

## Club night, 8 November 2005

### Graham Bailey, he's the Chair don't you know

With a 'capacity crowd' close to infringing upon the local fire officer's advice, all 43 of us clambered into the club lounge in an attempt to be one of the first to get a back row seat.

This element of planning was thought to be our only defence in preparation for the no expense

spared, low budget good old salty Sampan's intended presentation.

Although to be fair, his talk was very interesting, expertly delivered, and highly entertaining as it reflected upon his most recent escapades in command of a tall ship full of nubile ship mates.

(Sounds like a Capt Birdseye advert to me, with a splash of port hole

pudding and a slice of navy cake thrown in for good measure)

The evening really went extremely well (once Dave's talk had finished!) with a number of pass certificates to hand out, namely Les Stewart, and Tom Stevens, 'well done' once again to you both, fine effort.

This was followed by a brief confirmation by Budge that the North West 200 for 2006 is now fully booked. (Great early commitment and participation by the members concerned)

With 11 lucky raffle prize winners (one person left theirs behind... shame!) all going home with a gift of a value much less than their investment! The last and final



Members prepare for Dave's presentation; some are still awake



Dave in full flight; Members dozing

club night for SAM of 2005 came to a relaxed and satisfactory close.

**Tom/Lesley-Ann Stevens.** An extended warm welcome to you both, nice to see you at the club night, and on the Craven Arms run, well done both, lets see more of you in 2006.

**Ian Spring.** Out and about on his lovely FJR 1300 on the Craven Arms run, so long a member, yet limited FJR exposure, still good to see you Ian, keep it up.

**Brian Charlton.** Nice to see you out there flying the flag for 'Black Top'n'Mud' coloured KTM's.

We are still not sure who's purchased the other KTM that's been sold in the UK yet!!!!

**Dave Bainbridge.** Has been seen and heard within the four walls of Frasers, apparently stroking the black paint of a gleaming FJR, and reputed to have said upon his return from only pushing it around the car park, 'oooooh, this is a bit quick isn't it!' Needless to say, Dave's decided to stay put with his beloved arm chair on wheels, the Pan. And put the money

into having climate control fitted to it instead. (its residual value has now doubled!)

**Simon Forryan.** Has recently become an avid explorer by default. Let me explain. Having recently acquired a four legged friend, (called

Sat-Nav) his walks through local woods have had such a disorientating effect on his sense of direction, that he has now taken to 'kitting up' with a rucksack complete with hot soup and a copy of the Beano just in case!! (all existing dog

lovers commend him on the duration of his dog walks.

'ULTRASEAL'. Those of you that have received such fine goods from the club's last shipment, please rattle your memory cells again as there is still a small quantity that has been handed out that remains unpaid for.

I thank all of you out there in anticipation of your honourable response. ♦



Congrats on test passes!