

# Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club inc.

(The most challenging motorcycle sport)



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## Presidents Report

Hello, Chris here.

What a great trial we had at Lovely Banks, it truly is a great property to ride at. The sections are challenging on a different level with those turns on the banks just making you put your foot down, that slippery technical sand???

Well done to the southern group for setting 7 great sections. The weather was kind to us, it was a cold start but once everyone started riding they soon forgot about the freezing breeze.

Personally thank you to everyone for doing their bit and helping out with the fund raising for the TdN, we had a really good weekend with the kind donations from the Brass Monkey Ride, the training day where I watched people improve over the day and Matt Woodhouse's Any Wheels donation for a raffle was a seller. We will draw the raffle at the next trials. Thank you once again for the support, it means a lot. The entire team is appreciative of the Tassie clubs input.

Looking forward to the next trials at Mount Joy, will be good fun.

The Saturday (12th) prior to the next trials the HEAT Enduro group will be holding an extreme enduro training day. If you are available and or up for some entertainment please come along and give your trials experience to riders.

Regards  
Chris Bayles

## Melton Mowbray wrap up

This is better, I can write about an event I actually went to!

Now I know it's winter, cold weather is to be expected, but Melton Mowbray was something else. Battery heated jackets were out in force and everyone was rugged up, trying to stay warm. The exception was poor Josh Malcolm who still can't afford pants and has to make do with shorts, regardless of the weather.

Melton Mowbray is almost an ideal venue. The sections are all easy to get to for spectators and riders alike, it's close to the road for anyone passing by to see, there's obstacles for every grade, and the car park area ensures everyone is packed in nice and tight. If you ever get a chance to go there for a practice, you'll be in for a treat, the area used for events is a just a small part of the available riding area.

I'm watching a Bond movie while I write this, so if you've got knowledge of James, you're in for a treat.

Sections were a great mix of very tight turns, small obstacles capable of catching an unwary rider, and large obstacles capable of catching most riders, hopefully not large enough to leave them shaken, just stirred. There's no point frightening The Living Daylights out of our riders. Once again, they were all set to a high

standard, those involved with setting did a great job. Remember, if you're ever struggling to set a section, use Will Thornbury's method of pointing at a tree stump and saying that Chris had to be made go over it, then build the rest of the section around that.

Speaking of The Man With The Golden Forks, Chris lost a paltry 007 marks for the whole day, and all of those were on section 4, containing the famous Melton Mowbray version of Uluru.

Brad Shadbolt turned up fashionably late and had a Licence To Thrill A Grade, comfortably taking the win. Jordan's rear guard sticker flapping around annoyed me no end on the day but didn't affect his own concentration, beating the freshly trimmed and bearded Dylan.

B Grade had a good turn out of six riders. Josh Lockhart rode an exceptionally rare '16 Raga Gas Gas, which gets its name from the years of manufacture added together – '07 frame and engine, decorated with '09 plastics and tank. This mashup was good enough for third place. The Honda Is Not Enough for Kurt to win the grade, finishing second behind the man who (probably) told the Dr. No, he WILL Ride Another Day, Peter Lockhart.

I'm hoping you're enjoying these puns, I'm laughing my head off.

Most of the field woke up and thought they'd have a go at C+ on Sunday morning. Ian Pickering had his GoldenEye in and made short work of the sections, after a slow start to the morning. His start would have been much quicker had he not had to push an Ossa with an empty tank back to the car for a quick refuel. Nigel Munday was second on countback, ahead of Josh Statton aboard a Gas Gas rumoured to have had special training at Q branch.

Mike Travica rode like a man On Her Majesty's Secret Service, making short work of the rocks for the win. Will Thornbury was having a Thunderball on his recently acquired Gas Gas, bouncing his way to second place. I dragged myself away From Home With Love, I had A View to a Ride and find a Quantum of Solace on The Gas Gas Who Loved Me. It didn't love me much but it was enough for third.

Brotherly love, or sibling rivalry? I don't know, but with only a couple of points between them, Jack Salter has bragging rights over Eliot this month. Ruby Statton keeps improving on the petrol bike, finishing third. Kids, remember to eat all your veggies, especially your (Albert R) Broccoli to grow big and strong.

Thanks for sticking with me on that journey, and be glad that it's over.

### **Sherco Women's Cup Jenna Lupo**

A few weeks ago I was invited to ride the Sherco Women's Cup held at the Canberra Motorcycle Park. I was able to borrow a Gas Gas 300 from Jack Field. Her name was Black Betty and the poor old girl had a bit of a reputation among the NSW riders for being unreliable. She may have had two leaky fork seals and a few funny noises but thankfully she didn't let me down!!

The morning of the event was a tropical -5 so I felt right at home. We did 5 laps of 8 sections, all of them were man-made. I rode the Sports Women line (C grade), and the sections were definitely a lot different to what we set at home. The C line was less complex, but B grade and above were definitely more difficult than Tassie, making the gap between B and C huge.

I had a good day, finishing on 13 points (with one silly 5, don't roll back people ....) which put me 2nd in Sports Women, Emily Hurd in 1st on 3 points and Chloe Whittle in 3rd on 69 points. Kristie McKinnon won the Elite

Women class on 9 points. The majority of girl entrants were juniors, it's great to see the next generation coming through.

The Sherco Women's Cup was run in conjunction with the Howard Wallace Masters Shield, which saw Marton O'Connor take the shield by one point over Toby Coleman.

It was fantastic to see so many girls enjoying the sport, it's definitely an event I look forward to attending again in the future.

### **Next State Round Events**

The next event will be on the **second** Sunday in August at Mt Joy, bought forward a week to avoid a clash with the Vic Titles the following weekend. Section setting will likely be the first weekend in August, check with Northern members for more details.

### **Observers**

We need to make observing great again! If you've heard reports of observers having to stand around in the wind and the rain, well, that's fake news. Observing is the best. I know you, you know it, everyone knows it. If you know someone who can count to 5 but doesn't like the number four, bring them along to an event. Remind them they'll get a bag of chips, a block of chocolate and a bottle of drink as a thank you and they can eat it on the way home without sharing any of it.

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VENUE: Melton Mowbray

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Expert	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Chris Bayles	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	7	Gas Gas	1

A Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Brad Shadbolt	0	6	7	4	12	1	0	30	Gas Gas	1
Jordan Perkins	0	8	18	11	16	5	3	61	Sherco	2
Dylan Bayles	7	10	12	14	14	9	10	76	Gas Gas	3

B Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Peter Lockhart	1	7	6	3	0	0	1	18	Gas Gas	1
Kurt Pickering	6	2	3	5	12	2	2	32	Honda	2
Josh Lockhart	4	12	5	8	9	1	3	42	Gas Gas	3
Daniel Fenton	4	9	3	13	9	3	12	53	Beta	4
Josh Malcolm	7	17	2	10	13	8	12	69	Sherco	5
Jesse Daley	14	15	8	14	19	10	14	94	Sherco	6

C+ Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Ian Pickering	1	0	2	5	7	0	1	16	Ossa	1
Nigel Munday	0	1	1	4	5	2	6	19	Sherco	2 (23x0)
Josh Statton	2	2	1	5	7	0	2	19	Gas Gas	3 (20x0)
Zack Lunn	0	1	2	7	11	2	4	27	Beta	4
Shane Bayes	1	3	2	11	8	1	2	28	Beta	5
Mick Luscombe	2	0	2	4	10	8	4	30	Sherco	6
Callum Millar	6	3	7	6	5	3	2	32	Beta	7
Daniel Butterworth	2	1	1	12	14	3	4	37	Beta	8
Anton Rosenzweig	7	2	5	8	10	4	4	40	Sherco	9
Mike Hull	9	1	4	10	14	3	9	50	Gas Gas	10
Ken Hosking	6	2	9	13	10	4	10	54	Beta	11
Brooke Lendvay	8	9	12	15	17	7	8	76	Sherco	12

C Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOTAL	BIKE	PLACING
Mike Travica	1	1	0	4	2	1	0	9	Sherco	1
Will Thornbury	10	2	3	8	4	2	2	31	Sherco	2
Samuel Lockhart	5	2	2	10	5	4	6	34	Gas Gas	3
Bob Perkins	10	7	7	9	7	11	12	63	Sherco	4

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
Jack Salter	10	0	0	1	0	7	3	21	Beta	1
Elliot Salter	9	0	0	1	0	7	6	23	Gas Gas	2
Ruby Statton	13	2	9	0	7	14	3	48	Beta	3

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