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Unbelievable though it may seem, but I know we are getting to the business end of the season because the different disciplines of our sport are planning, and promulgating their forums, with a view to sorting out rules, dates, and perhaps discussing ideas to take the sport

## Foreword Phil Armes



forward. One of the most important aspects of these forums is it provides an opportunity for ALL riders/officials/volunteers that have an interest in the sport to air their views. And it also gives the hard working committee mebers to fully explain why they have taken certain decisions – which inevitably some people take exception to!! There is usually a very good reason.....

For the record, the MX forum will be on Friday 20th October at Walsham-le-Willows F.C. starting at 7.30pm; and the Trials forum will be at the Parish Rooms. Gt Blakenham on November 2nd.

And in keeping with that train of thought, I will be sending out the date application forms in the near future with a view to having the provisional calendar put together by October 31st. The annual dates meeting is planned for November 15th, but I will confirm this closer to the time.

It is always to good to hear of a new venue for any off road discipline – we are more used to losing venues these days. So I was pleasantly surprised to hear from the Chelmsford club that they will be holding their event on October 15th at the new East Anglia Trials Park at Sawbridgworth. Apparently the owners have put a good deal of time and money into the venue, so hopefully it will prove to be a great new asset to the Trials community in the Centre.

This month will see rounds five and six of the Centre motocross championship, at Wattisfield Hall and Blaxhall, with the final round at Lyng in the middle of October. It's been a cracker of a series so far this year, and I look forward to seeing who comes out on top.

The Sudbury club will once again be running a youth class at their Enduro at Tye Farm at the end of the month – this has become a popular addition to their events, and hopefully one or two more of the organisers wil look to include a youth class next year - who knows, maybe we can have a Centre youth championship!





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## Sudbury MCC Sunday 24th September 2017

OPEN Permit ENDURO Gt Cornard, CO10 0QA

Dave Roper Memorial/Dave Barkshire Motorcycles 2 Man Championship Rd 4

Sign On: 8.00am Start: 9.00am Youth Class 10.00am Adult 2 Man National Grid Reference: TL 794325 Permit No. ACU 51472

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: J Hearn Club Steward(s): R Chaplin

Clerk of the Course: G Hockey (Licence 18929)

Child Protection P.o.C.: S Mays

Secretary of the Meeting: G Mays, 55 Alan Way, Colchester, Essex CO3 4LB Tel: 01206 531768 email: g.mays@ntlworld.com

JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Enduro 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 and Youth members of the ACU with an appropriate licence riding solo machines.

**Start / Finish:** Tye Farm, Gt Cornard, Suffolk CO10 0QA **Course:** Open Fields and woodland.

Classes: Youth: 12 to 15 years of age - H&H Adult: Championship, Expert, Clubman - 2 Man H&H

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 Adult £47.00, Youth £30.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Sudbury MCC Ltd.

Entries Open: 4th September 2017 Entries Close: 20th September 2017

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Braintree & DMCC Sunday 1st October 2017

## OPEN Permit LONG DISTANCE TRIAL Gowers Farm, Stistead, Essex CM77 8AZ Long Distance Trial

Sign On: 7.30am Start: 9.00am
National Grid Reference: TL 807256 Permit No. ACU 51473

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc Club Steward(s): P Read J Yearley

Clerk of the Course: C Cook (Licence 38112)

Secretary of the Meeting: C Eves,

#### JURISDICTION:

Held under the NSC and the Standing Trials 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 riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Gowers Farm, Stistead, CM77 8AZ

Course: Single lap of approx 80 miles, including byways & road work.

Classes: Trail, Enduro, Trial, Twinshock Awards: None

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 £30.00 . Late Entries  $\pm$ 

£5.00 Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Braintree & DMCC Ltd.

Entries Open: 4th September 2017 Entries Close: 31st September 2017

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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Venue: Date of Event:					
Permit No: ACU Course Lic/Cert No. (where Applicable)					
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## Castle Colchester MCC Sunday 8th October 2017

OPEN Permit TRIAL Pebmarsh, CO9 2NY

## Royal Enfield Cup Trial inc ACUE A Class Championship Rd 6

Sign On: 9.00am Start: 10.30am National Grid Reference: TL 871353 Permit No. ACU 51266

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: R Wreathall Club Steward(s): D Clampin R Eley

Clerk of the Course: J Cammack (Licence 110184)

Child Protection P.o.C.: J Cammack

Secretary of the Meeting: R Eley, 52 Brook St, Colne Engaine, Colchester CO6 2JB

Tel: 07437 309771 email: rich.elev@live.com

JURISDICTION:

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Start / Finish: Alphamstone Pit, Pebmarsh, Halstead, Essex CO9 2NY

Course: multi lap. Routes: Multi route

Classes: All adult classes inc Championship Expert A & B, Intermediate A & B, Novice, Twinshock, Pre-65, Youth A & B

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 Adults, and £13.00 for Youth.Late Entries + £5.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Castle Colchester MCC Ltd.

Entries Open: 4th Sept 2017 Entries Close: 1st October 2017 Championship Classes

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## Mark's Progress Sidge Kenny

It almost seems impossible that in just on a month, Mark on his once-

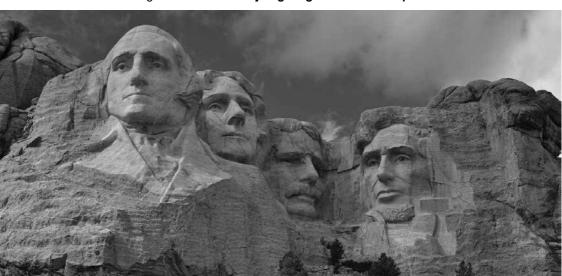
in-lifetime motorcycle adventure, has travelled from the very top of the world in Alaska and the Artic circle and descended south and east back into Canada and down to the deep South of the United States. It is only by following his route on my world atlas that I realised that most of Canada is roughly on the same latitude as us in Britain. I always had thought it was more north. What ever, it indicates the great length of this recent journey of Mark's as he comes to the climax of his mission. It might be said that the US highways would be a far easier ride than many of the primitive surfaces he has had to contend with - but nonetheless, the distance had still to be covered.

Mark had a particular objective in getting down to Alabama. He was to re-unite with an old friend, Curtis Nichols, who rode in the Essex Schoolboys trials in the 1970's.His Dad. Jake, was based at Wethersfield, then a US air-base. En-route, Mark crossed into the US in the



middle of July at the Glacier National Park in Montana. This was his 25th border crossing of his entire trip. In sunny conditions, he went south-west down the Salmon river highway, to Idaho and turned East for the state of Wyoming. He duly took in Yellowstone National Park and its famous geyser: "Old Faithful" and further on, to the Buffalo Bill museum at Cody. He viewed the "Devil's Tower"- a 1500 metre pinnacle of igneous rock, on a ride which varied from flat plains to mountain canyons and then, in South Dakota, visited Mount Rushmore with its 'Presidents' sculptures engraved in the rock. Badlands brought a long day's riding through extensive grassland where bison could again be seen and then a further long run to Colorado. Almost due East and a very long ride, saw him arrive in Memphis, Tennessee and naturally a visit to Elvis's 'Gracelands' and then, Tupelo, where the king was born. Mark had by then duly met up with Curtis, who conducted the tour around . Faithful old Bertha, the BMW, had a new set of rear brake pads – and a tankful of fuel – 'all on the house' - this at the Pandora BMW agency in Chattanooga, where usually, the "choo-choos" go..

You can follow his day-to-day adventures on:- www.facebook.com/RTW4TCT Contributions to Teenage Cancer Trust at:- justgiving.com/Mark-Kemp3



## Norwich Viking MCC Sunday 8th October 2017

OPEN Permit MOTOCROSS Lyng, Norfolk NR9 5QZ

## ACUE Motocross Championship Rd 7

Sign On: 8.00am Practice: 9.30am Start: 11.30am
National Grid Reference: TG 068175 Permit No. ACU 51347

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: K Doherty Club Steward(s): D Mills

Clerk of the Course: A Hay (Licence 22472)

Child Protection P.o.C.: V Hay

Secretary of the Meeting: V Hay, 27 Tizzick Close, Norwich, NR5 9HB

Tel: 01603 734700 email: norwichviking.mcc@gmail.com

Use of tear offs is permitted Dogs allowed but MUST be kept on a lead at all times

#### 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 riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Cadders Hill, Lyng, Norfolk NR9 5QZ

Course: 1402 metres Undulating land and natural hillside, primarliy sand.

Classes: As per championship conditions

Awards: As per championship conditions

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Entries Open: 4th September 2017 Entries Close: 3rd October 2017

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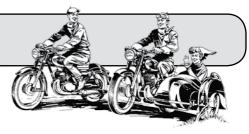
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## **Recollection Section**

Sidge Kenny

I have a high regard for the bicycle brigade. Quite apart from owning a few myself, I consider the "Tour de France" three week cycle race, the



most gruelling athletic event of all. Plus the ever increasing vulnerability of those intrepid road riders who risk the highways in this choked-traffic: "sorry-mate- I-didn`t-see – yer" island of motorised chaos. Then, there are the various disciplines involved in bicycle sport and whilst I still regret that motorcycling lost out on a superb venue at Hadleigh, Essex, (Salvation Army Colony) to Olympic mountain bike racing, I occasionally watch the push-bike action on TV , including BMX – a true derivative from our sport. The races are fast, usually close fought and eventful and are laid out on what we would call technical courses – which the hard-line old-tymers in our cause would refer to as: "artificial". Curled up on my chair and watching the descending charge from the start-line – all helping to gain speed for the `hole shot` – in one race, I thought to myself: "This is what motocross would be like when we have electric bikes" - for there was of course, a total lack of the thunderous noise we all enjoy – (or endure?) at the start of a conventional motocross race. It will be interesting to see and hear this lower volume version on site when the apparently unstoppable advance of the electric bikes will provide a full thirty-machines line up, though it may be that for many it will prove to be much less of a spectacle without the noise.

In more than one way, I think our calling in motorcycling is better allied to bicycles than cars. The very name of the governing body - "The Auto-Cycle Union" - gives the basic clue that the actual origins of motorcycling were from the adventurous cyclists who, at the turn of the twentieth century, wished to supplement or replace altogether, the leg power in propelling their bikes by converting to the new-fangled petrol engine. This desire extended for sixty years further, as weary cyclists could also "clip-on" on to their bike, a tiny petrol engine; being a trend which was at its height just after the second world war. It soon led to manufacturers producing the fully formed "mo-ped" (motor and pedals) of which for some reason are rarely seen nowadays.

We share with cyclists so many of the facets of being on single track vehicles, such as being vulnerable to weather, slippery road surfaces, extreme potholes and overall, the injuries caused by exposure and not being protected in a steel box. We also share the advantages of ease of running through dense traffic, or making our way through narrow off-road tracks and perhaps most conveniently, in ease of parking. Looking at the current situation at this furthest extent of the rule of the petrol engine, our only real linkage with cars is the fuel, the emissions, the noise — and at times, the speed. Sadly, we all know as well what excessive speed can do.

So, my proposal is, when the see-saw balance tips towards a greater number of electric bikes than our current 'bangers', and assuming we do in fact feel the need to couple up with any other organisation, I suggest that we tear-up our alliances with the motor car fraternity and seek a link up with the bicyclists and their world. Turn our back on the snooty RAC, to which we have played second – fiddle for over a century. And I know that any organiser of off-road events which involves just a metre of highway usage, will agree with me. For in putting on any sporting event employing road work, we have to pay the RAC a fee – for simply saying we can.

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## **Enduro Round Up Report**

Roger Chaplin

After the excellent round 5 of the G H Motorcycles/Husqvarna/ACU Eastern Enduro Championship what are the positions before round 6 on 10th September at Butley being organised by the Woodbridge Club. Three Class Titles have been won and the other three are up for grabs.

Starting with the three Classes yet to be decided and first up in the Expert Class, Kevin Palmer leads on 83 points from Myles Saunders who is on 78 points and only these two can win the Title. Battling for third place overall are Dan Willis, Jack Berry, Alex Walton while Jack Nicolaou has a slight chance.

The Clubman Class has been fought very closely with James Barker on 92 points and Lee Monger 88 points. The Class Title can go either way this is the one to watch however George Eustace back riding this year after an injury has secured third place.

Andy Mason has 97 points in the Clubman Super Veteran Class against Graham Mays 82 and although a 15 points difference it is not impossible for Mays to win the Class Title. Nigel Ross is in third place with 64 points and if Mays slip up he could finish second however if Ross slip up either Tim Ford or Steve Finch could take the third spot.

On to the three Classes that have been won starting with Clubman Veteran Class. What a year it has been for Dean Curry never on won a round or even a Title and this year wins three round on the bounce and now the Class Title scoring 84 points. Michael Wyatt is in second place on 47 points, Martin Greenaway is third on 45 points and both these riders can finish second or third overall but if they slip up Terry Allen, Jeff Sharp, Andy Peck, Alex Crow and Kevin Gore can pass them.

With the absence of Mark Chapman in the Expert Veteran Class Michael Ridge has taken full advantage to win the Class Title scoring 93 points from the luckless Contest Sponsor Gavin Hockey who has scored 66 points. Although Hockey has a 13 points and 16 points advantage over Paul Spurgeon and Phil Roper these two can overtake him at the final round.

It is congratulations to Jason Morland who becomes ACU Eastern Enduro Champion for the second year running. He has scored 93 points while Tim Rose has 62 points and Matt Pope 50 points. Rose is guaranteed third overall this year and only need to hold off Pope to finish second. Pope on the other hand has Craig Roper, Brendon Mayers and Sam Mitchell not far behind him and any of these three could take the third spot.

All the ifs and buts will be answered at the last round on 10th September.

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## **Sudbury Club Notes**

Roger Chaplin

The Regs for the Dave Roper Memorial/Dave Barkshire Two Man Championship are in this edition of the Gazette. This is the fourth and final round being held at Tye Farm Great Cornard on Sunday 24th September first

riders away at 10.30am and will go the full four hours without a lunch break. Before that at 9am will be the Youth Hare and Hounds Race (12-16 year olds) the third one we have held this year also these youngsters will get to ride on a historic venue where World and British Champions have ridden not only in Scrambles (Moto Cross) but also in Grass Track, Trials and Speedway. While on Enduros the Club are looking to change their date for the Extreme Enduro and they have in mind Saturday 30th December as they feel this event should take place during the Christmas/New Year holiday period.

Sorry no MX news to hand however in the Grass Track world it is congratulations to Stephen Green on retaining his 500cc Upright Class ACU Eastern and ACU South Eastern Titles.

Well done to the Woodbridge Club for running the first Enduro Sprint event in our Centre it was well organised and enjoyed by most of the riders. The Sudbury Club are smitten with this event and at the last committee meeting were talking of running one at Hadham. The Blaxhall event was round five of the G H Motorcycles/Husqvarna/ACU Eastern Enduro Championship. Club members winning their Classes on the day were Myles Saunders (Expert), James Barker (Clubman) and Andy Mason (Clubman Super



Veteran). In the Clubman Vets Dean Curry was 4th, Martin Greenaway 5th and Robert Cane 9th. Dean told me he rode on the day steadily and tried not to do anything silly which he did which although he finished 4th this was enough for him ti win the 2017 CV Title and it is many congratulations to him and this is the first time in his life he has won something. We also have Club members who will win The Clubman and Clubman Super Vets Titles and this will be decided at the last round. On the day in the Clubman Class 1st James Barker, 2nd Lee Monger, 3rd George Eustace, 9th Ben Roper, 18th James Hockey and 20th Nick Bird while in the Clubman Super Vets 1st Andy Mason, 2nd Graham Mays, 3rd Nigel Ross and 5th Les Rampton. In the Expert Vets Phil Roper was 2nd and Gavin Hockey 5th and it was a great win for Myles Saunders in the Experts with Jack Berry 3rd, ack Nicolaou 8th, Alex Walton, Ben Ramus and Nick Barrett 10th, 11th and 12th. Rick Roper was in great form with second place in the Championship Class while Craig Roper was 4th, Harry Clark 6th, Steve Mason 12th and Alex Ramption 13th.

Here is how our members got on at the BEC Hafren, first day 1 overall then position in sub class followed by day 2 in the same order. Clubman Class Richard Walters 50th, 10th, 49th, 10th Jack Nicolaou 25th, 9th, 13th, 6th, Jack Berry 30th, 8th, 39th, 12th, Rick Roper 25th, 13th, 23rd, 12th and Craig Roper 32nd, 15th, DNF, DNF.

Finally hot of the press it is congratulations to Stevie and Clare Roper on the birth of their second child Matthew David I am told weighed 8lbs 15ozs and is a chubby little thing, quote from one of his uncles who will remain nameless.





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## **Woodbridge Club Notes**

Charlie Ralph



Our sprint enduro at Blaxhall was received with favourable comments, and although entry numbers were down, which was probably due to the fact that several riders were dubious about what a sprint enduro consisted of, as this type of enduro had not been tried in an Eastern Championship meeting before.

As it turned out, the one lap sprints proved quite popular, with the clubman riders getting in ten laps in the morning, and the faster lads having eleven laps after lunch. Riding over the telegraph poles and large tyres caught several out, as witnessed in Charlie Mann's photo's, and even the more experienced riders had their share of tumbles. Wilf, Dave and the Barfield family had worked hard to plot a three mile lap around the facility at Blaxhall.

Jason Morland was chuffed with his win which saw him retain his Championship title for 2017. Rick Roper upheld the family's honour to finish second after chasing Jason hard in every lap. Myles Saunders overhauled the early leader, Kevin Palmer, to win the experts group, and in the experts vet class, Michael Ridge took the win. Our club rider, Paul Spurgeon, was third, and series sponsor, Gavin Hockey was fifth. James Barker won eight out of the ten laps to win the clubmans group, and our first club rider was David Woods in tenth place.

Woodbridge are also hosting the final Championship round on September 10th at the popular Butley venue.

The Barkshire two man team event at Wattisfield saw Jake Nicholls in action, having just recovered from his nasty MX incident in Italy back in April. Jake teamed up with Lowestoft's Tom Braddock to take the win and record the fastest time on the special test. Sam Mitchell, along with Halstead's Brendon Mayers were second on the day, and Sam actually completed the most laps at the Diss club's venue.

Several of our club members were at Wattisfield, riding with guys from other clubs. Graham Lazzari was 7th in the expert class, with Spud Spurgeon 9th. Stephen Tuffin finished 10th in the clubmans, Jake Suskins 13th, Day Harvey 15th, and allrounders the Woods brothers were 20th.

Talks are still ongoing to use forest lane for our October trial, the venue confirmation will be announced soon.

August is traditionally a quiet month in the Eastern region for motocross events. The MX Nationals series is now over and despite missing some races, Shaun Southgate finished 4th in the experts MX1 class. At the twostroke festival in Kent recently, Connor Hughes was one of the winners. The Vikings held their August MX meeting which included races for Evo's and the NGR championships.

It was great to hear the sound of the twostrokes buzzing around Cadders Hill again in the evo group, albeit that several bikes didn't finish the day on the tough circuit. Luke Benstead was our top club rider, and was involved in some big battles with his Husky team mate, Luke Parker, and the Kawasaki kid, Dylan Woodcock. Shaun Southgate had a couple of good rides with a 3rd and 4th place, but had a dnf in the final race. Likewise for Adam Day, who rode well for a 4th and 5th place, but a spill in race three resulted in a crash, damaging his wrist. We hope he gets well soon. Our South Midland champion, Mike McClurg, had three good rides for 8th overall.

It was good to see two of our club riders making a come back. Sam Arbon and Tom Pallett both rode well. In the B group, our leading rider was Carl Miller, who was second overall, Callum McClurg and Sam Harwood were 4th and 5th overall. Jake Morphey was our top club rider in the NGR races, with 5th overall, and Lee Keyton battled well for 7th on the day.

Our final MX meeting at Blaxhall is on 24th September for the penultimate round of the Eastern Championships.

### Chelmsford & DAC Sunday 15th October 2017

OPEN Permit TRIAL East Anglia Trials Park, CM21 0RL

## ACUE Championship A Class Rd 7

Sign On: 9.00am Start: 10.30am National Grid Reference: Permit No. ACU 51474

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: D Cordle Club Steward(s): G Brace A Brace

Clerk of the Course: N Ogden (Licence 38145)

Child Protection P.o.C.: D Ogden
Secretary of the Meeting: D Ogden,

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Start / Finish: East Anglia Trials Park, Redricks Lane, Sawbridgeworth, CM21 0RL

Course: Banks & Ditches.

Classes: All solo classes 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 Adults, and £12.00 for Youth.Late Entries + £5.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be

made payable to Chelmsford & DAC.

Entries Open: 25th September 2017 Entries Close: 9th October 2017 Championship Classes

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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Norfolk & Suffolk Junior MCC Sunday 29th October 2017 **OPEN Permit TRIAL**Bakers Lane Pit, IP17 3BD

Westleton Trial

Sign On: 9.00am Start: 10.30am
National Grid Reference: TM 444686 Permit No. ACU 51475

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc Club Steward(s): tbc

Clerk of the Course: J Newstead (Licence 21726)

Child Protection P.o.C.: P Kibble

Secretary of the Meeting: P Kibble, Redwoods, Manor Road, Garboldisham, Norfolk IP22 2SG

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Start / Finish: Bakers Lane Pit. Westleton. Suffolk IP17 3BD

Course: Woodland & Gravel Banks.

Classes: Adult solo - Beginner to Expert Youth A to E Awards: 1st to 3rd in Youth Classes - NSJMCC Members

**Entries:** Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £17.00 for Adults, and £14.00 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to NSJMCC Ltd

Entries Open: 4th September 2017 Entries Close: At Start

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# Bickers Lifting ACU Eastern Solo Motocross Championships

Charlie Ralph - Motocross Committee Chairman

After a lengthy break, the final three rounds of the ACU Eastern Motocross Championships, sponsored by Bickers Lifting will take place in the next few weeks, Wattisfield on the 17th September, Blaxhall on

the 24th, and the final round will be at Lyng on the 8th of October. The first four rounds have been well supported, with excellent races, which has had favourable comments from riders, teams and spectators.

Although National meetings have seen a drop in the entries in expert classes, the local scene has had good line ups so far this year. In fact, as we had hoped, the premier class has consisted only of expert grade riders in the first four rounds, and it is hoped that the last three meetings will follow suit. This means that the intermediate class has effectively been run as the Eastern junior Championships. Obviously, this has made racing safer, with riders of equal ability racing in the same class, plus where possible, we have used blue flag officials to further the safety of riders.

After four rounds, 2015 champion, Luke Benstead leads the Premier class series with 249 points, with the two Norwich Vikings riders, disputing second place. Declan Whittle has 178 points, just four ahead of the current champion, Luke Parker. Ironically, these two fought tooth and nail recently at the final round of the MX Expert National championships with Declan claiming the title by just two points over Luke, who won the title last year. Well done to these two Eastern lads, and also to Shaun Southgate, who despite missing some races due to injury, finished fourth in the MX Nats series.

The Eastern Junior championships is being led by Rheis Morter with 270 points from Aaron Holloway who has 246 points. Jimmy Wayman is currently third on 171.

As mentioned earlier in the year, the Woodbridge club have donated a new trophy for the top expert riding an MX2 bike, and at present, Dylan Woodcock, who is currently sixth in the championship, leads the MX2 class from George Turner, James Dunn and Jordan Moxey.

The holeshot awards, kindly sponsored by HRM Boilers, sees Shaun Southgate in charge. Shaun has collected five holeshots so far, with James Dunn on two, and Brad Tomlin, Luke Benstead, Brad Woodroffe and Luke Parker all claiming one each.

The Junior holeshot awards is being led by Aaron Holloway with six, followed by Tim Clark on three. Rheis Morter, Callum Pitcher and Gareth Lane have one apiece.

At the end of the series, the top three from each class will receive a nice cash bonus, so there is still cash prizes up for grabs.

All current positions in the Eastern championships can be found on the easternacu.org website.

So with round five hosted by the Diss club at Wattisfield, it is hoped that they obtain sufficient amount of expert graded riders to race separately in the Premier class.

Meanwhile, thanks to all the club organisers, marshalls, riders, officials and race fans for supporting this popular series.

# What's on



#### **SEPTEMBER**

3rd	Castle Colchester	Trial	Open	Pebmarsh	
3rd	Halstead	Motocross	Open	Wakes Colne	British Sidecar Championship
10th	Woodbridge	Enduro	Open	Butley	GH MCs Husqvarna ACU Eastern Rd 6
10th	Braintree	Trial	Open	Purls Hill	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (A) Rd 4
10th	NSJMCC	Motocross	Open	Mildenhall	
17th	Norwich Viking	Trial	Open	Gt Ellingham	
17th	Diss	Motocross	Open	Wattisfield Hall	Bickers Lifting ACU Eastern MX Rd 5
24th	Wymondham	Trial	Open	Middleton	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (A) Rd 5
24th	Sudbury MCC	Enduro	Open	Tye Farm	Dave Barkshire MCs 2 Man Round 4
24th	Woodbridge	Motocross	Open	Blaxhall	Bickers Lifting ACU Eastern MX Rd 6
30th	GW Racing	Grasstrack	Open	Gosbeck	ACU Eastern Championships

#### **OCTOBER**

1st	Braintree Long Distance TrialOpen		Stisted		
8th	Lowestoft Invaders	Trial	Restricted	Westleton	
8th	Castle Colchester	Trial	Open	Alphamstone	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (A) Rd 6
8th	Norwich Viking	Motocross	Open	Lyng	Bickers Lifting ACU Eastern MX Rd 7
8th	500cc SC Assoc.	Grass Track	Open	Hylands House	Youth National Championship
15th	Chelmsford	Trial	Open	EA Trials Park	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (A) Rd 7
15th	Nch New Stars	Grass Track	Restricted	Frettenham	Club
22nd	Ipswich	Trial	Open	Bramford	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (B) Rd 4
22nd	EFA	Trial	Restricted	Snaque Pit	
28th	Southend	Trial	Open	Poles Wood	
29th	Woodbridge	Trial	Open		ACU Eastern Trials Champs (C) Rd 4
29th	NSJMCC	Trial	Open	Westleton	

#### NOVEMBER

5th	E & S Border	Trial	Open	Raydon	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (B) Rd 5
12th	Remembrance Sund	dayAGM & E			
19th	Diss	Enduro	National	Thetford Forest	British
26th	EFA	Trial	Open	Thorrington	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (C) Rd 5

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