LIFE ON BIKES



The picture is a bit creased but this is me posing on my BSA C12 in 1960. I still have a couple of bikes. **Huw 'Tudor' Phillips**



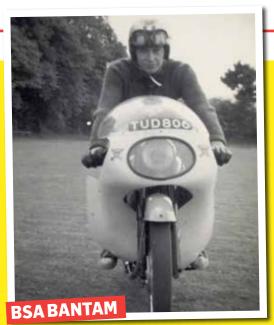
Here's my first bike, an Agrati Garelli moped with my mate Steve Holt on his Garelli Tiger. It was taken in 1980 in the White Hart pub car park in North Cave, East Yorks. Darran Williamson



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Here I am with my 1982 RD250LC which I bought and picked up brand new for £1030 on my 17th birthday to replace my very slow and rather yellow FS1-E. Chris Webb

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This is a picture of my early 1960s BSA Bantam. I bought it new for £129 and still have the receipt **Roger Bishop**



blast down memory lane and your first bike pics to:



Mum and Dad going to Kent from Leeds on honeymoon straight from the church. Andrew Glover



At full cry on my first bike in 1970; a Honda CD90Z. I have recently obtained a 1971 model of the same bike. Jain Sommerville



This is my Dad and Mum. Keith and Ann. before they were married on Dad's first motorcycle, a Panther, which he bought in 1956. **Lorraine Pullen**



My grandson Leon, named after Leon Haslam, on his first bike. a Yamaha PW50, with his mother, Sarah on her wedding day. She is on my Yamaha TDM900. Martin Newman

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Judge got it wrong. How do I appeal?

I was in court last week as a result of a bike accident in 2017. I was claiming against a taxi driver for injuries that I received in the accident, but unfortunately I lost the case. My brother says I should appeal and push for a retrial. The facts of the accident were that the taxi driver turned in front of me without warning. The evidence appeared to go well for me and my barrister thought the same, that is until the judge read out her decision and ruled in favour of the taxi driver. I think the judge got my evidence wrong. I have the police report and witness statements. Would you be able to advise on the chances of an appeal being successful? Ben Davies, email

There is a time limit to lodge the appeal of 21 days from the decision

of the court so you have time but you do need to act fast. To succeed you will need to show that the judge was either

wrong in law or fact and this affected the result or that she "erred" seriously in her

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iudament. In other words that no reasonable judge would have found as she did.

The most sensible approach would be for the barrister who represented you in the original hearing to write an urgent, short opinion on the prospects of a successful appeal and then consider how you would fund the appeal. The problem is that the appeal process can prove costly and, of course, there are no guarantees.

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'Hamilton can't even be arsed to turn up'

Our man reckons Rea deserves a top spot on BBC's SPOTY

heard they have changed Sports Personality a bit this year in a bid to stop what appened with Jonathan Rea last year when he came second? That's wrong, isn't it?

I usually get an invite and go along, it's a great night but sometimes I'm sat in the crowd wondering who some of the nominees are. I don't mean it disrespectfully, it might be a swimmer who has won millions of medals but I don't follow the sport so I don't know who he is. He's obviously brilliant at what he does and I sit there and respect it, so I don't understand

'HE'S A CHAMP HE'S NOT COME THIRD. OR GOT A **BRONZE MEDAL**

why people can't do the same with Jonathan.

He's a World Champion. He's not finished third, or got a bronze medal. He's the most successful guy at what he does, so why shouldn't he be on sports personality?

I think it's because of the perception that motorbike racing is dangerous. I just don't get it, you can get hurt in a load of sports; horse riding or downhill skiing. What is the problem with bikes?

He finished second last year because he got so many votes. I was sitting there with Hutchy, cages on our legs, full



of painkillers, and we were cheering for him louder than anyone in the room as he rode in on his Kawasaki. It was brilliant entertainment and there's no reason he shouldn't be in the running for it this year.

Lewis Hamilton can't even be arsed to turn up but Jonathan was there on stage promoting our sport and giving it everything he had. So what if there were a load of people in Northern Ireland voting for him? Of course they would... even if ex-racer Greg Lavilla did call him 'uncharismatic'



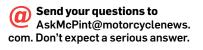
Some celebs don't even turn up but our Jonathan made a proper entrance

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I was looking forward to riding with him this year. He's having some time away from the job and I don't know the full details. I wish him all the best If he's racing next year and he has a bike, I'd love to be out in his colours.



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