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Stevie Dunk & Darryl Jeffrey

CAROLS CORNER

Welcome to the first trial of the year here at Sheppey. Our thanks to Tony Croucher and Andy Heathfield for the use of the ground yet again.

I do hope you all enjoyed your Christmas festivities and are now looking forward to a full year of trials.

Congratulations to all the lads (and lass) who decorated their helmets for the Christmas Trial. There were some very good ideas and you all looked very professional. To all the observers who decorated their sections, well done! Again a jolly good show by everyone. My thanks to Dee Southern and Brenda Moore for judging the sections, the winners will be announced at the Awards Evening. Many thanks to everyone for all your efforts, it certainly helped to make a colourful trial.

Special thanks must also go to Caroline Paine for mince pies and mulled wine, to Sue Dowland for making cakes, Henry Bowdery from Ashford club who came along to observe and to all adult friends who came along for the ride. Thank you Eric Kennedy and Colin Edwards for helping with the parking.

To everyone my thanks and I hope the day was enjoyed by all.

Carols Corner (Continued)

Please get your entries into Anne Craig for Round One of The South East Centre Championship on 23rd January. Please note the closing date .

We are always on the look out for new venues for our trials so if anyone can help we would be glad to know.

Please remember the AWARDS EVENING. You can see Caroline for tickets so that we know the numbers involved for catering etc.

By the next trial we should have the list of fixtures for the year.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a healthy and happy New Year.

Good luck and happy trialling to you all.

Keep your feet up!

Carol

R I D E R O F T H E Y E A R 1 9 9 3

FINAL RESULTS AFTER 12 ROUNDS

EXPERTS

'A' Class

1	115	S. Bird	196
2	77	D. Gilbert	94
3	14	J. Grossmith	13

'B' Class

1	28	S. Dunk	198
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NOVICE

'A' Class

1	3	R. Thompson	134
2	63	G. Stone	104
3	59	T. Sparks	83
4	75	R. Chapman	73
5	58	B. Matton	55
6	20	J. Moore	46
7	10	N. Bullock	45
8	42	N. Lynch	26
9	16	I. Pattinson	13

'B' Class

1	90	L. Paine	153
2	54	S. Craig	130
3	55	B. Smith	119
4	94	D. Heathfield	98

RIDER OF THE YEAR RESULTS (Continued)

'C' Class

1	95	D. Jeffrey	153
2	9	D. Bullock	133
3	37	N. Dowland	115
4	7	S. Thompson	103
5	66	T. Stymest	9
6	115	A. Burd	6

'D' Class

1	92	D. Richards	160
	(83	A. Goodsell	133
2	(43	J. Edwards	133
4	74	G. Hadfield	32
5	40	C. Stoddart	24
6	2	L. Sadler	18
7	19	D. Latter	13

DECEMBER TRIAL REPORT

CHRISTMAS AT GREENFIELDS

If it's amazing how quickly success turns into failure it's surely more amazing for success to emerge from a near disaster. This was our Christmas trial. Despite many hours of hard work preparing for the Greenfields event we were within a gnat's of Grumpy throwing in the towel and admitting defeat. The problem was that the car parking was impossible in the normal field due to incessant rain over the last few months. Luckily the problem was resolved due to the co-operation of Mr. & Mrs. Greenfield when we were allowed to use the approach road area at the main entrance.

There was quite a trek from the emergency car park to the start area and being only a few days away from the shortest day of the year, our Chairperson was rather anxious to get the trial started. This we duly did and the 38 club riders with their several guests of ex-members and adults rode four laps of 10 sections.

Most sections were nicely decorated and some people had put a lot of thought and effort into their decorations and deserve to be mentioned.

SECTION ONE

Debbie Goodsell's was a mixture of home made snowmen and stars with Christmas Greetings hung between trees.

SECTION TWO

Cathy and John Bird's was a co-ordinated mixture of golds, greens and oranges sparkling in the trees with a cassette machine playing cheerful Christmas carols. Unfortunately, the player retired after two laps with battery trouble.

SECTION THREE

Linda Thompson. This section had a rather French flavour about it with red and blue streamers blowing in the strong wind.

SECTION FOUR

Henry's section. This was decorated with lots of little red, blue, yellow and white squares stapled to trees and he had the riders in mind because they actually followed the different routes exactly. Thanks for observing Henry!

SECTION FIVE

Carole and Roger Thompson's section. One or two snowmen and Father Christmas's adorned a rather long section with a few strings of Roger's dress beads wrapped round a tree at the end.

SECTION SIX

Phillip's section. A really superb effort from young Phillip, as always. All types of decorations here.

SECTION SEVEN

Sally Jeffery's section. A winding section decorated with tinsel. Why don't you come to more trials Sally?

SECTION EIGHT

Dereck and Penny Strudwick's section. Dereck assures me that his section was probably the best of all but the wind blew all the decorations away. We believe you Dereck! Nice to see you anyway.

SECTION NINE

Sue Dowland's section. Now this really was windy corner. I know Sue and Lucy spent several days making paper chains but they didn't last long here. A few bits of tinsel clung on to the end although Darryl J. attacked one of these in frustration when he failed to negotiate the slippery log on lap 3.

SECTION TEN

Andy Heathfield's section. Now what can we say? No decorations on the section but our shy, retiring hero decorated himself with what looked like an ex Rowan Atkinson cod-piece which prompted the two lady section judges to award maximum marks for content.

On to the trial itself. Ace course setter, Tony Croucher, was definately not giving away any early Christmas presents in the form of easy sections on any of the four routes as marks were high in all classes.

EXPERTS

David Gilbert was in complete control of the experts class finishing 38 marks ahead of Simon Bird. Even the excellent Stephen Strudwick, who was riding as a guest, dropped 17 marks more than David such was his superiority. Simon, however, was happy to turn the tables on 'young' Stevie Dunk after the Sheppey round, finishing 104 to 113. Grant Stone made fourth just 5 ahead of another newcomer to the class, the impressive Ben Smith. Luke Paine was comfortably ahead of Ross Thompson for sixth spot.

NOVICE 'A'

Again this was a battle of the two Nicks with Nick Bullock just pipping Nick Lynch but by only 4 marks this time.

NOVICE 'B'

Although Dean Heathfield was riding for no award it was interesting to see that his usual duel with Stephen Craig was still close with only 8 marks separating them at the end. It finished 63 to 71 in Dean's favour.

'C' CLASS

Darryl Jeffery won as usual but the performance of Dan Bullock in second was really impressive. In fact he finished stronger losing only 9 marks to Darryl's 15 on the final circuit but by that time Darryl had it won. Stevie Thompson continued his learning curve on the Fantic finishing third ahead of Nicky Dowland who saved all his best rides until the trial was over. Adam Goodsell did well and was just 10 marks behind at the finish.

'D' CLASS

Darrel Richards retired early but was so far ahead in the Rider of the Year awards that he could afford the luxury of spectating. Jimmy Edwards won on 64 from Dean Latter on 80. Chris Stoddart did well to finish third as his chain kept arguing with the rear wheel sprocket and parting company. Finally, it was good to see Guy 'the Pie' Hadfield finish in fourth place still on speaking terms with his Dad.

BEGINNERS

Alastair Gough won in a high scoring but very close competition from J. Bartholomew who was separated from O. Say by more cleans. A few marks away, Bret Baker was ahead of J. Tomlin by the same criteria. Alastair's brother Chrys was sixth.

So that was the Christmas Trial over for another year. After the hectic start to the day Carol was soon smiling again and looking after her observers with cups of tea and mince pies. Altogether, I think a successful trial, but it very nearly wasn't.

RIDERS REPORT = CHRISTMAS TRIAL
A & B

It was not the best of weather for the final trial of 1993, but at least it did not rain. There were 10 good sections set for the whites and yellows. The sections were slippery, they were demanding but enjoyable. With such a variety of riders in the expert and novice routes it is very hard to set sections. Thank you Tony for setting these out. Also thanks should go to Carol for all the hard work she put in to it. It was an enjoyable day and a great trial to finish off the year.

Nick

C & D

A slippery day was about to begin at Greenfields.

The sections were well set out and good fun to ride. There were some tight ones, some slippery and some muddy ones. An enjoyable trial for all.

Thanks to Tony, all the observers and everyone else who helped in some way.

It was great to see the sections decorated so nicely.

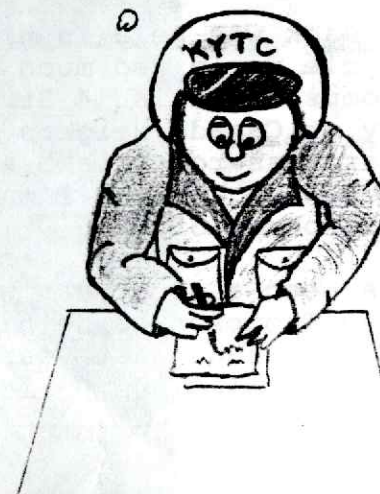
I do not think Andy is quite ready for the Chippendales just yet, we have got the video of Andy to prove it.

Dan

P.S - Thanks to Caroline for the mince pies.

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS 1994

- ① I must get my entries in on time.
- ② I must get to the trial earlier.
- ③ I must sign on as soon as possible after getting to the trial so that the comp. sec. knows I'm there.
- ④ I must make every effort to finish the trial as soon as poss. so that the poor, frozen observers on sections 8, 9 & 10 can go home.
- ⑤ I must put my club number on the front of my bike.



RIDER PROFILE - ROSS THOMPSON

It was almost inevitable that Ross Thompson would have some sort of interest in motor cycles. After all, over the years he has grown up to the sights and sounds of Dad - Bob's various bikes, mainly Triumphs, coming and going from the family home.

Grandad Jack Thompson was involved with the Bexleyheath Motor Cycle Club for years and Uncle Roger has ridden trials since he was 16 and for several years has campaigned a 350 cc Triumph with some success.

It was probably watching Uncle Roger that inspired young Ross and older brother Neil to participate in trials but they were relatively late starters in the world of Schoolboy trials. Ross only started about 3 years ago on brother Neil's old Fantic 201, twinshock and then progressed to his current bike, a Beta which was also a Neil Thompson cast-off - a bike Ross describes as 'knackered'. He now has his eyes on Neil's Aprilia which big brother lets him play with occasionally.

Grandad Jack was held in high regard in the motor cycle world, so much so, that the Jack Thompson British 4 Stroke Trial is held annually at Canada Heights in his memory. This year Ross rode his Grandad's old BSA C15 in the event - a sight I'm sure Grandad would have been proud of.

1993 has been a good year with K.Y.T.C. for the young Thompson as he has finished one place better than last year in the results to take the 'A' Class Novice Rider of The Year Award.

As well as motor cycle trials Ross also competes in cyclo trial events and likes to keep fit doing circuit training. This rather clashes with his other great love - the glass of beer. He enjoys watching Arena Trials events and his favourite rider is Gas Gas ace and World Champion Jordi Tarres.

Currently a pupil at Westlands High School in Sittingbourne, Ross leaves this year and would ideally like to do an apprenticeship to become a mechanical fitter but in a recession we can't always follow our chosen career.

Ross has had work experience with Forsters of Sittingbourne, a child's outfitters, who have offered him a job involving stock control. Whatever career he pursues I'm sure all of us at K.Y.T.C. would wish this likable lad all the very best wishes for the future at work and at play.



Ross getting some secret nighttime practice on his Beta at Sheppey.

Letters to the Editor:-

K.Y.T.C.

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KENT YOUTH CYCLO TRIAL

On Saturday 11th December, twenty riders arrived at Owen's Farm for our first Cyclo Trial. There were seven club members, Harley Stephens, Tim Skilton and the rest of the entry being from Essex Cyclo Trials Club. Some had travelled from as far as Colchester and Felixstow. Not a bad entry as some of our older lads have Saturday jobs.

At 12 noon, after Andy Heathfield had given his talk, the riders set off to do four laps of five sections. We were then treated to a super display by Martin Hawyes and Martyn Ashton on a demo section that they set out themselves. After the trial they all had a go at a graded hill just for a bit of fun. Everyone seemed to enjoy the day.

Thanks to all who helped me on the day and to everyone who attended.

Roger Thompson

Well done Roger and Carole for organising a successful first Cyclo Trial. Let's hope there are more to come.

RESULTS OF CYCLO TRIAL

ELITE

Martin Hawyes	Monty	1
Martyn Ashton	"	3
Simon Bird	"	15
Harley Stephens	GT	18
Dean Heathfield	"	19

EXPERT

Stuart Last	"	14
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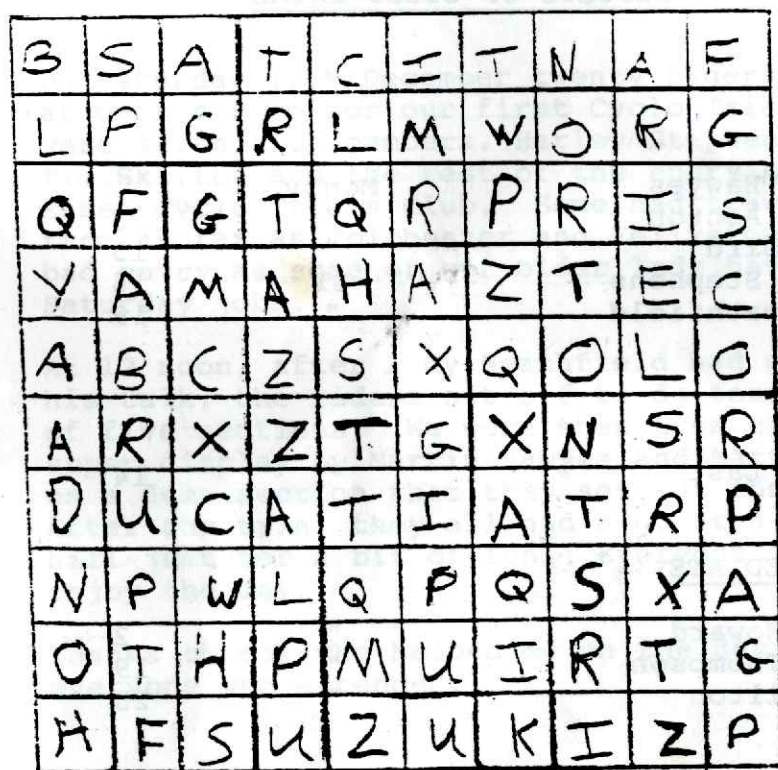
INTERMEDIATE

Chris Howard	"	2
Kevin Thompson	"	19
Tim Skilton	"	23

NOVICE

Steve Thompson	"	2
Mark Baker	"	11
James Yearley	"	12
Darren Stringer	"	12
Nick Bullock	"	16
Wayne Langley	BMX	18
James Dyke	Monty	21
Adam Goodsell	BMX	24
Jon Skilton	Monty	32
Ben Ely	BMX	59
Richard Ely	"	No Card

NICKY'S WORD SEARCH



See how many different makes of motorbike you can find hidden in the grid. Some are old names and some are new and can be either read forwards, backwards, vertically or diagonally. There are eleven to find.

Answers to Christmas Crossword

Across 1. Dunks. 4. Frame. 6. Sitting.
7. No. 8. Odd. 9. Points. 10. Debt.
11. Boot. 13. Awe. 15. Sake. 16. Nazi.
17. Si. 18. L.P. 19. Sand.

Down 2. Upsidedown. 3. KYTC. 4. Fantic.
5. Monoshock. 9. Petroil. 11. Bosis.
14. Eat. 20. End.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

1994

Jan.	9th	Combine Day
"	15th	Awards Evening - Newington Village Hall
"	23rd	S.E. Centre Round 1 K.Y.T.C. - Greenfields, Sturry
"	30th	Practice - K.Y.T.C. - Edenbridge
Feb.	6th	K.Y.T.C. Practice - Broadoak, Sturry
"	13th	Combine Day
"	20th	S.E. Centre Round 2 Surrey Schoolboys - T.B.A.
"	27th	K.Y.T.C. Trial - Broadoak, Sturry
March	6th	K.Y.T.C. Trial - T.B.A.
	13th	Combine Day
	20th	A/B National - Otter Vale
	27th	K.Y.T.C. Practice - T.B.A.

Please telephone a committee member nearer the date to find venues for the TBA trials.

Where is it?

Greenfields - Sturry. From Canterbury take the A28 to Sturry then A291. At top of hill turn left.

Practice at Edenbridge. Take B2026 from Westerham (follow the Hever Castle signs) towards Edenbridge. After Edenbridge sign in town take second turn on right (Hilders Lane). Follow Hilders Lane to end. At T junction turn left then right into J. Gardiner's Works. As always, no riding until told. Many thanks to the Gardiner Family for use of their land.

Broad Oak, Sturry. Take A28 from Canterbury towards Sturry. Turn left at roundabout - Currys Superstore on right - into Vauxhall Rd. Down to T junction and turn right into Shallock Road. Follow road over level crossing - up the hill, venue on the right.

EXCHANGE & MART

If you want to buy or sell anything to do with trialling, give me a ring, Richard, on 081 310 6036. I will run the ad. for two issues - absolutely free.

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.

IF IN DOUBT - DON'T DO IT !

SCHOOLBOY TRIALS SPECIALISTS

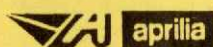
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