

SEAX

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

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COPY DATE FOR NEXT SEAX is Monday 24th September.

Centre 19 meeting's dates:

September

North meeting.

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

South meeting.

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

October

North meeting.

8 pm Monday 1st October 2012.
The Anchor, Upper Street, Stratford St. Mary, CO7 6LW.

South meeting.

8pm Monday 15th October 2012.
The Bell Inn, Main Road, WoodhamFerrers, CM3 8RF.

Rep's Rambling

What a great turn-out of C19 members to the Scruppies rally; 22 members made it to Weston-Super-Mare despite the doom and gloom of the weather forecasts for the weekend. A very occasional shower during Friday and Saturday. Sunday was dry and warm, unfortunately it did rain Monday, but then everyone was on their way home. It was great weekend with good entertainment in the evenings, having a drink with old and new friends. Congratulations to Dave Winning for winning best Customized 1100 Dragstar. Well that was the last VSOC rally of the year. The good news is that there will be 4 VSOC Rallies for 2013. **C14**, South London, 24th to 27th May; **C8**, West Midlands, 28th to 30th June; **C3**, Wirral, 19th to 21st July; **C15**, Kent, 23rd to 25th August.

Carol and myself went to the party at Tonna at the beginning of the month, I was travelling home from Cornwall after a weeks holiday and thought it would be a good idea to make a detour to Tonna, 220 miles later we arrived in Tonna, not much less than travelling from Essex. The theme of this summer, rain, was very prevalent during the weekend so much so that only about 70 attended, despite the damp conditions it was a very enjoyable weekend. As some of you might have noticed I am still unable to ride my bike, absent at Sunday rideouts, hopefully I can get back riding perhaps the end of the month, fingers crossed.

There has been a change on the September rideouts, **Copdock bike show is now on the 30TH September** and not 7th October as shown on the Rideout Calendar.

NATIONAL AGM, NOVEMBER 2012

The National AGM is in November, if you have anything you would like me to take to the AGM for discussion would you please let me know by the 24th of this month. At the reps meeting at the Scruppies rally, one of the items that came up for discussion was - Should the centre reps expenses, i.e. petrol money be paid for by their centre, if the centre has sufficient funds. As petrol prices keep going up each year, it has become one the single major costs of the AGM. At the moment centre reps claim a mileage allowance which is not generous but does cover the costs for the average car. VSOC funds are getting less due to a number of factors, membership declining, magazine costs going up and postage etc. The suggestion that the centres contribute to the centre reps expenses will slow the depletion of the VSOC funds, and so will delay an increase in the membership fee which has remained at £17.50 for 14 years. The VSOC accounts are showing a profit of £30,000. Your thoughts on the idea would be most welcome. Remember we work very hard to earn the money that we hold in our club account.

We have two new members, Jennifer Hayles and Sue Nicholls, a big welcome goes from everyone in the Essex Crusaders. Look forward to seeing you at a meeting or rideout soon, where you can meet fellow members

Don't forget if you have booked your Christmas meal to get your money to Peter by the end of the month please.

If you need any club merchandise check the flyer with this SEAX, orders must be with me by the 18th September at the latest. An email or phone call will be confirmation of your order, pay now or on receipt of goods.

Thank you to the 25 members who turned up at the last Club night (South). Up for discussion was, does C19 want to host the VSOC International in 2015, the out-come was a resounding NO.

John

CLUB MERCHANDISE

HOODIES, £25.00

SWEAT-SHIRTS, £22.50

LONG SLEEVE T-SHIRT, £15.00

BLACK

SMALL, MEDUIM, LARGE, XLARGE, XXLARGE, XXXLARGE

CLUB LOGO ON FRONT, ESSEX CRUSADERS ON SLEEVES

SHORT SLEEVE T-SHIRT £12.50

BLACK

CLUB LOGO ON FRONT

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ALL ORDERS BY SEPTEMBER 18TH 2012

CHEQUES PAYABLE TO :- VSOC ESSEX CRUSADERS

CAROL EVANS

10 WOODLOW, THUNDERSLEY, BENFLEET, ESSEX, SS7 3RL

EMBROIDERED CLUB BADGES ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT £4-00 EACH

PIN BADGES AVAILABLE AT £2-50 EACH

SEPTEMBER RIDEOUTS AND EVENTS

SUNDAY 2ND

MUSEUM OF POWER, AMERICAN CARS, CUSTOM CARS AND BIKES, LANGFORD, MALDON.

Depart Marks Tay 09-30 for Boreham services, depart Boreham services 10-00 for Museum of Power.

FRIDAY 7TH

YCC NETHERLANDS NATIONAL RALLY, ANDIJK, HOLLAND

SUNDAY 9TH

OAKDENE CAFÉ WROTHAM

Depart Marks Tay 10-00 for Thurrock services, depart Thurrock services 10-45 for Oakdene café.

SUNDAY 16TH

ESSEX AIR AMBULANCE, DUNTON TO HARWICH

Arrive at Dunton before 10-00, plenty to see and do at Harwich. Check-out www.essexairambulance to pre-register or pay on the gate, £5-00 per person.

SATURDAY 22ND

**SAXON WARRIORS CHARITY PARTY, C10
Eternet Sports and Social Club, Meldreth, Herts, SG8 5RL**

Meet Boreham services 01-00pm for rest area A120 between Dunmow and Takeley, depart Rest Area 01-45pm for Meldreth. Theme for Saturday night is PYJAMHA PARTY. Great night out for only £5-00. You can arrive FRIDAY after 02-00pm

SUNDAY 23RD

SHERRINGHAM, NORFOLK.

Depart Boreham services 09-30 for Langham services, depart Langham services 10-15 for Sherringham

SUNDAY 30TH

**COPDOCK BIKE SHOW, TRINITY PARK, IPSWICH.
(CHANGE TO RIDEOUT CALENDAR.)**

Meet Boreham services 10-00 for Langham services, depart Langham services 10-30 for Copdock.

For more information contact your reps
Please have sufficient fuel for rideouts so we can keep fuel stops to a minimum



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