1977. This Wankel is one of 199 that has auto-mix oil injection and is a fast and smooth ride, with six gears. Owned by me for 26 years!					
54	1976	Yamaha	RD400C	399	1970-79 Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: First time at this show for this US model six-speed, air-cooled, 44 BHP from factory. Bike partly refurbished by the previous UK owner. Original points replaced with electronic ignition and new pistons and rings in 2025. Mileage believed to be genuine.					

No	Year	Make	Model	cc / HP	Classes Entered
64	1977	BMW	R100RS	980	1970-79
Club:					
Bike Details: First time at this Show! This is a 1977 BMW R100RS – Machine Number 96! One of the very first R100RS motorcycles ever built, this bike left BMW's Munich factory in August 1976 as just the 96th example of what would become the iconic long-distance sport touring motorcycle. The R100Rs was the first production motorcycle designed aerodynamically from the ground up. The bike and its full fairing were designed by Hans Muth (BMW Motorrad's head of design at the time) and testing was conducted at the Pininfarina wind tunnel facility in Turin, Italy. First registered in Gloucestershire in January 1977, this bike retains its original BMW 530 Silver Blue paintwork with honest patina earned across nearly 50 years and over 38,000 miles. Complete with matching-numbers engine and gearbox, original panniers and screen, it represents an increasingly rare example of an unrestored, unmolested early production R100RS as BMW intended it."					
44	1977	Suzuki	GS750	750	1970-79 Heavyweight
Club:					
Bike Details: Restored in 2019, genuine mileage.					
43	1978	Honda	Gold Wing GL100	1000	1970-79 Overseas
Club: Martello Sidecar Owners' Club					
Bike Details: Martello sidecars were manufactured in Folkestone during the 1980's by Martello Plastics Ltd, which sold around 28 sidecars both within the UK and two L/H units for Europe. Each sidecar was made by Len Turner (long-time chairman of the West Hythe MCC) and Dave Clark. You can 'Google' Martello sidecars for more details on this sidecar's history. This is a 1978 Honda GL1000 fitted in 1982 with a Martello sidecar. Originally used by Martello Plastics owner Les Bray to show the sidecar design at trade fairs and various Motorcycle Shows such as the BMF at Peterborough. With the addition of a trailer (again designed and made by Martello Plastics) the bike travelled Germany with the West Hythe MCC and Aschmann Cologne MCC. Now used all year round as daily family transport - various non-standard mods such as Harley Davidson silencers keep it on the road at minimal cost.					
49	1978	Suzuki	GS400	400	1970-79 Overseas
Club: East Kent Classic Motorcycle Club					
Bike Details: The Suzuki GS400 twin was presented in October 1976, being one of the first four-stroke Suzuki's since the Colleda COX in the 1950's. The other Suzuki four-strokes that were introduced that year were the GS750 and GS550 fours. This bike lived unused and unloved in a shed for many years before I got it and then underwent a sympathetic restoration using as many original and NOS parts as possible, the original exhaust took 4 years to find to complete the original look, And what a lovely bike it is to ride.					
82	1979	Honda	CB750K	750	1970-79
Club:					
UNDER 30					
Bike Details: First time at this event!					
89	1980	BSA	Brigand	50	1980 On
Club:					
Bike Details: First time at this show for this rare BSA. They were assembled in Birmingham from parts sourced from Italy, and made from 1979-1982.					
6	1980	Honda	CX500A Trike	650	1980 On Overseas
Club: Deal & District MCC					
Bike Details:					
85	1980	MZ	TS 250/1	243	1980 On
Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)					
Bike Details: First time at this Show for this two-stroke, owned since 2020, a covid baby! Pre-mix two-stroke. A few modifications: disc brake , 12v electrics , Bing carburettor.					
48	1981	Kawasaki	LTD 1000	1000	1980 On Overseas
Club: East Kent Classic Motorcycle Club					
Bike Details: First time at this Show.					

No	Year	Make	Model	cc / HP	Classes Entered
67	1981	Yamaha	TZ 350G	350	1980 On Competition / Special Heavyweight Club:
Bike Details: Purchased in 1995 from a fellow racer as a frame & rolling chassis, an engine was sourced from another racer & the bike was built up in 1996. It raced under the primary sponsorship of the late RH Ovenden of Kent at many tracks across the UK.					
21	1982	Yamaha	XS250 SE	250	1980 On Overseas Lightweight Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: Under restoration. Recently purchased having been unused & garaged for 12 years. Now used regularly.					
22	1983	Honda	CB400n Superdream	400	1980 On Club:
Bike Details: First time at this show for this Honda, used all year as a commuter.					
24	1983	Yamaha	RD350LC	347	1980 On Club:
Bike Details: White & Blue "Bounty" paint scheme. Originally a 250cc German Import but refurbished in 2024 and converted to a 350cc with twin front disc brakes. Fitted with period Allspeed exhaust pipes.					
73	1986	Honda	American Classic Sh	1100	1980 On Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: First time at this Show for this V4 Honda, which was imported from the States.					
71	1988	Honda	NSR	250	1980 On Competition / Special Club: VMCC (Men of Kent)
Bike Details: This is a 1988 Honda NSR 250 in race trim Rothmans colours as Freddie Spencer's works bikes. It is a grey import, only available in Japan					
58	1988	Norton	Classic Rotary	588	1980 On Club: Norton OC (Kent)
Bike Details: I purchased the bike from its fifth owner in September 2024. The bike required re-commissioning / servicing and rectification to some accident damage. With this now almost completed the bike is back in use during the warmer months. The bike came with 3 large history files, revealing the first owner as Norton OC member Mr. W. Waghorn from East Peckham, one of the other previous owners was Motorcycle journalist Mr. Paul Miles, who featured this actual bike in two magazine comparison road test features. Having been on two wheels for some 46 years now, and owned over 50 motorcycles during that time I can honestly say that nothing else rides like a rotary, such a different experience, the chassis being very comfortable and competent for the period, and the power delivery so so addictive! Spares for these bikes become ever more difficult to track down, if you have anything, please speak up I could be interested. First time at this show.					
45	2021	Royal Enfield	Continental GT	650	1980 On Club: Royal Enfield OC (Kent)
Bike Details: Extensively modified from a Continental GT into an Interceptor.					
3	2024	Royal Enfield	Guerrilla	450	1980 On Club: Royal Enfield OC (Kent)
Bike Details: A modern day Guerrilla! Guerrilla by name and a Guerrilla by nature!					
13	2025	Royal Enfield	Hunter	350	1980 On Club: Deal & District MCC
Bike Details: First time at this show					
47	tbc	Yamaha	tba	-	1980 On Club:
Bike Details:					

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