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IT'S BACK!

*Motocross returns to
the Eastern region*

20th September



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I think it's fair to say that we seem to be getting back to some level of activity, and the number of clubs prepared to run events under the new Covid-19 restrictions is definitely increasing. All disciplines have tried, in one way or another to get some bums back on bikes, but I was a bit surprised to hear that the local motocross practice days actually had some spare capacity – I fully expected these events to be full within minutes of the entries being available online. Perhaps the riders have already decided to sit the season out, spend a little time and money on their bikes and look forward to a fresh start in 2021. For those who do still fancy a gallop around the East Anglian countryside the Halstead Club will be running a full competitive motocross on October 4th, and I believe that the Woodbridge Club are planning for October 11th so keep your eyes peeled for the entries to go live on the ACU system very shortly.

Foreword

Phil Armes



The Trials discipline seems to be gathering momentum as well, and if you fancy trying a venue a little bit outside your normal 'patch' it may well be worth popping up to Middleton on September 13th. It is a cracking facility and I understand the Wymondham Club, while catering for the A Class Championship riders, are also looking to make some of the sections a bit more 'doable' to encourage a few more new faces. And while on the subject of trying something new, keep an eye out for some news from the Ipswich Club as David Cordle has found some new ground which he hopes he will be able to run a club trial at on October 4th.

The tarmac brigade are certainly fully back up to speed with all levels enjoying championship events from club status through to MotoGP. The British Superbikes visited Snetterton over the 21st – 23rd August and the racing was extremely competitive – to say the least! It wasn't the best of weekends for Thetford's Ryan Vickers, who despite setting his fastest ever lap times at his local venue, and running consistently in the top ten, he had two big crashes; one of which was certainly not his fault. I feel there may be more to come in that particular arena....

The Coronavirus has certainly made us all sit back and take a look at the way we do things, and it has led to some pretty imaginative solutions. The ACU National Rally, which will run on September 12th, has for the first time that I can remember been organised without manned checkpoints. Instead there will be a six digit code to be collected by riders as proof they have visited a particular control; my only concern is where will the riders get their well deserved cup of soup at 2 o' clock in the morning!!! Full details of the "Navigational Scatter Rally" can be found in this issue of the gazette – good luck to all who take it on.

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Recollection Section

Sidge Kenny



The Rickman brothers were highly successful scramble riders in the 1950's and 60's. They emerged from the Southern Centre but quickly became National and International performers with both brothers being selected for the British team for the Moto-cross des Nations in the 1960's on more than one occasion. They rode a variety makes of machine – from BSA to Royal Enfield as well as early successful rides on lightweight DOT's. Whatever the machine, the Rickmans always turned out on well prepared machinery and rarely broke down or crashed. One observer, (which might have been the legendary Ralph Venables), once remarked that one of the duo – I forget which - had a bad habit of riding with his tongue sticking out and he feared with the heavy bumps and jumps of scrambling, this could have resulted in a serious injury – a prophecy, which I don't think actually happened.

However successful they were at big time scrambling - and occasionally, they would be also seen on the grass - the turning-point which placed their name in a unique position in motorcycle sport was when they turned out in 1959 with their own-constructed, "Metisse" – the name meaning "Mongrel" in French. The bike was a Triumph-engined "special" and was subsequently followed by a version which incorporated their own frame.. Right from the outset, this proved so successful that they were soon asked to produce copies – and a thriving business was born. The virtue of the Metisse frame was it was designed specifically for off-road racing and the Rickmans had devised the geometry so well that it proved to be a great handling scrambler from its very conception. The Metisse frame was soon adapted to embrace various types of engine and many riders took to them – several within our own Centre and amongst others, I recall our own Jim Aim, performing on a BSA powered example, sponsored by Tom Kirby - and dear old Jack Hubbard, riding wonderfully well, a Metisse well into the autumn of his career. The Metisse perfection did not just cover the larger bikes. I witnessed in the mid-1960's, a young man named, Callum Barney – who I think was a protege of Dave Curtis – riding at West Stow on a Bultaco-powered version of some 250cc's. Not unnaturally it was named the: "Petite Metisse". To a great extent Rickmans also pioneered the use of fibreglass in the motorcycle competition world. Already used on road machines and some scooters, it was probably considered by a rather conservative feeling within the sport, that fibreglass was too fragile to be any use on the rough. The Rickmans proved that notion completely wrong and from there also developed another business – the construction of fibreglass accessories for motorcycles. The commercial success of these ventures, based on our sport, were officially recognised by a: "Queens Award to Industry" diploma in 1974..

The Metisse frame additionally proved to be highly adaptable for road racers and again, top riders would be seen on Metisse - framed bikes, amongst them: John Hartle, at home and World Championship meetings - and I remember Alan Barnett riding to a well-earned second place on one in the Senior TT of 1969.

Personally, I have only ever ridden one Metisse and that was also a road racer loaned to me at Snetterton. Aware that I was on a borrowed machine, my circulation would not have inspired anyone but it was brisk enough to convince me that I should have conducted my spectacularly unsuccessful road racing career on such a nicely balanced and precise-steering bike. But then ... there was always the problem of having to pay for one – and top grade equipment is never cheap.

Photo: Andy Lee showing me his very special Metisse ESO Jawa engined.



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National Road Rally

12th September 2020



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Permit No ACU 58169

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To keep up to date with developments and news about the rally as they happen, visit;

www.nationalroadrally.co.uk

Covid-19

All participants must take into consideration current and up to date UK & Devolved Governments Advice / Guidance relating to Covid-19 that may in be in place at the time the event is due to take place.

Supplementary Regulations.

1 Definition

The Auto-Cycle Union in association with the British Motorcyclists Federation will promote a 'navigational scatter rally', known as the National Road Rally on Saturday 12th September 2020. It will be held under the following: the National Sporting Code of the ACU, Regulation 3(5) of the Motor Vehicles (Competitions and Trials) Regulations 1969, these Supplementary Regulations and any further instructions issued to riders. The event will be open to all riders of mopeds, scooters, motorcycles, three-wheelers, quadricycles and motorcycles and scooters with sidecars who have passed the appropriate Department of Transport driving test or are otherwise exempted from displaying 'L' plates. Riders can be unattached (do not have to be a member of a club or organisation) and Competition licenses are not required. ACU membership will be granted to all riders and passengers for the duration of the National Road Rally. All references to 'riders' in these Regulations (and other National Road Rally documentation) include drivers where appropriate. Reference to 'the Rally' in these Regulations will include the 'National Road Rally' and 'The National Rally', 'The National Daytime Rally', which are integral parts of the National Road Rally'.

2 Officials

Clerk of the Course.

Deputy Clerk of the Course.

Secretary of the Meeting.

Entry Secretary.

Controls

BMF Representative

Tim Fairbrother Lic.No ACU 46615

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Alan Penny Lic. No ACU 6849

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Ian Baxter, Marc Whitmarsh, Maurice Andrews & Peter Covill

Helen Hancock

3 Event Descriptions

3.1 Controls

Control types are defined as follows:

First control	Competitor's starting control
Last control	Competitor's finishing control
Standard Control	All other controls.

Riders are required to record the six digit No displayed on the Day Glo Control sign. This should be recorded on their control card together with the control name, points from last control and time of arrival. This information will be required to complete the online submission within 7 days after the event.

The points allocated between Controls vary and will have a value of between 20/50 points. Control locations will be printed in the Control Detail List, which will be available online together with the Final Instructions from the 7th September 2020 by using the unique No allocated when entering.

Important Note: All competitors should take note of Social Distancing measures in place at the time of the event, particularly at the First Control and subsequently at any Control along the route.

3.2 The National Road Rally

Riders will select their category, First Control, and route of 120points min/280 points max. The Start Time will be between 09.00 & 10.00 hours on Saturday 12th September. Riders will choose their own First and Last Control which they must reach by 20.00 hours. Riders can, if they wish, start and finish at the same Standard Control..

The Chrome category requires the rider to visit 5 controls and collect between 120/150 points.

The Bronze category requires riders to visit a minimum of 8 controls and collect 200/245 points.

The Silver category requires riders to visit a minimum of 11 Controls and collect 245/270 points.

The Gold category requires riders to visit a minimum of 12 Controls and collect 265/280 points.

Rest Breaks totaling 45 minutes must be taken (see detail under Reg.3.6 Rest Breaks). The Riding Time will be a minimum of 9 hours 15 minutes. (Riding Time 9 hours 15 minutes + Rest Breaks 45 minutes = 10 hours.)

Please take care, don't ride when tired, and take a rest break.

3.3 Category Descriptions

Award Category	Points	Controls	Times	Notes
Chrome	120 Minimum 150 Maximum	Visit minimum 5 controls	Start between 09.00 & 10.00 hrs	Complete Control Card & submit online
Bronze	200 Minimum 245 Maximum	Visit: minimum 8 controls	Start between 09.00 & 10.00 hrs	Complete Control Card & submit online
Silver	245 Minimum 270 Maximum	Visit: minimum of 11 controls	Start between 09.00 & 10.00 hrs	Complete Control Card & submit online
Gold	265 Minimum 280 Maximum	Visit: minimum of 12 controls	Start between 09.00 & 10.00 hrs	Complete Control Card & submit online
Platinum	265	Visit: 11 controls to include at least one 20-point link	Start between 09.00 & 10.00 hrs	Complete Control Card & submit online

NOTE: Riders must not exceed the maximum or stated points for the category entered and any riders not achieving the minimum points for their category will be downgraded to a lower category. The latest start time allowance will be 20 minutes. A rider who starts more than 20 minutes after the official start or latest start time for their chosen category will be downgraded to the next lower or lowest category. Visiting fewer than required Controls and/or not achieving minimum points will be downgraded to lower category.

3.4 Penalties

Riders will suffer penalties as follows:

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| (a) Exceeding the maximum points for a category (eg.180/280points) | Disqualification |
| (b) Travelling between Controls where no link is shown | Disqualification |
| (c) Visiting a Control more than once other than to start or finish | Disqualification |
| (d) Travelling more than 6 hours without taking a Rest Break (min 30 minutes) | Disqualification |
| (e) Committing a reported road-traffic offence | Disqualification |
| (f) Failing to take the total Rest Breaks listed for the Category | Disqualification |
| (g) Arriving at a Last Control after 20.00hrs Saturday | Disqualification |

4 Entries

The closing date for online entry is 7th September 2020

Individual Entry Fee	£30.00
Passenger Entry Fee Minimum Age 16 Years & from the same residence as the Driver	£9.00
Team Entry Fee	Free (once individual entry made)
RTA Insurance (per person who is to take a turn in driving)	Free

Entries can be made on-line via the Entry Form and payment method on the National Road Rally Website, www.nationalroadrally.co.uk

Online entries will be added immediately to the National Road Rally web site entry list and will not be acknowledged by post. Any administrative and entry queries must be made by email to the Entry Secretary at NationalRoadRally@acu.org.uk with the rider number quoted on the website. Riders are reminded that information requested on the entry form is for information only and will not affect the results but will be used to decide the awards.

All riders and passengers will, whilst taking part in the event, be covered against personal accident risks and third-party risks for those parts of the event on private ground. All riders must have valid Road Traffic Act insurance for their vehicles for that part of the event taking place on the public highway. Details of extra insurance cover provided by the organizers are given in Clause 7 of these Regulations.

Final Instructions, Control Card, Matrix Map and Control Detail List will be available to download from the web site from the 07/09/20 by using the unique number included in the confirmation email that was issued when your entry was made. Riders and passengers will have to reaffirm agreement to the National Road Rally declaration before these documents can be downloaded.

The Entry List will not be dispatched as a separate item before the Rally but will be on the National Road Rally Web Site and updated at regular intervals.

All passengers must be declared on the entry form for insurance purposes. A passenger may also share in the driving (vehicle insurance permitting) and will be eligible for a passenger award. Change of passenger may be made after the closing date providing that notification is made by email prior to the closing date.

If you change your email address please inform the Entry Secretary, by email to, NationalRoadRally@acu.org.uk

Entry fees will be returned only if the event is cancelled.

Team entries

Team entries may be made by Clubs (ACU or BMF affiliated), the Services (e.g. Royal Navy, Marines, Army, Air Force, Civil Police, Customs and Excise), Private teams (any eligible entries)/other Clubs, Motorcycle Manufacturers, or Dealers.

All teams shall consist of three eligible drivers, except for dealer teams, which shall consist of two drivers, and shall all be identified on the entry form. A rider shall not be eligible for more than one team competing for the same award but may be changed after the closing date as long as the replacement rider has already been accepted as an entry. Any such changes shall be made by email by the entry closing date.

5 Awards

Finishers in each category will receive the appropriate category award.

There will be NO Major awards presented this year

Riders can only win one award, excluding Team Awards.

OTHER AWARDS

Team Diploma

Each team entry where all riders finish

Passenger award

Each passenger whose driver achieves an award

After the Rally the Results will be combined with the Entry list so that they can be viewed on the National Road Rally website www.nationalroadrally.co.uk.

6 Protests

Processing of the Results will be completed by the 30th September. Any protests against the results must be made within 14 days of this date and must be accompanied by the protest fee of £100.00. Simple mathematical errors or claims against non-inclusion in the results can be cleared up by contacting the ACU within this time period but need not be the subject of a formal protest and no fee will be required. The protest fee will be refunded if the protest is upheld. A protest not accompanied by the protest fee will not be considered.

7 Insurance – The ACU Road Traffic Act insurance scheme for Participants

Very Important – You should check that your Motorcycle Insurance covers you for this event. Although the event is not a race and speed plays no part, some Insurance Companies refuse cover because you are taking part in a 'Rally'. You are therefore strongly advised to check with your Insurer before taking part.

If your Insurer cannot provide cover, we can help. The ACU have arranged free of charge third party RTA insurance as blanket cover across the whole membership to cover any competitor, marshal or official signed on for an ACU permitted event which, for the duration of the permit, will allow them to use any motor vehicle in connection with the event where the event is in areas of the event where the Road Traffic Act is deemed applicable. .

Passengers: Over the years we are aware that many Passengers take their turn in driving, this change of position can help reduce tiredness brought about by long stints on the front, even though you comply with the compulsory rest breaks.

It is essential that Passengers check they are Insured whilst driving in the Rally.

Although many Passengers who own a motorcycle have cover to "ride other motorcycles with the owner's permission", they may not be covered whilst riding in the Rally.

Therefore Passengers wishing to benefit from the cover offered under the ACU's RTA scheme must email nationalroadrally@acu.org.uk prior to the start of the event as it is unlikely they will be covered by the main entrants own bike policy.

8 Data Protection Act

ACU Data Protection Information

From time to time we may like to send you information about other events we organise. We promise we will never pass on your details to other organisations for commercial or marketing purposes. Under the Data Protection Act, you may let us know, at any time, or by indicating in the appropriate section of the entry form if you do wish us to contact you regarding our other events.

9 Fundraising

The option to fundraise is left to individual competitors. Riders who can show that they have raised £250.00 or more can apply to the Event Secretary, after the Rally, to have their entry fee refunded.

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John Charley Trophy Trial
Middleton
13th September 2020
ACUE A Class Championship Round**

Middleton

13th September 2020

Start: 10.30 AM

ACU Permit No:- ACU 59509

Restricted Invitation Trial

The Wymondham and DMCC Limited will organise a Restricted Invitation Trial event for solo machines to be held under the ACU Trials Standing Regulations and the National Sporting Code of the ACU, these following Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which may be issued. **In addition, the event will follow the guidelines contained within the current COVID 19 restrictions and guidelines given in the COVID 19 Trials Risk assessment.**

The event starts at : Middleton Pit, PE32 1NG

OFFICIALS

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		Results Secretary	Clive Dopson

ELIGIBILITY

All riders and passengers must hold a current ACU Trials Registration and be aged 16 years or over.

Insurance

The event will be covered by the ACU's premier insurance.

ENTRIES

All entries must be via the ACU on-line entry system. The entry fee is **£17.00**.

Maximum 60 riders. No entries on the day. No postal entries. Strictly first come first served with Championship class riders having priority if entry limit exceeded before the closing date. All riders must be a member of an Eastern ACU affiliated club.

Opening date: Monday 1st September 2020. Closing date: Thursday 10th September. Or when full.
Maximum no. of entries: 60

REFUND OF ENTRY

Entries will **not** be refunded unless the entry is refused, or a Doctor's certificate is provided. In the event of cancellation refunds will be made less £2 to cover administration costs.

LOCATION AND START

Middleton Pit, PE32 1NG, marked off the A47

EVENT

Trial event consisting of 10 observed sections laid out around the pit and utilising trees, rocks, hills and banks.

ROUTES

Three routes: Red & Blue, with an easier White Deviation and harder Yellow Deviation.

Results

Will be published on Eastern ACU Website. No paper copies will be posted.

CLASSES

Expert A – Yellow route, Expert B - Red & Blue route. Inter A – Red & Blue route. Inter B – White Route. Novice – White Route. Twinshock – Red & Blue Route. Twinshock – White Route. Pre 70 White Route

“SIGNING ON”

Sunday 13th September from 9.30 AM and in accordance with ACU COVID – 19 Trials Risk Assessment.

There will not be a physical signing on process. Competitors will register their arrival with the Secretary of The Meeting at the venue entrance.

COVID – 19 SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS (as per ACU COVID 19 Risk Assessment)

- Only one competitor per vehicle, unless from the same household
- No guests. No spectators.
- Minimum 3 metres distance between parked vehicles.
- On-line entries only. No cash. No entries on the day.
- Maximum 40 competitors.
- Social distancing minimum 2 metres must be observed at all times.
- Adults only. No youth competitors.
- Observers will choose a vantage point minimum 2 metres from section.
- Observers must not be approached under any circumstances.
- It is rider responsibility to replace dislodged markers. Observer must not enter section or touch section markers.
- Riders must observe minimum 2 metre social distancing at all times.
- No more than 3 riders to walk a section at any one time.
- No signing on. Attendance noted by Secretary of the Meeting when entering the venue.
- No catering will be provided.
- Toilets will not be provided.
- If you have symptoms of COVID 19, or have been in contact with anybody who has in the last 14 days, please do not enter or attend this event.
- Clerk of the Course will strictly impose these requirements. Non compliance will result in being asked to leave the event.

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Supplementary Regulations.

ACU PERMIT NOACU59586.

Sunday 20th September 2020 at Tye Farm Gt Cornard Sudbury Suffolk. CO10 OQA

GRID REFERENCE: TL902411 Signposted from A134 Sudbury to Colchester Road.

START TIME: 10.00.

CLASSES: Enduro/MX/Twin Shock/Pre 65/Evo / Youth 12plus

OFFICIALS: Clerk of the course: Mr Jeff Sharp Licence Number 19384

Machine Examiner Mr J Hart.

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

JURISDICTION: This is a Centre Restricted event held under the NSC & SER's of the ACU.

Entry is open to Solo adult and youth 12 plus for separate event.

EVENT: Solo adults riding 15 minute event plus two laps.

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

MACHINES: Open to SOLO BIKES. Competition plates with colours specific to the class front and both sides. Any tyres may be used.

NOISE: Must not exceed 94 db. The clerk of the course may exclude any machine he considers to be excessively noisy. A noise test may be carried out.

ENTRIES: By ACU online entry ONLY.

A Sudbury MCC transponder will be required. Price £10.00 payable when entering event on line.

STARTING METHOD-Starts will be by flag from a fixed start line by group.

HELMETS: Helmets must bear the A.C.U Gold or silver stamp of approval, be in good condition and worn throughout the event.

EXCLUSIONS: As per standing Enduro /Hare and Hound regs with the addition of the following-disregarding instructions from a Marshal, either verbal or signaled, Course-Cutting Smoking in the Pit/Refueling area - Ineffective exhaust/silencer system-Outside assistance.

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Braintree & District MCC
Purls Hill Trial
27th September 2020
ACUE A Class Championship Round

Purls Hill

27th September 2020

Start: 10.30 AM

Restricted Invitation Trial

ACU Permit:- 59544

The Braintree and DMCC will organise a Restricted Invitation Trial event for solo machines to be held under the ACU Trials Standing Regulations and the National Sporting Code of the ACU, these following Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which may be issued. The event starts at : Purls Hill, Alderford Street, Sible Hedingham CO9 3HZ

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ELIGIBILITY

All riders and passengers must hold a current ACU Trials Registration and be aged 16 years or over.

Insurance

The event will be covered by the ACU's premier insurance.

ENTRIES

All entries must be via the ACU on-line entry system. The entry fee is **£15.00**.

Maximum 60 riders. **ABSOLUTELY NO ENTRY ON THE DAY. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS.** No postal entries. Strictly first come first served with Championship class riders having priority if entry limit exceeded before the closing date. All riders must be a member of an Eastern ACU affiliated club.

Opening date: Monday 7th September 2020. Closing date: Monday 21st September. Or when full.

Maximum no. of entries: 60

REFUND OF ENTRY

Entries will **not** be refunded unless the entry is refused, or a Doctor's certificate is provided.

LOCATION AND START

Purls Hill. Alderford Street. Sible Hedingham CO9 3HZ. Event will be signed from Sible Hedingham A1017

EVENT

Trial event consisting of 10 observed sections laid out around the venue, using woodland, trees, logs, banks and pit.

ROUTES

Three routes: Red & Blue, with an easier White Deviation and harder Yellow Deviation.

Results

Will be published on Eastern ACU Website. No paper copies will be posted.

CLASSES

Expert A – Yellow route, Expert B – Red & Blue route. Inter A – Red & Blue route. Inter B – White Route. Novice – White Route. Twinshock – Red & Blue Route. Twinshock – White Route. Pre 70 White Route

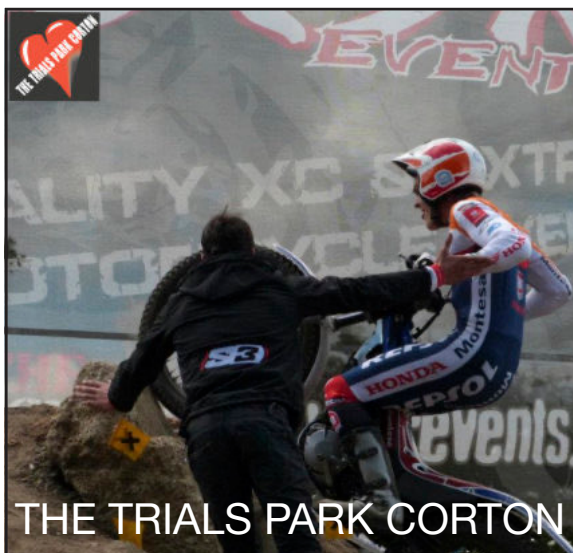
“SIGNING ON”

Sunday 27th September from 9.00 AM and in accordance with ACU COVID – 19 Trials Risk Assessment.

There will not be a physical signing on process. Competitors will register their arrival with the Secretary of The Meeting at the venue entrance. **PLEASE ARRIVE BY 10AM. THE GATE TO THE VENUE WILL BE CLOSED AT 10AM** in Accordance with COVID Guidelines.

COVID – 19 SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS (as per ACU COVID 19 Risk Assessment)

- Only one competitor per vehicle, unless from the same household
- No guests. No spectators.
- Minimum 3 metres distance between parked vehicles.
- On-line entries only. No cash. No entries on the day.
- Maximum 40 competitors.
- Social distancing minimum 2 metres must be observed at all times.
- Adults only. No youth competitors.
- Observers will choose a vantage point minimum 2 metres from section.
- Observers must not be approached under any circumstances.
- It is rider responsibility to replace dislodged markers. Observer must not enter section or touch section markers.
- Riders must observe minimum 2 metre social distancing at all times.
- No more than 3 riders to walk a section at any one time.
- No signing on. Attendance noted by Secretary of the Meeting when entering the venue.
- No catering will be provided.
- Toilets will not be provided.
- If you have symptoms of COVID 19, or have been in contact with anybody who has in the last 14 days, please do not enter or attend this event.
- Clerk of the Course will strictly impose these requirements. Non compliance will result in being asked to leave the event.



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SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS
Halstead & DMCC
Richard Fitch Memorial Meeting
4th October 2020

ANNOUNCEMENT;

Halstead and District MCC will organise an Richard Fitch Memorial motocross event on: 4th October 2020
Venue: Little Loveney Hall, Wakes Colne, Essex. CO6 2BH Permit number :**ACU59615**

SECRETARY OF THE MEETING

Mrs Karin Beadle 6 Fastnet Close, Haverhill, Suffolk, CB9 0LL. Tel No 07787544418 Email: karin6@sky.com

COURSE

The course is accessed by following the signage from either the A1124 at Chappel Viaduct or the B1508 Colchester to Bures Road, and then via Inworth Lane, Wakes Colne, Post code CO6 2BH. Please only follow road signs for the track and drive with courtesy through the village. **DO NOT USE LANE ROAD Disregard satnav directions.**

TEMPORARY COURSE LICENSE No: 19/007

JURISDICTIONS

The meetings will be held under the National Sporting Code and Motocross Standing Regulations of the A.C.U. 2020 edition, these Supplementary Regulations and any further Instructions Issued or Official Announcements made.

OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course	Alex Wright	Licence no. 187442
Assistant Clerk of the Course	Peter Ingram	Licence no 172304
Assistant Clerk of the Course	Kieran Doherty	Licence no. 156915
Safety Officer	Charlie Garrod	Licence no. 134115
Chief Technical Officer	Charlie Garrod	
Chief Timekeeper	Karin Beadle	
Chief Marshal	John Nickerson	
Stewards	Centre Club	
	Mark Mitchell	
	Ray Game	

We are hoping to allow spectators and camping but as yet have not had permission from the council. When we do we will advise on any conditions.

ELIGIBILITY

Riders holding a current 2020 ACU or SACU licence. Day licences are available when booking on line.

YOU WILL NEED TO HAVE PURCHASED AN EASTERN ACU RIDER NUMBER PRIOR TO ENTERING THIS MEETING. You can do this at <http://www.easternacu.org> reserved number scheme.

Entries must be via the ACU Online Entry system, no cash entries

Entries will close either when full or on the Friday evening prior to the event

No Entries will be accepted after this time

HEALTH

Please DO NOT attend if you, or anyone in your household are displaying symptoms of COVID19 or have been in contact with anyone who has had COVID19 in the last 14 days. Anyone displaying symptoms will be asked to leave and no refund will be issued. If require by restrictions at the time all person's temperatures will be checked at the gate. Anyone having a raised temp will be asked to leave.

PARKING

You will be parked by a committee member. The paddock has been marked out. Please drive to the top of the paddock road where you will find three entrances to get into the parking areas. Please park facing down the paddock and remember to leave at least 1.5m between vehicles. No one is to park in squares.

ENTRIES:

There will be 120 entries and 40 Evo/Super Evo/Twinshock

4 groups

40 on the gate, each group will have 3 races.

There will be 10min Timed Practice

There will also be a Richard Fitch Race which will be a LeMans style start.

AWARDS

Prize Money

Richard Fitch Race Trophies

Evo/Super Evo/Twinshock Prizes Trophies

Allcomers Trophies

WITHDRAWALS

Riders who do not inform the Secretary of the meeting by text or email 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 unless accompanied by a medical letter sent via email to the Secretary. Refunds, will incur a £5.00 administration charge. In the event of cancellation, refunds will be made less £5 administration fee.

INSURANCE

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.

TECHNICAL CONTROL

The rider is required to produce their machines to Technical Control between 8am – 9am. When more than one motorcycle is entered they must be presented to Technical Control at the same time. No competitor will be permitted to practice or race unless the Technical Official has passed all clothing and machines. **Bikes must have the correct number** and correct colour plates. Failure to do so will result in a technical failure and will not be timed. The rider will be instructed to demonstrate the brakes, throttle and foot rests etc are all working. Technical Officers will visually inspect the helmet. It is compulsory that riders/passengers wear, as a minimum, back and chest protectors, incorporated within the suit or worn separately. It is advised that all riders and passengers should wear a body belt/kidney protector

SOUND CONTROL

As per 2020 ACU handbook Standard Regulations section 7, Technical Control number 7

SIGNING ON

There will be no physical signing on, your attendance will be marked off as you enter at the top of the lane. where you must show your ACU licence.

PRACTICE

Practice will commence at 10am

Practice sessions will be 10mins Timed practice

METHOD OF START

The start will be live engine, clutch type. Please ensure your gloves, goggles and helmets are on when travelling to and from the line through the designated riding lanes. **Start gate positions will be determined by times practice.** No one except **RIDERS** and **OFFICIALS** shall be permitted to the area of the starting gate.

TIMEKEEPING

All machines must have a MyLaps/AMB transponder. If you wish to hire a transponder you must pay for it online in advance and should be collected on the day from the table below the signing on hut. You will be required to place one of the following, ACU licence, driving licence, credit card or £20 as a deposit which will be returned to you when return your transponder.

TRACK ACTIVITY

The Clerk of the Course, Rider or Riders Helper is the only persons allowed to recover a bike on the track. No one else must go trackside to a fallen rider other than above or the Medics.

PADDOCK

There is a catering and spares van, please queue 2m apart

The riding in the paddock of any pit bikes or mini bikes is not allowed.

If you are in a queue remember to stay 2m apart at all times.

Pressure washers will be allowed subject to weather

Dogs must be kept on leads at all times.

Please take all litter and tyres home with you as there are **no skips** and tidy up around your van before leaving.

When traveling through the farmyard please do so quietly and at walking pace children and animals could be in the farm yard.

Please remember these are unprecedented times and we are doing our best to keep the sport going. We hope that you enjoy your day and remember that the organisers are all volunteers.



QUICK QUIZ

Another little collection of brain teasers for you. Some of these questions are little more obscure than usual. It will probably also help if you are closer to your pension book than your school books!

Answers on page 23

Q1/ The articulated style of back protector first introduced by Dainese was based on a prototype made from full-face helmet visors and inspired by the armour of an armadillo. Who made this first prototype and gave the design free of charge to Dainese?

Q2/ The first British Motocross GP was held at Hawkstone Park, but in what year?

Q3/ Name the Swiss multiple world champion whose experimental designs completely changed the look of sidecar road racing.

Q4/ Which company produced the first production motocross bikes with mono shock rear suspension?

Q5/ Which is the only company to produce a motorcycle with 4 oval pistons and 8 con-rods?

Q6/ When Barry Sheene flicked a 'V' sign at Kenny Roberts in their epic 1979 British GP Battle, what did Murray Walker famously think Barry was doing?

Q7/ What is the Cheng Shin Rubber Industry Company better known as in Europe & the USA?

Q8/ Name the multiple enduro world champion who won the inaugural Moto1 event held at Donnington Park.

Q9/ Which oil was marketed as 'Liquid Engineering'?

Q10/ What was the title of the BBC TV programme that featured adult and youth trials riders?



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2020 Events in the ACU Eastern Region

NOTE: All dates may be subject to postponement or cancellation, particularly with the current Covid-19 pandemic. We will keep this document as up to date as possible when notified by the clubs of any changes or cancellations. Please check that you have the latest version of this document from the website www.easternacu.org. Always check events are still on before travelling.

Events with RED background have been confirmed as CANCELLED

Events with a GREEN background have been confirmed as TAKING PLACE

Date	Club	Discipline	Status	Venue	Championship
05 September 2020	Woodbridge	Motocross	Practice	Blaxhall	CANCELLED
06 September 2020	Woodbridge	Motocross	Open	Blaxhall	CANCELLED
06 September 2020	Essex & Suffolk Border	Trial	Open	tbc	CANCELLED
06 September 2020	Sudbury	Enduro	Open	Pebmarsh	Dave Barkshire 2 Man Enduro Rd 4
12 September 2020	Stowmarket	Trial	Open	Kenton	
13 September 2020	Stowmarket	Enduro	Open	Kenton	Dave Barkshire 2 Man Enduro Rd 5
13 September 2020	Wymondham	Trial	Open	Middleton	ACU Eastern Trials A Class
19 September 2020	Woodbridge	Trial	Open	Blaxhall	
20 September 2020	Sudbury	Enduro	Open	Cornard	
20 September 2020	Diss	Motocross	Open	Wattisfield Hall	
20 September 2020	Norwich Viking	Trial	Open	Gt Ellingham	CANCELLED
27 September 2020	Braintree	Trial	Open	Purfs Hill	
27 September 2020	NSJMCC	Trial	Open	Westleton	
27 September 2020	NSJMCC	Motocross	Open	tbc	
03 October 2020	GW Racing	Grasstrack	Open	Gosbeck	
04 October 2020	Halstead & DMCC	Motocross	Open	Wakes Colne	Richard Fitch Memorial
10 October 2020	500cc Sidecar	Grasstrack	Open	Highlands House	CANCELLED
11 October 2020	Braintree	Motocross	Open	Foxborough	CANCELLED
11 October 2020	Castle Colchester	Trial	Open	Thorrington	ACU Eastern Trials B Class
18 October 2020	Ipswich	Trial	Open	tbc	N&S Group Round 5
18 October 2020	EFA	Trial	Restricted	Snaque Pit	
18 October 2020	Braintree	tbc	Open	tbc	
18 October 2020	NSJMCC	Motocross	Open	Gt Hockham	
25 October 2020	Southend	Trial	Open	Poles Wood	ACU Eastern Trials D Class
25 October 2020	Woodbridge	Trial	Open	tbc	ACU Eastern Trials C Class
01 November 2020	Essex & Suffolk Border	Trial	Open	Raydon	ACU Eastern Trials B Class
15 November 2020	Southend	Trial	Open	Poles Wood	Southern Experts
15 November 2020	Diss	Enduro	Open	Thetford Forest	GH MC's ACU Eastern Enduro Rd 6
22 November 2020	EFA	Trial	Open	Thorrington	ACU Eastern Trials C Class
22 November 2020	NSJMCC	Motocross	Open	Gt Hockham	
29 November 2020	Lowestoft Invaders	Trial	Restricted	Corton	ACU Eastern Trials B Class
06 December 2020	Norwich Viking	Trial	Open	Lyng	N&S Group Round 6
13 December 2020	NSJMCC	Motocross	Open	Gt Hockham	
13 December 2020	NSJMCC	Trial	Open	Santon Downham	
20 December 2020	Braintree	Trial	Open	Beazley End	
26 December 2020	Ipswich	Trial	Open	Raydon Pit	
27 December 2020	Woodbridge	Trial	Open	Butley	Trials C Class
27 December 2020	Sudbury	Enduro	Open	Foxborough	Extreme Enduro

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Answers to Quick Quiz

Q1 Barry Sheene, **Q2** 1957, **Q3** Rolf Biland, **Q4** Yamaha, **Q5** Honda, **Q6** He thought Sheene was waving at Roberts, **Q7** Maxxis Tyres, **Q8** David Knight MBE, **Q9** Castrol GTX, **Q10** Kickstart

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