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NEXT BRANCH MEETING

15th August 2006



<http://www.thamesvalley.nortonownersclub.org/>

BP visit

Tony Ripley has arranged a visit to the BP Technology Centre at Pangbourne on **Tuesday 15th August (evening)** to look around their facilities. This will include such things as a film show, a talk on the formulation, design and testing of various oils. They do all motorcycle oil development for the Castrol brand. We will also get a look around the engine test facility where they have a number of motorcycle engines under test. Refreshments will be provided. Some of the guys who will be showing us around race things like Triumph Tridents. This is fully booked and numbers are limited so please contact Tony Ripley via phone (07831 266236) to see if any spare places have arisen if you are interested and you haven't booked. If you have booked and you are now unable to go please let Tony know so he can offer the place to someone else.

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Editor's grovel

My apologies for the brief newsletter this month. My PC is having sulks and tantrums (just like an old motor bike really !) and I'm having to resort to an elderly laptop. As a result of this upheaval I have lost some email addresses and have corrected some out of date ones from my (not the PCs) memory. The prognosis for the PC is not good and I may have to resort to spending hard earned reserves to replace it in the near future. Meanwhile the Commando managed to break another speedo cable while out on a run last month but at least one can get home without too much hassle. Now all I need is some time to fit the replacement. The September newsletter may not be out until after the clubnight on the 19th as I will be out of the country and returning late on the 18th so apologies in advance.

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2006 Events

Thames Valley Branch NOC - Events Calendar			
Date	Event	Contact	Status
August			
Tuesday 15 th	Branch visit to BP Research – pre-booked visitors only	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
Tuesday 15 th	Thames Valley NOC clubnight – Cricketers	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
Sunday 20 th	Club Run – another mystery ride?	Tony Ripley	
25 th - 28 th	Begonia Rally 2006 at Staden - Vijfwegen, Belgium.		
27 th /28 th	Hampshire Pageant Of Motoring at Broadlands, Romsey		
Tuesday 29 th	Manx Grand Prix Reunion. Location to be announced.		
September			
Tuesday 5 th	Branch summer run	Tony Ripley	
Tuesday 19 th	Thames Valley NOC clubnight – Cricketers	Tony Ripley	Confirmed
23 rd / 24 th	Norton Day and camping weekend	Shropshire Branch	
October			
Tuesday 17 th	Thames Valley NOC clubnight – Cricketers	Tony Ripley	Confirmed

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