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Yes, we're still wearing face coverings, and yes we should still be social distancing but it does seem that the Covid-19 virus is at last on the back foot and we can enjoy a bit more freedom. Although judging by the cover photo on this issue there wasn't too much social distancing at turn one of the opening round of the Centre motocross championship at Wakes Colne a few weeks ago. And it seems that competitive motorcycle sport is well and truly back underway in the East of England judging by the number of regs that are printed in this gazette.

For those clubs that run Premier Insurance (Trials) events please remember that the Centre will be able to issue your permits after May 1st, for any event that is scheduled to run after June 1st. Current paperwork routines re risk assessments remain in place, until at least June 21st, but full guidance notes will be issued early in May as to the correct protocol.

You will notice in this issue we have an excellent report and images from Richard Blyth about the NGR round at Blaxhall in April, and of course Charlie Ralph has had his usual comments to make about the state of the MX nation!! Now I appreciate that this means the content is very motocross heavy, so if you run Trials/Enduros/GT's then you know what to do!! And don't worry if your reporting skills are not at national media level, we're always happy to help string a few words together....

Over the last 12 months or so we have become pretty adept at holding meetings 'online', either via Zoom or Teams and this has proved fairly popular. It does however, mean that we don't get to meet up in quite the same way, and if we are to be honest, this one to one chat in a village hall or similar invariably means that we can sort out minor problems without them increasing into major altercations. It's also good to have a natter!!! With this in mind, and subject to the lockdown roadmap continuing to provide a positive outcome we are planning to hold the next two Centre meetings 'in person'. First up will be the 'new' sustainability, or forward planning, meeting which will be in the evening at Gt Blakenham on July 14th, and the other meeting will be the AGM/Board mtg on remembrance Sunday – November 14th. More information about both meetings in due course.

Most of you know that my main two wheel interest is on the tarmac - far less dirty – and I know many of you enjoy the Superbikes and MotoGP. It's been brilliant to watch the first few rounds of MotoGP, and incredible to see how closely matched all the riders and/or machinery are. Just a matter of seconds covering the entire field at the chequered flag after 75 miles or more of wheel to wheel racing; and it has also been nice to have a British rider heading the Moto2 class; until Portimao that is! Which brings me nicely to the fact that the British Superbike championship gets underway very shortly, and will be visiting Snetterton in Norfolk later in the calendar than normal over the weekend September 3rd – 5th. Let's hope I don't put the editor's curse on Thetford's Ryan Vickers this season who once again lines up on the Swaffham based RAF Regular and Reserves Kawasaki.

Foreword

Phil Armes



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BADWELL ASH
16/05/20**

Badwell Ash**16th MAY 2021****Start: 10.30 AM****OPEN Trial****Permit No: ACU 60487**

The Ipswich MCC will organise a Restricted Club only 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 : Badwell Ash Pit, IP31 3DR

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Licence Number 5689

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Club Steward G Timms
Secretary of the Meeting Mrs P Cordle 4
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Event Safety Officer David Cordle

ELIGIBILITY

All riders 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**.

No entries on the day, No postal entries

Restricted to 50 riders plus EXPERTS

Opening date: 4th of May 2021 **Closing date:** Friday 14th of May. Or when full.

LOCATION AND START

Badwell Ash Pit, IP31 3DR, marked off the A1088

EVENT

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

ROUTES

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

Results

Will be published on Eastern ACU Website..

CLASSES

Routes for all Adult Solo Classes

“SIGNING ON”

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 or Bubble.
- All Observers and Officials to sign Track and Trace Forms
- Approved Covid restricted distance between parked vehicles.
- ACU On-line entries only. No cash. No entries on the day.
- Maximum 50 competitors. PLUS EXPERTS
- 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 are encouraged to wear face covering.
- 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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ACU PERMIT NO. ACU 60523

Sunday 16th May 2021 at Foxborough Quarry, Sible Hedingham, Nr Halstead, Essex. CO9 3AN
GRID REFERENCE: TL794325 Signposted from A1124, Halstead to Hedingham Road.

START TIME: 10.00.

CLASSES: Championship/Expert/ Clubman/Sportsman Youth 1 hour event to run after adult event.

OFFICIALS: Clerk of the course: Mr G Hockey Scrutineer: 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/youth riders .

EVENT: Solo adults riding 2.5 hours Youths 1 hour.

CLASSES: Championship, Expert, Clubman, Novice / Youth.

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

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

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. £48.00 plus £10.00 Transponder if required. Youth entry £20.00. A Sudbury MCC transponder will be required.

STARTING METHOD-Starts will be with a dead engine, from a fixed start line by group.

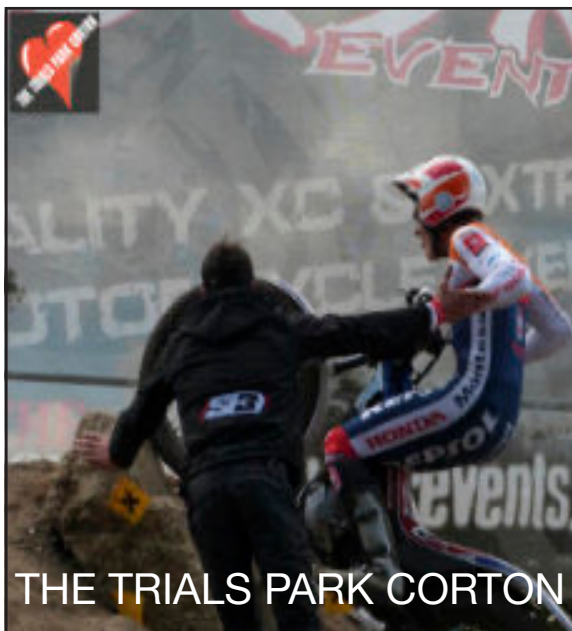
HELMETS: Helmets must bear the A.C.U Gold or silver stamp of approval, be in good condition and worn throughout the event.

EXCLUSIONS: As per standing Enduro 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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Recollection Section

Sidge Kenny



I get more than fed-up when I read, or as happened recently, hear on local radio, of the misdeeds by some of our so-called: 'fellow riders' which include unauthorised riding on private land or in areas controlled by the Forestry Commission. To add insult to injury, the particular radio report on a major police action in the Kings forest near Thetford, let forth the information that some of the miscreants were not from this region at all but had come from places as far away as Kent and Cambridgeshire. This action by the Police resulted in several convictions and bike confiscations. It had also come on the back of the more reassuring news that Forest land would still be available for properly authorised events.

For some years now, it has been my opinion that we may be on borrowed time when it comes to obtaining the access we have previously enjoyed in running our off-road events on informally hired land. Public perception – an important factor – is being increasingly encouraged to take the view that in our use of fossil- fuelled machines, we are materially adding to the general pollution of the planet. Whilst a sensible look at the wider picture, shows such a view to be well wide of the mark, if you then add the "general nuisance" view of some groups, such as the Ramblers Association, whose ethic deems that motor vehicles as a whole, should not be allowed in the countryside, we, as a movement, do increasingly look like "the bad guys". We should also understand that such media coverage we do get for our sport - welcome as it is - will leave the average citizen with the belief that motorcycle sport is conducted on lavish road race circuits or confined to speedway stadiums. Motocross, grass track and trials are not covered as fully- and, as we all know, every trials rider has to explain to the uninitiated exactly what a motorcycle trial is all about. This overall lack of knowledge and our relatively small numbers, could make our situation regarding countryside land usage, unpopular and somewhat precarious. In cases like the Thetford forest incident, our "old mates," turn out to be in fact, our worse enemies.

Of course, I know very well that the nit-wits who without care or thought, went into these areas and were caught, would not be members of any of our affiliated clubs – at least, I sincerely hope not. If they were, I would have to suggest that their actions should be seen to be bringing our sport into disrepute and as such, strict measures should be undertaken.

And yet I also have to admit that for as long as motorcycles have been ridden, we have been in trouble. Even on the hallowed soil where motorbikes are forever welcome - the Isle of Man - had a major discussion in their Parliament over a hundred years ago, as to whether the 1913 T.T. Races should go ahead after many complaints were made about visiting motorcyclists – which did not of course, involve the "proper" T.T. Riders - removing exhausts, tearing around at excessive speed and generally scaring much more than the horses. In more recent times, we had "mad sunday's" over there - which required Police action. Now, after a two year lull, I can well imagine a movement by some Manx residents, to discontinue the races over the mountain circuit – hopefully this will be counter-acted by the same reasons the 1914 TT meeting was allowed to proceed, which was the overwhelming beneficial effect on the Island economy. Money can overcome most things - but bad behaviour can lose you just as much.



Charlie's Chat

Charlie Ralph

At last, the sound of bikes at motocross meetings, albeit with no spectators, which hopefully, fingers crossed, will change from mid May.

Halstead kicked off the season with round one of the Eastern championships at Wakes Colne. The club has worked hard at this iconic venue over the past months, with new fencing, well managed surroundings etc. All results are posted on speedhive, and other various outlets, so no need to mention race positions, points etc. However, it was really good to see several youngsters doing so well in their first adult journey into the sport. Some of the credit must

go to youth organisations, particularly the Norfolk and Suffolk club, for nurturing the riders at their early stages of racing.

Quite a few lads even made the Premier class, including Ollie Beamish, Jake Rackham, Callum Murfitt, Archie Fisher, Ethan Martin, and the twin brothers, Alby and Harry Smith, so a big well done. Star of the day was Lewis Tombs, who won all three moto's riding the Banks Honda. Lewis has recently stated that he no longer will compete in National events, so hopefully, we will see a lot more of him at local meetings. Behind him, Declan Whittle, Shaun Southgate, Luke Benstead, Luke Parker and Josh Peters battled hard, such a pity that race fans missed some great sport.

Sussex youngster, Ollie Beamish, took maximum points in the junior championship category. Ollie comes from a long line of top riders of course. Dad is Danny Beamish, uncles Steve Beamish and Billy Aldridge, and grandad was the late Graham Beamish, all top British riders in their time. Fakenham's Matt Pope has returned to the sport, and finished 2nd in the junior championship points.

Next meeting was the open class and round one of the NGR over 30's championships at a sunny, but cold Blaxhall. Once again, the club's circuit crew had the place looking immaculate, (I had to smile at the article in TMX, when they analysed the British Championship circuits. The article regarding Blaxhall stated that the place was so clean, that you had to wipe your shoes when getting out of the car !) I take that as a big compliment. Racing was closely fought in all classes, and the surprise was to see two-time former British MX2 champion, Elliott Banks-Browne in action for the first time in almost a year. Elliott won all three group A races but was hard pushed by Luke Benstead and Lewis Tombs. Once again, several youngsters qualified in the top group, and certainly did not disgrace themselves.

Top of the junior pile was Norfolk's Bayliss Utting, who was the leading junior grade rider in all three moto's. Bayliss won youth trophies in practically every class when he was competing in the Eastern youth championships, and it looks like that will continue now that he is racing in the adults.

Matt Pope continued his good form by winning all three legs in the NGR races, with former champions, Will Kerry and Tim Clark, 2nd and 3rd overall. It seems that the over 30's series is still proving popular, with a full line up in action at Blaxhall. This is actually the 33rd year of the series, originally instigated by the late Nigel Read.

The Diss club's meeting will be next on the calendar. Round two of the Eastern championships will take place at the fast Wattisfield Hall circuit on May 9th; then on May 23rd, hopefully with a big crowd allowed, the Vikings will be hosting round three of the Revo sponsored RHL/ACU British championships at Lyng. As long as spectators are allowed, this should be a must for all race fans. It will be back to Blaxhall on May 30th at the end of a busy month, for round three of the Eastern championships.

I end on a sour note to learn that yet another rider has had his bikes stolen. Expert Ollie Brader has lost both of his KTM bikes recently. Please do what you can to ensure that low life scum cannot pinch your pride and joys.

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Woodbridge Open Motocross inc. NGR R1

Sunday 25th May 2021 saw the Woodbridge DMCC club host their first race meeting of the year at the Blaxhall Circuit. With Covid restriction still in place the event was held without spectators at the venue, but a strong line of 160 riders enjoyed a great day's racing.

The meeting featured the opening round of the NGR Championship for over 30's along with 3 groups of Expert and Junior riders in a 12-race programme.

In the NGR Championship group it was Matt Pope on the Matt Pope Motorcycles Kawasaki who took the opening race win after moving forward to pass early race lead Will Kerry for the win, while Tim Clark took third ahead of Leon Woodford in fourth and Mark Hunt in fifth.

The second race once again saw Pope take the race win by over 20 seconds ahead of John Hinz and Will Kerry in third, with Sean Wright and Tim Clark taking fourth and fifth. Pope made it three out of three to claim the overall in the final race taking the win ahead of John Hinz, Tim Clark, Sean Wright and Will Kerry. Pope ended the day with the overall victory ahead of Will Kerry and Tim Clark.

In the A Group a number of the Expert rider topped the entry list along with the fastest Junior riders on the day. It was the former two times British Champion Elliott Banks-Browne who was the fastest in qualifying and competing in his first race for over 15 months. The opening race saw Banks-Browne in a race long battle with Luke Benstead, with Banks-Browne taking the victory over Benstead, Lewis Tombs in third and Tom Grimshaw and Luke Parker taking fourth and fifth. The top Junior in the race was young Bayliss Utting in 14th as he competed in his first adult event.

The second race saw drama on the start when Banks-Browne stalled the bike going into the second turn and had to restart from almost dead last. At the front Tombs was in the lead and battling to stay ahead of the chasing pack, while Banks-Browne was moving forward at a very quick pace. Towards the end of the race Banks-Browne had moved into second and took the



lead with a lap to go and claimed the win ahead of Tombs, Sam Nunn in third and Tom Grimshaw and Luke Parker in fourth and fifth. Once again it was Bayliss Utting as the top Junior in the race in 13th place.

The final A group race saw Banks-Browne make good start and take a start to finish race win to claim a hat trick of race wins and the overall. Second in the race went to Luke Benstead ahead of Lewis Tombs, Sam Nunn and Luke Parker rounding out the top 5. Bayliss Utting finished the race again in 13th as the top Junior.

The A Group overall saw Banks-Browne take the win ahead of Tombs, Nunn, Parker and Benstead making the top 5 overall.

In the B group it was Jack Whitlam who took the overall victory ahead of Thomas Clarke and Ross Young in third. Richard Roper claimed fourth overall after taking two race wins but a DNF in the second race dropped him down the overall with Marcus Smith in fifth overall.

The C Group saw Lee Scott take the overall win ahead of Sam Cushion, Jonathan Finch rounding out the top 3 with Josh Sturman and Robert Green rounding out the top five overall.

After a successful day the Woodbridge DMCC will now prepare for their next meeting on the 30th May where they hope that the Government and ACU guidelines will allow the return of spectators to the event.



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RESULTS

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A Group Race 1

1. Elliott Banks-Browne
2. Luke Benstead
3. Lewis Tombs
4. Tom Grimshaw
5. Luke Parker

A Group Race 2

1. Elliott Banks-Browne
2. Lewis Tombs
3. Sam Nunn
4. Tom Grimshaw
5. Luke Parker

A Group Race 3

1. Elliott Banks-Browne
2. Luke Benstead
3. Lewis Tombs
4. Sam Nunn
5. Luke Parker

A Group Overall

1. Elliott Banks-Browne 75pts
2. Lewis Tombs 62pts
3. Sam Nunn 52pts
4. Luke Parker 48pts
5. Luke Benstead 44pts

Top Junior: Bayliss Utting

B Group Race 1

1. Marcus Smith
2. Richard Roper
3. Jack Whitlam
4. Thomas Clarke
5. John Hilton

B Group Race 2

1. Thomas Clarke
2. Jack Whitlam
3. Lee Butson
4. Oliver Gaut
5. Thomas Mustard

B Group Race 3

1. Richard Roper
2. Karl Sturman
3. Ross Young
4. Jack Whitlam
5. Rupert Graver

B Group Overall

1. Jack Whitlam 60pts
2. Thomas Clarke 57pts
3. Ross Young 48pts
4. Richard Roper 47pts
5. Marcus Smith 40pts

C Group Race 1

1. Sam Cushion
2. Ben Secker
3. Lee Scott
4. Chris Gaut
5. Jonathan Finch

C Group Race 2

1. Lee Scott
2. Joshua Warren
3. Sam Cushion
4. Jonathan Finch
5. Ben Secker

C Group Race 3

1. Josh Sturman
2. Lee Scott
3. Robert Green
4. Sam Cushion
5. Jonathan Finch

C Group Overall

1. Lee Scott 67pts
2. Sam Cushion 63pts
3. Jonathan Finch 50pts
4. Josh Sturman 48pts
5. Robert Green 41pts

NGR Race 1

1. Matt Pope
2. Will Kerry
3. Tim Clark
4. Leon Woodford
5. Mark Hunt

NGR Race 2

1. Matt Pope
2. John Hinz
3. Will Kerry
4. Sean Wright
5. Tim Clark

NGR Race 3

1. Matt Pope
2. John Hinz
3. Tim Clark
4. Sean Wright
5. Will Kerry

NGR Overall

1. Matt Pope 150pts
2. Will Kerry 133pts
3. Tim Clark 131pts
4. Sean Wright 126pts
5. Mark Hunt 121pts

Photos:

Title Page: 'A' Class turn 1

Previous Page: Lewis Tombs Right: Elliot Banks-Browne

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Sup Regs for the 30th May.

To enter this event, you must have purchased a race number from the ACU reserved number scheme. Your entry will not be accepted until you have purchased your number.

1 ANNOUNCEMENT: WOODBRIDGE & DMCC LTD will organise this Round of the Eastern Centre Championship at the Blaxhall Circuit, Near Woodbridge, on Sunday May 30th 2021

Permit number: **ACU 60549 TCC 20/002**

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3 COURSE

The course is situated north of Woodbridge, approximately about 1 1/2 miles off the A12 between Lt Glemham & Stafford St Andrew, on the turning for Park Gate Farm (IP17 1LG), postcode for the track is IP12 2DU this postcode will take you though the local villages and is not the preferred route, please follow road signs for the track from the A12.

WHEN LEAVING THE CIRCUIT PLEASE FOLLOW THE SIGNS AND DO NOT TAKE THE SHORTCUT THOUGH LT GLEMHAM VILLAGE.

4 JURISDICTION

The meeting is held under the National Sporting Code of the ACU, Motocross Standing Regulations 2021, these Supplementary Regulations and any final Instructions or Official Announcements made on the day.

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Club Stewards	CHARLIE RALPH

6 ELIGIBILITY

Riders holding a current 2021 ACU Adult licence, and members of the ACU club. Day licences are available. Machines. As per the 2021 ACU Handbook

7 NUMBER OF RIDERS & DRIVERS ALLOWED

Solo 200 Races: 15
Prize fund: As per Eastern Centre Championship

8 ENTRIES & PASSES

ENTRIES ARE ONLY ACCEPTED ONLINE VIA THE ACU WEBSITE. THE CLUB RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ENTRY WITHOUT GIVING A REASON. THE ENTRY FEE IS £50.

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.

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.

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.

TRANSPONDERS WILL BE USED AT THIS MEETING. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ONE YOU CAN HIRE ONE, THERE WILL BE A CHARGE OF £10 PER DAY, PLEASE TEXT ANDREW HAY 07766 904655 OR EMAIL timing@easternacu.org

9 INSURANCE

The insurance cover for this event is "BASIC" there is no Personal Accident cover for competitors and Liability cover in respect of any claim made by third parties is limited to 10 million and 5 million for Medical mal-practice.

RIDER ARE STONGLY RECOMMENDED TO PURCHASED THEIR OWN ACCIDENT COVER

10 TECHNICAL CONTROL and SIGNING ON 7.45am- 9.00am

Riders will need to present their bike and helmet to the technical team visually, there will be no hands on by the technical team.

Competitors are required to produce their machine, helmet and body armour to Technical Control. 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 their machine, helmet, and seen their body armour, as per the ACU guidelines. Please ensure you have the correct colour plates and numbers on your bike as you will be refused entry to the meeting.

11 SOUND CONTROL

Random or spot check noise testing may take place by an ACU Sound control official.

12 PRACTICE at 9.30am

PRACTICE SESSION: 5 MINS FREE PRACTICE,
FOLLOWED STRAIGHT AWAY BY 10 MINS TIMED QUALIFICATION

13 RACES

The Number of races will be 15

14 PROGRAMME

As per program

15 METHOD OF START

The start will be live engine, clutch type.

No one except **RIDERS** and **OFFICIALS** shall be permitted into the area of the starting gate. **Riders are advised that the club have a concrete start and that under no circumstances is there to be any grooming or soil added to the concrete area of the start gate.**

Once a rider has taken his position at the start gate, he cannot change it. A rider is deemed to be under starter's orders having been called to the start line, when all the riders are on start line the starter will hold up a green flag from which moment the riders are under his control. The starter will hold up a 15 second board for a full 15 seconds, at the end of the 15 seconds, he will hold up a 5 seconds board and the gate will drop between 5 and 10 seconds after the 5 second Board is shown.

16 FINISH OF RACE

Riders must complete at least 50% of the distance of the winner and pass the chequered flag to be classed as a finisher.

17 FUEL

All fuel used during an event must comply with 2020 ACU Fuel Regulations

18 TEAR OFFS

THE USE OF TEAR OFFS AT THIS EVENT IS PERMITTED BY THE CLUB

THE USE OF ENVIRONMENTAL MATS AT THIS MEETING WILL BE ENFORCED, THIS ALSO INCLUDES UNDER GENERATORS AND PRESSURE WASHES.

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

Please take any rubbish home with you. Take used tyres away with you as it is an offence not to dispose of them in the correct manner and costs the club money. Please place waste oil in the bin provided in the paddock for us to dispose of properly.

Please keep the use of pressure washers to a minimum, and use environmentally friendly detergents.

Dogs must be kept on leads at all times in the paddock and around the track.

Hope you have a great day's racing.

Overnight camping for riders only will be allowed. The circuit will be open from 4pm to 8pm on Saturday 29th May. Please only camp over if you will be self-contained and have your own facilities as the Toilet Blocks will be closed overnight.

WOODBRIIDGE & DMCC LTD

GH MOTORCYCLES HUSQUARNA BLAXHALL SPRINT
ROUND OF EASTERN CENTRE CHAMPIONSHIP

Sunday 6th June 2021

ACU Permit : tbc

Blaxhall Pits – IP17 1LG

Officials

Centre Steward : TBA

Clerk of the Course : Ian Barfield (123652)

Club Stewards: Wilf Harvey & John Read

Results : Richard Snowden

Entries Secretary : Deb Harvey (email woodbridge46@hotmail.co.uk)

ANNOUNCEMENT: The Woodbridge & DMCC Ltd will organise the above event under an ACU Special COVID 19 Event Permit. The event is held under the ACU National Sporting Code, these Supplementary Regulations and any further instructions that may be issued

Insurance :

The insurance cover for this event will be BASIC (limit of liability £10 Million) and Medical Malpractice Insurance (limit of liability £5 Million) is included. There is NO Personal Accident Insurance for Competitors. Competitors are therefore strongly recommended to purchase such Cover.

Status of event: Open

Fitness to be at the event - Riders must not enter or attend the event, nor must any other person with Covid-19 symptoms. If you start to show symptoms at the event, you must not report to medical staff or the first aid centre. Go home, self-isolate and call 111 if your conditions deteriorate.

Social distancing: Applies at the event in terms of parking, scrutineering and sign on, pit area, start line, toilets and catering. When you have finished your race, go straight back to your vehicle in the pits. Do not stop for any reason to talk to friends or fellow riders

Venue: Will be arrowed off the off A12, at Stratford St Andrew

Eligibility: Open to adult riders holding an Enduro Licence issued by the ACU.

Entries and cash - As handling of documentation must be minimised, all entries must be on-line. No entries or payment will be taken on the day.

Entry fee £ 50

Entry refunds less 10% administration fee in the event of event cancellation.

Event : riders start individually and event consists of a series of Special Tests where the time is taken to 1/1000 second. The event being decided on the sum of the time penalties achieved over the set number of Special tests.

Course: Full details of the course will be announced with the final instructions. It is expected that the lap length will be approximately 4 miles of and woodland and mx track, with all refuelling at the start/finish area.

Classes: 1. Championship 2. Expert 3. Expert Veteran (Over 40) 4. Clubman 5. Clubman veteran (Over 40) 6. Clubman super Vet (Over 50) 7. Sportsman
Awards presented at the end of the year.

Technical Control/Sign On: 7.30am -8.45am Competitors must personally present their machine and helmet for scrutineering with race number on their machine. The rider will be instructed to demonstrate that brakes, throttle and footrests etc. are all working. Technical Officials will visually inspect the rider's helmet for signs of damage and the presence of a gold stamp without handling the item. No competitor will be permitted to practice or race unless the Technical Official has passed their machine and helmet, as per the ACU guidelines
Signing will be done by the secretary of the meeting, via a visual checking of the licence, no wet signature

Noise: Drivers are required to have the stroke of the engine clearly and permanently marked on the crankcase. Random noise tests may take place during the event. Failure to stop for a noise test will result in immediate exclusion.

Tyres: Any permitted

Lights : must be fitted

Security : Competitors must be aware that the security of their machine and other property, remains their responsibility at all times.

Special Notes :

1. Remember Blue Tape rule – walking pace only
2. Use Environmental mat
3. Machines must have proper numbers on the correct colour backgrounds per class of entry - see the ACU handbook.
4. Only Competitors are allowed to ride or be on the course. Action will be taken against unauthorised persons found riding on any part of the course.
5. Ensure that you do not block the free run of competitors into and through the refuelling points, checks and special test areas.
6. No smoking is allowed in the parc ferme or the start area
7. Tear offs are not allowed
8. Please take all litter home with you

Braintree & District MCC

Spansey Wood, B Class Championship Trial

13th June 2021

Spansey Wood

13th June 2021

Start: 10.30 AM

Covid 19 Restricted Trial

The Braintree and DMCC will organise an open 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: Spansey Wood, Gosfield CO9 1SW

OFFICIALS

Clerk of the Course	Stephen Butcher	Centre Steward.....	tbcc
Licence Number	18396	Club Steward	Phil Read
		Secretary of the Meeting	Wes Butcher
		wesleyb.bdmcc@gmail.com	

Event Safety Officer Stephen Butcher

Results Secretary.....Wes Butcher

ELIGIBILITY

All riders and passengers must hold a current ACU Trials Registration.

Insurance

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

ENTRIES

All entries must be via the ACU on-line entry system before the closing date. The entry fee is

Adult: £18 Youth £10.00

Maximum 70 riders. No entries on the day. **No postal/phone entries.** Strictly first come first served.

Entries Open 17th May

Entries close 20.00 11th June

REFUND OF ENTRY

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

LOCATION AND START

Spansey Wood, Gosfield CO9 1SW

EVENT

B Class Championship

ROUTES

Easy & Hard

RESULTS

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

CLASSES

All Classes including Youth

Covid 19 Restrictions

Observers:

- · "buddy up" "Observing could be put in place for riders to score themselves or work in groups (adhering to relevant Covid 19 safety measures) or- :
- · 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 2 metre minimum 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.
- Up to one catering vehicle can be on site provided the vendor has submitted an approved Risk Assessment
- 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. Noncompliance will result in being asked to leave the event.



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ACU PERMIT NO.....

To be held on 13th June 2021 at Home Farm, Church Road, Little Hadham Herts. SG11 2AB

Grid Reference: TL4342 Signposted from the A120 between Stansted and Puckeridge.

Start Time: 10.00 am

OFFICIALS: Clerk of the course: Rick Roper

Scrutineer: J Hart

Club Steward: Paul Belton

Chief Marshall: Jack Berry

ACU Steward:

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

JURISDICTION: This is an Open event held under the NSC & SER's of the ACU.

Entry is open to Solo adult riders who are members of an ACU affiliated club.

EVENT: Solo Enduro for adults. Followed by Youth 1 hour Hare and Hounds event.

CLASSES: Championship/ Expert/Expert Over 40/ Clubman/Clubman Over 40/Super Vets over 50.

COURSES: Natural terrain covering open fields, ditches and woodland. Lap length approx 6 miles.

MACHINES: Restricted to SOLO ENDURO BIKES. Competition plates with the correct colour front and side plates to be fitted.

Any tyres may be used. LIGHTS MUST BE FITTED.

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: To be made via the ACU on line entry system. Entry will be limited to 140 riders. Entry fees of £48.00 will only be refunded in accordance with SER 4. Entries close 10th June 2021 or when full. RESULTS will be available from the web site at www.sudburymcc.co.uk

STARTING METHOD: Starts will be with a dead engine, 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 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.

ALL MACHINES TO REMAIN IN THE PIT/REFUELLING AREA WHEN NOT COMPETING.

COVID RESTRICTIONS APPLY.

THANK YOU.....

With jabs going in arms, restrictions lifting, and us slowly returning to 'normal' (whatever normal is) it's time to reflect on the great job done by our clubs, who have still managed where restrictions allowed to stage events under very difficult conditions, thus enabling at least some riders to enjoy their chosen sport.

The lack of events taking place has also made it difficult to produce the gazette and keep the website refreshed, so we would like to extend our thanks to all those who have kept Phil and Paul fed with information and articles. While it is always dangerous to name names, for fear of forgetting anyone, we would like to give a special mention to Sidge Kenny and Charlie Ralph for their editorial contributions, and also Paula Day and Richard Blyth for their excellent photos and reports for the website and the gazette.

We are always happy to receive articles about 'the good old days' and, with 2022 being the 100th anniversary of the Eastern Centre (thanks for the info Sidge) now would be a great time to delve into the dim recesses of your brain and dig out some recollections of times past. If you can delve into that old shoe box and as well and find some photos to go them, even better.

Finally, we are not out of the woods regarding Covid-19 yet, so events are still liable to change or cancellation. **We keep the event calendar on the website as up-to-date as we can, but are reliant on clubs keeping the permit secretary informed.**

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