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Firstly I would like to apologise to those of you who are getting your gazette a few days later than usual this month. Unfortunately the lack of submissions received from clubs meant that the gazette would have been embarrassingly short of editorial content. Obviously the number of pages has to be divisible by 4 to avoid blanks. At the time of the normal print deadline I was in a position of having to drop one page or find three more in order to complete the gazette.

Reducing the already sparse content was obviously not an option. The creation of a quiz, which I hope you enjoy, took care of one page, leaving two more to find. I was hoping fill these by reproducing an interesting article from another motorcycling publication I had worked on in the past, and approached the copyright owner for permission to do so. Unfortunately, as of the last day of August I have not received a reply. After discussion with the chairman I decided to include the current standings of the Centre motocross championships, and reorganise content accordingly.

Hopefully, with more events taking place after the summer holiday period, next month will see a return to the level of submissions enjoyed previously. I would however repeat what I said when I agreed to take on the role of Gazette Editor - an editor is only required when there is content to edit.





Sudbury MCC

OPEN Permit Enduro

Sunday 3rd September 2023

ACU Eastern 2 Man Enduro Championship sponsored by Dave Barkshire Motorcycles Rnd 3

Crossends Pebmarsh Nr Halstead Essex CO9 2NR

What 3 Words: soaps.shunts.urban Permit No.: ACU 201738

Sign On: 8.00 am **Start:** 9.30 am

OFFICIALS

Club Steward(s): Mr Paul Belton

Clerk of the Course: Stevie Roper (Licence)

Child Protection P.o.C.: Paul Belton
Secretary of the Meeting: Graham Mays

55 Alan Way Colchester Essex CO3 4LB

Tel: 7906092513 email: grahammays787@gmail.com

Course: Open fields and woodland.

Classes: Championship Expert Clubman Youth

Awards: As per Championship conditions

JURISDICTION

Held under the NSC and the Standing Enduro Regulations of the ACU and ACU EASTERN, the 2023 ACU Eastern Enduro Championship Conditions, the Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of the Regulations. Open to Adult and Youth members with an appropriate licence riding Solo machines.

ENTRIES

All entries will be via the ACU Sport:80 Online Entry System. Entry Fee £55.00 Adult . Entries will not be refunded unless the entry is refused, or on presentation of a doctor's certificate. In the event of cancellation refunds may be made less £3 to cover administration costs.

Entries Open: August 14th 2023, @ 19.00 pm **Entries Close:** August 30th 2023 @ 19.00 pm

No Entries on the day!

All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/ Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

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



1/ When was the first internal combustion motorcycle fuelled by petroleum invented?

A. 1885

B. 1900

C. 1915

2/ In 1894, which model became the first series production motorcycle in the world?

A. Orient-Aster

B. Hildebrand & Wolfmueller

C. Peugeot Motocycles

3/ Which company has been the largest motorcycle manufacturer in the world since 1959, with around 400 million models in production by the end of 2019?

A. Yamaha

B. Honda

C. Suzuki

4/ The motorcycle manufacturer Harley-Davidson is based in which U.S. state?

A. Missouri

B. New Mexico

C. Wisconsin.

5/ Which of the following is a British motorcycle brand?

A. Indian

B. Triumph.

C. Royal Enfield

6/ Which of the following models is the first motorcycle to offer an anti-lock braking system?

A. BMW K-Bike.

B. Suzuki Cavalcade

C. Honda Goldwing

7/ How many gears are there in speedway motorcycles?

A. 1.

B. 2 C. 3

8/ The Black Prince and Black Shadow are two models of motorcycle designed and manufactured by which company in the 50s?

A. Triumph

B. Kawasaki

C. Vincent

9/ Which of the following celebrities has founded his own brand of motorcycle?

A. Keanu Reeves

B. Michael Jordan

C. Kanye West

10/ Which automotive manufacturer is the owner of the motorcycle brand Ducati?

A. Volkswagen

B. Ferrari

C. Mercedes-Benz

11/ Complete the famous slogan of the Indian motorcycle brand Royal Enfield: "Built like a ..."

A. Tank

B. Bullet C. Gun

12/ There are three main ways to classify motorcycle engines: the number of strokes in the power cycles, the capacity of the combustion chambers, and the number of what?

A. Axles

B. Cylinders

C. Gears

13/ What is the nickname of the Honda CBR1000RR-R model?

A. Blackbird

B. Shadow

C. Fireblade

14/ Along with Japan, which country mainly dominates the world's motorcycle industry in the 21st century?

A. India

B. China

C. Brazil

15/ Which motorcycle model by Honda became the world's biggest selling vehicle of all time with more than 60 million units manufactured in 2008?

A. Honda Super Cub

B. Honda Grom

C. Honda Ruckus

16/ By the time World War I broke out, which country is the world's largest motorcycle manufacturer?

A. The United States of America

B. India

C. Germany

17/ The production of motorcycles was significantly increased during the World War I for which main reason?

A. To transport food and ammunition

B. To provide soldiers with more power

C. To provide effective communications with the front

18/ What is the world record for the longest distance that a man can ride a motorcycle in 1 day?

A. More than 1,000 kilometres

B. More than 2,000 kilometres

C. More than 3,000 kilometres

19/ In 1884, an inventor from which country coined the term motorcycle after he invented a 3-wheeled petrol vehicle?

A. Britain

B. Germany

C. Italy

20/ Which brand of motorcycles is also the name of a capital city?

A. Budapest

B. Kiev

C. Minsk

Answers at foot of page 14



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Halstead & DMCC

ACU Eastern MX Championship 2023 R6

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Little Loveney Hall, Wakes Colne CO6 2BH

What 3 Words: Permit No.: ACU 201700

Sign On: 07.30hrs Practice: 10.00hrs Start: 11.00hrs

OFFICIALS

Club Steward(s): Martin Beadle, Mark Mitchell

Clerk of the Course: Alex Wright (Licence)

Child Protection P.o.C.: Mark Relland
Secretary of the Meeting: Mrs Karin Beadle

6 Fastnet Close, Haverhill, Suffolk CB9 0LL Tel: 7787544418 email: karin6@sky.com

Course: Undulating grassland with jumps

Classes: Experts, Juniors

Awards: As Per Championship Regs

JURISDICTION

Held under the NSC and the Standing Motocross Regulations of the ACU and ACU EASTERN, the 2023 ACU Eastern Motocross Championship Conditions, the Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of the Regulations. Open to Adult members with an appropriate licence riding Solo machines.

ENTRIES

All entries will be via the ACU Online Entry System. Entry Fee £60. Any rider taking part must have purchased a race number from the ACU Eastern Reserved Number Scheme prior to having an entry accepted. Entries will not be refunded unless the entry is refused, or on presentation of a doctor's certificate. In the event of cancellation refunds may be made less £10 to cover administration costs. Any rider taking part must have purchased a race number from the ACU Eastern Reserved Number Scheme prior to having an entry accepted.

Entries Open: August 14th 2023, @ 19.00hrs Entries Close: September 11th 2023 @ 12:00hrs

No Entries on the day!

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

No Tear Offs Allowed Camping from 16.00hrs on Saturday. Gates shut at 20.00hrs and reopen 07.30hrs Sunday morning.

Recollection Section Sidge Kenny

We are all aware we live in an increasingly digital, computer-driven world. It has brought many benefits but in my admittedly old-fashioned view, equally has bought us as many annoyances. I can now buy without leaving my living room, bits for my bikes:- spares, batteries, tools. I pay - I don't even see the money floating out of my pocket. They arrive – usually triumphantly heralded on my computer screen. All very nice. Then, a day or two later, a little note pops on the screen: "Hi! - how do you rate your.....?" - what ever it was I had just bought.

This annovs me beyond all understanding. "How am I to know if its any bl**dy good or not, you little diode-poxed, electro-goblin! I've only just got it! Ask me in five years time!!" - is one of my minor-worded replies. Of course no one reads it - only the relevant computer controlled digital what-not. Would that be an algorithm? I'm too old to want to bother to check.

Yet increasingly we live in an age of "AI", which I do know, stands for 'Artificial Intelligence'. It is certainly not going away for me or anyone else and if handled correctly - though there are already queries being expressed about that – it has a limitless potential. I wonder how this might be channelled into our calling though I suspect it already has made some inroads.

As ever, it seems to me the sport side of motorcycling will be the arena where AI makes its initial progress – indeed it already has done so to a degree, with the ability to reprogram engine characteristics during a race or to feature non-locking wheels under braking – but that's an old one, of decades in existence. I wonder if and when the intelligence of science can be brought to bear in such a way that, if say, in a closely fought road race, should a rider trying to execute an all-out overtaking move on another, which necessitates him running very slightly off-line which actually, because of the surface of the track, and his extreme angle of lean – is ultimately going to be a desperate and disastrous move - this will be immediately 'over-ruled' by the control of A.I., thus saving an inevitable crash. Similarly, in the full blood of a motocrosser's blast for the holeshot, a rider intends to hit a jump just that bit quicker than normal; the A.I., having scanned awareness of an awkward and potentially disastrous bump he would consequently then hit at the landing point which would throw him over the front when he lands, decides: "Oh no you don't" and ensures the bike is restrained to the former safer - and slower, leap.

Whilst it would indeed be safer and less damaging - to both rider and bike - would anyone wish to see racing like that? The whole thing – as in so much in life, is dependent on self judgement and a step into the unknown. If taken to the extreme, A.I., on compiling all the necessary details of bikes, riders and circuits, could actually pronounce who would win anyway, without the need to race at all. Indeed, I think nowadays the fourwheeled F1 is now very close to such an example – it features so much technology you rather think the driver is not really necessary. The proof is in the differences seen



in the races – the bike stuff with less technology, invariably is tighter and more closely fought, right to the finishing line. I would therefore watch very closely the development of A.I. with us - some factors will no doubt come and stay but other aspects will need to be controlled. The requirement in overseeing how much technology is permitted in the sport will rest with our officials. If it ever gets to the point where the essential components of control by a rider, through his brain-powered skill, allied to his courage and daring is compromised, those in charge should step in and give the A.I. some firm and restraining action - right in its digitals.....



Autumn Trial Aldeby

What 3 Words: reshaping feels ranches Permit No.: ACU 201659

Sign On: 9.00am Start: 10.30am

OFFICIALS

Club Steward(s): Graham Jones
Clerk of the Course: Tom Jones

Child Protection P.o.C.: Secretary of the Meeting

Secretary of the Meeting: Ron Greengrass

Tel: 01502 563566 email: rjg@rongg58.plus.com

Course: banks and roots

Routes: Red/blue, White& Beginners

Classes: Inter, Novice, Twinshock, Pre 70, Youth A,B,C,D & E

Awards: None

JURISDICTION

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ENTRIES

Entries via the ACU Online Entry System or by paper forms accepted on the day. Entry Fee Youth £15 Adult £20. Entries will not be refunded unless the entry is refused, or on presentation of a doctor's certificate. In the event of cancellation refunds may be made less £3 to cover administration costs.

Entries Open: August 24th 2023, @ 6:45 pm Entries Close: September 13th 2023 @ 6:45 pm

Entries by paper form accepted on the day!

All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/ Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11



OPEN Permit Trial

Sunday 24th September 2023

John Charley Trophy Trial Eastern Centre Trials Championship 'A' R5

Middleton Aggregates Pit, PE32 1NG, marked from A47

What 3 Words: spoils.shall.wimp Permit No.: ACU 201746

Sign On: 9.30 Earliest Start: 10.30

OFFICIALS

Club Steward(s): Roy Ayres

Clerk of the Course: Clive Dopson (Licence 10432)

Child Protection P.o.C.: Clive Dopson
Secretary of the Meeting: Clive Dopson

34 Lynch Green

Tel: +447932624522 email: dopson_boar@msn.com

Course: Rocks, sand and hills, 4 laps of 10 sections

Routes: Yellow, 50/50 Yellow/Red&Blue, Red/Blue, White

Classes: Expert A, Expert B, Intermediate A, Intermediate B, Novice,

Twinshock, Pre 70 and Youth A and B,

Awards: None

JURISDICTION

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ENTRIES

All entries will be via the ACU Online Entry System. Entry Fee Adult £20, Youth £5. Entries will not be refunded unless the entry is refused, or on presentation of a doctor's certificate. In the event of cancellation refunds may be made less £3 to cover administration costs.

Entries Open: September 1st 2023, @ 0:00 am Entries Close: September 20th 2023 @ 11:59 pm

No Entries on the day!

All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/ Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

Access to the venue is dependent on all riders following site specific rules, including site maximum speed limit of 15mph, details will be included in final instructions e-mailed to all riders/entrants. It is the responsibility of all riders/entrants to ensure their e-mail address on the Sport:80 system is correct.

Alan Cocksedge Photos of Eastern Centre Events Pt. 2 Roger Chaplin

This edition Alan Cocksedge colour photos are of Shrubland Park Scramble 1961. In its time it was the premier Scramble course in the Eastern Centre hosting British Champions, Inter Centre, British round 250cc European/World Champions and the Trophy de Nations where all five Great Britain riders crossed the finish line together.

Although billed as being in Claydon it was actually mainly in the parish of Coddenham where the Coddenham Flyer and later become King of Shrublands was born – yes one Dave Bickers. I have a few memories of Shrublands one is of Dave Bickers and Peter 'Tomba' Smith at the end of the Mardle Trial riding their Greeves Sidecar outfit into Hillsides- the Bomb Hole – and riding up all the steep sides, if they succeeded then rode straight back down again and then onto another bit, if they failed they would try again - it was a Masterclass of skill.



Alan Cocksedge

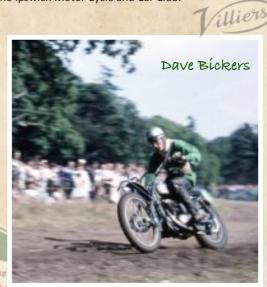
Shrubland Hall became a Health Clinic which my wife Betty enjoyed its delights. She dragged me along a few times and the first year we had the Russian Lodge near to the main hall and staying that time was the actor Roger Hammond who played the Prince of Wales in the TV drama Duchess of Duke Street. Like Betty he was a smoker and often visit us for a chat but mainly to cadge cigarettes. He and I did try to play a game of Tennis all we had was a tennis racket and a badminton racket. I can recall another actor staying there and it was Harry Andrews well known for films. Our last stay was in 1989 when on the Sunday afternoon after signing in we were drinking tea in the Lounge when a gentleman spoke to us and asked if the two other seats were vacant, it was Lord Peter Thorneycroft and his wife. In 1957/58 he was Chancellor of the Exchequer in the Harold McMillan Government and later Conservative Party Chairman in the Margaret Thatcher Government (we were not proud).

The then Lady Somerleyton was there and she was struggling on her first visit so I helped her. For the record Lowestoft Invaders Club ran Scrambles at Somerleyton. Lastly one morning whilst in a steam cabinet I looked across and in the next cabinet was the Christopher Biggins (he said his Porridge was Lukewarm).

The organisers of Shrubland Park Scrambles were the Ipswich Motor Cycle and Car Club. Just enjoy the photos.







ROYAL ENFIELD



Jeff Smith



Dave Curtis



Dave Bickers (#1) & R. Bratt? (#15/75)

Note to Lyn Ralph - hard to read numbers are obviously not restricted to modern competition bikes!





Press Cup Trial

Gt Ellingham

What 3 Words: Magnun.Melts.Climate Permit No.: ACU 201603

Sign On: 9.30am Start: 10.30am

OFFICIALS

Club Steward(s): James Douglas

Clerk of the Course: Barbara Douglas (Licence 70441)

Child Protection P.o.C.: Barbara Douglas
Secretary of the Meeting: Barbara Douglas

The Old Cottages, The Moor

Tel: 7484220349 email: barbara.douglas@hotmail.co.uk

Course: Banks and roots

Routes: Red, White, Orange 50/50

Classes: Inter, Novice, Twinshock, Pre70, Youth A,B,C,D,E

Awards: None

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ENTRIES

All entries will be via the ACU Online Entry System. Entry Fee £20 Adult £15 Youth. Entries will not be refunded unless the entry is refused, or on presentation of a doctor's certificate. In the event of cancellation refunds may be made less £3 to cover administration costs.

Entries Open: September 8th 2023, @ 10am Entries Close: September 29th 2023 @ 5 pm

No Entries on the day!

All Entrants, Riders or Passengers must be prepared to produce their current Licence/ Trials Registration when signing on, N.S.C.7.11

Answers to quiz on page 5:

4.C **8.**C **9.**A **10.**A **11.**C **12.**B **1.**A **2.**B **5.**B **6.**A **7.**A **13.**C **20.**C **14.**A 15.A 16.B 17.C 18.C 19.A

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Ben Fund Summer Report

Debbie Blyth - ACU Eastern Ben Fund Officer

Just a quick update on the ACU Ben Fund, in the last 3 months up to June there were no donations from the centre and in the same period there were also no claimants in the Centre.

Donations have been down from all centres, and I am hoping to attend a Zoom meeting of the Ben fund officers in September, this is just a catch up and discussion about the Ben fund, and what the Ben Fund committee do first hand,

Any donations that clubs wish to make to the Ben Fund can be sent to myself or directly to Trish Arnett at ACU Rugby,

If anyone would like to know more about the Ben Fund or maybe need some advice, please email me at blyths21@hotmail.com



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ACU Eastern MX Championship 2023

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Top Twenty riders after round 4

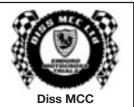
Experts				
Pos	No.	Rider	Pts	
1	49	Luke Parker	180	
2	301	Shaun Southgate	154	
3	365	Sam Nunn	133	
4	66	Lewis Tombs	122	
5	32	Calum Mitchell	111	
6	190	Luke Benstead	96	
7	103	Max Broadbelt	89	
8	20	William Farrow	86	
9	499	Benjamin Cole	81	
10	332	Joseph Leeks	78	
11	260	Dylan Woodcock	74	
12	31	Joshua Gilbert	72	
13	151	Harri Kullas	69	
14	687	Jake Rackham	63	
15	28	Benjamin Alexander	46	
16	425	Drew Anderson	45	
17	411	Declan Whittle	35	
18	60	Robert Nicoll	35	
19	302	Brad Woodroffe	32	
20	911	Benjamin Hayward	29	

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Juniors				
Pos	No.	Rider	Pts	
1	776	Charlie Nudds	156	
2	339	Joe Hall	147	
3	191	Kayden Smith	144	
4	477	Connor Bunkle	138	
5	198	Shane Lock	122	
6	533	Kai Thorpe	102	
7	650	Cullen Hawkins	99	
8	757	Harrison Forde	87	
9	23	Timothy Warnes	87	
10	796	Kai Brown	68	
11	75	Finley Jarvis	65	
12	240	Alex Christopher	62	
13	555	Freddie O'Leary	59	
14	969	Lewis Holmes	53	
15	769	Jake Brown	46	
16	541	Mitchell Murfitt	45	
17	162	Louis Dutton	39	
18	311	James Taylor	36	
19	505	Simon Daniels	33	
20	377	Lewis Anderson	29	



2023 Club Championship after round 4

Pos	Club	Expert	Junior	Total
1	Norwich Viking MCC	195	173	368
2	Woodbridge & DMCC	199	151	350
3	Halstead & DMCC	126	91	217
4	Diss MCC	78	135	213
5	Norfolk & Suffolk Junior MCC	0	198	198
6	Sudbury & DMCC	0	9	9



Motocross Allcomers, NGR and EVO

Wattisfield Hall, IP22 1NX

What 3 Words: relating.competent.intersect Permit No.: ACU 201679

Sign On: 8.30am Practice: 10.00am Start: 11.30am

OFFICIALS

ACU Eastern Steward: Not required Club Steward(s): Andy Waters

Clerk of the Course: Adv Taylor (Licence 38168)

Child Protection P.o.C.: Laura Taylor

Secretary of the Meeting: Laura Taylor email: help@dissMCC.co.uk

Course: Grassland and Jumps MX track

Classes: Allcomers, NGR and EVO

Awards: As per Championship Conditions

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Entries Open: August 29th 2023, @ 7.00 pm Entries Close: September 22nd 2023 @ 9:00 pm

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John Kendall Trial R5 of ACU Eastern 'B' Class Trials Championship

Thorrington Pit CO7 8HZ

What 3 Words: ranch.scrubbing.essay Permit No.: ACU 201675

Sign On: 9.00am **Start:** 10.30am

OFFICIALS

Club Steward(s): Richard Eley

Clerk of the Course: Les Johnston (Licence 9583)

Child Protection P.o.C.: CoC

Secretary of the Meeting: Richard Norman

Tel: 7421704255 email: rn.glfarm@gmail.com

Course: Approx 12 sections natural terrain sand roots climbs and logs

Routes: All championship routes with some yellow for Expert

and a shorter course for youth electric riders

Classes: Exp, Exp B, Inter, Inter B, Twin shock A B C, Pre65, Yth A B C D E

Awards: John Kendall Trophy to best pre 65

JURISDICTION

Held under the NSC and the Standing Trials Regulations of the ACU and ACU EASTERN, the 2023 ACU Eastern Trials Championship Conditions, the Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of the Regulations. Open to Adult and Youth members with an appropriate licence riding Solo machines.

ENTRIES

All entries will be via the ACU Online Entry System. Entry Fee £20 Adult, £15 Youth. Entries will not be refunded unless the entry is refused, or on presentation of a doctor's certificate. In the event of cancellation refunds may be made less £3 to cover administration costs.

Entries Open: September 5th 2023 Entries Close: October 5th 2023

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ACU Eastern Trials Committee

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Notes from ACU Eastern Trials Committee Call July 18th 2023

On July 18th the Eastern Centre Trials Committee had its second call of the year. These notes do not cover all the discussions, the other subjects are in the complete call minutes issued in the normal way.

- After discussion it was decided all four Expert riders who applied for downgrading to Intermediate
 for 2024 would be accepted, these are Richard Norman, Richard Beales, Nigel Allen and Stephen
 Howard. The rules as previously agreed will apply regarding scoring points and winning awards and
 the process will be repeated in 2024 with again a 1st July cut off.
- 2. After discussion relating to the availability of emergency contact numbers at trials, now that entry forms are not generally available at trials, it was agreed that where ACU-EC stewards are in attendance the riders' emergency contact list should be checked to ensure it is available either as hard copy or via the Sport:80 system online. It is also recommended that for all trials the riders' emergency contact list should be available and observers' emergency contact details should be either on the signing on form or the observers' card.
- 3. Trials officials' seminars, on the last call it was suggested there may be a need for a mid-year seminar, currently this has not been required but the chairman suggested it may still occur in September. It was agreed to request demand from clubs and organise seminars around the end of year as before. After the call the secretary received information that due to the Covid licence extensions there are not any renewals needed at the end of 2023, although there hopefully will be some new or relapsed applicants, which will all require face to face seminars.
- 4. Trials contacts, to assist communication the secretary has been requested to collate a list of Trials Contacts for each club currently organising trials in the ACU-EC. All ACU-EC clubs who are involved in trials have been requested to supply a contact details for their club's contact. This contact will be used to supply 2024/25 ACU-EC calendar input and any attendees at Trial's Official's seminars referenced in 3 above.
- 5. Youth riders on adult electric machines, the secretary had been asked to clarify this point for youth A and B class riders, the feedback from ACU HQ after several requests was that adult electric machines, e.g. EM Pure, were not to be accepted to be ridden by Youth A and B class riders. It is not clear how this decision was made and publicised to organising clubs.
- 6. Trials Forum, as previous years secretary to organise date and venue for the annual Trials Forum, it is hoped representatives of the Youth Academy events could attend so we could discuss how to work together. Request for agenda items will be issued when the Forum details are released.





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What's on

NOTE: All dates are provisional, and subject to change. Always check events are still on before travelling at www.easternacu.org.

Date	Club	Disc.	Status	Venue	Championship
3rd Sept	Sudbury MCC	Enduro	OPEN	Pebmarsh	2 Man Enduro Championship
3rd Sept	Southend & DMCC	Grass Track	OPEN	Latchingdon	
3rd Sept	ACU Eastern	n/a	n/a	Copdock Bike Show	
3rd Sept	Woodbridge & DMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Blaxhall	Solo MX Champs Round 5
10th Sept	Essex & Suffolk Border MCC	Trial	OPEN	Tattingstone	B' Class Trials Championship R4
17th Sept	Halstead & DMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Wakes Colne	Solo MX Championship R6
17th Sept	Lowestoft Invaders MCC	Trial	OPEN	Aldeby	
17th Sept	Braintree & DMCC	Trial	OPEN	Purls Hill	A' Class Trials Championship R4
24th Sept	Norfolk & Suffolk Jnr. MCC	Motocross	OPEN	Hockham	
24th Sept	Wymondham & DMC	Trial	OPEN	Middleton	A' Class Trials Championship R5
1st Oct	Diss MCC	Motocross	OPEN	Wattisfield Hall	NGR
1st Oct	Eastern Fourstroke Association	Trial	Closed to Club	Ballingdon Grove	
1st Oct	Norwich Viking MCC	Trial	OPEN	Great Ellingham	N/A
7th Oct	GW Racing	Grass Track	OPEN	Gosbeck	
8th Oct	Sudbury MCC	Enduro	OPEN	Sible Hedingham	2 Man Enduro Championship
8th Oct	Norwich Viking MCC	Motocross	OPEN	Lyng	Solo MX Championship R7
8th Oct	Castle Colchester MCC	Trial	OPEN	Thorrington	B' Class Trials Championship R5
15th Oct	Woodbridge & DMCC	Enduro	OPEN	Butley	Enduro Championship
15th Oct	Southend & DMCC	Trial	OPEN	Poles Wood	D' Class Trials Championship R2
22nd Oct	Braintree & DMCC	Motocross	OPEN	Foxborough Quarry	
22nd Oct	Ipswich MCC	Trial	OPEN	Badwell Ash	A' Class Trials Championship R6
29th Oct	Woodbridge & DMCC	Trial	OPEN	Blaxhall	C' Class Trials Championship R4





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