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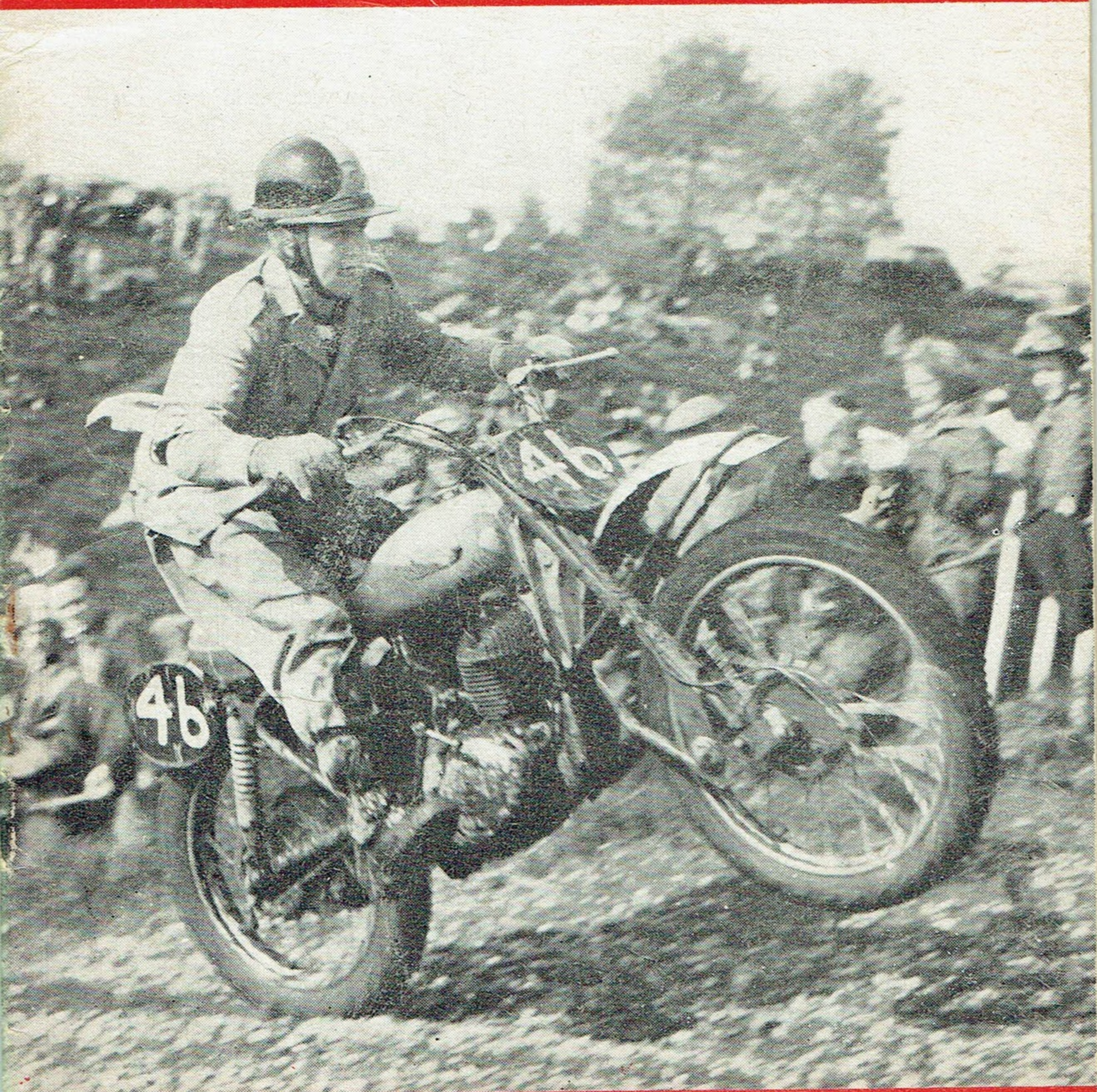
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## SOUTHERN CENTRE

PUBLISHED MONTHLY

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## The Progressive Centre

THE 1955 victory in the National Championships by our Centre's scramble team gave pleasure to many people, but none was more pleased than our old friend Bert Collins. To Bert, our victory marked the end of an era. We could no longer be called "The Forgotten Centre." For years Bert campaigned against this label, what pride he would have taken if only he could have witnessed our progress through the whole of the last five years.

From a group minding their own affairs in their own parish we have slowly started to make our presence felt in all levels of our sport. In road racing, Southampton and Thruxton have pioneered with "The British Championships," the feast of statistics called "The 500 Miles Race," and this year there is recognition for Neville Goss as he takes up his T.T. duties in the "Island." Have a good holiday Nev., you have deserved it.

In the West, Blackmore Vale and Blandford promoted the only International Road Meeting in England this year. When petrol rationing jeopardised the National Grass Track, it was Blackmore Vale who said: "We'll run it," and they made a success.

Our scramble circuits were first met with jeers of "mountain grass tracks." Today the

Southern style circuits are adopted by all but the die-hards. Beenham Park last year staged an outstanding International Moto-Cross meeting. Mortimer have again been invited to promote one of the only two international meetings in Gt. Britain.

Our riders have become household names, the late John Clark, Tony Godfrey, the Rickmans, the Sharps, the Goulds, Lew Coffin, sidecar aces Bill Turner and Mike Lane. All men who are establishing the reputation of our Centre, and there are youngsters capable of making the grade.

Many of our Clubs have established "National" events, but our progress continues, and it is interesting to watch the broadening outlook as everyone now takes an international view of things. The A.-C.U. want to send an I.S.D.T. Team to Czechoslovakia, and it was Southern delegates who led with, "Our Clubs will give £1 each." Mortimer appealed to their Beenham Park supporters and received 320 subscriptions of a half-a-crown. All so that we can have a British International Team.

It is a good thing to take stock occasionally and be proud of our achievements. Bert would have loved it.

**OUR COVER**—Youngster rapidly making a name for himself in Southern Centre scrambling is Brian Goss (197 Greeves) here seen in action at Matchams Park during the Hants. Grand National on Good Friday.

## May Board Commentary

A LOVELY evening, and a run down through the forest, found the early arrivals at Wimborne taking the air outside the hall; after the inner man had been suitably cooled, President Joe Caslake opened the proceedings, and apologies were read from Messrs. Mason and King, and the Reading and Dist., Maidenhead, and E. Berks. S'car Clubs.

Ron Mitchell read the minutes, which were approved and signed, and then the President handed over to our Chairman, Les Smith.

Matters arising from the minutes, (1) Clubs who had not paid their affiliation fees, and were accordingly struck off, were Pegasus, Romsey, Swanage, Wayfarers, Wylie Valley, Vickers Armstrong. (2) The matter of dates for Tweseldown, not approved at the last meeting, had been referred by the North Hants. Club to the A.-C.U. Comps. Committee, as they had taken our decision as a refusal; Mr. Archer Senr., after a discussion with our representatives, was asked to go into the matter with the North Hants. club. (3) Duplicate entry, B. Sharp (alleged), club had replied admitting they had had no entry form from Brian; letter read from A.-C.U. confirming that advertising that a rider had entered, when in fact, he had not, contravened G.C.R. 174; Jim Rendell complained that this was not the first time this sort of thing had happened, and he proposed that a complaint be lodged with the A.-C.U. with a request that a committee of enquiry should investigate; this was agreed.

Report of the Comps. Committee was read; arising from this; letter to the Isle of Wight re. attracting a better entry for their Wight Trial, was read, but no reply had as yet been received; letter to the Weymouth club, re. their gate charges, and lack of indemnity clause on tickets, at their Scramble: reply had been received, which was not entirely satisfactory.

Alton had to cancel their scramble owing to "Foot and Mouth," requested Aug. 9th; Bournemouth wanted to change their grass meeting to July 19th to avoid the Centre Championships; Petersfield wanted May 24th to replace their date of April 19th, when the track was not in a fit condition after the Point to Point.

Chairman read the minute, passed earlier in the year, by which clubs could apply for any date they wanted, providing the conditions were adhered to. Newbury had asked for

May 24th, but there was not time to get the track inspected, and June 14th had been suggested: but apparently the new track is in the S.M. area, because the Swindon club had written in and objected, on the grounds that they had been offered the same track, and were holding an event in that locality, on the same day; it was agreed that the Secretary write immediately to the Newbury club.

At the Roll Call, there were present:— Messrs. Caslake, Allan, Baines, Goss, Hodges, Jones, Smith, Ryall and Mitchell; with the clubs, Alton, Andover, Basingstoke, Blackmore Vale, Bournemouth, Bridport, Blandford, Brit. Sport. S'car Ass., Frome, Gosport, Lyndhurst, Mortimer, Ringwood, Salisbury, Southampton and Sou. Vikings, South Newbury (with poor old Charlie), Sturminster, Waterlooville, Weymouth, X.H.G. Tigers and Sarisbury Green.

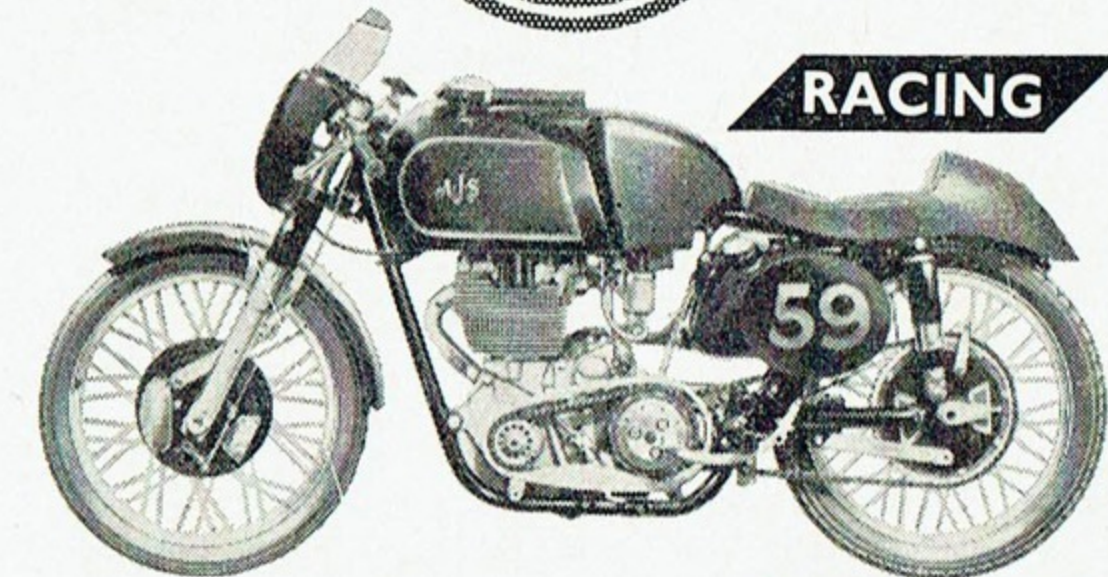
In the absence of Arthur Mason, due to a bereavement in the family, Peter Ryall announced that only one account required approval, expenses for the Inter-Centre Team Trial. Secretary was asked to write to Arthur, expressing the sympathy of the Board, in his sad loss.

Ron Baines, reporting on the Gazette, spoke of the lateness of this month's issue, and the action he had taken; there is the further menace of the printing dispute; he also said that matter for the July issue would have to be in by the 12th June, owing to printer's holidays.

Peter Ryall, reporting on the Centre Investments proposed at the last meeting, said that no worthwhile advantage would be gained, and now sought permission to transfer the amount from current to deposit account at the Bank.

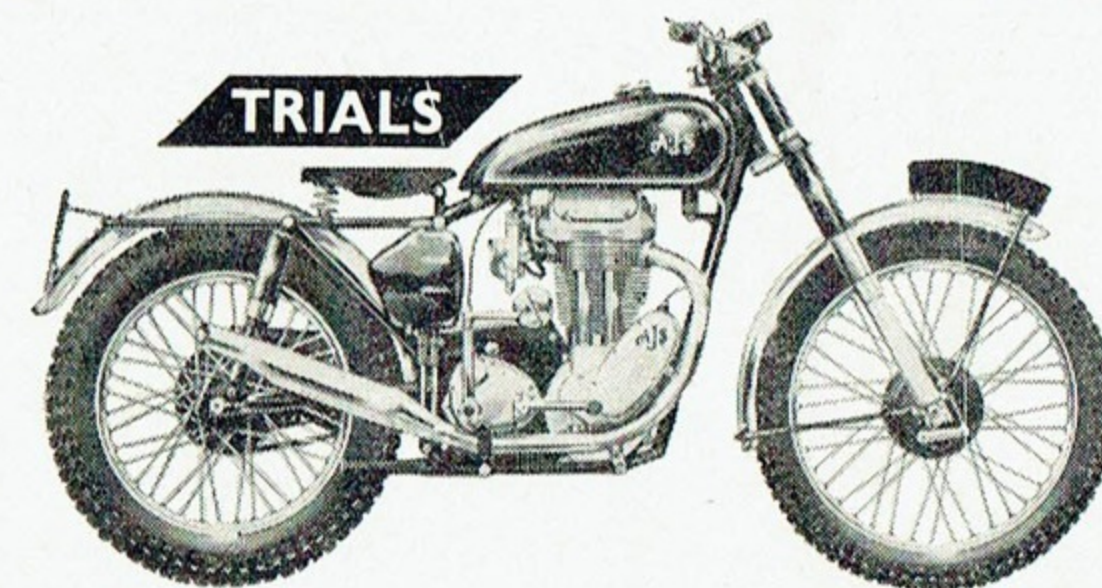
Report on the last General Meeting brought Neville Goss to his feet; main points were the retirement of Sam Huggett at the end of the year; negotiations with the manufacturers re. entries for the International Six Days' Trial, and their refusal to loan machines, or, allow any of their Drivers to compete: the A.-C.U. still thought a team should be sent, some agents had offered machines, cost would be in the region of £1 per affiliated club, and an appeal for funds would be sent out at once; a meeting of all interested parties would be called soon, to go into the Road Racing proposals; Speedway C.B. would now control all unlicensed

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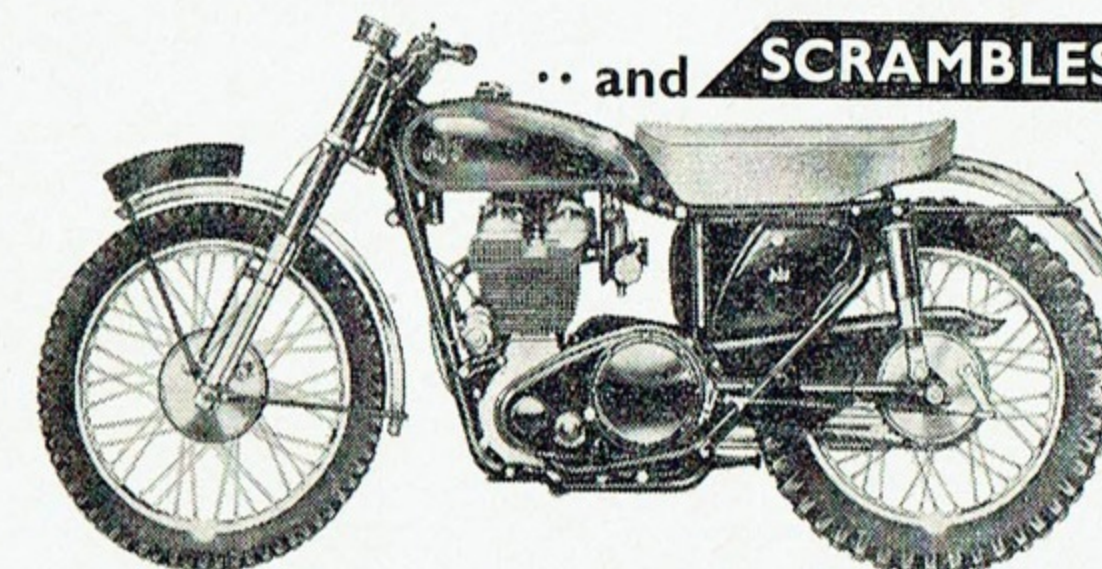
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tracks; F.I.M. Rally at Scarborough had received 100 entries from 7 countries up to date; new safety precautions were being considered for 1960; Thank you, Neville.

Arising from the General Council Report, re. I.S.D.T., there was a discussion on what we should do. All clubs would be circulated, and it was hoped they would do what they can in the way of subscriptions sent direct to the Union, and George Allan proposed that the Centre guarantee to make sum up to £50, this was agreed to.

St. Paul Trophy Scramble, Mr. Gibbs for Frome asked if he could restrict the Novice entry, but "tell him no" we said; put the starting time forward to 1.30 p.m. Tell him yes.

Notice of Motion No. 1, put forward by the British Sporting S'car Ass. to amend the League Regulation for Trials No. 9 — "Classes eligible to score points:— (a) Solo motorcycles, (b) Motorcycles with sidecars or threewheelers. The Board, or Comps committee, being allowed to grant exemption of either class, on application. Minimum number in any class to be 3." While sympathising with the movers, George Allan said the proposal was not sound, and further moved that the motion "lie on the table." This was defeated; then the Basingstoke club moved to amend the minimum number to 5 in each class, this was approved. Then Ron Baines pointed out that this made the

position, for the movers of the motion, worse; and after further discussion, the motion was withdrawn.

Notice of Motion No. 2, submitted in the names of 7 clubs in the West Area "that the question be now put on the Notice of Motion, which was left on the table as a result of the special meeting at Salisbury, on Nov. 26th, 1958, for the formation of a new centre, and a vote be taken to enable a definite decision to be reached." The motion was lost.

Date and place of next meeting, June 4th, at the Station Hotel, Basingstoke. Approved.

Correspondence. Letter from Reading and District, new secretary:— J. E. Naylor, 122 Barkham Road, Wokingham, Berks.

Letter from M.G. and Riley Club, for permission to start their trial, on Oct. 18th, from Abingdon. Approved.

Letters from South Reading, re. use of Aldworth and Marlborough areas 31st May and 7th June, approved; also South Triumph Owners Road Trial, 27th Sept., agreed to providing they avoided Selborne area.

Under A. O. B. Charlie Griffin, on behalf of the West Area dissentients gave notice that they would now approach Headquarters, regarding their request. Meeting closed at 11.35 p.m.

C.R.J.

## NEW SPEED RESTRICTIONS ON FRENCH HIGHWAYS

MOTORISTS visiting France this summer are warned of new speed restrictions now in force. A speed limit of 56 m.p.h. will apply on seventeen main roads on each Saturday and Sunday throughout May, June and September.

Eight of the road affected by the new restrictions radiate from Paris while the remainder are in Central and South-Western France. Altogether, some 1,120 miles of routes nationales come under the ban which is being tried as a road safety experiment.

The roads involved are: Paris to Orleans, Paris-Chartres, Paris-Lisieux, Paris-Rouen, Paris-Peronne, Paris-Soissons, Paris-Vitry-le-Francois, Paris-Esternay, Montargis-Moulins, Tours-Angouleme, Bordeaux-Hendaye, Bordeaux-Marmande, Agen-Toulouse, Chagny-Chalon-sur-S, Chagny-St. Germaine-du-Plain, Chagny-Lyon, Lyon-St. Germaine-du-Plain.

## STOP PRESS NEWS OF

### 19th July

## INTERNATIONAL MOTO-CROSS GRAND PRIX

entries already in from

**CZECHOSLOVAKIA (4)**

**SWEDEN (3)**

**FRANCE (2)**

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## SATURDAY, JUNE 20th, 1959

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## SCRAMBLE FOR SOLO MACHINES

to be held at **Lyscombe Farm, on Piddletrenthide-Cheselbourne Road,**  
near **Dorchester, Dorset**

on **SUNDAY, 5th JULY, 1959, at 2.30 p.m.**

T.T.C. No. 1078

Permit No. U.354

### OFFICIALS

**Southern Centre Steward:** G. W. Bennett.

**Club Steward:** S. Combleton.

**Clerk of the Course:** B. Ingle-Finch.

**Secretary of the Meeting:** L. Hoare, "Gable Ends," Merley Lane, Wimborne, Dorset.

### SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

**1. JURISDICTION:** An Open-To-Centre Scramble for Solo Machines will be held under the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U., and the following Supplementary Regulations.

**2. COURSE:** At Lyscombe Farm, on the Piddletrenthide-Cheselbourne Road, Dorset, consisting of approximately one mile of undulating grassland.

**3. STARTING:** Engine running, machine in neutral and rider with left hand on rear mudguard.

**4. PRACTICE:** Will be allowed between 1.30 p.m. and 2.15 p.m. All riders to complete TWO laps.

**5. CLOTHING:** All riders must wear gloves, riding boots, helmets and protective clothing as approved by the A.-C.U.

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

**7. RIDERS' NUMBERS:** Must be prominently displayed on the front and either side of machine.

8. EVENTS:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1. Expert Barred .. ..	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	15/-	10/-
2. 500 c.c. Race .. ..	40/-	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-
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4. Championship Cup and Solo Star Race .. ..	100/-	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-
5. 500 c.c. Race .. ..	80/-	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-
6. Allcomers Capacity Race:—						
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250 c.c. 50/-	50/-	30/-	20/-			

Event 6—if less than four starters in any capacity, that capacity will be cancelled and riders invited to compete in next highest.

**9. ENTRIES:** To be made on the form provided and sent, with entry fee of 6/-, to the Secretary of the Meeting by Monday, 29th June, 1959.

**10. POSTPONEMENTS:** The Organisers reserve the right to cancel any or all of the events.

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SUNDAY, JUNE 21st, 1959

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T.T.C. No. 710

Permit No. U.353

**OFFICIALS**

Southern Centre Steward: A. R. Mason.

Club Steward: M. Dowdell.

Clerk of the Course: M. Osman.

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

**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 12.30 p.m. and 1.15 p.m., each rider must complete two 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:** Riders astride their machines with dead engine. One mechanic 5 paces to rear of machine.

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

7. **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 three-quarters of an inch.

8. **ENTRIES:** Entries to be made on the form provided and sent to reach the Secretary of the Meeting no later than Friday, June 12th, 1959, together with the entry fee of 6/-.  
**PLEASE NOTE—NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

9. **EVENTS and AWARDS:**

- Event 1. Lightweight Star—up to 250 c.c. 4 laps—1st £3, 2nd £2 10s., 3rd £2, 4th £1 10s., 5th £1, 6th 10/-.
- „ 2. Sidecars—1st £3, 2nd £2, 3rd £1, 4th 10/-.  
 Passengers—1st £1, 2nd 15/-, 3rd 10/-, 4th 5/-.
- „ 3. Novices only—1st £3, 2nd £2 10s., 3rd £2, 4th £1 10s., 5th £1, 6th 10/-, 7th 5/-.
- „ 4. Experts only—1st £3 10s., 2nd £3, 3rd £2 10s., 4th £2, 5th £1 10s., 6th £1, 7th 10/-, 8th 5/-.
- „ 5. Experts barred—1st £3 10s., 2nd £3, 3rd £2 10s., 4th £2, 5th £1 10s., 6th £1, 7th 15/-, 8th 10/-, 9th 5/-.
- „ 6. Sidecar Handicap—1st £3, 2nd £2, 3rd £1, 4th 10/-.  
 Passengers—1st £1, 2nd 15/-, 3rd 10/-, 4th 5/-.
- „ 7. Solo Scramble Star Red Cross Trophy—1st £5, 2nd £4, 3rd £3 10s., 4th £3, 5th £2 10s., 6th £2, 7th £1 10s., 8th £1, 9th 15/-.
- „ 8. Sidecar Scratch—1st £3, 2nd £2, 3rd £1 10s., 4th £1.  
 Passengers—1st £1, 2nd 15/-, 3rd 10/-, 4th 5/-.
- „ 9. Novices barred—1st £4, 2nd £3 10s., 3rd £3, 4th £2 10s., 5th £2, 6th £1 10s., 7th £1.

10. **RIDING NUMBERS:** Riding numbers must be displayed as per the A.-C.U. Ruling.

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

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



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**MORE PLAGUE AT ALTON**

The Alton Club regret that they have again had to cancel their Scramble for June 14th, 1959, due to a second outbreak of Foot and Mouth Disease in the Alton area. We extend our apologies to all riders and Clubs for any inconvenience caused through circumstances beyond our control.

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**GOSPORT & DISTRICT M.C.C., SCRAMBLE.**

**5th JULY**

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Entry fees .....  
Date .....  
Signed .....

Name and address (block letters).....

Club..... Machine.....C.C.....

Please enter me for Events Nos.....

My status is: EXPERT/INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE Are you over 16? YES/NO

**BASINGSTOKE M.C. & L.C.C., GRASS TRACK RACING.**

**12th JULY**

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Entry fees .....  
Date .....  
Signed .....

Name and address (block letters).....

Club..... Machine.....C.C.....

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**PETERSFIELD M.C.C., SCRAMBLE.**

**21st JUNE**

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Name and address (block letters).....

Club..... Machine.....C.C.....

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**SOUTHAMPTON VIKINGS M.C. & L.C.C., SCRAMBLE.**

**28th JUNE**

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Name and address (block letters).....

Club..... Machine.....C.C.....

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**BISHOPS WALTHAM M.C. & L.C.C., TRIAL.**

**28th JUNE**

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I have/have not ridden in a trial during the past 12 months. Age.....

**X.H.G. TIGER M.C.C., SCRAMBLE.**

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Club..... Machine.....C.C.....

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<b>500 STAR</b>									
I. England ..	3	2	—	4	3	—	1	—	13
R. Stillo ..	—	—	—	2	4	—	4	2	12
D. Rickman ..	4	—	4	—	3	—	—	—	11
K. Messenger ..	2	3	—	—	—	2	—	3	10
<b>250 STAR</b>									
M. Jackson ..	—	4	—	4	4	—	—	3	15
D. Wooten ..	—	3	—	—	4	—	2	2	11
J. Johnson ..	—	—	—	—	—	4	4	—	8
P. Lamper ..	—	—	3	—	—	2	3	—	8
<b>SIDECAR</b>									
R. Rose ..	4	—	4	4	4	4	4	—	24
B. McCarthy ..	2	—	4	—	—	3	—	—	9
K. Robertson ..	—	—	3	3	—	2	—	—	8
A. Willoughby ..	—	—	2	—	2	—	3	—	7

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# THE RAY OTHEN TROPHY SCRAMBLE

at Dean Barn Farm, East Dean, Hants.

(On the Romsey-Lockerley-East Dean Road)

on SUNDAY, 28th JUNE, 1959 at 1 p.m.

T.T.C. No. 1198.

## OFFICIALS

Permit No. U.349

S. Centre Steward: N. E. Goss.

Club Stewards: A. Chalmers, M. Stone.

Clerk of the Course: A. Welsh.

Secretary of the Meeting: K. F. Nicholas, 11 Oliver Road, Swaythling, Southampton, Hants.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held under the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U., the Southern Centre Speed Regulations and these Supplementary Regulations.

2. **COURSE:** One mile of rough grassland, with ascents and descents (no water). Sidecars to run in reverse of solo machines.

3. **STARTING:** Riders astride machines, dead engines.

4. **PRACTICE:** Will be allowed between 12 and 12.45 p.m., all riders must complete two practice laps.

5. **CLOTHING and MACHINES:** All riders must wear approved clothing, and boots and helmets must be A.-C.U. stamped. All machines must be fitted with suppressors and have two efficient brakes and self-closing throttles, levers must be ball-ended.

6. **SIGNING ON FOR INSPECTION:** All riders must sign on and present machines and helmets for inspection.

7. **ENTRIES:** Must be made on the form provided and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting not later than **Saturday**, 20th June, 1959. Entry fee 7/-. **NO LATE ENTRIES.** Speedway riders must obtain written permission before entering.

8. **EVENTS:**
1. Novices.
  2. Novice Barred.
  3. Sidecar Star (subject to 5 or more entries).
  4. 250 Star.
  5. Scramble Star and Ray Othen Trophy Race.
  6. Experts Barred.
  7. Sidecar Handicap.
  8. Experts Only.  
(The Ray Othen Trophy to be held for one year).

9. **AWARDS:** Events 1, 2, 4 and 6.  
1st 60/-, 2nd 40/-, 3rd 20/-, 4th 15/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 7/6.  
Events 5 and 8.  
1st 80/-, 2nd 60/-, 3rd 30/-, 4th 20/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 7/6.  
Events 3 and 7.  
1st 60/-, 2nd 40/-, 3rd 20/-.  
1st Passenger 20/-, 2nd Passenger 10/-.  
Heat Winners 10/- if unplaced in final.

10. **GENERAL:** The organisers reserve the right to alter or cancel any or all of the events should circumstances deem it necessary.

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# OVER 40's TRIAL

SUNDAY, 28th JUNE, 1959

SOLO AND SIDECAR

Permit No. U.350

## OFFICIALS

Centre Steward: To be appointed.

Club Stewards: Pete Chase and Dave Freemantle.

Clerk of the Course: Don Freemantle.

Secretary of the Meeting: Mrs. F. Bone, Hill Farm, Botley, Nr. Southampton, Hants.

## SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. **JURISDICTION:** Held under the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U. and the following Regulations. Open to members of the Southern Centre riding solo and sidecar machines.

2. **START AND FINISH:** The Hunters Inn, Swanmore, on A32 Fareham—Alton road. 3.0 p.m.

3. **COURSE:** One lap of approximately 20 miles. Route marking will be by coloured direction cards, but the onus of finding the correct route rests with the competitor.

4. **SECTIONS:** Will be marked with start and end cards, coloured flags and/or tape. Marking will be 1, 3 and 5.

5. Tyres, Protests, Novices and Intermediates in accordance with Centre Rulings.

6. **AWARDS:** Best Solo Award  
Best Sidecar Award.

Awards in accordance with League rules. No rider to win more than one award Points Handicap for age, etc.

7. **ENTRIES:** To be made on the Official Form and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting, not later than Wednesday, June 24th. Entry fee 3/-.

8. As entries are received numbers will be allocated with acknowledgment of entry.

9. **GENERAL:** Trial to be restricted to riders aged 40 and over.

A back-marker will leave one hour after the last competitor, and any rider passed by him will be classed as retired.

The Club reserves the right to cancel this event should they deem it desirable, in which case, entry fees will be returned.

Sidecar passengers any age over 16.

GOSPORT & DISTRICT M.C.C.  
Open to Southern Centre  
**GRAND JULY SCRAMBLE**  
at Trafalgar Farm, Portsdown Hill  
on **SUNDAY, 5th JULY, 1959**

T.T.C. No. 476

FIRST RACE 1.30 p.m.

Permit No. U.351

**OFFICIALS****Southern Centre Steward:****Club Stewards:** A. Smith and R. Everett.**Clerk of the Course:** D. Bridgen.**Secretary of the Meeting:** Mr. R. A. Farmer, 1 Eastern Road Caravan Site, Great Salterns, Portsmouth.**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** The Gosport and District M.C.C. will hold a scramble for solo motor-cycles and sidecars at Trafalgar Farm, Portsdown Hill. Open to all members of clubs affiliated to the Southern Centre of the Auto-Cycle Union.

**1. JURISDICTION:** This event will be organised under Permit No. U.351 of the Southern Centre A.-C.U., and in accordance with the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U. and these Supplementary Regulations.

**2. COURSE:** Open country on the northern slopes of Portsdown Hill, approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile in a clockwise direction with short, sharp ascents and descents.

**3. START:** The start will be with dead engines—drivers astride machines. Kick start, or one pusher will be allowed, but must remain 10 yards behind the machine until the start is indicated by the starter.

**4. CLOTHING:** Protective clothing will be worn by all drivers in both practice and racing—comprising field boots, gloves, breeches and top covering in accordance with A.-C.U. ruling. Crash helmets must be in sound condition in accordance with B.S.S. 1869/52 and bearing the "A.-C.U. approved" stamp.

**5. MACHINES:** All machines must have two efficient brakes, self-closing throttle and ball-ended levers. Riding numbers must be prominently displayed, one facing forward and one on each side of the rear wheel.

**6. PROTESTS:** In accordance with G.C.R.'s.

**7. ENTRIES:** Entries must be made on the form provided, signed by the driver and, accompanied by a fee of 6/-, sent to the Secretary of the Meeting (address above) to arrive not later than mid-day, Saturday, 27th June, 1959.

Cheques and postal orders to be made payable to Gosport and District M.C.C.

**8. PRACTICE:** Practice will be controlled between 11.30 a.m. and 12.30 p.m.  
**NOTE:** All drivers must sign on before practice.

- 9. EVENTS:**
- Event 1. Novices Only.
  - „ 2. Allcomers up to 250 c.c.
  - „ 3. Novices Barred.
  - „ 4. Sidecar Star (subject to 4 or more entries).
  - „ 5. Scramble Star.
  - „ 6. Experts Barred.
  - „ 7. Sidecar Handicap.
  - „ 8. Experts only.

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**Regulations must be sent to the Secretary by 12th JUNE**

**GOSPORT SCRAMBLE—Continued.**

- 10. AWARDS:**
- Event 1. 1st 50/-, 2nd 30/-, 3rd 20/-, 4th 15/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 5/-.
  - „ 2. 1st 50/-, 2nd 30/-, 3rd 20/-, 4th 15/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 5/-.
  - „ 3. 1st 50/-, 2nd 30/-, 3rd 20/-, 4th 15/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 5/-.
  - „ 4. 1st 60/-, 2nd 40/-, 3rd 20/-, 1st Sidecar Passenger 20/-, 2nd Sidecar Passenger 10/-.
  - „ 5. 1st 80/-, 2nd 60/-, 3rd 40/-, 4th 20/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 5/-.
  - „ 6. 1st 50/-, 2nd 30/-, 3rd 20/-, 4th 15/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 5/-.
  - „ 7. 1st 60/-, 2nd 40/-, 3rd 20/-, 1st Sidecar Passenger 20/-, 2nd Sidecar Passenger 10/-.
  - „ 8. 1st 80/-, 2nd 60/-, 3rd 40/-, 4th 20/-, 5th 10/-, 6th 5/-.

**11. INSURANCE:** All drivers will be insured by the club against Personal and Third Party Accidents. Speedway riders must produce written permission from their promoters to ride.

**12. ABANDONMENT:** The organisers reserve the right to cancel or alter any part or the whole of the meeting, if, in the opinion of the stewards, circumstances render such course desirable.

## BASINGSTOKE MOTORCYCLE &amp; LIGHT CAR CLUB

## SOLO &amp; SIDECAR

## GRASS TRACK RACING

at Houndsmills Field, Kingsclere Road, Basingstoke

(1 mile from Town Centre on A.339 Basingstoke—Kingsclere Road)

on SUNDAY, JULY 12th, 1959

First Race 2.0 p.m.

Permit No. U.352

## OFFICIALS

Southern Centre Steward: C. Bennett, Esq.

Club Stewards: L. Bowyer and B. Seal.

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

Secretary of the Meeting: J. A. Seal, 272 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, approx. 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 - 1000 c.c. Solo.
  5. Up to 1000 c.c. Novice Solo.
  6. Sidecar Handicap.
  7. 340 - 1000 c.c. Solo.
  8. S/C 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 Monday, 29th June. The organisers reserve the right to limit entries if classes become oversubscribed.

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.

11. **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.

## LETTERS

## NO FOUNDATON RUMOURS

## CAUSE WORRY

To the Editor,

Will all followers of and riders in scrambles please note, the South Newbury Motor Club wish to kill the rumour that is going around about their track at Midgham, Berks. being closed, **it is not going to close down.** The Club is having a drainage put in to take away the bad parts from pits and has applied for August 9th for the next Scramble. The farmer is the one who has built the house on the course and he is very happy about the scrambles being run there as he himself is keen on the sport and is giving the Club a free hand to make the track better and more pleasing both for public and riders, so here's hoping for your loyal support in future, and please help us to kill this rumour.

Yours faithfully,

CHARLIE BENNETT,

Sec. South Newbury Motor Club.

(Mortimer and Beenham Park have had to counter this sort of nonsense.—Ed.)

## MORE TRIALS TEAM COMMENT

Dear Sir,

A few weeks ago it was brought to my notice that in the opinion of some club officials Trials' riders let down the Southern Centre by not riding in the Inter-Centre Team Trial, consequently a "scratch" team had to be picked. I would like to point out that the Southern Centre do nothing official with regards to choosing the team, it is all verbal — surely riders should be asked officially by letter if they are able to ride.

Personally I would like to know how the team is picked in **our** Centre. Please do not think this is a personal grouse because I was not asked to ride.

Yours faithfully,

G. A. GREENLAND.

To The Editor  
"Southern Centre Gazette"

## HOME COUNTIES TEAM TRIAL

Dear Sir,

The Southern Sporting M.C.C. would like to announce that the above trial is to be held on Sunday, 28th June, and Regulations are now available from the above address.

Observers are also required and anyone interested is invited to contact the Clerk of the Course at the same address.

Yours faithfully,

C. L. KINGSTONE,

Secretary to the Meeting.

54 Ravenswood Crest, Sth. Harrow, Mx.

## IT AIN'T WIDDICOMBE FAIR

Les Smith, Les Smith, hark to our request, All along, down along Wilts-Dorset way, For we want to govern ourselves in the west, Said Jim Rendell, Ed Kendall, Charlie Dowding, Charlie Griffin, Tubby Wells, Mike Lane and Uncle Tom Cobleigh an' all,

Old Uncle Tom Cobleigh an' all.

The cause of the trouble, let's have some restraint, All along, down along Wilts-Dorset way, Have a special enquiry, to hear the complaint, Of Jim Rendell, etc., etc.

Right through the year, until November fall, All along, down along Wilts-Dorset way, The committee met, till they had heard all, From Jim Rendell, etc., etc. By then they'd concocted a wonderful plan,

All along, down along Wilts-Dorset way, We met, and the West turned it down to a man, Did Jim Rendell, etc., etc.

At Wimborne, they brought up the subject in May, All along, down along Wilts-Dorset way, The motion was put, and lost the same day, For Jim Rendell, etc., etc.

But this isn't the end of the prob'em they vow, All along, down along Wilts-Dorset way, For they're going to appeal to the A.-C.U. now, Are Jim Rendell, etc., etc.

**LET'S CURE THE  
"LATE GAZETTE"  
BUSINESS**

FOR the last two years the Gazette has been reliable, but recently it has started to slip. It will go from bad to worse unless we get down to it at once.

The Editor can deal with various odd troubles but it is obvious that a principal snag is the way, that the closing date for regulations has slipped back from the 14th of the month to the 18th, to the 20th, to the 21st, soon it would be the 24th. Well it must stop.

The July issue has to be mailed on the 26th June as our printers close for their holidays, therefore the closing date for regulations must be the 12th June, otherwise we will not get a July issue. Club and Comps Secs. should look through their calendars now and send off their regs. for forthcoming events.

We have to make a special effort for July, so let's keep it that way, and for all future issues the closing date for regulations will be rigidly enforced by the Centre Secretary on the 16th of each month. We will always try to help in an emergency, but not at the expense of having a 'late' Gazette.

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**JUNE**

Date	Area	Club	Event	Venue
7	E. E. W. W.	Waterlooville X.H.G. Tigers	Scramble Scramble	East Meon Chesilbourne
14	N. N. S. S.	250 c.c. Moto-Cross, Basingstoke Lyndhurst	Coupe D'Europe Road Trial Novice Trial	Not decided Canterton
20	Sat.	S'TON & DIST.	500m. RACE	Thrupton
21	E. E. W. W.	Petersfield Blackmore Vale	Scramble Scramble	Oxenbourne Willoughby Hedge
28	N. N. S. S.	Reading & Dist. S'ton Vikings	Speed event Scramble	Swallowfield East Dean

**JULY**

5	E. E. W. W.	Moto-Cross Grand Prix of Great Britain Gosport & Dist. Salisbury X.H.G. Tigers	Scramble Grass Track Scramble	Hawkstone Sth. Hants. Ansty Chesilbourne
12	N. N. S. S.	Basingstoke Bournemouth	Grass Track Grass Track	Basingstoke Dorchester
19	E. E. W. W.	Alton Weymouth	Scramble Scramble	Holybourne Down Weymouth
26	N. N. S. S.	Reading Ace	Trial/Speed	Not decided

**AUGUST**

2	E. E. W. W.	P'tsmouth M.C.R.C. Blackmore Vale Sturminster Newton	Scramble Allum Trial Scramble	Idsworth Trent Bulbarrow
3	Mon.	S'TON & DIST. Totton Basingstoke	NATIONAL RD. RACES Grass Track Grass Track	Thrupton Totton Basingstoke
9	N. N. S. S.	Bishops Waltham	Grass Track	Corhampton
16	N.	Basingstoke	CENTRE GRASS TRACK CHAMPS.	Basingstoke
23	N. N. S. S.	Reading Ace Ringwood	Berkshire G.N. Scramble Grass Track	Aldworth Ringwood
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