

## **Barham & DMCC Annual General Meeting 2016**

Was held at The Black Robin at Kingston on Thursday 21<sup>th</sup> July, the meeting commenced at 8.00pm and was attended by 16 members of the club, it was agreed that Richard Holt would chaired the meeting.

### **Apologies**

The Minutes from 2015 AGM were read and agreed after noting that Tim Taylor had been missed from the elected officers and this would be amended

### **Chairman's Report**

Richard welcomed everyone to the meeting and was happy to report that we had another successful year with membership still well other the 100 mark, he thanked all the Active Competitors and helpers who are helping to develop the club especially Tim Taylor for his Youth Duties, Mark Ridge for Club Secretary and Trials Clerk of the Course, Tom for Trials Secretary and Treasurer, Jenny Collins for the Superb Newsletter, and Nick for the excellent Website, Tom also thanked Richard for printing all the Labels, it was also reported that Jeff Williams was still not very well

### **Treasurers Report**

Tom reported that we had another good year our income is split 40% from Membership Subscriptions (currently we have 132 members) and 60 % for Entries to our trials and Practices.

The main expenditure is spent on ACU insurance and fees for our events and The Sporting Motorcyclist and Postage

## **Secretary's Report 2015-2016**

### **July 2015**

July 12th was the Frittenden Mid-Summer Spectacular Grass Track. Dave Mears was the winner in the 350cc Solos

Our July Practice was at Wingmore on the 26th and was attended by 15 riders including the Folkestone members who enjoyed themselves despite the heavy rain, thanks to tom for the gazebo based BBQ which was great for warming up at lunch time

### **August**

The First Barham MCC Ride-out on 4<sup>th</sup> August was arranged by Nick. There was good turnout of 11 bikes as well as Tony and Alan in the Mazda MX5 the riders left the duke for a leisurely trip to Hythe and back, the event proved to be a great success and Nick is eager to arrange a similar event

Alan Burman rode his classic Yamaha road racer at the Ramsgate Sprint Revival in August

Our practice on August 23rd was at Crundale there were 22 riders signed on to ride through the sections. All was going well but heavy rain stopped play by the early afternoon and the lime turned to slime.

## **September**

### **Grass track results**

SE Centre Championship at Dig Dog Lane on 6<sup>th</sup> September run by GTSA

250 Tim Greig; 350 Georgie Wood; 500 Rodney McDonald; Unlimited Dave Mears; RH Sidecar Mark Cossar & Carl Blyth; L/H Sidecar Will Penfold and Ricky Pay

Dave Mears won the 350 Easter Challenge Trophy at High Easter on 13 September

Maidstone Aces Kent Kracker at Grafty Green – Sept 20<sup>th</sup> – Barham Podiums for Dave Mears he was 2<sup>nd</sup> in 350 and 500 solo. In the uprights Lee Oakley took the 3<sup>rd</sup> step on the podium.

Barham club members were invited to the Folkestone club practise on the 27<sup>th</sup> Sept at their excellent piece of ground at Acton Farm Wittersham

## **October**

Alan Burman was runner up in the Classic Racing MC 200cc 2stroke Championships with 245 points, just 5 behind the class champion. Alan was also the 200cc Classic Road Racing Champion of Belgium!

**Enduro** Ben Wibberley has fought his way back from injury to a fantastic 3<sup>rd</sup> place and a Championship win at Normandy MCC's Yateley Heath Enduro, which means that Ben is now the SE Enduro Champion 2015

**Grasstrack** Frittenden Flyer 350cc Solos (4 Legs) 1st Dave Mears

Upright Final 1st Stephen Green; 2nd Dave Mears; 7th Lee Oakley

We held our EKTC Round at Wingmore on 11 October; unlike last year we had a dry weekend which makes laying out the trial so much easier, we had 13 entries before the event but this swelled to 54 with late entries! I would like to thank Pete Fox, Adam Bell, Dave Heather Eddie and Bradly Mears and Martin Cole for their help on Saturday setting out the trial, and Tom Arter, Richard Holt, Tony Stiles and Eddie Mears for their help on Sunday

Expert Jack Stiles 5ml; Inter Fergus Campbell 29ml; O/40 Adam Bell 7ml;

Novice Pete Southcott 4ml; O/50 Brian Cornelius 9ml; Yellow route Michael Care 8ml;

Youth Inter Oliver Whorlow 73ml; Youth Novice Sarah Bell 1ml.

## **November**

**Mutton lancers** was held at Howefield woods on 15<sup>th</sup> November attracted a Total entry of 100 Riders; the 13 Sections were expertly set out by Alan & Ben Wibberley & we received many complements from the riders

Expert: Michael Strank 21ml; Inter: Jim Howell 18ml; O/40 Inter: Michael Nutbrown 11ml

Novice: Jack Beck 20ml; O/50 Novice: Stephen Moore 0ml; Youth Inter: George Hurley 31ml

Youth Novice: Oliver Whorlow 20ml;

Elite Thomas Moss 7ml (Only Elite Entry)

Thank to everyone involved in setting out and running the trial with special thanks to Alan & Ben Wibberley Tom Arter all the land owners & observers.

We had to cancel our Practice on the 22 November due to a double booking

## December

Our December youth and adult Trials practise was a joint venture with Folkestone on 6th December at Howfield Woods

The Southern Experts is now being run by the Thames Valley Club and was held at Buster Lime Works on 6<sup>th</sup> December, it was a drizzly day and the chalk banks were slippery but the sections were well laid out and most sections could be cleaned Sam Haslam won again this year, his smooth riding style suiting the terrain. The Youths rode very well but their 125cc machines struggled on the long steep climbs.

Expert 1<sup>st</sup> Sam Haslam 11ml, 2<sup>nd</sup> Joe Baker 13ml; 3<sup>rd</sup> Alex Wigg 27ml

Clubman 1<sup>st</sup> Robert Warner 8ml; 2<sup>nd</sup> Wayne Holdsworth 12ml; 3<sup>rd</sup> Chris Heane 15 ml

Youth 1<sup>st</sup> Oliver Smith 34ml; 2<sup>nd</sup> Kieran Tovey 60ml; 3<sup>rd</sup> Harry Coleman 77ml

Also on December 6<sup>th</sup>- in Wales Ben Wibberley took a fantastic fourth in the Valleys Extreme Enduro

**Our Christmas bash** was at the Black Robin on 11<sup>th</sup> December, our chairman Richard Holt gave a speech about the clubs year and successes highlighted below

The SE Centre Trials Championship was won by Ashley Newberry.

Barham has 3 champions in the SE Centre, Adam Bell won the Inter class, Alex Davis won the Youth Novice and Scott Kennett won the Twin Shock Inter. Dave Heather was 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Inter O/40, Vince Gooding was 6<sup>th</sup> in the Inter class and Bradley Mears was 6<sup>th</sup> in the Novice class.

A big thank you to Tim Taylor for Running our highly successful Youth and Adult Practice days

## Grass Track

Dave Mears was crowned the 350cc South Eastern Speed Shield and Unlimited Centre champion and the East Centre Champion.

## Enduro

Alex Hammond has been concentrating on his Enduro & Moto crossing and was runner up in the championship.

Trophies for 2015

Observers Trophy - Kate Bell

Kate observes at all of our Trials whatever the weather, which is appreciated by us all and thanks to all observers for their Time and effort so that we can Ride

AJS Trophy - Ben Wibberley

Ben was riding in the Red Bull Romaniacs at Erzberg in Austria, where he had a major fall and broken his pelvis. After having his pelvis plated he made his come back and won the South East Enduro Championship and came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Expert Class of the ACU National Extreme Enduro Championship

Norman Thompson Shield - Jenny Collins

For Producing our Superb Newsletter and running our highly popular Face book page

Phil Hughes Shield - Dave Luck

Who managed to finish the trial despite fracturing 2 ribs half way through the event.

We were invited to the Folkestone practise on 27th December at Howfield Woods

## January 2016

## February

We held a youth and adult Practice at Howfield Woods on 28th February this was a great success

## March

### **Folkestone EKTC Trial at Howfield Woods on 13<sup>th</sup> March**

The EKTC Awards for 2015 were presented by Roy Piles and Maureen Buttle

Expert Challenge Shield - GEST  
Intermediate Team Cup - Barham  
Novice Team Cup – Barham  
Observers Trophy – Barham  
Over 261cc Cup – Jack Stiles  
Inter Cup – Fergus Campbell  
Novice Cup – Gavin Horley  
O/40 Inter Cup – Adam Bell  
O/40 Novice Cup Malcom Noble

### **Nailbourne Non Expert Trial on the 20<sup>th</sup> March at Crundale**

The weather was better than expected which meant the sections were slightly too easy but still everyone had a good day

Inter Vince Gooding 11ml; O/40 Inter Dave Heather 0ml; Novice Sten Pringle 0ml;  
O/50 Novice Steve Moore 0ml; Youth Novice Hannah Moore 2ml

We held a Youth and Adult Practice at Wingmore on March 27th this was a great success

Dave Mears had a nasty tumble at Balkbrug in Holland when he was knocked off his bike by a Czech coming up on the inside then he was run over by a French Rider! He now feels he is part of Europe.

Trevor Hallett sadly passed away, Eddie attended the funeral

## **APRIL**

Sadly Harry Mummery has passed away; Eddie Tom & Charlie attended his funeral

Barham EKTC Phil Hughes Trial was held on 10th April at Wingmore, Tim Taylor, Vince Gooding and Pete Fox braved the wet and windy conditions to help me set out on the Saturday, Luckily Sunday was dry for the 45 starters and everyone seemed to have a good day, except for Conner Dowling who managed to head butt a branch!

Expert Ryan Laughton 22ml; Inter Chris Hogben 47ml; O/40 Inter Adam Bell 6ml;  
Novice Peter Fox 0ml; O/50 Novice Brian Cornelius 6ml; Youth Inter Oliver Whorlow 38ml;  
Youth Novice Sarah Bell 2ml; T/S Red Warren Eves 1ml; Y/ Beginner Scot Hammond 24ml;  
Thanks to everyone who helped over the weekend and to the Observers

We held a Youth / Adult Practice at Crundale on 24<sup>th</sup>

## **May**

We were invited by Folkestone Trials club to their practice at Acton Farm on 1<sup>st</sup> May, it was a nice sunny day and everyone seemed to have a great time

Astra Held the Champion of Champions meeting at Swingfield on 15 May, there was an excellent afternoon of racing on the new track. The World Longtrack champion Jannick De Jong looked unbeatable to start but James Shanes who rides for Kent kings Speed way got better in every round and come the final Jannick De Jong had a poor start and James Shanes lead from start to finish with Chris Harris 2<sup>nd</sup> and James Wright in 3<sup>rd</sup> and Paul Hurry in his comeback was 4<sup>th</sup>

There was no surprise in the 1000cc Right hand sidecars with Mark Cossar/Carl Blythe winning the final

## **The Kent and Sussex MCC Camden Cup & Quaife Trophy SE Centre Team Trial**

The weather was kind this year so the sections were easier than last year but there were a few slippery climbs, Section 15t was a steep climb out of the stream with 3 possible routes which all becoming very tricky on the last lap.

Expert Jack Stiles & Mark Cottingham 0ml; Inter Dave Strank 3ml; Novice Peter Willoughby 27ml

Twinshock Eric Clarke 26ml; Youth Expert Kieran Tovey 9ml; Youth Inter George Hurley 26ml

Team Results 1st GEST 1 Jack Stiles, Ian Moore, Peter Willoughby

2<sup>nd</sup> GEST 2 Mark Cottingham, Russ Kenward, Nick Kennedy

3<sup>rd</sup> EASTBOURNE ENDEAVOUR Thomas Moss, Craig Moir, Keith Strudwick

8<sup>th</sup> BARHAM BOMBERS, Dave Heather, Adam Bell, Mark Ridge out of 13 Adult Teams

Grasstrack

Frittenden Battle of Britain on 29 May 2016

500cc Solos 1 Ben Millichap 2- Graeme Brown 3- Martyn Sturgeon

Uprights Solos 1- Bob Dolman 2- Stephen Green 3- Nathan Morton

350cc Solos 1- Paul Hurry 2- Mark Giles 3- Dave Mears

250cc Solos 1- Janie Pantry 2- Tim Greig 3- Chris Still

## **JUNE**

Club members were out in force for the Barham Vintage Weekend on 18-19th June with a good entry by Barham Members, Eddie had brought his Ossa, Tri-Greeves, BSA Bantam and Westlake Grasstrack Bike, Nigel Craig had his 1980's Honda RTL & Triumph 650 as well as a AC Cobra and quarter scale Traction Engine, Neil Cousins brought two trials bikes a 250 Greeves and a 350 Royal Enfield, Amanda had her C15 Sprint bike on display there was also Tony's Lotus 6 and last but no means least the 1936 'Cammy' Arter AJS 500 Grasstrack bike

We held a Youth / Adult practice date on 19<sup>th</sup> June at Crundale

### **Election of Officers**

Richard Holt proposed that the committee was elected on block this was seconded by Alan Clapson and unanimously passed by the members present

Officers and Committee for 2016 -2017

President Charlie Colman

Vice President J Williams, Eddie Mears

Chairman Richard Holt

Vice Chair Alan Wibberley

Treasurer Tom Arter

Web site Editor Nick Francis

Secretary Mark Ridge

Trials Secretary Tom Arter

Youth Officer Tim Taylor

Editor Jenny Collins

Committee Dave Mears, Alan Clapson, Tony Styles, Barry Gooding & Paul Kennett

### **AOB**

We agreed not to hold a meeting in August

We agreed that the Christmas Bash would be held at the Black Robin on 9<sup>th</sup> December

Tim Taylor asked if we would hold some joint Youth Trials with Tenterden next this was agreed

Richard asked if we were happy with our club events and we all were, Nick said was arranging another Ride out which would include a treasure hunt.

Nick Francis was dealing with the club archives and would like any interesting photos that can be included before it is published

Eddie inquired about the club gazebo and Tom informed us that a new frame had been purchased

We decided that there would be no Committee meeting in August

The Meeting Finished at 21.15

Minutes agreed

Signed

Date