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John Daly, 350 AJS, at the Raydon Pit Trial in February
Photo by Mick Brown

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(all submissions gladly accepted - keep your club alive)

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EDITORIAL

I trust you are all well and made the most of the longer, lighter evenings which are now on the wane - only six months and Christmas will have been over and done with! I don't find the summer weather conducive to switching on a computer and sitting in front of a screen putting the T&T together and updating the website so the common theme is just enough to clear the inbox of stuff sent in again folks.

For Augusts edition of T&T I'll need anything you'd want to be put in it by TUESDAY JULY 22ND, anything arriving after that (always the optimistic) will have to wait for the September issue.

After 43 issues/months I think this is the first time I've had to ask for an early submission date, even though June & Dave would always like me to get the mag done several days earlier than I do presently to make it easier for them to get the posted ones out, sorry for being a pain. Maybe the next editor won't transcribe to 'just in time'?

Have a good 'un 'cause I will.



TIM'S TOURS 2014

Right you lot we are having a ride-out on Saturday 23rd August (bank holiday weekend.) once again the Challis family have very kindly invited us to their barbeque. Numbers will be restricted to twenty (20) persons on a first come first served basis. Would those wanting to take advantage of this fine offer please contact head office on the following;

Landline - 01206735520, Mobile - 07761822223, E-mail - tim.d709@btinternet.com

More details to follow in Augusts edition of T&T.





ANGLIA CLASSIC TRIALS CLUB

Affiliated to the Amateur Motor Cycle Association

THE SNAQUE PIT CHARITY TROPHY TRIAL

Pre 65/70 Twinshock Youth Mono Trial.

Raydon Pit, Wades Lane, Raydon, Ipswich, Suffolk (Off The B1070 East Bergholt To Hadleigh Road) Map Reference TL 826421

Start: 4pm

Saturday 12th july 2014

AMCA Authorisation No. AMCA/CT/6182

Clerk of the Course: Gary Eaves

Secretary of the Meeting: Tracey Henderson,

22 Bouchers Mead, Springfield, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 6PJ

Tel 01245 460025

Course: approx. 4 or 5 laps of 8 or 10 sections, all on private land.

Routes: Easy/ 50/50/ Expert

Marking: Will be 1,2,3,5, NON STOP.

Classes: Rigid, Pre-unit, Unit, 2 stroke, T/Shock, Mono's, Youth

PLEASE NOTE - MONO'S ON NON EXPERT ROUTE ONLY

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Entry fees, £14 adult, £10 youth. A competitor becomes a member of the Anglia Classic Trials Club for the day of the event. If you are a member of the AMCA, please quote your membership number. Entries close half hour before start. Cheques must be made payable to: ANGLIA CLASSIC TRIALS CLUB or ACTC.

Notice: Helmets must be worn & it is recommended that you wear other appropriate protective clothing. Excessively noisy machines will be barred.

Please keep to the marked route.

All dogs to be kept on leads.

Observers: Please assist the organisers by bringing with you someone who is prepared to observe. Training given.

Results On - www. eastern-fourstroke-association.co.uk

ALL PROCEEDS TO CHARITY



The Raydon Charity Trophy Trial

12th July 2014

ENTRY FORM

Declaration: Motor Sport can be dangerous and may involve injury or death. You must read and agree to the following declaration and paragraphs below, which are designed to create a legally binding relationship in return for you being allowed to enter and compete.

- 1. I confirm that the information in this entry form and the information and my acceptance to the terms of my competition licence are correct.
- 2. I confirm that I understand the nature of the competition I am entering and I am competent to take part.
- 3. I confirm that any vehicle I use will comply with the regulations and will be safe and fit for use in the competition.
- 4. Before taking part in the event, I will ensure (unless prohibited) that I have inspected the venue, the track and the facilities and geographical features and that I am satisfied that it is safe for me to compete.
- 5. I will not take part if I have any doubt about my ability or the safety of the venue.
- 6. I accept that the competition in motor sport may involve the risk of injury or death and I agree to take part at my own risk.
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- 8. I will not participate whilst under the influence of alcohol or intoxicating drugs and that if I am taking any prescribed medication, I will inform the event organiser and seek approval to participate before taking part.

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Stephen Webb has recently completed this very tidy Greeves Scottish, the engine was rebuilt by Greg Radley and several members were allowed to ride it at a recent practice day where it was declared as the nicest quietest Greeves ever! Needless to say the owner is delighted with it and the result of several hours, oops sorry, months of strip, clean, repair and 'very' careful reassembly in time for another attempt at the Abercey trial in France!







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1. Understanding Engineers

Two engineering students were biking across a university campus when one said, "Where did you get such a great bike?"

The second engineer replied, "Well, I was walking along yesterday, minding my own business, when a beautiful woman rode up on this bike, threw it to the ground, took off all her clothes and said, "Take what you want."

The first engineer nodded approvingly and said, "Good choice: The clothes probably wouldn't have fit you anyway."

2. Understanding Engineers

To the optimist, the glass is half-full.

To the pessimist, the glass is half-empty.

To the engineer, the glass is twice as big as it needs to be.

3. Understanding Engineers

A priest, a doctor, and an engineer were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers.

The engineer fumed, "What's with those guys? We must have been waiting for fifteen minutes!" The doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such inept golf!"

The priest said, "Here comes the greens-keeper. Let's have a word with him." He said, "Hello George, What's wrong with that group ahead

of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?"

The greens-keeper replied, "Oh, yes. That's a group of blind firemen. They lost their sight saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime!."

The group fell silent for a moment. The priest said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

The doctor said, "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleague and see if there's anything she can do for them."

The engineer said, "Why can't they play at night?"

4. Understanding Engineers

What is the difference between mechanical engineers and civil engineers? Mechanical engineers build weapons. Civil engineers build targets.

5. Understanding Engineers

Three engineering students were gathered together discussing who must have designed the human body.

One said, "It was a mechanical engineer, Just look at all the joints."

Another said, "No, it was an electrical engineer. The nervous system has many thousands of electrical connections."

The last one said, "No, actually it had to have been a civil engineer. Who else would run a toxic waste pipeline through a recreational area?"

6. Understanding Engineers

Normal people believe that if it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Engineers believe that if it ain't broke, it doesn't have enough features yet.

And Finally Two Engineers...

Two engineers were standing at the base of a flagpole, looking at its top. A woman walked by and asked what they were doing.

"We're supposed to find the height of this flagpole," said Sven, "but we don't have a ladder."

The woman took a wrench from her purse, loosened a couple of bolts, and laid the pole down on the ground. Then she took a tape measure from her pocketbook, took a measurement, announced, "Twenty one feet, six inches," and walked away.

One engineer shook his head and laughed, "A lot of good that does us. We ask for the height and she gives us length."

Both engineers have since quit their engineering jobs and are currently serving in the United States Congress.

Hi members, please find below a copy of the thank you letter I received from Leonard Cheshire Disability at Seven Rivers. The final amount raised was £551 a great show and a big thanks for your generous support. In the letter you will see that Linda refers to a 'Richard'? I have spoken to her and we are sure she is talking about Kevin Davie, our tireless ACTC secretary. Thanks Kev for all your help.

Mick Brown



Mick Brown The Anglia Classic Trials Club c/o 11 Clover Drive Thorrington Colchester Essex CO7 8HL

16 June 2014

Dear Mick

I hope this sees you well?

I apologise in the delay in writing but on behalf of all the residents and staff at Seven Rivers, please would you pass on our very grateful thanks to Richard and all those at the Anglia Classic Trials Club and of course your goodself for the continued support.

We are very grateful to receive £515.16 this will aid greatly towards continued trips out for the residents and entertainment and also our new Lakeside area, which has commenced work this week.

Thank you and all again and hope to see you at the Summer Fete on Sunday $13^{\rm th}\,{\rm June.}$

If you have a contact address for Richard, I can write to him direct also?

Best Wishes

Linda Short Finance Administrator **Leonard Cheshire Disability**

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For some time many of us have wondered just who is Jack Schitt?

We find ourselves at a loss when someone says, 'You don't know Jack Schitt!'
Well, thanks to genealogy efforts, you can now respond in an intellectual way.
Jack Schitt is the only son of Awe Schitt.
Awe Schitt was married to O. Schitt, the fertilizer magnate, and owner of Needeep N. Schitt, Inc. They had one son, Jack.
In turn, Jack Schitt married Noe Schitt.
The deeply religious couple produced six children: Holie Schitt, Giva Schitt, Fulla Schitt, Bull Schitt, and the twins Deep Schitt and Dip Schitt.

Against her parents' objections, Deep Schitt married Dumb Schitt, a high school dropout.

After being married 15 years, Jack and Noe Schitt divorced. Noe Schitt later married Ted Sherlock, and because her kids were living with them, she wanted to keep her previous name. She was then known as Noe Schitt-Sherlock.

Meanwhile, Dip Schitt married Loda Schitt, and they produced a son with a rather nervous disposition who was nick-named Chicken Schitt.

Two of the other six children, Fulla Schitt and Giva Schitt, were inseparable throughout childhood and subsequently married the Happens brothers in a dual ceremony. The wedding announcement in the newspaper announced the Schitt-Happens nuptials.

The Schitt-Happens children were Dawg, Byrd, and Horse.

Bull Schitt, the prodigal son, left home to tour the world.

He recently returned from Italy with his new Italian bride, Pisa Schitt.

Now when someone says, 'You don't know Jack Schitt,' you can correct them.

Sincerely,

Crock O. Schitt

NOT A GOOD DAY

A couple of Thursdays ago, Ian, Jeff, Jerry, and Neil gathered in Melford for a cup of coffee before setting out on the usual run over to the airfield, to have some nosh and a natter with the lads.

Ian on his Yam, Jeff on his Honda, jerry on his A7, and Neil on his Alp. An uneventful but good run out, and after a good meal and a natter with the usual amount of piss taking, it was time for the return journey, and that when it all started to go wrong.

So the four old gits set out in line astern, with Jerry in the lead then Jeff, Ian, and Neil bringing up the rear, after about a mile Ian slowed and came to a standstill Neil also stopped and enquired as to what was the problem, there is a ticking in the front wheel he said, so we examined the disc brake to see if there was a stone stuck in it. but no that seemed to be ok, something in the tyre? No, speedo drive ? No, so we carried on for another mile or so, until Ian again stopped ,the ticking is still there he said, but we could still find nothing amiss, so again carried on, by this time Jerry and Jeff had disappeared. As we were going through Church End Shalford Neil realised that an unusual noise had started at the rear of his Alp. Without further warning the chain snapped and he coasted to a standstill.

Eventually the others realised that something was amiss and returned to find Neil standing forlornly beside a dead bike with a busted chain dragging on the ground.

Jerry volunteered to take Neil home on the pillion of his A7, so the Alp was left in a kind lady's front garden to be picked up later in Neil's truck.

Now the last time Neil had a lift on the back of an A7 with his brother Jerry driving was in the early 1960's, and he only weighed 12 stone, now all these years later his weight is considerably more, and his backside is much bigger, which meant that the rear suspension was severely compressed and he was in danger of sliding off the seat onto the rear mudguard, however off they set home with a shower of sparks flying off the centre stand on left hand corners.

All went reasonably well until arriving at Bulmer the rear tyre developed a puncture and went flat, out came a tiny little pump to try and inflate the tyre but the hole was to big and it would not hold air. Jeff then volunteered to take Neil home on the pillion of the Honda to fetch a bigger foot pump, and Jeff realised that he had a pressurised can of puncture repair, which he kindly let us have.

At this time Neil realised that his truck had the hard top on, which is not that easy to remove, and with that in place there is not enough height to load a bike in the buck, so what do you do when you have a problem, you call out the bike rescue which in this case happens to be Neil's son Chris. A phone call was made to see if he

was available, but as he has to earn a living he was at work and could not get to us until 4-30. Ian and Neil then returned to Jerry with the puncture repair can and pump and tried to repair his tyre but to no avail the can would not work properly, so the tyre was inflated as hard as possible which lasted for a few hundred yards until it went flat again, this was repeated at least five times before we got back to Melford.

Wheel out, tyre off, a secondhand tube was found and fitted, tyre put on and inflated, wheel put back in bike, every thing checked, all ok, and off Jerry went home to Brightlingsea.

By this time Chris had arrived, his van was then emptied and off they went to pick Neil's bike, arrived back in Melford about 6 o'clock Neil totally knackered and soon fell asleep in his arm chair.

Later that evening Jeff rang Neil to see if he got his bike back ok, and said that he ran out of fuel just before he got home.

I think maybe we should persuade Ian to put the sidecar back on the Yamaha, and fill it with tools, bike spares, puncture repair kit, and a couple of gallons of spare fuel before we venture out again.

There is a little more to the tale of these four old gits, the very next Thursday they all set out as per usual, this time Jeff was riding his newly renovated Enfield Crusader, which looked and sounded very good. After lunch at the airfield Jeff left early as he had things to do. The other three left later, and as usual, arrived back at Melford for another cup of coffee and a chin wag and while we sat there Jeff rang to say that the crusader's engine had blown up before he had got home and had to call out his rescue squad.

When will we learn and grow up? Never I hope.

Footnote:

Jeff subsequently found that the big end had been starved of oil and decided to call it a day. With the big end duly repaired the Crusader was pressed into action once more over to the airfield on a pleasant sunny Thursday. But the return journey was fraught with an increasing knocking sound once again. Before it's ultimate demise it was parked up and the trailer fetched and once home consigned to the back of the shed - there's a moral to this tale somewhere.

THE DENTIST

Just at the moment when the dentist was leaning over towards his patient to start on her teeth, he was startled.

"Excuse me, Miss, those are my balls that you are holding."

"I know" she answered sweetly. "So let us be very careful not to hurt each other.....OK?"



Couple of photo's of EFA members at the Dabbers Charity Trial held at Corton, in aid of the East Anglian Air Ambulance, taken by Sarah Patemen.

Far left is Nick Dyble and left is Brian Cook





Photo's taken at the ACTC charity trial at Bromley Brook by Mick Brown. Clockwise; Dave Spurgeon, Ariel 248 Ted Smith, Braybrook Bantam 186 Mark Gibb, BSA C11 250



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Many thanks, Trevor, Trials Secretary W & D MCC.

Hi, Chris,

Just a note for the Trials and Tribulations to let readers know that the Southend & District DMCC are holding a **vintage grasstrack meeting** on the 3rd August, starting at 12 o'clock at Latchingdon, Essex.

Many thanks. Dave Spurgeon

KEEPING TRACK!

July 2014

Fixture list of Trials open to Classic Bikes in East Anglia & some further afield

| Date | Club | Authority | Venue & Event |
|--------------|-----------------------|-----------|--|
| Jul-06 | Eastern Centre | ACU | Ray Clampin Memorial Trial, Purls Hill Woods |
| Jul-06 | Pre-65 MXC | AMCA | Battlesbridge Motorcycle Show Demonstration |
| Jul-14 | ACTC | AMCA | 2 nd Summer Series, Snaque Pit |
| Jul-26 | Woodbridge DMCC | ACU | Evening Trial, Blaxhall Pit, 4pm start |
| Jul-27 | Pre-65 MXC | AMCA | Scramble, Gosfield. |
| Aug-03 | Southend & DMCC | | Vintage Grasstrack, 12 noon start. |
| Aug-09 | ACTC | AMCA | 3rd Summer Series, Raydon Pit |
| Aug-24 | Pre-65 MXC | AMCA | Maylandsea, St. Johns Ambulance Fundraiser |
| Sep-07 | Salisbury MC & LCC | ACU | Arbuthnot Trial, Dorset/Wiltshire Border |
| Sep-21 | Pre-65 MXC | AMCA | Scramble, Maylandsea |
| Sep-21 | VMCC Sth. Durham | AMCA | Beamish Trial, Weardale, Co. Durham |
| Oct-04 | West of England MC | ACU | SMP West of England Trial, Ipplepen, Devon |
| Oct-05 | South Midland Classic | ACU | Classic Trial, Plashes Fm, Colliers End |
| Oct-12 (TBC) | ACTC | AMCA | Wrabness Trial |
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