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Foreword

Phil Armes

Unfortunately we seem to be having a spate of thefts in the Centre, which as we all know is extremely costly and in some cases can end participation in the sport. It's a sad fact that the thieves are very organised and more often than not get away with their activities leaving behind a trail of devastation. It is therefore incumbent on us, as the owners of off road machines, and the organisers of events, to do as much as possible to make it very difficult for these scum bags to steal our bikes. Neil Sargent has taken a lead on this, and you will find in this edition of the gazette some basic steps that you can consider taking to secure your bikes, and importantly, not draw attention to yourselves as owning and storing off road machinery. As a Centre I also feel we have a responsibility to do what we can to assist in this area, and I will be working with Neil to see if there are any opportunities to provide further guidance and assistance to help prevent further thefts. Should any of you have any ideas on this subject please get in touch with either Neil or myself.

On a brighter note the annual Centre awards evening was held at Great Blakenham Village Hall on February 14th and it was good to see so many of the winners there to receive their trophies. It was especially pleasing to see the youth riders collecting their hard won spoils and I look forward to seeing them collecting some of the adult awards in the future. I would also like to acknowledge the hard work of everyone who put so much time and effort into making the evening go so well – many thanks.

All permits and associated event paperwork is being distributed by email this season. All the events since February 1st have been done this way, and so far, so good. Generally they will be issued on the Monday prior to the event so if anyone has any issues with opening the files, or has not received their paperwork by the Tuesday before their event please let me know so that we can resolve any problems in good time.

Most of the Centre championships are up and running now and I understand the quality and the level of competition is as high as ever, which is great news. And of course the Maxxis British Motocross championship visits Lyng over the Easter weekend so that's one event I'm sure we're all looking forward to.

Cover photo: Marie Armes receiving the Dick Williams trophy from Centre president Alan Penny.

There will be a National Grass Track Seminar for Clerk of the Course and Stewards at the ACU Offices Rugby on Saturday 21st March commencing at 10.30am.

Please contact Tracey Cossar, Track Racing Committee Secretary if you wish to attend.

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EASTERN CENTRE ACU TRIALS OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Event: Organisers:
Venue: Date of Event:
Permit No: **ACU** Course Lic/Cert No. (*where Applicable*)

This event is held under the National Sporting Code of the Auto-Cycle Union, the Standing Regulations, Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions issued for the meeting. The ACU National Sporting Code and Standing Regulations are published annually in the ACU Handbook.

Entry declaration: I/we the undersigned apply to enter the event described above and in consideration thereof.

- I hereby declare that I have had the opportunity to read, and that I understand the National Sporting Code of the ACU, the ACU Standing Regulations, such Supplementary Regulations as have or may be issued for the event, and agree to be bound by them.
- I further declare that I am physically and mentally fit to take part in the event and I am competent to do so. I confirm that I understand the nature and type of event I am entering and its inherent risks and agree to accept the same notwithstanding that such risks may involve negligence on the part of the organisers or officials.
- I accept that insurance arranged on my behalf by the organisers of events that I may enter specifically excludes liability between the participants. I understand that this form may be used in litigation as evidence that any serious injury will be principally the result of my voluntary decision to engage in a high risk activity.
- I consent to details of any injuries I may suffer at this event being passed between all medical services and the Clerk of the Course.
- I consent to the collection and retention of my personal information by the ACU.
- I confirm that the machine(s) as described below which I shall participate on shall be suitable and proper for the purpose. I confirm that I am eligible to compete on the machines for which I have entered.
- I confirm that if any part of the event takes place on a public highway, the machine(s) described below shall be insured as required by the Road Traffic Acts, or equivalent legislation, and that they will comply with the regulations in respect thereof.
- I accept responsibility for any items borrowed from the Organiser during the course of the event. These items include but are not restricted to (safety clothing, transponders, accessories). I understand that I am liable for the cost or replacement of any items lost or not returned and non-payment or non-replacement of items borrowed may affect my entry into subsequent events.
- I confirm that I have not been refused an ACU Licence, nor had an ACU Licence suspended, nor have I been excluded from any ACU competition.

• I/we enclose the entry fee of: £.....

Don't forget to put Entry Fee here

Acknowledgement of the risks of motorsport: I understand that by taking part in this event I am exposed to a risk of death, becoming permanently disabled or suffering some other serious injury and I acknowledge that even in the event that negligence on the part of the ACU, any event organiser, any circuit owner, the promoter, the organising club, the venue owner, or any individual carrying out duties on their behalf were to be a contributory cause of any serious injury I may suffer, the dominant cause of any serious injury will always be my voluntary decision to take part in a high risk activity.

I have read the above and acknowledge that my participation in motorsport is entirely at my own risk. I agree that I am required to register on arrival by "signing on" at the designated place before taking part in any Practice Session/Race, Trials or Enduro.

Don't forget to sign

Rider's signature: Please tick box if you are 18 years of age and over ☐

If applicable:

Passenger's signature: Please tick box if you are 18 years of age and over ☐

FOR PARTICIPANTS UNDER AGE OF 18, DECLARATION OF PARENT, PERSON WITH PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY:

(COMPLETE IN BLOCK CAPITALS PLEASE) I the parent/person with parental responsibility of the above named participant, hereinafter referred to as 'my child', accept that my child may participate in the aforementioned meeting.

I declare as follows: - I have read and understood the "Acknowledgement of the risks of motorsport" which appears above. I appreciate the dangers inherent in motorsport which include the risk of death or permanent disablement. The child does not suffer from any physical, medical or mental disability which would make it unsafe for him/her to participate either as a Competitor or for Practice. I accept that it is my responsibility to ensure that the child and I have had the opportunity to read and understand the National Sporting Code of the ACU, Standing Regulations, Supplementary Regulations and Final Instructions subsequently issued and this Entry Form and that he/she will comply with them. I accept that photographs or video films may be taken of my child by officials dealing with safety issues or accident investigations. Photographs may also be taken for promotional purposes and may appear on the ACU website or in ACU publications.

Extract from NSC Article 7.14: A parent or legal guardian of a rider or passenger participating in a competition requiring consent is deemed to bear mutual responsibility with that competitor.

Rider's Surname: **First Name:** D.O.B.

Address:

..... **Postcode:**

Phone No.: **Email:**

ACU Licence No: **Club:** (*The ACU affiliated club to which you belong*)

Passenger's Surname: **First Name:**

Address: **Phone:**

ACU Licence No: **Club:** (*The ACU affiliated club to which you belong*)

Class Entered (Tick required)

Expert ☐ Expert B ☐ Inter ☐ Inter B ☐ Novice ☐ Pre 70 ☐ Twinshock ☐

Youth A ☐ Youth B ☐ Youth C ☐ Youth D ☐ Youth E ☐ Sidecar ☐

Sponsor/Machine Make: **Engine Size (cc)**

Woodbridge & DMCC
Friday 3rd April 2015

Open Permit TRIAL
Blaxhall Circuit, Suffolk

Good Friday Trial inc ECC Class C Rd 1

Sign On: 9.00am
National Grid Reference: TM 358578

Start: 10.00am
Permit No. ACU 43975

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc
Clerk of the Course: I Barfield (Licence 123652)
Child Protection P.o.C.: T Andrews
Secretary of the Meeting: T Andrews, 9 St Johns Meadow, Metfield, Harleston, Norfolk IP20 0LY

Club Steward(s): W Harvey & J Read

Tel: 07803 270853 (day) 01379 586819 (eve) email: tjandrews12@sky.com

JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Trials Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Adult and Youth members of the ACU riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Blaxhall Circuit, Blaxhall, Suffolk IP12 2DU

Course: Multi route; Woodland & Gravel sections.

Classes: Pre-70, Pre-unit, Unit, Two Stroke, Twinshock

Awards: 1st in class

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £15.00 for Adults and £13 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Woodbridge & DMCC. (Not paid into the bank before 7th April 2015)

Entries Open: 4th March 2015

Entries Close: 30th March 2015

No Entries on the day. All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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Southend & DMCC
Sunday 5th April 2015

Open Permit TRIAL
Poles Wood, Kelvedon Hatch

ECC Class D Rd 1

Sign On: 9.00am

National Grid Reference: TM 559995

Start: 10.30am

Permit No. ACU 43974

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc
Clerk of the Course: P Nash (Licence 39376)
Child Protection P.o.C.: P Nash
Secretary of the Meeting: J Nash, 33 Cherry Orchard, Southminster, Essex CM0 7HE

Club Steward(s): D Spurgeon M Cross

Tel: 07947 215648 (day) 01621 773131 (eve) email: nap148@aol.com

JURISDICTION:

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Start / Finish: Poles Wood, Kelvedon Hatch, Nr Brentwood, Essex CM14 5TL **Course:** Woodland & Sandpit.

Classes: All solo - Expert, Inter, Novice, B & W, Youth, & Sidecar Champ

Awards: None

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £15.00 for Adult solo, £12 for Youth, and £18.00 sidecar. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Southend & DMCC. (Not paid into the bank before 7th April 2015)

Entries Open: 12th March 2015

Entries Close: At start

Entries accepted on the day. All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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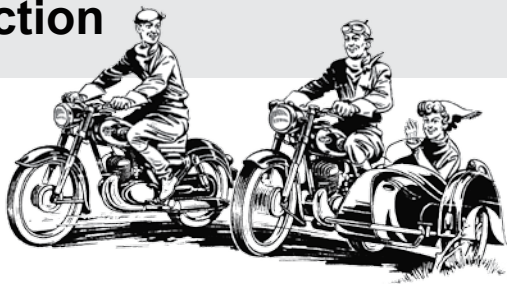
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The Recollection Section

Sidge Kenny



I started racing on the grass in the late 1950's – a time where the activity was accompanied by the aroma and aura of Castrol"R", in which the pungent smell added a great deal to the overall excitement and quite literally, the atmosphere. As its name implies, the

lubricant was of plant extraction from Castor oil, which in earlier times was also used - in somewhat different form - as a medicine. Castor oil and therefore "Castrol R" was considered a better lubricant than the mineral oils available in the early days of internal combustion engine development. During the First World War, the rapidly evolving aircraft engines and in particular the "Gnome" rotary type (which really did rotate!) placed a high requirement for a good lubricant and thus castor based oils were used by the Royal Flying Corps. The early fighter pilots often recalled the singular smell as well as the nuisance of the drips and leak sprays which covered their flying-suits and goggles

So castor oil came into motorcycle sport and stayed in it for many a decade – and occasionally at a meeting nowadays, you will still get a "whiff". As one of the many 1960's Villiers two-stroke users, I certainly raced on "R", though I actually used a BP version. I have to admit, I was never totally convinced of the lubricant's claimed effectiveness. With a two-stroke, it did not mix easily with the petrol and when you stripped your engine at the end of the season, there was always a gummy varnish deposit – surprisingly hard - to clean off from the internals of the engine. Later in my racing period, I resorted to standard mineral oils – with no ill-effects.

However, I was to be proved wrong after an incident at my work. I had taken in an outboard motor which had suffered a partial seizure when its water-pump failed. After repairing the pump and despite my recommendation to strip the power unit and investigate the tightness, the customer, - a rather dour-looking Northerner, was very concerned to get away on the earliest tide and urged me to get the motor running – any way and any how. The engine duly popped and strived to run but the internal friction was just too much. It was like a man with a gammy leg escaping from a fire – keen, but ineffective. I tried pulling the recoil starter all the harder without success. In sheer desperation, I drained all the fuel and refilled the tank with a mixture containing a very high proportion of what was left of my castor racing oil.

Both to my - and my client's - surprise and delight, after a few pulls, the motor duly fired up and ran for a protracted test period. Smoke was everywhere and as it ran, the engine audibly freed off and settled down. My client was clearly very relieved and for the first time in our contact, grinned broadly. I thought he was about to profusely thank me for my great efforts on his behalf.

"Eee – but that's a grand smell" he chuckled...



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If applicable:

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Address: **Postcode:**

Phone No.: **Email:**

ACU Licence No: **Club:** (The ACU affiliated club to which you belong)

Passenger's Surname: **First Name:**

Address: **Phone:**

ACU Licence No: **Club:** (The ACU affiliated club to which you belong)

Class Entered (Tick required)

Expert ☐ Expert B ☐ Inter ☐ Inter B ☐ Novice ☐ Pre 70 ☐ Twinshock ☐

Youth A ☐ Youth B ☐ Youth C ☐ Youth D ☐ Youth E ☐ Sidecar ☐

Sponsor/Machine Make: **Engine Size (cc)**

Eastern Four Stroke Association
Sunday 12th April 2015

Roger Birch Memorial Trial inc ECC Class C Rd 2

Open Permit TRIAL
Hall Farm, Gt Bromley

Sign On: 9.00am

National Grid Reference: TM 083262

Start: 10.30am

Permit No. ACU 43979

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc

Club Steward(s): tbc

Clerk of the Course: B Fletcher (Licence 38513)

Child Protection P.o.C.: J Kent

Secretary of the Meeting: J Kent, 30 Clayhall Place, Acton, Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 0BT

Tel: 01787 379192 email: june17kent@talktalk.net

JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Trials Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Adult and Youth members of the ACU riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Hall Farm, Hall Rd, Gt Bromley, Essex CO7 7TP

Course: 4 laps of 10 sections.

Classes: Pre-70, Pre-unit, Unit, Two Stroke, Twinshock, Youth

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £15.00 for Adults and £10 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to EFA. (Not paid into the bank before 12th April 2015)

Entries Open: 6th March 2015

Entries Close: 7th April 2015

No Entries on the day. All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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Halstead & DMCC
Sunday 12th April 2015

Open Permit MOTOCROSS
Little Loveney Hall, Wakes Colne, Essex
ECC Rd 1

Sign On: 8.00am
National Grid Reference: TL 890314

Practice: 10.00am

Start: After Practice
Permit No. ACU 43688

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: J Blyth
Clerk of the Course: G Brace (Licence 55539)
Child Protection P.o.C.: R Bearfoot
Secretary of the Meeting: J Salmon, 7 Well Field, Halstead, Essex CO9 1JB

Club Steward(s): tbc

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JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Motocross Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Adult members of the ACU riding solo machines.

Course: Undulating grassland with jumps.

Classes: As per championship conditions

Awards: As per championship conditions

Entries: Entry for this event is via the ACU online entry system - Go To <https://members.acu.org.uk> LOGIN or REGISTER then go to 'Search for an Event'; find the event and follow process to enter. As an option, entries may be made on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £50.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques to be made payable to Halstead & DMCC

Entries Open: 4th March 2015

Entries Close: 6th April 2015

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The insurance cover for this event will be **BASIC** (limit of liability £10M) and Medical Malpractice insurance (limit of liability £5m) is included. There is **NO** Personal Accident Insurance for Competitors. Competitors are therefore strongly recommended to purchase such Cover - which is available through the Locktons website (www.locktonmotorsport.com) or the ACU website (www.acu.org.uk)

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Sunday 19th April 2015

Open Permit TRAILCROSS/SCRAMBLE
Tye Farm, Cornard, Suffolk

DR Memorial Trailcross/Scramble

Sign On: 9.00am
National Grid Reference: TL 902411

Start: 10.00am
Permit No. ACU 43973

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc
Clerk of the Course: G Hockey (Licence 18929)
Child Protection P.O.C.: S Mays
Secretary of the Meeting: S Mays, 55 Alan Way, Colchester, Essex CO3 4LB
Club Steward(s): R Chaplin
Tel: 01206 531768 email: gmays@ntlworld.com

JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Motocross Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Adult members of the ACU riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Tye Farm, Gt Cornard, Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 0QA

Course: Natural terrain covering open fields, ditches and woodland. Lap length approx 3 miles.

Classes: Championship, Expert, Clubman, Evo, Twinshock, Pre-65

Entries: Must be made on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £46.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques to be made payable to Sudbury MCC Ltd

Entries Open: 4th March 2015

Entries Close: 15th April 2015

No Entries on the day. All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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Venue: Date of Event:
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Don't forget to sign

Rider's signature: Please tick box if you are 18 years of age and over ☐

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Rider's Surname: **First Name:** **D.O.B**

Address: **Postcode:**

Landline (inc. area code): **Mobile:**

Email: **Expert** ☐ **Junior** ☐ **NGR** ☐ ☐

ACU Licence No: **Club:**
(*The ACU affiliated club to which you belong*)

Sponsor /
Machine Make: **cc** **Two Stroke** ☐ **Four Stroke** ☐

Preferred Riding No. (if available) *tick have purchased this no. in the Centre's Reserved Number Scheme*

Note: For electronically timed meetings all riders **MUST** purchase a reserved number for the season from www.easternacu.org

This section for meetings using electronic timing only (see event regs)

Please tick box if you will be hiring a transponder for this event ☐

If you have your own transponder, enter its number

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The start time will be 10.00 am at Hammonds Park, Braughing, Nr Puckeridge, Herts. (Braughing is on the B1368 from the A10 at Puckeridge) John Lee Motor Cycles have put up £50.00 vouchers for the best in class for the road trial (expert , intermediate and clubman), the trial will also be open to Pre-65 and twin-shocks if the rider can ride at least to clubman level. The Off Road Trial will cater for every class ,expert, Intermediates, novice, clubman, sportsmen, pre-65 and twin-shock hard and easy, also youth A, B, C and youth sportsmen.

There will be no entries on the day for the road trial, that will open on the 1st of March and close on the 7th of April as we will have to let the land owners and insurance people know how many riders there will be. The off road trial will be open from the 1st of March and close on the 10th of April. Off road on day entries will cost you £25.00, so please enter before the closing date.

The road riders will be sent off at one minute intervals, but this depends on the size of entry. There will be a fuel stop half way around the course, so please bring two cans of fuel.

We are looking for observers for the trial, we have arranged transport for observers to and from the sections if you need it for the road trial.

We have several firms and people to sponsor the sections but we still need some more, so if you know of anyone, businesses or clubs that may want to sponsor a section please let us know.

Darren 01920 467811 or Roy 01992 582408

Entry forms are on the website northeastlondonmcc.org.uk

email contact: darren.phypers@btinternet.com and roy.phypers@ntlworld.com

Many thanks to everyone that supported and donated to our 2014 cancer charity trial which raised £3076.46 for the Macmillan cancer support charity

Thank you, and hopefully we will see you at Braughing on the 12th of April.



Essex & Suffolk Border
Sunday 19th April 2015

Open Permit TRIAL
Raydon Pits, Raydon, Suffolk

ECC Class B Rd 3

Sign On: 9.30am

National Grid Reference: TM 041388

Start: 10.30am

Permit No. ACU 43976

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc

Club Steward(s): M Keeble

C Keeble

Clerk of the Course: A Penny (Licence 6849)

Child Protection P.O.C.: A Penny

Secretary of the Meeting: N Fenn, 8 Old Rectory Close, Barham, Suffolk, IP6 0PY

Tel: 01473 839933 email: fenn_neil@hotmail.com

JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Trials Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Adult and Youth members of the ACU riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Raydon Pits, Wades Lane, Raydon, Suffolk

Course: Sand pit. 4 laps of 10 sections.

Classes: All adult & youth classes inc B Class Championship **Awards:** 1st in class subject to minimum of 5 entries

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £15.00 for Adults and £13 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Essex & Suffolk Border MCC. Entries on the Day of the event + £5 (late fee donated to charity)

Entries Open: 4th March 2015

Entries Close: At start

Entries accepted on the day. All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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Motocross Forum

The Motocross forum held on the 4th of February was attended by most representatives

of clubs in the centre, although only two riders were present, which was most disappointing.

Does this indicate that riders are happy with the organisation of motocross in the centre ?

It was previously agreed that the 2015 committee would consist of two members of each organising clubs, and the clubs nominated their representatives as follows.

- Andrew Hay and David Mills, (Norwich Vikings)
- Keith Weavers and Mark Relland (Halstead)
- John Blyth and Charlie Ralph (Woodbridge)
- Paul Grantham and Phil Gammon (Littleport)
- Paul Hubbard and Paul Sewter (Diss)
- Geoff Brace (Chelmsford)

Lyn Berwick continues as non voting secretary, and Stuart King has taken on the role of riders rep, and will be co-opted on to future meetings when necessary.

We had planned to co-opt Paul Sewter to meetings also, as the Centre timing representative, but as he is one of the Diss nominees, he is warmly welcomed as part of the committee.

The committee nominated me as chairman of the motocross sub committee, and Andrew Hay as vice chairman, and i would like to stress that if anyone has queries or ideas that would benefit our sport, to please contact any of the above names. I can assure everyone that we are here to listen, and improve the sport. Stuart brought a few riders views to the forum, and these issues will be discussed, after all, we believe that competitors should be involved in their sport.

We will also liaise with the Norfolk and Suffolk Youth club, after all, the youngsters are the future of the sport, and we plan to invite club race secretaries to one of our committee meetings during the year, to sort out any issues they may have.

Our main aim this year will be looking to enhance the Eastern Championships for 2016, and try to promote the sport to a wider audience.

As some of are aware, the Trials section of the Centre has been very successfully devolved, and the Enduro organisation in the Centre is first class, but i personally believe that the Motocross section is not quite ready for devolvement yet, so i hope that with the current team, we can achieve this in the future.

Whether you are riding, organising or spectating, i wish you all a great year.

Charlie Ralph

Chairman, Eastern Centre Motocross Sub committee

Woodbridge & DMCC
Sunday 26th April 2015

Open Permit MOTOCROSS
Blaxhall Circuit, Suffolk

ECC Rd 2

Sign On: 8.00am

Practice: 9.30am

Start: 10.30am

National Grid Reference: TM 356580

Permit No. ACU 43598

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: A Foskew

Club Steward(s): W Harvey & D Warner

Clerk of the Course: J Blyth (Licence 39574)

Child Protection P.O.C.: D Warner

Secretary of the Meeting: D Blyth, 21 Ashe Rd, Lower Hacheston, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP13 0PD

Tel: 07963 118917 (eve) email: blyths21@hotmail.com

JURISDICTION:

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Start / Finish: Blaxhall Circuit, Blaxhall, Suffolk IP12 2DU

Course: Naturally sandy, with man made jumps, approx length 1500m.

Classes: As per championship conditions

Awards: As per championship conditions

Entries: Entry for this event is via the ACU online entry system - Go To <https://members.acu.org.uk> LOGIN or REGISTER then go to 'Search for an Event'; find the event and follow process to enter. As an option, entries may be made on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £50.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques to be made payable to Woodbridge & DMCC

Entries Open: 4th March

Entries Close: 20th April

. All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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The insurance cover for this event will be **BASIC** (limit of liability £10M) and Medical Malpractice insurance (limit of liability £5m) is included. There is **NO** Personal Accident Insurance for Competitors. Competitors are therefore strongly recommended to purchase such Cover - which is available through the Locktons website (www.locktonmotorsport.com) or the ACU website (www.acu.org.uk)



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Address: **Postcode:**

Landline (inc. area code): **Mobile:**

Email: **Expert** ☐ **Junior** ☐ **NGR** ☐ ☐

ACU Licence No: **Club:**
(The ACU affiliated club to which you belong)

Sponsor /
Machine Make: **cc** **Two Stroke** ☐ **Four Stroke** ☐

Preferred Riding No. (if available) tick have purchased this no. in the Centre's Reserved Number Scheme

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There are some simple actions to reduce the risk, most are obvious; below are listed some of the steps you could consider taking.

GARAGE SECURITY

- Windows boarded up?
- Windows removed & bricked up?
- Extra locks on doors?
- Metal Bars across doors & windows?
- Up & Over doors locked & strengthened?
- Additional bolts & padlocks on the inside of doors?
- Vehicles parked against the doors?
- Ground anchors & chains with locks on bikes inside?
- Garage rafters boarded, creates another barrier if entry is through the roof.
- Baby alarm in the garage, with transmitter by the bed at night?
- Motion sensor lights?
- Motion sensor alarm fitted?
- Bikes stored with wheels removed?

PRACTICE TRACKS ETC.

- Are you confident that any details you divulge at signing on are kept confidentially
- Any strangers taking an interest in you and your bike?
- Have you been followed home?
- Where do you wash the bike at home - can you be seen?

OTHER THOUGHTS

- Event commentaries to avoid announcing where a rider lives.
- Programmes to be restricted to name and machine only
- Do you need sign writing/graphics on the van? Is it a sponsorship deal, or just feeding your ego?
- What have you got on social media? Remove all references to your bikes and racing

DO WE FEED THE THIEVES?

- Do you look for on line auction bargains? Ask questions. Why are those wheels for sale? Are you happy about where they came from? Be principled & walk away if you suspect a problem.

EASTERN CENTRE ACU GRASSTRACK OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

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Venue: Date of Event:
Permit No: **ACU** Course Lic/Cert No. (where Applicable)

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Don't forget to sign

Rider's signature: Please tick box if you are 18 years of age and over ☐

If applicable:

Passenger's signature: Please tick box if you are 18 years of age and over ☐

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Address: **Postcode:**

Landline (inc. area code): **Mobile:**

Email address:

ACU Licence No: **Club:**
(The ACU affiliated club to which you belong)

Passenger Details (if applicable)

Surname: **First Name:** **D.O.B**

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ECC Rd 1

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National Grid Reference: TL 617137

Practice: 11.00am

Start: 1.00pm
Permit No. ACU 43977

OFFICIALS:-

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Woodbridge & DMCC Club Notes

Charlie Ralph

Its fast coming up for the new season, and the club have been very busy sorting out dates etc for the year.

Finalised dates are, Enduro 22nd March at Butley round two Eastern Champ

19th July at Blaxhall round two 2 man team Enduro, 30th August at Butley round five Eastern Champs.

Motocross at Blaxhall. 29th March, open meeting expert/juniors, 26th April, round two Eastern Champs, 28th June, British Maxxis Champs, 2nd August, open meeting experts/juniors plus NGR round, 13th September round seven Eastern Champs.

Trials, All C class championships pre70 and twinshocks. 3rd April at Blaxhall, 1st November, venue tba, 27th December at Butley

Hopefully, there will also be a couple of Saturday evening trials at Blaxhall which Matt Dye is trying to sort out.

Several members have been asking questions regarding the Blaxhall circuit. No changes have been made to the actual circuit, but an area has been cleared for a new riders work area. Following an inspection by the ACU, the requirement for the work area is that it is situated on the outside of the circuit, hence the change. The gang have spent almost every weekend at Blaxhall, clearing hedgerows, putting up new fences etc and as mentioned previously, we have hired approx three and a half acres of an adjacent field for parking in readiness for the June Maxxis meeting. We plan to soon start planting more hedgerows around our perimeter, as we have open spaces that needs filling.

Entries for our Enduro and Motocross meetings for March are starting to fill up, and we ask riders to enter as early as possible to help our event secretaries. Their job is never easy, so please help by doing your bit.

One of our top expert riders, Luke Benstead, was riding at Wilden in the Midlands recently, and was 4th overall, and Steve Bixby made his second trip to Mepal to record another good result.

On the enduro scene, no doubt that Jamie Roper will be trying to retain his Eastern title this year, and hopefully we will see some national grade riders visiting our centre.

I must mention that the previous gazette stated no prize money at our first motocross meeting in March. This is not correct, we shall be paying our usual decent prize money.

Finally, on a personal note, sad to learn of the passing of Nik Fisk. Nik was a rider, commentator and worked hard for the sport. I had the pleasure of working on the microphone with Nik on several occasions, and his knowledge and love of the sport was second to none. Sincere condolences to his family

Sudbury MCC Club Notes

Roger Chaplin

A reminder if you have not entered our six hour Endurothon on Sunday 8th March at Foxborough Quarry Sible Hedingham Essex get on the phone now. This is a 9am start open to Pairs and Solos (Iron Man) and bring the good weather with you. Regulations for our meeting on Sunday 19th April at Tye Farm Great Cornard Suffolk should be in this edition of the Gazette. I believe the title for the meeting is the Dave Roper Memorial Trail Cross/Scramble and is in fact run on Enduro lines as last year. This is where the Sudbury Club can raise money for Dave's Fund to help support our 16-21 year old riders in the Eastern Centre Solo Enduro Championship and the six riders competing are Alex Rampton, Jack Nicolaou, Ben Roper, Ryan McDonnell, Euan Millar and Nathan Greenaway.

We had a reasonable turn out for our AGM; I would like to see a few more. The Club is very sound, The President conducted the meeting with reports from the Chairman and the Treasurer and the Committee was re-elected also Craig Roper was elected. We have a hard working Committee like all other Clubs and there are times when this hard work is not appreciated or acknowledged so I say to all out there these people put in a lot of their spare time into running events and the Clubs themselves., perhaps a thank you from time to time would not go amiss.

We had a full house for our Annual Dinner and Awards Night and all went well although I must admit I did not stay to the end because I was suffering with a very heavy cold (us men can suffer) and felt even worse on Sunday. There was a game of Heads or Tails with proceeds going to the Dave Roper Memorial Fund and Pete McDonnell won this and received a Valentine present, say no more. The winners of the Club Trophies were: Ben Roper Most Improved Rider, Craig Roper – Best Beach Racer, Jamie Roper – Most Meritorious Member, Graham Mays – Best 2 Stroke Rider, Jamie Roper – Best Enduro Rider, Alex Rampton – Best Junior, Nicholas Banks – Best Club Member, Kelvin Vant = Best Classic Rider, Glenn Walsh – Spectacular Ride in the Bog, Ryan McDonnell – Most MX Appearances, Alex Rampton – Dave Roper Memorial Trophy, The Parker Family – Special Award, Dean Curry – Spirit of the Motor Cycle Sport and Roger Chaplin – Long Service.

When he was 12/13 a young Sam Toy started Trials Riding and one of his ambitions was to have a photo of himself on the front cover of the Eastern Centre Gazette and lo and behold fifteen years later this has happened as Sam appeared on the February edition of the Gazette. He feels he has made it and I must point out he is the rider number 5 and not one of the over worked Marshals, so the Gazette personnel take a bow.

John Green (father of Mark and Stephen) has lent me some 1960s Scrambles Programmes, 1970s East Anglia National Trial Programmes and a Stennett Hundred Enduro Programme 1978. Now I need to find time to read them, scan them and publish them

What's on



Full events calendar available on the Centre website

www.easternacu.org

MARCH

1st	Norwich Viking	Trial	OPEN	Santon Downham	
8th	Braintree	Trial	OPEN	Spansies Wood	Centre Trials Champs B Class Rd 1
8th	Sudbury	Endurothon	RES	Foxborough	2 Man Endurothon
14th	Norwich New Stars	Grass Track	Trng	Felthorpe	
14th	Halstead	Motocross	Practice	Wakes Colne	
15th	Ipswich	Trial	OPEN	Bramfield	Centre Trials Champs B Class Rd 2
22nd	Woodbridge	Enduro	OPEN	Butley	GH MCs Husqvarna ECC Round 2
28th	Norwich New Stars	Grass Track	Trng	Felthorpe	
29th	EFA	Trial	RES	Chattisham	
29th	NSJMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Gt Hockham	
29th	Woodbridge	Motocross	OPEN	Blaxhall	
29th	Braintree	Long Distance Trial	OPEN	Stisted	
29th	Wymondham	Trial	OPEN	Middleton	Centre Trials Champs A Class Rd 2

APRIL

3rd	Bank Holiday	Woodbridge	Trial	Blaxhall	Centre Trials Champs C Class Rd 1
5th	Norwich Viking	Motocross	Int'l	Lyng	Maxxis British Motocross Champs
5th	Southend	Trial	OPEN	tbc	Centre Trials Champs D Class Rd 1
11th	Norwich New Stars	Grass Track	Trng	Felthorpe	
12th	Halstead	Motocross	OPEN	Wakes Colne	Centre Solo MX Champs Round 1
12th	Norwich Viking	Trial	OPEN	Holt	Centre Trials Champs A Class Rd 3
12th	EFA	Trial	RES	Gt Bromley	Centre Trials Champs C Class Rd 2
19th	Essex & Suffolk Border	Trial	OPEN	Raydon Pit	Centre Trials Champs B Class Rd 3
19th	NSJMCC	Trial	RES	Gt Ellingham	Centre Trials Champs D Class Rd 2
19th	Sudbury	TrailCross	OPEN	Gt Cornard	
25th	NSJMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Gt Hockham	
26th	NSJMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Gt Hockham	Centre Youth MX Champs Round 1
26th	Norwich New Stars	Grass Track	RES	Frettenham	
26th	Woodbridge	Motocross	OPEN	Blaxhall	Centre Solo MX Champs Round 2
26th	Bury St Edmunds	Enduro	RES	Hawkedon	Dave Barkshire MCs 2 Man Round 1
26th	Castle Colchester	Trial	OPEN	Thorrington	Centre Trials Champs B Class Rd 4

Events in bold - regs in this gazette

Halstead & DMCC Club Notes

Kieran Doherty

We would like to start off with a warning this month. Our practice day on the 14th of March is filling up very fast. In fact by the time you are reading this there may not be any spaces at all. If you wish to ride you need to book in through the ACU online entry system or ring Juliet on 01787 479258. We are also looking for around 6 marshals to help us on the day so if you are free please come along. The entries for our first meeting which is the Eastern Centre Championship on the 12th of April are now open as well.

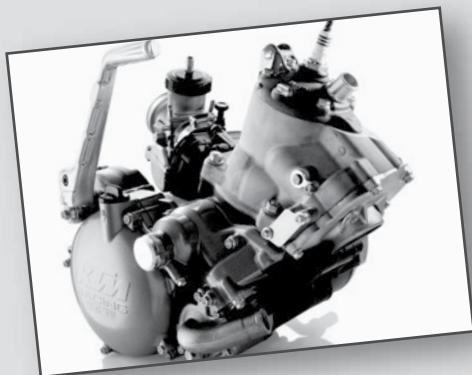
We had a few riders in the results lately with the EASSC winter series. In the open class Jason Morland finished on the bottom step of the podium with Glen Bixby coming home in 5th place.

Jim Aim

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