



## Classic bikes return for Swansea show this weekend

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The Swansea Classic Motorcycle Show makes a return to the city on 7 October based at the new Bus Museum and Transport Heritage Collection at Viking Way on the Winch Wen Industrial Estate Swansea SA1 7DA.

The show opens to the public from 10.00 am, admission £3 for adults and £1 for accompanied children, all proceeds used for the Museums charitable aim of restoring historic vehicles for the benefit and enjoyment of the community within which it exists, an important and vital aspect of the operation overseen by the voluntary Directors and members.

Motorcycles that will feature include a vast glittering cavalcade from the South Wales Wings club, with 'bikes and 'trikes from Honda rumbling in to the Museum from throughout South Wales, these huge 1800cc giants a spectacular sight singly, and even more so when viewed in large numbers.

Motorcycles from the golden era of the British two wheeled industry will also be on display, with BSA bikes ranging from the little Bantam - including a remarkably rare 'trials' model still pretty much as it was last ridden competitively in the 1950's - along with the 'road burners' like the A7 500cc and A65 Lightning 650 machines.

Francis Barnett models from the late 'fifties and the AJS factory join with the Triumph models like the legendary 650 cc Bonneville, Tiger 110 , Thunderbird and a rare 1927 Triumph 'TT' 'bike, plus the superbly handling Nortons, one such a rare former Swansea Police model.

The invasion of oriental and European motorcycles that overtook the British industry will



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also feature, models from Honda including a superb wailing 250 'four', a race bred MV Augusta 750 SS model, Ducati 748R, and a Moto Guzzi 250 cc 'café racer' to name but a few of the machines to be seen.

As well as the motorcycles, visitors can take in the sights of the museums extensive Bus collection, American limousines, and other exhibits, and enjoy the 'in house' refreshments available at very reasonable costs, along with various traders offering their wares.

The displays are housed within the Museum building so under cover no matter what the weather. The show has kindly been supported by Mounts Motorcycles of Swansea and Port Talbot, and is being organised by kind agreement of Swansea Museum, again by the former Exhibitions & Events Officer, who - with the team at the oldest Museum in Wales - enjoyed many successful years of the show in both Marina and the Landore Museums Collections Centre.

Entries are still available by contacting [rogergale@aol.com](mailto:rogergale@aol.com)