



Iconic and Eccentric Motorcycles to tackle Shelsley Walsh Hill Climb

At the Shelsley Walsh Bike Festival - Sunday 4 September 2016

The biggest annual fundraiser for the regional Blood Bike Group



Shelsley Walsh Bike Festival will take place once again at the iconic historic Hill Climb course in Worcestershire on Sunday 4 September and is hailed as a 'Must Do' day out for all motorcycling enthusiasts. A great day out for all the family.

The Festival prides itself on its diversity and celebrates engineering excellence; from rare, classic, modern, customised to hand built bikes and those of historic significance. This year the organisers have secured the most diverse motorcycles yet from the World's Fastest Shopping Trolley powered by a Chinook helicopter engine (holds record speed of 70.4mph/ 113.298kmh), the 'Warhorse' the World's Fastest Monowheel, a one-wheeled vehicle that the rider sits inside and travels up to 65mph! Plus the latest entry – the 'Scootsuit', a land speed contraption where the rider lies in a prone position approximately 6.5" inches off the floor, and has a 125cc scooter engine mounted to the frame, it can reach a speed of 70mph - the vehicle is currently being adapted for Shelsley to take the corners.



Matt McKeown and the World's Fastest Shopping Trolley

'Trolley Dash' is the fastest shopping trolley in the world, having set a Guinness World Record of 70.4 mph. It's powered by a Blackburn Pallouste gas turbine which has been converted to thrust and features an afterburner for extra oomph. We are sure that Shelsley Walsh course will prove a great challenge to Matt and his machine entitled 'Trolley Dash' is designed to go in straight lines!



Kevin Scott and 'Warhorse' the Monowheel

Kevin Scott and the UK Monowheel Team will be bringing the World's Fastest Monowheel, known as the 'Warhorse'. In 2015 Kevin received a Guinness World Record for the fastest speed achieved on a Monowheel at 65mph.



Iconic motorcycle builder Allen Millyard

Allen a staunch of Bloodbikes always thrills the crowds with his home-built engineering creations. This year Allen will take to the hill on the 'V10 Millyard Viper V10. An 8.0 litre, 500bhp bike built using a V10 engine from a Dodge Viper sports car. The hand-built bike weighs 600kg and has a top speed of over 207mph (half throttle). The bike has won numerous awards including 'Most over the Top' machine at Salon Privé Concours d'Elégance.

Shelsley Walsh Bike festival is truly 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 biker celebrity appearances, trade stands plus live music from UK hot rocking band, Josie and the Outlaws and guests. There's stuff for the kids, great food and drink and lots more. All event proceeds of the event go to Severn Freewheelers, the regional Blood Bike group

Entries for Paddock Specials are both by invitation and by application - so if you own a special, rare or historic bike, we want to hear from you! Please contact us via the website and provide further details.

As The Right Worshipful the Mayor of Hereford, Councillor Charles Nicholls said, *"Blood Bikes proved a vital service and the bikers selflessly give of their free time and riding skills in all weathers to save lives. I encourage all to support them in all their endeavours and perhaps when one appears in your vicinity, put your hands together and give them the encouragement they deserve."*

Helping Blood Bikes, Helping You

Event Address: Shelsley Walsh Hill Climb, Shelsley Walsh, Worcestershire, WR6 6RP

Advance tickets:

- Advance general admission tickets cost just £12 in advance or £15 on the gate, or for £35 you can enter to 'Run the Hill' on your own bike and be part of the spectacle! To book visit: www.shelsleybikefestival.co.uk
- Children under 16years old, go free.
- Gates Opens at: 08:30am, Track starts at: 10:00am, Festival closes at: 17:00.
- Free parking, free motorcycle side stand puck and free helmet park for bikers

About Blood Bikes

Severn Freewheelers are 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 run six BMW R1200RTs; all are emergency response equipped and the members handle some 4,000 call outs per annum, covering 150,000 miles. The charity's principle aim is to alleviate suffering by transporting medical essentials, free of charge, between NHS facilities. This would include Blood, Blood Products, Pathology Samples, Frozen Human milk and other medical essentials.

The Nationwide Association of Blood Bikes is the umbrella organisation representing 33 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.

Tickets available for consumer competition purposes; for further media information please contact: Rebecca Leppard, Eventageous PR or Tel: 01452 260063, email: Rebecca@eventspr.co.uk



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