

British Motorcycle Owners Club  
Newsletter - December/January 1990/91

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Lipstick on the back of my leather jacket  
The smell of perfume in my helmet  
Twin Amals halfway open  
Burgess snakes that swallowed rats  
Emit their crisp bark

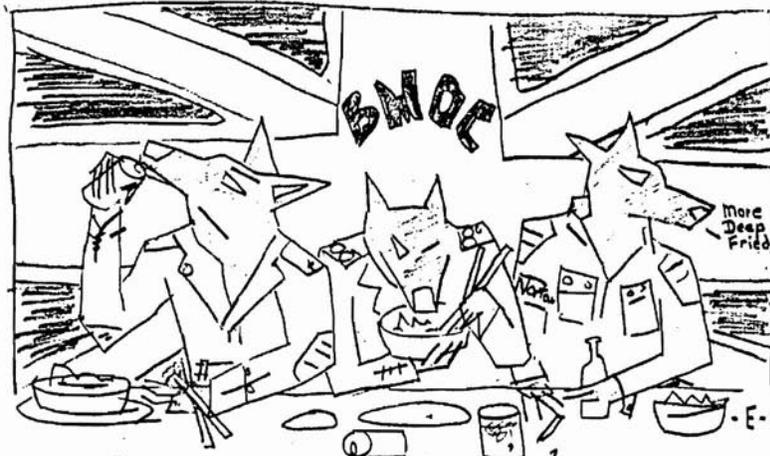
It's a machine  
Four hundred pounds of alloy and steel  
It's an extension of my self  
Without me it would not exist  
Without it I would not be me

The BMOCCERS at Benny's  
The Ton Up Boys at White Swan  
Are not mainstream not tame  
The Black rebels of Holister  
What ya got, just go

Tight black jeans  
Tucked into Mike Hailwood boot  
Pudding basin helmet aviator goggles  
Long scarf a foot to the wind  
Dirt under the nails, greasy hair

A man becomes part of the machine  
A machine becomes part of the man  
Each nut is tightened before it comes loose  
I've a few loose screws  
The machine helps them stay tight

Nigel Spaxman



The B.M.O.C. Christmas Dinner  
-Dec. 7th. At the ON-ON TEA GARDEN.  
7pm. 214 Keefer St. Chinatown, Vancouver.  
Non-Members \$15.00/Members Free.



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## MEMBER PROFILE - NIGEL SPAXMAN

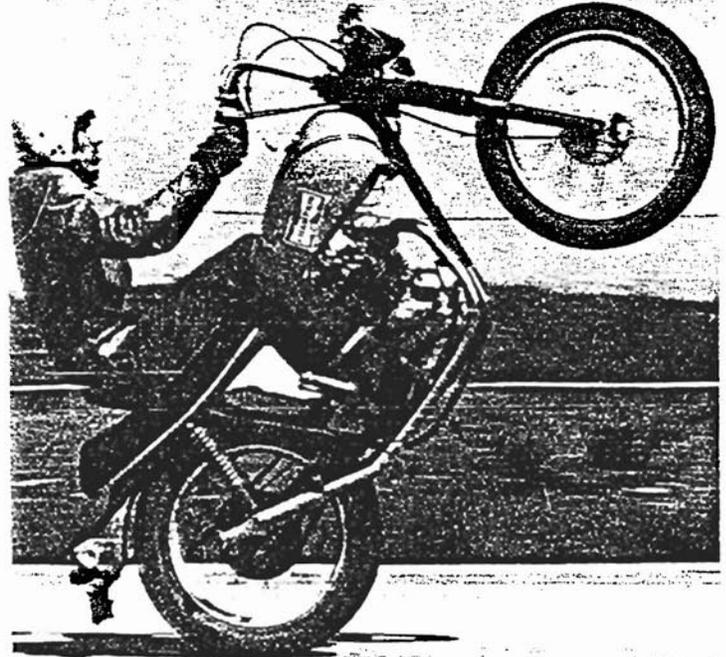
Nigel Spaxman has been a member of the B.M.O.C. since its inception. He has always been actively involved. Currently he works on the newsletter committee as well being Rides Captain.

Nigel can remember going to his first meeting when they were still held in the basement at Mark Anderson's shop. He heard about the club from Tony Schofield (a past member who is now riding a Honda CX500) and they joined the club together.

He began riding at 18 on a Honda XL 250 single. Happily his taste in motorcycles improved rapidly and he bought his first BRITISH bike within the year, a 72 Bonneville. Says Nigel, "It was really a mess when I bought it and I fixed it up. After I fixed it up it was still a mess! Things used to fall off it when I rode. I hadn't figured out about things like locktite and lock washers." Of course he was then hooked on British and bought his next bike while he still owned the first (I can see why!) He still has this bike, a 71 Triumph Bonneville, today. Nigel fixed this bike up as well, with better results! As he got parts chromed, etc he didn't want to put them in the garage so he started collecting them in his bedroom and then "it just seemed obvious" to build it in the bedroom (he was living at home!).

For a while Nigel owned a BMW for touring, but after getting side bags for his Bonny and he never rode his BMW again.

When I asked Nigel if he had anything to add he said, "Yea, put this; if I buy a bike I won't spend more on it than I could sell it for. I'm a bit cheap. Some people spend a lot



SO NIGEL DECIDES TO TRY A WHEELIE!!

of money on their bikes for looks and skimp on safety and handling. I would never skimp on safety or handling and my bike still looks good... from more than ten feet away". Nigel's bike stable currently includes a 78 Ducati, a Triumph Flattracker, a 56 Thunderbird and a very rare 1914 Browne Grosbeak Monovalve.

Cat

# POLICE NOTICE:

Have you seen this person. ?



A Police identikit artists' rendition of a known felon. Wanted in connection with

1. extracting unreasonable amount of horsepower from old British Iron.
2. manufacturing a vehicle without proper care and attention to authentic detail.

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