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(The most challenging motorcycle sport)

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#### Members and friends of TMTC

It is with great sadness that I write of the untimely death of Peter Bayles, a former president of the club and a tireless supporter of the sport of trials. Peter died on the evening of Sunday 28 August, not long after the conclusion of the Royal George trial. Typically of Peter, he was working for the club, returning the club trailer to the Mt Joy property when he was overcome by a heart attack and passed away. On behalf of the club, I wish Peter's family and friends our deepest sympathy. Peter was such a fixture at our events that it is difficult to imagine what it will be like without him. Peter was ever cheerful as well as being always ready to pitch in and help assure the success of club events. Others, who knew Peter better than me, will doubtless be able to relate many instances of Peter's generosity and dedication to the sport that he clearly loved. Vale, Peter Norman Bayles, you will be sorely missed.

The Australian Championships will be held at Stanthorpe in Queensland over the weekend of 24-25 September. For those who might be interested, entries close on 9 September.

The New Zealand Championships will be held near Blenheim, in the Marlborough region, over three days from 22 to 24 October. Rumour has it that at least two top Australian riders may be competing and it is confirmed that top British rider Jack Sheppard, the winner of last year's event, will also be riding again.

Ken Hosking

Vice President

# **Royal George**

You may remember, from the last newsletter, that I did say I'd accept donations of fresh scones with raspberry jam and cream. Unfortunately, no treats were forthcoming. That's two years in a row, I'll try again next year.

Royal George once again turned it on, with fantastic weather and very grippy rocks. We had three sections around the 'old' area, including the famous miniature Ayers Rock which doesn't look as steep in photos as it actually is, and four up in the newer area we were kindly granted access to last year. Even though it was quite a large uphill hike to sections 6 and 7, some hardy spectators made the journey. An impressive effort indeed.

Sections varied widely, from the rock-strewn section one, to the rock steps of section 6. Section setters did a fantastic job as usual, although after having a chat to Peter Bayles, he seemed a bit disappointed he hadn't been allowed to send C grade on the same line as C+ back up the rock on section 2.

Our Juniors had their own set of three sections, ridden 6 times each one direction, then the other. In an attempt to force some lost points so we don't get unsplittable scores, one of those sections had a couple of very tight turns. Laila Lockhart picked up third place, Ruby Statton took second, and Millie Lockhart picked up her first ever win. This win seems to have gone to her head, she told me Monday morning she couldn't go to school, she was tired because winning was hard work.

Clubman riders had some tricky lines to contend with. Will Thornbury stormed home for the win, with Will Ferrall in second and Broc Gabbedy in third.

Betas dominated the top positions in C grade. Daniel Butterworth, Steve Harris and Ian Gabbedy finished first, second and third respectively.

Ian Pickering wheeled the good lookin' Fantic around the C grade sections to take maximum Championship points for Twin Shock, and Peter Lockhart bounced his Gas Gas around between the A grade gates to do the same.

Daniel Fenton has a Beta, not a Sherco as the scoresheet posted to Facebook incorrectly stated, and he piloted it to third place, behind Matt Woodhouse. Young kids get more time to practice and it's paying off for Jordan Perkins, taking his first B grade win.

Last but not least, C+. Josh Malcolm picked up third place, beaten by Kurt Pickering who forced the twin shock over things it probably didn't want to go over. The great Peter Bayles cruised to an easy victory. Thanks for everything you've done Peter, you've left behind some huge shoes to fill.

#### Trials des Nations

Chris has boarded the big metal bird and taken off with Phil Whittle on the way to Valchiampo, Italy for the final World round. They've picked up a van and loaded it up with a mix of Gas Gas and Sherco steeds, plus boxes of gear. The rest of the team are on their way at the time of writing. Chris will be riding in the Trial 2 class. If you want to keep track of his progress, check <a href="http://www.fim-live.com/en/fim/the-federation/trial-app/">http://www.fim-live.com/en/fim/the-federation/trial-app/</a> and download the relevant app to your smart phone.

The following weekend, Chris and the rest of the Aussie team will be in Isola 2000, France for the TdN. The event will be even harder mentally given the horrible news they've received, but we wish the whole team the very best luck and hope they can achieve great success.

# **Christmas Dinner**

Christmas is very likely one of the last things on the mind of members at the moment, but Ashlee has been hard at work organising the end of year event. As we've mentioned previously, this will be at the two day site at Mt Joy on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of December. Camping is available and encouraged, bring your bikes and your family and end the year in style. Ashlee has tasked Tasmanian Woodfired Pizza Catering with the important job of stuffing us full of food. The menu is attached to the back of this newsletter.

If we get 50 people attending, it'll be \$24.50 per head. If we get over 70, the cost will go down a couple of dollars. For the money, we get a chef, some staff, entrée pizzas, a selection of traditional pizzas, a selection of gourmet pizzas and dessert pizzas. Pizzas, mates, bikes, trophies, camping, what a great way to finish the year off! Ashlee will need to gets names of those attending over the next couple of months, but pencil it into your calendar and tell your workplaces they can't have their end of year functions that weekend.

### **Rider Profile**

I can't claim credit for this wonderful piece from 2013, written by Mike and Moira Wellman, I'm sure they won't mind it being re-published.

#### PETER (Mr. Moustache-less) BAYLES - Mr July

Probably the biggest change Mike and I noticed when we returned to the club after 18 years absence was that half the riders seemed to be called Bayles, and what a talented bunch they are too, so let's just pick on one of them to profile this month.....

After Peter Bayles' first impressive trial with this club, the crew of a ute heading back to Hobart contained one Mike Amey, who was heard to say "Where the bloody hell did HE come from?". So I'll tell you....

Born in Launceston, and growing up on his parent's property 'Darlington Park', Peter has always lived in the Midlands of Tassie. He started riding at 16, and just scrapes in under 50 now, so bikes have been on his radar for 33 years and counting. At the same tender age he started a builders and joiners apprenticeship but 'it wasn't happening' for him so he returned to a way of life that suits him just fine....farming. Starting off with tractor-driving, he then turned to crutching sheep with his brother Robert, 10,000 of them annually for 5-6 years after which growing spuds must have seemed a very welcome change (bigger dirty lumps??!) Truck-driving, stocking Mt Joy's 3600acres with sheep, buying and selling cattle, growing fat lambs, lucerne, cereal, hemp have all made Mt Joy the lovely property that we are privileged to ride trials on today. The farm is now irrigated with 7 centre-pivots and 6 travelling irrigators to enhance its already impressive production.

Trials in the early 80's were run by the Launceston Motorcycle Club as a bit of an aside to the large moto-cross side of things. Peter rode his KT 250 to win the state trials title at Risdon in 1981, using the same bike to also win a wheelstand competition at Symmons Plains, mono-wheeling from the start line to the hairpin bend.

He stayed in that club until the trials side folded in1985 after the State Titles were held in the in the North-West. Peter rode this legendary event, where even the transport stages between sections were killers, coming 19<sup>th</sup> with a massive 526 points! "One valley had 6 sections with no option but to ride them just to escape". Apparently Pick has a CD of evidence. (NB. Bayles' weren't the only disappointed family when trials folded, our family were travelling across the Nullabour Plain in a campervan, towing a trailer-load of bikes, and relying on the trials club camaraderie to make friends in our new chosen state!).

Bikes Peter has owned also include a TS 185 Suzuki, a road/trail XL 500 Honda, TT600, and the TLR Honda which he rode in the Australian Titles then sold to a bloke he'd never met before who apparently talked a lot - yes, our now-legendary esteemed life-member Neil Berne, who ended up working on Mt Joy.

Peter also had a bash at enduros on a WR250, finishing about mid-field. Very proud dad of fellow-riders Dylan and Chloe, brother of rider Michael and uncle of talented Chris, the family and their property are such an integral part of this club. Club President twice, vice-pres 3 times, Peter is the only member of this club who has ridden in all the Australian Title events – 2 in each state of Queensland, NSW, WA, Victoria, and one in SA. Having Dylan riding in the last 2 "really put the pressure on", with Dad coming out in front one day, and lad the next! He is also, I think, the instigator behind the push to run the Aussie Title here in 2014. He describes the WA and Victorian trips with Peter Lockhart as 'very memorable', with Messr. Lockhart finally declaring he could 'beat Peter at 8-ball, but not at drinking'! Peter's reflection on what the club means to him is echoed by everyone it seems.... "a family club where no-one thinks they are better or worse than anyone else, whether aged 6 or 60, riders, observers, officials, the friendship is always there. And even nicer is that the interstate 'family' always welcomes the Tassie gang, and in return supports our 2-day with enthusiasm".

Pets – just a brainless dog called Muppet....mmmmm....wont go there.

So that's the story of 'where the bloody hell he came from' - farmer, father of 2, now B grader, and host of the ripper annual 2day camping weekend.



# **Next State Round Events**

Our next event is at our clubs spiritual home, Mt Joy, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September. Section setting should be on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September, but the Northern contingent will confirm this later on.

#### **Private Adverts**

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New grips.

Filter changed after every ride.

Gearbox oil changed every second ride.

New master cylinder clutch + rear brake.

New wheel bearings front and rear.

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Good condition, well maintained, \$3,000 negotiable.

Selling bike, daughter isn't interested any more! For all enquiries, please contact Peter Sutcliffe 0439 333 401



# 1976 TY175

All new control cables air filter front brake shoes, has a set of Betor shocks on rear.

Has had full top end rebuild replaced crank bearings gearbox bearings new seals, not much use since only on first oversize.

If you're picky it could do with rechrome on front forks but are still very usable. I have had bike for 10 years and haven't bothered with them. \$1700

Call Donny on 0401 024 644



# **Trials clothing**

- 1) New (unused) Torque Brand M/C Raincoat XXL \$35
- 2) New (unused) Thor size 42 Red MX Pants \$45
- 3) Answer XL Black Jersey VGC \$20
- 4) Answer XL Blue Jersey VGC \$20
- 5) Answer size 38 Blue MX pants VGC \$35

any questions please call Steve Harris on 0487 700 228











# Run out of Beta 2016 models

The 2017 range of Beta trials motorcycles are soon to be released. In the meantime, there are a small number of new 2016 model EVO trials for sale at a substantial discount.

The price includes delivery to Tasmania and a set of front fork, swinging arm and frame guards. There is a bike for everyone here: the powerful 300 for flattening the big steps, the silky smooth 250 that is a pleasure to ride at any level and the zippy 125 for the young and the young at heart.

Superb Italian engineering at an excellent price.

#### **Prices**

#### EVO 300 2 stroke

Original price \$9,700: discounted price \$8,700. Only one left

EVO 250 2 stroke

Original price \$9,500: discounted price \$8,500. Only one left

EVO 125 2 stroke

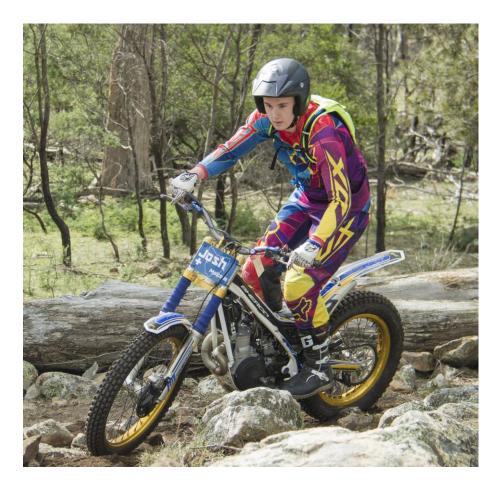
Original price \$8,900: discounted price \$7,900

Contact the local dealer for Beta trials bikes in Tasmania, Ken Hosking, who can be contacted on **0418 122 009**, or by email at ken@betaracingtasmania.com.au

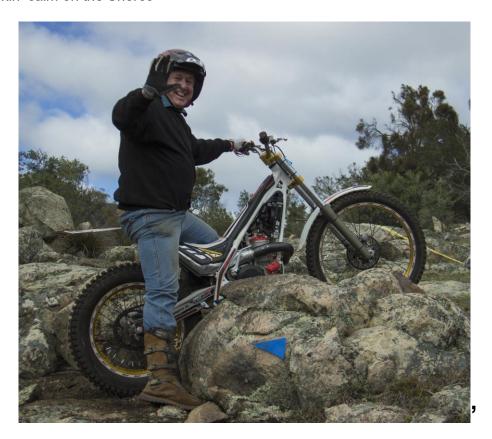


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Josh Malcolm lookin' calm on the Sherco



Rob "Comeback Kid" Perkins. If you're dropping a point, you may as well pose for a photo.

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