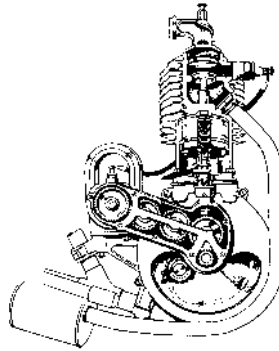


## WHY KEEP THE OLD MACHINES?

The history of the powered bicycle goes back more than a century, indeed the very first vehicle to run with a petrol engine was the Benz two-wheeler! Since then machines have progressed from high, unstable and unreliable contraptions to the present-day superbikes which have road-holding, performance and comfort inconceivable to the pioneers.



In the 1930s it was realised that, unless there was encouragement for the preservation of some examples of each era the machines would be scrapped, and there would be no record of the dramatic and interesting story of a great industry. The first organised event for the so-called "old crocks" was a run over the route of the original 1896 Emancipation Run, from London to Brighton, and this was the start of an event which has continued ever since, with increasing participation by Irish riders. Nowadays the Vintage MCC has more than 12,000 members

In Ireland the Leinster Club held a run for old cars before the Second World War, in which some motor cycles took part, and the famous D&D Mosney Runs were well supported from the 1950s. A motor cycle section of the Irish Veteran & Vintage Car Club was formed in 1967, running events for some years, which led to the formation of the present IVMCC in 1976.

Early standards of restoration were generally much less ambitious than today, and much of the fun was dressing up in fancy gear, with the result that getting to the finish was quite an achievement. Nowadays the restorer is supported by a great number of specialist suppliers, and many home restorations achieve a remarkable standard.



The history of the motor cycle is fascinating, ranging from the exotic racers to the humble workaday two-strokes, and it is a history in which Irish people have played no mean part. There is a camaraderie among riders which makes newcomers instantly welcome, whether or not they are owners of machines, and the "craic" on the average run has to be experienced. We try to have a talk or video, or something of interest at every Club meeting.

**Why not come along and join the fun?**

## Irish Veteran and Vintage Motorcycle Club



### Membership Application Form

**Are you interested in**

**Discovering, Restoring, Discussing, Riding  
Veteran, Vintage or Classic Motorcycles ?**

***So are we !***

**Why not find out what the largest Irish club  
dedicated to old machines can offer you!**



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

IVVMCC c.l.g. was founded in 1976 to cater for everyone interested in classic and vintage motorcycle restoration and use. The present membership is about 280 enthusiasts, with over 600 machines, the oldest dating from 1899. We are actively engaged in the preservation of Ireland's motor cycling heritage for present and future generations.

We run 11 major events during the year including the largest Motorcycle Show and Autojumble in the Autumn at Leopardstown Race Course. In May we have a Pre-1930s weekend in Kilkenny, and in June a Pre-65 weekend in the Golden Vale. Our other road runs and events are open to **pre-2000 year machines** but you don't need to own a bike to be a member.

Our monthly newsletter, 'Exhaust Notes', is free to members, and technical help is available. The best part of course, is the members themselves!

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month at Pembroke Wanderers Hockey Club, Serpentine Ave., Ballsbridge, at 8:30 p.m. Our monthly meetings have an attendance of 40-60 and sometimes include a talk or video. **Members can join the meeting by 'Zoom'**. We also have a regional organisation operating in the Dundalk area.

We are affiliated to the Vintage Motor Cycle Club of Great Britain and to the Irish Vintage Society (**IVS**). If you intend to take part in Club events we will forward your name (only) to the IVS for membership, which is required for insurance purposes.

**How can you join us?**

Complete this application form and send it, with a fee of **€35** to the Membership Secretary. Your annual subscription entitles you to free entry to our one-day runs and 12 copies of our monthly newsletter, 'Exhaust Notes'.

This information is used exclusively by IVVMCC to inform you of details of our meetings and events, and from time to time to forward details of other events perceived to be of interest to you as a member. By returning this form you agree to the Club retaining this information; to have this data deleted contact the Membership Secretary.

**We look forward to having you with us!**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE [www.ivvmcc.ie](http://www.ivvmcc.ie) 11/23

Name.....

Address.....

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Phone.....Mobile.....

Email .....Postcode.....

'Exhaust Notes' Delivery: (tick 1 box)

Post Exhaust Notes to the above address. (Ireland only)

Bring Exhaust Notes to the monthly meeting and post it to me if I'm not there.

Email Exhaust Notes in colour PDF to the above email address. I agree not to forward it to third parties.

I wish to take part in Club runs and meetings and **Join the IVS** (Involves additional cost to club)

I agree to be bound by the rules of the Club. (Copy available on request)

Signed..... Date.....

Enclose annual membership subscription of **€35** and return to:  
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