



HONDA CD175

How is this for pure poetry in motion? Me in 1975 on my 1972/3 Honda CD175. **Brian Holdship**



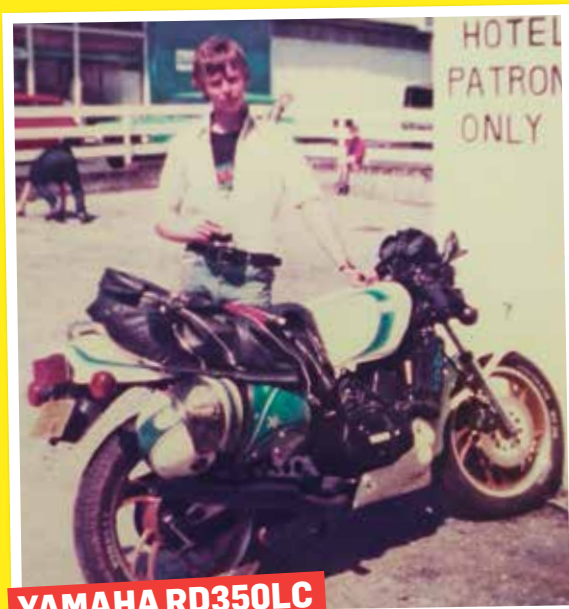
ARIEL WING 350

Dad on his Ariel. He'd use it for work during the week then strip it for an event. It's still around somewhere. **William Deacon**



BSA DANDY

My two sons, Peter and David aged five and three at an ESSA meeting in 1966 on their home-built BSA Dandy outfit (which I still have). **Mr P Hutchings**



YAMAHA RD350LC

My first serious bike: an RD350LC seen here on a trip to the 1984 Isle of Man TT. I now ride a Kawasaki Ninja H2. **Leigh Cave**

YOU NEVER FORGET YOUR FIRST BIKE

A blast down memory lane

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PANTHER 65

This is me on my blue 250cc Panther 65 which I liked because it looked a bit like a Triumph. Now in my 80s, so called it a day last year. **Alan Doughty**



HONDA MT5

Halifax in 1982 and here I am aged 16 on my first bike: a Honda MT5. I am now riding a Yamaha TDM900. **Ian Wright**



HONDA CBR600F

Meet my 1995 CBR600F. With just over 5000 miles on the clock, the Honda is timeless, sublime... **Samantha Allen**



NORTON 250cc JUBILEE

Went down to the Le Mans 24hr on this one in 1963 and kept getting stopped by Gendarmes so they could look at the bike. Great times. **Martin Buckman**

MCN LAW

Your tricky legal questions answered

Q 'Do that and you risk going to prison'

I was taken out whilst filtering on my R1200 in 2018. My claim was going very smoothly with my solicitors until we reached a point where they cannot commit to advise me in relation to some help I received. Before the accident I did all the gardening as my wife's back is not up to it. I could not do the work for a year so I paid a gardener cash-in-hand. The insurer on the other side has asked for invoices for the gardener but because it is cash I don't have any paperwork. Can I prepare some retrospectively? **Rob, email**

A No. You should definitely not produce your own invoices. There has been an upsurge in Defendant solicitors asking the court to have cases thrown out for fundamental dishonesty and the courts appear to be taking a very hard line against exaggerated and dishonest claims. Even if one element of the claim is exaggerated but the rest of the claim is perfectly

'You run the risk of having the case thrown out and paying the costs'

legitimate, the whole claim can be thrown out and indeed the court rules say it should unless the result would cause "substantial injustice". In addition Claimants found to be dishonest would have to pay some or all of the Defendant's costs and potentially return interim payments, in addition to the risk of imprisonment. I suggest you ask the gardener to prepare them but he/she may not be willing to do so for tax reasons.

Andrew Campbell
Solicitor and author of the MCN Law column for the last ten years

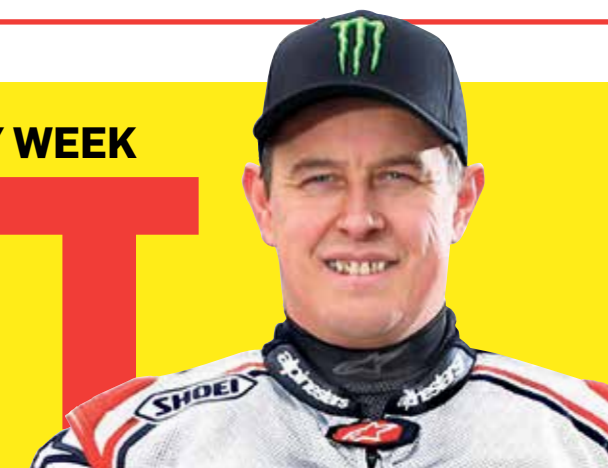
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McPINT



'It feels like you're doing 300mph...'

McPint takes a few liberties on four wheels around Lydden Hill

So it turns out I'm racing a round of the Five Nations British Rally Cross Championship. I know one of the organisers who's been trying to get me there before but the planets never lined up until now. It won't be my first time in a race car, I tested Gordon Shedden's championship-winning British Touring car in 2016. After a couple of runs out, and growing a set when it came to braking, I ended the day 0.6s off, which wasn't too bad. I got out in the Rally Cross car at Lydden Hill down in Kent

'MY PASSION IS BIKES THEN CARS... IT'S NOT GOLF, IS IT?'

last week and I'm going to race at Knockhill at the end of September. Chris Hoy was there too - Sir Chris Hoy who is an absolute legend and proper car driver who is going to be racing it in a couple of weeks' time. I just thought 'when am I ever going to get a chance to drive a 600bhp Rally Cross car?' And, to be fair, it was unbelievable. When the turbo comes in it definitely gets your attention - it's pretty special. My biggest issue was working out my braking marker because when you drop down the hill into the final turn it feels like you're doing 300mph.



John will race a round of the Five Nations British Rally Cross

It's got a lot of grip and so much power and round a short lap like Lydden there's a lot going on. I only got about eight laps. I spun it once, but I got faster every lap.

When you race a bike you have to be so precise but in a car it's kerb to kerb and going over them in some places - you can take liberties. But it's like anything, you can get within a second or so of the good guys - it's the last bit that is really hard to find.

My passion is bikes, but after that it has to be cars - it's not golf is it? I love any form of motorsport.



McGuinness says when the turbo kicks in the car 'definitely gets your attention'

ASK McGUINNESS

What are you expecting from Knockhill?



Marc Gabriel
Obviously I want to do well but I'm up against a lot of experienced drivers who have been doing it a lot longer than me. If I get on the podium I'll do a nude streak through the paddock.

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