



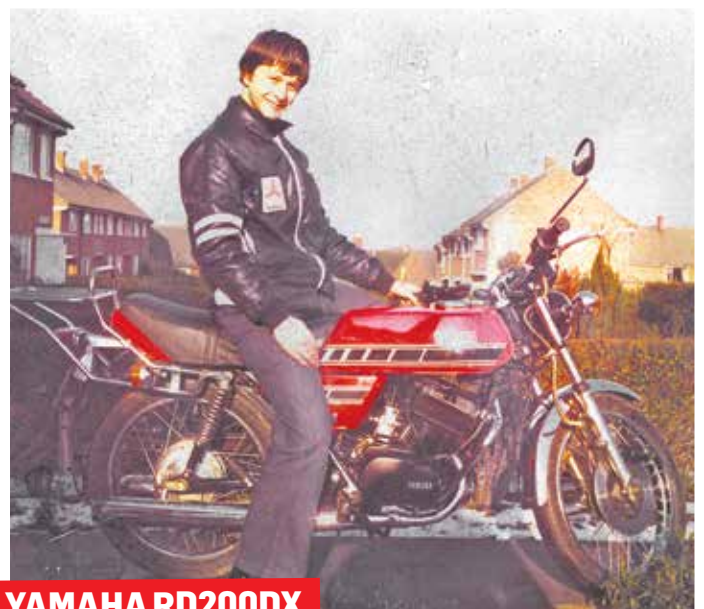
YAMAHA RD80LC

Me getting my Yamaha RD80LC on the back wheel in 1983. They were good times! **Dave Dowdeswell**



ITALJET 50

My dad, Nick Redfearn, on his first ever bike, a 50cc Italjet when he was five years old. He turned 50 on November 11. **Annie Redfearn**



YAMAHA RD200DX

Me aged 17 on my 1978 Yamaha RD200DX. I am still riding more than 40 years later and now own a Suzuki GSX-R1000 K6. **Alan Cochrane**



BSA SPITFIRE

Here I am on my 1967 BSA Spitfire which I got when I was 17 years old back in 1972. **Hans Jørgen Kordovsky**



BROUGH SUPERIOR SS100

Not my first bike but my first go on a friend's 1928 Brough Superior SS100. What an experience! **Davis Maclannan**

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BSA BANTAM

Me on my BSA Bantam in 1984! I now own an Aprilia, Moto Guzzi, MV Agusta, Piaggio and Vespa dealership. **Dawn Dawson**



YAMAHA RD125LC

On my RD125LC in 1991 with my dad on his old Royal Enfield 250. Note mean black visor and extra large Naff Naff puffa jacket! **Paul Rees**



KAWASAKI Z250C

Here's my wife Debbie Tidmarsh in the early 1980s on her first bike, a silver Kawasaki Z250C. **Dave Tidmarsh**

MCN LAW

Your tricky legal questions answered

Q 'My licence had the wrong address'

I recently moved house but before I could change the address on my driving licence I was caught by a speed camera. My former landlord didn't forward the penalty notice to me and I have just received a court summons. I would have been happy to accept the fine and points on my licence but I am now worried that the fine may be increased. Where do I stand legally on this? I am very worried because I have never been to court before.

Rebecca Gillam, email

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You should be fine because you have a legitimate excuse. I suggest you go down the route of making a statutory declaration. These are used to allow a person to affirm something to be true for the purposes of satisfying some legal requirement or regulation when no other evidence is available. You need to speak to the court to explain the situation and they will arrange for you to attend court to explain the circumstances to the magistrates who will then ask you to sign the declaration, avoiding the need for the trial.

'You need to go to court and make a declaration'

Your ex-landlord may also be able to provide you with a statement confirming he did not forward it to you but he may not be willing to assist. It is worth pointing out that making a false statutory declaration is a criminal offence.

Many people don't change their addresses on their driving licences and they are risking a hefty fine. It is important to do so promptly to avoid things like this happening.

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'The old Fireblade was miles behind'

McPint hopes the 2020 model can return Honda to superbike glory

I've had a look at the new Blade. I don't mean to be disrespectful, but it looks like a BMW with wings thanks to the design of the subframe and seat unit. But it's got its Honda touches and the iconic colours, so it looks good. I'm still unsure how much difference the wings make. There was a GP recently where Alex Rins had a set knocked off and the commentators were saying that it was now going to steer better on the lefts than the rights, but it didn't seem to make any difference to his pace. I reckon if you blindfolded a rider so they



McGuinness says the new Blade has to be so sharp

'IT NEEDS TO BE 'WOW'. THIS IS HONDA WE'RE TALKING ABOUT'

couldn't see if their bike had wings on or not, they wouldn't know. Maybe I'm wrong and they truly have got incredible feel! But back to the Fireblade, Honda had to do something to keep up. It looks right and it was a bike that was in desperate need of a revamp. They are claiming big BHP and we know Honda can do it; Honda can do what they want. They've patented some valve technology which looks interesting, it's got more RPM. And it needed it, they needed a jump forward because everyone else has and the old Fireblade was the tamest of all the 1000s.

The 2017-2019 model was sweet and the build quality was great but it was miles behind. The new bike needs to be 'wow' because this is Honda we're talking about. They are MotoGP world champions, Motocross world champions. The outgoing Fireblade has been a good bike, but not good enough. It hasn't won in BSB since 2013. I genuinely hope it's awesome. Look, I had a lot of success with Honda, I was with them a long time and did great things. I know we had our problems but hand on heart, it was really sad to see them drop off.



The aerodynamics look cool but McPint is a bit sceptical about their effectiveness

ASK McGUINNESS

Could Scott Redding ever make it back up into MotoGP?



Rick Bamsford
I guess it depends on what he does in WSB, but realistically I think he's had his shot at MotoGP. It's unusual for a rider to make it back to the class.

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