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The newsletter of the Essex Crusaders, Centre 19, Virago Star Owners Club.

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COPY DATE FOR NEXT SEAX is Monday 26th November.

Centre 19 meeting's dates:

November

North meeting.

8 pm Monday 5th November 2012.....**FIREWORKS ????????**
The Anchor, Upper Street, Stratford St. Mary, CO7 6LW.

South meeting.

8pm Monday 19th November 2012.
The Bell Inn, Main Road, WoodhamFerrers, CM3 8RF.

December

North meeting.

8 pm Monday 3rd December 2012.
The Anchor, Upper Street, Stratford St. Mary, CO7 6LW.

South meeting.

8pm Monday 17th December 2012.
The Bell Inn, Main Road, WoodhamFerrers, CM3 8RF.

Rep's Rambling

John

Bamford weekend

Hi everybody; I have been on to Mrs Platt to see if the bunkhouse is still available for rent, and the good news is YES. Even better news for those who have had the pleasure the price hasn't changed either; a bargain 2 nights for less than £20.00. So who's interested? - Time to be sorted, probably a weekend in May 2013. Some details below:

Platts Farm Bunkhouse

It's on a dairy farm at Platts Farm; Bamford; Hope Valley; High Peak; Derbyshire. The main bunkhouse comprises 3 rooms, of 6, 6 and 10 bunks. There are two washrooms/wcs totalling four wcs, 4 showers and 4 basins. There is a fully equipped kitchen and common room.

The price is very reasonable at £350 for the whole 22 berth place for a two night weekend (Fri and Sat night, home Sunday) (£16.00 pp)

There is a self-contained 4 berth annex part that can be booked as well for more cash.

It makes a pleasant change to camping as you only need a sleeping bag and wash kit which appeals to non camp types.... It's in a very pretty area as many of you will know. It doesn't much matter that the Cat & Fiddle run is 50 m.p.h. limited; it's rewarding enough to ride the bends NICELY and accurately at whatever speed..... and there are also some stunning back roads where you can hustle along if you need to!

Please send all interest to me at e-mail
sxcrusader@gmail.com

Bruce

International rally - Finland 2013

The VSOC International rally is going to be in Finland in June 2013. There is a lot of information about this 'blue ribbon' event on the National website under 'news' so please have a look if you feel you may be interested in going. Have a look if you don't intend going as it is always interesting to see what the club does and can offer.

I am trying to gauge interest from C19 members because it is often better to book early to keep the costs down. I can also keep interested parties informed first hand about costing and general arrangements.

Several of us have done this trip previously and whilst the weather wasn't always kind to us the scenery and excitement of the trip made up for it. Some also rode "the long way round" via Calais and made a real trip of it.

Anyway, if anyone is interested could you please let me know, if you want any questions answered I will do my best.

Look forward to hearing from one or two, maybe more!!

Peter

Rideout on Sunday 7th October 2012

8 of us met at Boreham Services with a trip to the Gunpowder Mills in Waltham Abbey on the rideout calendar, pity they closed at the end of September.

A quick re-think and off to The Cabin at Abridge, somewhere we haven't been for a couple of years.

Trevor of 'Trevors Tours' led the way and we arrived in Abridge unscathed until the last 20 metres' when he took a wrong turn. His excuse was he didn't know where it was so he pulled over, hmmm.

Even "Little Sue" came and had the best sausage sandwich she has ever had, so easily pleased !!

After brekkie, it was still only 11.30, so it was decided to go to Finchingfield, 9 miles my foot Barney, more like 29 miles!!

It was a lovely day, maybe a tad chilly in the shade but very dry.

105 miles covered and home by early afternoon, what more could a bike want.

Ta ta for now

Mr K

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