

TRIALS

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

2021 DATES AND VENUES NOTE PLEASE REFER TO WEBSITE FOR LATEST DATES AND THESE WILL PROBABLY NEED TO CHANGE DURING 2021

'A' Class Experts, Experts B, Inters, Inters B, Youth 'A' and 'B' 5 Rounds - 4 to count

18 th April	ESBMCC	Raydon
25 th April	Castle	Alphamstone
19 th September	Braintree	Purls Hill
26 th September	Wymondham	Middleton
17 th October	Ipswich	Ofton

'B' Class Novice, Twinshock 'A', 'B' and 'C' 5 Rounds - 4 to count

28 th February	Chelmsford	Beazley End
7 th March	Braintree	Gosfield
21 th March	Wymondham	Middleton
10 th October	Castle	Thorrington
1 st November	ESBMCC	Raydon

'C' Class Pre 70 'A', 'B' and 'C' 6 Rounds - 5 to count

2 nd April	Woodbridge	Blaxhall
11 th April	EFA	Gt Bromley
31 st July	Diss	Wattisfield
31 st October	Woodbridge	Blaxhall
28 th November	EFA	Thorrington
28 th December	Woodbridge	Butley

'D' Class Sidecar's 3 Rounds - 2 to count

24 th January	Southend	Poles Wood
14 th March	Southend	Poles Wood
3 rd October	Southend	Poles Wood

Norfolk & Suffolk Group

10 th January	Wymondham	Great Ellingham
28 th March	Ipswich	Badwell Ash
10 th July	Wymondham	Great Ellingham
18 th July	Bury St Edmunds	Hawkendon
22 nd August	Ipswich	Offton
4 th September	ESBMCC	TBC
5 th December	Norwich Viking	Lyng

1. EVENTS

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

All documentation should describe the event as the "EASTERN CENTRE TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP A, B, C, or D and Round No .."

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

Starting in 2021 all ACUE Championship Trials can only accept entries via the ACU online entry system.

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

2. ELIGIBILITY

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

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

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

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

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

3. CLASSES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

4. ENTRIES

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

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

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

5. STARTING POSITIONS

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

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

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

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

6. TIES

Ties will be resolved by ACU TSR's.

7. POINTS

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

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

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

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

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

8. RESULTS

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

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

Should a tie occur in the Club Championships, the score from the final round shall be taken into account. Should a tie not be resolved by these means then the clubs best result in the next most recent round to count.

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

9. AWARDS

The Centre Annual Trophies as detailed below will be awarded, and to be held for one year. They may not be won outright. Replicas will also be awarded.

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

Solo Expert Champion	Halstead Challenge Trophy
Solo Intermediate Champion	Chris Edwards Trophy
Solo Novice Champion	Roy Bannister Trophy
Solo Expert B Champion	Paul Thomas Trophy
Solo Intermediate B Champion	Bostock Trophy
Sidecar Champion	Passenger Trophy
Solo Club Champion	Ipswich Motor Challenge Shield
Sidecar Club Champion	Duckhams Trophy
Solo Pre 70 Overall Champion	Palmer-Woodmason Plate
Solo Pre 70 2 Stroke Champion	Ken Davis Trophy
Solo Pre 70 Pre Unit Champion	Triangle (Ipswich) MCC Trophy
Solo Pre 70 Unit Champion	Southend MCC Trophy
Solo Pre 70 B	The 2K Trials Award
Solo Twinshock 'A' Champion	Kathy Horrex Trophy
Solo Twinshock 'B' Champion	Jewhurst Cup
Solo Youth 'A' Champion	Dave Cordle Trophy
Solo Youth 'B' Champion	Butcher Trophy
Observer (decided at annual forum)	Jack Shephard/Stephen Douglas Trophy

ACU EASTERN CENTRE TRIALS REGULATIONS (CTRs)

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

1. AWARDS

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

2. RECORDING OF RESULTS

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

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

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

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

3. Non Starters

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

4. PROGRAMME/RIDING LIST & RESULTS SHEETS

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

NUMBER NAME GRADE cc MACHINE CLUB

5. GRADING

There shall be THREE Grades for Solo Competitors:

EXPERT, INTERMEDIATE & NOVICE

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

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

There is a clubman class for any rider competing purely for fun on a route lower than the lowest correct route for the rider's class within the centre.

There will be no awards or championship points etc. There will not be a specific Clubman route.