

SOLO MOTOCROSS

ACU EASTERN MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP

2020 dates and venues

7 rounds all to count

Round 1	April 5 th	Halstead & DMCC	Wakes Colne
Round 2	April 26 th	Woodbridge & DMCC	Blaxhall
Round 3	May 10 th	Norwich Viking MCC	Lyng
Round 4	June 28 th	Norwich Viking MCC	Lyng
Round 5	July 19 th	Woodbridge & DMCC	Blaxhall
Round 6	August 23 rd	Halstead & DMCC	Wakes Colne
Round 7	September 20 th	Diss MCC	Wattisfield

1. MEETINGS

The ACU Eastern Solo Motocross Championship will be held over 7 events as listed above. All rounds to count.

By agreeing to organise a championship round, organising clubs accept the terms and conditions set out in these rules. The entry fee, issue of passes and prize money is mandatory. Organisers must include in the official programme full-page advertisements for the title sponsor and the series partners, should sponsorship be obtained. Art work for adverts and programme covers will be provided prior to each event.

The ACU Eastern Motocross Championship must take precedence over any other events being staged at Championship Meetings.

2. PERMIT

ACU Eastern Motocross Championship meetings must be run under an **Open Permit**.

3. TITLE

Each Meeting shall be entitled 'ACU Eastern Motocross Championship 2020 Round No Should a title sponsor be found, this wording should follow the title sponsor's name, which for 2020 will be Bickers Lifting supported by Instanda and Stebbings Car Superstore

The title to appear on all documents and advertising.

4. ELECTRONIC TIMING

The timing of all ACU Eastern Championship meetings will be undertaken by the ACU Eastern Timing Team or an alternative ACU approved Timing Operator using My laps/AMB electronic timing systems.

** Should electronic timing not be available for any reason, see Para 13 for schedule.

5. TRANSPONDERS (Solo Championship)

All machines must have a MYLAPS/AMB Motocross Transponder. A limited number are available for hire (£10 payable to ECACU MX Account – not the organising club), once these have been reserved it is the riders responsibility to source elsewhere a transponder or buy their own. Surrender of the rider's competition licence or other means of deposit will be required as security against transponder hire.

6. CLASSES

Total entry shall not exceed 200 riders.

The classes will be:

(1) Premier Class: (MAXIMUM Of 40 EXPERTS). The Premier Class will consist of ALL Expert graded riders plus, if the expert entry is below 31, a maximum of the 10 fastest junior riders from timed practice may compete in the Premier Class. If the Expert entry is 25 or less, a maximum of 15 of the fastest junior riders from timed practice may compete in the Premier Class.

nb: In the event of an entry of 31 or more Expert graded riders, the Premier Class shall consist of an expert only line-up.

(2) Intermediate Class (40 riders): Should the Premier Class consist of no Junior riders, then the Intermediate Class will effectively become the Junior Championship Race with the first 20 riders scoring championship points. (In the event of the fastest 10/15 non-experts contesting the Premier Class, they will be the top point scoring Junior riders, with the remainder of the top twenty scoring points being taken from the Intermediate Class.

(3) Support Races

Capacities

As per ACU capacity and licence restrictions in the ACU Handbook MX regulations Para 2.2.

For the purposes of ACU Eastern Championship rounds, 2stroke machines of up to 250cc will be classed as MX2. 2Stroke Machines of 251cc and above will be classed as MX1.

Any change of machine from that declared on the entry form, either before or during the event, **MUST** be notified to the Secretary of the Meeting.

7. RACE NUMBER

Any rider taking part **MUST** have purchased a race number from the Reserved Number Scheme prior to having entry accepted. This race number must be clearly displayed on the machine. All monies will be donated equally to the Essex Air Ambulance, East Anglian Air Ambulance and the ACU Benevolent Fund.

The reserved number scheme can be accessed via the ACU Eastern website www.easternacu.org and follow the links.

8. ACU EASTERN MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Open to any solo rider (aged 15 years and over), who holds an ACU Competition Licence. Riders shall be eligible to score points for their nominated club, which shall be declared on their first entry of the Championships. Once a rider has declared himself/herself in this way to be a member of a particular club, points may not be scored for any other club during any one Championship year unless that former club shall have ceased to exist in the course of that period. The Club Championship shall only count the first expert and the first Junior grade rider from each club contesting the Premier Class, or in the event of no Junior rider competing in the Premier Class, the top Junior rider in the Intermediate Class from each club will count.

9. ENTRIES

All Supplementary Regulations and Entry Forms must be published in the ACU Eastern Gazette at least one month prior to the closing date for entries. If entries are to be limited, the method must be clearly stated in the Supplementary Regulations.

All ACU Eastern Championship events will be via the ACU Online Entry System only.

The ENTRY FEE for each event to be £50 for Solos.

Entries will close either when full or at 5pm on the Monday evening (6 days) prior to the event. Entries accepted after this time will incur a £10 surcharge
A reserve list may be held by organising clubs if desired.

Following the completion of the 1st round of ACU Eastern MX Championship, the leading top ten Junior grade riders will be guaranteed an entry for the next round, providing that entry is received by the closing date, after which that space will be released.

Clubs may state in their regulations: 'Balloting to provide a responsible Marshal may take place'

10. NON-PARTICIPATION IN A MEETING:

Riders who do not inform the organisers by 12 Noon on the Thursday prior to the event of their inability to attend will not be considered for a refund of their entry fee.

However, a £5 administration fee will be applied to riders who withdraw from the event prior to the above ruling.

11. PASSES

Each rider will receive a vehicle pass that will admit the rider + one other person free of charge. Any other persons accompanying the rider or passenger must pay the appropriate admission charge.

12. NOISE TESTING

Random or spot checks may be made by ACU Sound Control Officials of the sound level of any machine taking part in the ACU Eastern Motocross Championship meetings in addition to any routine checks at technical control. Any machine tested which exceeds the maximum permitted sound level will be failed and the rider will be required to rectify the machine and present it to the Sound Control officials for retest before being allowed to continue.

The above are supplementary regulations for ACU Eastern Motocross Championship events; competitors are reminded that under ACU Motocross Standing Regulations, the Clerk of the Course may disqualify or penalise any rider of a machine which exceeds the maximum sound level, or which in his opinion is deemed to be excessively noisy.

The sound level of a Motocross machine is tested according to the FIM/ACU method. (For the precise method of testing, see the Sound Control Regulations in the ACU Handbook).

13. QUALIFICATION AND STARTING POSITIONS

All the riders present at the meeting must take part in the Timed Practice.

Expert graded riders will practice last.

Junior practice to consist of a maximum of 45 riders per group. The number of Junior riders will be split equally from the entry for practice sessions, (as per race programme).

The fastest qualifier in the Premier Class irrespective of status, will have first choice of position on the start gate. The second fastest will have second choice and so on until the last place.

Following the Premier Class riders being decided, the Intermediate Class, irrespective of status, will consist of the next fastest forty riders qualifying by timed practice.

The support groups will be split following timed practice dependant on entry numbers.

Riders must take part in their designated qualification group as published in the race programme unless with permission received from The Clerk of the Course and must only compete in the group in which qualification is made.

** In the event of electronic timing not being available for any reason the following will apply:

Dependant on the number of expert riders who will automatically contest the premier class, there will be a maximum of 4 qualifying heats for non-expert riders. The make up of a full Premier class will be determined by the number necessary from the fastest riders of each qualifying heat to a maximum of 10/15 riders. The intermediate class will then be taken from the next ten fastest riders from each heat. The remainder will contest the support groups.

14 RACES

Solos: There will be three Premier class races of 18 minutes + 1 lap. There will be three intermediate class races of 15 minutes + 1 lap.

Support races will be determined by the entry number and will be split with three races of a minimum of 10 minutes.

Blue Flag Marshals may be deployed during each Premier Class race.

15 START

The start must be of a live engine clutch type.

16.FINISH OF A RACE:

The order of classification shall be based on the number of laps completed and order of finish. i.e. all riders finishing on the same lap as the winner will be classified in the order in which they cross the finish line, followed by riders with one less lap, then two laps and so on. Riders must complete 50% of the race to be classified as a finisher.

17 POINTS

Points will be awarded for each leg to Expert and Junior riders on the following scale:

1 st	25 points	6 th	15 points	11 th	10 points	16 th	5 points
2 nd	22 points	7 th	14 points	12 th	9 points	17 th	4 points
3 rd	20 points	8 th	13 points	13 th	8 points	18 th	3 points
4 th	18 points	9 th	12 points	14 th	7 points	19 th	2 points
5 th	16 points	10 th	11 points	15 th	6 points	20 th	1 point

18 CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

The rider gaining the highest number of points from all point scoring races (legs) will be declared the ACU Eastern Motocross Expert/Junior grade Champion. An Expert MX2 Champion and a Junior Grade MX2 Champion will also be declared. The Champion Club shall be that whose riders have gained the highest number of points at the designated rounds by the designated riders (see para 8).

19 TIES

In the event of a tie on the total number of points scored, the individual Champion will be decided in favour of the rider gaining the greater number of first places, failing which the greater number of second places and so on, if necessary.

20 RECORDING OF RESULT

All results will be published on the ACU Eastern website www.easternacu.org and on www.mylaps.com

Each organiser must include in the Programme the current position of the Championship classes, details of which will be supplied by the Centre Recorder.

21 CHANGE OF STATUS

For the purpose of these rules, a Junior grade who is upgraded to Expert during the year may carry the status held at the first Championship round contested if he/she so wishes; unless he/she is a former expert grade rider downgraded at the beginning of the current season. In this circumstance, should the rider attain 15 grading points, they will be upgraded immediately and their right to contest the Junior Championship shall cease.

The Junior Champion will automatically be upgraded to Expert status the following year.

All grading issues are the remit of the ACU Eastern Motocross Committee.

22 AWARDS

The Centre Annual Trophies, as described below, will be awarded to the individual Champions and may be held by the champion until requested for return by the centre, they may not be won outright. ACU Eastern may require a written undertaking to return the trophy when requested. Replicas, for permanent keepsake will be given to the Champions. Should the Individual Champion not be resident within the Centre boundaries, the trophy will be engraved with the name of that Champion and may be presented to the winner at the Centre Function. However, the trophy will be returned immediately that evening to the Centre for safe keeping as it will not be permitted to leave the Centre boundary.

Expert Solo Champion	A B Mullee Trophy
Expert Solo MX2 Champion	The Woodbridge Trophy
Expert Rookie Champion	The HRM Boilers Trophy
Junior Solo Champion	R G Hadler Trophy
Junior MX2 Champion	Andy Crawford Trophy
Over 40 Champion	The Ralph Trophy
Champion Club	J Costain and Sons Challenge Trophy

23 PRIZE MONEY

As from March 2020, Prize Money to be paid to the first ten experts in the Premier Class (3 races) will be as follows:

1st £60 2nd £50 3rd £40 4th £30 5th £25 6th £20 7th £18 8th £15 9th £12
10th £10

(£280 per race)

Prize Money to be paid to the first five riders in the Junior Championship (3 races) will be as follows

1st £30 2nd £25 3rd £20 4th £15 5th £10

(£100 per race)

Total prize fund £ 1140.00

24 PRIZE GIVING CEREMONY

A Prize giving ceremony based on the provisional results **MAY** be held at each meeting, conditions and time permitting at the discretion of the organising club. The top three positions in the overall standings in the meeting, both Experts and Juniors must take part in such prize giving.

A prize giving ceremony **MUST** take place at the final round of the Championship.

25 The decision of the ACU Eastern motocross committee on all matters relating to this championship shall be final.

26 PRACTICE AND RACE FORMAT

Under electronic timing conditions:

EXPERT AND JUNIOR PRACTICE SESSIONS SHALL CONSIST OF:

5 Minutes free practice followed by 10 minutes timed practice.

Any rider found stopping on the circuit during free practice or timed qualification for any reason may be liable for a penalty from the Clerk of the Course.

Junior Riders practice shall consist of a maximum of 4 groups dependant on the number of entries with groups split equally with a maximum of 48 riders taking part in each session.

Practice Junior Group 1	5 minutes free + 10 minutes times
Practice Junior Group 2	5 minutes free + 10 minutes timed
Practice Junior Group 3	5 minutes free + 10 minutes timed
Practice Junior Group 4 (if required)	5 minutes free + 10 minutes timed
Expert Practice	5 minutes free + 10 minutes timed

FOLLOWED BY:

Race 1	Junior Support D (if required)	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 2	Junior Support C	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 3	Junior Support B	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 4	Intermediate Class(A)	15 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 5	Premier Class	18 minutes + 1 Lap

Lunch Break A minimum of 30 minutes

Race 6	Junior Support D (if required)	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 7	Junior Support C	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 8	Junior Support B	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 9	Intermediate Class (A)	15 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 10	Premier Class	18 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 11	Junior Support D (if required)	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 12	Junior Support C	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 13	Junior Support B	Minimum of 10 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 14	Intermediate Class (A)	15 minutes + 1 Lap
Race 15	Premier Class	18 minutes + 1 Lap

Prize giving presentation following final race at the organiser's discretion (see para 23)

In the event of time constraints, the Clerk of the Course may use his discretion to reduce the length of all races.

Notes

These rules have been approved by the ACU Eastern Motocross Committee and supersede any other published version