

Kelso, BMF Bike Fest - 2012

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Well they said the weekend was going to be a bit wet, and boy was it wet!!! The ride up was ok, after the first 150 miles, which was rain and heavy rain. The rain was so bad, vehicles were stopped on the A1. Pitched my tent on Friday afternoon and all seemed well. Had a few beers that night, went back to my tent and slept like a log. Apparently it rained very heavy in the night and certain areas of the showground became flooded. The river Tweed, a gentle flowing little river, just outside the showground, was almost ready to burst its banks. I have attached a couple of photos to show the volume of water that fell on Friday night. My tent was fine but the three blokes camped next to me packed up and went home after sleeping the night in the toilets and emptying over two gallons of water out of their tent. Has it put me off? Not on your life. We English are made of sterner stuff than that and a little drop of water hasn't put me off. I might just add that the other club members (well those who made it to Kelso that is) stayed in a local B & B!!! They were fine too.

