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**TRIAL REPORT**

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### Riders on the Committee

Ross Thompson & Stevie Dunk

## EDITORIAL

Here we are again, and I hope that you all had a lovely christmas and the new year has started well for you.

I must firstly apologise for missing the January trial, but I forgot to pick up my new fixtures list so me being me thought that the trial was near the end of the month as it has been, not at the beggining. Many thanks to Bob for stepping in and doing the report.

By the time you read this the dinner and dance will have been and gone, and I hope that you all enjoyed yourselves, and liked the trophys that you recieved, you all deserve them. Thanks to everyone who gave a prize for the raffle, and special thank to all who gave and bought at the auction.

There are quite a few new members to welcome to the club this month, they are Darryl Jeffery from Faversham riding C class, Dean Heathfield from Rainham riding C class, Leslie Forrester from Orpington riding C class, John Lindsay from Wateringbury riding B class, Craig Mercer from Gravesend riding D class, Graham Rodemark from Hailsham in east Sussex riding A class and Darren Help from Canterbury riding A class. Welcome to the club lads, and I hope that you all enjoy it.

Well I must close now as time is getting on and as usual I'm running all behind. It only leaves me to say Happy New Year to you all, and a Happy and Safe trialling year, as Dave used to say Keep those Feet Up.

Judy.

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CHRISTMAS TRIAL AT TIBBS COURT22nd December

Well we were not lucky enough to have any snow, but there again we don't need it for trialling.

There was a bit of snow on the hats, sorry helmets, it was nice to see a good turn out of them too. Congratulations to Adam Goodsell with his snow scene, Greg Kennedy with his Santa & Reindeer, and Steven Craig with his Christmas tree our winners. Well done to all you lads that entered, they were all good.

The best section definately had to be young Philips and Carols, it was a shame that there were not more sections decorated.

The trial consisted of 4 laps of 10 sections.

Section 1. Observed by John Bird.

Reds, winding through the section between tree stumps in a half circle. Stevie Thompson sailing through this section as he did most of them, only dropping 2 marks all day.

Blues, small drop into and across the stream, around some trees, back across the stream to then take a left turn to go back across again, up a small slippery bank to go out.

Whites, same to start, but after the second crossing of the stream having to take a tighter left turn to go across a deeper part of the stream, up a higher bank, right turn to go along then a right between some stumps, down a little bank across the stream and out.

Yellows, same to start but having to go up a high step around some tree stumps through some rotten apples, (and they hummed) down a bank, across the stream around the back of a tall stump, then a

nasty drop in and out of the stream to go out. This water was very deep. This was perhaps Jay Grossmiths best section.

Section 2. Observed by Les Matton.

Reds, a gentle wiggle through some tree stumps and hop poles.

Blues, dropping into the stream to ride along with a muddy exit up a slot, to go up the path to go out. Richard Hayward and Stephen Craig both cleaning this each time.

Whites, drop into the stream, up on a camber bank out to the turn to drop back in again then along to come out on a sharp high step to exit.

Yellows, having to jump across the stream up a steep bank on the opposite side, then going along to drop into the stream, straight across to climb out, then in again to go along to come out a a very sharp undercut step. Steven Wass doing very well here.

Section 3. Observed by Vic & Jane Stone & James Hickmott.

Reds, down a small slope, a weave around some roots, right then left turn around a holly tree on a camber to go out. Nicholas Bullock, Nicky Dowland and Adam Goodsell all cleaning this.

Blues, similar route to the reds but having to go slightly further down the slope, right turn to go down a quite short steep hill, left turn to come back up in some well worn ruts to go out.

Whites, down to the bottom of the slope, left turn around a stump just missing the stream, back up the hill over the top of a large tree stump, tight right turn then same out.

Yellows, same as whites but up first hill having to bear left to go through some stumps, then up second

ill turning left then right to go around a tree to go out.

#### Section 4. Observed by Steve Goodsell.

Steve said that all the whites and yellows took a bath here.

Reds, down a little hill on a camber past a tree, left turn to go up and out. James Moore and Chris Thompson cleaning every time here.

Blues, same as the reds, but with a very sharp left turn to go out of the exit. Ben Smith found this very easy going.

Whites, down a slope past a tree, then a steep drop down into a deep wide stream, up a slippery step on the opposite side, left turn around a tree to then come back across the stream up a hill and out.

Yellows, same as they had to change the section as it was dangerous.

#### Section 5. Observed by Trevor Wass.

Reds, through the gate with a sharp right turn to go over Roys home-made bridge, slight left turn out.

Blues, left turn into section over some humps, sharp right to go down into the stream, through stream to go up a small gull and out.

Whites, into the section and straight across a wide part of the stream, left turn to follow the stream, then a left to go up over a root step, then a right U turn back through the stream over humps and out.

Yellows, straight across the stream, over a hump, across a gully left turn into the stream, over another hump back into the water, sharp right up over a root step, then a U turn back down into the stream to go out up over a high hump.

#### Section 6. Observed by Philip Leahy and Carol Dunk.

This section really did look very festive, the 1st one i'de seen decorated so far. Ther was Philip in his parcel and carol in her cracker, there were even reindeer pulling a sleigh, and of course there were sweets for all who past through.

Reds, down a little bank then up and around some trees.

This was rather a long section for all the riders having to go up and down some bank wiggling through the trees.

The reds and blues all coped well, but the experts finding it rather difficult and mucky wtih only 5's going through until David Gilbert cleared it once. Ian and Adrian even took a mud bath here.

Daniel Bullock Nicky Lynch and Michael Cross all rode well for the reds, and Simon Bird cleaned it every time on the whites.

#### Section 7. Observed by David Paine.

David had also decorated his section with some tinsel, he even hed his own snow machine with him for certain parts of the section.

Reds, down a little slope passing some holes made by fallen trees, slight right turn then a left turn to go out at the bottom.

Blues, left then a right turn to go over a large log, down and around a hump, then a right turn to drop in and out of a deep gully, left turn around some trees then out. Greg Kennedy doing well here.

Whites, same till after going around the trees, then across and over a log, right turn to come back over logs to go out. Stephen Dunk cleaning this each time

Yellows, same to steart but after crossing first log having to go over the top of a trre root mound, then t

the same but having to do a hopping right turn to be able to come back over directly the log on a much higher part. David Gilbert and Graham Rodemark doing well.

Sections 8 & 9. (Sub sections) Observed by Mark Smith and Bernie Nutbrown.

Reds, straight along the top of the bank around some trees but near the end having to go across the stream over some logs.

Blues, between the trees taking a left turn to go across the stream in a roaty rut, right turn around a clump of trees, drop back into the stream to ride along in it, then having to go up out of the stream in a wet sticky rut, then a slight wiggle around some trees to the exit.

Whites, these were the same as the blues.

Yellows, into section taking a left turn to either jump across the stream or drop down a steep sharp bank into it, then a sharp right turn to come back across the stream, right turn to loop around a tree, then a left to cross back over again with a sharp right turn turn around a tree to the roll into the stream to then have to really exelerate to get back out, then a right turn to the exit. Robbie Nutbrown doing very well here.

Section 10. Observed by John Pattinson.

Reds, left turn to come around some trees, then up a little hill which was very sticky and slippery, then having to wind around trees to go out.

Blues, across the stream, left wide looping turn to come back across the stream, up a little hill, right turn and out.

Whites, around some trees, then up a little slope, right turn between some trees, across the stream to take a left turn between a stump and a tree, then

## **Trials Report - Owens Farm**

The Clubs first trial of 1992 was held on Sunday 5th Jan at Owens Farm, kindly lent to us for the day by the amiable Mrs. Holliday. This ground has been opened up by Vic & Grant Stone since the last time we were here and it showed!

On the Saturday prior to the Trial a working party of Roger, Les, Vic and their lads set out a course of eight sections. They say they could have laid out 10 with more time and a promise of more observers. All the Red sections were kept out of the hole to the relief of the pursuing fathers.

After rain on Saturday night the sections were to become a little harder than anticipated. Thirty Four riders signed on along with four "old boys", good to see you back lads to show these young whipper snappers how its done.

The eight sections proved right as we again experienced great difficulty in getting willing observers. Thanks to those who did sign on as officials, Lynda Thompson & Mr Moore, Vic & Mr Forrester, Terry Lynch, Steve Goodsell, Mark Smith, Phil & Ian Hodges girl friend (sorry I dont know your name), Albert Trevatt & Dave Payne and Nigel Craig. Glad to see Vic giving out Mars Bars as bribes again!

Spread over five laps the lads set off to their respective starting section.

### **A Experts.**

Robbie & Stuart were head to head throughout the trial. At the end of the third lap Stuart was leading, by just 4 points. The fourth lap saw Robbie record a lap of 13 & Stuart 17. This left them all square going into the final eight. Despite recording a 5 on every lap on section 5 Robbie came home on 12 to beat Stuart by 3 this being lost on the final section of the day when Robbie had a clean. A great battle by these two. Graham Rodemark who has just joined the club finished on a creditable 103. His claim to fame being the only clean on section 5 (Mark Smith did manage it but he's over 17 and don't count).

### **A Novice**

The only two contestants for this class were Ross Thompson & Bryn Matton. Having come up from the B Class this year they continued their battle. Bryn coming out tops by 10 marks. These two should provide some interest in their class this year for the Rider of the Year award. Ross is keen to win it as his brother did two years ago, and Bryn as keen cos his dad says so.

### **B Expert**

David Gilbert was not unopposed in this class for once, the competition coming from Simon Bird, having a try out on the much harder yellow sections. Once again the results were close David winning by 11 marks. You have to take your hat (or helmet) off to these two attempting these sections with a bike and body disadvantage over the A Experts. Keep it up.

### **B Novice**

Stevie Dunk, who you may recall went up to this class a year early, had a good ride finishing on 92 over a fairly difficult course, indeed he would have won the A Novice! Grant Stone finished to his credit after bike trouble, losing a chain then his back brake. Well done Grant.

### **Clubman**

Good to see the Clubmen at it again with only three marks separating Stephen Craig and Luke Paine we again had a very close result. The invincible Paul Trevatt ever smiling coming in not far behind.

### **C Class**

Ben Smith was a convincing victor in this class beating new member Darryl Jeffery who took a bad tumble early on. Stevie Thompson on his first ride as a C got round with a creditable score, after dominating the D Class last year Steve will soon be mixing it with Ben & Darryl. Three lads Iain Pattinson, Nicky Lynch & Greg Kennedy all finished for no award. Unfortunately Chris Thompson had to retire with bike trouble.

### **D Class**

Once again great competition in this class Nicky Dowland winning by 12 marks, marvelous how close the results are this month. Adam Goodsell was second followed by Lee Sadler on his auto, (he got a trials video for Christmas you know) (and a brother) Congratulations!!! to the Sadler family. Good rides by Alec Stevenson, Richard Inman & James Moore after winning his best beginner in December.

### **Beginners**

Its been a long time since we had as many beginners as this, eight in total. All finishing bar two, Jonathan Bartholomew & Marc Neale, who had bike trouble. The class was won by Hugh Stevenson once again very close only 14 marks between him & Daniel Bullock. These were followed by Guy, Julian, Darren, and Nicholas Bullock. Well done to Hugh, keep trying the rest of you your day will come.

### **Old Boys**

Good to see these ex-members back they all seemed to enjoy the trial with Smiffy "winning" despite abusing the observers. He lost a chain on section one having wedged the bike between two trees first, his attempts to fit it back on while still on the machine caused amusement to the crowd. Woody Hole may have done it but Mark failed he paddled it out the section and demanded a three. Did Lynda award it? Answers on a post card please. Michael Nutbrown thankful that he beat his brother (or he would never have heard the end of it) is hoping to compete in the Scottish Six Day Trial in May. Best of luck Mike you'll need it. Ask Les Matton he tried it once. Neil & Ian tied for third place, the former gaining the Nigel Craig award for the highest leap out of his section!

All in all a good trial well laid out and enjoyed by all. See you at Robertsbridge, and bring an appetite as Betty the landowner is selling food from her caravan.

## Bobs Section

Nice to see so many people at Owens Farm in January, especially nice to see new riders and ex-members riding together. Once again we had the old problem of getting people to observe. The old saying exists **No Observer No Section**. We must have more volunteers, its most disheartening having given up your Saturday to set sections, the see them not used. So come on give Vic your signature now & again.

## AWARDS EVENING

I hope you all enjoyed the Awards Evening last month. I would like to thank every one of you who donated raffle prizes, helping to raise money to cover the evening. A big sorry to those of you who like to dance, there just didnt seem to be enough time to get everthing in. Finally thanks to Carol & Roy for organising everything, and to Carol & Roger for selling tickets all evening. It was good to see our guests enjoying themselves, and donating items for the auction, run by Ron Stevens. Thanks also to Graham for whom it was his last awards evening as a member, perhaps he will return to give out some awards in later years.

## COMBINE TRIAL

Next Sunday February 9th we are holding our round of the North Kent Combine Trial. The lads are **not** permitted to ride this one but we would still like you to turn up. Vic will be looking for observers again probably 15. Lads can observer it will be on a marked card system, not punch cards.

This is a good fund raiser for the club, we hope to see 80 or so entrants. The trial is at St. Peters Pit at Wouldham near Eccles and will be signed from Bluebell Hill. Start time is 10.00am so be there early.

Thanks.

Bob.

back across the stream and up a little hill, right turn to go out. Ross Thompson, Grant Stone and Bryn Matton alll doing well here.

Yellows, same to start but after crossing the stream taking right turn in deep mud to go over a high log then an immediate left turn to go around a tree to go across the stream again, then a right turn to go back across again, over a log, back across up a bank to then twiddle through the trees to go out.

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## RIDERS REPORT

### TIBBS COURT

## A. & B REPORT

A very slippery but challenging course.

Everyone seemed to be enjoining their ride. An added obstacle on Dave Paines section was being covered in fake snow, and Carol Dunk willing us to fall off so she could give us a kiss.

All in all a very enjoyable day.

Ross Thompson.

## C & D REPORT

A very nice day's weather for our christmas trial.

Many of the C & D riders had decorated their helmets really well. It was a pity that only two sections were decorated, but maybe newer members will realize what the christmas trial is about.

Most riders seem to be coping very well, the stream

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s always a problem for smaller and newer members.  
But with Roy building a bridge it seemed to help  
alot.

A good trial enjoyed by everyone, especially as  
it was christmas.

Stevie Dunk.

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FINAL POSITIONS

EXPERTS

'A' CLASS

|     |            |     |
|-----|------------|-----|
| 88. | S.Wass     | 117 |
| 52. | S.Bridges  | 95  |
| 30. | M.Smith    | 94  |
| 40. | R.Nutbrown | 70  |
| 25. | C.Dean     | 61  |
| 34. | J.Allen    | 61  |

'B' CLASS

|     |           |    |
|-----|-----------|----|
| 77. | D.Gilbert | 23 |
| 103 | R.Bromley | 18 |

'A' NOVICE

|      |           |    |
|------|-----------|----|
| 49.  | A.Wilson  | 49 |
| 100. | N.Tamplin | 18 |

'B' NOVICE

|      |            |     |
|------|------------|-----|
| 115. | S.Bird     | 174 |
| 63.  | G.Stone    | 37  |
| 48.  | J.Wilson   | 36  |
| 3.   | R.Thompson | 22  |
| 80.  | J.Hickmott | 6   |

'C' CLASS

|     |           |     |
|-----|-----------|-----|
| 28. | S.Dunk    | 165 |
| 72. | M.Baldock | 119 |
| 55. | B.Smith   | 74  |
| 54. | S.Craig   | 69  |
| 90. | L.Paine   | 43  |
| 18. | T.Pearce  | 36  |

'D' CLASS

|     |            |     |
|-----|------------|-----|
| 7.  | S.Thompson | 179 |
| 75. | A.Baldock  | 112 |
| 5.  | B.Watkins  | 4   |
| 83. | A.Goodsell | 38  |
| 44. | M.Cross    | 38  |
| 2.  | L.Sadler   | 29  |

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TRIAL AT OWENS FARM

5th JANUARY 1992

RIDERS REPORT

'A' & 'B' REPORT

An extremely good trial, ( I have to say that as my uncle Roger slipped me a fiver - only kidding), No seriously considering the terrain it was a hard trial without being dangerous, and both experts and novices enjoyed their day.

Ross Thompson.

'C' & 'D' REPORT

The first trial of the new year, saw a really good turn out of riders, in both C & D classes. Many beginners as well.

Although a difficult trial because of being slippery everyone seemed to enjoy it very much.

Stevie Thompson had moved from D class to C class. He kept going, although he must have found it very hard. It shows what being keen is all about. Also Darryl Jeffery had a jolly good ride.

I hope all the riders will continue with such enthusiasm. It's good to have quite a few riders in each class.

Many thanks to the Red Cross, and to the Clerks of the Course.

Stevie Dunk.

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RIDER OF THE YEAR POINTS

AFTER ONE TRIAL

EXPERTS

'A' CLASS

|      |            |    |
|------|------------|----|
| 40.  | R.Nutbrown | 18 |
| 52.  | S.Bridges  | 13 |
| 120. | G.Rodemark | 9  |

'B' CLASS

|      |           |    |
|------|-----------|----|
| 77.  | D.Gilbert | 18 |
| 115. | S.Bird    | 13 |

'A' NOVICE

|     |            |    |
|-----|------------|----|
| 58. | B.Matton   | 18 |
| 3.  | R.Thompson | 13 |

'B' NOVICE

|     |         |    |
|-----|---------|----|
| 28. | S.Dunk  | 18 |
| 63. | G.Stone | 13 |

'C' CLASS

|     |            |    |
|-----|------------|----|
| 55. | B.Smith    | 18 |
| 95. | D.Jeffrey  | 13 |
| 7.  | S.Thompson | 9  |

'D' CLASS

|     |              |    |
|-----|--------------|----|
| 37. | N.Dowland    | 18 |
| 83. | A.Goodsell   | 13 |
| 2.  | L.Sadler     | 9  |
| 61. | A.Stephenson | 0  |

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FEB. 9th KYTC Host Combine Trial -  
St Peters Pit, Wouldham.

" 16th KYTC Practice - Parbutts, Detling.

" 23rd KYTC Host S.E. Centre Round -  
Stowting Woods.

MARCH 1st KYTC Trial Sheppy.

" 8th Combine Day.

DIRECTIONS.

Practice - Detling.

Trial - Sheppy.

Take A 249 across Kingsferry Bridge. At roundabout turn right. Take left into Barton Hill Drive. At 'T' Junction turn right. Turn left into the Broadway, follow this road to the sea wall. Turn left into car park at Bartons Point. DO NOT RIDE ON SEA WALL.

PRACTICE - DETLING.

Take junction 4 turn off from M2 and take the A278 in Rainham direction. Turn right at first roundabout and then right at 'T' junction into Wignmore Road. Turn right into Maidstone Road under flyover and over Motorway. Take first left and then first right into Whitehill Road.

Magpie Bungalow, Whitehill Road, Detling, Kent.

The Ten Golden Rules

- 1) You must wear, Helmet, Boots, Gloves, Long Sleeves.
- 2) Your bike must be fitted with, Chain Guards, Kill Button, Self Closing Throttle, and be Silenced.
- 3) Your bike must be scrutineered before signing on
- 4) You and your parent must sign on.
- 5) No riding before signing on.
- 6) No riding in the Car Park.
- 7) Do not carry your punch card in your mouth.
- 8) Do not argue with the observer.
- 9) Stick to the marked route between sections.
- 10) Sign off, then no more riding.

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