

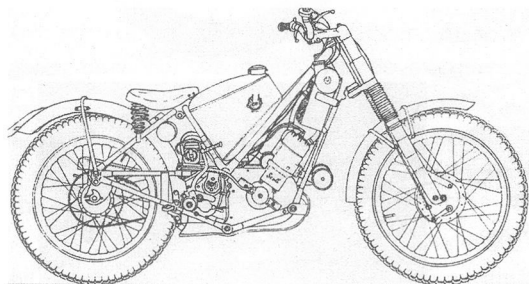
Letters

Dear Editors,

I was interested to see the picture of the special trials Scott on the back cover of the April issue of Yowl. Pictured is a drawing that I did, and which is obviously the same bike. I saw this Scott at a rally at Stamford Hall back in the 1990s and photographed it. It was built by Mick Vockins. A copy of this drawing appeared in Yowl some time ago, and I was contacted by Mick as he was surprised to see his bike appear in the club magazine. The drawing is on page 70 in my book of Scotts.

Also, I found this small piece of information in one of my old MotorCycle magazines, dated 1934, and thought readers might find it interesting – it just shows what the Scott engine is capable of!

Cliff Bowman



596 c.c. SCOTT TRIALS SPECIAL. CIRCA 1990's
BUILT AND RIDDEN BY MICK VOCKINS

Cliff Bowman
2004

MORE than one motor cyclist on the roads in the south has been amazed to hear an elderly Rolls-Royce emitting the unmistakable exhaust note of a Scott. For the benefit of any of them who are wondering if they dreamed it ROLL-SCOTT! I can disclose that they did not—there actually is a Scott-engined Rolls. Mr. John B. Paddon, of Crawley, Sussex, has made this curious conversion with the aid of the Scott London depot. The Rolls is a seven-seater and weighs two tons, while the Scott engine is of the 596 c.c. type. Mr. Paddon tells me that the "Rollscott" has touched 37 m.p.h., while it did 30 m.p.h. with seven up, and has averaged 22 m.p.h. from London to Basingstoke. Petrol consumption is 22 m.p.g. The engine drives the Rolls fan pulley through a chain reduction of 1 to 3, all the rest of the transmission being left *in situ*, while the Rolls cooling system is used. It must be the cheapest Rolls-Royce in the world to run, for it is taxed at six pounds a year and insured *pro rata*.

Dear Editors,

Three years on from 21st April 2018 [Yowl, June 2018] our most senior SOC member Ernie Horsfall of Preston (a fellow Yorkshireman), was featured on national BBC 1 TV on his birthday, talking very philosophically and cutting a suitably large birthday cake.

Also celebrating a birthday was Glyn Chambers who was 83 on 30th April 2021.

Despite Cliff Bowman being nearly 91 (3rd July 2021) he is doing a reprint of his book of precision line drawings of seventy two Scott motorcycles - I will tell you more in the next issue of Yowl.

David J. Waring



Dear Editors,

This picture of Phil Read and Geoff Duke at Thruxton is the one referred to in Andrew Marfell's last article re the Avon publicity [Yowl, February 2021, page 25]. I never heard if Matt or Mr Scott mentioned it.

George Silk