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The late Ken Davis receives an award from the centre for his long service to the sport.
Read Sidge's tribute to Ken inside



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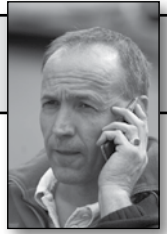
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Foreword

Phil Armes



The new season beckons and it's good to see that the motocross regs are once again featuring in the gazette. It's going to be a stellar start to the campaign with Norwich Vikings organising the opening round of the Maxxis ACU British Championship at Lyng in a little over a month's time, closely followed by the first round of the Centre championship at Blaxhall just a couple of weeks later. The Trials championships start in earnest with both the A and B class in action at Aldeby and Poles Wood on consecutive weekends in February; while the Enduro season kicks off in Thetford Forest at what is always a highly competitive and well supported event.

Just a quick reminder to all motocross riders that as from this season you will be required to wear both front and back upper body protection. This will be checked at scrutineering and at the collecting area before you take to the track – so don't get upset with the officials when they check to see if you are wearing it, it's a new FIM/ACU rule and you need to comply.

Once again one of the longest serving members of the Centre has passed under the chequered flag for the final time, and I was truly saddened to hear of the death of Ken Davis. You will find an obituary in this issue of the gazette, but one thing it doesn't mention is that Ken only 'retired' from actively attending events and helping with whatever jobs needed doing, at off road meetings right around the UK right up until the age of 80 – a truly remarkable innings!! And more often than not he would still be travelling on a bike.....

There are still some tickets available for the Centre Awards function on February 12th at Stowmarket, and with nearly 100 already sold it promises to be another superb gathering where the champions, from youth through to classic, receive their hard won rewards.

And if you fancy another night out amongst friends, don't forget that Mark Kemp will be talking all about his epic world trip on 'Bertha' at the Cedars Hotel Stowmarket on March 2nd. It promises to be an entertaining and fascinating evening as he recounts some of his adventures in Australasia and the Americas – I believe Bertha will be there too!!



SAVE THE DATE

Mark Kemp will be at The Cedars Hotel Stowmarket on March the 2nd to do a presentation about his trip around the world.

The evening is being run by The Norfolk and Suffolk Group, with all proceeds going to The Teenage Cancer Trust.

Tickets will be £10.00 including a sausage and chip supper.

For more information contact Vera Hearn.

ACU EASTERN - 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 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 as Supplementary Regulations as have or may be issued for the event, and agree to be bound by them.
- I 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 confirm that I am not currently suspended from ACU permitted competition or on the ACU Stop List as a result of incurring a Concussion injury.
- 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)**

Indicate your preferred route: Yellow ☐ 50/50 ☐ Red/Blue ☐ 50/50 ☐ White ☐ Beginners ☐

Contact and phone
no. in the event of an
emergency:

Southend & DMCC
Sunday 18th February 2018

Essex Trophy Trial inc ACU-EC B Class Championship Rd 1

Open Permit TRIAL
Poles Wood, Essex CM14 5TL

Sign On: 9.00am
National Grid Reference: TQ 561995

Start: 10.30am
Permit No. ACU 52477

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: A Foskew
Clerk of the Course: P Nash (Licence 39376)
Secretary of the Meeting: Mrs J Nash
Tel: 01621 7 [REDACTED]

Club Steward(s): P Owen & S Smith
Child Protection P.o.C.: P Nash

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 & Youth members of the ACU riding solo and sidecar machines.

Start / Finish: Poles Wood, Kelvedon Hatch, Essex CM14 5TL

Course: Woodland & Sand Pit. **Routes:** Beginners Route included

Classes: All solo, Youth A to E, & Sidecar **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 £15.00 for Adult solo, £20.00 Sidecar, and £13.00 for Youth. Late Entries + £2.00. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Southend & DMCC.

Entries Open: 4th February 2018 **Entries Close:** 12th February 2018 - Championship Class; On the day non championship riders

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Ken Davis

by Sidge Kenny

Not many of us get to write their biography – possibly on the grounds of nothing much to write about – but Ken Davis, who passed away in early January, did so and it duly came out in

paperback last spring with an eye-catching photo of Ken on the front cover, showing him riding his trials Bultaco over the roof of a car.

The fact he did write his life story means there is a good personal record of his eighty four years – which, living in East London - had a perilous start with the aerial bombing of the second-world war. He had early memories of times spent in a bomb shelter with his Mum, Dad, and sisters. As he grew, it was evident Ken was an intelligent lad who did well at school and progressed quickly, with an early talent for music and intellectual subjects. He also disliked sports which did not at first give any hint of his later association with motorcycles. Like most of us however, he enjoyed riding a bicycle and in his later teens, he acquired a Corgi, an ex military, paratroopers folding motorcycle of 98cc,- this from the unlikely source of his Auntie Olive. The little Corgi got him on the road and started a career which covered decades and many thousands of miles.



Ken was of an age where the Military “call-up” was in force and after a medical examination, he went off to do two years service in the RAF. This may well have been one of the happiest times of his life, for his musical talent soon had him placed in the RAF No 5 Regimental band, stationed near Weston-super-mere. Being in this outfit granted Ken privileges over the normal servicemen, as the band performed at many public functions around the country, including the playing in London at the Queen’s Coronation of 1953. That same year he traded in the Corgi for a BSA “Bantam”, on which he recorded nearly 20,000 miles in just over two years and additionally on this bike, he took part in his first trial, organised by the West Essex club in November 1955. Unfortunately the Bantam was not fully adapted for trials work and Ken had to retire. Nonetheless he had caught the bug and joining the Barking and East Ham club, he continued to ride – subsequently swapping the Bantam for a new Francis-Barnett trials model – a make he stayed with for competition riding over several years and used it to take up scrambling (motocross). Bad luck struck again, for he broke his leg riding the F-B at a meeting at Aveley.

The exceptionally s high mileage of Ken’s road riding was to be extended when he bought one of the first Ariel “Leaders” and his rides included regular trips to Scotland for the Six Days trial – as a spectator and also a keen walker. Inevitably he was attracted to the ACU “National Rally” and competed in it on many occasions, winning several awards. All the while, he had progressed to becoming the Barking club’s treasurer and then its representative on the Centre Board. In 1977, on the retirement of Bill Swann after over thirty years as Eastern Centre Secretary, Ken took over that position having had some instruction by Bill on the requirements of the job and with

his recommendation to the Board. Ken held the post until 1989, when he resigned – and he had continued to ride in trials during much of that period - now on Montesa and Bultaco machines.

As his riding days came to a close, Ken generously gave his services as either observer or marshall – depending on the event – to any club who could use him, which speaks for itself. Sad to relate, dementia slowly crept on him in later life and with some evident difficulty, he was able to complete his 252 page biography before his passing.

To those who knew him – including myself – Ken was an affable quietly spoken man, who nonetheless had definite views on what was right or wrong and never ceased to stand by them.

With his slight stature and thick glasses, he never really looked the picture of a competition motorcyclist, yet to my mind, the Sport and the Centre - as well as his many friends and colleagues, will remember him with great affection.

Photo right

In 2004 the Centre decided to give Ken an award for his long service to the sport. He was marshalling at Wakes Colne and during the interval he was asked, over the P.A., to come to the commentary box. He was awarded the memento up there by the then centre President, Derek Clampin, and Centre Chairman, Sidge Kenny; with Andy Crawford and Charlie Ralph looking on



ACU Eastern Trials Championships *2017 Final Standings*



The Palmer Woodmason Plate - Pre 70

Name	Club	Rnd1 Bromley	Rnd2 Blaxhall	Rnd3 Diss	Rnd4 W'bridge	Rnd5 Thumpers	Rnd6 Butley	Champ Points	Worst Score	Total Points
G Brown	Lowestoft	20	15	17	17	15	20	104	15	89
G Baker	Eastern Fourstroke	0	13	20	15	17	0	65	0	65
P Bavin	Diss	17	10	15	0	9	10	61	0	61
C Dopson	Wymondham	15	9	0	10	11	13	58	0	58
D Carter	Woodbridge	0	20	0	20	0	17	57	0	57
M Fletcher	Eastern Fourstroke	0	0	0	13	0	11	24	0	24
J Newsted	N & S Junior	0	0	0	0	20	0	20	0	20
M Neal	Wymondham	0	17	0	0	0	0	17	0	17
J Williams	Ipswich	0	0	0	0	0	15	15	0	15

ACU EASTERN - SOLO MOTOCROSS OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

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

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 - 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 understand and accept that if the Supplementary Regulations state the insurance cover for this event is "Basic" there is no Personal Accident cover and Liability cover in respect of any claim made by third parties is limited to £10 million and £5 million for Medical Mal-practice.**
- Premium Insurance will be assumed unless otherwise stated.

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

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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

NSJMCC
Sunday 25th February 2018

Open Permit TRIAL
Gt Hockham, IP24 1SD

February Trial

Sign On: 9.00am
National Grid Reference: TL 929912

Start: 10.30am
Permit No. ACU 52514

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc
Clerk of the Course: J Newstead (Licence 21726)
Child Protection P.O.C.: P Kibble
Secretary of the Meeting: P Kibble, [REDACTED]
Tel: 0778 [REDACTED]

Club Steward(s):

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 & Youth members of the ACU riding solo and sidecar machines.

Start / Finish: Stonehill Pit, Gt Hockham, Norfolk IP24 1SD

Course: Sand & Hills.

Routes: Yellow; Red/blue; white; beginners

Classes: All adult & youth solo

Awards: 1st - 3rd Youth Classes

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

Entries Open: 4th February 2018

Entries Close: At the 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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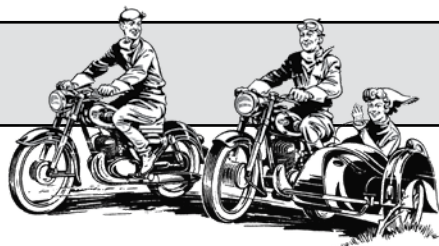
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Recollection Section

Sidge Kenny



I wonder if I am the only one who felt Ross Noble had something of a bad deal when he rode in last year's Scottish Six Day's Trial. He is of course, much better known as a comedian and in this role as a showbiz personality, perhaps we should thank those who sent him up there to later feature in three weeks of an unprecedented hour long T. V. coverage of the top trial of the year - the station being the cheerily named "Dave" and was broadcast just before last Christmas.

I like Ross Noble's humour. On stage, he comes over as somewhat rueful, slightly out of focus with the world and much more appealing than the clever-dick almost snarling attitudes of many of today's so-called mirth-makers. His is a softer humour and that was evident in his reports to camera on the day's proceedings in the trial. He knew he was not riding well and was intimidated by the event and some of the people in it. He was determined to finish and that is always - what ever the event - the first priority and I was rooting for him to do so all the way - just ask my wife! Ross is well known as a keen road-going motorcyclist and has also done some competition work, including long distance off-road events. Just how much in modern-style trials riding I am not sure. Yet, judging from what I saw on the box, he was far from ready to take part in this, the ultimate contest in the British trials scene. He showed us his "practice section" at home in Kent - a nice enough short bundle of rocks - which I doubt I would clean in a whole afternoon of trying. Yet even this did not give him adequate preparation of the sheer length of the rock-strewn Scottish sections, where each internal hazard is followed by another and another and another. Emma Bristow gave him the best advice early on, when she said: "Make sure you know where to go" - unhappily it was clear, on section after section, after a few promising yards, Ross lost his compass and hit things off-balance. I think that in such a situation, I would say to Ross: "Bugger the cleans - go for a three, use your legs and try to foot your way out". It seemed that policy, simply did not occur to him and for that I blame his trainers. Good footing can save many marks.

However, due to his own determination to keep going and some rather late but well merited encouragement from his team mate, Ross did finish the event and he was not last. As I said, he is a comedian, not a regular trials rider - nor even particularly athletic. Over all I felt it was a great achievement.

There have been several show business personalities over the years, who got involved with our sport. Film star, Steve McQueen in enduro desert racing; remembered by many for his motorcycle leap in: "The Great Escape" - which he did not actually do.

Singer Roy Orbison, also an enthusiast, once attended a moto-cross meeting where Dave Bickers was performing. Our lad let the pop-idol try out his CZ. Orbison did not get very far and damaged his foot in a prang.

Consternation all round - thousands of fans to be performed for - records to be cut - a career in potential jeopardy - why do these things have to happen to this icon?

Asked for his comment, on this unfortunate incident, Dave was well up to it: "You want to hear me sing?"



Sudbury MCC
Sunday March 4th 2018

Open Permit ENDUROTHON
Foxborough Quarry, Essex CO9 3AN

Foxborough Endurothon

Sign On: 7.30am

National Grid Reference: TL 794325

Start: 9.00am

Permit No. ACU 52480

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc

Club Steward(s): R Chaplin

Clerk of the Course: G Hockey (Licence 18929)

Child Protection P.O.C.: Mrs S Mays

Secretary of the Meeting: G. Mays, 55 Alan Way Colchester Essex CO3 4LB

Tel: 01206 531768 email: gmays@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 members of the ACU riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Foxborough Quarry, Sible Hedingham, Essex CO9 3AN

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

Classes: Championship, Expert, Clubman, Ironman

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

Entries Open: 4th February 2018

Entries Close: 1st March 2018

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Sunday March 4th 2018

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Sign On: 8.00am

National Grid Reference: TL 794325

Start: 1.30pm

Permit No. ACU 52479

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward:

Club Steward(s): R Chaplin

Clerk of the Course:

G Hockey (Licence 18929)

Child Protection P.O.C.:

Mrs S Mays

Secretary of the Meeting:

G. Mays, 55 Alan Way Colchester Essex CO3 4LB

Tel: 01206 531768 email: gmays@ntlworld.com

JURISDICTION:

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Start / Finish: Foxborough Quarry, Sible Hedingham, Essex CO9 3AN

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

Classes: Youth solo 12 to 15 years old

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

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Entries Close: 1st March 2018

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

- I 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 as Supplementary Regulations as have or may be issued for the event, and agree to be bound by them.
- I 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.
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- 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: £.....

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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.

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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)

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Norwich Viking MCC
Sunday March 4th 2018

Open Permit TRIAL
Santon Downham, Norfolk, IP27 0TX

DRD Cup Trial

Sign On: 9.30am
National Grid Reference: TL 838871

Start: 10.30am
Permit No. ACU 52476

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc
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

Club Steward(s): J Douglas & P Yarham

Tel: 07775 600382 (day)

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JURISDICTION:

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Start / Finish: Little Lodge Farm, Santon Downham, Norfolk, IP27 0TX

Course: 5 laps of 8 sections.

Classes: Inter, Novice, Twinshock, Pre-70, Youth A to E

Entries: Must be on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of £16.00 for Adults and £12.00 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques/POs to be made payable to NVMCC Ltd

Entries Open: 4th February 2018

Entries Close: At the Start

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Sudbury Club Notes

Roger Chaplin

A reminder the AGM Monday 5th February at the Dolphin Bradwell Essex 8pm plus the events we are running. Of course Subscriptions are due you

can renew via the Club also via the ACU Online System. Our next event scheduled is Sunday 4th March being the Endurothon.

Last December I watched on the Dave TV Channel Ross Noble off Road which showed him riding in the Scottish Six Days Trial and I was pleased he finished it. Thirty seven seconds in on each episode it showed a photo of Ross riding over a log at our first Extreme Enduro 4th January 2015 and once again a Sudbury Club event has been on National Television. Ross kindly gave me an interview at the end of the day which is still available on You Tube.

Talking of Extreme Enduros we ran our 4th one on Saturday 30th December last year and it is a credit to everyone who helped before and on the day the Club is most grateful. We had around 300 spectators which were comfortable for the Club parking wise as it was a quagmire, loads of standing water. However it turned out to be a great day and everyone struggled in the conditions but enjoyed themselves. We attracted several out of Centre riders although some Eastern Centre riders are wary of the event. Charlie Frost for the third time travelled all the way up from Bath and gave an excellent display of riding when he wasn't stuck to take the win in Pro Class on 12 laps after two hours from Ben Wibberley on 11 laps who was leading Charlie for a few laps. In third place was Rob Warner also on 11 laps a former BMX Champion who entered on the day as Jake Nicholls said he would be riding but he didn't. Stevie Roper and Jack Barwick were 4th and 5th on 9 laps each.

In the Expert Class Jason Pearce took the win on 7 laps with Carl Venter and Barney Thurgood 2nd and 3rd both on 6 laps. Ryan McDonnell was 4th on 5 laps while Josh Kirby and Stephen Lander were 5th and 6th both on 4 laps. Last year's winner of the Centre's Enduro Clubman Class James Barker took an early lead in the Clubman Class Stuart Bridges managed to overhaul him to take the win by 20 seconds both on six laps. The next four places went to Will Packer, Alfie Coles, Dan Hunt all on 5 laps and Robin Scarry on 4 laps.

The veteran Paul Nash won the Trials Class on 5 laps while Super Veteran Jason Green took 2nd place by 11 seconds over Jez Moss both on 4 laps while young Joe Phillips finished 4th on one lap.

I have just received the news of the passing of Ken Davis. I remember Ken riding in Trials and Scrambles in fact I took entries from him, I served with him on the Eastern Centre Board, I was Treasurer and he was Secretary and later he became Editor of the Eastern Centre Gazette. I will leave it to others to make a full tribute to Ken who in my opinion was a stalwart and a servant of our beloved Motor Cycle Sport. R.I.P.



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

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- 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 understand and accept that if the **Supplementary Regulations state the insurance cover for this event is "Basic" there is no Personal Accident cover and Liability cover in respect of any claim made by third parties is limited to £10 million and £5 million for Medical Mal-practice.**
Premium Insurance will be assumed unless otherwise stated.

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

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Don't forget to sign

Rider'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:

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Rider's Surname: **First Name:** D.O.B
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ACU Licence No: **Club:**
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Braintree & DMCC
Sunday March 11th 2018

Open Permit TRIAL
Spansey Wood, Essex CO9 1PB

ACU-EC B Class Championship Rd 2

Sign On: 9.00am
National Grid Reference: TL 798304

Start: 10.30am
Permit No. ACU 52478

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: tbc
Clerk of the Course: S Butcher (Licence 18396)
Child Protection P.o.C.: S Butcher
Secretary of the Meeting: A Parker, [REDACTED]
Tel: 0137 [REDACTED]

Club Steward(s): P Read

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 & Youth members of the ACU riding solo and sidecar machines.

Start / Finish: Spansey Wood, Gosfield, Essex CO9 1PB

Course: Woodland.

Classes: All classes. B Class Champ, Youth A,B, & E **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 £10.00 for Youth. Include one 9x4 SAE. Late Entries + £5.00. Cheques/POs to be made payable to Braintree DMCC

Entries Open: 4th February 2018 **Entries Close:** 6th March 2018 - Championship Class; On the day non championship riders

Entries Accepted on the day (non champ class only). 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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Woodbridge & DMCC
Saturday 3rd March 2018

Open Permit MOTOCROSS
Blaxhall Cct, Blaxhall, Suffolk IP12 2DU

Practice Day

Sign On: 8.00am

National Grid Reference: TM 356580

Start: 9.00am

Permit No. ACU 52143

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: ACU Appt

Club Steward(s): C Ralph

Clerk of the Course: R Blyth (Licence 153582)

Asst CoFC: B Coles (Licence 167065)

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

& Child Protection P.o.C Tel: 07963 118917 (eve) email: blyths21@hotmail.com

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. Adult members of the ACU riding solo machines.

Course: Natural sandy terrain with man made jumps. **Classes:** Allcomers **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 (ACU Licence holders), or £35.00 (Non ACU Licence Holders). Include one 9x4 SAE. Cheques to be made payable to Woodbridge & DMCC Ltd

Entries Open: 4th February 2018

Entries Close: 1st March 2018

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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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)

Woodbridge & DMCC
Sunday 25th March 2018

Open Permit MOTOCROSS
Blaxhall Circuit, Suffolk IP17 1LG

Bickers Lifting ACU Eastern Motocross Championship Rd 1

Sign On: 8.00am

Practice: 9.30am

Start: 10.30am

National Grid Reference: TM 356580

Permit No. ACU 52144

OFFICIALS:-

Eastern Centre Steward: J Nickerson

Club Steward(s): C Ralph

Clerk of the Course: D Warner (Licence 165797)

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

& Child Protection P.o.C Tel: 07963 118917 (eve) email: blyths21@hotmail.com

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 riding solo machines.

Start / Finish: Blaxhall Circuit

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: 24th February 2018

Entries Close: 20th March 2018 (5pm)

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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Woodbridge Club Notes

Charlie Ralph



Despite rain early on, the Laurie Bird memorial trial at Butley on 31st December turned out to be another successful day for the club, with over 80 riders competing. The sandy sections near to the start of the trial soon dried out, and quite a few spectators witnessed these sections. Included in the event was the final round of the pre70 C class championship and local riders, Daniel Carter and James Williams battled for the win in the pre unit class. Showing complete control of their bikes, they both lost three marks on the first lap, then remained clean until the final section where the result was finally decided as James dabbed, leaving young Daniel the victor by just one mark. Remarkably, this was his 6th win on the trot. Sections seven and eight saw riders losing the most marks as the slippery ground remained wet for most of the day. Twostroke supremo, Graham Brown, took the on his James machine, and like Daniel, only dropped three marks throughout. Woodbridge club riders were also well up in the results, David Woods was 4th in the twinshock hard route, with elder brother, Andrew finishing 6th. Father Paul was 5th on the intermediate route, with Mark Teager and Alan Miller 7th and 8th. New member, Alan Mansfield won the twinshock easy route class. Also competing in a trial for the first time was British youth speedway champion, fifteen year old Drew Kemp. Drew was riding his grandad's unit class BSA, and soon adapted to the feet up game, but chain problems caused his retirement.

Special thanks to the observers, and to all the riders who came to remember the late Laurie Bird, as usual, donations will be sent to the relevant charities.

Also around the Christmas period, David Woods was on form at Santon Downing, winning the expert class ahead of trials ace, Mark Banham. Andrew Woods was 3rd in the inter class, and Ken Carroll won the novice orange route. The Norfolk and Suffolk presentations saw little Alfred Eaves getting a final third place. Jack Sheppard did the awards and also put on a little display. All credit to the club, who had around 70 riders there on a very cold day, and well done to James Newstead and all of the hard working NSJMCC members. David Woods was again in the results at the N/S group trial, winning the inter class.

Back at Blaxhall, the revised parts of the motocross circuit is taking shape, and quite a bit of new fencing has been assembled. Saturday March 3rd will soon be upon us for our practise day, and a reminder to riders who must wear body armour as per the new ACU ruling, if you want to ride. There has been one or two comments on social media regarding this rule, my personal view is that it is for the riders safety, and that can only be a good thing.

Our AGM is going to be at Hasketon village hall this year on Friday 16th February, and will include a little award presentation to those who attend. A sausage and chip supper will be served, but if you fancy an alcoholic beverage, then you will have to bring your own! The post-code for Hasketon, which is only a mile off the main A12 at Woodbridge, is IP13 6JD.



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The Awards presentation for the 2017 season will take place on
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ACU Eastern Solo Enduro Champs Preview

Roger Chaplin

Once again G H Motorcycles/Husqvarna are sponsoring the ACU Eastern Solo Enduro Championships for 2018. This year there will be seven rounds with all rounds counting for each Class Title. The seventh round has come about because the Diss Club are unable to run a British Championship as it clashes with the International Six Day Enduro where the top British riders will be competing. The dates and organisers are: Round 1 25th February Diss, Round 2 29th April Bury St Edmunds, Round 3 10th June Woodbridge, Round 4 24th June Sudbury, Round 5 15th July Sudbury, Round 6 2nd September Woodbridge and Round 7 18th November Diss.

Will Jason Morland make it a hat trick of wins in the Supreme Championship Class after Jamie Roper's injury in round 2 last year he was unbeatable. Second and third place riders Tim Rose and Matt Pope could put in a challenge or could it be one of the four riders upgraded from the Expert Class, namely Kevin Palmer, Myles Saunders, Dan Willis or Ryan McDonnell. Breaking news is top Moto Cross rider Luke Parker will be competing in all the rounds and rumour has it nine times Champion Chris Hockey is making a comeback which makes for an exciting contest.

The Expert Class is wide open and one of these five riders can win the Title: Jack Berry, Alex Walton, Jack Nicolaou, Ross Taylor and Tom Sargent. There will be stiff opposition from James Barker, Lee Monger and George Eustace who have been upgraded from the Clubman Class.

In the Clubman Class could the Title go to Paul or Dan Hunt or to one of the Marsh twins Joe or Ben maybe there may be a rider that will surprise everyone like 16 year old Max Day or Joe Phillips who will be 16 after the first round.

The Expert Veteran Class could be very interesting this year, last year's Champion Michael Ridge will be after a second Title however if past Champion Mark Chapman is fit he will take some beating. If Paul Spurgeon is able to compete in all the rounds he will be the one to watch as he finished 4th in the Over 50s British Championship or could Contest Sponsor Gavin Hockey have a good year.

Dean Curry will be out once again to win the Clubman Veteran Class for the second time but if Kevin Gore competes in the entire round he must be favourite to win the Class Title. Lurking behind these two are Michael Wyatt and Martin Greenaway. Another rumour is that 2016 runner up Jeff Turner is coming out of retirement.

Andy Mason must be the favourite to win the Clubman Super Veteran Title yet again he has a special birthday in the coming December which will put a nought in his age. Other contenders for the Title are Graham Mays, Nigel Ross, Tim Ford, Steve Finch and Jeff Sharp who will be making his debut in this Class.

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11th	EFA	Trial	Restricted	Raydon	
11th	Lowestoft Invaders	Trial	Restricted	Aldeby	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (A) Rd 1
18th	Southend	Trial	Open	Poles Wood	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (B) Rd 1
25th	Diss	Enduro	Open	Thetford Forest	ACU Eastern Enduro Champs
25th	NSJMCC	Trial	Open	Gt. Hockham	
25th	NSJMCC	Motocross	Open	TBC	

MARCH

3rd	Woodbridge	Motocross	Practice Day	Blaxhall	
4th	Sudbury	Enduro	Open	Foxborough	Endurothon
4th	Sudbury	Enduro	Open	Foxborough	Youth Hare & Hounds
4th	Norwich Vikings	Trial	Open	Santon Downham	
11th	Braintree	Trial	Open	Gosfield	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (B) Rd 2
11th	NVMCC	Motocross	International	Lyng	Maxxis Brit Motocross Champs Rd 1
18th	NSJMCC	Motocross	Open	Gt Hockham	
18th	Ipswich	Trial	Open	Bramford	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (A) Rd 2
18th	EFA	Trial	Restricted	Chattisham	
25th	Woodbridge	Motocross	Open	Blaxhall	ACU Eastern Solo MX Champs Rd 1
25th	Wymondham	Trial	Open	Middleton	ACU Eastern Trials Champs (B) Rd 3
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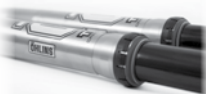


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