

# Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club inc.

(The Most Challenging Motorcycle Sport)



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**Section Cleanup:** Section 1 = Clubman, Sections 2+3 = C Grade, Section 4 = C+ Grade, Section 5 = B Grade, Section 6 = A Grade & A+ Grade

*Anyone who can bring observers to a trial please do to help make it a better day, we can't ride without observers.*

## August 2012 Newsletter

### Next Trial – TAS Championship Round 8 Cokers Road near Mathinna on 16<sup>th</sup> September

**No Fezz Prezz** in this magazine as Craig is flat out with his building project at home and missed the last trial. Hope we'll see both Craig & Julie at the next trial.

Other notable absentees at the Mt Joy trial were the **Langworthys** who also had other commitments on the day. If nothing else it makes us all appreciate the efforts of these hard working volunteers – you were all sorely missed!

**Look on Facebook TMTc** for more photographs of the Mt Joy trial.

**Look on Trials Australia site** for a copy of the monthly newsletter or get one sent direct to your email address, this list grows ever longer with 3 new ones from Sunday's trial. If we don't have your email address, let us know at [onthecut@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:onthecut@hotmail.co.uk).

**A strong rumour** has it that the southern Lockhart contingent will soon number 3, with Samuel's dad Grant making a welcome return to the club after nearly 20 year absence. He was a rider with much natural talent in his day, has recently purchased a Sherco and has plenty of land to practice on, so watch this space!

**Expressions of interest** please, for the proposed Arena-type trial to be staged at the annual Ulverstone rowing club motorcycle show fundraiser February 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> I think. Their club is prepared to assist and pay us as a draw-card, there are some obstacles already on site in the form of a concrete wall and a boat ramp, please let the committee know your views.

**20 years ago this month** the club discussions centered around joining the ACU. Hobartians laid on a trial at Broadmarsh, some of the names in results were Fletcher, Cruse, Cahill, Davis, Robnik, French, Brown, Cook, Munro and Moncrief, even Owen Badcock, and not a female rider to be seen..... ahh, those were the days my friend!!

## Mount Joy Trial - 19<sup>th</sup> August 2012 (Tas Championship Round 7) Report, Results & Photos

A new rider to make an appearance was Brendan Smith. Brendon has previously been one of the boat people (came across for the Tassie Titles on a regular basis), but now looks like he will be taking up residence in Tasmania. He comes with a wealth of riding experience and was apparently the Australian #2 bicycle trials rider! Judging from his impromptu one man show on his trials cycle at the end of the trial we can well believe the Aussie #2 tag! Great to have an A+ rider with us again, as these are the guys that really inspire us to lift our game. So a big welcome to Tassie, Brendon, and hope you enjoy being part of the club.

**A big thanks to Peter & Dylan Bayles** who not only allow us to use the family farm, but play a big part in laying out the sections, set up the dunny and then very sportingly gave up their rides on Sunday to observe.

**Thanks to the section setters** who laid out a good variety of sections with logs, rocks, steep climbs and descents. Despite the reasonably low scores, there was no time for riders to relax with all sections quick to take marks off the unwary. The logs in particular were very slippery with the morning frost, but thanks to the beautiful sunny day grip quickly improved.

**Well done** John Barber for riding novice with the ligaments in his wrist barely healed. We thought your heart was over-ruling your head, but you finished...

**Clerk of Course** powers must have changed in our 20 year absence! After taking C+ by the very skin of his teeth on a count-back from hapless Dean Medwin, Mike Wellman received a very optimistic text from Pick, stating that his status as C of C entitled him to disqualify the top 3 contenders, thus giving him top spot. Mmmmm. Nope! We were then informed that the said C of C does not work in a democracy, but he would settle for 2<sup>nd</sup>. Well, Pick, after much considered deliberation....sod off, I was even allowed a fish and chip takeaway to celebrate the auspicious occasion of a win, and you wouldn't have wanted to deprive me of that little pleasure now, would you?...Moir

### August Club Celebrity - Teena Medwin



“How did I get involved in the club?...Well, we went to National Trial in 1985 .... Dean had always had an interest in watching the trials; he says he never had enough guts to compete, until a chat with Cruisey ‘infected’ him, and for me the interest in wheels had always been there - pre-kids I used to ride an XR100 on holidays down the West Coast, and I now own a Red Mini Cooper S”.

Dean started competing in late 1999 and he used to chat on about his day and all the riders, I used to go along but didn't know anyone and hadn't a clue really so I decided to observe to get to know everyone. That worked, and I progressed from there to being club Treasurer for 3 years.”

After seeing the observers battling with the old-style soggy score-sheets of paper on rainy days, and noting the much better system at the mainland Nats where waterproof plastic cards were punched,

Teena organised this system for the club, combining it with the lap-top for accurate and instant results at the end of the day's riding. She must have been on a roll after this, organising the club merchandise such as T-shirts caps and jumpers.

Career-wise Teena was a dental nurse for 6 years, a bank teller for 5, back to dental nursing for 3 years, then 3 years in a jeweler shop, and is now working again as a dental nurse at the same practice after a 25 year break. She also taught and coached swimming for 13 years, and although we all had a smile at the cheeky reference to Teena's bedside whistle in the last newsletter, its origins date back to her Swimming Teaching & Coaching days. During that time she instructed water babies as young as 6 months to an elderly lady who was 86yrs old and also coached competitive swimmers at State Level. She also conducted many Learn to Swim & Water Safety Programs for schools along the coast over the years, her love of swimming starting as a child participating in a Laurie Lawrence swim camp in Townsville. Spare time, if there is any with a schedule like that, is spent relaxing with her cross-stitch.

Somewhere in amongst that she finds time to be Dean's Minister of Finance (his words!) for his engineering business. Time, too, to raise 2 kids who are her pride and joy - son Chase who briefly rode trials too, but is studying hard to be a doctor, whilst we are all more familiar with Chloe who is taking a gap year working as a Physio and Sports receptionist before knuckling down to Uni next year. Where else, says Teena, can a 51 year old dad participate in a sport along side his daughter?

Holidays come in short bursts due to business commitments, and usually revolve around attending the Victorian and Australian Trials Titles, which are especially good fun when so many other club members go simultaneously. Meeting up far from home, sharing meals and socialising with other club members and all supporting each other, are indicative of a great family club, which according to Teena has provided the Medwins with some great lifelong friends.

On a more serious note, things haven't all been plain sailing this last 3 years, and I'm not just talking about the loss of 15 year old beloved border collie Maggie in March this year.

Many of you will be aware, and I wasn't, that a routine mammogram in 2009 turned into a hospital visit for a 'nothing to worry about exploratory biopsy' which progressed into a life-threatening encounter with breast cancer, fortunately caught in literally in the nick of time. Teena experienced surgery and radiotherapy, and whilst we will spare you the details, **the message is loud and clear**....do your checks with the palm of your opposite hand to detect hidden lumps (yes, blokes too), and **attend your mammogram appointments**. This experience was a shock for the family who had no previous history of cancer, proving that it is not always an inherited risk. No wonder Teena's recent 50<sup>th</sup> was celebrated so joyfully (and lengthily!) by all. A sincere 'Thank You' to Teena for sharing this experience, done so in the hope that it may alert other club members to the signs, symptoms and the vital importance of prevention strategies.

So, Tina, we're glad we picked on you this month, our first **Playgirl** of the Month – an innovative and hard-working club member, wife and mother, and walking proof that the strength in this club lies with its emphasis on family participation, friendships, and shared experiences. I hope this screed allays your fears of coming over as a boring person compared with Colin!!!!

All of us wish you continuing good health and happiness, and a happy recent 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

VENUE: Mt Joy

DATE: 19.08.12

Expert	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Brendan Smith	0	2	3	19	3	8	0	35	Sherco 290	1

A Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Kurt Pickering	0	6	0	12	1	7	0	26	Ossa	1
Peter Lockhart	0	9	1	11	0	23	0	44	Gas Gas 250	2
Dylan Bayles	16	24	17	28	26	23	0	134	Gas Gas	3

B Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
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C+ Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Mike Wellman	0	2	1	7	2	0	0	12	Beta 300	1
Dean Medwin	3	1	2	5	0	1	0	12	Montesa	2
Nigel Munday	2	1	0	15	1	0	0	19	Sherco	3
Ian Pickering	6	1	5	16	0	1	0	29	Ossa	4
Bryce Caletti	4	7	3	15	7	7	0	43	Sherco 250	5
Mick Luscombe	9	8	20	12	0	1	0	50	Sherco	6
Mike Amey	5	1	19	23	11	3	0	62	Honda	7
Brooke Luscombe	16	17	8	17	13	7	0	78	Sherco 125	8

C Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Rob McLaren	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	9		1
Michael Munro	5	0	0	10	0	0	0	15	BIKE:	2
Bradley Shadbolt	1	0	4	10	5	0	0	20	Gas Gas 250	3
Mike Travica	7	0	6	5	1	3	0	22	BIKE:	4
Ian Gabbedy	2	2	6	7	3	2	0	22	BIKE:	5
Mike Hull	3	6	1	7	0	6	0	23	Sherco	6
Andrew Rouse	2	4	9	10	0	0	0	25	Beta 300	7
Colin Woodberry	2	5	2	14	4	1	0	28		8
Steve Harris	5	2	9	16	2	1	0	35	BIKE:	9
Chloe Medwin	2	5	10	14	0	7	0	38	Sherco 250	10
David Catt	0	11	16	17	1	6	0	51	Scorpa	11
Stephen Saunders	16	17	14	26	3	12	0	88	Gas Gas	12
Samuel Lockhart	17	20	18	28	9	21	0	113	Gas Gas	13

Twin Shock	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
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Clubman	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Chloe Bayles	6	0	2	0	3	13	0	24	Gas Gas	1
John Barber	9	0	1	18	2	18	0	48	Gas Gas	2

Sub Juniors	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Broc Gabbedy	9	6	7	15	15	3	0	55	BIKE:	1
Kiera Gabbedy	9	6	13	15	15	6	0	64	BIKE:	2



Teena & Chloe share a joke. We can only wonder what is behind those mischievous grins!



New kid on the block Brendan Smith puts on a good show for us. Even Meg's dog looks suitably impressed.



If there had been a prize for the most travelled rider Steve Saunders would have been a clear cut winner (from way down on the Tasman peninsula). Good to see you back Steve & you looked to be enjoying yourself.



Andrew Rouse really starting to look the part on his Beta four stroke now and was only a handful of marks from being 3<sup>rd</sup> in C grade. A far cry from riding clubman last year!

## Instructions on how to find the next trial at Cokers Road near Mathinna

How to get to there is a bit more complex than usual, although most riders have probably already been there before & so won't be too fazed.

If coming from Launceston or the North West Coast, you can follow instructions from Point A. Don't rely on the C grade markers though, as the following notes were written for a previous trial & the markers will probably be long gone. As if that wasn't enough the road past Upper Blessington has been closed due to major roadworks, but we think it is probably open again now. So the northerners have three choices – go straight on at Upper Blessington & pray that the road is not closed, turn left at Upper Blessington & follow the C401 (quite a few bends), or play safe & go via Fingal (Fingal to Mathinna is a good sealed road & virtually straight).

For the southerners, head for Fingal & then follow the instructions at the bottom of the page.

These instructions commence at Point A on the maps, point A is the centre of the hamlet of St Leonards approx 8kms ESE of Launceston. There will be C-Grade markers on all the intersections from point A, if you don't see a marker don't turn!!

For travellers from the North West Coast we suggest taking the Hobart/Kings Meadows entry to the Midland Hwy at Prospect, then travel 1.6 km south and take the Kings Meadows connector, if you follow this all the way through as it changes from Kings Meadows Connector to Quarantine Rd to Johnson's Rd you will be at point A

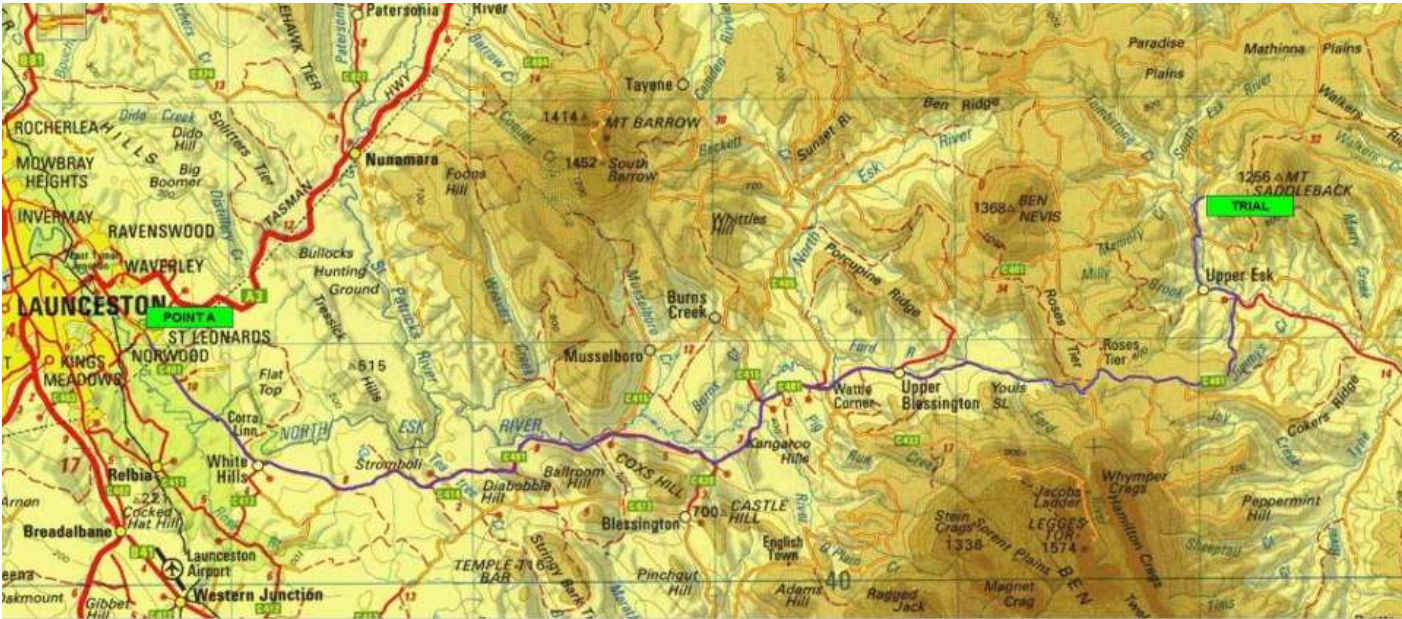
From Point A travel (approx) 40 kms along Blessington Rd C401 until you reach Upper Blessington.

Travel straight on past the C401 Mathinna sign and follow Roses Tier Rd approx 10 km until you rejoin , TURN RIGHT onto C401 Gunns Rd.(signed Upper Esk)

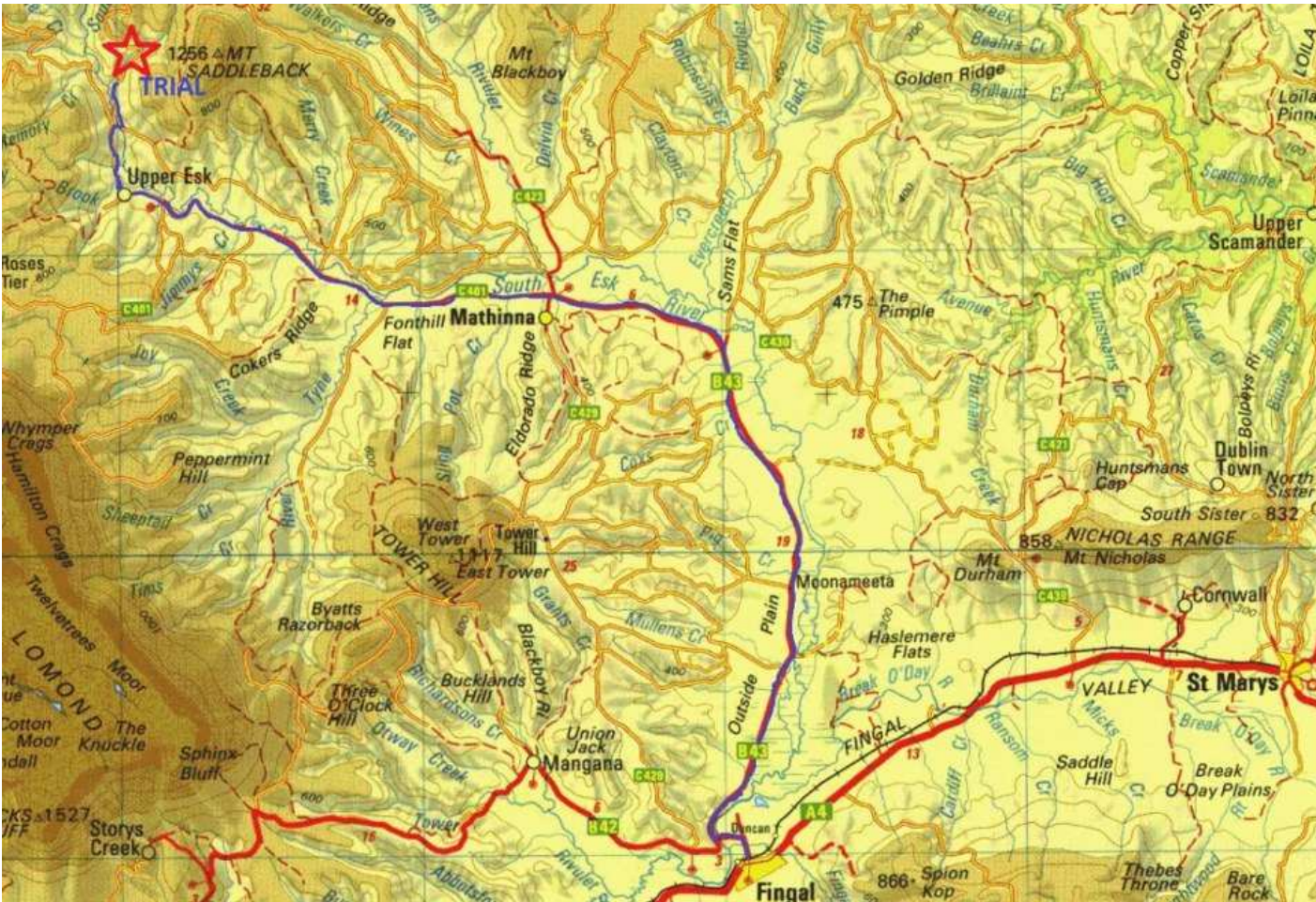
Travel a further (approx) 10kms until you reach a T-Junction Upper Esk Rd

★ Turn LEFT and travel a further 3.5 kms , keep RIGHT onto small wooden bridge then turn LEFT into Cokers Rd  
Travel carefully approx 1.5kms to trial site!

For those travelling from Hobart simply turn Left at Fingal to Mathinna, travel 1.5kms and turn Right onto Mathinna Rd travel 24 kms to the Mathinna cross roads continue another 15kms to the start of the dirt,(road to Laun on left) then follow the above instructions from the star.



If coming from Hobart – the route via Fingal looks the best option.



If coming from Launceston or the northeast, check out above notes.



# **TRIALS DINNER TROPHY NIGHT**

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 8**

**6.30pm for 7.00pm**

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