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## Editorial

An open letter to all members of the EFA.

Dear All,

Life changes and with it demands on time also change and with this in mind I am finding it increasingly difficult to produce the club magazine, Trials and Tribulations, to the standard you as members deserve, in a timely manner for club nights plus it is not fair on Kevin who has to wait on the T&T being printed before he can distribute it along with the Eastern ACU Gazette.

I am therefore giving notice of three issues (hence the 3-2-1 on the front cover) when I'll hang up my editorial boots on my 135<sup>th</sup> issue of the T&T.

I will of course give all the support needed to whoever takes up the Editorship, it's almost a 'turn key,' up and running, operation with the EFA laptop, software and resources, so only your personal preferences to change. Get in contact, email or phone (you might have to leave a message and I'll call you back) if you're interested and want to know more.

Keep yer feet up.



P.S.

If you are willing to take on the website as well that would be fantastic but I'm happy to look after that to make it easier.

## TOWARDS "SECTION ENDS"

#### PART TWENTY SIX

I had a poor night's sleep and awoke with a thick head on the following morning on which we were due to recover my stricken BSA from literally a mountain top, where it had expired during the Welsh Two-Day trial of 1967. Others however, were up and about and preparing for this expedition. Looking back, I can see that this was a very kindly act by all of them, since the event was now over and most would simply have been about to strike camp and make their way home. I hope I gave adequate thanks at the time.

As ever, Ian Preedy - El Presidente - took command. I cannot remember now all of the party but I know it contained the Alexanders. under father, Les, as his sons Roger and John, had both been competing in the sidecar class of the trial, unhappily having to retire on the first day. We took two vehicles, one of course, pulling a trailer on which to bring the rescued BSA home. Before we left the camp site however, we had a discussion, `chaired` by Roy Hall, an ex-army man who himself rode in sidecar trials but more crucially acted as in this event as a `team manager` for Ian and Bruce. I suppose you could say Roy, who was a unique character, oversaw strategy and navigation. He constantly referred to detailed maps of the area and by using the featured checkpoints as a reference.could almost foresee exactly where the trial route would go

- and crucially the potential, "bad bits". This time however, Roy had to work out exactly where my BSA was and he looked somewhat glum at our prospects of getting to it quickly or easily.

"You're going to have a job – the forest tracks will be locked off and you'll have to find the wardens to unlock them. Even then I'm not sure if you can get directly to your bike by any vehicle – there might be a lot of pushing..."

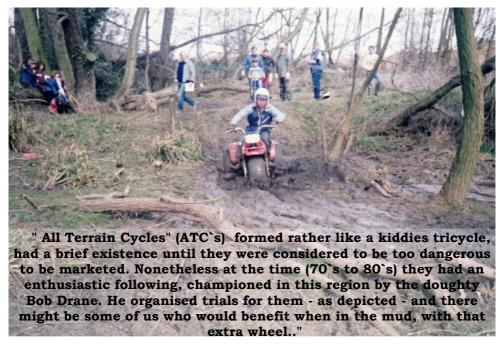
Nonetheless we set off - Roy not with us - and made our way to the closest point where the forest tracks ascended. The day was now the trial was over - bright and sunny and equally we had time now to take in the beautiful surroundings and scenery. By a process of stopping and asking, we eventually got to a forestry warden who listened to our plight with good humour. Ours was not the first such request of the kind but the difficulty was that without Roy and his map, I could not be at all precise where I had broken down. Out came his map and gradually with my description of the previous day's terrain, we reached a point where the bike should be - or thereabouts. Very kindly, he led us to a locked gate along the track and we then proceeded, rising steeply in the low gears, thereon. If the scenery had been impressive before, at this higher altitude, it became stunning. More relaxed now, we took the time to occasionally stop, get

out - and take it all in. Photos were shot. At one time we looked over an escarpment to see a massively winged bird soar actually below us! - could it have been an Eagle? And then,all at once I recognised the track, no more than a sheep's run along to where I had stopped. At last, we spied the sheep's hut and the naughty BSA standing forlornly outside. We all got out and gave a cheer.

"Give it a kick" Ian said impishly "I bet the bugger starts"

I did and it didn`t. Before loading the bike we had to carefully turn the vehicles around. Not easy as the surface, whilst fairly rocky, had some voids which could cause a wheel to get lodged or sink .It was decidedly sheep country and now that the previous day's engulfing mist had cleared,offered a breathtaking view of the countryside far below.

Just before we departed, Ian had a good look round and picked up a very large piece of timber, seemingly quite out of place up there – but of an interesting shape. He brought it back and we loaded on to the trailer. He was at the time building his house at Boxford and had an idea this chunky length of wood could be useful. I believe it now holds the kitchen ceiling up! Surely a trophy to remind him of a memorable day where we saw more of Wales than we had expected – and were really rather pleased we did.



## MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT'S IPAD

## Copdock.

The show turned out to be a success for us this year. Well done Don for moving us down to our friends in the Pre65 Motor Cross Club. A lot more people to talk to, a lot of people showing an interest in the Club plus we could have a ride round taking it in turns with the motor cross bikes

## **Ballingdon Grove**

As most of you now know we will be returning to Ballingdon Grove after some 30-40 years, this is one of the greatest venues in East Anglia let's hope all goes well.

#### **Thumpers**

The Thumpers is on the horizon it doesn't seem 5 mins since the last one

Our Editor is retiring after a long while at the helm. I would like to thank him for all his hard work in getting the T&T out it has not been easy, theses last 2 years. So Do you fancy your self as a top Editor if so let a C/M know. Ted.

#### Ted.

PS the chairman job is still up for grabs anyone who is interested please get in touch.

A man is lying on a beach, sun bathing, wearing nothing but a hat over his privates.

An objectionable lady is passing and remarks: "If you were any sort of a gentleman, you would lift your hat to a lady!"

He replied: "If you were any sort of a lady, the hat would lift itself!"

## BALLINGDON GROVE TRIAL PHOTOS BY MARK GIBB

"WHAT A GREAT DAY!"













## THE IAN PREEDY MEMORIAL **THUMPERS BRITISH BIKE TRIAL**



(Including Round 5 of the E. C. Class C P70 Championship) Sunday November 27th 2022, Start 10:00 am.

VENUE:

FOUR

Poplars Chase Farm, Thorrington, CO7 8HZ ACU PERMIT No: TBC **CLUB STEWARD:** Ted Smith CLERK OF THE COURSE: Chris Chapman, Licence No. 118097 SECRETARY OF THE MEETING: John Beasley, 44 Broom Knoll, East Bergholt, Colchester, CO7 6XN Tel: 01206 391360 / 07487 712396

JURISDICTION: Held under the NSC and the Standing Discipline Regulations of the ACU and the EASTERN CENTRE, these Supplementary Regulations and any Final Instructions which will have the force of these Regulations. Open to ACU affiliated members of the Eastern Centre.

**ELIGIBILITY:** The Competition is open to all adult members of ACU affiliated clubs, riding solo machines of BRITISH MANUFACTURE made before 31st December 1969.

**COURSE:** 3 laps of 16 sections - multi route course - all on private land. **MARKING:** As per TSR 22B - Non-stop basis.

**ENTRIES:** Entry for this event is via the ACU online entry system - Go To https://members.acu.org.uk LOGIN or REGISTER then go to 'Search for an Event'; find the event and follow the process to enter. Entry Fee; £17.00,

Entries open 24th October and close 18th November.

**ROUTES:** Hard: 50/50: Easy. (The 50/50 route is intended to present an increased challenge for middle ability riders not wanting/able to ride the full hard route. Each section start card will be marked by the C of C to indicate if you ride the hard or easy route through that section.) **START:** Will be in order of entries received, riders away at half minute intervals.

CLASSES:

- A. British Pre-unit construction four-strokes
- B. British Unit construction four-strokes.
- C. Rigid Rear / Girder Front single or twin four-strokes.
- D. Rigid Rear / Tele Front single or twin four-strokes.
- E. Any British two-stroke, sprung or unsprung.

F. Any British 'Special' (machines that the entrant and/or machine examiner do not consider conforming to classes A to E or fail to meet the spirit of pre 70 competition).

**AWARDS:** Best performance in each class on the hard route. Also classes C and D who will ride the easy route. Best in class awards subject to a minimum of 5 entries, second in class subject to a minimum of 10.

# E.F.A. CHAMPIONSHIP STANDINGS

Pre Unit	Koute Hard	Mark Fletcher	이 더 Little Bealings - 9th Janaury 2022	이 더 Raydon pit - 27th February 2022	이 다 Chattisham - 27th March 2022	) 더 Gt Bromley - 22nd May 2022	Ballingdon Grove - 2nd Ocotber	Thumpers - Thorrington - 27th November	Boxford - 11th December 2022	0 Total	Lowest Round score	b Final Total
Pre Unit	Hard	Trevor Baker	9	0	0	9				18		18
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Two Stroke	Hard	Richard Norman	9	10	10	0				29		29
Two Stroke	Hard	Allan Collier	10	9	0	0				19		19
Two Stroke	Hard	Trevor Baker	0	8	9	0				17		17
Two Stroke	Hard	Terry Thompson	8	0	7	0				15		15
Two Stroke	Hard	Richard Snowden	0	0	8	0				8		8
T/Shock	Hard	Graham Palmer	8	10	9	7				34		34
T/Shock	Hard	Stephen Howard	10	0	8	10				28		28
T/Shock	Hard	Kevin Palmer	9	9	10	0				28		28
T/Shock	Hard	Andy Nunn	6	6	4	6				22		22
T/Shock	Hard	Rob Cameron	5	8	0	8				21		21
T/Shock	Hard	Kevin Plummer	7	7	7	0				21		21
T/Shock	Hard	Steve Newman	3	5	5	5				18		18
T/Shock	Hard	Craig Crowfoot	0	0	0	9				9		9
T/Shock	Hard	Andrew Bilbow	4	0	3	0				7		7
T/Shock	Hard	Steve Balnd	0	0	6	0				6		6
T/Shock	Hard	Andy Aldhouse	0	0	0	4				4		4
T/Shock	Hard	Bob Wreathall	0	0	0	3				3		3
Pre Unit	50/50	John Daly	10	10	10	10				40		40
Unit	50/50	Andrew Prill	10	10	0	0				20		20
Unit	50/50	Bradley Woods	0	9	0	8				17		17
Unit	50/50	Jim Cammack	0	0	0	10				10		10
Unit	50/50	John Chapman	9	0	0	0				 9		9
Unit	50/50	Michael Smith	0	0	0	9				9		9

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Two Stroke	50/50	Trevor Hill	10	10	10	8				38		38
Two Stroke	50/50	Paul Houghton	0	0	9	9				18		18
Two Stroke	50/50	Kevin Plummer	0	0	9	9 10				10		10
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T/Shock	50/50	Dave Smith	9	9	8	8				34		34
T/Shock	50/50	Chris Skedge	6	9 10	5	7				28		28
T/Shock	50/50	Trevor Harvey	0	0	10	9				19		19
T/Shock	50/50	Alan Millar	7	0	7	3				17		17
T/Shock	50/50	Harvey Newman	2	8	0	6				16		16
T/Shock	50/50	Nick Radley	0	0	9	2				10		11
T/Shock	50/50	Steve Bland	0	0	0	10				10		10
T/Shock	50/50	Sam Shaughnessy	10	0	0	0				10		10
T/Shock	50/50	Tim Ford	8	0	0	0				8		8
T/Shock	50/50	Ray Buck	0	0	6	0				6		6
T/Shock	50/50	Steve Martin	5	0	0	0				5		5
T/Shock	50/50	Joshua Brown	0	0	0	5				5		5
T/Shock	50/50	Andrew Bilbow	0	0	0	4				4		4
T/Shock	50/50	Michael Lilley	0	0	4	4				4		4
T/Shock	50/50	Robert Martin	4	0	4	0				4		4
T/Shock	50/50	Mick Liley	3	0	0	0				3		3
T/Shock	50/50	lan Barfield	1	0	0	0				1		1
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Pre Unit	Easy	Robert Clarke	9	9	10	8				36		36
Pre Unit	Easy	Hugo Rose	10	10	0	9				29		29
Pre Unit	Easy	Mark Gibb	8	8	0	0				16		16
Pre Unit	Easy	Joe Stollery	7	7	9	0				23		23
Pre Unit	Easy	Martin Croker	0	0	0	10				10		10
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Unit	Easy	Colin Black	10	9	9	0	_			28		28
Unit	Easy	David Rose	9	10	0	9				28		28
Unit	Easy	Ken Carroll	8	0	8	10				26		26
Unit	Easy	Chris McKenzie	0	5	7	8				20		20
Unit	Easy	Martin Croker	0	7	10	0				17		17
Unit	Easy	Richard Challis	7	6	0	0				13		13
Unit	Easy	Julian Smith	0	3	0	7				10		10
Unit	Easy	Adrain Studd	0	8	0	0				8		8
Unit	Easy	Paul Gray	0	2	6	0				8		8
Unit	Easy	Peter Caunter	0	1	5	0				6		6
Unit	Easy	Brian Cook	6	0	0	0				6		6
Unit	Easy	Jake Caunter	0	4	0	0				4		4

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Two Stroke	Easy	Graham Braybrook	10	10	10	10				40		40
Two Stroke	Easy	Brian Cook	0	7	8	7				22		22
Two Stroke	Easy	Scott Chappell	9	0	0	9				18		18
Two Stroke	Easy	Colin Miles	6	5	0	0				11		11
Two Stroke	Easy	Phil Read	0	9	0	0				9		9
Two Stroke	Easy	Mark Warren	0	0	9	0				9		9
Two Stroke	Easy	Terry Thompson	0	8	0	0				8		8
Two Stroke	Easy	Colin Black	0	0	0	8				8		8
Two Stroke	Easy	Bradley Woods	7	0	0	0				7		7
Two Stroke	Easy	Brian Fletcher	0	6	0	0				6		6
Two Stroke	Easy	John Beasley	0	0	0	6				6		6
T/Shock	Easy	Alan Robinson	0	7	5	10				22		22
T/Shock	Easy	Joshua Brown	0	10	10	0				20		20
T/Shock	Easy	Bob Wreathall	9	0	9	0				18		18
T/Shock	Easy	Ray Buck	0	8	0	9				17		17
T/Shock	Easy	Paul Bilbow	5	5	3	3				16		16
T/Shock	Easy	Kevin Bownes	0	6	8	0				14		14
T/Shock	Easy	Graham Waddelow	2	3	4	4				13		13
T/Shock	Easy	Bruce Davie	10	0	0	0				10		10
T/Shock	Easy	Gary Smith	7	0	2	0				9		9
T/Shock	Easy	Steve Martin	0	2	7	0				9		9
T/Shock	Easy	Charles Grange	0	9	0	0				9		9
T/Shock	Easy	Alan Farmer	0	0	1	8				9		9
T/Shock	Easy	Kevin Davie	8	0	0	0				8		8
T/Shock	Easy	Dan Wright	0	0	0	7				7		7
T/Shock	Easy	Joseph Knight	0	0	0	6				6		6
T/Shock T/Shock	Easy	Sidge Kenny Chris Chapman	1	0	0	5 0				6 6		6 6
	Easy		-	-		0				-		-
T/Shock T/Shock	Easy	Alister McFarquhar Chris McKenzie	6	0	0	0				6		6 4
T/Shock	Easy Easy	Kenneth Carrol	4	4	0	0				4		4
T/Shock	Easy	Joe Knight	3	4	0	0				4		4
T/Shock	Easy	Gary Smith	0	1	0	0				1		1
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Mono	Easy	Alfred Eaves	9	9	10					28		28
Mono	Easy	Alan Farmer	10	10	0					20		20

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# TIM'S TOURS

The magnificent seven, Ted, Geoff, John, Mike, Brian, Richard & Me not forgetting Daph & Eade. Left Ted's Plaice around 2.30 Saturday 3rd September. Approaching Boxted we encountered a road closure. Help came from Ted who navigated an alternative route. Back on track we reached Hadleigh & after, a welcome break was enjoyed at Hollow Trees farm shop near Lindsey. It was then onwards

to Monks Eleigh, Needingworth Tye & Somersham. Eventually joining the B 1113 Road at Bramford. Another road closed at Sproughton where we reached Hintlesham via Bursall. The remainder of the route to our destination Manningtree was via Raydon. Reaching Manningtree we indulged in the excellent cuisine at Riverside Avenue chip shop.

The Management.



# TIM'S TOURS 2022

#### NOW HERE THIS.

The management are planning the last outing of the year to take place on the 8th October, (Saturday) leaving at 2.30 in the afternoon from Ted's Plaice. Contact head office on 07761822223 for further information.

The Management.

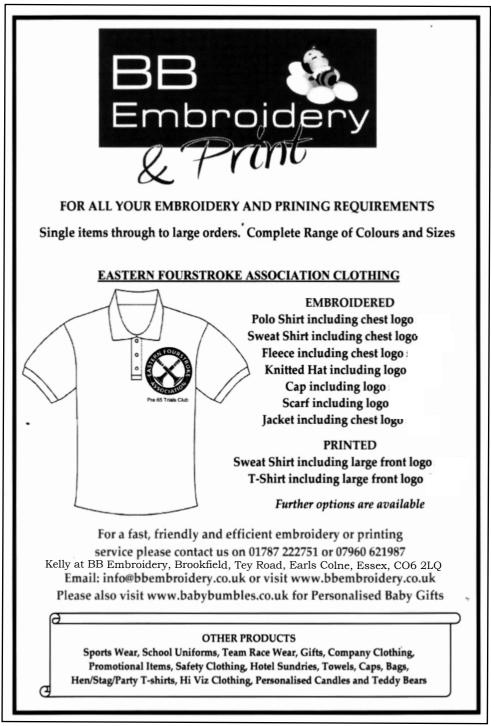
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## FORTHCOMING SHOWS BEING ATTENDED BY THE E.F.A.

Kempton Park Bike Show & Auto Jumble. December 3<sup>rd</sup> Contact Don Daly.

Anyone interested in showing their bike/s please contact the above people in GOOD TIME as passes have to be organised. Passes cannot be obtained at short notice.

## VACANCY

## **CLUB CHAIRMAN**

A vacancy has arisen within the revolutionary council for the position of Club Chairman. If you would like to put yourself forward, nominate someone or find out what would be involved please contact Ted.



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Oct 8th	EFA		Tim;s Tours, 2:30 from Ted's Plaice.
Oct 30th	Woodbridge & DMCC	ACU	TBC Class C Champ Rnd 4
Nov 1st	EFA		Club Night at Stanway Rovers FC Club House, The Hawthorns, 50 New Farm Rd., CO3 OPG
Nov 3rd	ACU-EC		Annual Eastern CentreTrials Forum, Gt. Blakenham
Nov 12th 13th	Royal Mons Auto Club		Trial du Mont Panisel Pré65, www.rmamc.be
Nov 27th	EFA	ACU	lan Preedy Mem Trial, Thorrington, Rnd 5 Class C
Dec 6th	EFA		Club Night at Stanway Rovers FC Club House, The Hawthorns, 50 New Farm Rd., CO3 OPG
Dec 11th	ACTC / EFA	AMCA	Boxford Bash Trial, Boxford Scouts Spinney
Dec 27th	Woodbridge & DMCC	ACU	Butley, Class C Champ Rnd 6

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