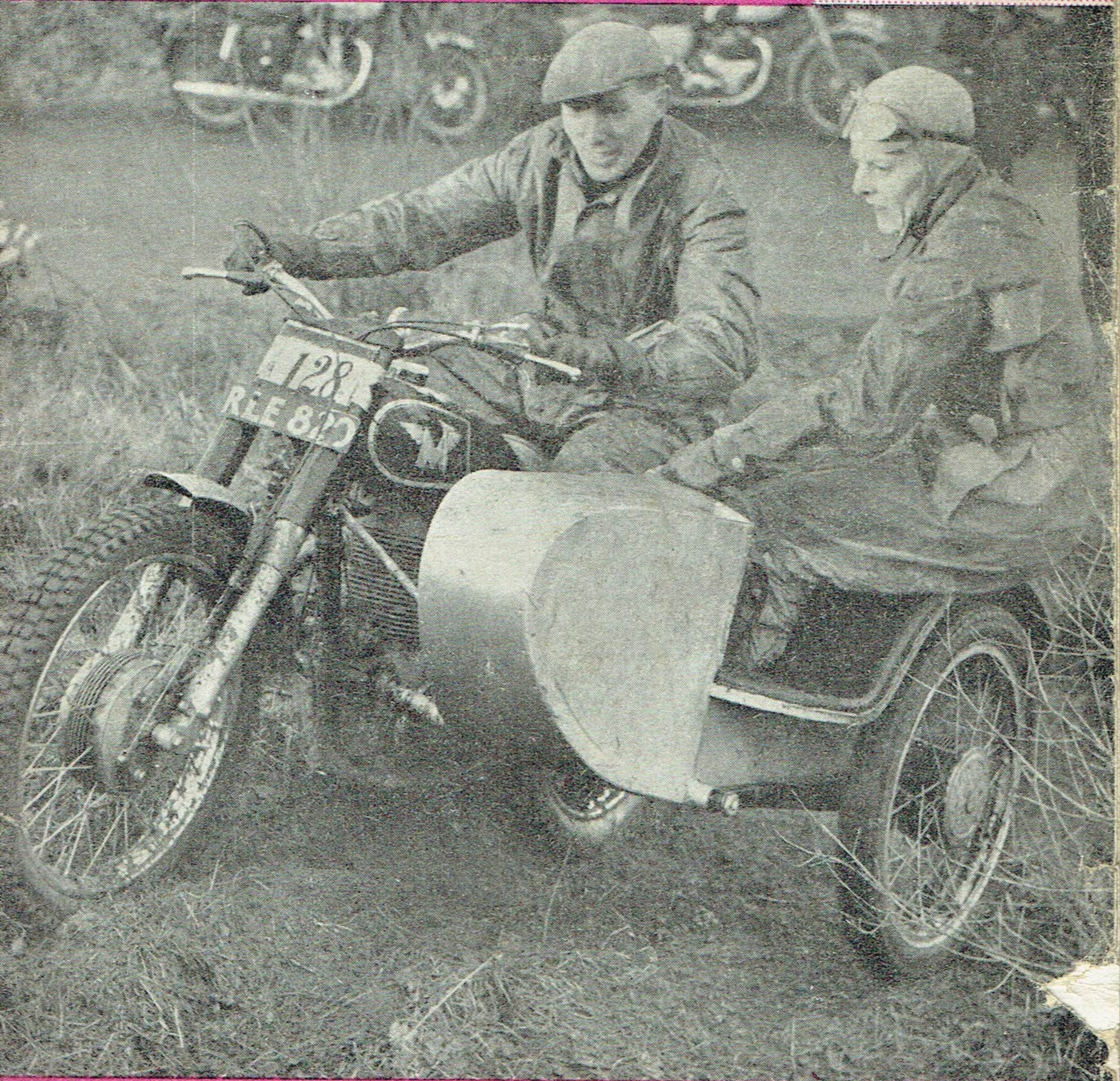
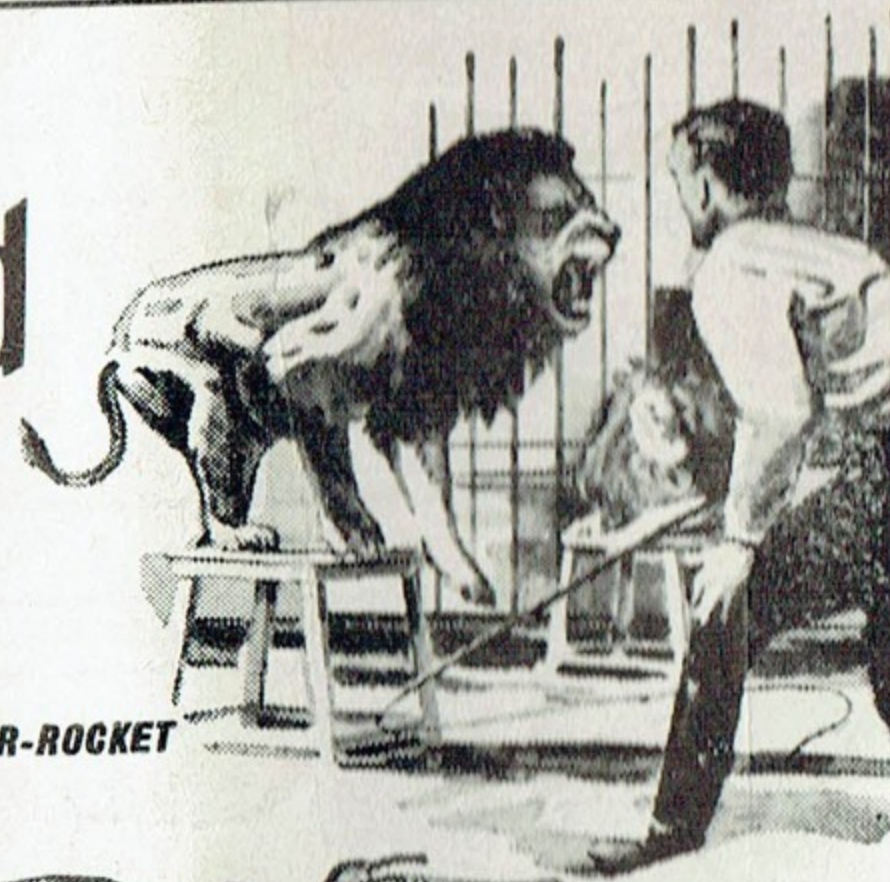


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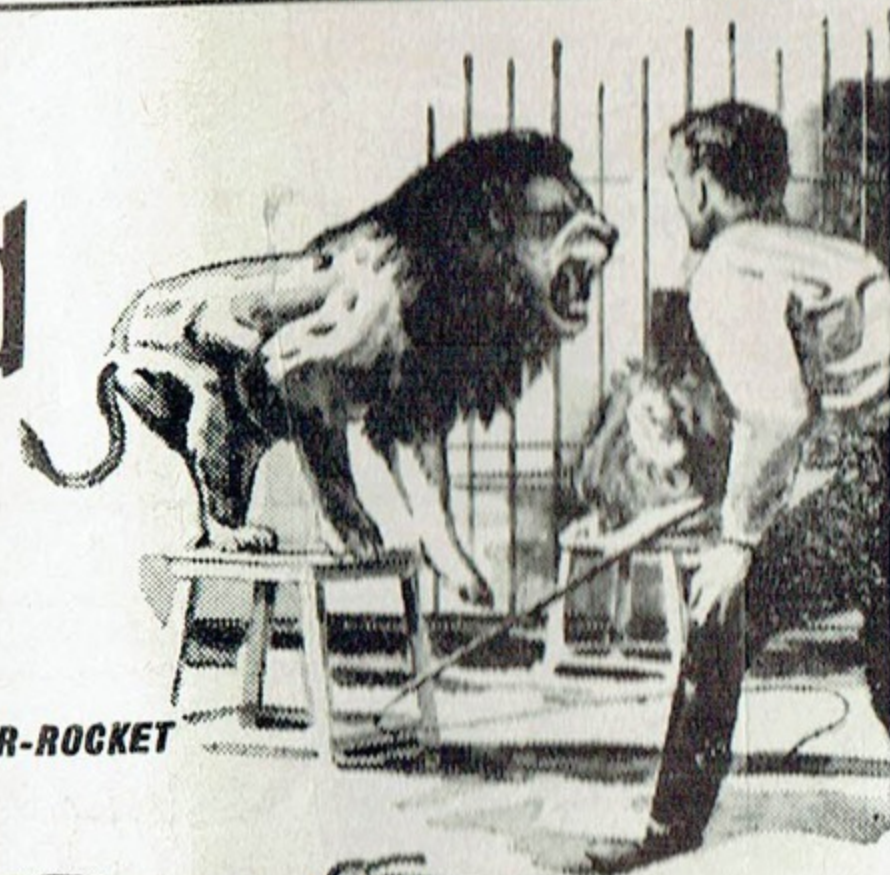
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February Board Commentary

A SHORT trip to Southampton this month, where Joe Caslake, in opening the proceedings, thanked the Southampton club for their hospitality; apologies were read from G. R. Allan and the Weymouth and East Berks. Clubs.

Minute Secretary Mitchell having done his stint, the meeting was taken over by Chairman Les Smith, who welcomed Lovatt the Press, and said he had a bone to pick with some of that fraternity, who reported that he was guest of honour at the Basingstoke dinner, and the awards were presented "by his wife"; as a consequence of which he was being regarded suspiciously by his girl friends.

Comps. Meeting held in December, report was read; the only comment being from the Secretary, reporting minor modifications of the A.-C.U. Comps. rules dealing with Appeals.

Roll Call. Messrs. Caslake, Smith, Hodges, Jones, Baines, Goss, Ryall, Mason and Mitchell answered the call, together with the following clubs: Alton, Andover, Basingstoke, Bishops Waltham, Blackmore Vale, Bournemouth, Frome, Gosport, Henley, Hythe, Lyndhurst, Mortimer, North Hants, Portsmouth Racing, Reading Ace, Reading, Ringwood, Southampton, Southampton Vikings, Sturminster Newton, Totton, Waterlooville, Winchester, X.H.G. Tigers, Lulworth and Vincent Owners.

Arthur Mason presented his monthly statement and said he was very perturbed by the loss we had suffered over the last two years; and went on to give a rough budget of income and expenditure for the coming year, based on average figures, allowing for a further loss of £50; and pointed out that we should use it as a guide when considering any expenditure.

Ron Baines reported on the Gazette and answered a number of queries led by old/new boy Hall concerning deliveries of parcels to clubs; it was just a case of a "let down" by the printers. Although Ron Baines had done everything possible, the trouble persisted and he was defended by no less than that "wifeless hero," Les Smith, against criticisms from several parts of the hall. There was quite a long discussion on this matter from several delegates, with Smiler Hall bobbing up and down like a Jack-in-a-box.

Team Trial Report, 1959, had been received from the Lyndhurst Club showing a credit

balance of £26-18-0, which will go towards, but alas not cover, the cost of the awards. Arthur Lambert, as one of the Centre Stewards, said the club ought to be highly commended for this very fine effort, especially in view of the adverse criticisms levelled at the course before the event.

Team Trial Report, 1960—a provisional one on the event held a few days before results were out; the organising club, Fingwood, were congratulated for a very enjoyable trial by the delegates of the Basingstoke club.

Last ode to the Birmingham Conference (Ernie Howard, please note) was attended by two new boys, Messrs. Mason and Paskins; and the latter gave an excellent report; after the Northern Centre and South Midland Centre proposals had been rejected, our boys accepted an amendment to the Southern Resolution; and later in the meeting it was adopted. As a consequence the Conference of Centres will move to London for the 1960 meeting and could get on with business dealing with inter-centre co-operation, such as an agreed standard on riders' status.

After the recess, there was a Notice of Motion put forward by the Eastern Area suggesting that Centre sub-committees should be composed of one from each Area. Arthur Mason said it was best to pick the most suitable blokes for each job, irrespective of what area they came from. Chairman Les Smith said he was unhappy about the whole question and ruled the motion "out of order."

Owing to the early Team Trial this year, the Trials Committee had already been appointed: Mrs. Lambert, Messrs. Nicholas and Hewitt.

Scramble Committee: Messrs. Baines, Lambert and Turner. Grass Track Committee: Messrs. Rendell, M. Lane and Dowding.

Benevolent Fund: Messrs. Allan, Gibbs and Nash. Date and place of next meeting: 3rd March, at the British Legion Hall, Wimborne Minster.

Correspondence. Letter from M.G.—Riley Club, for a Reg. Res. Trial on September 25th; N. Area approval given; agreed.

Letter from Mohawk for an O.T.C. Road Trial, 24th July; agreed.

Letter from Wood Green for permission to pass through area, en route to Lynton, for a 24-hour Roadcraft Tour; agreed to, providing they use A303 this year.

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SUNDAY, 10th APRIL, 1960

A qualifying event for the Beenham Park Championships

Regulations are on page 10
of this issue. Enter early.



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BOARD COMMENTARY—continued

Letter from the M.C.C. for permission to use a start at Abingdon for their "Esso Scoot to Scotland," 3rd-4th June; agreed.

Letter from Stag M.C.C. for permission to use part of our territory for a trial that took place last Sunday. Notice was too short and it was reported that there was local resentment, although the police had approved the course.

Letter from A.-C.U., London, thanking the Blackmore Vale Club for their offer to organise the National Grass Track Championships this year, but the G.T. Sub-committee had not taken it up.

Inter-Centre Team Trial regs. had been issued by the North East Centre for the event to be held March 13th. "To be, or not to be?" quipped Tony Morris. Mrs. Lambert reported that riders would have to be away for three days, making it difficult to find any who could afford the time, and the cost would be in the region of £100. So the voting was NOT to be, by a large majority.

Peter Ryall reported many changes of secretaries, and he would publish a list of alterations in the "Gazette," with the co-operation of the Editor.

Under A.O.B., Gosport asked for March 6th for a scramble at Trafalgar Farm; Charlie Griffin asked if this event was going to be televised and the answer was yes. Apparently Southampton had been approached, but it was not a South Area date, and Sturminster had objected, as was their right. Now with the switch to Gosport on an E-W Area date and the venue further away from Sturminster, the date was approved, with Charlie still objecting.

Mr. Hall asked if the Maidenhead club had closed down, and Ron Baines said yes.

Permission was asked for the Bournemouth and Blackmore Vale to switch dates to avoid two G.T. events on the same day; Bournemouth G.T. will now be on July 3rd, and B.V. Scramble on July 10th, if the respective areas approve and other clubs concerned notified.

Commenting on the subject of getting information out to riders, Ron Baines said the riders had a special ability called "talking to each other." Meeting closed at 11.10 p.m.

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Clubs wishing to apply to the County Council for the use of footpaths or bridleways under the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act, 1949 and the above Road Traffic Act should apply to me for the necessary forms.

Applications must be submitted to the Local Authority by not less than 28 days before the date of the proposed Trial.

PETER B. RYALL,
Centre Secretary,
"St. Anne,"
41 Mill Road,
Fareham, Hants.

WE ARE DELIGHTED

It is good to see the increase in the number of letters in each issue. There is no better place to air your views than in the columns of your own Gazette. We would like to hear from regular contributors. A grey beard and great age which will make everyone else an "infant" is not a necessary qualification. All we ask is that you are abreast of the times and know a little about your subject.

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After Dinner, Awards were presented by Mrs. Sydney Lawton (President's wife). The Awards were the Sydney Lawton Trophy won by Dennis and Sylvia Grace (awarded for the most marks gained at the Club's two Scrambles), and the Cup for best attendance at Club meetings (won by Alf and Tim Philpott). After these the Awards were presented for the Trial.

The evening was finished off with the floor being cleared for dancing.

The Annual General Meeting, held on January 13th, was better attended than last year.

After the resignation of the old Committee, a newly-elected Committee took over, being as follows:—

President: Syd Lawton.

Vice-Presidents: Messrs. Brown, M. Munday, N. Goss, S. Best and Chief Inspector Gates.

Chairman: Curly Parker.
Hon. Treasurer: Miss Pamela Parker.
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Social Secretary: Mrs. J. Hyde.
Racing Secretary: Miss Jean Found.
Sports Captain: John Smith.
Minutes Secretary: M. Lemmon.
Committee: Mrs. G. Smith, B. Tutt, E. Lear, Jack Smith, J. Hyde, C. Padwick.
Awards Officer: A. Justice.

The results of our Closed-to-Club Trial held at Morestead were as follows:—

Premier Award: R. Strong.

Trials Machines: D. Harmer, A. Phillop, B. Richardson, K. Cort. All were tied.

Scrambles Machines: 1. G. Parker; 2. D. Marsh; 3. B. Tutt. All first class awards.

Standard Machines: P. Westlake.

Sidecar Machines: D. Grace.

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1960 BARGEPOLE SCRAMBLE

at BEENHAM PARK
 on SUNDAY, 10th APRIL, 1960

Permit No. Applied for

FIRST RACE 1.0 p.m.

T.T.C. No. 357

OFFICIALS

Southern Centre Steward: M. Naylor.

Club Stewards: L. Catto and B. Peeling.

Clerk of the Course: B. W. Rose.

Secretary of the Meeting: Brian Critchlow, 537 Reading Road, Winnersh, Wokingham, Berks.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. JURISDICTION: Held under the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U. and the Southern Centre Speed Regulations and the following Supplementary Regulations. Open to all members of Southern Centre Clubs riding Solo or Sidecar machines.

2. COURSE: One-and-a-quarter miles of rough going with varying grass and muddy surfaces. The number of laps will be determined by weather conditions.

3. EVENTS AND AWARDS:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
1. Unlimited Novice	70/-	50/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	10/-		
2. Experts	100/-	70/-	50/-	30/-	20/-	10/-		
3. Intermediate	70/-	50/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	10/-		
4. Sidecar Star Race	150/-	90/-	50/-	30/-	20/-	10/-		
5. Up to 250 c.c.	100/-	70/-	50/-	30/-	20/-	10/-		
6. Solo Star Race	150/-	100/-	70/-	50/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-
7. Sidecar Scratch Race	100/-	70/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-		
8. 251-500 c.c. Solo Race	100/-	70/-	50/-	30/-	20/-	20/-	10/-	10/-

Heat Winners—£1.

The Organisers reserve the right to cancel or replace any or all of the above events.

4. PRACTICE: At least two laps must be completed between 12.0 and 12.45 p.m.

5. START: Competitors will start "en masse," dead engine. No assistance will be allowed on the starting line.

6. CLOTHING: All riders and passengers must wear A.-C.U. approved helmet (stamped), boots and protective clothing.

7. MACHINES: All machines must be fitted with two independent brakes and self-closing throttle. Clutch and brake levers will be ball-ended and not less than $\frac{1}{4}$ " diameter.

8. ENTRIES: To be made on the form provided and sent to reach the Secretary of the Meeting not later than 1st April, 1960. Entry Fee, 5/- to accompany Entry Form.

ALTON AND DISTRICT M.C. AND C.C.
SELBORNE SOLO TRIAL

SUNDAY, 10th APRIL, 1960

A Regional Restricted Competition for Solo Motor Cycles
Starting and Finishing at Charity Farm, Selborne, Nr. Alton, Hants.

A.-C.U. Permit No. Q.590

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. ANNOUNCEMENT: The Alton and District M.C. and C.C., as an Affiliated Club of the Southern Centre of the A.-C.U., will hold on Sunday, 10th April, 1960 a Regional Restricted Trial for Solo Motor Cycles.

2. JURISDICTION: The event will be open to all registered members of Clubs of the Southern Centre and South Eastern Centre, and will be held under the G.C.R. of the A.-C.U. and these Supplementary Regulations.

3. ENTRIES: Will be accepted forthwith and must be sent on the printed Entry Form provided, with the correct remittance to:— D. A. Geering, 40 Branson Road, Bordon, Hants., to reach him not later than FIRST POST, SATURDAY, 2nd APRIL, 1960. Riding Nos. will be allocated as entries are received. Entries will be limited to the FIRST 150 received.

4. ENTRY FEES: Will be as follows:—

Individual Entry Fees, 8/6.

Club Teams (comprising any 3 drivers representing one Club), 7/6.

No driver to be nominated for more than one team. Team entries accepted up to 30 minutes before start. ENTRY FEES will only be returnable if event is abandoned.

5. DRIVERS AND MACHINES: No substitution or change of driver or machine will be allowed once the entry list has been closed.

6. AWARDS: Will be won outright and comprise PREMIER CUP for best performance by any driver. CLASS CUPS for the best performance in the following classes, subject to TEN entries in each class: Not exceeding 250 c.c.; exceeding 250 c.c. but not exceeding 350 c.c.; exceeding 350 c.c. but not exceeding 1000 c.c. NOVICE CUP for best performance by a novice. FIRST and SECOND CLASS AWARDS. After the allocation of the principal awards as detailed above, the next best 10% of finishers will receive FIRST CLASS AWARDS and the next best 10% of the remainder of finishers will receive SECOND CLASS AWARDS. TEAM AWARDS for the members of the winning team, subject to a minimum of three teams entering. With the exception of the team award, no driver may win more than one award. NOVICE is a driver who has not gained a Novice Premier, a first or second class award in any Trial conducted in Open-to-Centre, Regional Restricted or National Status since January, 1958.

7. OFFICIALS:

Stewards of the Meeting: C. R. Jones (appointed by the Southern Centre A.-C.U.);
 H. Steele (appointed by the Alton and District M.C. and C.C.);
 I. Cooke (appointed by the Alton and District M.C. and C.C.).

A.-C.U. Timekeeper: J. C. Lowe (certified Grade A).

Clerk of the Course: W. Oliver.

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

8. MARKING: Marks will be lost:—

- 1 mark for a dab in an observed section or sub-section.
- 3 marks for footing in an observed section or sub-section.
- 5 marks for stopping in an observed section or sub-section.
- 5 marks for missing an observed section or sub-section.

A dab will be deemed to have occurred if any part of the driver comes into contact with the ground once in an observed section or sub-section. Footing will be deemed to have occurred if any part of the driver comes into contact with the ground more than once in an observed section or sub-section. A stop will be deemed to have occurred if the machine ceases to move in a forward direction in relation to the course or if the driver receives outside assistance, or if one or more wheels crosses or breaks a tape defining the course. A driver stopping in a sub-section must restart within the boundaries of the same sub-section.

9. DESCRIPTION: The Trial will start at Charity Farm, Selborne, Nr. Alton, Hants. The route to the start will be marked by arrows from Farringdon on A32 and from Greatham Corner on B3006. The course will consist of two laps each of approx. $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles of a sporting nature and consist of approx. 18 sections each lap. Sections will be clearly marked by Begins and Ends cards and tape where necessary. The first driver will leave the start at 1.01 and the remainder at $\frac{1}{2}$ -minute intervals; any driver not coming to the start when called will be penalised 5 marks. Drivers more than 15 minutes late at the start will be deemed non-starters. A back-marker will leave the start 15 minutes after the last driver has started the second lap. Any driver passed by him will be deemed to have retired. In the event of an official delay, the back-marker will make the necessary allowance. There will be a break of approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ -hour between Laps 1 and 2 and drivers will wait to be officially started on 2nd lap.

10. TIES: A special test will be used to decide ties:—

Machine astride Line A. Coast (with dead engine) to and stop astride Line B. Start engine and flying finish over Line C. Test to be timed from Line A to Line C. The shortest time to be taken in the event of a tie. A driver not completing the special test shall be considered to have taken the longer time in the event of a tie.

11. VEHICLES:

- (a) Must comply with the legal requirements for the use on the road.
- (b) Non-skid appliances are prohibited.
- (c) Only tyres which conform to the A.-C.U. specification and are included in the list of approved tyres published by the A.-C.U. may be used or permitted. The treads must not be cut or altered in any way.

12. DRIVERS MUST BE FULLY INSURED against Third Party Risks while riding in the Trial.

13. COMPETITION NUMBERS CARDS: Number cards will be issued at the start. Each driver will be required to sign on at the start 30 minutes before his starting time and off at the finish of the Trial. Any driver failing to sign on or off will be excluded.

14. ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRY and notification of riding number will be by post before the day of the Trial.

15. PROTESTS: These shall be made in writing in accordance with the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U., accompanied with the fee of 10/-, to the Secretary of the Meeting within 5 days of the publication of the provisional results.

16. POSTPONEMENTS: The promoters reserve the right to postpone or abandon the trial subject to the provisions of the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U.

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East area—A. McKenzie, 14 Cross Lane, Horndean, Hants.

West area—F. J. Rendell, 109 Sutton Veny, Warminster, Wilts.

Centre Competitions Committee:

P. Hault (South Newbury)

M. Lane (Salisbury)

K. Nicholas (Southampton Vikings)

M. E. Naylor (Reading & District)

E. Bellenger (Ringwood)

C. H. Phippen (Winchester)

G. Hodges (Waterlooville)

F. J. Rendell (Blackmore Vale)

and the Officers of the Board.

Scramble Sub-Committee: R. W. Baines, A. E. Lambert, W. Turner.

Trials Sub-Committee: K. Nicholas, Mrs. Lambert, R. Hewitt.

Grass Track Sub-Committee: F. J. Rendell, S. C. Dowding, M. Lane.

Benevolent Sub-Committee: G. R. Allan, T. Gibbs, H. G. Nash.

SOUTHERN CENTRE

- E. Aldwick "100" M.C.C.
 E. Alton & D.M.C.C. & C.C.
 E. Andover & D.M.C.
 N. Basingstoke M.C.C.
 S. Bishops Waltham M.C.C.
 *W. Blackmore Vale M.C.C.
 W. Blandford & D.M.C. & L.C.C.
 S. Bournemouth M.C. & C.C.
 W. Bridport M.C. & L.C.C.
 S. British Sporting Sidecar Assn. (Southern Centre)
 N. C.S.M.A. (Farnborough)
 N. C.S.M.A. (Goring & Thames)
 E. C.S.M.A. (Portsmouth)
 S. C.S.M.A. (Southampton)
 N. East Berkshire Sidecar C.
 S. Esso (Fawley) M.C. & C.C.
 E. Fareham M.C. & L.C.C.
 E. Farnham & D.M.C. & L.C.C.
 W. Frome Valley M.C. & L.C.C.
 E. Gosport & D.M.C.C. Guernsey M.C. & C.C.
 E. Havant & D.M.C.C.
 N. Henley & D.M.C.C.
 S. Hythe M.C. & Scooter Club
 S. Isle of Wight M.C.C.
 Jersey M.C. & L.C.C.
 W. Lulworth Cove M.C. & L.C.C.
 S. Lyndhurst & D.M.C. & L.C.C.
 N. Maidenhead M.C. & L.C.C.
 N. MG. & Riley Social & Athletic Club
 N. Mohawk M.C.C.
 *N. Mortimer & D.M.C.C.
 N. Newbury & D.M.C.
 N. North Berks. M.C. & L.C.C.
 N. North Hants. M.C.
 E. Petersfield M.C.C.
 E. Portsmouth M.C.R.C.
 N. Reading Ace M.C.C.
 N. Reading & D.M.C.
- M. D. Thirkettle, 6 St. Pancras, Chichester, Sussex.
 E. Carter, 2 French's Court, High Street, Alton.
 R. J. Smith, 31 Anton Road, Andover.
 K. F. Mills, 45 Bolton Crescent, Basingstoke.
 Mrs. F. E. Bone, Hill Farm, Botley, Nr. Southampton.
 F. J. Rendell, 109 Sutton Veny, Warminster, Wilts.
 D. Aitken, 11 Damory Street, Blandford, Dorset.
 Mrs. J. Eastman, No. 2 Cottage, Hospital Drive, Gloucester Road, Boscombe, Hants.
 Mrs. R. Roberts, 15 Parsonage Road, North Allington, Bridport, Dorset.
 P. T. Oborn, 12 High Street, Swaythling, Southampton.
 A. J. Hedges, 22 Goodden Cres., Farnborough, Hants.
 R. Lepage, Beenham Cottage, Beenham, Padworth, Berks.
 V. F. W. Courtney, 108 Kensington Road, North End.
 H. F. Davies, Cheltonia, Oakley Road, Shirley.
 Mrs. E. Twitchett, 1 Redvers Road, Bracknell, Berks.
 P. Smurthwaite, 32 Frampton Way, Totton.
 P. F. Banks, 75 Bramdean Drive, Leigh Park, Havant.
 O. A. Roberts, 8 Bourne Grove, Lower Bourne, Farnham, Surrey.
 Mrs. P. M. Gibbs, 16 High Street, Wool, Warcham, Dorset.
 Mrs. S. M. Overal, 38 Haslar Road, Gosport.
 E. C. Thoumine, "La Quinta," Rue Maze, Guernsey, C.I.
 F. J. Valerio, "Etheldene," Drift Lane, Bosham, Sx.
 K. Smith, Crendon, Chiltern Road, Peppard, Oxon.
 T. M. Gattton, 14 The Bungalows, St. John Street, Hythe.
 F. Prangnell, Five Houses, Calbourne, Nr. Newport, Isle of Wight.
 Mrs. E. C. Coupland, 27 Hill Street, St. Helier, Jersey, C.I.
 Mrs. M. J. Meadon, 1 Sycamore, West Lulworth, Wareham, Dorset.
 B. G. Sheath, 47a High Street, Lyndhurst.
 B. C. Thornton, 45 Laburnham Road, Maidenhead, Berks.
 Mrs. I. Hadden, Auto Section, MG. & Riley Social & Athletic Club, Abingdon-on-Thames, Berks.
 E. Hills, Fenton, Lestock Way, Fleet.
 I. C. Jewel, King Street, Mortimer, Berks.
 M. Q. Offord, Flat 2, 32 Northbrook Street, Newbury, Berks.
 Mrs. D. Cavill, 83 Broadway, Didcot, Berks.
 W. G. Hall, 7 Hunts Common, Hartley Wintney, Hants.
 M. H. Dowdell, 20 Lavant Street, Petersfield.
 J. V. Mould, 12 The Green, Rowlands Castle, Hants.
 Mrs. R. Atkins, 15 Alpine Street, Reading.
 Mrs. J. E. Naylor, 122 Barkham Road, Wokingham, Berks.

- *S. Ringwood M.C. & L.C.C.
 W. Salisbury M.C.C.
 E. Sarisbury Green M.C. & L.C.C.
 S. Southampton & D.M.C.C.
 S. Southampton Vikings M.C. & L.C.C.
 N. South Newbury M.C.C.
 W. Sturminster Newton & D.M.C. & L.C.C.
 S. Totton & D.M.C. & L.C.C.
 S. Triumph Owners M.C.C. (Portsmouth)
 S. Triumph Owners M.C.C. (Southampton)
 E. Vincent Owners Club (Aldershot section)
 *E. Waterlooville M.C.C.
 W. Weymouth & Dorset M.C. & L.C.C.
 W. Wilton M.C. & L.C.C.
 E. Winchester M.C.T.C.
 E. Winchester M.C.
 W. Wylde Valley M.C.C.
 W. X.H.G. Tigers M.C.C.
- T. H. Groome, 95 Wessex Estate, Ringwood.
 S. C. Dowding, Wrynose, Woodfalls, Salisbury, Wilts.
 A. Neil-Gott, 32a Welbeck Avenue, Highfield, S'ton.
 N. E. Goss, 60 Bursledon Road, Bitterne, S'ton.
 K. Nicholas, 11 Oliver Road, Swaythling, S'ton.
 C. Bennett, 125 Deneway, Donnington, Newbury.
 A. C. Griffin, 2 Westfield, Gluehill, Sturminster Newton, Dorset.
 Chas. R. Bull, 162 Paynes Road, Southampton.
 W. Allen, 287 Middle Park Way, Leigh Park.
 J. F. G. Stephens, 7 Richville Road, Shirley.
 J. S. G. Neave, 11 Green Stile, Medstead, Alton.
 A. McKenzie, 14 Cross Lane, Horndean.
 E. J. Kendall, Cypress Cottage, Ridge, Wareham, Dorset.
 P. Fry, 18 Bellevue Road, Salisbury, Wilts.
 L. E. Hill, 37 Andover Road, Winchester.
 C. H. Phippen, 4 Warren Road, Winnall, Winchester.
 A. J. Bailey, 11 Lyme Ave., West Parade, Warminster, Wilts.
 N. J. Ley, "Claddagh," Glenmoor Road, Ferndown, Dorset.

Ref.: Areas, i.e., N—North Area. Area Convenors *

Dates and Venues of Board and Competitions Committee Meetings for the 1960 Session

3rd March	.. ..	Board meeting	Wimborne
7th April	.. ..	Board meeting	Basingstoke
11th April (2nd Monday)		Competitions Committee	—
		(due to Easter Monday)	
5th May	.. ..	Board meeting	Southampton
2nd June	.. ..	Board meeting	Wimborne
20th June	.. ..	Competitions Committee	—
7th July	.. ..	Board meeting	Basingstoke
4th August	.. ..	Board meeting	Southampton
15th August	.. ..	Competitions Committee	—
1st September	.. ..	Board meeting	Wimborne
6th October	.. ..	Board meeting	Basingstoke
17th October	.. ..	Competitions Committee	—
3rd November	.. ..	Board meeting	Southampton
1st December	.. ..	Annual meeting of the Board	Wimborne
19th December	.. ..	Competitions Committee	—

ALTERATIONS TO CENTRE CALENDAR

Transfer

Blackmore Vale Scramble, 3rd July to the 10th July.
Bournemouth Grass Track, 10th July to the 3rd July.
Isle of Wight Road Trial, 22nd May to 29th May.

Add to list

September 25th—MG./Riley R/R Trial. Permit applied for.
July 24th—Mohawk M.C.C. Road Trial.

Cancel

Frome Valley Scramble, 20th March.
Triumph Owners M.C.C. (Portsmouth) Road Trial, 6th March.
South Newbury Scramble, 24th April.
Southampton Vikings Scramble, 22nd May.

TRIALS LEAGUE NOTES

POSITIONS in the League Table, up to and including Feb. 7th, are as follows:—
X.H.G. Tigers 131 points; Southampton Vikings 93; Southampton 86; Bishops Waltham 58; Sturminster Newton 52; Portsmouth Racing 50; Waterlooville 45; Salisbury 44; Newbury and Basingstoke 42; Blackmore Vale 36; Ringwood 28; Farnham 19; Gosport 18; Alton and Winchester 13; South Newbury 5; Andover and Bridport 4; Mohawk 3; Lyndhurst 2.

This is the list of clubs who have ANY registered riders. Many, like Henley, have none, otherwise they might have a chance of adding the League Shield to the Team Trial Shield. There has been more interest shown in the competition this year if the number or registrations is anything to go by, and they are still coming in; what a pity we couldn't get them all at the start of the season.

Has anybody got any ideas on the subject before we start all over again on July 1st? I have a germ of an idea myself but would welcome any suggestions.

New registrations:—**ALTON:** P. J. Geering; **BASINGSTOKE:** E. G. Stroud, S. M. Reeve, D. Jenkinson, J. Reynolds, L. A. James, W. Fort, J. A. Wright; **BISHOPS**

WALTHAM: P. W. Mitchell, J. Knight, H. Bone, E. C. Badland; **PORTSMOUTH M.C.R.C.:** G. Howick, R. Walker, W. Richards, D. F. Rishman, C. A. Moore, B. A. Misselbrook; **SOUTHAMPTON:** K. Bichener, R. E. Russell, K. G. Edwards, R. N. Cozens; **SOU. VIKINGS:** A. Welch; **STURMINSTER NEWTON:** A. Harris, J. Phelps; **WINCHESTER:** A. Cobb, Mrs. S. D. Grace; **X.H.G. TIGERS:** L. Maidment. Trials League Organiser: C. R. Jones, 2 Park Grove, Cosham, Portsmouth.

AWARDS CORNER

We regret that the addresses of the following gentlemen have been lost. Drop me a card and I will be pleased to forward your long overdue awards:

G. Kirby	J. Brunton
R. C. Hutchinson	J. Hanford
D. G. Russell	M. E. Larkham
F. T. Stirland	A. Freeman
A. Bryant	P. Dent
P. Harden	J. L. Pavey

Winchester Motor Club,
1957 Trial Awards Officer:

A. A. JUSTICE,
24 Fox Lane,
Stanmore, Winchester, Hants.

WYLYE VALLEY MOTOR CLUB

JIM SHELDON TROPHY TRIAL

SUNDAY, 17th APRIL, 1960 at 11 a.m.

Permit No. Applied for

OFFICIALS

Southern Centre Steward: F. J. Rendell.

Club Stewards: J. N. Sheldon and B. G. Curtis.

Clerk of the Course: J. J. Escott.

Secretary of the Meeting: G. G. Curtis, 59 Pound Street, Warminster, Wilts.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

- JURISDICTION:** Held under the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U., and these Supplementary Regulations. Open to members of Southern Centre clubs riding solo machines.
- START AND FINISH:** 2 miles from Warminster, off the main Warminster-Frome Road. Will be clearly marked with direction cards. First man will leave the start at 11.01 a.m., the remainder at 1-minute intervals.
- COURSE:** Two laps of approximately 7 miles per lap. Course marking will be by direction cards only. Onus of finding correct route rests with competitor.
- MARKING:** 1, 3 and 5; missing a section—5 marks.
- TIES:** To be decided by furthest around cleanest.
- ENTRIES:** To be made on the form provided and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting by Wednesday, 13th April. Entry 6/-.
- NUMBERS:** Competitors will be informed of their Riding Numbers.
- AWARDS:** JIM SHELDON TROPHY—Best Performance.
NOVICE CUP—Best Performance by a Novice.
CLUB CUP—Best Wylve Valley Club Member.
CLASS CUPS—250, 350 and 500 c.c.
1st CLASS AWARDS—Next best 10% starters.
2nd CLASS AWARDS—Next best 10% starters.
No rider to win more than one award.
- BACK MARKER:** A back marker will leave the start 30 minutes after the last competitor, and any rider passed by him will be deemed to have retired.
- GENERAL:** Tyres and Protests in accordance with G.C. Rules.
The Club reserves the right to cancel this event should it be deemed desirable.
Refreshments at the start.
No petrol available at the start.
- WARNING:** This event is on a Private Estate and held mainly in woodlands. Please be careful with lighted MATCHES and CIGARETTES.



LYNDHURST AND DISTRICT M.C. & L.C.C.

COMMITTEE CUP TRIAL

SUNDAY, MARCH 13th, 1960

Open to Southern Centre

SOLOS ONLY

Permit No. U.483

OFFICIALS

Centre Steward: W. Wareham.

Club Steward: L. F. Sheath.

Clerk of the Course: K. Boyes.

Secretary of the Meeting: T. B. J. Sheath, "Cosy Nook," White Hart Lane, Cadnam.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. JURISDICTION: Held under the General Competition Rules of the A.-C.U. and these Supplementary Regulations.

2. COURSE: Two or three laps of a short course on private property near Rufus Stone, Canterton, Hants. The course to be marked with arrows and direction signs.

3. START AND FINISH will be near Rufus Stone, Canterton, Hants. First competitor starts at 12 o'clock.

4. MARKING: 1, 3, 5.

5. NUMBERS will be issued at the start.

6. ENTRIES: To be made on the standard entry form and be sent to the Secretary of the Meeting, with entry fee 5/-, not later than Wednesday, March 6th, 1960. Teams will be accepted at the start, 7/6 a team.

7. TYRES, protests, intermediates, and novices in accordance with Southern Centre ruling.

8. AWARDS will comprise: COMMITTEE CUP for the best performance by any rider (to be held for one year, replica given). LADIES AWARD for the best performance by a lady (subject to three or more starters). INTERMEDIATE AWARD for the best performance by an intermediate. NOVICE AWARD for the best performance by a Novice. FIRST, SECOND, INTERMEDIATE and NOVICE AWARDS in accordance with Southern Centre ruling. TEAM AWARD for the best team (subject to three or more entries).

9. The Club reserve the right to cancel this event if, in their opinion, circumstances render such course desirable. NO PRACTICE WILL BE ALLOWED BEFORE OR AFTER THIS EVENT. ANY RIDER FOUND PRACTISING WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE AWARDS LIST. The onus on finding the correct course rests with the rider. Ties will be decided by a special test.

WEYMOUTH AND SOUTH DORSET M.C. & L.C.C.

announce an Open-to-Southern Centre

WEYMOUTH SCRAMBLE

SUNDAY, 3rd APRIL, 1960 at 2 p.m.

At East Chickerell Court Farm, Radipole Lane, Weymouth

Permit No. U.488

T.T.C. No. 1163

OFFICIALS

Southern Centre Steward: To be appointed.

Club Stewards: D. Clarke and F. M. W. King.

Clerk of the Course: J. Hiscock.

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

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 grass land, with fast straight with right and left hand turns, climbs and descents.

3. PRACTICE: Will be controlled between 12.30 p.m. and 1.30 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 top of helmet. 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. RIDERS' NUMBERS: Must be prominently displayed.

8. ENTRIES: Entry fee of 6/- must accompany Entry Form below, to reach the Secretary of the Meeting by 29th March, 1960.

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

10. EVENTS & AWARDS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
1. Experts Barred	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-	5/-
2. Up to 500 c.c. Open	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-		
3. Up to 250 c.c. Open	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-		
4. Invitation Race	80/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	10/-	10/-	7/6	7/6	5/-	5/-
5. Up to 350 c.c. Open	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	5/-	5/-	5/-		
6. Weymouth Scratch Race Open	80/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	10/-	10/-	7/6	7/6	5/-	5/-

ISLE OF WIGHT M.C.C.
WIGHT TRIAL
 SUNDAY, 27th MARCH, 1960



Open to Southern Centre

Permit No. U.486

OFFICIALS

Centre Steward: A. R. Mason.

Club Stewards: Miss M. L. Richards and F. Prangnell.

Clerk of the Course: W. Smith.

Secretary of the Meeting: Mrs. L. Prangnell, Five Houses, Calbourne, Nr. Newport, I.W.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. JURISDICTION: Held under the General Competition Rules of the Auto-Cycle Union and these Supplementary Regulations. Open to members of clubs in the Southern Centre A.-C.U. riding solo machines.

2. START AND FINISH: At the Barley Mow Inn, Shide, Nr. Newport, I.W., 12 noon.

3. COURSE: Two laps of approximately 15 miles each. Marking will be with direction cards. Onus of finding the right course rests with competitors.

4. MARKING: Lose 1 mark for a dab, 3 for footing more than once, 5 for failing in or missing a section.

5. AWARDS: THE WIGHT CUP—Best performance.

GEORGE LUPTON CUP—Intermediate Premier.

NOVICE CUP—Best performance Novice.

STAGG CUP—Best I.W. member.

SECRETARY'S CUP—Best I.W. member not winning another award.

MIDGET CUP—Best I.W. member riding in his first O.T.C. trial.

CLASS CUPS—250, 350 and 500 c.c.

FIRST, SECOND, INTERMEDIATE AND NOVICE AWARDS in accordance with Southern Centre Rules.

6. TIES: Will be decided by a special test.

7. TYRES AND PROTESTS: In accordance with G.C. rules.

8. ENTRIES: Individual entries with a fee of 5/- must reach the Secretary of the Meeting by Wednesday, 24th March. Team entries at the start, 7/6.

Hot drinks and light refreshments will be available at the start.

WINCHESTER MOTOR CLUB
HANKOM BOTTOM SCRAMBLE

(Open to South Centre)

SUNDAY, 3rd APRIL, 1960

On the Winchester to Morestead Road

Permit No. U.487

FIRST RACE 1 p.m.

T.T.C. No. 979

OFFICIALS

Southern Centre Steward: To be appointed.

Club Stewards: G. Parker and J. Bricknell.

Clerk of the Course: C. H. Phippen.

Secretary of the Meeting: Miss M. J. Found, Park Lane, Twyford, Winchester, Hants.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

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

2. COURSE: A modified Solo and Sidecar circuit of rough grass, and ascents and descents.

3. STARTING: Riders will sit astride or stand by their machines, dead engines, kick or push start. NO mechanic allowed.

4. CONTROLLED PRACTICE: Will be allowed between 12 noon and 12.45 p.m. All riders must complete 2 practice laps.

Riders to report to machine examiner with machine and helmet.

5. CLOTHING: All riders must wear gloves, riding boots, helmets (A.-C.U. stamped and approved in sound condition) and protective clothing as approved by the A.-C.U.

6. MACHINES: Must be fitted with two efficient brakes and self-closing throttle. Brake and clutch levers must be fitted with knob not less than $\frac{1}{4}$ " diameter and fitted with suppressors.

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

8. EVENTS	Laps		EVENTS	Laps	
	Heats	Finals		Heats	Finals
1. Novice only	3	4	6. Scramble Star	4	6
2. Sidecar	4	6	7. Experts Barred	3	4
3. Novice barred	4	6	8. Sidecar Handicap		6
4. 250 c.c.		4	9. Experts Only		6
5. Sidecar Star	4	6			

9. AWARDS: 1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
Events 1. 60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 2. 70/-	50/-	30/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 3. 60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 4. 60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 5. 70/-	50/-	30/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 6. 60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 7. 60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 8. 70/-	50/-	30/-	15/-	10/-	7/6	5/-
" 9. 80/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	15/-	10/-	7/6

Note: 4th place in Events 2, 5 and 8 will only be paid if 5 or more starters.

10. ENTRIES: Must be made on the form provided and sent to Secretary of the Meeting to arrive first post, Monday, March 21st. Entry fee of 6/- must accompany entry form. NO FEE—NO RIDE. NO LATE ENTRIES. ENTRIES LIMITED TO FIRST 90 SOLO RIDERS. This will be strictly adhered to. Speedway riders must obtain written permission of the management to enter this meeting.

11. POSTPONEMENTS: The 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, circumstances deem it necessary.

12. DRIVER'S STATUS: According to Southern A.-C.U. ruling.

13. All competitors' machines must be fitted with suppressors to conform with the law.

NOTE—CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES, 21st MARCH, 1960.

READING ACE MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

MARCH HARE SCRAMBLE

to be held at Bower Farm, Aldworth, Nr. Streatley, Berks.
on **SUNDAY, MARCH 27th, 1960**

Permit No. U.485

FIRST RACE 1.0 p.m.

T.T.C. No. 1028

OFFICIALS**Southern Centre Steward:** R. W. Baines.**Club Stewards:** D. Broughton, H. Nash.**Clerk of the Course:** B. Davis.**Secretary of the Meeting:** P. J. Hill, 92 Anderson Avenue, Earley, Reading, Berks.
Tel.: Reading 62793.**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. Open to all members of the Southern Centre Clubs riding Solo or Sidecar machines.

2. COURSE: Course will consist of downland hills, distance approx. 1 mile per lap. The number of laps will be determined by weather conditions.

3. AWARDS AND EVENTS:

Event 1.	Novices only, Solo up to 1000 c.c.	..	..	..	..	4	laps
.. 2.	Experts and Intermediates up to 1000 c.c.	..	..	..	..	6	..
.. 3.	Lightweight Star Race up to 250 c.c.	..	..	..	..	6	..
.. 4.	Sidecar Scratch Race (Star) up to 1000 c.c.	..	..	..	..	6	..
.. 5.	March Hare (Experts and Selected Riders) Solo up to 1000 c.c.	..	..	..	..	10	..
.. 6.	Sidecar Scratch Race up to 1000 c.c.	..	..	..	..	6	..
.. 7.	Allcomers Star Race up to 1000 c.c.	..	..	..	..	6	..

Event	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1.	50/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	5/-	
2.	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	(Experts)
2.	50/-	30/-	20/-	10/-	5/-	(Intermediates)
3.	80/-	70/-	60/-	40/-	20/-	10/-
4.	100/-	70/-	40/-	20/-		
5.	140/-	100/-	60/-	50/-	30/-	20/-
6.	100/-	70/-	40/-	20/-		
7.	60/-	40/-	30/-	20/-	15/-	10/-

The Organisers reserve the right to cancel or replace any or all of the above events.

4. PRACTICE: At least two laps must be completed between 11.45 a.m. and 12.45 p.m.

5. START: Competitors will start "en masse," dead engine. Definitely no assistance will be allowed on the starting line.

6. CLOTHING: All riders and passengers must wear A.-C.U. approved helmet (stamped), boots and protective clothing.

7. MACHINES: All machines must be fitted with two independent brakes and self-closing throttle. Clutch and brake levers will be ball-ended and not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ " diameter.

8. ENTRIES: To be made on the form provided and sent to reach the Secretary of the Meeting not later than 12th March, 1960. Entry fee 7/6 to accompany Entry Form.

X.H.G. TIGERS M.C.C.

will hold the

TIGER TROPHY TRIALon **SUNDAY, APRIL 3rd, 1960**

Permit No. U.489

OFFICIALS**Centre Steward:** To be appointed.**Club Stewards:** B. Ingle-Finch and A. N. Other.**Clerk of the Course:** B. J. Dale.**Secretary of the Meeting:** D. C. Fletcher, 71 Selwood Park, Weyman's Avenue, Kinson, Bournemouth.

ANNOUNCEMENT: The X.H.G. Tigers M.C.C. will organise a trial to be known as the Tiger Trophy Trial on 3rd April, 1960, for solo motorcycles and motorcycles with sidecars.

JURISDICTION: The trial will be held under the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U., the Southern Centre Trials League Regulations and the following Supplementary Regulations, and will be open to all riders who are members of the Southern Centre clubs.

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

1. START: Concrete Tank Park, Bovington Camp, Dorset. First rider away at 11 a.m., the remainder at 1-minute intervals.

2. COURSE: Two laps of a sporting nature, comprising hills, gullies and mud. Marking will be with directional arrows and cards.

3. DRIVERS: Drivers must sign "on" at the Start and "off" at the finish of the trial.

4. ENTRIES: Must be made to the Secretary of the Meeting on the Form provided, accompanied by a fee of 5/-, by Tuesday, March 29th. Entries will not be accepted after this date. Team entries, 6/- per team up to starting time. Acknowledgement of entry will be by postcard showing the driver's number.

5. NUMBERS: Will be allocated as entries are received.

6. MARKING: In accordance with Southern Centre ruling, i.e., 1, 3 and 5. The penalty for missing or not attempting a section will be 7 marks. Team ties will be decided by the best performance of an individual member. Individual ties will be decided by a special test.

7. AWARDS: Best Solo Performance—**TIGER TROPHY.**

Best Sidecar Performance—**TIGER CUP.**

Best Solo Novice Performance—**TIGER NOVICE CUP.**

Best Solo X.H.G. Member—**TIGER CLUB BOWL.**

Best Solo Lady Rider—**YEATES CUP.**

Capacity Awards: 250, 350 and 500—**SPECIAL AWARDS.**

1st and 2nd Class Awards in accordance with League ruling.

8. MACHINES AND EQUIPMENT: Machines, equipment and riders must comply with all A.-C.U. and legal requirements.

9. PROTESTS: In accordance with G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U.

10. BACK MARKER: Will leave the start 20 minutes after the last man. Any rider passed by him will be deemed to have retired.

11. ABANDONMENT: The Club reserves the right to abandon the Trial.

12. GENERAL: Refreshments will be available at the Start.



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PRESIDENT'S CUP TRIAL

SUNDAY, MARCH 20th, 1960

Open to Southern Centre.

Permit No. U.484

OFFICIALS**Southern Centre Steward:** G. R. Allan.**Club Stewards:** D. E. Clarke, H. A. G. Foxwell.**Clerk of the Course:** A. W. Dean.**Secretary of the Meeting:** E. J. Kendall, Cypress Cottage, Ridge, Wareham.**SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

1. **ANNOUNCEMENT:** The above Club will hold a Trial for solo motorcycles, open to all members of Clubs affiliated to the Southern Centre A.-C.U.

2. **JURISDICTION:** This event will be organised under Permit No. U.484 of the Southern Centre A.-C.U. and in accordance with the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U., the S. Centre Trials League Regulations and the following Supplementary Regulations.

3. **COURSE:** A total mileage of about 50 miles, consisting of one or two laps, marked with direction cards and arrows. Observed Sections will be clearly indicated and numbered consecutively.

4. **START:** The start and finish will be opposite Transport Café, 2 miles west of Dorchester on A35.

No. 1 to leave at 12 noon and the remainder at 1-minute intervals.

5. **MARKING:** In accordance with the S.C. Trials League Regulations, Rule 7. In the event of a tie the winner shall be the rider who proceeds farthest from the start with the least loss of marks.

6. **AWARDS:** In accordance with the S.C. Trials League Regulations, Rule 8, and the following additional awards:—

PANKHURST CUP for the best performance by a rider who has not won any award higher than a second class in any Open-to-Centre Trial.

Award for the best Novice of at least one month's standing from the Weymouth Club, provided at least three starters.

Team award for the best team of three from any Club provided at least three teams start.

The "Caslake" and the "Pankhurst" Cups to remain the property of the promoting Club and to be held for one year only. In the event of the Novice Premier award being won by a Weymouth member, the Club Novice award shall be given to the next best.

Awards of increased value will be given for the best performances in each of the three capacity classes: 250, 350 and 500 c.c.

7. **DRIVER'S STATUS:** In accordance with S.C. Trials League Regulations, Rule 10.

8. **SIGNING ON/OFF:** Rule 13 of the S.C. Trials League Regulations will be strictly enforced.

9. **ENTRIES:** To be made on the form provided and accompanied by a fee of 6/- for individual and 7/6 for team entries, and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting to arrive not later than March 18th. Team entries accepted at the Start.

10. **PROTESTS:** In accordance with the G.C.R.'s. of the A.-C.U.

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

12. **BACK MARKER:** A back marker will leave the Start 15 minutes after the last competitor and will proceed at a reasonable pace between sections. Any rider overtaken by him will be deemed to have retired.

13. **MACHINES:** The onus of machines being in a roadworthy condition and strictly in accordance with the relevant Road Traffic Acts rests entirely with the rider.

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18 Summerlands, Yeovil. Tel: 905**TRIALS TYPES**

We are planning to devote special attention to Trials in our April issue. Have you any views to help make the edition even more interesting? — Write in then!

150,000 RESCUES

OVER 150,000 people were "rescued" by the Royal Automobile Club's "Get-You-Home" Service during 1959.

Still topping the list of breakdown cases on cars are electrical failures, many of them due to lack of maintenance. These accounted for 29% of the 50,000-plus car breakdowns. Motorcyclists, on the other hand, had more trouble with punctures than anything else.

Running a close second to punctures, as far as motor-cyclists were concerned, were elec-

trical failures and clutch troubles. Over 270 motor-cyclists also found themselves out of petrol while 489 motorists admitted they had locked their cars—and lost the keys!

1960 will see a streamlining of the "Get-You-Home" Service for the ever-increasing number of motorists. Members will no longer have to carry special vouchers; their membership card will be sufficient to obtain the free service of an R.A.C. Patrol or R.A.C. authorised garage.

**1959 ANALYSIS OF TROUBLES
MOTOR-CYCLES AND THREE-WHEELERS**

		No. of Cases	Percentage	
1. ENGINE	(a) FUEL SYSTEM	853	7.447	
	(b) CYLINDERS & PISTONS	477	4.164	
	(c) VALVE MECHANISM	388	3.387	
	(d) LUBRICATION	113	.987	
	(e) ENGINE (NOT STATED)	958	8.363	
2. ELECTRICAL	INCLUDING IGNITION	2,392	20.882	
	3. TRANSMISSION			
AND BRAKES	(a) CHAINS & SPROCKETS	738	6.443	
	(b) GEARBOX	562	4.906	
	(c) CLUTCH	1,254	10.947	
	(d) BRAKES	118	1.030	
4. FORKS & FRAME		140	1.222	
5. SUSPENSION		71	.620	
6. ROAD WHEELS		347	3.029	
7. SIDECAR		66	.576	
8. ACCIDENTS		105	.917	
9. NO PETROL		277	2.418	
10. PUNCTURES		2,493	21.763	
11. OTHER CAUSES		103	.899	
		TOTALS:	11,455	100.000

LETTERS

Dear Sir,

As a Novice in this Centre, I sometimes find it difficult to get riders in Open-to-Centre Scrambles. The reason for this is that many Novices will have written to the Secretary of the Meeting for Regs. and will have their entries sent off even before the rest of us get our "Gazettes."

Now, we all know that "Gazettes" are not out on the first of the month as in other Centres because of Printing troubles, but this need not be a handicap. It would be easier for Novices if it was stipulated in the Supplementary Regulations that no entries would be accepted by the Secretary of the Meeting until a certain date. In other words, as well as having a closing date, there should also be an opening date for entries. The Secretary would be flooded with entries on the opening date, but he could give everyone a fair chance by using the time-honoured method of drawing the required number of Novice Entries out of a hat.

If this system were adopted riders like myself who race on a "shoestring" would not have to pay out for about four or five entries the day we get the "Gazette." This may only amount to thirty bob or so, but when a rider has to fork out for a new tyre or something and the H.P. on his bike falls due, something has to wait and it is usually the Entry Fees.

If a rider could send an entry off about once a week and still stand a chance of being accepted it would make things a lot easier, believe me.

Yours faithfully,

T. P. WARREN.

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MORE DIFFICULTY FOR ENTRIES

Dear Mr. Baines,

Could you kindly explain the reason for the following?

I received the Southern Gazette (Feb. issue) on Feb. 4th and despatched entry form for Midgham meeting, which was returned to me as over-subscribed; in further correspondence with Mr. Bennett (Sec. of Meeting) he informed me that he was over-subscribed by Feb. 1st—four days before I even received Gazette!

The only reason I can think of is that the Gazettes are despatched in batches over a period of days.

Whatever the reason, I naturally feel bitterly disappointed and would be grateful if you can enlighten me in any way.

Yours sincerely,

H. W. HICKMAN.

[The Gazette was released on February 4th. No-one had an earlier copy. Only South Newbury can explain, so over to you, Charles—Ed.]

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H.G.N.

Dear Sir,

Now that winter is almost over, we can again look forward to yet another year of exciting scramble events in our Centre.

One of the major events well-known to us Scramble supporters is the annual Hants. Grand National Scramble, which, unfortunately for the spectator, will be held at Matchams once more.

My grievance here lies with the venue for this event.

Matchams is certainly no course for spectators—only fractions of the course being visible at any time during racing. It is too narrow and, to me, sidecar scrambling, which was introduced there last season, will not be a lasting thing.

Why not shift the H.G.N. around Hampshire? Surely there are better spectator courses to be found in this country—Oxenbourne for example! After all, it is the spectator who keeps these meetings going. Why not give him value for his money?

All other events, such as Centre Championships, St. Paul Trophy, etc., have their venues varied. Why not the H.G.N.?

Long live the H.G.N.; it is a "must" each year for both my wife and myself, but please let's try and vary the course.

I remain,

Yours truly,

R. K. PALMER.

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[H.G.N. is bigger and better this year, Mr. Palmer. Ringwood will tell you all about it in our April issue—Ed.]

TRIALS PLOT

Dear Sir,

I would like through the medium of our Gazette to thank Michael Jackson for his kind words. During the past two years, in which time I have been responsible for all Waterlooville M.C.C. trials events, I have tried to put on events which were both a test of machine and rider. I feel that riders would sooner tackle fewer sections of good, natural terrain than a great number of the "up round the tree, tape throttling type." Although the club is slipping from its normal position at the top of the trials league through lack of regular "star" riders, our trials events are being better supported than ever, a sure sign that riders like to ride in a decent trial, well organised, once in a while.

Referring to the latter part of Mr. Jackson's letter, I am in the happy position of being able to say that our number of marshals is slowly increasing. I think the reason for this is that we look after the newcomer (who one day we shall have to rely on) and have riders who are also willing enough to see that an event is well run even if it means missing a ride.

I think that a lot of difficulty could be overcome if clubs were to help each other out with marshals, because although some have to be "chain-ganged," there are people who can think of no better way of spending a Sunday.

Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL SIMPSON.

NOTICE OF NATIONAL SUSPENSION

John Maurice Tate of Church House Farm, Swainby, Northallerton, is suspended nationally until 31st March, 1960, for a breach of G.C.R. 141 (Irregular entries and absentees).

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