

Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club inc.

(The most challenging motorcycle sport)



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To say the year is flying by is an understatement, we're already in May and are well into our trials season. As I type this, I'm sitting in front of the wood heater and it's raining outside, pretty soon we'll be right in the thick of winter – cold dark starts, icy roads, all the fun stuff. Please give yourself a bit of extra time as we head into the cooler months to get to an event so you don't need to drive like a silly bugger in less than ideal conditions. While I'm mentioning travel times, be aware for those heading south in a couple of months for Melton Mowbray, there's a couple of areas of roadworks and greatly reduced speed limits on the highway, between Ross and Tunbridge and they're scheduled to continue until this time next year. Try and avoid the temptation to daydream while you're cruising at 60kph and looking at the lovely piles of rocks on the side of the road, they look ideal for a bit of practice.

The TdN fundraising effort from our little club is going well. Ashlee donated \$500 to the effort from the sale of photos, the kids have been rattling the tin at events, Chris has been selling bangers and mash to tractor drivers to pull in the money, every little bit helps. Other clubs are doing a great job as well, the gofundme page is up to around \$4000, hopefully our Australian team can get over there and get a great result.

There's a little story going around about the imminent return of a former A grader who has found himself a bike. It seems like he finally gave in after seeing his offspring having a heap of fun. We won't say much more than that, other than he was so keen for this particular Sherco, I didn't even get time to advertise it on the website.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, the Christmas Dinner and presentations will be at Mt Joy this year. There will be more details on that later on in the year (because it IS only May after all) but it seems there's a couple of male trials riders keen to put on some lipstick for a Miss TMTTC award on the night. Ladies, keep a close eye on your wardrobe in the coming months. This might be a different meaning to 'camping' than we first thought.

If you downloaded this from tastrials.org.au, that's great! On Wednesday night I migrated the whole site to a new host, mostly for technical reasons, but hopefully it should be a smidgen faster. As time permits (between work, family, riding, life in general) I'm hoping to give it a new coat of paint too.

Carnarvon wrap up

Chris was right. He described this new venue as having "loads of snotty stuff" and boy, was he on the money. It's a different sort of area, with random piles of rocks in the middle of a bare, open paddock. Driving along a flat road with wide open paddocks either side, you'd be forgiven for thinking you'd gone straight past the location. There wasn't anything hugely big by your typical Mt Joy or Jericho standards, but the section setters used the terrain well to produce some very technical sections. Section setting was delayed until the Saturday before due to Mother's Day and the fantastic rain, so thank you to the section setters who gave up their entire weekend for the club.

It's safe to say the wind had a huge effect on the toughness of the sections. People blown off bikes, bikes blown over, it was so windy you could have saved a heap of fuel and harnessed the power of the wind to travel to the far sections. Plenty of lost points were wind assisted, and the almost cyclonic winds surely produced some tense moments in the portaloo. If the caravan's rockin' and Peter Bayles and Craig are inside... it was the wind, definitely the wind. (Blame Pick for that, I've got the SMS to prove it). Ashlee unfortunately couldn't come to take photos this weekend, which is a pity, she'd have likely snapped a few interesting incidents caused by sudden gusts.

Special mention to our exceedingly hardy observers, completely impervious to gale force winds, standing there being battered by the elements, especially Toni Pickering for running back and forth between two sections to observe on both. Thank you for giving up your time so we can have an event.

Apart from the wind, it was a really good trial, thanks landowner Thomas Hingston for allowing us to have an event there, hopefully we'll be able to use it again in the future, with better weather. Chris Bayles set himself some tough sections and easily won Expert.

Peter Lockhart had a tough day in A grade, but being the sole rider, picked up a handy bunch of points for the overall championship.

B Grade was where the action was, with high scores from all four riders, but only 11 points separating them. Matt Woodhouse finished second, just one point behind Mick Amey, with Josh Lockhart in third.

New bikes made the difference in C+. Nigel Munday won riding a bike previously owned by third place Mick Luscombe (third place decided on countback with Josh Malcolm), while Mick himself was on his brand new steed.. Peter Bayles finished in second place.

Will Thornbury was uncontested in Clubman and rode very well, getting more confident on his Sherco.

Millie Silk started the Junior lines on the 4 stroke Rockstar beast, before managing to take part of the tyre off the rim. Luckily she could finish the event on her Gas Gas 80. Watch out Clubman riders, this girl wants to move up as soon as possible.

Finally, C grade results. I've left these guys last for a reason, as the reading of the results was something to behold. Kirk Costello's reaction to not hearing his name by the time Chris had reached third place seemed to be one of disbelief. Second place was a tie between Steve Harris and Daniel Butterworth, with Steve taking the higher place with the same amount of cleans but with one extra 1 over Daniel. Kirk's reaction to finding out he won C grade was priceless, even better than Neil Berne's barrel roll a couple of years ago. Kirk had a very late night and was almost not going to attend, but after this effort I reckon he'll be encouraging Jack to keep him up until all hours. Onya Kirk, that's a well deserved win and the first time I've seen a rider hug the President.

Next State Round Events

Just north of Launceston you'll find Dilston, and that's the place to be on the 12th of June for section setting and on the 19th of June for Round 4 of our season. This is a great little event, really accessible as it's just off the highway, but if you're spectating, there can be a bit of water laying around. Also note, there's a creek crossing to get to some of the other sections, so you might want to bring your gumboots so your socks stay dry. Regular riders will have memories of the extremes of section length here, from Pick's postage stamp with no room to swing a cat to Luscombe's highway which required a cut lunch and a fuel stop. Who knows what they'll come up with this time.

Private Adverts

Ian Gabbedy's 2013 Ossa TR280i is for sale.

Great condition, reliable bike, well looked after by C grade rider. Regular oil & air filter changes. \$5200
Call Ian on 0417 522 887 for more information and detailed photos.



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 - 2) New (unused) Thor size 42 Red MX Pants \$45
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 - 4) Answer XL Blue Jersey VGC \$20
 - 5) Answer size 38 Blue MX pants VGC \$35
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VENUE: Carnarvon

DATE: 15/05/2016

Expert	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Chris Bayles	12	5	7	10	3	16	0	53	Gas Gas 250	1

A Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Peter Lockhart	28	15	22	26	24	24	0	139	Gas Gas 250	1

B Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Mike Amey	20	16	20	18	15	9	0	98	Sherco	1
Matt Woodhouse	24	10	20	20	16	9	0	99	Beta	2
Josh Lockhart	20	22	20	22	8	13	0	105	Gas Gas	3
Jordan Perkins	22	13	17	24	20	13	0	109	Sherco	4

C+ Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Nigel Munday	0	0	2	2	2	0	0	6	Sherco	1
Peter Bayles	2	4	1	3	0	2	0	12	Gas Gas	2
Mick Luscombe	2	1	7	1	3	1	0	15	Sherco	3 26 Cleans
Josh Malcolm	7	2	3	1	1	1	0	15	Sherco	4 25 Cleans
Ian Pickering	15	3	2	5	1	0	0	26	Ossa	5
Nobby Gabbedy	10	6	5	10	3	0	0	34	Gas Gas	6
Mike Hull	14	6	6	6	9	3	0	44	Gas Gas	7
Callum Millar	13	6	7	5	6	10	0	47	Beta	8
Tom Woodhouse	16	18	9	7	2	6	0	58	Beta	9
Ken Hosking	11	15	16	7	7	4	0	60	Beta	10
Samuel Lockhart	20	17	10	11	15	4	0	77	Gas Gas	11
Brooke Lendvay	21	14	24	16	19	23	0	117	Sherco	12

C Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Kirk Costello	7	5	3	7	0	3	0	25	Sherco	1
Daniel Butterworth	7	3	0	5	3	11	0	29	Beta	2 20x0, 11x1
Steve Harris	3	4	9	6	3	4	0	29	Beta	3 20x0, 10x1
Craig Ferrall	12	0	7	4	1	7	0	31	Gas Gas	4
Ian Gabbedy	13	4	3	1	3	9	0	33	Beta	5
Mike Travica	10	2	0	1	15	7	0	35	Sherco	6
Andrew Rouse	13	3	4	1	7	8	0	36	Beta	7
Jack Costello	3	6	2	12	8	7	0	38	Gas Gas	8
Bryce Costello	17	11	18	12	10	13	0	81	Beta	9
David Waller	20	24	30	22	30	24	0	150	Beta	10
Michael Bayles	27	28	28	28	28	26	0	165	Beta	11

Twin Shock	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING

Clubman	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Will Thornbury	1	0	17	8	5	8	0	39	Sherco	1

Junior	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Millie Silk	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	Gas Gas	1

Dealer Adverts

Service Moto - Off Road specialists in the South - Unit 8, 121 Gormanston Road, Derwent Park

See us for mechanical servicing/repairs, aftermarket spare parts, accessories, performance parts, cycle wear and casual gear, tyres, oils and more; if we don't have it, we can get it, FAST! Great advice from staff who ride!

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