

Club night, 8 May

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'We flew the flag' didn't we, all 32 of us showing that even with a large part of the club away in foreign parts, that there is still an expanse of enthusiastic members left that are prepared to 'get involved' and be part of this 'vibrant movement'! Thank you and well done.

Paul Cooper stole the show this meeting, with little else to distract the members, the presentation (Thank you Gadge, such eloquence and command of the Queen's English is surely a measure of the individual, especially an Aussie!!) of his much deserved pass certificate received an unusual level of rapture in return for his obvious excitement at receiving the revered document, at long last said Paul.

Paul and Lorraine Cleevely unwittingly became our 'Newbees' of the night, arriving to us from a recent 'Biker Nite' recruitment drive at Longdon, nice to see you both, lets hope the first night wasn't too daunting and that you continue to enjoy all that the club has to offer in the way of ride outs, guidance and social functions.

As usual the raffle was generously supported seeing £37.00 (less expenses) go into the club's coffers, thank you all. (See... Budge/Di, I

haven't lost the touch, but you both really do it so much better!)

The balance of the evening centred around a very spontaneous yet vibrant 'open floor' discussion of the 'Drop off system'.

Whilst in essence it should be fault free and effective at achieving the desired result, most of us know from experience that problems can and do occur largely through human error.

The open forum worked really well because the input was both sensible and interesting with points of view coming from all levels of members.

Answers to the problems will always be more complicated, but the real success for me was in the way that everyone gave their own point of view on the problems encountered. Thank you all for making an otherwise limited club night an overall success.

Graham Bailey (attempting to provide accurate reporting at all times!) ♦



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