

KENT YOUTH TRIALS CLUB

Affiliated to the ACU & NKTC

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at the Bull Public House, East Farleigh, Kent on Monday 29th November, 1999.

Present Kevin, Richard & Ben Ely
Alan & Ben Wibberley
Piers, Hugo & Sebastian Rendell
Gillian, Alec & Edward Roberts
Kenny, Lindsey, Samantha & Stuart King
Sarah, Geoff, Greg & Alex Eiffert
Carol Dunk
Bob & William Catt
Richard & Sue Dowland
Ken Calver & Tim Gillam

Apologies Brian Dunk

The Chair welcomed everyone to the 24th AGM of Kent Youth.

The Minutes of the 1998 AGM were read and agreed to be a true record. Proposed by Lindsey King and seconded by Alec Roberts.

Matters Arising Alan was thanked for chasing up new members in his new job as Membership Secretary.

Chairs Report We have had a fairly successful year managing to run our usual 12 Club trials and a C & D National which proved very popular with those involved. Unfortunately we only had a small entry but proved that we could put on an event worthy of National status. We have applied to run again in 2000 and hopefully we will be able to do all Youth classes. The new rules for next year say that all the rounds are to count for the Championship so we should get a much bigger entry! On the Club front, we had a very successful camping weekend, which was supported by Geoff and some of the 96 Club although the fireworks got a bit scary. But at least it shut the 96ers up and after our great victory in the tug-of-war last year I recon it's two nil to Kent Youth!

In August we ran our second trial at Barnegarh Farm, which we hope is now a regular once a year venue thanks to Brian Hemsley.

We are in contact with a new man at Sheppey who seems keen for the land to be used regularly provided it is under supervision and used responsibly. He is planning on fitting gates to restrict access to the ground but keys will be available for Kent Youth.

I am trying to discuss practices with Geoff Brooker for our members but it is difficult to arrange times as he rides trials himself.

Piers meanwhile seems to be organising and getting good support for Club practices.

Well done to the riders Richard, Ben and Eddie for having a go at some of the Nationals it should stand you in good stead for the future.

In planning our trials for next year we will try to avoid clashing with Bexleyheath club dates as we have riders that belong to both clubs.

For the future, we must continue to keep in with all our land owners treating their land with the greatest respect as venues are very hard to find.

Membership is on a slow but steady increase thanks to Alan. Thanks to all the Committee members for your support over the last year and thank you to everyone for turning up tonight.

Kevin

Treasurers Report Lindsey read her Treasurers Report for the year ending 31st August 1999 (copy attached). Proposed by Richard Dowland and seconded by Gillian Roberts. Lindsey thanked her friend who did the accounts with no charge to Kent Youth.

Nominations of Committee Members It was agreed that the Committee should stand as it is as all seem happy to do so. Officially there will be no riders on the Committee. No proposal forms were received from anybody else. Proposed by Bob Catt and seconded by Piers Rendell.

The Committee for 1998/99 is as follows:

President	Brian Dunk
Chair	Kevin Ely
Treasurer	Lindsey King
Competition Secretary	Richard Dowland
Membership Secretary	Alan Wibberley
Practice Secretary	Piers Rendell
Newsheet Editor	Gillian Roberts
Club Secretary	Sue Dowland
Observers Secretary	Alec Roberts
Machine Examiner & Safety Officer	Kenny King
Trophy & Social Secretary	Carol Dunk
No riders on the Committee	

Any Other Business Alan requested a clearing party for new ground at Barham with no riding. A date was fixed for 2nd January 2000. Sean Dalton had contacted Piers offering to sponsor a cup up to 50. He said we could use Sheppey as the home for KYTC and he has offered to try and make the ground better. Some members felt that although we were very grateful that we could use the land we didn't feel we could use it as much as Mr. Dalton would like us to.

Alan suggested we needed to maximise the use and clear other grounds such as Matfield.

Piers mentioned he found evidence of drug users (needles) in the trees at Sheppey and thought it advisable to check for this in the future.

Geoff Brooker practice sessions were discussed and were thought to be rather expensive by some parents especially if there were two riders in one family. Perhaps we could negotiate a club price if several riders got together.

The need for more course markers was raised by Kevin who said he would organise this plus arrows etc.

Alan Wibberley said the Club should think about buying a TY80 and perhaps a Fantic 80 for potential members to try. He said he would be prepared to maintain one bike whereby a discussion took place about costs and insurance etc. No positive decision was made.

As Kent Youth were not running a Combine in the year 2000 it was decided to help the Wickham Club at their Combine in recognition of the use of their land by Kent Youth. As the Wickham Club do not have many members it was agreed that our lads would observe.

It was agreed that we would only count 10 out of 12 rounds of our Club trials for deciding Rider of the Year placings. It was also decided to award trophies for first, second and third positions in our quarterly trials championships.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45 pm.

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Treasurer's Report on accounts for year ended 31 August 1999

Kent Youth has had a good year financially. Looking at the income figures first, our total income of £2893 was on a level with the previous year's figure of £2899.

No Nationals were put on this year.

Competitions represents club trials. This year the income is slightly down on last year, possibly due to holding club trials with other clubs and the entry fee going to them but more likely that we had fairly low numbers riding the trials in the early part of the year. Despite the rising number of members, not all of them ride every club trial so the income is not as great as it might be. I have also included payments received for The Gazette here.

The number of members increased during the year which is excellent. The lower figure of membership this year is due to the fact that in the later part of the year it was decided, for the time being, to drop the £10 one-off joining fee as it was felt that this might put people off joining.

We only held half the number of raffles that we did last year so income from these is down, also last year's figure included money taken on the raffle at the awards evening, whereas this year I have shown that money under party income. [As a matter of interest would members like to have a raffle at every trial or prefer to have one now and again?]

Practices were well attended, much more so than the previous year.

Annual Party is the awards evening. As mentioned before this figure includes the raffle money (£58), also the auction money (£34), and ticket money which is up on last year because we charged a little more for the tickets.

Bank interest is obviously down due to the falling interest rates.

Our expenditure was lower this year and this has resulted in an excess income over expenses figure of just over £600.

Competition expenses include the trial permit fees and also the cost of the trophies for the club trials, just slightly up on last year. It also includes the purchase of The Gazette.

Annual Party expenses include hire of the hall and food at the awards evening (£138), the cost of engraving and trophies presented at the annual awards evening (£300) and this year I have included the cost of the food (£92) for the Camping Weekend free barbecue which the Wibberleys kindly organised for us.

Practice expenses represents the fees we pay for Public Liability at the practices.

Donations were made to the ACU in memory of the late Timber Woods and for sponsoring a section at the Eastbourne club 1998 charity trial.

No bank charges this year.

Committee Meeting expenses are for the hire of this hall for meetings and includes the food and hall hire for the 1998 AGM.

Accountancy for this year is nil as I have had the books audited elsewhere with the auditor very generously making no charge to Kent Youth.

Postage, Printing and Stationery is a bit more this year as we have had some nice new membership cards printed up.

Miscellaneous expenses include the purchase of a few prizes for the raffles, refund of a joining fee and a little 'thank you' to our landowners and auditor.

If you take a look at the Balance Sheet you will see that we have £2636 in the business call (deposit) account and £1239 in the current account plus £123 cash. Adding the value of the stock and office equipment we have assets of around £4000, as shown on the Capital Account.