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Pauls Preamble

Thanks to Mr and Mrs Holiday we are back here at Owens Farm. I am writing this before I have visited the ground, so I hope the trees have grown a little.

Following on from the last trial, the Committee have decided that late entries and entries on the day will incur an extra charge of £2 commencing at the November club trial. The last two trials have been late starting due to the number of entries on the day and a lot of extra work is incurred by the Competition Secretary.

The AGM is fast approaching, so I am giving all you riders lots of warning so that when Mums and Dads receive the notification and the voting form you can rush forward to volunteer them to serve on the Committee!

On November 5th KYTC are hosting the 3rd round of the North Kent Trials Combine at Sheppey, as I mentioned before, so observers are required, please speak to me if you are able to assist.

This year our Christmas trial is something quite different, an Arena Trial for all classes in the riding school at Hawkinge, so whatever the weather at least we should be dry! It is intended that this is a fun event so come and enjoy yourselves, Father Christmas may even turn up but I doubt that his sack will be big enough for lots of Gas Gas's, Beta's, Fantic's and Yamaha's, let alone AJS's and the like for the Dads!

Keep those feet up,

Paul

North Kent Trials Combine
10th September

The first Combine of the season was held by Bexleyheath club at their land at Pease Hill near Brands Hatch.

Several KYTC members took part, the 'A' class riders were Dean Heathfield and Dan Bullock, Nick Bullock had entered but found himself in the middle of Exmoor on his Duke of Edinburgh Award hike instead! In the 'B' class were Nick Dowland and Chris Stoddard, Darryl Jeffery (or Jeffery Darryl as MCN put it the other week) did his own thing and rode the adult Intermediate route which he proceeded to win, great stuff Darryl!

Dean won the 'A' class with Dan coming in third on his first time out in this class. Nick won the 'B' class with the ever improving Chris in second place.

The weather started off pleasantly enough but after the first few riders had completed the first lap the heavens opened which caused major problems for the later riders. One thing I did learn was to make sure that I don't follow the Editor who drove past the gate to the field and disappeared heading East, luckily he found his way back!

Paul

TRIAL REPORT AUGUST - SHEPPEY

Our August trial saw us once again at that ever popular and much used venue Sheppey. Just 24 riders signed on but the low number is quite usual for our August trials with family holidays etc.

Experts

Just two experts contested the class but the two talented individuals really had a close tussle over the five laps of eight sections.

After lap one Stevie Dunk held a slim lead over Darryl Jeffery, 8 to 11 but Darryl tied it up on lap 2 when both riders had a two-lap score of 16 ML. Steven had a super third round only dropping 2 on section 4 to go back in front while Darryl lost 6 marks. Lap 4 saw an inspired Darryl drop one solitary dab on section 6 to again square the competition.

So it was down to the 5th and final lap to decide the outcome. Both riders were riding really well, but Darryl had two dabs while Steven had 3, thus giving the young GasGas rider the slimmest of victory's.

Novices

Once again Greg Kennedy was a comfortable winner of the Novices, finishing with a 10 mark advantage over nearest rival Dan Bullock.

Ben Hoare was 3rd, seven marks behind Dan with Nicky Dowland 4th. Adam King took 5th with Ryan Hoare who was totally phased by Tony's dreaded wall in 6th place.

C Class

Well done to Richard Ely for winning his first 'C' class trial. Richard finished on 17 just 3 in front of Adam Goodsell, Chris Stoddart made 3rd with 43 ML. Guy Hadfield had a tough day on a brand new Fantic with a clutch that wouldn't work properly.

D Class

The other Ely brother, young Ben again won the 'D' class from James Burroughs who was just a couple of 'fives' off the pace in second.

Beginners

At last Danny Strudwick got his 'Best Beginner' award and can now move on to sort them all out in 'D' class.

Just two birthdays this month:

Dean Heathfield is 15 on the 18th
and
Michael Hollyer is 10 on the 24th

*****MANY HAPPY RETURNS*****

RIDER OF THE YEAR POINTS

AFTER 8 TRIALS

'A' Experts

S. Dunk	98
S. Craig	86
N. Bullock	55
L. Paine	37
S. Bird	18

'A' Novice

G. Kennedy	103
B. Hoare	87
P. Howe	78
A. King	24
C. Gough	1

'B' Experts

D. Jeffery	54
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'B' Novice

D. Bullock	144
N. Dowland	93
R. Hoare	68
D. Hood	18

'C' Class

J. Edwards	98
D. Richards	93
R. Ely	64
A. Goodsell	58
C. Stoddart	40
P. King	18
G. Hadfield	16
B. Baker	10
R. Marshall	10
D. Latter	8
A. Gough	6
M. Hollyer	5

'D' Class

B. Ely	139
J. Burroughs	70
D. Hallett	22
B. Wibberly	17
R. Morris	13
D. Strudwick	9

TRIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER - HAWKINGE

It was good to have a new venue to hold a Club trial and Hawkinge turned out to be a popular place with the riders as 28 turned out on the day. Fine weather was enjoyed but this had not been so on the Saturday as Messrs., Edwards, Bullock, Richards, Hadfield, Hallett and Hood had sheltered in the barn until 3 o'clock waiting for the rain to stop!

Experts

Steve Dunk was in determined mood and attacked the trial in his usual forceful style. It paid off as he won comfortably spreading his marks evenly over the four or so laps for a total of 33 ML. Steve Craig rode well in the second half of the trial to take second place while Nick Bullock found his lack of recent practice a disadvantage round the tight course.

Novices

Greg Kennedy again was the class act among the novice contenders. His all round control on the Fantic and concentration made sure his marks were consistent over the trial as he lost 30 over the first two laps and 29 over the final two.

It wasn't so clear cut for second though as three riders were very close throughout. A strangely lethargic Dan Bullock had lost 45 marks after two rounds with Nicky Dowland, finding his Fantic 80 quite suited to the tight turns, close behind on 48. Ben Hoare was next on 54 but was slowly getting to grips with the GasGas. In fact, Ben's score of 26 over the next two laps was better than Greg's and he pulled up to third just failing to catch Dan but ahead of Nicky. They finished on 77, 80 and 81.

Ryan Hoare finished 2 marks better than Adam King for 5th spot, while Phillip King finished 7th. Paul Howe retired after two laps.

C Class

Of the 8 'C' class riders Jimmy Edwards was top boy. Although Darrel Richards pushed him on laps 3 and 4, Jimmy had managed to build up a margin of 8 marks over the first two laps to stay in control. Adam Goodsell was a comfortable 3rd showing perfect control round the very tight section one (until his Dad came to watch on lap 3).

Rich Ely slipped to 4th at the finish after matching Adam over the first two laps, while Chris Stoddart managed 5th a few marks away. Brett Baker and Guy Hadfield completed the score board.

D Class

Little Ben Ely will have to get a bigger mantelpiece as he won again from the equally small Jamie Burroughs. Newcomer to the class, Danny Strudwick was 3rd, while Ben Wibberley retired.

Beginners

Congratulations to Michael Weight for winning the Best Beginner award from young Eddie Roberts, riding for the first time since breaking his leg, and Dean Hallett.

Dates for your diary 1995

October	8	Combine day - Erith Club
	15	KYTC Trial - Owens Farm
	22	SEC round - Horsham A&B
	29	KYTC Practice - Matfield
November	5	<u>Combine day - KYTC - OBSERVERS REQUIRED</u>
	12	No trials (Remembrance Sunday)
	19	KYTC Practice - Sheppy SEC round - GEST
	26	KYTC Trial - GREENFIELDS - STURRY
December	3	KYTC Practice - TBA
	10	Combine day
	17	KYTC Christmas Arena Trial - Hawkinge
	24	Buy last minute Christmas presents
	31	SEC round - Windlesham

TBA - to be arranged.

TBC - to be confirmed.

**IF YOU ARE ABLE TO OBSERVE
AT THE COMBINE , PLEASE LET
PAUL BULLOCK KNOW**

RIDER PROFILE - DEAN HEATHFIELD

This months victim, Dean Heathfield, is one of those annoyingly talented riders that make riding a trials bike look really easy when you know very well that it isn't. His sometimes slow, very precise style, disguises a determination and confidence gained from his many years of experience. Dean has had a couple of setbacks though, breaking a leg on two occasions although none of the accidents were on his motor bike. Both injuries were sustained while playing football. He has a younger sister, Tanya, mum Carol and of course his dad is none other than the shy, retiring, Andy Heathfield without who the trialling scene in the south east would be a lot less colourful.

Ed. When did you join KYTC?

DH I joined in 1990.

Ed. What is your current bike?

DH A TYZ 250.

Ed. What was your first bike?

DH My first bike was a TY80.

Ed. Have you had any other bikes?

DH Yes, Fantic 80 (red, white and blue),
Fantic 80 (orange).

Ed. How did you get into trialling?

DH I was forced on a bike from the day I was born and eventually liked the idea and took up trials.

Ed. What has been your best trialling moment to date?

DH Southeastern Centre Champion.

Ed. What do you think has been your best ride so far?

DH The Southeastern I won at Sheppey and this years camping weekend.

Ed. Who is your favourite rider?

DH I have two, Dougie Lampkin and Marc Colome.

Ed. What trialling ambitions do you have?

DH My trialling ambition is to become World Champion.

Ed. What school do you go to and what job would you like when you leave?

DH I attend the Howard Secondary school and I would like to own a motorcycle shop.

Ed. Do you have any other hobbies?

DH Yes, squash, keeping fit and girls.

Ed. What is your current favourite pop song?

DH Shaggy (Bombastic).

Ed. What song do you hate most?

DH Love is all around by Wet Wet Wet.

Ed. What is your current favourite item of clothing?

DH My jeans and Levi shirt.

Ed. Apart from your family, what living thing do you care about most?

DH My dog.

Ed. What would you spend your last £5 on?

DH Petrol.

Ed. Who would you most like to be shipwrecked with?

DH Claudia Shiffer.

Ed. Who would you least like to be shipwrecked with?

DH My next door neighbour when he finds out about his wall I knocked down with my bike then quickly picked it up again before he noticed.

- Ed. What are you most likely to be heard whinging about?
 DH Everything and anything I can Possibly find.
- Ed. If you could bring one famous person back from the dead who would it be and why?
 DH I would bring back David Page because he had a great future ahead of him.
- Ed. What do you like best about your Mum?
 DH She has always stuck behind me.
- Ed. What annoys you most about your Mum?
 DH Her constant nagging to clean up my bedroom.
- Ed. What do you like best about your Dad?
 DH The way he manages to get on with everyone.
- Ed. What annoys you most about him?
 DH His ability to embarrass you and let wind at the wrong time.
- Ed. What do you think is the secret of happiness?
 DH Doing everything you want to do in life.
- Ed. What advice would you give to a newcomer just starting in trials?
 DH Always try your best and never give up and if you don't succeed every time don't be disheartened. But above all enjoy yourself.



The following article was taken from the July Gravesend Eagles News Letter by Rod Stevenson.

"So about the July Trial at Sturry. I'm sorry if you missed it cos it was a cracker. It came about through an invite from the Kent Youth who held their annual two day camping weekend at the Gun Club Sturry nr Canterbury. Everything went well. Weather, sections, BBQ's, lemonades, and people were all great. As usual the KY gave a demonstration of super efficient organisation and an ability to provide great trials riding for all and I mean ALL classes. Entries from six year olds on miniature Hondas to the likes of Razors and Birdie on the latest equipment were all catered for with such an enormous amount of enthusiasm there was no way that you couldn't enjoy yourself.

We had a bit of a do on the Saturday night that got a bit loud and lairy as the excitement got to us. With hindsight I suppose we were a bit out of order as guests, but the kids seemed to enjoy it. Anyway, I hope we didn't upset too many mums and dads because it is my intention to encourage Gravesend Eagles to support the KY at every opportunity and perhaps we can forge a new path for our future stars. So our sincere thanks to Paul Bullock and The Kent Youth for a really great weekend."

TRIAL REPORT 'C' AND 'D' HAWKINGE

Our first trial at Hawkinge turned out to be good fun. The 'D' class was competitive with good sections to suss out. The 'C' class was quite difficult with sections to think about.

Thanks to all the people that helped set the trial out on a wet day.

I'm looking forward to the Christmas Trial.

Jim.



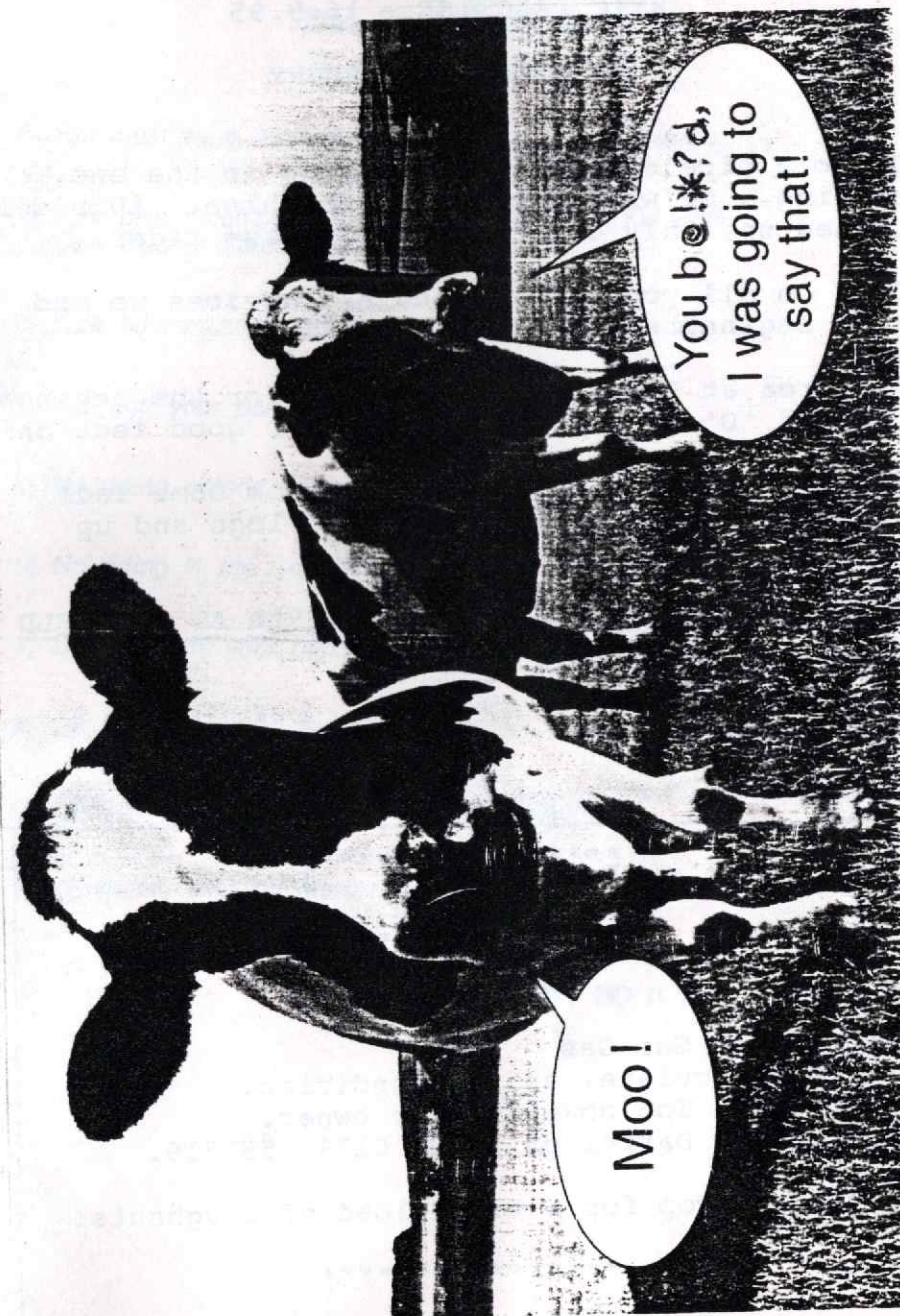
Riders Report - Hawkinge

A & B

It was the first proper trial at this venue, and the first trial for ages with any sign of mud!

The sections were quite tight and some involved hopping around. The weather stayed dry for most of the day and it was good to have burgers available as we rode past the food caravan. Everyone I spoke to seemed to be enjoying themselves.

Dan



KYTC PRACTISE - 16.9.95

BROADOAK/CANTERBURY

Quite a nice day, weather was kind in the end, raining a.m. with a break of sunshine. 10 riders turned up, only one 'A' or 'B' class rider.

Come on all you Experts and A/B novices we and the beginners need YOUR SUPPORT.

Top area at Broadoak was made up for the beginners, 'C' and 'D' class riders rode four good sections.

Ian Richards and Colin Edwards took some lads down the bottom, riding over the logs and up the big bank.

REMEMBER NEXT PRACTISE OCTOBER 29th AT MATFIELD
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Paul Howe.

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- 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 !

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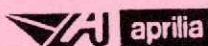
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