# **Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club inc.**

(The most challenging motorcycle sport)

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## November 2015 Acting President's Report

Hi to members and friends of the Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club

The last trial of the 2015-year has been held and the club's championship has been decided in all grades. There remains only one more event in the calendar, that being the annual dinner. It is the turn of the southern region members to host the dinner, which will be held at the Granada Tavern, Berriedale. More information may be found later in the newsletter.

As I competed in the 2015 events, I was struck once again by the friendly atmosphere that pervades the trials scene in Tasmania. Competitors and families come from all walks of life, many doubtlessly having differing political views and some clearly having different lifestyle values. We have abilities ranging from the ultra expert to those who are not likely to be chosen as a works team rider. However, the unifying interest in trials seems to overcome all of these differences. Maybe the reason for this is that although we compete against each other in events, we are completely on our own once we enter a section. There can be no jostling for position as we see in motorcycle racing. It is just the rider and the machine pitted against the terrain. Whether the nature of the sport is the reason for this very addictive sport of motorcycle trials is undeniably enjoyable and companionable. I look forward to being part of this very addictive sport again in 2016.

With the 2015 competition now completed, thanks are due to the many volunteers who make trials happen in the lead up to an on the day of the event.

The organisers, who plan the event, set out sections and ensure that all runs well on the day, and in particular the clerks of the course.

The "tent ladies" who collate the score cards and calculate the results.

The observers, who patiently stay at the sections, come rain or sunshine, recording the points lost.

The scrutineers, who check the bikes, to ensure that all are in a safe condition and that they comply with applicable regulations.

The section checkers, who endeavour to ensure that the sections are appropriate to each grade.

Those who tend to the needs of the junior riders.

The first aid crew, who are on hand to deal with any injuries that occur (thankfully, very few during 2015)

The competitors who help in tearing down the sections after the event and returning the equipment to the club trailer.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at the annual dinner as we complete the 2016 season.

Ken Hosking

Acting President.



## Event wrap up

Eugey-nah nah. Eugey-nanna. How is it actually pronounced? Nobody knows. Actually the locals probably do but I didn't ask them. It was, after all, the last round of our Championship, the Grand Final, and here is where trophies were to be decided.

It's a pretty little venue, the grass is a perfect green, it's on the side of a hill getting heaps of sun, there's gorgeous old bulldozer to look at and there's some good shade about. For the nature lovers, a bit away from section 6 there was a bee hive hanging from a tree branch, which I found by accident after almost headbutting it when I went to answer the call of nature.. There's even a little bit of mystery, with reports of a possible Alice in Wonderland rabbit hole over at section 6 from two of our Junior riders. I didn't investigate this but if you see a Cheshire Cat, it may have escaped. Speaking of Cheshire Cats, Chris Bayles was smiling like one, having what looked like great fun pushing a borrowed TLR 200 to its absolute limits. Chris decided against riding the Twin Shock lines and instead took on the A grade lines. That's pretty brave stuff, and it was great to watch.

This seems to be stated almost every event lately, but once again, it's great to see even more new members. Not only did we have new riders, we had some new observers, quite a few spectators and some returning riders. The club seems to be doing well and hopefully that momentum carries through into next year. There's rumours of a few riders looking at moving up grades, possible new rides, next season is already looking good.

Once again the Juniors were out in force, with a total of seven riders. There's electric trials bikes, petrol trials bikes, mini bikes and Chinese MX imitation bikes, and the kids get pretty competitive on them. Broc might be looking at a Clubman ride on the Gas Gas next year, after winning Junior with a loss of just 3 marks. Cousins Laila and Millie were tied for second, resulting in a countback, which Laila won on cleans, 20 to 17. Thanks again to Jenny, Ashlee and anyone else who helped out the kids, including the riders and observers who helped pick up or start bikes.

The always happy David Quinn wheeled the Beta around to win Clubman, while Chloe Bayles picked up second place. Bridie Perkins picked up third place on bike her father is trying to see, so if you want to pick up a TY175 and some spares, check the classifieds section on our website.

Welcome back Nobby Gabbedy! Nobby was our lone twin shock competitor on his TLR and looked to be enjoying himself. Luckily Justin, his spare bike to be used justin case the first one dies, didn't need to be used.

Thirteen riders took on the C grade lines which were a good mix of flowing and technical sections. Dean Medwin showed he still has it by winning with only four points lost. The ever steady Mike Travica picked up second, with Ken Hosking returning from a successful trials event in New Zealand to take third place.

C plus saw Nigel 'Giant Hands' Munday finish the season the same way he started, with a win. If you've got short fingers like me and he offers you a ride of his bike, be warned, you might struggle to reach the brakes. Matt Woodhouse shared his Beta all day and finished just one point behind Nigel, Josh Lockhart finished third.

Jordan Perkins decided he couldn't wait for next year and moved up to B grade for the last round. It's a decent jump between C+ and B grades and Jordan did very well. Dylan Bayles got the job done and took the win. Leo Rochfort, Peter Lockhart and Kurt Pickering finished first, second and third respectively in A grade. Sorry Peter, you asked nicely but the score sheet had already been printed, I can't change it to say Gas Gas instead of TLR so it looks like you beat one of the best in Australia.

## **Next State Round Events**

We haven't got a calendar yet but rest assured your committee will be getting one together soon. It's probably a safe bet that it'll be the third Sunday of February 2016, keep an eye on Facebook, tastrials.org.au and your phone if you subscribe to the electronic calendar for the full calendar. See you all wherever the event is!

#### Christmas dinner

FINAL CALL! Seriously, this is it, the last chance you've got. Orders must be in by Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> of November. Email your order through to Ashlee: <u>ashlee@lockharts.id.au</u>

December 5<sup>th</sup>. Mark it in your calendar. Unless you subscribe to the electronic calendar on our website, which you should, because then it would already be there. This will be held at the Granada Tavern, 6PM for a 6.30PM start. If you've already booked accommodation at the Riverfront Motel (the original venue), don't worry, the Granada is only 800m down the road. \$45 gets you entre, main meal and a dessert, a night of trophies, celebrations, total lies about how big that rock step really was or how well you carried the front wheel off it and a heap of fun. An absolute bargain! There's also a \$10 kids menu which gets them a drink, main meal and ice cream and there's a big undercover play area with slides and soft landing areas.

## Editor's words

Thanks for reading some of the really weird, bizarre stuff and the occasional bits of good stuff I've written over the year, I've really enjoyed doing the newsletter and the website and will be doing them again next year, I had a bit of an idea that I could be a journalist, so this is a bit of a way of experiencing that, without getting a pay cheque. I'm looking at changing a couple of things in the newsletter which will hopefully work well and be a bit different. The website has done well and is getting a decent number of hits. I can see that over the last month we've had more iPhone users than Android access the page, and that Chrome is the browser of choice for trials riders. Surprisingly, I've only badly broken it 3 or 4 times since it came online, there's a decent backup system in place so it wasn't a huge issue. Remember, if anyone has any contributions (press releases for new models etc, classifieds) or suggestions, send them through and I'll see what I can do.

See you in 2016. Samuel

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Nigel Munday	2	13	0	1	5	0	0	21 Sherco	1
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Mike Travica	2	0	1	10	0	0	0	13 Sherco	2
Ken Hosking	4	2	0	9	1	2	0	18 Beta	3
Josh Malcolm	5	4	0	12	0	4	0	25 Sherco	4
Samuel Lockhart	11	3	0	14	1	2	0	31 Gas Gas	5
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Kirk Costello	6	2	7	18	5	1	0	39 Sherco	7
Josh Statton	13	9	4	18	0	0	0	44 Gas Gas	8
Jack Costello	13	4	7	14	6	3	0	47 Gas Gas	9
David Anderson	6	12	6	22	8	0	0	54 BIKE:	10
Tom Woodhouse	15	8	11	18	3	4	0	59 Beta	11
Brett Langworthy	11	7	14	22	5	1	0	60 Gas Gas	12
Peter Sutcliffe	30	30	28	28	28	27	0	171 Sherco	13
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Nobby Gabbedy	12	14	9	26	7	3	0	71 BIKE:	1
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Chloe Bayles	0	1	5	0	26	8	0	40 Gas Gas	2
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# **Dealer Adverts**

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

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# **Christmas Dinner Menu**

# Entrée

Mix bread and mez - to share A selection of meats, dips and olives served with crusty bread

Prawn Cocktail Cold cooked prawns served in a creamy cocktail sauce

Pumpkin Soup Creamy pumpkin soup served with a hint of cream

## Mains

Turkey, sage and pinenut stuffing served with scalloped potato, broccoli and cranberry jelly and red wine jus

Salmon with lemon foam and salad panzenella A combination of spinach, parmesan, spanish onion, croutons, tomato and cucumber

Scotch filet served medium with chips and salad topped with pepper gravy

## Desserts

Christmas pudding served with brandy custard cream and cherries

Mix berry pav served with whipped cream and ice cream

# Kids menu

Chicken nuggets and chips

Pizza and chips

Fish and chips

(All kids menu items include a drink and ice cream)