

NEWSLETTER
JANUARY 1984

Next General Meeting:

Friday February 3, 1984 8:00pm sharp
North York Public Library, 5126 Yonge Street, Willowdale
About 1 mile north of HWY 401

Dear VRRRA members,

Welcome to 1984 on behalf of your newly elected executive. Sincere compliments of the season and may we wish you success in the year ahead. First an introduction of those members who have pledged to work on your behalf in this year;

President	Tom Faulds
Vice-President	Richard Lobb
Competition Coordinator	Ron Peter
Technical Committee Chairman	Tom Pope
Treasurer	Manzi Warwick

The VRRRA, in the short time since its formation, has grown rapidly - particularly during the last two years when our membership grew dramatically and our racing program expanded substantially. We see 1984 as a time to evaluate our position and to plan both our short and long term strategies. Traditionally, motorcycle sports clubs have tended to rise and fall. Therefore, every effort must be made to ensure that the VRR continues to provide for the needs of its members consistent with the stated aims and objectives. This is your club and we intend to maintain open lines of communication throughout our tenure. Therefore, we expect your input on all matters concerning the activities during the year ahead. In order that we better understand the profile of our membership, I ask that you complete the attached questionnaire and return it immediately so that your needs will be reflected in the planning process.

Tom Faulds

(An astonishing total of 87 ballots were cast in this year's election. Interest has never been higher. Hope we get at least as many questionnaires. -ed)

Dunlop Racing Tire Status:

The club may have access to a stock of the following Dunlop racing tires:

- KR76 (front triangulated) 3:00 X 19"
- KR73 (rear triangulated) 3:50 X 19"
- KR124 (intermediate rain tread) 3:50 X 18"

The supplier is over-stocked and would like them to move at a faster rate.

Depending on the level of group interest, we may be prepared to coordinate a bulk purchase. If you need these tires, call Tom McGill (416-689-5838) right away. As is always the case with this sort of item, it may be your last chance. There is no assurance that Dunlop will be in the racing tire business, let alone make KR124's. The other items have long been out of production and are the only tire for an authentic vintage racer restoration. Price to be negotiated.

IWM Show

The recent show at the International Centre in Mississauga was a roaring success for the organizers and for the VRRRA. Bill Mathison, our coordinator, did a simply magnificent job for us this year persuading 20 bikes out of hibernation. And very well thought out it was too with just about every aspect of our sport represented. There was a collection of three 'budget racers', a Triumph, a Norton, and a Suzuki, all of which had itemized expenses for the year totalling less than \$1000 - including original purchase price. That had more than a few of the spectators thinking! There was a Yamaha, a Richman triple, and a Honda CR750 flying Vintage Superbike colours. The rest of the floor had a dazzling array of exotica. Trophy winners were Ken Rosevear's G50, Doug Warwick's Velocette, and Norm Sheppard's Honda 125. Many thanks also go to the exhibitors and stand workers. Especially Don Hodge, who was always there it seemed and who had no end of patience with questioners. Some wag noted that he's probably just trolling for more Norton goodies. Shame. How could anyone think such a thing.

Membership Dues

Its that time again. The appropriate paperwork is attached. Hope you'll all be signing up for another year. Please fill out the form and send it off with \$15 to Manzi along with your questionnaire. That way you'll save a stamp.

Daytona Vintage Entry Forms - contact Phil Mahood (now!) at (416)284-3865.