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Foreword Phil Armes

This season has seen a revised format to the Centre motocross championship, which is a brave and pro-active decision by the motocross sub-committee. When making changes to a well established series there will always be some requirement to



make a few amendments from lessons learned – and there will always be those looking to find fault!!

However, the fact that at several rounds last year less than 20 Experts entered, and in some cases just a dozen, something had to be done to ensure full, or nearly full, line ups in the races.

I am aware of a good deal of the feedback about the new format, and I am more than happy for anyone to contact me with their thoughts/ideas – whether you are an organiser, rider, sponsor/entrant or fan.

I commented last month about the 'tear off' situation within the centre, and I can confirm that at the board meeting on April 20th a resolution was passed to rescind the decision to ban the use of all tear offs at motocross events in the centre. That said, an individual organiser/promoter has the right to ban the use of tear offs at their event, and I note that the event at Mildenhall on June 26th have taken the decision to do just that.

In last month's issue I mentioned that the speedway season had started, and this brought about a surprising response, in that several people commented on the fact we rarely cover this form of motorcycle sport – which is a bit strange as we have some top teams within the centre boundary. Speedway has always fascinated me, since being taken regularly to the Firs in Norwich as a young lad by my dad. The smell, noise, and atmosphere were all intoxicating – but the most memorable event was when the sidecars appeared for the fist time. I'm not sure if sidecar speedway still exists – but I'm sure one of you will be able to enlighten me!!

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Chelmsford Saturday 14th May 2016 Open Permit TRIAL Codham Little Park Farm, CM7 5JQ

Saturday Night Trial

Sign On: 4.00pm Start: 5.00pm
National Grid Reference: TL738289 Permit No. ACU 47592

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: Club Steward(s): A Brace N Ogden

Clerk of the Course: A Foskew (Licence 25780)

Child Protection P.o.C.: D Ogden

Secretary of the Meeting: D Ogden,

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Start / Finish: Codham Little Park Farm, Beazley End, Braintree CM7 5JQ

Classes: All solo and sidecar

Awards: None

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £14.00 for adult solos. £17.00 sidecars. £12.00 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Chelmsford

& DAC

Entries Open: 4th May 2016 Entries Close: At Start

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Happy News and sad news, firstly happy news Hollie and Jamie Roper are expecting their first child however the arrival is due on Weston weekend, perhaps a birth in the sea. Sad to hear

Sudbury Club Notes

Roger Chaplin

the passing of Alan Succamore a stalwart of yesteryear, member of ESSA and Castle (Colchester) also the youngest Lampkin brother Martin. Martin along with his two brothers rode in the East Anglian National Trial and I am proud to think he like all the other riders rode on off road land, lanes etc which I manage secure also I took the odd mark or two off him in the Scottish.

Last minute reminder the 3rd round of the G H Motorcycles/Husqvarna/ACU Eastern Enduro Championship is on Sunday 8th May at Foxborough Quarry also the 4th round is on 19th June at Hadham and Regs should be in the May Gazette.

Our annual Endurothon went very well and I believe this is the only event of this type in the country. A Moto Cross Champion of yesteryear was acting as pit man for his son and grandson one Dave Nicoll. We also tried out a new receiver for our wristband transponder system and it worked very well so we are buying another one while the original two will be kept as backups. We had one or two riders from out of Centre which is nice to see with Paul Bolton who teamed up with Chris Hockey and the return of Ben Wibberley who finished third the Extreme Enduro who teamed up with Richard Ely. Chris once again was determined to win the Championship Class last year with Brad Freeman and sure enough he did again with Paul competing 42 laps over the five hours. Second were Richard Ely/Ben Wibberley 41 laps, 3rd Jason Morland/Ben Clark 40 laps, and 4th Rick Roper/Steve Mason 39 laps. Expert Class was won by Kelvin Vant/ Ryan McDonnell 37 laps, 2nd Aaron & Rob Nicoll 37 laps, 3rd Jamie Lagden/Alex Walton 36 laps and 4th Richard Bensley/Tom Morris 32 laps. In the Clubman Class Mark Fenwick wanted to team up with his son Freddie but as Freddie was not quite one he could not ride so Ben Martin stepped in. These two managed 33 laps between them and secured 2nd place with Nathan Charrington/George Warren taking the win on 33 laps. Ben Roper/James Hockey were 3rd 31 laps and Karl Last/Aaron Graves 4th also 31 laps. In the Ironman Class it was a win for Alex Rampton on 34 laps, 2nd Gareth Young 33 laps while 3rd 4th and 5th were Phil Roper, Dun Hunt and Paul Belton all on 32 laps.

Our Annual Dave Roper Memorial Event went very well although it rained on Saturday when the track was being prepared it was sunny with a cool wind and conditions were perfect track wise. After the qualifying events which produce some good racing it was onto the three Finals. Final A was a hum dinger with Brendon Mayers taking the lead being closely chased by Jason Morland and Brad Tomlin. It look like Brendon was going to coast it home but no having an argument with the track put him down several places, Jason then took up the challenge and again looked the win would be his but Brad was having none of it and with three minutes to go squeezed past Jason to take the win with Jason 2nd, Brad Woodroffe 3rd and Brendon was 4th. The B Final was just as exciting with Andy Mason taking the lead from the off and pulled out a good lead. Try as he might Gary Drage couldn't catch him however Nathan Charrington was on a charge caught Andy to take the win with Gary 3rd and Ben Marsh 4th. The C Final for Evo/Twinshock/ Pre 65 was a great win for Gary Gladwin who led from start to finish with Rick Roper 2nd, Phil Whiting 3rd and Jason Bell 4th. A lot of the riders raved about the course which in parts was emulating Tye Farm and after the champagne presentation Bev Roper thanked everyone for their support.



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Ipswich MCC Sunday 22nd May 2016

Open Permit TRIAL Rook Hill Farm, IP8 4SF

Eastern Experts & Limburners Challenge Trial

Sign On: 9.30 am Start: 10.30 am National Grid Reference: TM 072493 Permit No. ACU 47606

OFFICIALS:

Eastern Centre Steward: RG Hearn Club Steward(s): G Timms C Smith

Clerk of the Course: D Cordle (Licence 5689)

Child Protection P.o.C.: D Cordle

Secretary of the Meeting: Mrs P Cordle, 4 Bullen Close, Bramford, Suffolk, IP8 4JE

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Start / Finish: Rook Hill Farm, Offton, Suffolk, IP8 4SF

Course: 4 laps of 10 Sections - Woodland.

Classes: Experts, Expert B, Inters, Inter B, Youth A & B

Awards: To winners

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of

£15.00 for Adults, £12.00 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Ipswich

MCC.

Entries Open: 4th May 2016 Entries Close: 20th May 2016

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Halstead & DMCC Sunday 5th June 2016

Open Permit MOTOCROSS Wakes Colne, CO6 2BH

Richard Fitch Trophy Meeting

Sign On: 8.00am Practice: 10 00am Start: After Practice National Grid Reference: TL 890314 Permit No. ACU tho

Eastern Centre Steward: J Nickerson Club Steward(s): R Game

Clerk of the Course: G Garrod (Licence 39584)

Child Protection P.o.C.: R Butler

Secretary of the Meeting: J Salmon,

JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Motocross Regulations of the ACU and ACU EASTERN, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations Open to Adult members of the ACU with an appropriate licence and riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Little Loveney Hall, Wakes Colne, Essex CO6 2BH Course: Undulating grassland with jumps. Classes: Allcomers (4 groups); EVO (1 group) Awards: TBA

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'; fiind 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 £45.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques to be made payable to Halstead & DMCC

Entries Open: 4th May 2016 Entries Close: 9pm 31st May 2016

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Open Permit TRIAL Cadders Hill, NR9 5AL

Mallett Cup Trial

Sign On: 09.30am Start: 10.30am National Grid Reference: TG 066174 Permit No. ACU 47146

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc Club Steward(s): J Douglas R Brooks

Clerk of the Course: B Douglas (Licence 70441)

Child Protection P.o.C.: B Douglas

Secretary of the Meeting: B Douglas, The Old Cottages, The Moor, Reepham, Norfolk NR10 4NL

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JURISDICTION:

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 Start / Finish: Cadders Hill, Lyng, Norfolk, NR9 5AL
 Course: 5 laps of 8 sections.

 Classes: Inter, Novice, Twinshock, Pre-70, Youth ABCDE
 Awards: None

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £16.00 for

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Our Good Friday trial saw over seventy riders at Blaxhall, riding twinshocks and pre 70 bikes. Mattew Neale dropped five marks

Woodbridge Club Notes

Charlie Ralph



in the pre unit class, one less than James Williams, and Gary Baker only lost one in the unit class. Mark Banham topped the twinshocks group, losing eleven marks, and our best club member, winning the Kenny and Margaret shield was David Woods.

His dad, and elder brother, Andrew had won the event previously. Well done to the team for laying out twelve challenging sections, and we were blessed with a fine sunny day.

Jake Nicholls and James Cottrell were on form at round one of the British Mx Championships at Lyng, Jake was 4th overall in the MX1 class with two good rides, but we all were gutted for James who was in great form in MX2. After finishing fifth in race one, he was battling for third place in race two, and a podium place, until the Kawa decided to stop running.

At Wakes Colne, our top club rider was Adam Day, who took 6th overall in the premier group. Steve Bixby, Sam Mitchell and James Miles all scored good points, and it was good to see Andrew Stephenson back in action after illness forced him out last year. Unfortunately he crashed in his third race, and had to visit hospital. I must mention young Josh Keeble, who had problems in trying to qualify for the premier group. Reverting back to his last years Suzuki, he easily won all three intermediate races, and his race times would have seen him in the top five junior places in the premier class.

The NGR over 30 guys travelled to Northamptonshire for their first round, and guest rider Steve Atkins, along with Craig Marsden, were our top club riders. Lee Keyton and Andy Cattermole also scored good points. Initially, their first round should have been at Toddington, but the meeting was called off due to wet weather.

Our first mx meeting at Blaxhall saw four good line ups of riders, which included a half dozen National grade riders, no doubt using the day for practise in readiness for our British championship event in July. Top man was Irishman, Graham Irwin, who was superb on a perfectly prepped circuit. Elliott Banks Browne kept him honest though, and James Dunn was very impressive, along with Lewis Tombs and Dan Thornhill. Irwin was so quick that he lapped through to sixth place in two of his races. James Cottrell had problems unfortunately, but our club experts put on a good show.

Steve Bixby was 10th overall, Adam Day was 11th, with Sam Mitchell 13th.

Our top junior grade rider was Josh Keeble, who was second best junior overall in the group A races. Daniel Patterson was 4th best junior, and Sam Cook, along with James Cobby, also rode well in the top group, as did Jacob Chambers and Aaron Holloway. With 22 experts in the line up, these six juniors put on a great show.

In the B group, allrounder, Ben Alexander, was on top form, winning overall with two firsts and a third place. Lewis Holmes was 5th overall, with Shane Brown and Ricky Bowden 9th and 10th.

Group C saw Harry Peake, Shaun Grimwood and Thomas Clarkson 2nd, 3rd and 4th overall. the meeting also included round two of the NGR over 30's and our top club member was Jamie Darnell, who had three good rides for 7th overall. Andy Cattermole, Lee Keyton and Clive Smith also finished in the top twenty overall. all in all, a good day at Blaxhall, with special thanks to sponsors, Orwell truck and vans.

Our next mx meeting is on 15th May, which is round three of the Eastern championships.

The Saturday afternoon trials date at Blaxhall looks to be on the 13th of August, which is the day before the enduro lads descend at our facility. the feet up lads kick off at 4pm.

Sudbury MCC Sunday 19th June 2016 GH Motorcycles Husqvarna ACU Eastern Enduro Championship Rd 4

Sign On: 8.00am Start: 10.00am National Grid Reference: TL 433218 Permit No. ACU 47607

OFFICIALS:-

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Clerk of the Course: J Sharp (Licence 19384)

Child Protection P.o.C.: S Mays

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Start / Finish: Home Farm, Little Hadham, Essex SG11 2AB Course: Open fields and woodland.

Classes: Championship, Expert, Clubman, Expert Vets over 40, Clubman Vets over 40, Super Vets over 50,

Sportsman

Awards: As per Championship Conditions

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £46.00.

Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Sudbury MCC Ltd.

Entries Open: 4th May 2016 Entries Close: 15th June 2016

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2016 Dave Roper Memorial Enduro Report

Roger Chaplin

A Sunny and windy day greeted the 106 riders for the seventh Dave Roper Memorial Event this year being a Cross Country Enduro for the first time being held at Foxborough Quarry Sible Hedingham. A fresh course was constructed with a Spinney, open hilly fields with lets of compare to amulate



constructed with a Spinney, open hilly fields with lots of cambers to emulate the legendry Tye Farm track.

The entry was split into three groups of Championship/Experts, Clubman and Evo/Twinshock/ Pre 65 and each group rode in three events to decide which final they raced in. Championship & Experts riders lined up for events 1, 4 and 7 to decide which final they qualify for. With event 1 being a warm up one so was down to the other two events. Jason Morland took the lead from the start with Brad Tomlin and Brendan Mayers hot on his heels and these three riders battled it out throughout the 15 minutes however towards the end Tomlin slipped past Morland to take the win with Mayers third. In the next event Mayers took the lead followed by Morland and Tomlin but as the event went on Mayers came unstuck letting Morland and Tomlin through and with a lap to go Tomlin got the better of Morland with Mayers third. In the Clubman first event it was a win for Harry Moore with Kevin Palmer 2nd and Richard Squirrell 3rd and in the second event it was another win for Moore, 2nd Palmer and 3rd Lee Monger. Gary Gladwin was untouchable in the Evo/Twinshock & Pre 65 events winning both by a long distance. Louie Leneord Price took 2nd place in both events while Don Blackman took 3rd in one and Nathan Charrington took 3rd in the other.

The first final was the Evo/Twinshock/Pre 65 machines and from the start Gladwin took the lead which he extended lap by lap although in the latter stages Rick Roper was gradually catching him up but had to settle for 2nd behind Gladwin while Phil Whiting finished third making it a Sudbury 1-2-3.

Andy Mason shot into the lead in the Non Qualifiers Final followed by Gary Drage with Ben Marsh and Ben Roper following. Nathan Charrington was making up ground after a poor start passing Roper, Marsh and Drage and set about catching Mason who had a big lead. Charrington who is nearly 40 years younger than Mason rode his heart out and with two laps to go caught and passed Mason to take the win. Mason had to settle for 2nd with Drage 3rd making another Sudbury 1-2-3.

The Premier Final event was what everyone was waiting for with three riders hungry for the win. It was Mayers who took the lead followed by Morland and Tomlin and what a battle these three had. Mayers looked comfortable in the lead and look he could take the win but once again he had slipped around the course which let Morland, Tomlin, Brad Woodroffe and Alex Rampton through. However it was Morland dominating and started to increase his lead but Tomlin was having nothing of it and was gaining on Morland but it seemed impossible for him however with second wind he managed to catch and pass Morland to secure his third win at a Dave Roper Meeting. Morland finished 2nd, Woodroffe 3rd Mayers 4th and Will Hughes 5th. Alex Rampton had a spill while in 4th place at the beginning of the last lap and several riders past him before he could get his bike started but carried on to finish 13th.

Bev Roper presented champagne to the first three in each final and thanked everyone for supporting the event.

Littleport MCC & LCC Sunday 26th June 2016

Open Permit MOTOCROSS Motoland, IP28 8QL

ACUE Championship Rd 4

Sign On: 8.00am Practice: 10.00am Start: midday
National Grid Reference: TL653769 Permit No. ACU 47312

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: J Blyth Club Steward(s): N Nixon W Power

Clerk of the Course: P Grantham (Licence 9938)

Child Protection P.o.C.: A Hay

Secretary of the Meeting: A Hay, 27 Tizzick Close, Norwich, Norfolk NR5 9HB Tel: 01603 734700 email: littleportmcc@gmail.com

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Held under the NSC and the Standing Motocross Regulations of the ACU and ACU EASTERN, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Open to Adult members of the ACU with an appropriate licence riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Motoland, Mildenhall, Suffolk IP28 8QLCourse: Sandy terrain with man made jumps.Classes: As per championship conditionsAwards: 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'; fiind 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 Littleport MCC & LCC.

Entries Open: 4th May 2016 Entries Close: 19th June 2016

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Halstead Club Notes

Keiran Doherty

I must start this month's round up with the first round on the motocross championship. It was great to see so many spectators enjoying the sun

and the hot racing throughout the day. Lots of the Halstead club riders scored highly through the the meeting which is always good to see.

It was the same story at the Sudbury club memorial event. Many of the club riders had a good day's ride however the two at the front Brad Tomlin and Jason Morland were in tight battle from start to finish with Tomlin taking all three race wins.

The next week it was a visit to Blaxhall and in the NGR championship club rider Billy Raffle finished high up in the overalls. It was also nice to see Lewis Tombs in action at a local meeting.

The entries for the next meeting of the year the Richard Fitch Memorial will soon be open so don't forget to get in fast as if the first meeting is anything to go by. They will fill up very quickly. Once again Chris and Gill will be providing spot prizes for various riders right through the field.

Our boy is, at the time of writing, in Tasmania, the island to the very south of Eastern Australia. As ever, I had a "google" and it seems a fascinating place. Certainly there is plenty of magnificent trials and trails terrain. Before he left Australia however, he had further adventures, which

Mark's Progress

Sidge Kenny

began with a very wet ride from Streaky Bay, journeying along the south coast eastwards to Elliston. He got so wet that he treated himself to a night in a pub (not the "Pub with No Beer" – surely?) and dried his riding gear. He then progressed to Coffin Bay – which he describes as "

beautiful" and camped with some other travellers. On to Port Lincoln, where he met another long-distance rider who had toured South America – which is also on Mark's itinerary. He received good advice from this source.

Close to Adelaide, he visited the National Motor Museum at Birdwood, where he and "Bertha" (who I sincerely hope is his name for his bike and not a cuddly hitch-hiker) were celebrities for the day. He also met another Mark – Mark Mitchell an Australian sidecar speedway champion, stayed with his family and then attended some speedway practice sessions. He then turned to viewing the extensive wildlife at magnificent Kangaroo Island, before meeting some old friends from the UK in Adelaide. The bike, (are we to call it "Bertha" from now on?) also had a service after 4,500 memorable miles.





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Round one of the Eastern Motocross Championships took place at Wakes Colne, hosted by the Halstead club, and with rain on the Saturday, conditions were ideal for racing on Sunday.

2016 MX Champs

Charlie Ralph



A large crowd saw plenty of action in the twelve race programme, which featured the new premier class, made up of all the expert graded riders, plus the fastest junior grade lads.

Brad Tomlin of the Halstead club, and Norwich Viking's Luke Parker battled throughout the three races, with Diss club rider, Ben Talbot, finishing in third place each time. Fourth overall was the popular Jason Morland, this year campaigning two stroke machinery.

Winning the junior class was the stylish George Turner, with two wins and a third place. Sudbury club rider, Harry Clark, was second overall, with Sean Bond in third place. Sean had two second places, but in the second race had problems, and could only manage 16th place. Holeshot sponsor, John Chambers, was happy to see his lad, Jacob, finish fourth overall.

All three intermediate races were easily won by teenager Josh Keeble.

Positions after round one

Expert:

Brad Tomlin 72 points, Luke Parker 69, Ben Talbot 60, Jason Morland 51, Ben Cole 47, Adam Day 42

Junior:

George Turner 70 Points, Harry Clark 60, Sean Bond 49, Jacob Chambers 49, Kane Fisher 43, Oliver Brady 40

Chambers Roofing Holeshot:

Experts Luke Parker 2, Brad Tomlin 1

Junior Holeshot results. Tim Clark 1, Kane Fisher 1, George Turner 1

Eastern Club Championship:

Norwich Vikings 112 points, Halstead 100, Woodbridge 90, Diss 78, Eas Anglian SSC 70, Sudbury 60, Norfolk&Suffolk Junior MCC 49, Castle Colchester 23, Braintree 5

For the latest championship results see the ACU Eastern web site www.easternacu.org



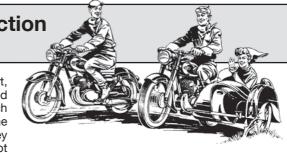
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Recollection Section

Sidge Kenny

After the people involved within our sport, our most precious commodity is the land on which we run our meetings. That which we call: "off-road", to others, is simply the countryside and not to mince words they would prefer we never set wheels – not



powered wheels anyway – on to it. Luckily for us their narrow-minded views do not totally prevail and clubs employ a variety of methods to obtain usable land for their events. Most will run a meeting on a specific site just once a year, some for perhaps two or three meetings over that time - and a very few will operate at one venue more than that. Some clubs have had the foresight to be able to purchase their land and here I give a special nod to Woodbridge. Other clubs have hired their land for many years; two in this region from before the second world war – Halstead and the Norwich Vikings - and their venues are virtually embedded as our own regular locations of top level meetings.

Mostly, clubs employing casually hired land for their yearly or so events will pay a required fee to the owner, which then will be recovered through the riders entry costs and here, some clubs may be on thin ice as regards the financial outcome of the particular meeting. Obviously the number of entries must be sufficient to cover the monetary outlay - in the majority of cases it does, with usually some measure of profit to spare, particularly in trials where nowadays many clubs do not undertake or thereby bear the cost of the providing of awards. However in other disciplines such as motocross and most particularly grass racing, the organising club (or promoter) can decidedly risk a monetary loss, sometimes substantially. Its the old: "Macawber" syndrome - income must exceed outlay if we are to remain solvent.

However, the issue of land hire, need not involve any pecuniary cost if a degree of preliminary work is undertaken, followed by the maintaining of contact with the landowner(s) and a fostering of trust as time goes by. I might call this the "Ralph Venables approach " - who, for many years ran countless meetings, most particularly for the Sunbeam club. He was an excellent ambassador for our sport when dealing with land owners and indeed a doughty defender of offroad vehicular rights. I would have to admit he was one of the "old school" - yet it worked so well for our cause. In that same manner, I would add our own former President, Derek Clampin, who employs similar methods nowadays when the Castle club organises our National: "Phil King" memorial trial. This event is unique in our region in utilising road going to link up with the various groups of sections over a long but solitary lap. It requires therefore exceedingly good liaison with no less than fifteen landowners and to none of these generous people does Derek or the Castle club, pay any land hire fee. But he does keep them in contact, and does, after the trial has been run, thank them and will later in the year invite them to the club dinner. This has now extended to the laying-on of a special: "land-owners dinner" - hosted by the Castle club and enthusiastically attended. It not only continues good relations between the club and landowners but the dinner – and the trial – is placed almost automatically in their minds. Derek goes further. At the dinner, he runs a fund raising interlude and finally thanks them all for their support during his formal address. His standing with these essential people has brought about the mutual trust which is so necessary in obtaining and keeping available sites. This year, he also announced he was to ride in the famous: "Banbury Run" for Vintage machines, taking place this coming June 19th. He will ride a 1919 Bown two-stroke - again to raise money for charity and mentioned he needed a van to transport his venerable motorcycle to Oxfordshire. By the end of the evening. he had received three offers - from the landowners - to lend him such. And quite a few said they would go along to watch him ride!. That indicates the degree of regard he is held by the people we need almost above anyone else. Supportive land owners.

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ALAN SUCCAMORE

In the 1960's the Castle club ran some memorable National- status grass track meetings at Aldham which attracted top names such as Don Godden, Tony Black and the youthful and dynamic, Chris Pusey. The Clerk of the Course and joint organiser was Alan Succamore, who died in March at a nursing home in Witham after sadly suffering Huntingdon's chorea. Alan was principally involved with the Eastern Sporting Sidecar Club, which he regularly represented at Centre Board meetings along with "Dusty" Miller. He is also credited with the design of the ESSA club badge.

The funeral was held on April 12th at Braintree



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2nd	500cc Sidecar Assoc	Grass Track	OPEN	Hylands House, Ch	nelmsford
7th	Southend & DMCC	Trial	OPEN	Poles Wood	
8th	NSJMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Gt Hockham	
8th	Sudbury MCC	Enduro	OPEN	Foxborough	ACU Eastern Champs Rd 3
14th	Chelmsford	Trial	tbc	Beazley End	
15th	Woodbridge & DMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Blaxhall	ACU Eastern Champs Rd 3
22nd	Ipswich MCC	Trial	OPEN	Offton	Eastern Experts
22nd	Diss MCC	Motocross	OPEN	Wattisfield Hall	NGR & British Sidecar
29th	Braintree & DMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Stisted	NGR & Evos
29th	NSJMCC	Trial	OPEN	Gt Ellingham	Nfk & Sfk Group Champs Rd 3
30th	Bank Holiday	NSJMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Gt Hockham

JUNE

5th	Halstead	Motocross	OPEN	Wakes Colne	
5th	Norwich Viking MCC	Trial	Club	Lyng	
11th	Ipswich	Trial	tbc	tbc	
12th	NSJMCC	Trial	OPEN	Rendham	
19th	Sudbury MCC	Enduro	OPEN	Hadham	ACU Eastern Champs Rd 4
19th	Bury St Edmunds	Trial	OPEN	Hawkedon	ACU Eastern Champs (B) Rd 4
25th	Braintree & DMCC	Trial	OPEN	Beazley End	
26th	Littleport	Motocross	OPEN	Mildenhall	ACU Eastern Champs Rd4

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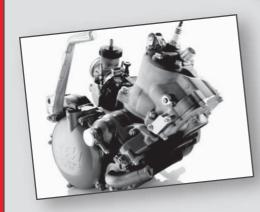
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