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**(Submissions gratefully received)**

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

My Reign is nearly over as March I will be handing over to Chris. I hope you will ALL support him as he will need it.

I emailed the ACU about someone who has no access to a computer or an iPhone is there any way to be for them to get a Licence as yet no reply! No surprise there.

Lt Bealings went very well most enjoyed it , next up is the S/Pit which should be challenging. Please don't forget the AGM, first one for 3 years. if you haven't said anything to me about coming please let me know ASAP.

All for now, *Ted*

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## **KEEPING TRACK!**

2023

Club Fixture List & some other classic events.

Feb 11-12th		Telford	Classic Dirtbike Show
Feb 19th	TBD		Snape Pit Trial (NOT ACU)
Mar 7th	EFA		AGM at Stanway Rovers around 7:30-8 CO3 OPG - Send Email to Ted if coming
Mar 26th	EFA	ACU	Chattisham Trial - first ACU trial of the Year - if there are issues, entry possible on the day
May 28th	EFA	ACU	Bromley Trial

# RAYDON CIRCA 90S



# FROM THE EDITOR

First of all, the club and committee all wish Brad Woods a speedy recovery and look forward to seeing him back on a bike soon!

Secondly, Little Bealings was a fantastic Trial, thanks to all who participated and I finally managed to finish a Trial on the BSA!

This edition is slightly late, for which I apologise and offer the following excuses:

1) Having securely left my Goldwing Trike in a Neighbour's garden whilst removing 10 tonnes of Earth and replacing them with Aggregates for a front drive, I now can't find my keys so if anyone near Bury has a metal detector please get in touch.

2) After 2 cancellations for freezing conditions, the weather warmed up just enough for me to get my Bike license.

3) I have decided that my first road bike should be a 35 year Goldwing that I bought in bits so naturally I am dedicating a silly amount of time to getting it roadworthy.

4) As a treat for finishing the Trial I bought my C15 a lovely, almost new, front Tyre (thanks KP) and whilst trying to get the new tyre on, I somehow man-

aged to put the lever through the wheel like a tin opener.

Excuses out the way, from now on I intend to include AMCA entry forms well in advance so you can print them off before the subsequent Trial (the next two are ACU).

**Venue Change:** Please let all your friends know, the next Trial will be AMCA, Entry on the Day £20 cash or cheque at Snape Pit, The clerk of course is Chris Chapman, the sec of meeting is Hugo Rose

**Struggling with ACU / Sport80?** We're here to help. Please see me during sign-on, we will have a Laptop to help those without Internet access get registered, ready for the ACU Trials in March and May.

Lastly, it was brought to my attention that some of the companies receiving free advertising were no longer in business, so please send me any Ads you think readers of the T&T would find useful, including Bikes, Equipment, Businesses etc.

*Andrew*





# Eastern Fourstroke Association

Sunday, January 08, 2023

## Little Bealings warmer Winter warmer Trial

No.	Rider	Machine	Class	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
<b>White Route</b>														
41	John Daly	Norton 500	Pre 70	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Mark Gibb	BSA C11 250	Pre 70	Rigid	White	5	3	1	0	3	0	0	0	0
14	David Rose	Triumph Cub 200	Pre 70	Unit	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
44	Andrew Bilbow	BSA C15 250	Pre 70	Unit	White	3	0	5	2	1	0	1	0	1
15	Julian Smith	Triumph 199	Pre 70	Unit	White	5	1	3	0	0	3	1	1	1
18	Colin Black	James 250	Pre 70	2-Stroke	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Bob Wreathall	BSA Bantam 185	Pre 70	2 Stroke	White	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
49	Graham Braybrook	Bantam 185	Pre 70	2 Stroke	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	Thomas Jones	Firefly	Pre 70	2-Stroke	White	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
39	John Beasley	Greeves 250	Pre 70	2-Stroke	White	1	5	3	3	0	0	0	1	1
47	Paul Cooper	Greeves Anglian 250	Pre 70	2 Stroke	White	5	2	5	0	1	0	0	0	0
52	Colin Miles	Greeves Anglian 250	Pre 70	2-Stroke	White	1	2	0	0	3	5	3	3	3

## White Route

8	Charlie Grange	Honda TLR 200	Twin Shock	White	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
37	Alan Farmer	Fantic 200	Twin Shock	White	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
32	Ralph Petts	Yamaha 175	Twin Shock	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
43	Paul Bilbow	Fantic 125	Twin Shock	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
46	Gary Smith	Fantic 212	Twin Shock	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35	Colin Sadler	Honda 125	Twin Shock	White	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Chris McKenzie	Ossa 250	Twin Shock	White	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Sidge Kenny	Suzuki 250	Twin Shock	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50	Joseph Knight	Montesa 242	Twin Shock	White	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0
2	Alistar McFarquhar	Montesa 349	Twin Shock	White	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Chris Hardy	Fantic 156	Twin Shock	White	0	1	0	5	1	2	0	3	1	0
34	Adrian Studd	Yamaha 250	Twin Shock	White	3	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Ed Hardy	Aprilia TX 320	Twin Shock	White	3	5	0	1	3	5	2	3	3	3
7	Dale Clutterham	Yamaha TY175	Twin Shock	White	3	3	3	5	2	3	3	3	3	3
4	Robert Clarke	BSA C10 330	Pre 70	Pre unit	White	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
48	Kevin Goldsmith	Royal Enfield 350	Pre 70	Pre unit	White	5	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	0
12	Ken Carroll	Triumph 199	Pre 70	Unit	White	1	1	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
16	Peter Teager	Yamaha 175	Twin Shock	White	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
36	Chris Skedgde	Fantic 200	Twin Shock	50/50	White	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Thank you to all who put the effort in for this weekend's EFA trial at Sunfield Farm, Little Bealings, ably set out by our Eddie Hood (CoFC) & Chums, and all the Observers ~~Strawb~~, Christine, Chris, Brian, Mike, Aaron, Geoff, Daphne, Allie & Derrick for making another successful day!  
Thank you again to Steve for the perfect trials setting.

officials or sponsors or entrants or owners of the venue. I WILL INDEMNIFY AND PAY BACK TO YOU any sum which you may be required to pay as a result of such a claim.



Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ANGLIA CLASSIC TRIALS CLUB**

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## THE SNAQUE PIT TRIAL

PRE-65/70 & TWINHOCK TRIAL

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2023, Start 10:30 am.**

AMCA AUTHORISATION No.: AMCA/CT/  
VENUE: Snaque Pit, Belchamp Walter, Nr Sudbury, Suffolk, CO10 7AW (nearest)  
GID REF: TL 82627 42206  
CLERK OF THE COURSE: chris chapman

Secretary OF THE MEETING: Hugo rose

**COURSE:** Approximately 3 or 4 laps of 10 or 12 sections - multi route course - all on private land. **MARKING:** Will be 1,2,3,5 - Non-stop basis.

**ENTRIES:** Will be accepted from members of the EFA and other invited riders. To be made on the OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM and forwarded to the Secretary of the Meeting with a fee of **£20.00** adult, **£15.00** 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.** Please make cheque's payable to the **eastern four stroke association**. Results will be posted on the EFA website at: [www.anglia-classic-trials-club.co.uk](http://www.anglia-classic-trials-club.co.uk) / [www.eastern-fourstroke-association.co.uk](http://www.eastern-fourstroke-association.co.uk)

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** Half Hour Before the Start

**CLASSES:** Rigid, Pre-unit, Unit, 2 Stroke, Twin Shock & Youth. All solo.

**ROUTE:** Hard / 50/50 / Easy / Veterans

**NOTICE:** **Helmets must be worn** & it is recommended that you wear other appropriate protective clothing. Excessively noisy machines will be barred. Riding over the field and any other prohibited areas is forbidden and any rider seen doing so will be disqualified. A map will be displayed at the start showing these areas.

Please keep to the marked route.

**OBSERVERS:** Please assist the organisers by bringing with you someone who is prepared to observe. Training given - *it's quite easy.*



**ENTRY FORM****The Snake Pit Trial**19<sup>TH</sup> FEB 2023

**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.
7. Before taking part in the event, I will read and be bound by and comply with general regulations, any supplemental and final instructions issued by the AMCA, the organisers and the circuit owners and the regulatory body.
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.
9. I consent to the collection and retention of my personal information by the AMCA.

Riders Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*Date of Birth (if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_ AMCA Membership No. \_\_\_\_\_

Riders Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Entered: \_\_\_\_\_ Route: \_\_\_\_\_ Machine: \_\_\_\_\_ CC: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Parent/Guardian Declaration and Agreement:** to allow the applicant to enter the competition you must agree to the matters set out below, which are designed to create legal obligations on you. Sign below only if you agree.

I (print name) \_\_\_\_\_ I am the parent/legal guardian.

I have read the entry form and declaration completed by the applicant and confirm the answers are true.

- a) I confirm that he/she is competent to take part in the event and that any vehicle which he/she will use is safe and fit for competition.
- b) I will, before allowing him/her to take part, satisfy myself that the course and the facilities are safe and will inspect same.
- c) I also AGREE that if the applicant should sustain any injury from any cause whilst taking part in the event and as a result bring a claim for compensation against you or the organisers or officials or sponsors or entrants or owners of the venue. I WILL INDEMNIFY AND PAY BACK TO YOU any sum which you may be required to pay as a result of such a claim.

PHOTOS BY MARK GIBB  
*LITTLE BEALINGS 2023*





# TOWARDS “SECTION ENDS”

In his being a founder of this very fine club, our former and sadly departed President, Ian Preedy, saw in the 1970's, the need to keep the British trials bikes of former times, going and performing over sections which were in keeping with their day. The formula has worked wonderfully well, as the popularity of EFA events has shown over the years. The club also did its best to maintain sidecar sport alongside the solos and I have to say, I am at a loss in understanding quite why these so entertaining vehicles are hardly seen in trials today. Chairs really are the `Cinderellas` of all motorsport – yet who knows? the trials sector may well return to combat big time again one day, as they have in Motocross and Grass Track racing.

In the 1960's, Ian was one of the top sidecar runners in the Eastern Centre and he and his passenger, Bruce Watters, had a wide following. Perhaps then it might seem odd that he was also an enthusiastic proponent of: “moped speedway” - though I think it rather sums him up. From big-engined and chunky sidecars, to buzzy little souped-up mopeds – Ian universally loved his motorbikes. He also objected to excessive officialdom and that might be why the moped speedway gatherings so appealed to him and were never run under a club name. Word got around and we simply turned up. Quite how we got in-

volved with the Walton-on-the Naze carnival way back in the early 70's - I cannot recall. Did Ian organise it? The way it was run would have admirably suited the rebel in him.

The Walton-on-Naze Carnival in those days, rivaled its near neighbour, Clacton, for prestige. For both seaside towns, their carnivals with the processions and on-field attractions, brought in people from all over the district and beyond. So much to see and if the weather was good - which it was on this particular day – it was reflected in a genial and merry atmosphere. We all arrived on the day at a field quite close to the promenade where the main parade would pass. The circuit was already laid out in almost Grand Prix style – surrounded in various banners and posters, it was a far more colourful venue than we normally used. We ran late in the afternoon and into the evening and quite unheard of until then, there were trophies to win! This put a real twang into the proceedings. Yet even more outrageous was the carnival organisers had put up a “tote” and therefore the races were subject to bets – gambling! The system employed was similar to that used in horse racing and speedway – where I believe, before the Second World War, some illicit gambling had also taken place. Four riders went to the line, each wearing a different coloured covering over his helmet. The spec-

tators were then able to place bets on the respective colours. The whole thing was very well organised by the carnival officials, with a little kiosk sited to handle the bets and money. Don't ask me what the odds were! - but that "tote," did very good business - and I have to assume the takings went into the main Carnival pool for later charitable use. For our part I recall some close and entertaining racing. Of course, there was a distinct `edge` in the on-track combat

where the handsome trophies were at stake. As the evening pressed on, the area was lit up. I regret that I cannot recall who was victorious in the major races - It certainly was not myself nor Ian. However, in the last race of the day - which brought out a most unlikely: "Hare and Tortoise" victory - I believe in retrospect there was made a little piece of motorcycle racing history.....

All the best,  
Sidge



*For the Walton carnival moped races, I produced this new "special" - based on a Honda 50. The first four-stroke. Actually, it proved slower than the Mobylettes and NSU "Quicklys" and the other makes - but it made a lovely noise! (Note the fuel tank over the rear wheel.) Young Paul seated, now deals in Classic bikes.*

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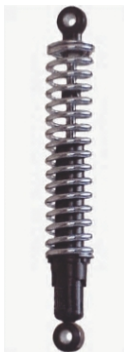
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