



Kent Youth Trials Club

AFFILIATED TO THE AUTO-CYCLE UNION

RIDING RULES

Approved by the Committee on 25th March, 1977

1. General The A.C.U. General Competition Rules, The A.C.U. Standing Regulations for trials (except where varied by the Youth Division Regulations) and the A.C.U. Youth Division Regulations will apply to all events organised by the Kent Youth Trials Club.
2. Responsibility for Youth Riders A parent, guardian or responsible adult must accompany a youth rider to a meeting, will make known his/her presence by signing-in on arrival and stay for the duration of the time that the youth is present.
3. Applications to ride Applications to ride, correctly completed and accompanied by the appropriate entry fee and a large (9"x4" minimum) stamped, self-addressed envelope, must be received by the Competitions Secretary not later than one week before the date of the event. Cheques and Postal Orders should be made payable to "The Kent Youth Trials Club" and crossed. Coins or Bank notes should not be sent by post. A rider whose application is not accepted will be notified as soon as possible and the entry fee will be refunded.
4. Safety precautions A chain guard or guards must be fitted on all machines to cover the entry of the chain to the gear box and rear sprocket. Only ordinary pump petrol will be used and machines will be adequately silenced and have self-closing throttles and effective brakes. No sharp edges which could cause injury will be allowed. A rider must be able to touch the ground with the balls of both feet when sitting astride the machine in a normal riding position. The Committee or appointed club official will withdraw any rider at any time if that rider, in their opinion, constitutes a potential danger to him/herself or others by riding or because of the condition of the machine.
5. Protective clothing and helmets Helmets bearing the ACU approved stamp or helmets of a BSI approved type for road use in sound condition and properly fitted must be worn by all riders while practising and competing. Chin cups must not be used. Strong protective clothing covering the body, including the arms, must be worn and shall include gloves and stout footwear. Nothing hard such as coins or tools will be carried in pockets while riding.

6. Scrutineering Riders and machines will be inspected before the start of any competition or practice to ensure compliance with rules 4 and 5. The scrutineers are empowered to exclude any rider or machine which does not, in their opinion, meet the requirements of the club or constitutes a possible danger to the rider or others.
7. Riding numbers Riding numbers will be displayed clearly at the front and rear.
8. Marking of observed sections Each section will be numbered consecutively and the start and end of each section will be indicated. The route to the start and between sections will be indicated by arrows or markers (S.O. or white = straight on, R or red = turn right, L or blue = turn left).
9. Points system In competitions the marking of points will be 0 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 5. Ties will be resolved by the greatest number of cleans, followed by the least number of marks lost progressively round the course, unless the Clerk of the Course gives notice before the start of the event that there will be a special test. Observed sections will be ridden once only per lap. Having completed an observed section a rider may ask the observer and the observer may tell a rider his/her score. However, in the event of a disagreement a rider is not allowed to dispute a score with an observer, but may lodge a written protest with the Clerk of the Course during the meeting or the Competitions Secretary after the event in accordance with Standing Regulation for Trials No 26.
10. Awards In competitions awards will be made in each class as follows:
2 - 5 riders = one award; 6-10 riders = two awards; 11-15 riders = three awards, etc.
11. Duties of adults It is a condition of entry in a competition or practice that the adult accompanying the rider may be required to fulfill certain duties such as observing. Observers and other officials are required to sign on before the start of an event, wear armbands issued at the control and sign off at the end of the event.
12. Signing on and off A rider must sign on before the start, and sign off at the end, of a competition or practice. A rider must not ride before signing on or after signing off. A rider who fails to sign off will be deemed a non-finisher and will not qualify for an award.