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**RALEIGH 1930 MODEL MH30 496CC 1 CYL OHV 2806**



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### PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

**Raleigh 1930 model "MH 30 Two-port Sports" 496 cc OHV Sturmey Archer frame # 221247 10R engine # DPFO205**

In the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century Raleigh's main business was in the cycle trade. Company founder Frank Bowden was a firm believer in variable gear systems and from the end of 1902 the Raleigh Cycle company put the Sturmey-Archer cycle hub gear on the market. There was some motorcycle production between 1899 and 1906, but only after the first world war some serious thought was given again to motorcycle production.

In the early twenties a 699 cc flat twin was produced; from 1922 mostly single cylinder side valve and OHV singles were put on the market and these economical, well made machines- equipped with S.A engine and gearbox- proved to be great sellers.

From 1930 dry sump lubrication became available and in 1931 sloping cylinders and chromium plated tanks appeared.

The model range for 1930 consisted of 5 models ranging from a 225 cc side valve machine to a 500 cc overhead valve sports mount.

The MH 30 was the top model of the range.

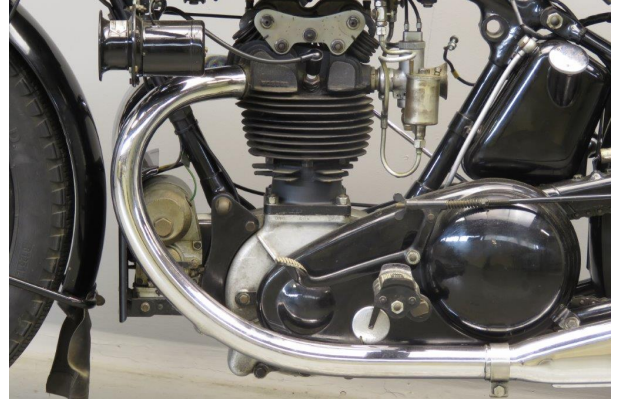
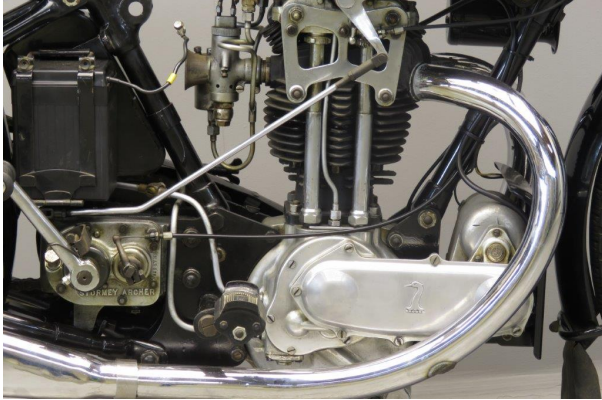
The engine has longstroke dimensions of 79 x 101 mm and the machine is fitted with two separate petrol tank halves that give the visual effect of a single saddle tank.

This good-looking sports tourer has been restored in the past but the beautiful tank side panels still show the original enamel and transfers.

The machine comes complete with Veigel speedometer and Dutch registration.



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