



GILERA 50

My dad, Donald Rae in May 1974 outside the house he still lives in. He was 16. The bike is a 50cc Gilera. **Chris Rae**



HONDA MT50

Here's me in 1995 in my parents' back garden when I was just 11 years old. The bike is a Honda MT50. **Chris Rae**



YAMAHA PW50

My son Seth, in July 2019 when he had just turned three. He's been on the PW since he was one. Bike is a 1994 PW50 that I have fully restored. **Chris Rae**



YAMAHA DT50MX

This was taken on my 16th birthday in 1985, the bike was a Yamaha DT50MX, Reg No GKM 75Y. **David Ancill**



APRILIA TUONO 125

I'm proud of my wife Sue after she passed her CBT last year, ready for life's next big adventure. She's gonna kill me for this! **Steve Cariss**

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A blast down memory lane
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TRIUMPH TIGER 500

This is me in 1955 on my second bike a Triumph Tiger 500 (first bike was a Douglas 350). My current bike is a Honda CBF1000. **Frank Nield**



HONDA CRF

My daughter Tia White (age nine) and her little CRF. **Jed White**



YAMAHA YZ400E

Me aged 19 in 1980 on my first off road bike – what a machine. Many bikes later I now ride a Honda CBR600RR and Beta 290. **Dave Channon**

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Your tricky legal questions answered

Q 'I keep getting bogus calls'

I have a claim against a car driver who pulled out in front of me. I have decided to pursue the driver's insurance company myself to recover my repair costs as I was only third-party. Despite suffering no injuries, I keep getting calls from so-called lawyers asking whether I want to bring an injury claim. It is really annoying.

Adam, Durham

A Contrary to popular belief, qualified solicitors aren't allowed to make unsolicited approaches (cold calls) to members of the public in order to advertise legal services. We also have a duty of confidentiality, so will never share our clients' contact details with others without expressed permission.

That said, there are plenty of claims management companies operating in and around insurance and legal services that do cold call, hoping to make money out of referring claims.

The Financial Conduct

'Qualified solicitors can't make cold calls'

Authority regulates claims management companies, so if you are receiving nuisance calls, you can make a complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service (0800-0234567). You are also entitled to report the caller to the Information Commissioner's Office who will investigate and potentially fine the company.

It may also be worthwhile registering your number with the Telephone Preference Service which should prevent you from receiving unwanted sales and marketing calls.

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'WSB is quality. We should be loving it'

For McGuinness any top-level, world-class bike racing is exciting

I still scratch my head wondering why WSB doesn't get the following it deserves. The racing is good, there are great riders, top-level bikes and British guys dominating. It just needs some different winners.

I love Jonathan Rea to bits, but do we want 2020 to be another Johnny Rea show? No, we don't. But last year it started off as a Bautista show and Johnny flipped it on its head. I'm a Rea fan, I remember him when I was at Honda and he was in Red Bull rookies and he was a spiky-

'WE NEED SCOTT REDDING TO TAKE IT TO JOHNNY REA'

haired little kid riding a two-stroke. And he's served his time, been through the ranks – the boy has done good. He's done an amazing job on everything he's ridden. Yeah he's a bit steady at times and says what he needs to say, but he's a winning machine.

Scott Redding is a free spirit, he's a bit quirky and brings charisma and a bit of daftness. The whole Ducati team look to be in harmony and both Scott and Chaz are injury-ree, training hard and in a good place.

We need Redding to take it to Rea a bit, like Chaz did a few years ago. As long as no-one gets injured, that's great.



Great bikes, speeds close to MotoGP... what's not to like in WSB racing?

What we want to see is different winners and different manufacturers up there. Despite the gripes I've had with Honda, I want to see the Blade up front. It's an iconic brand. The BMW is only getting stronger with Sykes and Laverty. Lowes on the Yamaha, Van der Mark on the Yamaha... the list goes on. There are loads of things to follow and understand at the start of the season and it's a series where all the riders are world class.

What we don't always appreciate sat in our armchairs is that those guys are not far away from MotoGP times.



When the racing is this tight we should all be on the edge of our armchairs

ASK McGUINNESS

Who's your WSB dark horse?



John Shayler

Toprak is a dark horse, he stuck it to Johnny last year at Magny-Cours and that could be the turning point because now he knows he can win. Whether the Yamaha is good enough though – I don't know.

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