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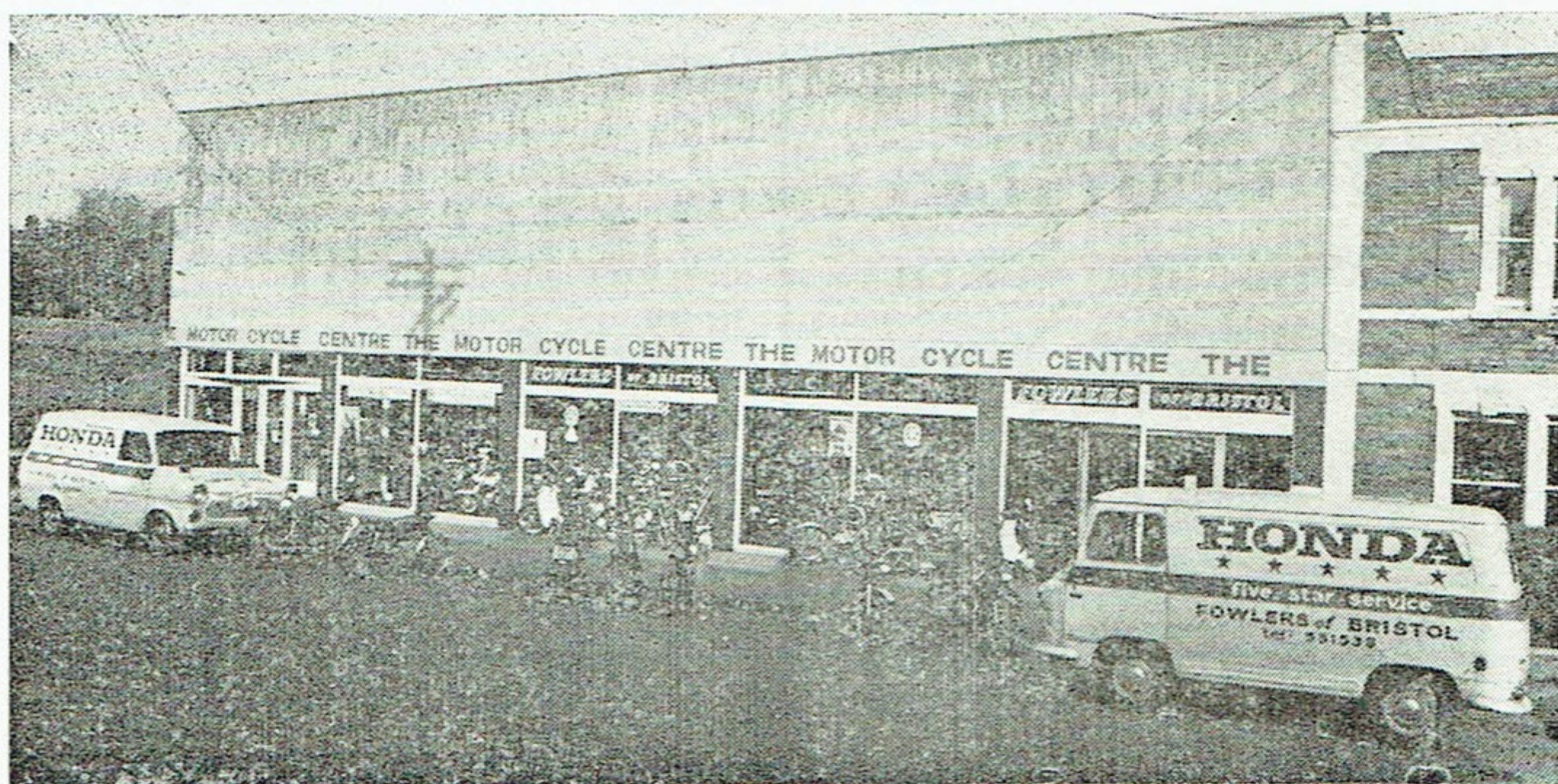


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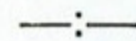
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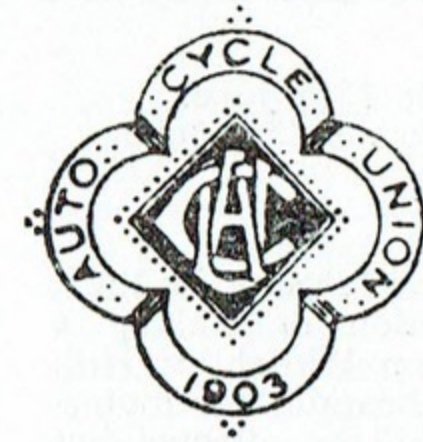
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REPORT ON THE BOARD MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 11th MAY, 1976, AT THE PORTER BUTT, BATH

In order to eliminate delays in clearing accounts, such as occurred in the past due to the absence of one of the officials empowered to sign cheques, arrangements are to be made to permit cheques to be signed by any two of the following: Treasurer, Chairman and Secretary.

WESSEX SCRAMBLE. There had been a good attendance on a cold day and racing had been good, although the programme had been possibly a little too long.

INSURANCE. Quotations had been received from insurers of the premiums necessary to give additional disability payments for injuries sustained in motor cycle sport. These payments were in addition to those provided by the compulsory A.C.U. cover and premiums would have to be mandatory for all Wessex events and range from 40p for each driver in a trial to £1.60 for moto-cross and grass track to give £20 a week benefit.

Details were to be obtained of an insurance scheme which a number of individual drivers had already taken up at very reasonable cost.

STEWARDS' FEES. In view of the rising costs it was decided to increase the fees payable to Centre stewards for the expenses incurred. From 1st June, 1976, they would receive £2.50 for all events, speed and trials.

Trials stewards would be paid by the Centre and the organising club would pay the steward for speed events.

CHANGES OF DATES. The following were approved: West Wilts Novice and Over Forties Trial (Propaganda Permit) from 12th to 18th September; Bristol M.C. & L.C.C. Trial (C) from 7th to 6th November.

NEW DATE granted for North Somerset for a closed to club trial on 13th June.

NORTH GLOUCESTER were granted permission to organise a closed to club road race at Colerne on 22nd August. (It was noted that B.M.C. & L.C.C. had called off the grass track meeting originally planned for that day).

INTER-CENTRE TEAM SCRAMBLE, 3rd October, at Frome. The total prize-money would be £750 with £200 to the winning team.

1977 F.I.M. CALENDAR

Some Wessex clubs may be interested in running an F.I.M. event next year and in due course Headquarters will be asking for offers to organise these.

Events which Wessex clubs would be interested in are:

World Moto-Cross Championships

500 c.c.	3rd July
250 c.c.	19th June
125 c.c.	None in Britain in 1977.

World Championship for Observed Trials

19th February

European Championship for Sidecar Cross

17th July

NOTE: Any offers to run any of these events must be submitted to the Centre for approval before being forwarded to Headquarters.

HOLIDAYS

The Centre Secretary will be on Holiday from 3rd June to the 13th June.
The Gazette Editor will be away at the T.T. from 4th June to the 13th June.

THE GREAT RIDGEWAY

The fight to save the Ridgeway is on. After an "experimental" closure in 1975, Oxfordshire County Council have announced their intention of making a permanent closure to vehicles of a section of the Ridgeway near Whitehorse Hill. The section in question is only 2.25 miles long but the implications for motor-cyclists are enormous, since not only the Ridgeway itself will be affected but also the many byways which intersect it will be effectively closed.

The County Council give among their reasons for wanting the road closed—the fact that the Ridgeway is now designated as a Long-Distance Footpath and pedestrians are inconvenienced by motor-cycles, the need to preserve the road having regard to its historical significance and the fact that the road is unsuitable for motor traffic. All of these reasons seem to us to be so false as to be beyond argument—but argue we must, and quickly.

Although the area lies within the Southern Centre, this is an issue of great concern to all who value the freedom of motor-cycling. The Swindon Club feel that if this closure is allowed to be made many other counties will use the precedent which will be created to make closure orders on many other byways without having to go through the public enquiry procedure.

We urge everyone who is at all concerned about Rights of Way issues to obtain a copy of the Ridgeway, Prohibition of Driving Order 197 from Oxfordshire C.C. and then make your objections, in writing to the County Secretary before June 14th. Make them as forceful and as factual as you can.

A Public Enquiry will be held at Uffington Village Hall, on 29th June, at 10 a.m., when all objections will be heard. We hope that this will be the occasion of the greatest gathering of motor-cyclists ever seen in Oxfordshire. The B.M.F./A.C.U. Rights of Way Committee are giving their full attention to this, as will many other bodies.

The address for a copy of the Order and to send your objections to is—
P. J. Floyd, County Secretary, County Hall, Oxford.

SCRAMBLING IN THE SUNSHINE

First this month, is the report of the Rob Walker Scramble and the first round of the British Sidecar Championship on Easter Monday. We had a really hot sunny day and the course was dry and very dusty, which caused some concern to riders and spectators alike. One or two of the marshals and timekeepers were dusty enough to get a part in "It Ain't Half Hot Mum". Nick Thompson, defending his title got off to a good start with two convincing wins in the sidecar championship with Paul Morris winning both supporting sidecar events. Graham Noyce won the Rob Walker Trophy and the Alf Hicken Cup and Rob Taylor had a second in the Rob Walker and a fourth in the Alf Hicken Cup. In the junior races, Ben Ledbury had a win and a second, well done, Ben! We would like to thank everybody who helped to make this event a success.

Some of us went to the Shepton Junior Scramble and spent a very enjoyable day in the sun at North Wootton. Ben Ledbury had a win and seemed set to do well in a later race, but unfortunately his foot-rest fell off which slowed him. Richard Szymanski rode well with a fourth and a second and Martin Perrett with a second place.

On the trials scene our men are doing well, Roger Painter, riding his Suzuki, won the Wilts Border closed to club with a loss of 3 marks, with Bob Williams, Richard Elliott and Stuart Wiggins close behind. The next day we were at Clutton for the Spring Cup Trial which proved very easy for some and very hard for the rest of us, Roger Painter got a fourth best and Bob Williams was fifth. Nice to see Mike Aven in the saddle again after his recent spill. I see Brian Woodhams was also suffering from a badly twisted knee, and had to miss a few trials, but he

came back with a vengeance on Sunday, 9th, at Minety Vale, with a second in the novice trial in the morning and a fifth in the time trial in the afternoon. Robin Strange got a first class award in the novice trial and Richard Elliott was third best in the time trial.

We have been challenged to a skittles match by Shepton crowd later in the summer and the winners will be decided by an aggregate score of the most pins down and most players left standing. Date and venue next month.

MENDIP VALE

It seems a long time ago now, but the Easter weekend was a hectic four days for some of our scramble members. Friday, we were spectators at Matchams, where Bad Brad Lackey took the overall honours, and during the next three days we rode in a series of scrambles run in the S.W. Centre.

The first meeting was a very wet affair, due to a stream that had to be crossed four times each lap. It was great entertainment for the spectators, but caused many retirements because of machine troubles, mine included. Steve Butler was our best rider with a heat win and a close second in the last final of the day.

The next two meetings were completely different with dry, dusty ground and stones flying like shrapnel. Steve Butler was again riding well and overall in the three meetings he finished in a very creditable sixth position.

Our other Mendip Vale star at the moment is Steve Mower, of Brean. As reported last month, he now has a 250 Bultaco, and he turned up at the Tor scramble expecting great things, but disaster struck and he had a real dog of a day. His downfall was the ridiculous hill and an engine that was gassing up at low revs. Luckily, with a spare weekend between meetings he was able to get the motor looked at and turned up at Tiverton in good spirits. During practice I knew Steve and Bultaco had got it together because he passed me as if I was going backwards and turned to give a thumbs up sign. Cheeky, I thought. Unfortunately, he started the junior race with the choke on and lost his chance of a good position. Next day at Exeter, Steve was again riding well and was the first 250 home in the unlimited junior race, so we knew he had a good chance in the 250 race. Sure enough on the second lap he took the lead and apart from one rider who came close towards the end he had no real bother. So it was a win in only the third meeting on the new bike with more to follow we hope.

The skittle match against Somerton Club was a good night out even if we did get beaten by about 40 pins. In fact with most of the riders present being members of both clubs we could have fiddled the scoreboard and maybe, even won! I hear they are unbeaten this year so we may even get serious and whip them on the return match. Date and venue to be decided. We had a good crowd, but not a Mendip Vale trials rider in sight, perhaps they were all preparing for the I.O.W. 2-day Trial. Malcolm Lathy went for sure, because he made the results with a first class award. Allan Hill also went, but said the sections were not a pretty sight and that his knee still feels wonky.

The scramble will have taken place when these notes are printed, so I hope it was a success. Full report next month.

KINGSWOOD M.C.C.

Really, I should start this month's short epistle with the Wessex report of the Scottish Six Days' Trial, but first I will try to go back a little in time to the final League Trial of the series. Being pathfinders in this affair we had a hard time—Shepton's scribe, in the latest Gazette edition, said it was a hard trial for novices, who am I to dispute that! We had a rather depleted entry, due to the K.M.C.C. North having an event near home, so Mark Haslam was the only one to get an award. The three riders to count for the team being Mark, Adrian Welsh and the intrepid Jim Thomas, our final position being 5th.

A quick mention here of the Stroud crowd's Novice Trial, held near Foston's Ash, it's really a Western Centre affair, but many of the Stroud/Kingswood members enjoyed this one. Bob Miles being Clerk of the Course again, sections well suited to rider ability, Mark Haslam (wot again), coming out with the Premier Award, thanks to Olly Price for persuading me to ride. Very enjoyable.

Somewhere about this time of the month we had a return skittles match with Wilts Border—this took place after their Club Trial at Hullavington—another of their popular summer series events, Brian Newbury had to make tight turns

BRISTOL MOTOR CYCLE & LIGHT CAR CLUB

A.C.U. Permit No. M833

The Bristol Motor Cycle and Light Car Club Ltd. will promote a motor-cycle trial for SOLO motor-cycles only and held under a Centre restricted permit on July 11th, 1976. Please note this event is for "A", "B" and "C".

The meeting will be governed by the G.C.R.s of the A.C.U. and the S.S.R.s of the Wessex Centre applicable to trials, these A.S.R.s and any written instructions the promoting club may issue for the event.

The event is open to (1) all fully paid up members of the promoting club and (2) members of clubs affiliated to the Wessex Centre, holding current competition licences (which must be shown at the start).

The start and finish will be at the Charterhouse Country Club on B3134, 6 miles east of A38. Map Ref. 172-515 559. Scrutineering starts at 10 a.m. First driver start 11 a.m., others at 1 minute intervals. Any driver not signed on 30 minutes prior to starting time will be deemed a non-starter.

Classes will be as follows (as decreed by Wessex Centre League Trial rules)

Class "A"—Expert Class "B"—Intermediate Class "C"—Novice

Awards per class subject to the following entries being obtained in that class

10 entries	1st best performance
15 entries	2nd best performance
20 entries	3rd best performance
25 entries	4th best performance
30 entries	5th best performance

The maximum number of entries will be 120, e.g. 30 "A", 30 "B" and 60 "C", but vacancies in any class will be allocated to another class. The minimum entry will be 30, less than this the event will not be run.

NOTE—A class will consist of a minimum of 10 entries.

The entry list opens with the publication of these regulations and closes finally on July 1st, 1976. The entry fee is £1 inclusive of insurance, 75p for B.M.C. & L.C.C. members. All entries must be made on the official entry form accompanied by the appropriate fee together with a S.A.E. for reply, please. Entry fees are non-returnable after closing date unless the event is cancelled or postponed for more than 24 hours.

Officials: Wessex Centre Steward: B. H. Allen. Club: R. L. Newman. Scrutineer: F. E. B. Fellows. Chief Marshal: M. Cartwright. Clerk of the Course and Secretary of the Meeting: A. W. Cullimore, 36 Salisbury Road, Downend, Bristol. Tel. 560908 (after 6 p.m.); 291041, ext. 204 (day).

Marking and penalties viz: 0 clean, 1 dab, 2 double dab, 3 foot, 5 fail; to be classed as a finisher a driver must have (1) been recorded at each test; (2) signed and handed in her/his score card; (3) handed in her/his identification numbers.

Ties (if any) will be decided by the driver gaining first advantage over other having precedence.

Protests in accordance with the G.C.R.s of the A.C.U. to the Secretary of the Meeting.

This event is being run on public roads, drivers are requested to make a special effort not to cause annoyance to other road users or residents on the route by inconsiderate parking at tests.

ENTRY FORM

BRISTOL MOTOR CYCLE & LIGHT CAR CLUB

DRIVER'S NAME (block letters)

ADDRESS.....

REGISTERED MEMBER.....Club I am a 'A' 'B' 'C'

MAKE OF MOTORCYCLE.....c.c.

A.C.U. LICENCE No.....

INDEMNIFICATION

I have read the Supplementary Regulations issued for this meeting and agree to be bound by them and by the General Competition Rules and the Standing Regulations of the Auto-Cycle Union. In consideration of the acceptance of this my entry, I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified the promoting Club, the Wessex Centre of the A.C.U. and the Auto-Cycle Union (including the owners or lessees of any land used for the meeting and their respective officials, servants, representatives and agents from and against all actions, claims, costs, expenses and demands in respect of death or injury to myself howsoever caused arising out of or in connection with my entry or my taking part in this meeting and notwithstanding that the same may have been contributed to or occasioned by the negligence of the said bodies, their officials, servants, representatives or agents.

Signed Driver Signed..... Parent/Guardian

a feature of this event, the terrain being dust dry—it was enough to produce a winner on 3 marks lost, Roger Painter on the 250 Suzuki again, with Mike Fear in third spot, the other positions escape me, but I remember seeing Whizz Tomkins and Arch Twinning amongst the familiar faces there. The skittles match, playing about 20 each side, ended in the usual draw—only had time for 2 legs, won one apiece, a good result, thanks to all who came to support this event. Thanks, too, to Dick Blease and Eddie Hatt, who organised for W.B.

Now the S.S.D.T., what a glorious week it was, the weather man was very kind, even providing weather more suitable for sun-bathing than trials riding, thought us spectators enjoyed this more than the riders for it can be very hard work across the moors and up and down mountains accompanied by a trials bike. However all our rider associates motored on the whole week and came home with the bacon, in the form of their various awards. Troubles, Brian Newbury suffered a little with his gears but expert advice after a long conference in the Wessex corner of the H.Q.'s lounge got this sorted; Ted Heather suffered some rib bruising after a tumble, which made life painful, but with a grim determination he slogged on the two days to the finish and collected his award along with the other riders on the Saturday evening. Martin Widman was a member of the R.A.F. who took the servicemen's award, the other riders to collect being Mark Kemp, Dennis Thomas, Colin Noad, John Winton, Brian Newbury.

One little incident that sticks out in my mind was the way Ted (Sylvester) Sawyer led the team of Wessex dancers onto the floor to get the nightly social sessions under way.

Mention of the name Sawyer has reminded me that young Colin, son of Ted, got a novice award in the Bristol Trial, this clerked and secretaried by the family Kibby, Garry was having a hard time with route marking vandals.

I must stop now—the week in Scotland has made the weeds and lawn grow beyond belief.

Cheers, T.T.

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BAYDON MOTO-CROSS

Sunday, August 8th, 1976

T.C.C. 293 East Leaze Farm, Baydon, Wiltshire. Start 1.30 p.m. Permit No. M860
The Swindon and District Motor Cycle Club will hold an Open to Centre Solo Moto-Cross and Sidecar Scramble at East Leaze Farm, Baydon, Wiltshire, on Sunday, August 8th, 1976, open to members of clubs affiliated to the Wessex Centre

1. JURISDICTION. Held under the General Competition Rules and the Standing Regulations for all Scrambles of the Auto-Cycle Union, and these Supplementary Regulations.
2. OFFICIALS. Wessex Centre Steward: J. O'Keefe. Club Stewards: B. Freegard, J. Croston. Clerk of the Course: R. Farmer. Secretary of the Meeting: M. Stratford, 5 Highnam Close, Stratton St. Margaret, Swindon, Wiltshire.
3. COURSE. Approx. 1.5 miles of grassy downland. Solos clockwise, sidecars anti-clockwise.
4. START. Solos by lights, left hand on rear mudguard; sidecars, clutch start by flag signal.
5. ENTRIES. Entries for Experts and Sidecars open June 1st. Juniors open 21st June and close 10th July. To be made on the form provided and sent to the Secretary of the Meeting together with the Entry Fee and a S.A.E. for reply, please.
FEE. Solo £1.75. Sidecar £2. Please make cheques or P.O.s payable to Swindon & District M.C.C. and crossed. Entries limited to 30 expert solo drivers, 30 Junior 250 c.c., 30 Junior c.c., 36 Sidecars.
6. PRACTICE. Will be controlled between 11 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. All machines and clothing must be presented for scrutineering before practice.
7. EVENTS AND AWARDS.
Baydon Moto-Cross Experts and Invited Juniors, 3 Legs.
Each Leg, Experts: 1st £2; 2nd £1; 3rd 50p.
Experts overall: 1st £25; 2nd £20; 3rd £15; 4th £10; 5th £8; 6th £6.
Each Leg, Juniors: 1st £1; 2nd 50p.
Junior 250 c.c. Overall: 1st £7; 2nd £4; 3rd £2.50; 4th £2; 5th £1; 6th 50p.
Junior 500 c.c. Overall: 1st £7; 2nd £4; 3rd £2.50; 4th £2; 5th £1; 6th 50p.
Sidecar Trophy Race: 1st £17; 2nd £12; 3rd £8; 4th £6; 5th £4; 6th £2.
Sidecar Scratch Race: 1st £12; 2nd £8; 3rd £5; 4th £3; 5th £2; 6th £1.
Event 4. Sidecar Trophy Race—The Bett and Les Reason Trophy will be awarded to the sidecar crew who, score best aggregate points in this, and our April 25th meeting. Points will be awarded 1st 1 point; 2nd 2 points, etc., etc. Events 1, 2, 3. Each leg will be scored 1st 1 point; 2nd 2 points, etc. All legs will count, in the event of a draw the highest position in the final leg will be awarded the place.
8. GENERAL. Only vehicles bearing the official pass will be admitted to the paddock. Driver and Sidecar passenger and one other will be admitted free. A charge will be made for all others. Machines must not be started before 11 a.m.

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SHEPTON MALLET

Hard luck to our trials team being beaten by Frome but there's always next year, chaps.

The junior scramble is over for another year. (Thank goodness). From a financial point it was a success, but injuries made it a bad day for some riders, a lot of the trouble with the juniors today is that Daddy buys a new bike for son, but when it comes to a real scramble course they are back in the pram. Many thanks to the Frome club for the loan of pailing and for help from their members. Sorry the tea van didn't arrive, but a broken water pump on the way put paid to their day out. I have already been promised some financial support for the Len Sanders Memorial Trophy Scramble, on August 29th, from a local furniture store, so let's have a good turnout of experts, as the prize money will be very good.

Sorry to report that club member, Martin Strong is no longer helped with his expenses by Bernie Hockey Motor Cycles, of Castle Cary. Well done, Bernie, there will be other riders worth a few odds and ends until thy get lured away by the big-timers.

Butch

BRISTOL MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

Good news for junior scramblers, our Horton Moto-Cross is on for the 29th August. Regs should be in this addition. Unfortunately the entrance fee has increased by 50p owing to, you've guessed it, inflation, but you are guaranteed at least four rides.

The Grand Prix is well in hand. Work parties commence on the 5th-6th June, help would be appreciated especially on the day. Anyone willing to marshal, please contact, Clive Callaghan, Tel. Bristol 569749.

Our budding ace, Garry Kibby, proved not only that he can ride the sections, but also he can mark them out well, as he proved in our Spring Cup. There were a few rumblings that one needed an articulated Montesa. Chris Watts came out winner, losing his 6 marks in Lambs Lair. It made a welcome change to have the start from the Hunter's Rest. Our schoolboys also had an enjoyable trial with our largest entry yet of 42 riders. Malcolm Cross won this event. During June, we have a National Schoolboy Trial, thanks to the dealers who have donated some splendid awards.

In the last league trial, I feel that some of the sections were too difficult considering the number of novice riders and some were even dangerous. I may add, that I have had many an enjoyable trial with this club in the past. Enough said.

Many thanks to Arthur Tankins and Co. for the recent film show, especially the long awaited record of our first Grand Prix in 1968, it's interesting to note admission prices were 7/6 for adults and 2/6 for children. They are now £1 for adults and 10p for children at this year's Grand Prix. Yes, children's admission has been reduced.

Crusty Loaf

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MINETY VALE M.C.

April and the beginning of May have been quite a busy month for us. On the 10th April, we had a closed to club trial, at Cotmarsh Farm, where the owner, also one of our Vice-Chairmen, Charlie Maslin and Son, Roger, were joint Clerks of the Course, and the riders had an excellent afternoon's sport. We are, indeed fortunate, to have such enthusiastic landowners as Charlie and also Jim Webb, who not only allow us to use their land, but also act as hard-working Clerks of Course. Thank you, gentlemen.

On the weekend of April 24th/25th we sent a convoy of riders to the Isle of Wight Two-Day Trial and whilst Lawrence Telling was able to gain a first-class award, it is rumoured that the beer was too strong for Ron, Joe and Eddie, but from thick heads and bleary eyes they said they enjoyed it, even if it was difficult to get four bikes back in the van when they had gone in so easily on the way out.

On Sunday the 9th May, we held two events in delightful surroundings of Flistridge Woods, Minety.

In the morning, we ran a trial for "B" and "C" grade riders and had an excellent entry of 98 and we hope all the riders enjoyed it, as we now hope to make it an annual event. The Intermediate Class was won by P. Taylor on his 250 Yamaha and the Novice Class by G. Faulkner, son of the famous "Bill".

In the afternoon we ran a round of the Southern Counties Time Trial series. From an entry of 36, Lawrence Telling had a runaway win, setting standard time and losing only 24 marks in the process, despite losing two fives in my section on the last two laps. Club members get no favouritism. This event was somewhat marred by a crash when John Noble came to grief, suffering broken ribs and a punctured lung. Hope you are now fully recovered John. May we here, express our grateful thanks to Mavis Kibby for her great kindness in conveying John to Frenchay Hospital and then home. John did not want to go to a local hospital. Mavis is a headline advertisement of the spirit which exists in our sport, ever willing to help any and everybody.

We have several social activities lined up for the future, but more later.

WEST WILTS MOTOR CLUB

I have attended several scrambles recently and the most pleasing thing is to see the rising attendances—let's hope it continues. I thought the TV event came over very well and did a lot for the image—it was a pity about the pile-up in the sidecar event which spoilt the race as a whole.

Working parties have already started at Farleigh and Pickwick—they are all listed in the Newsletter and as the Castle Trophy will be over by the time you read this and you want to lend a hand, get cracking straight away because we shall be clearing the course ready to transfer all the equipment to Farleigh ready for the Championship round.

Tickets for the "Return to Farleigh Dance" to be held at St. Margaret's Hall, Bradford on Avon, on the 24th July, are now available from Barbara Gigli, Flat 2, 95 Trowbridge Road, Bradford on Avon, or Buster James, Tel. B/A 3681. These are priced at £1.50 and includes a buffet and dancing to the Hoedowners (a marvellous group). I understand some of the riders have already said they want to attend and we hope as many of our friends and helpers will come along as well.

Closed to club summer series trials started last month and the next one is being held on the 12th June—if you haven't got regs please contact Rosemary Andrews, The Knapps, Semington (Keevil 531). Several members went up to the Scottish but as I am writing these notes before the results are available I don't know how Dennis Thomas got on.

I know of at least ten of our members going on Jim Webb's trip to the Moto Cross des Nations to Holland and Jim himself, tells me the response as a whole, has been terrific—how nice it will be to have some support for the British team and let's hope they put up a performance, that gives us something to shout about.

Sorry I cannot report a victory for our Road Safety Team, who represented Wiltshire in the S.W. Regional Final—they did very well but not quite well enough—still they thoroughly enjoyed the experience and tell me they are looking forward to next year's event.

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BRISTOL MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

JUNIOR SCRAMBLE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29th, 1976

At Widden Hill Farm, Horton, Chipping Sodbury, start 2 p.m.

T.C.C. M748

Permit No. M859

Held under G.C.R.s of the A.C.U. (10th Edition) and these supplementary regulations. Open to all junior, paid up members of clubs in the Wessex Centre, riding solo motor-cycles.

1. OFFICIALS. Wessex Steward: A. W. Cullimore. Club Stewards: J. Awford and S. Worner. Clerk of the Course: A. Mountstevens. Machine Examiner: M. Naish. Secretary: Mrs. G. Mountstevens, 18 Bedford Crescent, Horfield, Bristol, BS7 9PP.
2. EVENTS AND AWARDS.

A—Up to 250 c.c. Race	£4	£3	£2.50	£2	£1.50	£1		
B—Over 300 c.c. Race	£4	£3	£2.50	£2	£1.50	£1		
C—Unlimited Race	£5	£4	£3	£2.50	£2	£1.50		
D—Unlimited Race	£5	£4	£3	£2.50	£2	£1.50		
E—Unlimited M.X.	£10	£8	£7	£6	£5	£4	£3	£2
3. COURSE. Approximately 1500 yards, racing in a clockwise direction.
4. START. By non-mechanical means.
5. PRACTICE. Will be between 11.30 and 12.30, all riders must complete at least one lap.
6. ENTRIES. Must be made on the form below and accompanied by the entry fee of £2.50 sent to the Secretary of the Meeting at the above address. Entries open Monday, 14th June and close 1st August. A stamped addressed envelope would be appreciated.
7. INSURANCE will be paid by the club.
8. NOISE. All machines must be adequately silenced and comply with regulation 16A.
9. ADMISSION. Free to driver and one other adult, all others must pay.

ENTRY FORM

(Promoted by Bristol M.C.C.)

JUNIOR SCRAMBLE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29th, 1976

DRIVER'S NAME (block letters)

ADDRESS.....

REGISTERED MEMBER.....Club.

MAKE OF MOTORCYCLE.....c.c.

Please enter me for Event Nos..... A.C.U. LICENCE No.....

ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED..... Total.....

INDEMNIFICATION

I have read the Supplementary Regulations issued for this meeting and agree to be bound by them and by the General Competition Rules and the Standing Regulations for Scrambles of the Auto-Cycle Union. In Consideration of the acceptance of this, my entry, I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified the promoting Club, the Wessex Centre of the A.C.U. and the Auto-Cycle Union (including the owners or lessees of any land used for this meeting) and their respective officials, servants, representatives and agents from and against all actions, claims, costs, expenses and demands in respect of death or injury to myself or my passenger howsoever caused arising out of or in connection with my entry or my taking part in this meeting and notwithstanding that the same may have been contributed to or occasioned by the negligence of the said bodies, their officials, servants, representative or agents.

I declare that I am over 16 years of age. Date

Signed Driver Signed..... Parent/Guardian

Entry form must be countersigned by parent or Guardian if rider is under 18 years old.

NORTH SOMERSET MOTOR SPORTS CLUB

Neil Hudson won the unlimited race at Merthyr Tydfil, April 11th, and had two seconds in the other races. He also had two 5th places the following week in Cumbria in the Championship Round, and a 3rd overall in the Television scramble, also a clean sweep at the Dean Forest event.

Alan Evans secured a second class award in the Beggars Roost Trial, aboard Norman Carson's Montesa, but out on the new Montesa 348 he had an easy win in the Bristol M.C. & L.C.C. Trial at the New Inn, losing only two marks.

In our Time Trial at Lower Compton Dando, our Clerk of the Course found plenty of mud and water, which Harry Enever tried to dry out, by setting the crowd alight with displays on his Bultaco. Ivan pipped Pat Berry for the premier, with Bruce Winstanley winning the Scramble premier. The Novice award went to Mark Shipway on his Banana. The Trials first class awards went to—Richard Ward, Neil Hudson, Tony Coleman, Jim Smith and the Scramble 1st to Merv Adams.

John Noble was trying too hard to win an award on this weekend, after losing football to the Cubs on Saturday afternoon, he retired from the Time Trial feeling ill from the fumes. To complete his marathon he turned up at Bicknoll Farm to ride the Minety Time Trial on Sunday, but found the venue moved to Minety. He rushed over and started just in time, but not having time to inspect the course, he fell off on the first lap, and the bike landed on his back, leaving him more breathless than ever. Luckily someone found him buried in the bluebells (Derek I believe) and with the help of Mavis Kibby got him to the B.R.I. We wish him a speedy recovery and congratulations on making headlines in the Evening Post.

To complete the hat trick of bad luck, a hot cross bun was hanging out the washing, when the heavens opened up, and crowned the unsuspecting victim with strengthened Terry Spring prop, a ride and a rest in hospital appears to have been the cure.

The next Time Trial will be June 20th at Scars Wood, 10.30 a.m., signposted from the New Inn, Lulsgate, Nr. Bristol. Working party, Saturday, 19th June, 2.30 p.m.

There will be a conducted Trial at Scars Wood, 13th June, at 10.30 a.m. Entries, c/o Westbury Motor-cycles, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol.

BRISTOL M.C. & L.C.C.

Apologies for no notes in the last issue, but this was because I have been busy fighting a local election, along with 46 other people and talking to some 2,500 householders, this takes rather a long time. This together with planning the campaign has used up the last eight weeks of weekends and evenings. However, we have been able to work out a course for the novice trial on 6th June. If you haven't yet entered you still have time, if you read these notes before June 2nd. Just phone Bristol 560908 or 291041, ext. 204 (day) for a last minute entry. This event is for "B" and "C" drivers only.

We shall need marshals if you don't want to observe yourselves, so please bring along your mums and dads, brother, sister or girl-friends, anybody to help cover 50 sub-sections. Scrutineering starts at 10 a.m., and it will be appreciated if marshals get to the start, New Inn, Lulsgate, by this time. The route is not long so it is not anticipated that much waiting around will be necessary.

Regulations are to be found in this issue of the Gazette. **THIS IS FOR ALL CLASSES "A", "B" and "C"** and will start from the Charterhouse Country Club. Tea and buns will be available across the road.

New sections are planned and providing we get the marshals you are promised 42-45 subs of a "dry" course.

In next month's notes, I hope to advise on the second of our green lane competitions, which it is proposed to run in the North Avon/Gloucestershire area. It was hoped to include a section for the four-wheeled class, but we are already committed to a driving test so it will have to be 2- and 3-wheeled vehicles only, for this event.

If you are interested in say a 50-mile route with 8-10 hills, please phone or write and tell us, after all it's you for whom we cater.

Very many thanks to everyone who came to our trial on 2nd May. This was the first of a series and if the others are as good we shall be very satisfied. Many thanks to all the marshals who helped us.

Uncle Jim

TIVERTON MOTOR CLUB

REGIONAL RESTRICTED "MIKE STACEY" MOTO-CROSS
including round of M.C.N. 4-stroke Championship, Solos & Sidecars.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8th, 1976 **1.30 p.m.** **At Haddon Hill, Somerset.**
Permit No. OE864 T.T.C. No. 75/67

OFFICIALS. A.C.U. Steward: D. H. Jenkins. Club Stewards: J. Rycroft, J. Gubb.
Clerk of the Course: D. May. Asst. Clerk of the Course: C. Tarr. Scrutineer:
D. Hill. Secretary of the Meeting: F. J. Tarr, 17 Francis Crescent, Haypark,
Tiverton, Devon (Tiverton 3953).

JURISDICTION. Held under the G.C.R.s and the Standing Scramble Regulations
of the A.C.U., and these supplementary regulations. Open to all paid-up
members of clubs in the Wessex, Southern and South-West Centres.

VENUE. Haddon Hill, 5 miles from Bampton on the Bampton-Watchet road
B3190.

COURSE. Approximately 3/4 mile, over moorland country.

PRACTISING. Allowed from 12 noon for one hour. All riders must complete
at least one lap.

ENTRIES. Must be made on the form below and reach the Secretary of the
Meeting by Saturday, 10th July. Entry fee £1 with entry and 50p admission
charge at gate. S.A.E. with entry, please. Entries received without fee will
be returned.

NUMBERS, MACHINES and CLOTHING must comply with current A.C.U.
regulations.

NON-STARTERS. Anyone who enters for this event and does not appear must
send a satisfactory reason for absence, in writing, to the Secretary of the
Meeting within 7 days after the event.

LIMITATION OF ENTRIES. Solos 80 riders, Junior entries by strict invitation
only. Junior League riders to ride in 2 Junior League races only. Sidecars
limited to 30 outfits.

EVENTS AND AWARDS.

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|---|-----|-----|-------|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1. Junior Team League Race 1. | | | | | | | | |
| 2. Qualifying Heats for Mike Stacey Moto-Cross. | | | | | | | | |
| 3. Junior Team League Race 2. | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Pixton Chase for non-qualifiers. | £10 | £8 | £5 | £3 | £2 | £1 | | |
| 5. Mike Stacey MX Leg 1 | £25 | £15 | £10 | £6 | £4 | £3 | £2 | £1 |
| 6. Sidecar Open. | £20 | £10 | £7.50 | £5 | £2 | £1 | | |
| 7. Mike Stacey MX Leg 2. | £25 | £15 | £10 | £6 | £4 | £3 | £2 | £1 |
| 8. M.C.N. 4-stroke race. | £10 | £8 | £5 | £3 | £2 | £1 | | |
| 9. Sidecar Open. | £20 | £10 | £7.50 | £5 | £2 | £1 | | |
| 10. Unlimited Solo, Open. | £15 | £10 | £6 | £4 | £3 | £2 | £1 | £1 |
| 11. Sidecar Open. | £20 | £10 | £7.50 | £5 | £2 | £1 | | |

AWARDS. Overall winner event 5 and 7 to receive £50 and runner-up £25;
Overall winner events 6, 9 and 11 to receive £25; Overall winner events
5 and 7 to receive Devon and Somerset News Cup (for 1 year); Winner of
event 4 to receive Auberon Herbert Trophy (for 1 year); Overall winner of
events 6, 9 and 11 to receive Jim Rycroft Cup for driver and Phil Rycroft
Cup for passenger (for 1 year).

ABANDONMENT. The organisers reserve the right to postpone, alter or cancel
any class or the meeting itself if circumstances make it necessary.

RULES AND RESULTS, MOTO-CROSS. Points will be awarded to the finishers
in each race as follows: Winner 1 point, second 2 points, third 3 points, etc.
Ties will be decided viz: (i) the driver who has completed the greatest
number of laps on events 5 and 7. Drivers qualifying for overall placings
must start in both races. (ii) the driver with the lowest aggregate time for
events 5 and 7; (iii) the driver gaining the best performance in event 5.

ENTRY FORM

TIVERTON MOTOR CLUB

REGIONAL RESTRICTED "MIKE STACEY" MOTO-CROSS Sunday, August 8th, 1976

DRIVER'S NAME (block letters)

ADDRESS.....

PASSENGER'S NAME

ADDRESS.....

REGISTERED MEMBER.....**Club** **NOVICE** Yes/No

MAKE OF MOTORCYCLE.....**c.c** **Solo/Sidecar**

ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED..... **Total**.....

A.C.U. LICENCE No...... **Must be shown to Scrutineer at start**

INDEMNIFICATION

I have read the Supplementary Regulations issued for this meeting, and agree to be bound by them, and the G.C.R.'s of the A.C.U. In consideration of acceptance of this my entry, I hereby agree to save harmless and keep indemnified the Club, the Centre of the A.C.U. and the A.C.U. (including the owners or lessees of the land used for the meeting) and their officials, representatives, servants and agents, and each and every one of them, from and against all actions, costs and expenses, claims and demands in respect of injury, fatal or otherwise, loss or damage to the person or property of myself, or of my passenger or my mechanic howsoever caused, or arising out of, or in connection with my entry or my taking part in this meeting and whether or not occasioned or contributed to by reason of negligence of the said bodies, officials, representatives, servants or agents. I declare that the exhaust system fitted to my motor cycle(s) will conform to the requirements of Standing Regulation No. 16(a) and as detailed in this entry form.

Are you over 16. Yes/No

Date

Signed..... Signed Parent/Guardian

Entry form must be countersigned by Parent or Guardian if rider is under 18 years old.

TOR MOTOR CYCLE & CAR CLUB

Not very much to write about this month. Went to the Frome Scramble on Easter Monday, not too much to say about this event as it was very dusty and the races so long, still there was a good crowd there. On the following Sunday we made the long trip up to Swindon for the Wessex Scramble. A long day's racing produced some good racing with the prize money being well shared out. Nice to see so many club members doing well.

Did you see the TV Scramble on the Saturday before the Wessex, I think the B.B.C. did an excellent job of filming that. Young Neil Hudson went very well at this meeting with most of the bow and arrow brigade behind him. Surely Neil must be a future British Champion in the making.

Not all that many riders in our timed trial on May the 8th. I wonder why? Winner of the first timed trial was A. Clarke with no marks lost, second R. Painter with fourteen marks lost and M. Church was third with 48 marks. The ground was very hard and dusty and fast so most riders finished inside the time limited. The next timed trial is on June 5th, at Launcherely, starting at 5.30 p.m. This trial is for solos and sidecars, regs from G. Sibley, 75 Strode Road, Street. Let's see a few more riders there, please.

A good night was had at the skittles match on the 23rd April, at the Street Inn, plenty of food and cheap beer. If any club fancies a match against us, we would be pleased to hear from them. We are not all that good but we do have a good night's entertainment.

The date of the next club meeting is Monday, June 7th, 8 p.m., at Street Inn. Any one who is a club member can attend these meetings, if you want a bigger say in the running of the club why not come along?

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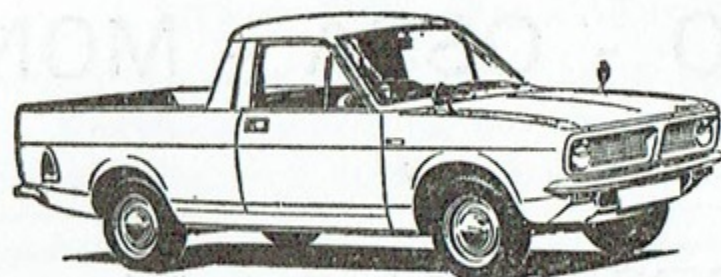
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