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## Board Commentary

DOWN to the wild and woolly west for the June Meeting at Wimborne, where the proceedings were opened by our President, Joe Caslake, and he extended a welcome to the representatives of the National Scooter Association (Southern Area). Apologies were received from Messrs. Smith and Kendell, Steel and Rendell; also the Reading Ace, Alton and South Newbury Clubs.

Minute Secretary Mitchell having done his stuff, and in the absence of our venerable chairman, Ron Baines took the chair, and proceeded with matters arising.

(1) A.-C.U. amended rules had been passed at the last Council, but it had been decided that they would not come into effect until January 1st, 1961.

(2) There was a query regarding a special type of road event: Would an event such as a safety week demonstration, open to anybody, be considered an unauthorised event? As ordinary insurance policy would cover rider, it would not need a permit. George Allan thought it would be best to inform the A.-C.U. first.

Roll Call: Messrs. Caslake, Allan, Baines, Goss, Hodges, Jones, Mitchell, Ryall, and Mason were present, together with the follow-

ing clubs:— Alton, Andover, Basingstoke, Bournemouth, Bridport, Frome, Reading Ace, Ringwood, Southampton, Southampton Vikings, Sturminster Newton, Weymouth, X.H.G. Tigers, Lulworth, Salisbury. Reading A sent apology and then were represented; that was G.R., that was.

Arthur Mason presented the Treasurer's report; only account for payment was insurance on trophies; then Neville Goss took over the meeting, while Ron Baines gave his Gazette report, and expressed surprise that the Gazettes were not out for the meeting.

Then back to Ron, for Neville Goss to give a report on the last Council Meeting of the A.-C.U. After the usual committee reports, Mr. Dixon paid a tribute to Mr. Shearson, for the capable way he had taken over the reins from Mr. Huggett; there were a number of unaffiliated clubs operating, especially in the Midlands, that were causing concern; last year's National Grass Track Championships had resulted in raising £400 for the Benevolent Fund. The office had been requested to supply a list of secretaries of all affiliated clubs by the Inland Revenue Commissioners; there had been a number of accidents to spectators standing in prohibited areas, liability for which could have been refused by the brokers, and it

**OUR COVER**—Southampton sidecar driver Jack Knight steadies his drifting 700 Enfield outfit through a long, fast right-hander whilst passenger, Mrs. Ron Pullinger, wife of the Trials rider, still manages to look composed and ladylike as she gets her . . . shh! . . . weight over the rear wheel. Photo taken at Ringwood's Grass Meeting at "The Mount" by Gordon Francis ("Motorcycle News").

**BOARD COMMENTARY—continued**

was pointed out that any alteration to location of public areas must be recorded on the T.T.C. and registered. N.W. Centre proposal that there should be no alteration or addition to the Annual Calendar was not agreed to, but instead, any alteration or addition must have the approval of the other clubs who already have events on that day. International Six Days: it was proposed to send 25 riders with an allowance of £35 per head, but there would be no general appeal for cash as only another £300 was required, but some clubs might like to contribute. A decision as to the position of Honorary Members: they could attend and speak at meetings, but would not have the power to vote. The amended G.C.R.'s. were approved; there were now over 800 clubs in the Union.

Discussing the Six Days, George Allan said it was proposed to enter teams in both the Trophy and Vase competitions; Ron Mitchell said from his experience last year the allowance of £35 was paltry; Peter Ryall suggested support and thought it should be left to the clubs' discretion as to how much they contributed; Ron Baines will do something about it, and opined that A.-C.U. does not give out enough information about the project, and asked for a volunteer to find out and then expound in the Gazette; none being forthcoming, Ron said: "Alright, I'll find out, and distort the findings to make them more interesting."

St. Paul Trophy Interim Report: a goodly figure will be available for the A.-C.U. Benevolent Fund; the racing was very good and winner of the premier award was Ivor England.

Grass Track Championships: message from Jim that he thought there was another offer likely, to avoid Basingstoke having to give up one of their dates.

Scramble Championships: Weymouth delegates said the club committee had met and thought that all was as well as could be expected at this early stage.

Date and place of next meeting—July 7th, ah, ah, Southampton, because Ron Mitchell and the rest of Basingstoke are going mad that night; now, now, no remarks; Ron is the best Minute Secretary we've got. Also I shall be on holiday, so you'll have a deputy

again next month, and I've lined up Monsewer George Hodges, who I am sure will look after your interests very capably.

Correspondence: South Reading after June 12th, permission to use Centre territory; North Area approval given, so O.K.

Surrey Hills: Similar request for the first part of their Two-Day Welsh Trial; O.K., but they must keep to the main roads in the Basingstoke area, where off the main road, villagers don't like disturbed nights.

Alton Grass Track clashes with Blackmore Vale on September 13th, so would like August 28th; approved, providing Southampton and Reading Ace agree.

Notice of suspension from A.-C.U. International—M. V. Curtis, dual entry.

Frome asks for a permit, Saturday, 23rd July, to put on an event at a N.F.U. Fair; agreed.

Motor Cycling Club's Club Team Trial; regulations already in the Gazette asking support; agreed.

Kent and Sussex Regional Restricted Trial inviting entries from our Centre; agreed that they can be accepted.

Any Other Business: Scooters can enter our events if affiliated to National Association and resident in our Centre area; but can our club riders enter events run by a scooter club? Ah, nobody knew; pity George Allan had gone home.

Basingstoke Road Trial, June 12th: Only 16 entries so far; not worth running, considering the cost of the R.A.C. permit.

Mr. Knight inquired about the membership of Scooter Association (Southern Area), as there were about 7 non-affiliated clubs in the Southampton-Portsmouth area that were causing considerable trouble; the answer was 3, in the Bath area.

Meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

C.R.J.



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## REGISTRATION FORM, 1960-61

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Effect from July 1st, 1960 to June 30th, 1961.

## SPORTING NOTES FOR RIDERS AND PROMOTERS

### INTERNATIONAL SIX DAYS' TRIAL

The General Council at the meeting on 14th May approved the setting up of a Fund to support the Teams selected by the A.-C.U. to be entered in the I.S.D.T.

It is intended that this Fund shall be of a permanent nature and not specifically related to the 1960 Trial.

Clubs and Club Members are invited to subscribe to this I.S.D.T. Fund. All donations should be sent to the Secretary, Auto-Cycle Union, 83 Pall Mall, London, S.W.1.

### APPROVED HELMET

The Competitions Committee has approved the Grand Prix crash helmet manufactured by Messrs. Compton, Sons and Webb Ltd. for use in competitions held under the permit of the A.-C.U.

### "APPROVED" TYRE

The "Avon Supreme 2.75 x 21" tyre has been approved for use in competitions on the public highway.

### DUPLICATION OF ENTRIES

The Competitions Committee again draws the attention of all drivers to the provisions of G.C.R. No. 141 relating to the entry in more than one competition on the same day.

**"Irregular Entries and Absentees.** Any driver who has entered for a competition and does not drive therein, but drives in another competition at another meeting on the same day shall be suspended from the

commencement of that day for such a period as the A.-C.U. may think fit.

Any driver who has entered for a competition and does not present himself at the start shall be suspended unless he can justify his absence."

### ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES AND PUBLICITY

The attention of all promoters is drawn to the provisions of G.C.R. No. 165 which states:—

**"Entries.** A permit having been granted, the promoters may invite and receive entries. Entries shall be made in writing on the proper form supplied by the promoters, which shall provide for a statement of the name and address of the entrant and of the driver, if nominated, and of their licence numbers in the case of national competitions. Every entry form shall be signed by the entrant (if any). Every entry form shall be personally signed by the driver accepting the conditions and regulations of the competition."

It follows that the names of drivers must not be published or advertised as having entered a competition unless a duly completed entry form has been received and accepted.

### CRASH HELMETS

With the introduction of the new pattern crash helmet conforming to the revised specification of the British Standards Institute, the Competitions Committee wishes to make clear that the existing pattern helmet which conforms to the B.S.I. Specification 1869/52 will continue to be approved by the A.-C.U. for use in speed events.

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By P. E. Irving, it is published in association with "Motor Cycling and Scooter Weekly," from all booksellers at 8/6 and is thoroughly recommended.

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350 c.c.		
1	S. M. B. Hailwood	30 points
2	P. Read	26 "
3	D. Minter	22 "
500 c.c.		
1	S. M. B. Hailwood	38 points
2	D. Minter	32 "
3	P. Read	24 "
Three-Wheeler		
1	W. Boddice	38 points
2	E. T. Young	30 "
3	P. V. Harris	24 "

### NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

M. V. Curtis of "The Bungalow," Swifts House, Stoke Lyne, Bicester, Oxon, is suspended Internationally until the 30th September, 1960, for a breach of General Competition Rule No. 141.

K. E. SHIERSON,  
Secretary.

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YOUR  
OPINIONS

Our Letter Page awaits your  
words of wisdom.

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MOHAWK M.C.C.

**NAVIGATION TRIAL**

SUNDAY, JULY 24th, 1960

START 10.0 a.m.

O.T.C. ROAD TRIAL

Permit No. U.546

**OFFICIALS**

Centre Steward: M. E. Naylor.

Club Stewards (2): To be appointed.

Clerk of the Course and Secretary of Meeting: P. A. Edgar, 26 Kenilworth Road, Fleet, Hants.

**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held under G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U. and these Supplementary Regulations. Open to all members of the Southern Centre A.-C.U. riding solos, sidecars, and 3-wheelers.

2. **ENTRIES:** Open on July 4th and must be made on the correct form accompanied with an entry fee of 6/6 and 5/- per team of 3, not later than last post on Wednesday, 20th July, 1960.

3. **COURSE:** Total length approximately 100 miles. First part will be by route card and second part will be by map references given on O.S. Sheet 169 (Aldershot).

4. **SCHEDULED SPEEDS:** These will not exceed 23 m.p.h. overall in each half of the total route. Marks will be deducted at rate of 1 mark for each complete minute late or early. Check points will close 30 minutes after last rider is due.  
45 marks will be lost for missing a check or being more than 30 minutes late.

5. **START:** The New Inn, Sleaford, on the A325 Nr. Bordon.

6. **AWARDS:** Premier.  
Best Opposite.  
10 per cent. of entry—1st class awards.  
Team Award.

7. **GENERAL:** Petrol and oil and refreshments will be available near start.

BASINGSTOKE MOTOR CYCLE &amp; LIGHT CAR CLUB

SOLO AND SIDECAR

**GRASS TRACK RACING**

at Houndsmills Field, Kingsclere Road, Basingstoke

(1 mile from town centre on A.339 Basingstoke — Kingsclere Road)

on MONDAY, AUGUST 1st, 1960

FIRST RACE 2.0 p.m.

Permit No. U.541

**OFFICIALS**

Southern Centre Steward: M. E. Naylor.

Club Stewards: R. F. Mitchell and H. Holdaway.

Clerk of the Course: D. F. Hall, Esq.

Secretary of the Meeting: Mr. L. Hopgood, 143 Kempshott Lane, Basingstoke.

**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held under the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U. and these Supplementary Regulations. Open to registered members of Clubs affiliated to the Southern Centre A.-C.U.

2. **COURSE:** Grass circuit containing left- and right-hand bends, approximately 800 yards long. All races, solo and sidecar, run anti-clockwise.

3. **PRACTICE:** Controlled between 12.45-1.45 p.m.

4. **NUMBERS:** Regulation number plates to be fitted to all machines.

5. **CLOTHING:** Drivers and passengers must wear, in practice and racing, protective clothing including boots, stamped helmets and gloves.

6. **MACHINES:** Must be fitted with self-closing throttle, two efficient brakes and ball-ended control levers as A.-C.U. ruling.

7. **EVENTS:** 1. Up to 250 c.c. Solo.  
2. Up to 350 c.c. Solo.  
3. Sidecar Unlimited.  
4. 360-1,000 c.c. Solo.  
5. Up to 1,000 c.c. Novice Solo.  
6. Sidecar Handicap.  
7. 340-1,000 c.c. Solo.  
8. Sidecar Pursuit.  
9. Novice Barred Solo.  
All heats and finals 4 laps, except Event 8.

8. **ENTRIES:** To be made on the form provided and sent with fee of 7/6 to Secretary of Meeting, to arrive not later than Wednesday, 20th July. Novice entries will open on July 6th. If more entries than places available a ballot will be held on that date. The organisers reserve the right to limit entries if classes become over-subscribed. Riders under 21 must have parent's or guardian's signature on entry form.

9. **AWARDS:** £3, £2, £1, 10/-, in all finals. Heat Winners 10/- if unplaced in finals.

10. **STARTING:** Clutch Start. Riders false-starting or cutting corners on the course will risk disqualification.

1. **SPEEDWAY RIDERS:** Must obtain the written permission of their managements to enter this meeting.

12. **ABANDONMENT:** The Club reserves the right to abandon the meeting, with the approval of the Stewards, if conditions arise that make abandonment desirable.

ANDOVER AND DISTRICT M.C. &amp; L.C.C.

**GRASS TRACK MEETING**

at Mr. A. Dance's Farm, Nr. Picket Piece, Andover, Hants.

on SUNDAY, JULY 17th, 1960 at 2.0 p.m.

Open to Centre

Permit No. U.542

**OFFICIALS****Centre Steward:** J. West.**Club Stewards:** J. Curtis and A. E. Miller.**Clerk of the Course:** N. Hounsome.**Secretary of the Meeting:** R. J. Smith, 31 Anton Road, Andover, Hants.**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS****1. JURISDICTION:** Held under the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U. and these Supplementary Regulations. Open to registered members of clubs affiliated to the Southern Centre A.-C.U.**2. ENTRIES:** To be made on the application form and accompanied by the correct entry fee, to reach the Secretary of the Meeting by the 11th July, 1960. Entry fee 7/6. The organisers reserve the right to limit entries if classes become over-subscribed. Sidecars:—3rd and 4th place prize money only paid if 5 or more starters.

- 3. EVENTS:** 1. Up to 250 c.c. Solo Open.  
 2. Up to 350 c.c. Solo Open.  
 3. Sidecar Unlimited.  
 4. Up to 1,000 c.c. Solo Novice.  
 5. 251 to 1,000 c.c. Solo Novice Barred.  
 6. Sidecar Handicap.  
 7. 251 to 1,000 c.c. Solo Experts Barred.  
 8. 251 to 1,000 c.c. Solo Open.  
 9. Sidecar Pursuit.  
 10. 12 Fastest Riders.

4. AWARDS:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
Event 1.	40/-	20/-	10/-	
„ 2.	60/-	30/-	20/-	10/-
„ 3.	70/-	40/-	20/-	10/-
„ 4.	60/-	40/-	20/-	10/-
„ 5.	60/-	40/-	20/-	10/-
„ 6.	70/-	40/-	20/-	10/-
„ 7.	60/-	30/-	20/-	10/-
„ 8.	80/-	40/-	20/-	10/-
„ 9.	60/-	40/-	20/-	
„ 10.	80/-	40/-	20/-	10/-

**5. PRACTICE:** Controlled between 1.00-1.45 p.m.**6. COURSE:** Grassland approximately 800 yards in length with left- and right-hand bends, with rise and descent.**7. LAPS:** 4 laps to heats and finals.**8. START:** Clutch start. Riders not proceeding to the start line within 2 minutes will be excluded.**9. NUMBERS:** Regulation number plates to be fitted to all machines.**10. CLOTHING:** Riders and passengers must wear, in practice and racing, protective clothing, including boots, A.-C.U. stamped helmets and gloves.**11. MACHINES:** Must be fitted with self-closing throttles and two efficient brakes. Clutch and brake levers to be fitted with  $\frac{3}{4}$ " ball ends.**12. NOVICE:** Novice ruling in accordance with Southern Centre A.-C.U. ruling.**13. SPEEDWAY RIDERS:** Written permission from their promoters must be enclosed with entry form for this meeting.**14. PROTESTS:** To be made in accordance with G.C.R.'s.**15. ABANDONMENT:** The Club reserves the right to cancel any or all races, with the approval of the Stewards of the Meeting, if circumstances make this action necessary.

NEWBURY AND DISTRICT MOTOR CLUB

**FOXHILL SCRAMBLE**

BAYDON, WILTS.

(Between Baydon and Stratton St. Margaret, 15 miles from Newbury on Newbury-Cricklade Road)

SUNDAY, 14th AUGUST, 1960 at 1 p.m.

Open to Southern Centre

Permit No. U.550

T.T.C. No. 1226

**OFFICIALS****Southern Centre Steward:** To be appointed. **Club Stewards:** W. Cridland, R. Tarry.**Clerk of the Course:** F. Flower.**Secretary of the Meeting:** L. G. Povey, 2 Northfields, Chieveley, Nr. Newbury, Berks.**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS****ANNOUNCEMENT:** This Scramble is open to all members of Clubs affiliated to the Southern Centre of the A.-C.U. riding solo or sidecar machines. The event is held under the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U., the Southern Centre Speed Regulations and the following Supplementary Regulations.**1. COURSE:** Approximately one mile of rough grassland, ascents and descents, no water.**2. STARTING:** Riders astride machines, dead engine, one mechanic 5 paces behind. Sidecars—Engines running, left hand on helmet. Start on the RAISING of the flag.**3. PRACTICE:** Will be allowed between 11.30 a.m. and 12.45 p.m. All riders must complete at least two practice laps.**4. CLOTHING AND MACHINES:** All riders must wear A.-C.U. approved clothing and boots. Helmets must bear the official A.-C.U. stamp. All machines must have two efficient brakes, self-closing throttles and ball-ended levers.**5. ENTRIES:** Must be made on the form provided and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting to arrive not later than first post on Saturday, 6th August, 1960. Entry fee 7/6. Cheques and P.O.'s to be made payable to Newbury and District Motor Club. No late entries. Speedway riders must obtain written permission before entering. Novice entries will be restricted to those among first 100 entries received. Events Nos. 4, 6 and 8 will not be run if less than 8 entries received.**6. EVENTS:**

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|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Novice Only.               | 6. Sidecar Handicap.     |
| 2. Intermediates.             | 7. Experts.              |
| 3. 250 (Scramble Star).       | 8. Sidecar Scratch Race. |
| 4. Sidecar Star Race.         | 9. 251-1,000 c.c.        |
| 5. Allcomers (Scramble Star). |                          |

**7. AWARDS:**

Event	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
1.	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6		
2.	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6		
3.	80/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	
4.	80/-	50/-	30/-	20/-				
5.	120/-	80/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6
6.	80/-	50/-	30/-	20/-				
7.	80/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	
8.	80/-	50/-	30/-	20/-				
9.	80/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	

**8. SUBSTITUTES:** No substitution of rider or machine will be allowed without the approval of the Clerk of the Course.**9. POSTPONEMENT:** The organisers reserve the right to cancel any or all of the events should it be deemed advisable to do so.

## ALTON AND DISTRICT MOTOR CYCLE &amp; CAR CLUB

Open to Southern Centre

**SCRAMBLE**

for Solo Motor Cycles and Sidecars

at Seven Dells, Brockham Hill, Alton, Hants.

on SUNDAY, 31st JULY, 1960

Permit No. U.530

FIRST RACE 1.15 p.m.

T.T.C. No. 1164

## OFFICIALS

Southern Centre Steward: K. F. Nicholas.

Club Stewards: H. W. Steele and G. A. Knight.

Clerk of the Course: W. Oliver.

Hon. Secretary of the Meeting: D. A. Geering, 40 Branson Road, BORDON, Hants.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held in accordance with the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U., the Southern Centre Speed Regulations and these Supplementary Regulations.

2. **COURSE:** Approximately one mile of natural grassland with sharp ascents and descents.

3. **START:** All riders astride machines, dead engines, with one mechanic five paces behind. Start at the RAISE OF FLAG.

4. **FINISH:** Continental.

5. **PRACTICE:** Will be allowed between 12.15 and 1.0 p.m. All riders must complete two practice laps.

6. **CLOTHING:** All riders must wear gloves, riding boots, helmets in sound condition and A.-C.U. stamped and approved, with other protective clothing approved by the A.-C.U.

7. **MACHINES:** Must be fitted with two efficient brakes and self-closing throttle. Brake and clutch levers must be ball-ended of not less than ¼" in diameter.

8. **SUPPRESSORS:** All machines must be fitted with efficient suppressors.

9. **RIDING NUMBERS:** Must be prominently displayed.

10. **EVENTS:**

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|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Lightweight Star up to 250 c.c. | 5. Sidecar Scratch.    |
| 2. Novice Only.                    | 6. Solo Scramble Star. |
| 3. Experts Only.                   | 7. Sidecar Handicap.   |
| 4. Experts Barred.                 | 8. Novice Barred.      |

11. **AWARDS:**

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|----------|---|
| Event 1. | 1st 60/-; 2nd 40/-; 3rd 20/-; 4th 15/-; 5th 10/-; 6th 5/-.                      |
| " 2.     | 1st 60/-; 2nd 40/-; 3rd 20/-; 4th 15/-; 5th 10/-; 6th 5/-.                      |
| " 3.     | 1st 80/-; 2nd 60/-; 3rd 40/-; 4th 20/-; 5th 10/-; 6th 5/-.                      |
| " 4.     | 1st 60/-; 2nd 40/-; 3rd 20/-; 4th 15/-; 5th 10/-; 6th 5/-.                      |
| " 5.     | 1st 80/-; 2nd 50/-; 3rd 20/-; Winning Passenger 20/-.                           |
| " 6.     | 1st 100/-; 2nd 80/-; 3rd 40/-; 4th 30/-; 5th 20/-; 6th 15/-; 7th 10/-; 8th 5/-. |
| " 7.     | 1st 60/-; 2nd 40/-; 3rd 20/-; Winning Passenger 20/-.                           |
| " 8.     | 1st 80/-; 2nd 60/-; 3rd 40/-; 4th 20/-; 5th 10/-; 6th 5/-.                      |

In addition heat winners will be paid: 1st 20/-; 2nd 10/-.

12. **ENTRIES:** Entries will be accepted forthwith and should be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary of the Meeting, as above, accompanied by the correct fee of 7/6, to arrive not later than Saturday, 16th July. Novice Entry will be restricted to the first 100 entries received. No late entries or entries at the Start will be accepted.

13. **SIGNING ON:** Riders must sign on before practising.

14. **ABANDONMENT:** The organisers reserve the right to cancel all or any event should the circumstances necessitate such action.

15. **GENERAL:** Competitors and spectators are asked to follow the road marking which will be adequately carried out from all directions. Speedway riders must obtain their management's permission to ride in this event. A test area will be provided and no practising will be allowed elsewhere.

## THE WEYMOUTH &amp; SOUTH DORSET M.C. &amp; L.C.C.

announce an Open-to-Southern Centre

**WEYMOUTH SCRAMBLE**

SUNDAY, 17th JULY, 1960 at 2.30 p.m.

At East Chickerell Court Farm, Radipole Lane, Weymouth

Permit No. U.547

T.T.C. No. 1163

## OFFICIALS

Southern Centre Steward: N. E. Goss.

Club Stewards: M. King, D. Clarke

Clerk of the Course: J. Hiscock.

Secretary of the Meeting: Mrs. E. P. Butcher, 80 Verne Common Road, Portland.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held under the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U., the Southern Centre Speed Regulations and the following Supplementary Regulations.

2. **COURSE:** Approximately one mile of all grassland, with fast straight with right- and left-hand turns, climbs and descents.

3. **PRACTICE:** Will be controlled between 1.15 p.m. and 2.15 p.m. Each rider must complete two laps; all riders to sign on before starting.

4. **CLOTHING:** All drivers must wear A.-C.U. approved helmets (in sound condition), gloves, boots and protective clothing.

5. **START:** Riders to sit astride machines, engines running, left hand to be resting on mudguard. Start by the raising of the flag.

6. **MACHINES:** Must be fitted with two efficient brakes and self-closing throttle. Clutch and brake levers must be fitted with ball-ends.

7. **RIDER'S NUMBERS:** Must be prominently displayed.

8. **ENTRIES:** Entry fee of 6/- must accompany entry form below to reach the Secretary of the Meeting by 11th July, 1960. Entries may be restricted at the discretion of the Club.

9. **ABANDONMENT:** The Organisers reserve the right to cancel any or all the events.

10. **EVENTS AND AWARDS:**

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
1. Novice Only	£3	£2	£1	15/-	10/-	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-	5/-
2. Up to 500 c.c. Open	£3	£2	30/-	£1	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-		
3. Up to 250 c.c. Open	£3	£2	30/-	£1	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-		
4. Invitation Race	£4	£3	£3	£1	10/-	10/-	7/6	7/6	5/-	5/-
5. Up to 350 c.c. Open	£3	£2	30/-	£1	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-		
6. Weymouth Scratch Race Open	£4	£3	£2	£1	10/-	10/-	7/6	7/6	5/-	5/-



HENLEY &amp; DISTRICT M.C.C.

**CAIN AND WILKINS CUP TRIAL**

SUNDAY, 14th AUGUST, 1960

Permit No. U.549

**OFFICIALS****A.-C.U. Steward:** To be appointed.**Club Stewards:** R. Whitbread and A. N. Other.**Clerk of the Course:** A. J. Hodge. **Assistant:** K. Smith.**Secretary of the Meeting:** Miss J. Norris, 2 Boston Road, Henley.**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held under the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U. and these Supplementary Regulations. Open to all members of Southern Centre Clubs and A.M.C.A. riding solo motor-cycles.

2. **START AND FINISH:** The "Fox" P.H., Cane End, on Main Reading/Woodcote Road (B.479). First competitor will leave at 11.00 a.m. and the remainder at one-minute intervals.

3. **COURSE:** Two laps—not exceeding 20 miles—and will be of a sporting nature and marked with direction cards. The onus of finding the correct route rests with the competitor.

4. **SCHEDULE:** A back marker will leave the start 30 minutes after the last competitor and any rider passed by this **Official** will be deemed to have retired.

5. **ENTRIES:** Individual entries at a fee of 6/- must reach the Secretary of the Meeting not later than Wednesday, 10th August, 1960. Team entries 7/6 per team.

6. **MARKING:** Marks will be deducted as follows:—  
 One dab in observed section— 1 mark.  
 Footing in observed section— 3 marks.  
 Stopping in observed section— 5 marks.  
 Missing an observed section—10 marks  
 (Unless directed by Marshal in Charge).

7. **TIES:** Will be decided by special test.

8. **TYRES AND PROTESTS:** In accordance with G.C. Rules.

9. **NOVICES:** In accordance with Southern Centre League Rules.

10. **CANCELLATION:** The promoters reserve the right to postpone or abandon the competition if, in their opinion, such action is deemed desirable or necessary.

11. **AWARDS:** Cain and Wilkins Cup (PREMIER AWARD).  
 Best A.M.C.A. on Standard Service Machines.  
 Best Novice.  
 250-350 and 500 c.c. Capacity Class Awards.  
 First and Second Class Awards in accordance with Centre Ruling.  
 First Class Novice Awards.  
 Team Awards if three or more entries are received.  
 Best A.M.C.A. Team on Standard Service Machines.  
 Club Tankard for best performance by a Henley and District Member.  
 No Rider may win more than one Award other than Team Award.

BRIDPORT AND DISTRICT M.C. &amp; L.C.C.

(Affiliated to the Southern Centre A.-C.U.)

Regulations for 3rd Annual

**DORSET GRAND NATIONAL  
SCRAMBLE**

SUNDAY, 31st July, 1960

**At Chilcombe Hill, between Bridport and Dorchester on A.35 Road**

Open to Centre

Permit No. U.548

T.T.C. 1272

**OFFICIALS****A.-C.U. Steward:** G. R. Allan.**Club Stewards:** Mr. H. J. Peters and Mr. N. K. Cast.**Clerk of the Course:** Mr. F. Hansford.**Secretary of the Meeting:** Mrs. R. Roberts, 15 Parsonage Road, Bridport, Dorset.**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

1. **JURISDICTION:** Open to all members of all Clubs affiliated to the Southern Centre A.-C.U. riding Solo machines. Held under the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U. and the S.S.R.'s. of the Southern Centre and these Supplementary Regulations.

2. **ENTRIES:** Entries to be made on the form provided and to reach the Secretary of the Meeting together with a fee of 5/-. **NO LATE ENTRIES.**

3. **COURSE:** This will be approximately 1 mile of grassland with ascents and descents.

4. **PRACTICE:** Practice will be under strict control between 2 p.m. and 2.30 p.m. All riders **MUST** complete 2 laps of practice.

5. **NUMBERS:** These must be as required in S.S.R.'s. There will be no three-figured numbers.

6. **START:** Start will be with engines running, left hand on rear mudguard.

7. **CLOTHING:** All riders must wear gloves, riding boots, helmets (A.-C.U. stamped) and protective clothing.

8. EVENTS AND AWARDS:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
1. Novices Only	£4	£3	£2	£1	10/-	10/-	5/-	5/-		
2. Novices Barred	£4	£3	£2	30/-	£1	10/-	5/-	5/-		
3. Up to 250 c.c.	£4	£3	£2	£1	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-		
4. Unlimited Star Event	£5	£4	£3	£2	£1	10/-	10/-	5/-	5/-	
5. Grand National	£10	£7	£5	£4	50/-	30/-	£1	10/-	10/-	5/-
6. Handicap	£5	£4	50/-	30/-	£1	10/-	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-

**9. CUPS:**

**NUTEXA CUP**—To be awarded to a rider of a 250 c.c. machine in the 250 Event who is awarded the least marks lost in the three meetings run this year.

**THE WEST DORSET TROPHY**—To be awarded to the winner of the Dorset Grand National to be held for one year only.

**THE WHO DUNN IT CUP**—Awarded to the best performance by a Bridport Club Novice.

PETERSFIELD MOTOR CYCLE CLUB  
**OXENBOURNE SCRAMBLE**  
**FOR BUNNY TEW TROPHY**  
**MONDAY, 1st AUGUST, 1960**

SOLOS AND SIDECARS

Open to Southern Centre Permit No. U.551 T.T.C. No. 710

**OFFICIALS**

Southern Centre Steward: A. R. Mason. Club Stewards: M. Dowdell and A. N. Other.  
 Clerk of the Course: M. Osman.

Secretary of the Meeting: S. F. Coaten, 20 Lavant Street, Petersfield, Hants.

**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held under the General Rules of the A.-C.U., and the following Supplementary Regulations.

2. **COURSE:** One mile of all grassland, with fast, downland straight with right and left hand turns, sharp climbs and descents.

3. **PRACTICE:** Will be controlled between 12.15 p.m. and 1.15 p.m.; each rider must complete 2 laps. All riders must sign on before starting.

4. **CLOTHING:** All drivers must wear A.-C.U. approved helmets, in sound condition, gloves, boots, and protective clothing.

5. **START:** Engines running, machines out of gear, left hand on rear mudguard.

6. **SIGNING ON:** All drivers must sign on to the Secretary of the Meeting one hour before the event. On signing on, all drivers must present crash helmets and clothing for inspection.

7. **ALL MACHINES** must be equipped with two independent brakes and self-closing throttle, all clutch and brake levers shall be ball-ended and the minimum diameter of the ball must not be less than  $\frac{3}{4}$ ".

8. **ENTRIES** to be made on the form provided and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting no later than Tuesday, July 19th, 1960, together with an entry fee of 7/-.

9. **SUBSTITUTION:** No substitution of driver or machine will be allowed without the approval of the Clerk of the Course.

10. **POSTPONEMENT:** Organisers reserve the right to cancel any or all of the events with the approval of the Stewards of the Meeting if, in their opinion, the circumstances deem it necessary.

11. **PLEASE NOTE:** Entries will be restricted to 65 Novices, 45 Experts and Intermediates.

12. **RIDING NUMBERS** must be displayed as per the A.-C.U. ruling.

13. **EVENTS AND AWARDS:**

**Event 1. Lightweight Star up to 250 c.c. Novice barred.**

1st 60/-, 2nd 50/-, 3rd 40/-, 4th 30/-, 5th 10/-.

**Event 2. Lightweight up to 250 c.c. Novice Only.**

1st 40/-, 2nd 30/-, 3rd 20/-, 4th 10/-.

**Event 3. Sidecar Star.**

1st 80/-, 2nd 60/-, 3rd 40/-, 4th 20/-.

Passengers: 1st 10/-, 2nd 7/6, 3rd 5/-, 4th 2/6.

**Event 4. Novice Only.**

1st 60/-, 2nd 50/-, 3rd 40/-, 4th 30/-, 5th 20/-.

**Event 5. Experts Only.**

1st 100/-, 2nd 80/-, 3rd 60/-, 4th 50/-, 5th 40/-, 6th 20/-.

**Event 6. Experts Barred.**

1st 70/-, 2nd 60/-, 3rd 50/-, 4th 40/-, 5th 30/-, 6th 16/-.

**Event 7. Sidecar Handicap.**

1st 70/-, 2nd 60/-, 3rd 60/-, 4th 20/-.

Passengers: 1st 10/-, 2nd 7/6, 3rd 5/-, 4th 2/6.

**Event 8. The Bunny Tew Trophy (TO BE HELD FOR ONE YEAR ONLY) 500 c.c. Star.**

1st 120/-, 2nd 80/-, 3rd 70/-, 4th 60/-, 5th 30/-, 6th 15/-.

**Event 9. Sidecar Scratch.**

1st 80/-, 2nd 60/-, 3rd 40/-, 4th 20/-.

Passenger: 1st 10/-, 2nd 7/-, 3rd 5/-, 4th 2/6.

**Event 10. Novice Barred.**

1st 100/-, 2nd 80/-, 3rd 70/-, 4th 50/-, 5th 30/-, 6th 15/-.

# LETTERS

## ROSES FOR THE ACE

Dear Editor,

At last a club in the Southern Centre is really doing something for the sport. First was their great efforts to make the St. Paul Trophy Scramble a big success. I understand that a good profit will go to the A.-C.U. Benevolent Funds.

Congratulations to them all for their efforts, especially to their committee types who, as always, are so helpful to riders and spectators who have troubles. They make the time to sort things out. Why can't other club organizers do the same instead of treating you as a number or just another spectator? I hear that their Berkshire Grand National Scramble at Aldworth has had some serious thought put to it; one whisper was that prize money has been greatly increased, i.e., Experts £20, Sidecars £14, Novices £5 a win and paying down to at least 6th place. One does wonder what the Club has done for spectators, but I am told they will receive something from this enterprising club in appreciation of their support. Go to it, Reading Ace—you have done us well in the past and we will always support a club that can organize, see the other point of view and, above all, make time to listen. Good luck!

"SPECRIDE."

Wallingford, Berks.

Dear Mr. Boyes,

I don't think I can improve on Mike Simpson's definition of a Sporting Trial.

If Mr. Boyes cares to read my original letter in the April Gazette, he will find that my remarks about fast sections were in relation to Special Tests.

I only wish more people in the Southern Centre thought mudhills and rocks made a good trial. Surely Mr. Boyes cannot have anything to do with trials in the Canterton area?

May I suggest that the lack of success in National Trials by Southern Centre riders is mainly due to the poor selection of courses that they are offered; note the successes of our scramble riders who have some of the finest courses in the country.

I must apologise for the delay in replying to Mr. Boyes' letter, but I spend most evenings in the local "caff" with the milk-bar cowboys, trying to persuade them to continue racing up and down the High Street instead of using up their energy in scrambles, trials or road racing, because it seems as if some club officials prefer to keep them out.

I hope now that Mr. Baines will see fit to use that little phrase: "This correspondence is now finished," which he has always longed to.

Yours sincerely,

MARK OFFORD.

Newbury, Berks.

## HELP

### FOR THE "NOVICE" SCRAMBLERS?

Dear Ron,

On behalf of the Mortimer Club I would offer a suggestion to all organising bodies in the Centre.

Would it not be in the interests of everyone to have in addition to the closing date for entries, an opening date before which no entry would be considered? I have no wish to enter into the issue on publishing dates, but in my experience, a large section of the competitors do not receive their Gazettes on time and such a system would prevent these unfortunate people almost certainly being excluded from events by oversubscription.

Yours sincerely,

B. CRITCHLOW,  
Comps. Sec.,

Mortimer and D.M.C.C.

Wokingham, Berks.

## UNHAPPY HENLEY

Dear Mr. Baines,

In reference to your comment in the March issue of the Gazette, concerning the "Trials League," the members of this club feel that having been deprived of victory in the Centre Team Trial by revision of the results twice in the last three years, that the same thing would happen if we entered in the League Shield Competition.

If this is entered in the Gazette it may be noticed by those concerned.

Yours faithfully,

KENNETH J. SMITH (Sec.)

Reading, Berks.

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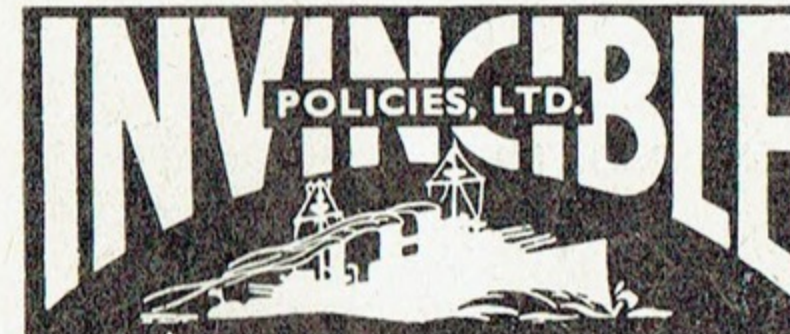
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**Grass Track Racing**

**24th JULY, 1960, 3 p.m.**

Venue: SHAPWICK, Nr. ASHCOTT (A.39 Bridgwater-Bath Road)  
 Sec. of Meeting: R. C. Newman, 44 Darkfield Rd., Woolavington, Bridgwater.

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