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ON BEHALF OF THE 2010 COMMITTEE,  
AND THE NEW 2011 COMMITTEE, MAY I WISH ALL MEMBERS  
AND THEIR FAMILIES, SUPPORTERS AND SPONSORS, A SAFE  
AND HAPPY FESTIVE SEASON, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
SEEING YOU ALL AGAIN IN THE MOTO TRIALS SEASON OF  
2011.

REGARDS AND BEST WISHES,  
STEVE.



Mike Thorpe on the Factory Yates Honda at Woodendale Rd

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## EDITORIAL

First up apologies for the delay and missed magazines, we have now completed our first move and hopefully we will be moving again in around 7 or 8 months. Please take note of the new address on the membership forms too. It's been a sad couple of months in the WA Trials Community with the loss of two members of the community. Neil Butterworth and Bruce Bryant have both passed away since the last issue of the magazine and so our sincere condolences go out to their families at this time.

I did manage to make it to the Ashes trial but I did unfortunately miss the the end of year trophy presentations the day before. Apparently the training went down very well with some more skills picked up and fun had along the way.

Christmas is almost upon us again, the years are flying by and it only seems like yesterday since Christmas last year. I'm sure there will be a few people out there looking forward to a new mount in their Christmas stocking this Christmas and then hanging out for the next trial. The 2011 membership form should arrive along with the mag and as I mentioned earlier please note our new address if you are mailing them in and also note the new option on the form for a hard copy of the mag. As we're always calling out for new officials to share the load please take note of the officials courses being run by Steve Scragg in late January. They are only half day courses and will be run for the Trials Community only, so please try and make an effort to attend.

**Tony "I do all my own stunts" Povey.**

**Coming Events Check changes in the Sunday Times ON2Wheels pages and in Sat. The West BGC Sporting Notices**

• Christmas	Your House	Your Street	6.00am Sat 25th December, 10
• 2011 Calendar TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

**Pathfinders Trials MCC (Inc)**

**Results - President's Trial at Hilltop Farm, Toodyay on 10th October 2010.**

Steward - Peter Kiel

COC - Susan Baldwin

Scrutineer - Steve Scragg

Race Secretary - Dianne Scragg

Organiser - Mike Kitney.

#	Grade	Competitor	Laps						Total	C/B
			1	2	3	4	5	6		
1	B	David Kiel	8	18	6	7	3	2	<b>44</b>	
1	C	Mike Darnborough	7	8	6	6	1	1	<b>29</b>	
2	C	Kevin Reynolds	8	14	4	2	1	1	<b>30</b>	
3	C	Simon Price	8	2	11	0	0	11	<b>32</b>	
4	C	Dick Yates	11	10	6	7	3	4	<b>41</b>	21
5	C	Tom Anticich	6	10	4	6	10	5	<b>41</b>	19
6	C	Ian Coates	21	9	9	4	11	2	<b>56</b>	
7	C	Andreas Meyer	28	15	14	13	12	16	<b>98</b>	
1	CC	Richard Clarke	1	1	1	0	0	0	<b>3</b>	
2	CC	Ian Moon	4	0	1	0	1	0	<b>6</b>	
3	CC	Robin Ferguson	2	1	1	0	6	0	<b>10</b>	37
4	CC	Trevor Willsher	4	3	0	2	0	1	<b>10</b>	33
5	CC	Steve Scragg	1	5	4	1	1	0	<b>12</b>	
6	CC	Martin Softly	4	1	6	0	1	1	<b>13</b>	
7	CC	Nic Anticich	9	14	7	8	11	6	<b>55</b>	
8	CC	Wayne Cattach	14	20	9	11	5	4	<b>63</b>	
1	Junior	James Rewell	12	13	7	6	6	7	<b>51</b>	
1	BP	Lucinda Clarke	3	5	5	2	1	2	<b>18</b>	
2	BP	Megan Clarke	12	8	10	5	2	2	<b>39</b>	

**2010 President's Trophy -**

Awarded to Tristian Lowe for his outstanding improvement during 2009 / 2010.

Thanks to the Landowners - The Kiel Family - and all Officials.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for October

Mark Austin	Dick Yates	Ian Moon
Mick Szadkowski	Ari Galant	Tristan Clark
Jayden Lowe	Joshua Austin	Alan Gluyas
Jason Griffiths	Corey Thomas	Joshua Earnshaw
Kevin Beverley		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for November

Belinda Dallman	James Povey	Michael Kiel
Damon Whitcombe	Debby Patane	Peter Mullins
Lindsay Kerr	Cameron Smart	Roger Parham
Sara Wagener	David Scott	Katie Lloyd-Cox
Neville Friedman	Tim Price	Mike Darnborough
Benjamin Barker		

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## IT'S A LONG WAY TO THE NATIONALS "Just ask Wendy!" - continued.....

Tuesday 3rd:

Arrived at Katherine today, quite the metropolis 12,000 people wow!! 10,000 were out working and the other 2,000 were outside the TAB or the Pub or sitting down in any shade available enough said. We splashed out on a caravan park today "\$32 I could by a new one for that" I must admit it had some lovely thermal springs and we whiled away a couple of hours coming out looking more wrinkly



Sitting in the warm patch

than the wrinkle's who were sharing the pools with us. Wendy here: as we were going through town Mark came across a coloured thing called a traffic light and being on the road for two weeks without them I had to explain what they do what the colours meant and most of all tell him when to brake cause there was a nice van in front of us. We have just watched a movie called The Bucket List not bad, glad I did not have to pay to watch it though, Mark is bringing the washing in and the dishes are next lol he does not know it yet but he will soon, he is doing community service for all the deaths he has caused over the last few days. God knows what he will have to do if he hits a water buffalo but I will think of something if we are still around. Ok guys will write more tomorrow bye for now.

Wednesday 4th:

First stop Katherine gorge which has now been handed



Nik Nik Wiggy Wiggy Gorge

back to the original landowners or at least the ones that were here when the white man arrived, it is now called Nik

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Nik Wiggy Wiggy Ding Ding Gorge. Usual stuff lots of tourists, big cliffs everything looks A Grade, and a "little bit too hard for B grade there David!". Travelling South next stop was Makarrata thermal springs which were nice considering it was raining at the time, still it kept us from getting



Wendy inviting the Germans in for a swim

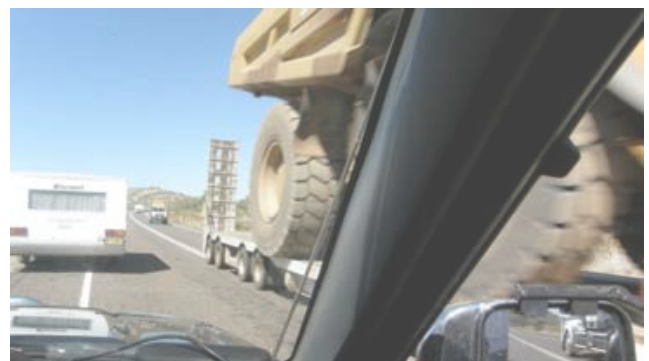
wet in the rain. Wendy here: the pools were great except we were the only Aussie's in there they were all German, I said to them get out the pool now "SNELL SNELL" (which is German for quickly) but they did not listen so I said we won the war anyway lol was I bad. You would not think you were in Aus I thought I was in a fjord in Handburg.

Thursday 5th:

Covered about 600kms today which puts us about 100 kms west of the QLD border. Wendy here: we brought some of the local tucker which was croc so I cooked it up for tea in a sarty sauce with potato bake from Woollies which was crap by the way, it was horrible the only consolation was that I was eating him and not the other way around so we will throw the next lot out. Like Mark said not a lot happened today bye for now Wendy.

Friday 6th:

Well YeeeeeeeeHaaaaaaa!!! Get your line dancing shoes and ten gallon hat on its rodeo time in Mt Isa, with Casey



Watch that truck Mark, MARK!!!!

Chambers playing on every speaker the boys from the bush are definitely back in town. Any way we stayed long enough for a PizaHut then high tailed it out of town before Wendy the city slicker could offend any of these fine cattle rustling folk! So far QLD roads are a marked improvement on those NT bush bashing trails so that's some relief on a sore back and squashed buttocks.

Saturday 7th:

Went to the dinosaur museum in Richmond, old Dick must of had a hard paper round with these critters to deal with, lots of fossils including some Harleys riding through town



Have you flossed?

on their way to a Hogs convention. 500kms today as we head into the wind on our way to Townsville. Wendy here: the roads on the way down from Julia Creek to here were crap you were bouncing around like a very bouncy thing not good for me. The dinosaurs were really good they had one there called markdidyoubringabeerus and the answer to that is no he did not lol. We have found a nice spot to stop the night next stop Townsville, there for a couple of days doing the barrier reef and fish and chips yyyiiipp-pee, well will write again soon love and stuff Wendy.

Sunday 8th:

Wendy here: we have arrived in Townsville and booked



Mad Pushies slipstreaming a 100 tonne digger



Now Mr Irwin, can you please point out if you recognise any of the stingrays that attacked you?

into this caravan park. The park was not the best, we ended up against this fence that was a junk yard and yes you guessed it the resident junkyard dog, I called him Pain in the Arse because he barked at the trains that went past every five minutes. We then went into the city to see the sunny sites and ended up at the aquarium (fish tank place) it was so good in there I could have stayed all day, then we went to the posh area called the Strand and had fish and chips. As we were walking along the beach Mark noticed all the vinegar stations I told him that box jellyfish swim there and that means death but the vinegar can save your life I was not going to find out though so back to the junkyard for the night.

Monday 9th:

Wendy here: we hit the shops on Monday and went and



I'm on the top of the world

booked our Barrier Reef tour which I was so excited about, but more on that later. There was all kinds of work going on because they were redoing the local mall so the shopping was not the best I got some great clothes from the op shop Sue, then back to the van for a quiet day as if any day with me is quiet.

Tuesday 10th:

Wendy here: well the day has arrived for our trip, the alarm went off at stupid o'clock and we were at the marina



I do think GREEN suits you dear

by 6.30am, we were taken round the back to a car park and told to try on our wet suits, there was no changing rooms or nothing, so down to my bathers I went, after you had poured me into my suit we had to take it off again I was not happy because my boob fell out, so I rolled it up real quick and put it away hoping no one saw .We made



our way to the boat, boarded and skipper Rob said it was going to take three hours to reach the reef, I knew then what my day was going to be like. As the boat left the safety of the marina and the waves hit my life was over I had three hours of this, I did good for about an hour but even after two not so anti sea sick tablets it started, I had my own bucket which I loved more than Mark at the time and I called it Alwaysfull, I then fell asleep on mark till we got to the reef, to make me feel better the Japanese family next to us was also throwing their guts up to. Once we got to the reef it took all my effort to get poured back into my wetsuit and flippers, but I did and I went for a snorkel it was awesome just so beautiful, the young Japanese girl was sick again and all the fish swam round her for dinner she must have had teryaki chicken or miso soup, and they loved it, me on the other hand was sick in the water, I know not nice but all I had was bile so I said to the fish come get your acid here, free acid all round, I had no takers. Poor me I only managed about an hour in the water then back to the safety of the boat, the skipper told me to go up to the bridge and there is a nice big cushion I could lie on so I did in my black painted on wetsuit I must have looked like a endangered seal lying there sunning myself, I have to give Mark so much credit he did not get upset and he really did look after me, I love you so much Hun thanks. The trip back was better after an hour and a half I got my second wind and picked up heaps because it was so calm on the way back I ate half a ton of crackers and cheese and yes I kept it down, what a day, the reef was to die for and guys I nearly did. As you can imagine we had an early night because I was so drained. Then the heavens opened and it pissed down all night we woke up to the caravan park flooded except for are little space of the junkyard. We have now left Townsville and heading to Tamborine Mountain will write more soon loads of love Wendy.

Wednesday 11th:  
 Certainly put in the hard yards today and spent most of the day on the road, passed through Ayr, Bowen and cow city Mackay finally ending up camping in St Lawrence.

Thursday 12th:  
 Another long day stopped at Gladstone sort of a cross between Tom Price and Mandurah lots of nice bits spoilt by the mines and industry, still I managed to get Wendy kitted up at the local Salvo's for \$15, still I had to haggle, well that's her birthday sorted i'll concentrate on Christmas

when we get to a Vinny's.

Friday 13th:  
 Had a lie in today and didn't crawl out of bed until 08:30, well if you had a wife as pretty as mine you would want to stay in bed for as long as possible..... set off for a little place called Childers where the 15 backpackers were killed in the hotel fire, nice little memorial very touching. The town is very pretty although Wendy didn't go a lot on Madam Vingsing the local owner of the Vietnamese restaurant, "I said no capsicum" "So solly I take off plate and you eat" "No I can still taste capsicum" "OK! OK!



Bam Bam Springs

Wendysan I cook another one special for you with special ingredient" "This Pepsi max is out of date" "so solly so solly you take coke zelo" "This coke zero is out of date" "So solly so solly you take diet coke" "I don't want diet coke just give me lemonade"..... Any way we was run out of town at 13:00 and had an early camp at a place called Ban Ban Springs beautiful spot no sign of Fred Flintstone though.

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## Two Wheel Wreckers

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## WA STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 12/09/10 – AJS PARK

When reading the September Pathfinder, I wasn't sure it had changed into the Caravan and Touring magazine by the articles! I missed the deadline for an article in the last mag on the state championships, so I thought I need to balance this back up with a trials report! I was however really expecting a mag full to the brim of articles from club members who rode at the National Championships this year, or the selected club members who competed on the world stage for the Australian team from the TDN, or from our new State Champion. But I must have missed it on Twitter or Facebook or some form of Blog, Forum whatever on the net I suppose, using the word "awesome" or some brief description for comment probably! So how about it guys? So getting around as a spectator rather than a rider at this years State Championships, I was lucky enough to see most of the day until lunchtime, as I was on nightshift that night, I had the chance to see a bit more of everyone and observe from the sidelines. Unfortunately I forgot to charge the camera, as I had ample photo opportunities. It was good to catch up with the usual faces and saw a lot of newer ones I didn't know (me for not riding this year), a good sign that the support of the trials clubs continues. Talking to Rod Cummings, who didn't ride due to a foot injury the week before practicing, reminded me of last year when I hurt my back before the State Championships, practice until it hurts? The AJS club set a great trial and looked fairly challenging in some sections for a number of grades. A coolish day with cloud cover, with the threat of rain, as the night before dampened the sand a bit, but those who have not ridden there may have been caught out by the front end diving on the bike etc in sand. I did see some spectacular rides by certain riders, some differing styles and skills. The level of competition was close across most grades, showing that the trial was set very well. The sidecar action was the one that impressed me the most, it was fairly close between the teams, and I think the level of competition here has really come on this year.

Section 1 –Logs, the only section I didn't get a good look at, as I was distracted with the action around the main spectator area sections.

Section 2 – Mick Zad. Down at the fence line, watched the A Graders Tim and Alex go through, with Alex floating the back wheel over a mid section tape and marker on the last bit before the end gate, all good, through for a clean.

Section 3 – Rod. Down in the bomb hole, Saw Leo float the front wheel of the bike-sidecar up the last bank all the way from the bottom of the hole. C Grade line had a mid section rock obstacle, some riders made it look hard, others just glided through. Joel Patane went up the last steep bank for the Junior line, got a bit offline as he went up basically the C Grade line, good effort all the same, probably will be cleaning that line in a year or two!

Section 4 – Peter Hunter. This was a large section plus another, making hard work for the tough observer who was taking a hard look at rollbacks and issued fives as needed, consistent though. I saw Dave Thomas make the boulders in B Grade look easy, nice smooth riding. In C Grade a turn near the tapes saw Sam Lloyd-Cox get a five for just a bit too much throttle out of over a rock, and travel just over the tape. His Dad Steve took the big log before this nicely with a calculated turn back with ease. Jason Griffiths said his bike wouldn't start the day before, he had the thing in bits looking at all things electrical, nearly gave up, but when all back together at day's end and it fired up with much relief and bewilderment. His efforts paid off however, as Jason and Aaron Staines won sidecars.

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Section 5 – Pete Leatherbarrow. This was the red boulders and didn't seem to trouble anyone here I saw. Smooth exit line from Clubman Robin Ferguson over the last rock.

Section 6 - Lisa Cox. This was the sleepers, Dave Thomas did again make easy work of the off camber step across mid line up the sleepers. A Grade was straight up, I wasn't lucky enough to see any of them here, as they were only doing 4 laps and not circulating as quick. Saw Chris Simon and son Kevin go through easy enough in C grade.

Section 7 - Rick Fairey. Some more logs, and the odd rock. The C Grade offered alternative lines, a nice drop in turn by Mark Austin tried the alternative inner end turn, as he had been riding the wider one to the tape before. Mike Darnsbrough had also a good ride through here.

Section 8 – John McGlone. New section this year. Logs, big step ups/offs, pipes. This was a real decider for all grades. Best section of the trial, thanks to Paul Church! Clubman had a tight ride at the start of the section through small trees which Paul rode through with no fuss. C Grade had a mid section undercut log with a pipe behind it. It wasn't square to the exit over the pipes and out, so it need to be cleared and turn straight away to line up to exit. This obstacle claimed a lot of fives off C Grade earlier in the laps, as a least 5 riders went over the bars here. Ian Coates took the best approach and went to the left marker at the B grade wall and cut diagonally away from the trouble area, but left the exit awkward over the pipes. Now awkward and trouble don't usually apply to Simon Price, but his approach cut to the right of the log to do a double back turn to line up the exit. He made turning and balancing on the sandy ground look easy (no trouble). Sidecars were good to watch here also. Leo floated Glenn and sidecar wheel over the tyre at the end markers with a line that gave traction all the way up the sandy bank to exit. Lewis and Mike Kitney did a good effort on keeping the drive going on the wider line to the right on this bank, oh the poor clutch in the Beta after that!

Section 9 – Main Spectator area, starting over the concrete products to drop down into the gully and with various grades turns in water to exit out over the sleepers. The most direct line crossing the gully for Clubmen did not seem the preferred option as others had found the opposite bank slippery, so a couple of awkward off camber slow balance turns resulted up and around the bank. Too much throttle up the sleeper ramp would spin a wet rear wheel here, so a lot of riders went wide left over the rocks to the exit gate. The A,B and C lines were around the water pooling in the mid section, again a wet rear tyre made traction here challenging. Tristian Lowe rode out of here well, taking a higher line easily over the rocks in the bank following, where other riders went lower and seemed smoother here, but the end result was usually the same.

Section 10 - Main Spectator area – Waterfall, ridden down the flow. Didn't affect the lower grades too much as they crossed it, but the ride through the water pool was quite deep in certain places. A & B Grade crossed this twice I think. One Club rider, not sure who now, rode a nice line all the way only to miss the end marker before the end gates on that lap. A big section and easily viewed from any angle.

Well that's my wrap on the States, congratulations to Alex for his first State Championship win, and all other place getters deserving their positions for a challenging and spectacular trial. Well done to AJS for a well set and organised event.

**Cheers Roger Burrell.**

**Pathfinders Trials MCC (Inc)****Results - Ashes Trial at Marsh's Farm, Karragullen on 17th October 2010.**

Steward - Georgie Thomas

COC - Steve Scragg

Scrutineer - Richard Baldwin

Race Secretary - Dianne Scragg

Organiser - Steve Scragg

All grades 7 Sections x 6 Laps except Black Plate and Intro.

#	Grade	Competitor	Laps						Total
			1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	B	Steve Lloyd- Cox	3	1	0	1	0	0	<u>5</u>
2	B	Dave Thomas	2	3	0	1	1	1	<u>8</u>
3	B	Matt Leatherbarrow	8	15	9	4	5	3	<u>44</u>
1	C	Simon Price	1	0	1	0	0	0	<u>2</u>
2	C	Sean McGuckin	0	1	1	1	1	0	<u>4</u>
3	C	Mike Darnborough	4	0	0	3	1	0	<u>8</u>
4	C	Tony Povey	1	6	1	0	0	1	<u>9</u>
5	C	Ian Coates	4	3	4	2	0	1	<u>14</u>
6	C	Tom Anticich	10	1	3	1	1	0	<u>16</u>
7	C	Dick Yates	13	5	3	5	3	4	<u>33</u>
8	C	Andreas Meyer	19	8	7	13	7	3	<u>57</u>
9	C	Pete Dumitro	14	11	13	14	10	9	<u>71</u>
10	C	Ben Dumitro	14	14	14	18	15	10	<u>85</u>
1	CC	Ian Moon	1	0	0	0	0	0	<u>1</u>
2	CC	Robin Ferguson	0	0	0	1	1	0	<u>2</u>
3	CC	Richard Clarke	2	2	5	0	0	0	<u>9</u>
4	CC	Nick Anticich	5	1	5	3	0	0	<u>14</u>
5	CC	Martin Softly	7	6	0	2	1	0	<u>16</u>
6	CC	Susan Baldwin	6	0	3	5	5	1	<u>20</u>
7	CC	Mike Povey	9	3	7	2	0	3	<u>24</u>
8	CC	Richard Baldwin	11	5	10	2	6	0	<u>34</u>
9	CC	Cornell Scheibling	21	16	10	17	6	11	<u>81</u>
1	Intro	Tom Softly	2	2	3	3			<u>10</u>
1	BP (3 sections)	Megan Clarke	1	0	0	1	0	1	<u>3</u>
2	BP (3 sections)	Lucinda Clarke	0	5	1	1	0	1	<u>8</u>
1	BP (5 sections)	Roland Ferguson	3	0	6	0	3	1	<u>13</u>

Entries & Scores - Dianne Scragg.

Thanks to the Land Owner and all the Officials.



### Mike and Moira on the cut – & off it too!! - Continued



Even the churches of Coober Pedy are underground & have a nice warm glow about them – so different from the big cold English churches. If your house needs another bedroom, you just get the pick & shovel out & start digging!

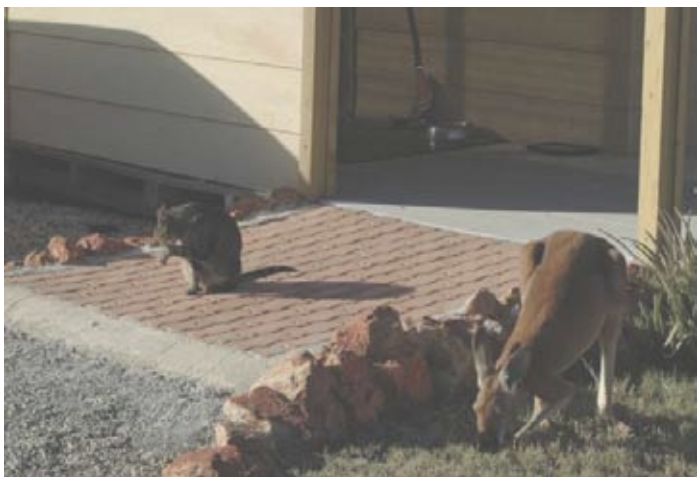


West of Coober Pedy we came across the dingo fence – originally this was around 9,000km long, but now it is a mere 5,600km! Surely only in outback Australia would someone have a beer cask for a headstone, suitably adorned with gum leaves & empty wine bottles!



Time to celebrate with a beer as we meet up with our son Scott (& his friend Lee) for the first time in almost three years. The boy's accommodation was cheap & cheerful – well cheap anyway!





Unusual companions – a cat & kangaroo at one of the caravan parks. The Finke River was almost dry when we were there & hard to imagine how it would have looked when it dumped the debris in the tree branches above!



At Stuarts Well roadhouse we met some of the locals. Dinky the singing dingo is world famous & even appeared on one of Martin Clunes travel programs.



Scotty does some last minute preparation for the Finke Desert Race & then a little practice. All did not go well in the race though – after a good start & being in the top 40 riders (out of 500) he came off heavily at the 160km mark & managed to limp through to the finish of the first day in 107 position, but was too sore for the return trip the next day.

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## WEB SITES

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all the local trials news and views.

<http://www.beta.id.au>  
Simon Price is the state Beta dealer for new and used bikes. See Simon or his boys for common parts, tyres and Belray oils from his van

<http://motorcyclingwa.org.au>  
MWQ website, keep informed and up to date with our state body for motorcycling for news, licensing, rulings and official courses

<http://www.trails.com.au/calndrs/directions.shtml>  
New members will find these maps helpful for findind our events around the countryside.

<http://www.trialscentral.com>  
Regular updates and pictures of World and Euro trials. Helpful forum too.

<http://www.trialonline.org>  
Current and historical data on World and Euro championships, good photos

[http://http://www.trialstrainingcenter.com/html/how\\_to Ride.html](http://http://www.trialstrainingcenter.com/html/how_to Ride.html)  
It shows you the tricks of how to ride trials with photo's and video's.

<http://www.ajsmototrials.com/>  
This is the website of the trials division of the AJS motorcycle club of WA. It contains information on club activities, news, events and classifieds.

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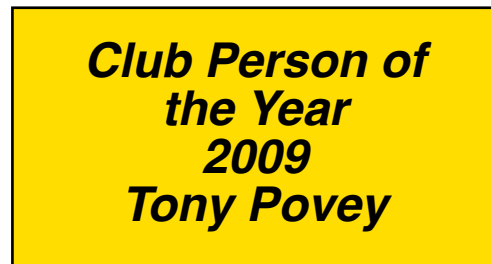
## TRIALS NEWS IN SHORT

### Organizers and Officials on Calendar

Please check the Calendar for duties you have been assigned and notify the comittee if you are unbale to carry them out as soon as possible.

### Officials

We are still seeking more officials to share the load at events. The courses are run at the MWA offices and are free to attend, lunch is also included. Show your support and book into one now at [http://www.motorcycling.org.au/coming\\_officials.php](http://www.motorcycling.org.au/coming_officials.php).



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Each year in addition to the Series Trophies, Members who attend the AGM award two other prestigious trophies.

AND THE WINNERS ARE –

### **The Ashes Trophy for the best Trial of 2010**

This year's best Trial was Summer Series 2 / Twin Shock Challenge that was held at Dyjack's Farm in Wandering - and the organiser was JOSH AUSTIN.

This event narrowly beat the Charity Trial (John McGlone), the evergreen favourite of the Blackwood Two Day (Frank Patane) and this year's State Championships (AJS).

**Congratulations Josh!**

### **The Club Person of the Year 2010**

This year's Club Person of the Year has been awarded to Steve Scragg.

Steve narrowly beat Dianne Scragg and Simon Price to take the award.

A Member of the Club since 1993, Steve is the current President of Pathfinders Trials MCC and was re-elected for 2011.

**Congratulations Steve!**

### **The President's Trophy 2010**

As the name suggests, this trophy is awarded to any Club Member who in the opinion of the President, warrants such recognition. Along with the Prestige Trophy, it is the oldest and longest presented, perpetual trophy.

Initially awarded by Wilf Parker for the winner of the President's Trial, it was changed in the late 1990's to reflect a new focus of recognition and reward for effort.

This year's Winner is Tristian Lowe in recognition for his outstanding riding improvement this year, which culminated in his excellent performance in the State Championships.

**Congratulations Tristian!**

## **The 2010 President's Report.**

What another great year for our Club!

The calendar this year included 18 well attended Club and Interclub events and a very successful State Championships conducted by the AJS Motorcycle Club.

Section severity was a discussion point again this year; however I believe we have continued to set events and sections that challenge riders rather than intimidate them and we can be rightly proud of our reputation as a family orientated Club that encourages competitors from all age groups and with varying skill levels.

Congratulations to all Pathfinders Members who competed in this year's National Championships. Congratulations to Neil Price for his second in the Expert Class and his selection with Lewis Nolan to the Australian Trials Des Nations Team.

These riders, and all the Competitors at National and State Championships, are an inspiration to the Club.

To our Club Officials, Observers and Land Owners – thank you.

Without your continued support our Club could not function as professionally as it does.

To all our Sponsors - a huge thank you.

Without your ongoing involvement in the Club, we would not enjoy the success we currently have. Thank you to MWA, Healthway for a Smoke Free WA, Healthy Clubs WA and Moto Dynamics.

Thank you to all the members of the 2010 Committee, and all those Members who attend our monthly meetings, for their efforts in ensuring that the Pathfinders Trials MCC remains WA's premier Moto Trials Club. We remain a growing, healthy and financially successful Club that continues to attract new competitors and families of all ages - and that is testament to your Committee's continued efforts and guidance.

I would also like to thank the Editor of our monthly magazine – The Pathfinder.

Tony Povey and all the members of his family are producing a top class magazine for our Members which is eagerly anticipated in many households. Well done and thank you.

To the members of the 2011 Club Committee, I wish you every success for next year.

I'm sure that you will continue Pathfinders Trials MCC ongoing success during the Club's 36th year.

To all Members, new and old, I wish you a safe and relaxing Holiday Season during the break from Trials and thank you for your continued help and support during the year.

**Steve.**

2nd November 2010.

## Sue's Scribbles

Hello, time for final scribbles for the year  
Our final event, the Ashes Trial was held at Karragullen.  
On the sat before the trial Simon conducted a school with about a dozen Junior/ club class & a couple of vets taking up the opportunity to practice & have some tutelage. Thanks Simon. After the school the trophy presentation took place followed by a bbq. It was good to see the Patanes make the effort to come all the way from Donnybrook for the afternoon, then heading back home at sunset. A number of people took the opportunity to camp over. Steve had set 7 sections for the Sun. Five of the sections were along the rock face with 2 more in the creek over the back. S5 was a bit daunting with a large rock step to get up then a steep climb up the face to the top. Nick became very popular with most of the clubbies on the 2nd lap as he kindly dislodged the boulder & sent it crashing to the bottom making the climb a lot easier on the following laps.

It has been a sad time for the trials community with the recent passing of both Neil Butterworth & Bruce Bryant. Our condolences to Margaret & Ellen Butterworth & to Rod & Elsie Bryant & to Bruce's wife & children.

Well it is now bike maintenance time & my beloved mechanic is busy at it with wheels out & bearings repacked etc, in fact I think most of it is now done. I guess as usual Santa will visit many of your houses & drop off new bikes or gear he seems to lose his GPS before he gets here.

Thanks to all who helped to make this a very enjoyable year, officials, course setters' observers, fellow riders & members & new found friends for your support & encouragement.

Have a safe & happy Christmas & Blessings for the New Year

**Cheers Sue**

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## Thanks

Many thanks to all members of Pathfinders Trials Club for their beautiful flowers, cards and messages of sympathy in the passing of Bruce. Some of his happiest times were spent with the club and riding his bike.

**Rod, Elsie, Adele, Michael and James**

## OFFICIAL'S TRAINING 2011

Motorcycling WA have kindly allocated two Official's Training Courses in our off season to allow more Members to become accredited Officials or to upgrade their licences.

The courses will comply with MWA training guidelines and while the examinations at the end of training will continue to be the generic MWA non-discipline specific test, your Presenter will be making the courses Trials specific.

Both training courses will be held on SATURDAY 29th January, 2011.

Both training courses will be held at MWA, 46 Seventh Avenue, Maylands.

Level 1 Operational Officials Course will commence at 9am for all new Officials and will conclude at approx. 12 noon. Level 1 is the minimum standard for supervised practice at any Trials venue.

Level 2 Officials for renewal or upgrade of licences will commence at 12.30pm and will be a maximum of 4 hours in duration.

Your Course Presenter will be Steve Scragg.

**Nominations for either course are now being sought and you can make sure of your place by contacting Steve on 9450 7119 or 0411 598 037.**

Both Pathfinders' and AJS MCC Members are encouraged to attend and to give something back to their sport and MWA.



## Pricele\$\$ Comment\$

Tony Griffo, where is it.

I loved Wendy and Mark's little article and can't wait for the next edition.

I noticed there were a few photos that Mark didn't comment on and there were no photo's of the French back packers.

It is with sadness I note the passing of two great supporters of trials, Neil Butterworth and Bruce Bryant.

Neil will always be remembered as our Number One professional Observer as he along with Margaret and Ellen started observing for us without any rider connection with the club. They stumbled across us one day when they were out bush walking and ended up our first number one fan club as well.

Bruce Bryant will certainly be remembered for his big cheeky grin and love of life. I remember many a good night around the campfire full of jokes and laughter. Our thoughts are with all the families.

It is certainly Santa season now with no more trials this year and the first trial next season not due until Feb 2011. It is time now to sit back, relax and get fat. No point in fighting it and pretending that you are going to service the bike, maintain your fitness & training campaign and be hot to trot for the start of the season because it just won't happen. This is a proven fact and I could name a few to prove it.

I'm fairly sure one of the people I could name wrote a scathing attack on me in the last mag, he rides a Gas Gas mainly in B Grade. Another person I could mention reckoned he was going to write an article one day, maybe!!! Anyway the good thing about the Santa season means that there will be a few new bikes to look at, talk about and test ride. The talk for 2011 will no doubt be the Ossa's hitting the dirt for the first time in many years. Lewis and Alex's Gassa's have arrived and Leo is in seventh heaven having finally got the lads onto Gassa's. Neil's Beta will be here late Dec early Jan.

Happy birthday to Josh Austin recently who turned 21. I was talking with Mark the other day and instead of him giving Josh a key to the door he was changing the locks. I can understand that, have you seen how much Josh eats, only joking there is no way Wendy would let Mark lock the kids out but the shed might be a different story.

Old members will remember Mike and Moira Wellman who live in Tas, I got an email from Mike and he is back into trials. I always thought Mike was a very smart man and he is, he bought a Beta.

Trials Demo at the Toodyay Bike Festival and Make a Difference ride. Neil, Lewis and Alex put on a demo in support of the event and charity fundraiser. The weather

was on and off a bit but they put on a good show as they always do. Lewis and Alex were torn between Narrogin Rev Heads and the event, so it was much appreciated that they supported the event. Richard Baldwin, Tony Griffo and a few past members were out on their roadies for the event.

Pathfinders have stepped into the electronic social network of Facebook. Thanks to Ben Dumitro we have a face book page (I think that's what it is called) as I understand it is a little different to the normal personal face book thingy that people do. If you are into facebook then you will know what I mean and you should be able to find it without any problems. If you are not into facebook you can still view it like a web page. Anyway the master plan is to try it out and the main advantage of facebook is that if you set up a facebook for yourself or already have one and join with the Pathfinder page you will, if you want, receive automatic up dates from the page. So for example, if there is a change of venue listed on the page you will get an automatic email about it or if you're not into facebook you can just check the page just like a web site. It can't be too hard because Leo found it, so that's saying something. The address is [www.facebook.com/pathfinderswamototrials](http://www.facebook.com/pathfinderswamototrials)

That's about it for now, I wish everyone a very Merry Xmas and a safe and prosperous New Year and may Santa bring you a new bike.

### Keep on trialing, Pricey



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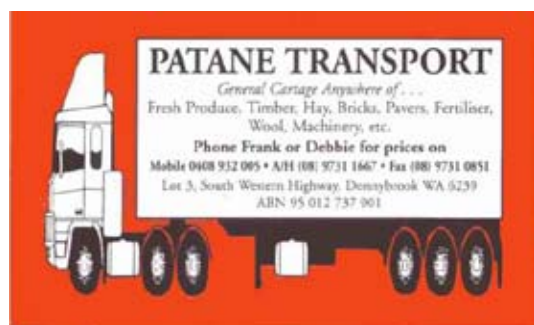
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