

Here I am on my good old Kawasaki GPZ550 during a visit to the 1985 Isle of Man TT. Those were the days, eh? Kevin Watts



My son Alan getting started out as a motorcyclist when he was four. He stuck with Hondas after that. Colm Crowley



Mv brother Nigel complete with the obligatory flat-top haircut on his Yamaha DT175MX. Adrian Grove

My friend's son Henry Russell couldn't wait to show me his first machine nice KTM Henry! Looks like it will be a lot of dirty fun. Philip Blake



A blast down memory lane

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Arlo Kernaghan, age five, wants something faster but the PW50 is enough to be going on with for now, Gavin Kernaghan



 $My first \, bike \, March \, 2019. \, l've \, since \, progressed \, and \, passed$ my full test and bought a new V-Strom. Simon Boyle



My grandson Harvey having fun on what will hopefully be the first of many bikes. John Waller



After a few years away from bikes my dad, 76, decided to come back to two wheels with a Ninia 650. Roger Stokes

Your tricky legal

I had an accident a year ago and fractures. The other driver's has been paying for treatment. The problem is that I was in for messed up an operation and it looks like my recovery is now going to take longer as a result. The other side's solicitors are impact of the hospital's mistake and say any ongoing loss is not with how to deal with this? Ran, Southwark

Fairly frequently we have cases where a medical negligence to count as

an "intervening act", preventing

the person responsible for the first accident from paying for the consequences of a second event, it must be grossly negligent treatment, not merely negligent treatment. An example would be operating on the wrong limb as that is obviously grossly negligent. So the answer in your case will depend on medical expert evidence as to whether or not the treatment received was grossly negligent. If it was not then the driver's insurer will be responsible for the losses arising from it.

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flat-out and the bikes are on the limiter constantly and you think: how the hell are they going to last two weeks? On some stages they are averaging nearly 70mph! That is insane off-road. The trouble is that are riding so fast for such a the manufacturers and millions of big distance and they don't know

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TT Legend John McGuinness MBE in MCN every week

'Heading flat-out

into the unknown'

McGuinness has the utmost respect for the guys racing Dakar

lot of interest and it's been

orutal. For me the first thing

hat comes to my mind is

racing in it for the first time. He's

getting good media coverage and

in every interview I'm hanging off

pure gold. He's obviously a big TT

fan and has grown up watching it.

He's made a lot of comparisons

but when he spoke about how being passed by Carlos Sainz in

the car was more spectacular than watching the TT - it blew

me away. For Knighter to be that

'You know every

bump around

the TT course'

impressed it must be special

Knighter has won everything:

five-time world champion, GNCC,

Erzberg, Last Man Standing, the

list goes on, but he's currently in

40th place - so how fast are the

guys at the front going? As they

got to the half way point he was

it? It's clearly very important to

pounds goes into all those factory

teams so when you see them get

lost and going round and round in

circles it's a bit comical. You think

how hard can it be?' Well I'll tell

It's also testament to the bikes

you, it's ridiculously hard.

It's a strange race though, isn't

five hours behind the leaders.

every word he says because it's

the fact that David Knight is

what's coming next. The TT has its dangers but around there you know every bump, you know every manhole, you know the wind direction. Don't get me wrong, I respect the TT 100% but at the Dakar they are flat-out racing into the unknown.

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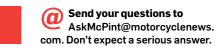
Knighter is totally hardcore but this

ASK McGUINNESS Who do you think

will win Dakar? **Craig Peters**

Honestly you can't call it. There are 20 factory guys all prepared to put it on the line – any one of then could win the thing - it's





questions answered

'The hospital messed it up'

my right leg had a couple of nasty insurer admitted fault early on and some treatment and the hospital saying they are not paying for the for them to compensate. Can you give me some advice to pass on to my solicitor as he seems at a loss

person has an accident during the course of a claim for a previous accident. It is a quite straightforward situation where the second incident is alleged medical negligence. For

'The hospital would have to be grossly negligent'

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