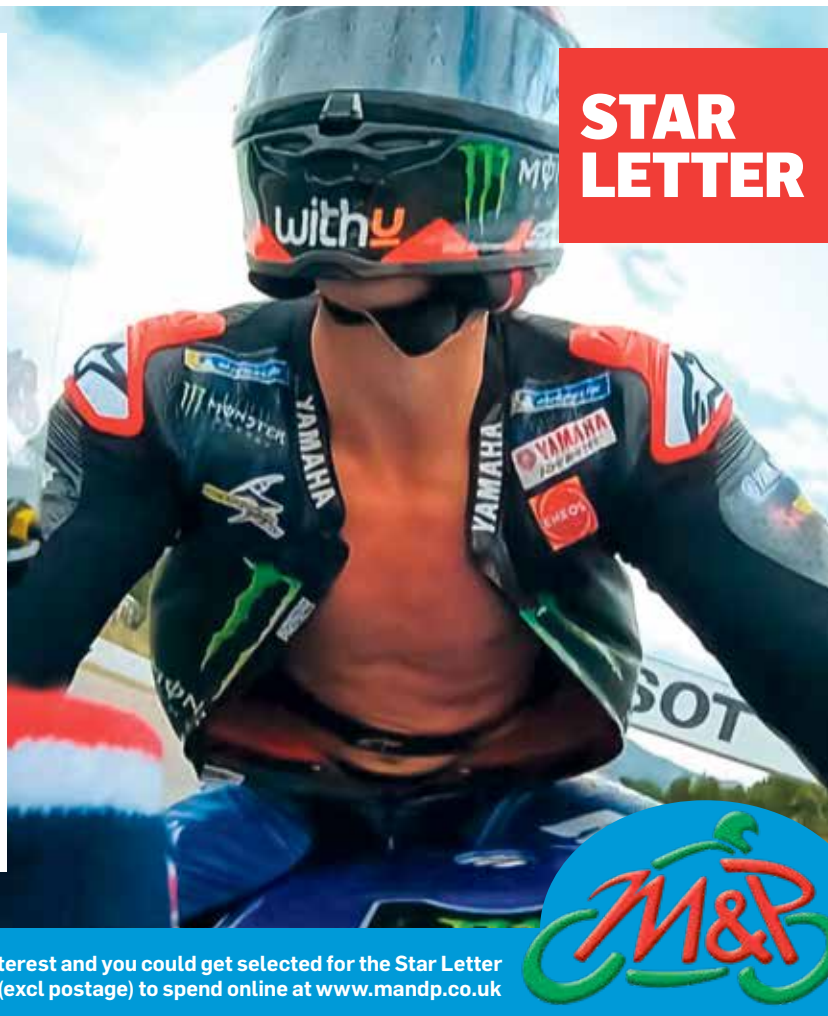


Talking point

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Wouldn't happen in a club race!

I was horrified to see Quartararo racing bare-chested with his leathers flapping at the recent Catalunya MotoGP. If Fabio had done that at the club races where I sometimes do marshalling, he would have been black-flagged within seconds, and sent to race control for a sound b****cking, with the possibly a fine, for putting himself and others at unnecessary risk. I cannot understand why the organisers allowed him to finish the race, and just sanctioned him with a very minor penalty. Perhaps NG Road Racing should run next year's Catalunya Grand Prix? It would be safer.
Pete Wardle, Bath



STAR LETTER

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Never stop riding...

Much respect to Peter Villis still doing a trackday at 92 having started riding in 1945 (MCN, June 9). As mere youngster of 87, I started riding as a National Serviceman in 1952 and am still going, (not trackdays though). It is nice to know I may well have some more years to carry on enjoying two wheels. Just have to keep myself out of trouble!
Paul Roberts, email

Serving up memories

I was interested to read your 'Out and About' article on Squires. Back in the mid-90s I was the local police sergeant for Sherburn in Elmet who had the job of policing Squires Milk Bar on a Wednesday night. It was a love/hate relationship as I loved motorcycles (I had a ZZR1200 at the time) so it was great to see them all heading for our village, but as Dave Marsh pointed out there were times when it was merry hell! 90% of the riders were fine but there were always 10% who would think it was OK to pull wheelies and do donuts. There wasn't much I could do about it as I was usually on my own or



92-year-old Peter is an inspiration

with a Special Constable. I spent many hours at parish council meetings trying to work out solutions but realised the only true answer was to move the café out of the village centre, which is indeed what happened in 2002. These days I'm very happy turning up on my own bike and having a good chat.
Nick Turnbull, email

Just call me Sherlock

Surely the easiest way to find out what happened to Quartararo's zip is to check the dash-mounted

camera – that would surely show how his wardrobe malfunctioned.
Robert Gordon, email

Get a grip, get a zip

Wow, steady on guys, take a deep breath... Lockdown is nearly over, all Fabio did was unzip his leathers!
Ian Martin, email

Why so spindly up front?

Dear Mr Guzzi... please, please, please scrap those ridiculous spindly forks on all your models, and replace them with upside-down units. Your latest V7 Special 850 looks aesthetically perfect apart from the front end. Low seat, V-twin, shaft drive, character everywhere apart from the forks.
Richard Cook, email

Dangers of live TTTV

Whilst the debate on the shake-up of the TT will rage up until the first race practice takes place, I cannot imagine the reason for 'live' TV coverage, it's morally wrong and if you think differently you have a big problem. History tells us a story, it's not pretty but part of the passion of

racing on the roads, seeing that part live in my home is not acceptable. There must be a time delay, surely!
Dave Clark, email

Save our petrol bikes

With the imminent banning of petrol cars, what future for bikes and the next generations? Our kids already miss out on the two-stroke experience. Do we deny them the sound and feel of a combustion engine too? We need to protect the 'MOTOR' cycle and quickly – this should almost be covered by some sort of cultural protection.
Peter Thompson, Northampton

The battery mountain

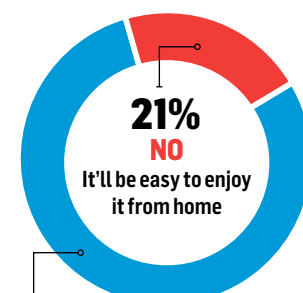
Think e-bikes are the solution? Wait until the dead battery mountains start to build up, plus what do you think the Government will do to the tax on electric to compensate for the loss in revenue generated from the tax on petrol? I ain't buying one and I ain't buying it. I'm packing the garage with as many bikes as I can.
Bert, email

One for the lawyers

Steven Goodman (MCN Letters, June 2) told us that his domestic operations director (or "boss" as he called her) encouraged him to sell a heavy Honda before surgery, with a view to buying "something lighter". Now, his wife says he "can't have a bike unless it's a free one," according to Steven. I refer the honourable gentleman to Andrew Campbell, MCN Bikelawyer columnist, who may have something to say about this appalling breach of contract.
Mark Hucke, Portugal

READER POLL

Will you still go to the TT if it's live on TV?



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It's all about the experience of being there

MCN LAW

Your tricky legal questions answered

Q 'I'm told I can't claim for my physio time off'

I was involved in an accident where a car did not stop at a stop sign and hit me. The driver admitted liability. I was injured and my medical expert recommended that I attend physiotherapy. Those physio sessions were in the late afternoon which meant that I had to take unpaid time off work. My legal adviser (instructed by my insurance intermediary) tells me that I cannot recover my lost income, which I find amazing. Is this correct?
Mr JH, email

A I don't see a reason why you can't recover your loss of earnings for attending physio which has been medically recommended as a direct result of the accident. The aim of the claim is to put you into the financial position you would have been in had the accident not happened. Attending physiotherapy is akin to undergoing surgery and claiming

'Your claim should cover you for the lost earnings'

lost earnings for the time off work recovering from treatment.

I think there must be more to this. Perhaps they are arguing a failure to mitigate your loss by not attending physiotherapy outside of work hours. Or perhaps you are self-employed and trying to claim an hourly rate but unable to prove a loss to your business through the physiotherapy attendance.

I suggest you ask your legal team for a proper explanation – precisely why it is they are saying you cannot recover your loss of earnings.

Andrew Campbell

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