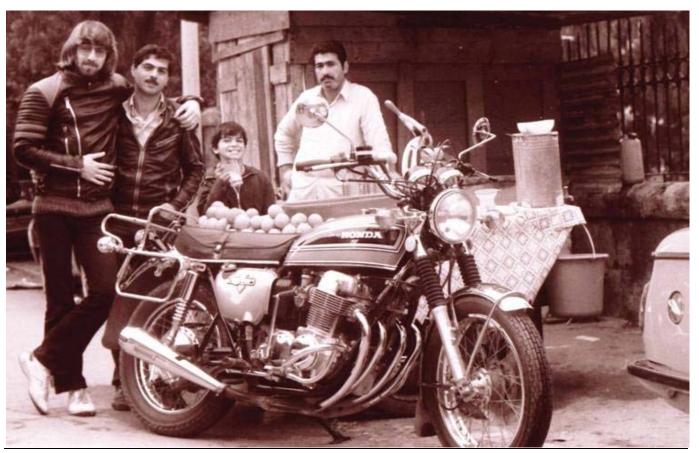
The Resurrection of <u>Fouad Hamdan</u>'s Honda CB 750 K6 (made in 1977 for the German market) <u>Lebanon-Amsterdam</u>, 1980-2012

I bought the bike in Beirut end of 1979 from a German guy who, a year earlier, drove it from Germany to Beirut.



With Abed Itani in front of his bicycle shop in Sanayeh/Beirut, January 1981 (From left: Fouad, Abed, unkown kid and man)





With Leslie in Dahr el-Baidar, February 1981



With Leslie and Bassam in Dahr el-Baidar, February 1981



With Bassam and Abed in Anjar, April 1980



Selling the K6 to Samir Khattab (left) on May 7, 1981, then I moved to Hamburg.



Samir Khattab received the K 6 in this condition. Beirut, May 1981







The K6 stayed in this humid garage in Basta, Beirut. Then, 27 years later I bought it back from Samir Khattab.







Delivering the K6, Beirut, 16th February 2008 (Left, Samir / Right, Fouad)



The K6 in really bad shape, Beirut, February 2008





Ordering spare parts via eBay Germany and sending them to my daughter Jana who lived in Hamburg at that time. In 2008, I travelled four times from Beirut to Hamburg to visit Jana, her mother Angela and friends – and transported some of the parts with me to Beirut. Jana came twice to Lebanon with parts in her luggage.





The repairs can start: Transporting the K6 to Jamal Kahwaji (in orange jacket on bike, right pic) to Bshamoun in the mountains East of Beirut for the resurrection project, 11 November 2008.







Washing it thoroughly, than Jamal takes over and starts repairing the K6 in his garage in Bshamoun.







Jamal and his daughter Aisha



The K6 in pieces



The bike is repaired. It is technically OK despite many rusty parts (Exhaust pipe and so on)

Jamal carries out final technical check-ups and puts on, with his wife, the old number plate, 21 November 2008

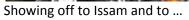






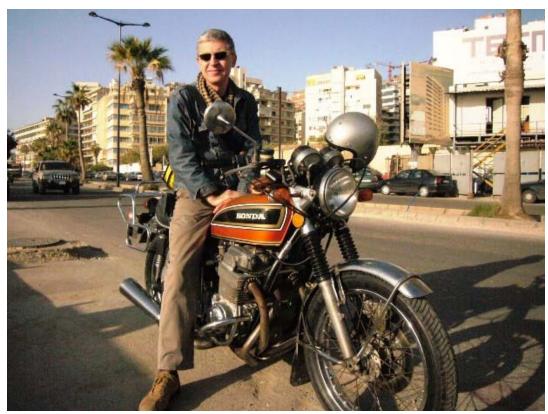
First tour with the K6 since May 1981: Sunday In front of Abed Itani's shop, 24 November 2008. With Abed's brother, Khaled, who now runs the bicycle rental and repair shop.







... Mimo.



Showing off to Bassam, Beirut, 26 November 2008





Installing new horn, small electrical repairs by Abed Abbas, Beirut, November 2008

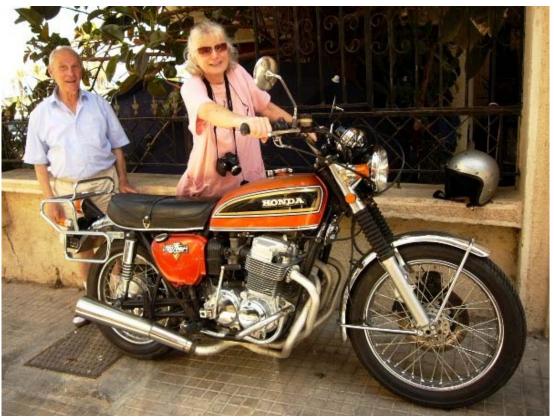




Official technical inspection: The K6 fails because of the original *orange* brake light in the back! In Lebanon, it should be red.



Basem installs a red brake lamp temporarily. The K6 passes the 2^{nd} inspection, then we put the original orange lamp back...



Said and Hertha Khattab, the parents of Samir, who sold me the bike, Beirut, June 2009



Fouad and Bassam (with his Yamaha 900 TDM), Beirut, June 2009. Earlier the K6's engine was painted and the exhaust pipes had a chrome bath.

TOURS IN LEBANON



Jochen and Stefan. Beirut, April 2009, with my second bike, a 1989 Honda V 600 Transalp





St George, Beirut, April 2009. Stefan and Fouad. With the Honda Transalp V600 of Nabil Rawda



Beiteddine. From left: Fadi, Stefan, Mimo, Rony, Fouad, Alain. May 2009



Beiteddine/Chouf, April 2009. From right to left: Fouad, Mimo, Rony



Metn, April 2009. From left to right: Fadi and Rony, Chouf, May 2009



With Mino, between Tarchich and Zahle, April 2009





Laqluq mountains, April 2009



Corniche, Beirut, October 2009



Moved to Amsterdam in 2010. Bike went through Dutch inspection, the first drive in the cold, Jan 2011.







With Jana, March 2011

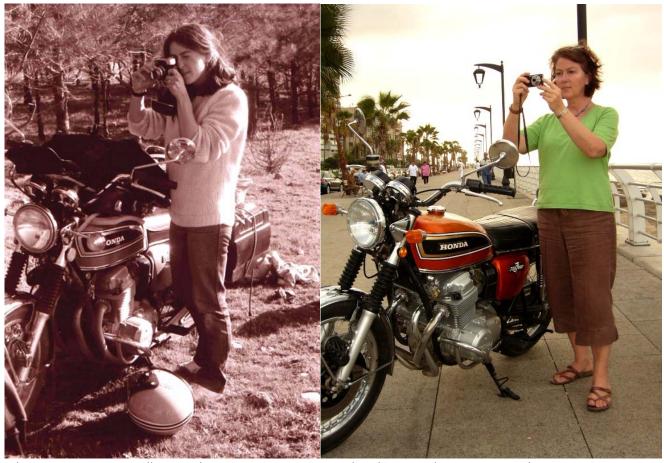
In January 2012 the CB750 went through the hands of mechanics at <u>GILEX motorcycles</u> in Amsterdam. It got the following new parts: 4-1 exhaust pipe system, second front brake, Icon rear suspensions, wider rear wheel, Dunlop BT 35 tires, all electric wires, back. This is how it looked in Feb 2012:



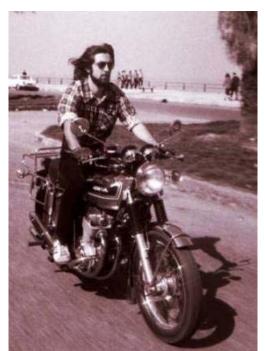




ANNEX: BEFORE AND 30 YEARS AFTER

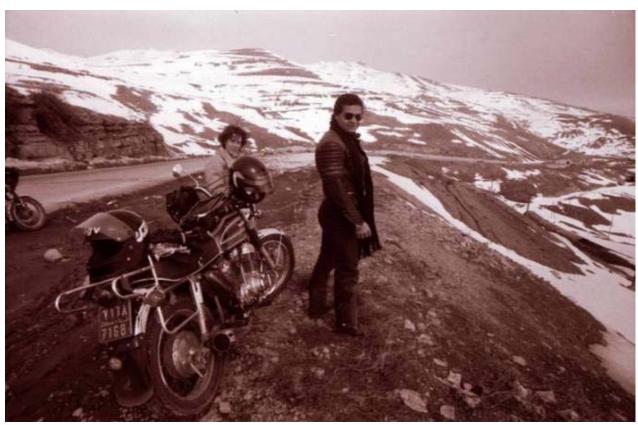


Silvia in Anjar, Beqaa valley, April 1980 and in the Corniche, Beirut, October 2009





Fouad, Corniche, Beirut, March 1980 and in October 2009



Leslie + Bassam in Dahr el-Baidar, February 1981. Below is Bassam, 30 years later, in the same spot in January 2011.

