

## TRIALS

All Championship events to be run under the ACU Trials Standing Regulations (TSR's), these Centre Championship Conditions and any Centre Trials Rules. The decision of ACU Eastern on all matters relating to Championship competitions shall be final.

### 2020 DATES AND VENUES

<b>'A' Class</b>	<b>Experts, Experts B, Inters, Inters B, Youth 'A' and 'B'</b>	
	<b>5 Rounds - 4 to count</b>	
19 <sup>th</sup> April	ESBMCC	Raydon
26 <sup>th</sup> April	Castle	Alphamstone
23 <sup>rd</sup> August	Ipswich	Ofton
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Wymondham	Middleton
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Braintree	Purls Hill

<b>'B' Class</b>	<b>Novice, Twinshock 'A', 'B' and 'C'</b>	
	<b>7 Rounds - 6 to count</b>	
16 <sup>th</sup> February	Chelmsford	Beasley End
8 <sup>th</sup> March	Braintree	Gosfield
29 <sup>th</sup> March	Wymondham	Middleton
7 <sup>th</sup> June	N&S Junior	Westleton
11 <sup>th</sup> October	Castle	Thorrington
1 <sup>st</sup> November	ESBMCC	Raydon
29 <sup>th</sup> November	Lowestoft	Corton

<b>'C' Class</b>	<b>Pre 70 'A', 'B' and 'C'</b>	
	<b>6 Rounds - 5 to count</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup> April	EFA	Gt Bromley
10 <sup>th</sup> April	Woodbridge	Blaxhall
1 <sup>st</sup> August	Diss	Wattisfield
25 <sup>th</sup> October	Woodbridge	TBC
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	EFA	Thorrington
27 <sup>th</sup> December	Woodbridge	Butley

<b>'D' Class</b>	<b>Sidecar's</b>	
		<b>3 Rounds – 2 to count</b>
26 <sup>th</sup> January	Southend	Poles Wood
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Southend	Poles Wood
25 <sup>th</sup> October	Southend	Poles Wood

### **Norfolk & Suffolk Group**

12 <sup>th</sup> January	Wymondham	Great Ellingham
19 <sup>th</sup> January	Ipswich	Raydon
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Lowestoft	Aldeby
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Bury St Edmunds	Hawkendon
18 <sup>th</sup> October	Ipswich	TBC
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Norwich Viking	Lyng

### **1. EVENTS**

There shall provisionally be up to **ten** rounds for each class to be held in each calendar year, the number of rounds to be run and to count in each class to be specified in 'Dates and Venues'.

All documentation should describe the event as the —

***“EASTERN CENTRE TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP A ,B, C, or D and Round No ..”***

Regulations for each Championship Round to be published in the Eastern Centre Gazette.

Each event may be run either for all classes or separate at the discretion of the Eastern Centre Trials Committee.

## 2. ELIGIBILITY

Each trial shall be open to any driver who is a member of any Club affiliated to the ACU Eastern at least one month prior to the event. Such drivers shall be eligible to score points for their nominated club which shall be that declared on their first entry for the Championships. Once a driver has declared himself in this way to be a member of a particular club, he may not score points for any other club during any one Championship year unless his former club shall have ceased to exist in the course of that period.

Riders who ride a championship trial as either an Expert A or Intermediate A, cannot then score points as the relevant Expert B (Experts riding down) or Intermediate B (Intermediates riding down). This rule does not apply to Twinshock and Pre 70 classes.

Pre 70 machines must be of a type built in Britain before 31/12/69, and be fitted with British manufactured hubs, engine, gearbox, carburettor, fork sliders and frame, replicas of these parts are allowed but must be the same as the original silhouette. Fork sliders must look like a British manufactured part used on a British bike at that time, internal modifications are allowed and the maximum allowed tube diameter is 35mm. Non British manufactured forks (e.g. Ceriani, Betor) used on British machines before 31/12/69 can only be used on the specific model of machine to which they were fitted before 31/12/69. Reed valves are not allowed. Amal Mk2 carburettors are not allowed. All Pre 70 machines must use tyres with tubes. The responsibility to prove that a machine complies with the rules rests with the competitor.

All Twin Shock Machines must be Air Cooled, no disc brakes, no hydraulic clutch, fork diameter 36mm maximum, (except SWM Jumbo) and originally built as twin-shock, i.e. no converted mono-shocks

At the lanyard check for youth riders, it should also be checked that parents of youth riders have written their mobile number on the youths riding numbers, to assist in informing them if there is a problem, they can opt out at signing on.

## 3. CLASSES

**'A'** class Championship rounds: 5 rounds – best 4 to count

<u>EXPERTS</u>	(Yellow route)
EXPERTS B	(50/50 Red/Blue and Yellow)
<u>INTERS</u> , & YOUTH 'A'	(Red/Blue Route)
INTERS B & YOUTH 'B'	(White)

**'B'** class Championship rounds: 7 rounds – best 6 to count

<u>TWINSHOCK "A"</u>	(Red/Blue Route)
TWINSHOCK "B"	(50/50 Red/Blue and White)
TWINSHOCK "C"	(White)
<u>NOVICE</u>	(White)

**'C'** class Championship rounds: 6 rounds – best 5 to count

<u>PRE 70 'A'</u>	At club's discretion
<u>PRE 70 'B'</u>	One route below Pre 70 A, could be 50/50
<u>PRE 70 'C'</u>	One route below Pre 70 B, could be 50/50

**'D'** class Championship rounds: 3 rounds – best 2 to count

<u>SIDECARS</u>	At club's discretion
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Class of competitors to determine correct severity and style of sections is to be as the underlined class on each route.

Different colours must be used for additional Routes and indicated in the event regulations

All Trials championships except pre-70 & Sidecar to run TSR22A, 'stop allowed'

Pre-70 & Sidecar championship rounds to run TSR22B, 'no stop'

For non-championship trials clubs should include in the permit application if "No-Stop" or "Stop Allowed" rules will apply.

#### **4. ENTRIES**

No limit shall be placed on the number of entries to be accepted up to the closing date of an event. All competitors, who have entries accepted, will qualify to score championship points in the appropriate class.

All championship trials, except Class D, must have a closing date which is recommended should be at least 2 days prior to the event, and no entries on the day.

For the trial to qualify as a Championship event there is no minimum number of entries per class.

## **5. STARTING POSITIONS**

The organising club can decide if the first lap of all Expert Championship rounds will be a counting or a non counting lap. If non-counting a score will be given but not included in the results. This must be declared in the regulations and there must be planned for a minimum of 30 sections to count.

All riders in each class will start at the same section. (All Experts at No 1/all Inters at No 6 for instance.)

All sections must be done in numerical order from the starting section specified for that class.

A Time Limit, of between 4-5hours, can be imposed by the Club running the event, this will INCLUDE the Experts unmarked lap (above).

## **6. TIES**

Ties will be resolved by ACU TSR's.

## **7. POINTS**

Individual Championship points will be awarded in each class as follows:-

1st 20 points, 2nd - 17 points, 3rd - 15 points 4th - 13 points, 5th - 11 points, 6th 10 points, and then reducing by 1 point per position until 15th 1 point.

The Club Championship points to be awarded to the Clubs best Expert Intermediate and Novice who scores Individual Championship points in each round. The scale of points to be the same as the Individual points Championship, i e. 1st - 20 points, down to 15<sup>th</sup> - 1 point.

Expert B riders will score club championship points if their club has not scored in the Expert A results and only if there are less than 15 Expert A riders in that round.

The Sidecar Club Championship points to be awarded to the best drivers from each club.

## **8. RESULTS**

At the end of the year the counting scores of each rider in each category shall be totalled. For each class, the maximum number of counting rounds will be one less than the number of championship trials organised for that class. The highest scoring rider in each category shall be declared Centre (Class) Champion and the highest scoring club shall be declared Centre (Solo/Sidecar) Champion Club.

Should a tie occur in the Individual Championships, the better placing shall be for that rider who has the most 1st places, the most 2nd places and so on. If a tie still exists then the rider's best result in the most recent round to decide.

Should a tie occur in the Club Championships, the score from the final round shall be taken into account.

Should a tie not be resolved by these means then the clubs best result in the next most recent round to count.

The pre70 Champion will be the overall winner. Class awards e.g. twostroke, fourstroke, Unit, etc. shall be given to the highest placed rider from that class in the overall result.

## **9. 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.

Solo Expert Champion

Solo Intermediate Champion

Solo Novice Champion

Solo Expert B Champion

Solo Intermediate B Champion

Sidecar Champion

Solo Club Champion

Sidecar Club Champion

Solo Pre 70 Overall Champion

Solo Pre 70 2 Stroke Champion

Solo Pre 70 Pre Unit Champion

Solo Pre 70 Unit Champion

Solo Pre 70 B

Halstead Challenge Trophy

Chris Edwards Trophy

Roy Bannister Trophy

Paul Thomas Trophy

Bostock Trophy

Passenger Trophy

Ipswich Motor Challenge Shield

Duckhams Trophy

Palmer-Woodmason Plate

Ken Davis Trophy

Triangle (Ipswich) MCC Trophy

Southend MCC Trophy

The 2K Trials Award

Solo Twinshock 'A' Champion  
Solo Twinshock 'B' Champion  
Solo Youth 'A' Champion  
Solo Youth 'B' Champion  
Observer (decided at annual forum)

Kathy Horrex Trophy  
Jewhurst Cup  
Dave Cordle Trophy  
Butcher Trophy  
Jack Shephard/Stephen Douglas  
Trophy

Should any Champion not be resident within the Centre boundaries, the best Centre resident in that class shall be awarded the 'named' trophy and an additional trophy shall be awarded to any non resident Champion.

## **ACU EASTERN CENTRE TRIALS REGULATIONS (CTRs)**

These Regulations apply to **all events** above Closed to Club and used in conjunction with ACU Standing Trials Regulations & ACU Eastern Championship Competition Conditions (if applicable).

### **1. AWARDS**

ALL awards must be received by the competitors within a period not exceeding 6 months from the date of the competition unless otherwise stated in the event regulations.

### **2. RECORDING OF RESULTS**

Within 14 days of the event the following **MUST** receive a copy of the Results Sheet:

- Eastern Centre website.
- The Centre Trials Recorder/Grading Officer
- The Centre Steward
- The Centre Secretary
- The Centre Recorder and Steward and any other interested parties shall be notified as soon as possible if any protest makes any changes to the results

The Centre Treasurer must also receive a copy together with the Team Fund, Land Fund & Licence Levies & Insurance premiums (Cheques made payable to ACU Eastern)

The protest period of 5 days will be assumed to start when the results are published on the ACU Eastern website. Results for all championship rounds to be sent by the organising club to the ACU Eastern website.

### **3. Non Starters**

Non-starters have until 12 midnight on Monday following the trial to inform the secretary that they were a non-starter, after which if not informed the secretary has the right to cash the entry fee cheque.

### **4. PROGRAMME/RIDING LIST & RESULTS SHEETS**

ALL Programmes or Riding Lists & Results Sheets should be arranged as follows:

NUMBER	NAME	GRADE	cc	MACHINE	CLUB
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### **5. GRADING**

There shall be THREE Grades for Solo Competitors:

EXPERT, INTERMEDIATE & NOVICE

Out of Centre riders to adopt the same grade as in their home Centre.

There is no grading for Sidecar, Pre 70, and Twin-Shock classes.

There is a clubman class for any rider competing purely for fun on a route lower than the lowest correct route for the rider's class within the centre. There will be no awards or championship points etc. There will not be a specific Clubman route.