HELLO THERE - HOW NICE OF YOU TO COME, I THANK YOU EACH AND EVERY ONE, FOR YOU ALL HAVE BETTER THINGS TO DO, THAN STAND HERE AND WATCH ME GO UP THE FLUE...

NOW I'M AT THE CHEQUERED FLAG BEFORE YOU LOT, THERE'S NO MORE ANGER LEFT TO MAKE YOU HOT, NO MORE MOANS THAT THE GAZ. IS LATE, NO MORE GROANS - "HE'S FORGOT THE DATE"...

NO MORE NAV. ERRORS SHALL I MAKE, IS THAT STAVERTON BEYOND THE RIDGE ?, I DOUBT IT VERY MUCH - FOR HERE COMES THE SEVERN BRIDGE !...

NO MORE SURVEYS LEFT TO FADE, NO MORE PRINTS IMPOSSIBLE TO READ, MISTAKES NOW ARE NEVER MADE, WHAT AN EASY LIFE B.T'S MEN MUST LEAD...

SO MY MATES WITH BIKE AND PLANE AND PHONE, WHO, UP WITH ME YOU'VE HAD TO PUT, GOOD COMPANIONS - I THANK YOU ALL, FOR THE FUN WE HAD ALONG THE WAY.

AND THOSE WHO WITH WHEELS AND WINGS AND WIRES ARE NOT CONNECTED, MY THANKS YOU ALSO SHARE, FOR YOUR HELP AND LAUGHS EACH PASSING DAY, HAVE ALSO MADE LIFE AN EASY GAME TO PLAY...

SPEAK NOT THEN IN MUTED TONE, LAUGH OUT LOUD - THIS IS NO TIME TO BE SAD, REMEMBER ME FOR THE GOOD TIMES, AND OF THE REST - FORGET IF THEY WERE BAD !...

AT TIMES LIKE THIS WHEN FOLKS GATHER ROUND,
OLD FRIENDS NOW SELDOM SEEN ARE OFTEN FOUND,
THANK ME FOR THIS MOMENT THEN,
AND TAKE THE CHANCE TO SAY – "DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN?"

SO JOIN TOGETHER NOW, TAKE A DRINK AND HAVE A NATTER, REMINISCE, TALK NOT OF ME, BUT THINGS THAT REALLY MATTER, AND OF THE FUTURE - LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL - FOR IF I MAY MENTION, WHO KNOWS - <u>YOU</u> - MAY BE THE NEXT FOCUS OF THIS ATTENTION !...

AND SO THE TIME HAS COME TO SAY GOODBYE, THINK OF ME TODAY AND MAYBE SIGH, IT MATTERS NOT THAT ME YOU MAY HAVE CUSSED, FOR TOMORROW I'LL ONLY BE A CAN OF DUST!!!

SHAKESPEARE AS YOU CAN SEE I AM NOT, BUT I HOPE YOU GET THE PLOT, TO FAMILY, FRIENDS, LOYAL AND TRUE, FOR A HAPPY LIFE I OWE IT ALL TO YOU ...

TREVOR (DAT) HUNT. B,O.S.

(WRITTEN IN 1995 WHEN CANCER CAME KNOCKING ON THE DOOR)