

MOTORCYCLE ACTION GROUP



AFFILIATED

MOTORCYCLE CLUBS' PACK

2008

FROM THE CHAIR

MAG is very eager to increase its relationship with all clubs around the country.

Riders who join clubs tend to be genuine enthusiasts. It is enthusiasts and enthusiasm that make MAG the organisation it is.

I speak from first hand experience as I was a member of the Barnsley Bikers MCC for 10 year before deciding to devote my free time to MAG.

As well as being an organisation to promote and protect bikers' rights, MAG puts on some great parties which help fund our activities. It also provides a great network to get to know fellow bikers.

This year clubs are welcome to have their own stall at MAG's Farmyard Party free of charge.

MAG has fought many battles over the years and won some big ones but we now face the most serious threat to motorcycling ever from the unsympathetic application of surveillance technology, speed limiters and proposed road charging schemes.

This not only sets out to attempt to justify the logic of taking control of your throttle to control your speed, but further than that it, aims to monitor when, where and how you are travelling at all times.

Yes big brother will be indeed watching you and who can speculate what they will do with this information.

Those at the rabid extreme of the road safety lobby are rubbing their hands with glee at the prospects for the new technology and our job is to meet their zeal with sanity, moderation and intelligent defiance.

We have always defended the freedom of choice and freedom of expression for those who choose to ride their motorbikes as a hobby, mode of transport or as a life style.

Anyhow that's enough from me. Have a great season and enjoy the spirit of the open roads.

I'll see you around ☺



Jane Chisholm
Chairman MAG UK

CLUB VIEWS

Boston Motorcycle Riders' Association

"Why did we join MAG? "

"A clue is in the club name. We ride bikes, and we want to continue riding bikes. MAG is making sure we can. That's it."

"OK, there are other benefits – discounts and the like – but those are just the icing on the MAG cake."

Caz, Boston Motorcycle Riders Association

WHY AFFILIATE?

When your club affiliates to MAG you can be sure that every penny goes towards the riders' rights movement.

We are a very open organisation, the National Committee has no secrets from the membership and is indeed very much answerable to that membership. Our accounts, likewise, are an open book.

MAG is the sort of group that is run from the bottom up, so to speak.

We are a grass roots organisation, our Local Representatives give feedback from the ordinary members to the Regional Reps.

These Regional Representatives make up the National Committee and indeed it is only these people that have a vote.

The Regional Representatives are elected on an annual basis by their own general meetings. There are several other National Officers and paid employees that sit on the national committee, none of whom have a vote. It is this unique structure that helps to make MAG such a successful organisation.

I can give a very good example of how things work. My mate Mickle was talking about what MAG should do.

"Hang on a minute," I said "aren't you a member?"

"Of course."

"Well you should be talking about what *we* should be doing, not *they*."

Whatever you ride, be it an ancient Brit, a modern race replica, scooter, trike, outfit, commuter, custom, monkey bike or donkey (in no particular order), we will protect your right to continue to enjoy the freedoms of the road.

Please join us now, and help us to continue the great work we are already doing.

'Never in the field of human transportation have so many been represented by so few.'

Goodnight

Fergus - National Clubs Liaison Officer

CLUB VIEWS

The Halfway Heroes – Lincoln

"We decided as a club that riders rights were important, this being so, we needed a voice that could put words into action and we felt that MAG was the biggest and best group to be able to do that."

"Having been affiliated to MAG for 5 years now we have never looked back, been to some great rallies, met some great people and had some fantastic times with like-minded bikers."

"All the information passed on to us is informative and helpful, when we have questions, there is always someone to answer them in plain English and not jumbled jargon."

"We have good benefits from being affiliated such as discount on products, rallies, insurance and help at the end of the phone for almost anything bike club oriented. "

Mark, Halfway Heroes

INTRODUCTION

MAG represents over 45,000 motorcyclists through individual membership and over 150 affiliated clubs.

MAG is the premier European motorcycle riders' group and represents Britain's million motorcyclists on a wide range of issues that affect all aspects of motorcycling.

MAG has a nation-wide network of over 200 local groups who organise regular local meetings, political lobbying, demonstrations, social events and charitable functions.

The MAG Affiliated Motorcycle Clubs' package was revamped last year to provide better value and benefits to its members and affiliation fees remain the same this year.

Benefits include

- Lower affiliation rates for smaller clubs
- Discounts for specific MAG events
- Club links on the MAG UK website
- Option of annual public liability insurance for your events, plus
- Events cover available for hired in plant for events
- Inclusion in the great international motorcycling community that fights hard to preserve the rights and freedoms enjoyed by motorcyclists

Further information can be found in the Benefits section.

Fees

Club fees are set out in the Terms and Conditions section.

ON "THE ROAD"

Affiliated club's contributions to "The ROAD" are welcomed. MAG called its magazine "The ROAD" because it's where we want to be.

We have a club's section in our magazine 'The ROAD' and we want all clubs to feel that in "The ROAD" you have a natural home.

We are all about building a symbiotic relationship with clubs to promote our mutual interests and protect our lifestyle. Defending the freedom of the open road is what MAG is fundamentally about. MAG is an organisation going places for people going places.

We don't care what you ride or how long you've been riding, if you've got an appetite for freedom and adventure you'll find kindred spirits sharing their lives with you between the covers of this magazine.

If you want a magazine that informs, amuses, provokes and takes you places, a magazine that is always developing and responding to its readership's ideas, get "The ROAD".

Affiliate clubs get a limited number of copies but affiliate members who trade up to full individual membership will get their copy of "The ROAD" mailed to them bi-monthly.

Whatever and wherever you ride you got to read "The ROAD".



Ian Mutch - Editor The ROAD and MAG President

BENEFITS

By joining MAG, your club becomes a part of the great international motorcycling community that is fighting hard to preserve the rights and freedoms enjoyed by motorcyclists, and to stop the unwanted and unwarranted interference of politicians and bureaucrats in our way of life. *Affiliated clubs qualify for 10 main benefits;*

1. Block booking advance-ticket discounts for MAG Events.
2. Access to MAG's Public Liability Insurance scheme including "hired-in plant" when running your own club events. This last year has seen a whole new set of rules for running events. We can offer an e-mail advice service to assist you in obtaining the necessary licences.
3. Free listings for your events in MAG's superb magazine The Road, circulation average 20,000 copies per issue and the MAG UK website.
4. Free link and logo placement to your club website on the MAG UK website.
5. Discounted rates for display adverts in The Road.
6. Discounted joining rates for your members who choose to upgrade to Full MAG Membership. Affiliate members upgrading to full membership will receive a £5 discount
7. Representation by the National Clubs Liaison Officer on the MAG National Committee.
8. Voting entitlement at MAG's Annual Group Conference on the basis of one voting membership per each 1000 members affiliated (or part thereof) up to a maximum of 4 per club. Your club may nominate the persons to whom these are allocated.
9. Regular briefings via MAG's bulletin 'Network' so you know what's happening in MAG and the campaigns we are involved in.
10. Receive regular information on MAG Activities by subscribing to the various mailing lists at www.network.mag-uk.org from Press Releases to the Activists Email Army.

FULL MEMBERS BENEFITS

Full MAG members, i.e. those who pay £20 per annum for individual membership (or £30 for joint membership) enjoy a number of additional benefits, including;

1. *MAG Protected*. This is the name given to the MAG Anti-Theft Reward Scheme. If any MAG member's bike is stolen that member is entitled to offer a reward of up to £1000 for information leading to the return of the bike and the conviction of those responsible. MAG, not the member, will cover payment of any reward claim that results subject to the full terms and conditions of the scheme that are available on request.
2. Enhanced discounts on event admission prices. Full members get an increased level of discount for pre-booked event tickets. In addition a wider range of events offer discounts to full members.
3. Dealer discounts at hundreds of retail outlets on production of a full MAG Membership card.
4. Access to great deals on bike and car insurance via e-Bike, MAG's preferred insurance provider.
5. Full voting rights.
6. The Road magazine mailed to every members address bi-monthly.
7. Discounted access to MAG's Rescue breakdown / recovery scheme.
8. Discounted holiday travel insurance and motorcycle tour packages worldwide.
9. Eligibility for payments under the MAG Members Benevolent Scheme.
10. MAG's own credit card scheme.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP FORM

(BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE)

Name of Club

MEMBERSHIP No. [.....] NEW / RENEWAL ?

No. of members in club

Name of Club Rep

Address

County Post Code.....

Telephone No. Mobile.....

E-Mail. Club Website

CLUB MEETING PLACE

DAY / TIME

AFFILIATION FEE £.....

DONATION £.....

TOTAL £.....

PAYMENT DETAILS PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO MAG (UK)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PAY YOUR MAG CLUB MEMBERSHIP BY CREDIT CARD PLEASE FILL IN THE DETAILS BELOW
BE AWARE IF POSTING THIS COMPLETED FORM THAT YOUR CREDIT CARD DETAILS MAY NOT BE SECURE

CARD TYPE: MASTERCARD/VISA/MAESTRO/SOLO (DELETE AS APPLICABLE)

CARD HOLDERS NAME

CARD NUMBER

LAST 3 DIGITS ON SIGNATURE STRIP (ALL CARDS)

EXPIRY DATE (MONTH/YEAR) / (ALL CARDS)

VALID FROM DATE (MONTH/YEAR) / (MAESTRO/SOLO)

ISSUE NUMBER (MAESTRO/SOLO)

CARD HOLDERS SIGNATURE

"We hereby apply for Affiliated Club Membership of MAG (UK) and agree to abide by the Constitution, Standing Orders and Rules of the group. We understand that MAG is committed to the eradication of motorcycle theft and declare that We will never participate in any form of motorcycle theft or handling of stolen motorcycle parts".

SIGNED: DATE:

Membership details are strictly confidential. Please inform MAG Central if you object to your details being disclosed. We do NOT sell or exchange address files. We may disclose details of Club Meeting Place, and Club Rep – these shall be given for genuine enquiries only – e.g. for rally invites or to MAG members wishing to contact their local affiliated clubs, and shall otherwise be kept confidential.

Affiliated Club Voting Entitlements

Your club will receive up to four full member voting entitlements depending on the number of members affiliated according to the scale below.

Number of Members	Number of Nominated Officers
0-1000	1
1001-2000	2
2001-3000	3
3001 and upwards	4

We will need to know which of your officers are nominated to receive these memberships.

Please fill in and return the form below. In addition to the normal full membership package the first named officer below will also receive NETWORK, MAG's political action bulletin, which details the campaigns that MAG, is working on. You should therefore ensure that the officer to receive NETWORK would pass on the information it contains to those of your members who are interested.

First Nominated Officer (0-1000 Members)	Name: Address:Postcode.....
Second Nominated Officer: (1001-2000 Members)	Name: Address:Postcode.....
Third Nominated Officer: (2001-3000 Members)	Name: Address:Postcode.....
Fourth Nominated Officer: (3001+ Members)	Name: Address:Postcode.....

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All club affiliations now run for one year from the date of joining.

Each affiliated club will receive a block of date-printed membership cards equal in number to the number of members for which an affiliation fee has been paid.

To confirm fees please phone MAG Central Office.

FEES

No. members to affiliate	Affiliation fee (£)	No. members to affiliate	Affiliation fee (£)	No. members to affiliate	Affiliation fee (£)
1 - 25	30	1001-1050	375	2051-2100	480
26 - 50	50	1051-1100	380	2101-2150	485
51 - 100	80	1101-1150	385	2151-2200	490
101 - 150	100	1151-1200	390	2201-2250	495
151 - 200	120	1201-1250	395	2251-2300	500
201 - 250	140	1251-1300	400	2301-2350	505
251 - 300	160	1301-1350	405	2351-2400	510
301 - 350	175	1351-1400	410	2401-2450	515
351 - 400	190	1400-1450	415	2451-2500	520
401 - 450	205	1451-1500	420	2501-2550	525
451 - 500	220	1501-1550	425	2551-2600	530
501 - 550	235	1551-1600	430	2601-2650	535
551 - 600	250	1601-1650	435	2651-2700	540
601 - 650	265	1651-1700	440	2701-2750	545
651 - 700	280	1701-1750	445	2751-2800	550
701 - 750	295	1751-1800	450	2801-2850	555
751 - 800	310	1801-1850	455	2851-2900	560
801 - 850	325	1851-1900	460	2901-2950	565
851 - 900	340	1901-1950	465	2951-3000	570
901 - 950	355	1951-2000	470	Over 3000	600
951 - 1000	370	2001-2050	475		

SUPPORTING MAG - EVENTS – 2008

Various discounts are offered to full and affiliated MAG members at the following events:

Into the Valley

2nd – 4th May – Yorkshire, Sledmere House, near Drifffield Visit www.intothevalley.co.uk for more information,

The Number One Rally

9th – 11th May - 25th Anniversary of this prestigious MAG Rally and Demo Run. Near Nunthorpe, Middlesbrough.
Visit www.thenumberone.org

Edinburgh & District MAG “Ag OI Anns An Achadh Rally and Demo”

30th May – 1st June Visit <http://edinburgh.mag-uk.org>

The Farmyard Party

20th - 22nd June – Yorkshire - Duncombe Park, Helmsley. Visit www.farmyardparty.com for more information

Blackpool MAG's Fun & Frolics on the Fylde

June 27th-29th - Blackpool Rugby Club New Site. Visit www.blackpoolmag.co.uk

Heart of England

11th – 13th July - West Midlands, Stoke Prior Sports & Country Club, Stoke Prior
Visit <http://west-midlands-region.mag-uk.org>

National Brum Demo

12th July in conjunction with the Heart of England Rally – West Midlands. Visit <http://west-midlands-region.mag-uk.org>

Yorkshire Pudding Rally

1st - 3rd August Yorkshire – New site - Visit www.yorkshirepuddingrally.co.uk

Aberdeenshire MAG “Stri Son Saorsa” Rally

8th to 10th August – Site to be confirmed. Visit <http://aberdeenshire.mag-uk.org>

Stormin' the Castle

5th - 7th September - North East - New site - Visit www.storminthecastle.co.uk

For more details of all MAG and Affiliated Clubs events, visit

www.mag-uk.org

Affiliated Clubs Are Courtly Invited To Attend And Exhibit Free At The 22nd Farmyard Party 2008

See the Events Page at www.mag-uk.org

Details correct at time of print

MAG PUBLICATIONS & EMAIL LISTS

The Road

MAG's bi-monthly magazine sent to all full members.

MAG UK Network

MAG's monthly activist newsletter which informs the UK's motorcycling community of current threats to our chosen lifestyle and how to preserve this.

Available on-line and in print.

MAG UK Info

Official press releases sent to magazines, on-line publications, and anyone else that wants to receive them.

MAG UK Activists - The Email Army

Information for MAG activists – campaign information, requests for help, items of interest etc.

FEMA (Federation of European Motorcyclists Associations) Info

FEMA press releases and news.

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