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March + Tasmanian Titles 2016

The long weekend in March is, according to official documents, for Eight Hour Day in Tasmania and Labour Day in Victoria. While I'm not disputing this, I think there's reason to rename it Tasmanian Titles weekend, and while we're undertaking some public holiday reform, I suggest we extend the long weekend to all of mainland Australia so many more riders can come and experience Mt Joy at its finest.

Unfortunately, being an island state and having one of the two ferries out of action for a while, resulting in a backlog of travellers made it hard for mainlanders to get down here for our 2016 event. Nevertheless, some riders made arrangements to get here regardless. I'll start by mentioning Phil Whittle of Gas Gas Victoria and Craig Ferrall of Gas Gas Tasmania, who managed to get some big names to little Tasmania. The personal effort put in to get UK's Alexz Wigg, Germany's Ina Wilde and Australian Champion Kyle Middleton down here and competing on borrowed cannot be understated. Thank you Phil and Craig, you guys are doing great things for the sport.

For some riders, the weekend started on the Friday, with 9 members undertaking an Alexz Wigg training day. The day started out damp but soon warmed up, resulting in hot and humid conditions. It was clear riders were picking up a heap of confidence under Alexz's watchful eye, with everyone clearly hoping they'd be able to put the skills into practice over the coming two days.

Saturday was the big one, the first day of competition. Some riders took the opportunity to camp the Friday night, and awoke to cooler conditions, fog rolling in and damp tents. This didn't last as long as some would have liked, and by the time of the riders briefing, the sun was shining and heating up the hillside and the 8 sections laid out upon it. Section 1 was man-made, using rocks and logs. It was also the scene of possibly the first crash of the event, with Mike Amey throwing his Sherco skyward in a spectacular fashion. Mike and bike are both ok, but the crash was caught on both drone footage and by Ashlee's camera, so we may already have a contender for the Broken Bars award. The rest of the sections managed to take points off riders, from the awkward B grade rock crevasse on section 7 or the tight right-left-right-and-climb C grade line of section 5. The humidity and heat were both very high on Saturday and no doubt affected some riders, and more than one rider was quite happy to discover the lap count had been reduced from five to four. Remember to keep the fluid intake up on days like that, we don't want riders passing out or doing themselves damage. Also, a reminder to please get score cards back to the scoring tent as soon as possible, especially if the designated section closing time has been reached, it makes it a whole lot quicker getting results out so people can go home/get ready for dinners/etc.

Day two started much the same as day one, the same fog hanging around, then clearing off for the sun to come and say hello. There was even a wriggly fat legless local wanting to say hi on the return track which nearly ended up under the wheels of this newsletter writer. Sections were still of a very good quality, some slightly easier than Saturday's, which isn't a bad thing considering the heat. One thing which was very noticeable during Sunday, especially later in the day, was the crowd of riders and hardy spectators following Kyle, Chris and Alexz around to get a good look at the huge obstacles, especially section 7's double step. This particular rock is of an international standard and can be seen on our Facebook page, from the drone's point of view.

I'll give a special mention to Terry Wilcox. Terry, as you may remember, sliced his leg open in a rather big way at Mole Creek. Terry healed up nice and fast and went to the Tas Titles but had to retire due to injury, which later turned out to be a ruptured Achilles. Good luck with the healing Terry, hopefully you stop walking under ladders or crossing black cats.

After two days of battling it out, the newly built shed was put to great use, handing out trophies to deserving winners, ranging in age from 8 years old to over 60 years old. But, more on that later. I think I speak for everyone, all 52 riders included when I say this year's event was a great success. Big name riders, interstate riders, a food van, a good amount

of spectators, great sections and a real family atmosphere. We can only hope next year is as good, and there's no reason why it won't be. To all those involved in the organisation, and to all the observers who stood around in the heat for two days so we could have some fun, a huge thank you, the event can't go ahead without all your efforts.

If you want to get in early, start planning your March long weekend now.

One interesting point, I was having a chat to Chris Herbert and checking out his TY. He said quite a few Tasmanians had told him they had a TY or similar sitting in the shed at home. If you're one of those people, or you know one of those people, bring the old stuff out! Twin Shock rides the same lines as C grade, the sections are set so you may as well come out and have a go. If you'd rather not compete and want to offload a bike, email newsletter@tastrials.org.au to get it advertised for sale on our website.

Alexz Wigg and Kyle Middleton actually tied for first position in Expert, with Alexz winning on countback, 39 cleans to 37. Chris wasn't far behind in third.

Bradley was took the A Grade title on the weekend, from Leo on the Ossa and Brendan in third. It's great to see Brendan back on the bike, hopefully he can attend a few more events this year.

B grade was a real mix of the young kids, the older guys and a German girl with some impressive credentials. Ina Wilde put on a masterclass and took a trophy all the way back home, ahead of John Rees and Peter Wines. Dylan Bayles needs a quick mention, if you look at just the Sunday results he actually finished in second place, which is a very good effort.

Jack Herbert sailed back home with a third place C plus grade trophy, finishing just one point behind young Josh Malcolm. Peter Bayles picked up first place.

If Ken has his way, he won't be so generous offering brother Peter a bike and a place to stay next time. Peter flew back to New Zealand with the C grade trophy, with Ken, Steve and Callum all finishing on 33 points. Ken ended up with 50 cleans for second, Steven finishing with 45 cleans.

Greg Harding turned up at Mt Joy and swung a leg over a Fantic, riding to victory in Twin Shock. Chris Herbert piloted his TY to second, with Nigel Munday in third. Special mention goes to Ian Pickering on his very good looking Fantic, which was put together in double quick time to get it ready for the weekend.

Five riders took on the green Clubman line. Andy Daly came over and rode well to take the win from the ever improving Will Ferrall and Broc Gabbedy.

Neil and Jenny Berne, combined with Jenny Gabbedy, did a fantastic job getting our Juniors around their sections. Billy Berne finished first, ahead of Millie Silk.

Next State Round Events

We've had a North Western event, a Northern event, let's head South! Jericho should fit the bill nicely, so that's where it'll be. Section setting and a come and try day will be the weekend before on the 10th of April, with the event proper on the 17th. Jericho is a great venue and should be a great day.

Trials des Nations

I won't go into the details of why, but as some of you may be aware, our Trials des Nations representatives are asking for donations to fund their trip to represent Australia on the world stage later in the year. They're aiming to raise \$25,000 and have different rewards depending on how much you donate. If you'd like to help out and find out some more information, check the gofundme page here: <https://www.gofundme.com/AustralianTdNteam>

Ashlee's finished the huge task of sorting through nearly 3000 photos, narrowing it down to a lazy 1000 or so, then editing and uploading them all. There's some fantastic photos, well worth the \$5 each for a digital watermark free copy. Check them out at <https://www.facebook.com/Photography-By-Ashlee-Jane-743291872439154/?fref=ts>

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Expert	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Alexz Wigg	Gas Gas	4	1	17	2	21	1 (39 Cleans)
Kyle Middleton	Gas Gas	12	2	9	1	21	2 (37 Cleans)
Chris Bayles	Gas Gas	29	3	26	3	55	3

A Grade	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Bradley Shadbolt	Gas Gas	95	1	29	2	124	1
Leo Rochfort	Ossa	106	2	46	3	152	2
Brendan Smith	Sherco	300		27	1	327	3

B Grade	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Ina Wilde	Gas Gas	14	1	16	1	30	1
John Rees	Sherco	41	2	38	3	79	2
Peter Wines	Gas Gas	41	3	43	4	84	3
Dylan Bayles	Gas Gas	55	4	32	2	87	4
Josh Lockhart	Gas Gas	67	5	62	5	129	5
Jordan Perkins	Sherco	86	6	75	6	161	6
Kieran Clay	Gas Gas	87	7	80	7	167	7
Matt Woodhouse	Beta	94	8	85	8	179	8
Mike Amey	Sherco	94	9	300		394	9

C+ Grade	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Peter Bayles	Gas Gas	24	1	11	2	35	1
Josh Malcolm	Sherco	32	2	12	3	44	2
Jack Herbert	Beta	35	3	10	1	45	3
Bryce Caletti	Gas Gas	36	4	16	4	52	4
Brooke Lendvay	Sherco	46	5	34	5	80	5
Mick Luscombe	Sherco	55	6	37	6	92	6
Mike Hull	Gas Gas	59	7	54	7	113	7
David Catt	Gas Gas	79	8	83	9	162	8
Tom Woodhouse	Beta	300		60	8	360	9

C Grade	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Peter Hosking	Beta	20	2	5	1	25	1
Ken Hosking	Beta	22	4	11	5	33	2 (50 Cleans)
Steve Harris	Beta	21	3	12	6	33	3 (45 Cleans)
Callum Miller	Beta	24	6	9	3	33	4 (40 Cleans)
Nobby Gabbedy	Gas Gas	27	7	11	4	38	5
Ian Gabbedy	Beta	22	5	17	9	39	6
Daniel Butterworth	Beta	32	8	8	2	40	7
Kirk Costello	Sherco	32	9	23	12	55	8 (37 Cleans)
Samuel Lockhart	Gas Gas	42	13	13	7	55	9 (34 Cleans)
Jack Costello	Gas Gas	33	10	22	10	55	10 (31 Cleans)
Phil Whittle	Gas Gas Pro 28	41	12	17	8	58	11
Andrew Rouse	Beta	37	11	34	13	71	12
Michael Bayles	Beta	52	14	46	14	98	13
David Anderson	Gas Gas Raga 1	56	15	57	15	113	14
Damian Langworth	Gas Gas Pro 28	95	16	23	11	118	15
Dean Medwin	Sherco	13	1	300		313	16

Twin Shock	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Greg Harding	Fantic 240	2	1	1	1	3	1
Chris Herbert	Yamaha TY250	15	2	10	3	25	2
Nigel Munday	Fantic	21	3	5	2	26	3
Ian Pickering	Fantic	34	4	17	4	51	4
Geoff Lewis	CZ	44	5	300		344	5

Clubman	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Andrew Daly	Honda TL125	12	1	5	1	17	1
Will Ferrall	Gas Gas	50	2	48	3	98	2
Broc Gabbedy	Gas Gas	52	3	49	4	101	3
Oliver Groenewold	Gas Gas	99	4	52	5	151	4
Doc Perry	Gas Gas	300		37	2	337	5

Sidcars	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
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Junior	BIKE	Sat. Total	Sat. Placing	Sun. Total	Sun. Placing	Total points	OVERALL PLACE
Billie Berne	Beta 50	6	1	2	1	8	1
Millie Silk	Rockstar	18	2	4	2	22	2

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