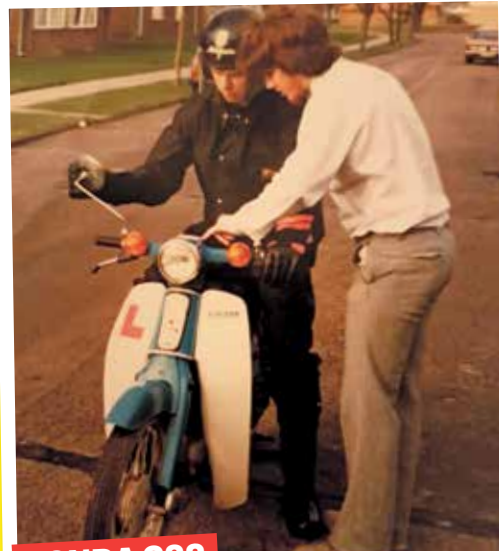




**NORMAN B4**

Me aged 16 in 1960 leaving Stovis Engineering on my Norman B4 sports twin. I'm still riding, now on a VFR800. **John Rodgers**



**HONDA C90**

On my first legal bike. That 1983 Honda C90 lasted a good few years. It's my brother with me in the picture. **Iain Duthie**



**YAMAHA TY80**

Jonathan Lee, Dean Devereux and Steve Swanson on their new Yamaha TY80s 42 years ago. All three are still riding today. **Doug Swanson**



**ROYAL ENFIELD METEOR 700**

My dad Joe and his sister Roma in 1955 two weeks before they toured Norway with the Grimsby motorcycle club. **Jez Briggs**



**SUZUKI TS100**

My first road bike in 1978, flares optional. I loved that bike and wish I'd hung onto it. **David Martin**

# YOU NEVER FORGET YOUR FIRST BIKE

A blast down memory lane  
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**YAMAHA TY50**

Me on my first bike in 1980, a Yamaha TY50. Obviously matching mullet and jeans for that time! **Rob Dickson**



**TRIUMPH 6T THUNDERBIRD**

My dad, Selby Morton, on his Triumph Thunderbird in 1951 with his pet fox which was known as 'Foxy'. **Gillian Lumsden**



**TRIUMPH SPEED TWIN**

My dad Alan in 1959 aged 19 on his 1949 Triumph 500 Speed Twin, he packed in riding after he went through a hedge on it! **Michael Jones**

## MCN LAW

Your tricky legal questions answered

### Cops said my Hayabusa wasn't insured

The law pulled me over at the side of the road while I was out on a ride. They said their automatic records checking system showed that my Hayabusa was not insured. I made it clear I was insured and showed them an email on my phone with an attached insurance certificate. They were not interested in the certificate, simply stating I was not insured. Infuriating. I was not allowed to move my bike! In the end, it turned out to be a mistake by my insurer. They failed to arrange cover even though they had taken payment and issued a certificate. Can the police really stop you riding for reasons you believe to be completely false?

**Pete Carragher, email**

### 'I showed them the certificate but they didn't care'

The vehicle was not, in fact, insured so the police were correct (although this was clearly not your fault). The police can stop a vehicle for any reason with reasonable cause to suspect something is awry. If they ask you to stop, you should always pull over when it is safe to do so. You are breaking the law if you don't. If you're stopped, the police can ask to see your driving licence, insurance certificate and MoT certificate. If you don't have these documents with you, you have seven days to take them to a police station. You are breaking the law if you don't show the requested documents within seven days. You can have your vehicle seized if you are stopped on suspicion of driving without insurance and for some other offences.

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# McPINT



## 'The hairy-arsed types won't like it'

MCN's man assesses Harley's plans for a big, bold adventure bike

Someone showed me a picture of that adventure bike Harley are planning to make, the other day. Hmmm. It's interesting isn't it? It looks like an ElectraGlide has had a kid with a BMW GS! It looks OK and is certainly a bit different. I think it looks a bit like that Arch thing from Keanu Reeves. The swingarm looks alright but I wouldn't fancy going off-road on it. Then again, 90% of adventure bikes aren't ever ridden off-road anyway.

I had a go on one of those BMW

### 'I CAN'T GUESS WHAT THE YANKS WILL MAKE OF IT'

GS things the other week. I was quite surprised actually. It had an autoblipper and everything; I was impressed. I used to think they were buses.

Adventure bikes are popular. They seem to sell more than anything else so I guess it makes sense for Harley to want a bit of that pie. But I can't guess what the Yanks are going to make of it. The hairy-arsed, Hells Angels types aren't going to like that sort of thing are they?

In fact I'm not sure where they are going to go with it at all. Who will buy it? It's massively out of Harley's comfort zone so it doesn't make much sense. I can't



ElectraGlide meets BM GS or two-wheeled Doctor Who K9? You decide

see traditional Harley customers buying an adventure bike and I can't see normal adventure bike riders wanting a Harley.

Maybe they should stick an Evel Knievel paint job on it? He had a go at 'off-roading' Harleys didn't he? He wasn't very successful but he had a go!

It threw me a little bit, when they said it was a Harley I didn't believe them. It's very 'Tron'. It's good to see them trying new things I guess but whether it'll tempt anyone to buy one I'm not so sure! That LiveWire is a bit more like it, looks-wise, maybe this is the future for them.



'That LiveWire is a bit more like it, looks-wise,' says McGuinness

### ASK McGUINNESS

What's the worst bit about riding injured?

**KEVIN DRAYTONS**

The pain! If you can get over that or take painkillers, you can forget about it, but if it hurts all the time, it's really difficult. You just need to focus on racing, hope the pain is manageable and sometimes you just forget about it. Like Cal did last weekend!

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