

Real Life Wacky Racers join the Prescott Bike Festival Line Up!

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Prescott Bike Festival - Sunday 17 April 2016

Prescott Hill Climb, Gotherington, Nr Cheltenham GL52 9RD

The biggest annual fundraiser for Severn Freewheelers

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Prescott Bike Festival will take place once again on Sunday 17th April 2016 at Prescott Hill Climb, near Cheltenham. The Festival prides itself on its diversity and celebrates engineering excellence; from rare, classic, modern, customised to hand built bikes, this year the organisers have secured some pretty eccentric contraptions including the World's fastest motorised shopping trolley.

Owner and creator Matt Mckeown from Plymouth found the trolley abandoned in a ditch, and with the help of a modified second-hand Chinook helicopter starter engine, a set of go-kart wheels, his motorcycle leathers and nerves of steel - raced into the history books claiming the Guinness World Record for the World's Fastest Shopping Trolley. The jet-propelled shopping trolley has reached a staggering average speed of 70.4mph/ 113.298kmh (faster than the national speed limit). We are looking forward to seeing Matt do a trolley dash up the legendary hill climb course!

Another wacky contraption joining us for 2016 is Tom 'The Atom' Anable, a British Monowheel top speed record holder. The Lincolnshire based stunt rider, designed, built and engineered several Monowheel machines. Over the past 8 years, Tom has been working on his own single wheeled vehicles, after a university project got out of control! The 2014 Winner of the Wheel Whores 'Best Wheels' trophy will be another great spectacle, when he completes an extraordinary run of the renowned hill climb course.

Also in the paddock, will be Nuclear Research Engineer and iconic motorcycle builder Allen Millyard who will regularly fire up, and take to the hill on his home-built 'Flying Millyard'. Despite resembling a classic 1920s sedate two-wheeled Chitty Chitty Bang Bang, this beast has two cylinders from a Pratt and Whitney 1340 radial, and a 5.0-litre V-Twin, engine designed for an aeroplane.

Prescott Bike festival is a big celebration of man and machine with large displays of historic, modern and race bikes, plus a Paddock Specials Show 'n' Tell area and the unique opportunity for members of the public to take part in the spectacle by 'running the hill' or participating in a thrilling passenger ride experience. There's also a whole raft of entertainment too from live music, stunt shows, biker celebrity appearances and hundreds of trade stands, motorcycle manufacturers, dealer zone, motorcycle clubs, demo areas - what's more it helps to raise vital money and awareness for the Bloodbikes charities.

There's so much to see and do:

Ride: You can ride the world famous Prescott Hill and be a Star of the Show, entries are limited and tend to sell out fast so don't hang about – book now.

See: Get up close and personal with over 100 historic, rare, modern, factory race bikes, one off's specials builds and more. Lunchtime interviews in the Paddock with the riders and their bikes. Plus Club stands, Motorcycle manufacturers and more

Do: Take the ride of your life with a thrilling passenger ride experience in a Formula Two or Watsonian Squire Sidecar, a Morgan Three Wheeler, Grinnall Trike or Scorpion.

Meet: Come and meet our special 'biker' celebs including former three times British Superbike Champion and Blood Bike ambassador John Reynolds; James Hillier, Lightweight TT (650cc) outright lap record, a member of the exclusive '132 club' and the 3rd fastest man round the TT course; former British Superbike and Isle of Man TT road racer Steve Plater; Skyzone Racing featuring multiple British champion, Chris Hodgson; Motorcycle Adventurer Zoe Cano; son of 'Mike the Bike' David Hailwood plus Buildbase BMW BSB rider Richard Cooper, Charlie Nesbitt and for something a little bit bonkers - Matt McKeown and his World's Fastest jet-powered Shopping Trolley! Plus lots more yet to be announced!

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Watch: 'On The Edge' motorcycle stunt show - probably the best Trials Stunt Show we've ever seen. Plus the welcome return of the George Formby tribute act from the motorcycle film, No Limit? He'll also take to the hill on his 1920 'Shuttleworth Snap'

Buy: Bring lots of cash, with over 100 trade stands and all the motorcycle manufacturers there's bound to be something you like.

Plus: Live music by 1950s inspired rockabilly band, **Josie and the Outlaw plus Chickenbone John and his custom guitars! And great food and drink throughout the day.**

Prescott Bike Festival is a '*Must Do*' day out for all motorcycling enthusiasts. What's more, all event proceeds of the event go to The Nationwide Association of Blood Bikes and Severn Freewheelers.

Gates Opens at: 08:30am, Track starts at: 10:00am, Festival closes at: 17:00.

Exclusive infield motorcycle parking for Pre-1990 motorcycles: limited numbers, advance booking essential.

Advance general admission tickets cost just £12 and are available online at: www.prescottbikefestival.co.uk

Free parking, free motorcycle side stand puck and free helmet park for bikers
All details of exhibitors and celebrity appearances are available on the website.

Notes to editors:

Event Address: Prescott Bike Festival, Gotherington, nr Cheltenham, GL52 9RD, just 15 minutes from the M5.

About The Nationwide Association of Blood Bikes

The Nationwide Association of Blood Bikes is the umbrella organisation representing 24 regional blood bike charities, all providing a motorcycle based, free delivery service to the NHS; moving vital medical supplies, blood and pathology samples from medical centres and hospitals throughout the UK. NABB member groups are closely involved in the transport of frozen human milk from the donor to the milk processing banks. This has been a real lifesaver due to the necessity of very premature babies having intolerance to anything but human milk. Run entirely by volunteers, NABB member groups have over 1500 active members with a fleet of 120+ emergency response vehicles. All NABB riders are trained in the movement of medical essentials and operate from individual regional charities but with a common goal – to alleviate suffering and reduce the funding pressures on the NHS.

Severn Freewheelers is the regional Blood Bike group operating Gloucestershire, Hereford & Worcester and North Wiltshire. Over 70 volunteers help Severn Freewheelers carry out a much-needed service. Severn Freewheelers runs five BMW R1200RTs and a Honda ST1300; all are emergency response equipped and the members handle some 4,000 call outs per annum, covering 150,000 miles.

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