

Dec. '76

Hi Riders :

Practice at Tibbs Court.Sunday 7th November 1976 - This is not a fairy story ! - But

Once upon a time a KYTC member wished for a flat trial ground and quickly Trevor Dobbs made his wish come true. Out at Tibbs Court - acres of flat clean grassy orchards with widely spaced trees.

But wait - its raining - this can't be a KYTC event - it never rains at our events.. It is and it does. Red traffic cones among green windfalls no bikes - yet - until Anthony's Montesa guides us through the flat orchard of Michael's dream, down the gentle sloping woodland path, slippery, cozing muddy ruts, and then clear gushing stream in peaceful wood.

Here's Keith with axe, another with saw, down go saplings to open sections. Water everywhere, sky, trees and ground. Rain stops, trees drip the stream flows on. Through the bracken Joanne's TY50. There's Alan launching SS Honda - floats out to the far bank - up and gone. Now Duncan's vessel takes the water and soon, too, Duncan. There's Peter also astride a Honda - will he make it? yes he does. Here comes colourful leathered Terry through the stream with TY80. In the bracken more TY80s - There's Peter and Robert round and round with Joanne. The trees stop dripping - the rain comes again.

Where's that clear gushing stream ? Gone ! Now its agitated muddy torrent. Off to lunch - soggy sandwiches - at last a dry space, among empty fruit boxes. More rain - does it stop ? - don't know - too busy - back through the orchard - to the wood - who wanted a flat trial ground? - who cares ?

The stream is clear again, but not for long. In they go - wheels spinning - mud spitting - the stream gurgles and splashes darkly. Ossa comes with Gordon and John - Olive with foil-wrapped sandwiches. The trees drip- It rains.

Getting dark at three o'clock - back through orchard to clean wheels and boots on long wet grass. Then to the yard to hose the bikes and fill Anthony's boots. And so through other rain back home.

Not a fairy story but a fantastic day - thanks to Trevor, Keith and Anthony - apologies for omissions - did I forget anyone? - no, the ugly compsecs weren't in this panto - you know, Bob's the good-looking one, but Don's younger or is it the other way around ? They were splashing water on a baby.

Tibbs Court is great !!

This is your life.

Full Name. Peter Julian Cressey

Date of birth. 29. 7.64.

Hair Colour. Brown

Eyes. Blue

Brothers. None

Sisters. One

Pets. 2 cats, 1 dog, 2 Goldfish

Dislikes. Going to bed, and having hair cut.

Hobbies. Trials, Bird Watching.

Favourite Drink. Cola.

Favourite Food. Irish Stew.

Favourite Book. Clean to the fin

Favourite Pop Star. Showaddy waddy

Favourite T.V. Programme.
Starsky and Hutch.

First Trial. KYTC

Favourite Trial Bike.
Honda TL 125

Favourite Road Bike.

Favourite Car.

Norton Commando.

Ford Capri.

Favourite Trials Rider.

Helmet Law.

Sammy Miller

Yes

First Bike.

How long Riding.

Raleigh Runabout.

5 months.

Career.

Most Embarrassing Moment.

Have'nt thought about it yet.

Learning to ride a Bicycle
falling into paddling pool.

What he considers would be an added advantage
to the Club.

He considers we are Supreme.

Do you like Girls.

They're Okay.

Question for next victim.

Favourite T.V. Star.

Mr. M. Moreland whose life we published in last months news letter would like to point out that his hobbies should have read football and not fishing. Apologies for any embarrassment this might have caused.

Poems.

Bob and Don or Don and Bob.

The time has come for it to be known
the effort that Bob and Don have shown
to all of us both parents and Riders
and sometimes too, a few outsiders
They are always there, hardly ever late
eagerly awaiting another Trial, date.
Bob with a laugh from under his bike
Don looking on, to a frightful sight
The Riders are arriving, one, two, three
Don scrutinise, Bob checks a tree.
Weather be fine or weather be wet
we have never heard a moan yet.
From these two Dads who give their all
so other folks kids can have a Ball
we thank you fella's you are the most
so drink up Club and give a toast
to Bob and Don our favourite Hosts
who at every meeting give their most.

Nancy Morris.

Trial's riding is exciting
I enjoy it very much
Up and down hills I go
Round and over trees.

Here's another section
I hope that I succeed
Down a hole
Round a tree
Over a log
I've done it
Yipee !

Joanne Coulter.

Come on boys the females are leading the field.

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Kent Youth Trial Club.

Pencils can be obtained from the secretary. (10p)

Club Badges: Can be obtained from the Chairman (40p)

Christmas Disco.

18th December 1976 - British Legion Village Hall,
Nr. Maidstone.

A Christmas Disco will be held on the 18th December where the awards for the best rider in each class will be presented. Tickets are available from any committee member price £ 2.00 per family membership, and 75p for any guest you may like to bring along. A buffet will be served during the evening and a licensed bar has been arranged.
(Map attached)

Annual General Meeting 23rd January 1977.

British Legion Village Hall, Nr. Maidstone.

Any member of the Club is eligible to be nominated and the necessary form is attached. So please inform Mum and Dad to enable them to be nominated if they wish to do so. Also remember we do have two riding members on the committee, so if you feel you would like the opportunity of helping decide how the club should function, get your own nomination in. We have arranged for the Road Safety Officer to attend at this meeting and he will be showing a film on motor - cycling and a few tips on road safety. This is an important event in the Club's Diary, so please attend.

Age Groups The ACU Youth Division Regulation on Age Groups is being changed so that riders may choose on their appropriate Birthday to go up into the next class rather than wait for 1st January. Our Committee has decided to amend the KYTC Riding Rules effective 1.1.77 to reflect this change. Riders who choose to "go up" will be expected to notify (on or before their appropriate birthday) the club in writing of their decision. It is only fair to mention that a rider who chooses to go from one class to another during the year could spoil his chances of qualifying for an Annual Award.

Reminders (a) Numbers Riders are expected to provide their own numbers - one at the front of the bike and one on their back (could be on the helmet or on the back of jacket). The observers have to see these numbers so they should be a good size - at least the size of motorbike number plate figures. Sew-on and stick-on figures in black or white are available quite cheaply.

(b) Chain Guards These are required by the Club Rules and the ACU so as to avoid the possibility of nasty accidents. The guards should protect the entry of the chain to the rear wheel sprocket as well as to the drive sprocket.

(c) Safety Riders are asked to make sure their bikes do not have dangerous broken parts - eg. broken clutch or brake levers, torn metal mudguards, etc. Riders with dangerous bikes can be excluded from riding by the scrutineers.

Entries for Trials From now on entries for Trials will have to be made by sending the form in advance - at least a week before the Trial.

Experts & Novices The Committee has given a lot of thought to this subject and has decided to try experimentally a Trial with fifteen sections. The first five will be simple and for Novices only, the next five will be more difficult and for both Novices and Experts, while the last five will be more challenging and only for the Experts. For the time being riders will be classified as Experts or Novices according to past performances. If the experimental Trial is successful a scheme will be devised so that riders can win promotion from Novices to Experts.

Trial on 12.12.76 This will be near Denton, Canterbury starting at 10.30am with a half hour break from 12.30 - 1.00, sections closing at 2.30. A new system will be used to speed the results and this will be an experimental Trial over fifteen sections (as explained above). Please send in your entries by 4th December or bring them to the Working Party of 5th December.

hoped to make this a "wet" Trial with all or most sections on and over the stream. Be prepared with waterproofs. Entries by 8th January please.

S.E. Centre Trial The Invicta Club will hold its "Garden of England" Trial on 2.1.77 near Canterbury starting at 10.30am. This should be an interesting adult Trial and our Committee would like to offer the Invicta Club the services of some of our members as observers. Those of you who would like to observe at this event please advise our Secretary, Mrs Doreen Simmonds, by 12th December so that we can tell the Invicta Club in good time how many of our members will help.

Observers Please don't be shy about observing: we need volunteer observers. Its very simple and can be quite exciting. Michael Banks will be i/c Observers so please tell him if you are willing to observe at our Club Trial on 12.12.76.

Membership The Club is growing fast - there are now 35 family memberships with 50 Riding Members.

1977 Programme

9th Jan	- Practice	24th Jul	- Trial
16th Jan	- Trial at Tibbs Court	7th Aug	- Committee for National
23rd Jan	- AGM	14th Aug	- Practice
6th Feb	- Practice	21st Aug	- Trial
13th Feb	- Trial	4th Sep	- NATIONAL TRIAL
6th Mar	- Practice	11th Sep	- Practice
20th Mar	- Trial	18th Sep	- Trial
10th Apl	- Practice	9th Oct	- Practice
17th Apl	- Trial	16th Oct	- Trial
8th May	- Practice	30th Oct	- Committee for 20.11.76 trial
15th May	- Trial	13th Nov	- Practice
12th Jun	- Practice	20th Nov	- ESTC/KYTC Annual Tri
19th Jun	- Trial	27th Nov	- Practice
26th Jun	- ESTC invite us to Trial at the Royal Oak Pits, Danbury.	4th Dec	- Trial
17th Jul	- Practice	17th Dec	- Christmas Party

Kent Youth Trials Club &

Essex School Boys.

- 21st November 1976.

Thanks boys for riding so well against such stiff opposition. The Essex club certainly have some good riders, and that is what you have got to set your sights on. If you all continue to make progress as you have done we can see no reason why the K.Y.T.C. shouldn't take a few more of the pots this time next year. Talking of pots, well done Chris and Anthony.

We hope you found the course to your liking with plenty of variation. Thanks must go to Trevor Dobbs and Anthony, Paul and Stan for helping to lay out the course on Saturday.

Thanks must also go to Brian Prior for all the paper-work, Michael Banks for the trophies,

Maureen and Sandra for looking after the results and indeed all of you for your support.

Everyone working in the same direction can only make a great club. Just one word on scrutineering, please pay attention to chain guards.

Don Cuckow. (Comp.Sec.)

Results are attached, also a copy of the Thank you letter we received from Essex School boys secretary.

Well riders here we are again at the end of another letter and also the last of the year. I would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year's Riding. Hope Santa doesn't forget the new bikes.

Bye for now,

Doreen.