

Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club

(This newsletter also runs on Bayles time)



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President's Report

G day all, Baylesy here.

What a great Trials Royal George was. Once again for about the third trial in a row we were blessed with the weather. It looked overcast all day, but it actually perfect riding conditions.

Firstly it was great to see a sub juniors class at this event. So good to see a few younger riders riding in competition. Thanks heaps to the parents and especially Neil Berne for helping these kids out.

Top job to the section setters, all sections were spot on and we had a good variety throughout the 7 sections. I noticed that the C grade sections looked tight but there was so much room to be gathered if the rider rode smart through their gates.

Another huge thanks for the day must go to Toni Pickering for doing the scores manually for 45 riders.

Thanks for your efforts, we as a club appreciated it. Also thanks to Samuel for double checking them so quickly electronically and for posting them on the internet.

Thanks to all the helpers at the end of the day who assisted with packing up, it makes it so easy having it all packed into the trailer ready for setting the next event.

Looking forward to the next trials, Jericho is always a fun event.

It's going to be an interesting year in regards to the championship. All classes are close, few of the oldest boys showing their refined skills in the lower classes. Then looking at the higher classes the podiums are jumping about like a new set of harrows. Who's going to be on top by the end of the season.

I hear a few rumours of old twin shock bikes being moved from the back of the shed to the work bench in order to get them sorted for the twin shock trials. She's going to be a lot of fun I dare say.

Anyways, that's enough from me, see you all at the next one.

Regards Baylesy

Online Entries

We're still doing online entries, but we're making a change. Cut off for online entries will be the Friday prior to the event at 7pm. This will give me (Samuel) time to get all the entries in order and email the entrants to Toni so she can do the score cards, and so Mick can get the paperwork sorted. Otherwise we tend to be very rushed, having to get ready ourselves while sending updated emails and such.

Entries are open right now for Jericho, if you want to get in super early and make my day.

Royal George

As Samuel was unwell and missed the Royal George Trial – you will have to put up with Ian Pickering providing a report on the days action.



It is not often that the motorcycle trials newsletter has a picture of a large ship on the front page, read on to find out why.

I did some research on where the town and where it got its name from. Royal George is more interesting than you would think! Royal George is a village in northeast Tasmania on the St. Paul's River. At the 2006 census, Royal George had a population of 127. The lodes of the tin mine were discovered in the 1880s but it wasn't until 1911 that any serious work was undertaken. The period through to 1929 produced around 900 tons of concentrated tin ore.

It was named after one of the British Royal Navy vessels named HMS Royal George from the 19th century. HMS Royal George was a ship of the line of the Royal Navy. A first-rate with 100 guns on three decks, she was the largest warship in the world at the time of her launch on 18 February 1756. Construction at Woolwich Dockyard had taken ten years. HMS Royal George was under the command of Captain Robert Hepburn during the Napoleonic Wars and Captain Hepburn settled nearby at Roy's Hill in 1828.

We had 45 riders at Royal George. 45! As well as the regulars there were several new and recent members at the trial. It was pleasing to see people helping them and giving them a tip or two on how to gain more control of their bikes.

There were three sections near the pits and then one halfway up the hill with a further 3 sections up on top of the hill. There were three lines for Juniors in the sections near the pits. They were on fairly level ground and set up to allow the Juniors a fun ride, using any line between the entry and exit gates.

Section 1 used a steep and smooth rock face to test the riders, Chris and Tom nearly got nose bleeds as they were so far up the rock face.

Section 2 was set at our version of "Ayers Rock" with some interesting jumps off the rock for the higher grades. It is amazing how much grip there is on all the rocks here.

Section 3 was a log section, C Grade went over 3 logs, with C+ going over the large trunk first and then over a branch 2 times in a very tight location. Nobby was the only one to solve the riddle of how to get it

done! In B grade Jenna (and others) was having trouble with the front wheel tucking under on the other side of the log, causing some superwoman moments.

Section 4 was a steep section half way up the hill and as usual the soil around the rocks turned into loose sand where you had to work hard to gain traction. C and C+ had the option of going up the hill close to the tape, which was initially soft and slippery but lead onto a long skinny rock that provided traction to the top, unless you did not get onto it, then you were in for a hard slog to the top and 3 points lost at least. B Grade had a tough rock just before the exit that was had to get a run at with poor traction, I saw some fantastic efforts and at least on high side off of this rock with the rider ending up down near the entry gate, that was very specky Kalam! Sam Wells riding a Beta 125 rode it well, so it was not horsepower that you needed.

Section 5 was on the top of the hill as it fell over the side. There was a good selection of rocks here and some interesting lines taken by the upper grades. C and C+ picked their way around with a tight footpeg catcher rock and an uphill turn on the soft soil. I saw Travis Eustace appear on the back wheel up the hill towards the exit after somehow getting too much traction and a few too many revs, haha he stayed on it!

Section 6 and 7 were the sections that the Expert and A graders had been waiting for – BIG rocks with short runups – it was exciting to watch. The rest of us had interesting lines around the bases of these rocks. Chris Bayles lapped up the large obstacles in Expert well clear of Tom Woodhouse, but look out Chris as Tom was not concerned with the size of the obstacles and I am guessing would have cleaned all of them at some time during the day. Tom will be working on his consistency to lower his score.

A Grade was won by Kurt Pickering with a very low total score of 24 for the day, the Monty rules in slippery going! Will Thornbury was riding very well and getting good advice from his Dad while Jordan Perkins had a minder who I think was distracting him... they were neck and neck with Will finally 2nd and Jordan 3rd.

B Grade winner was Callum Millar who was really riding well on lap 3 and 4 to ensure his win. Zak Lunn was second and I am sure will be attending the secret Beta Training Site (They think the Ossa Academy don't know about it!) to bounce back next month. Kalam Langworthy has done a great job to get up to B Grade in such a short time and was riding well, and rewarded with 3rd position at Royal George.

C+ had 14 riders and as usual some very tight scores. Nobby Gabbedy decided to give the Monty a rest and bring a TRS and it was a good decision as he showed us all a clean pair of heels. Chris Chellas from NSW and Nigel Munday were both on borrowed bikes, and you know what they say: "I wouldn't ride my bike up that line, but I could ride yours up there."

It worked for them and I am sure Bob Perkins was not worried that Nigel was jumping off the A Grade line on Ayers Rock section. Well done to Chris and Nigel. Shane Bayes and Nigel had to be separated with a count back. Sorry Shane.

Dylan Bayles borrowed a bike and rode in C+ for no result, he lost only 3 or 4 points for the day! B Grade for you!

C Grade had a new bike with an old rider on it. Bob Perkins was riding his latest bike and looks like he enjoyed it. Mike Travica got excited and camped at the trial site on Saturday night, but it didn't work as he was 2nd and double Bob's score. It's getting tough in C Grade now too. David Catt made a return to trials in 3rd, not sure if it was all the practice he did prior to the trial or going around with Mick Luscombe and getting some ripper good lines?

Mick Luscombe cleaned up in Twinshock again. Will no one challenge him? Is he that scary??

In Clubman Senior, newcomer Andrew Roycroft was 1st. It was his first trial and quite wisely he chose Clubman lines, gradually trying some C Grade Lines as he became more confident. As there is only one white arrow in Clubman, it is easy to deviate and also follow a blue arrow where you think you can do it safely. It won't be long before Andrew joins the C Grade ranks. A textbook start to your trial career Andrew, I would recommend this method to new riders to follow.

Clubman Junior had 2 riders Stevie Homan was 1st and is loving his new Sherco 125. I saw him afterwards riding some C Grade lines confidently. Will Delanty rode around with Mick Luscombe (Pop) and picked up some good advice on lines to take. Good Ride Will you are improving every trial, keep at it.

Ned Dillon rode the Sub Junior lines near the pits – 5 laps for only 12 point lost! He then followed his Dad up the hill and watched as Chris went around the sections up there. I was impressed as he did it on a small wheel minibike, which we all know is harder to ride than the bikes with full sized wheels.

FUNNY BITS

AT LAST – BAYLES TIME EXPLAINED!

Chris explained why he, Dylan and Michael are always late or the last to arrive... regularly.

This is often referred to as “Bayles Time” and it turns out, they ALWAYS leave on time, they just don’t allow for the travel time!

On the way home Rob Thornbury apparently attracted the attention of the Police travelling in the opposite direction flashing lights at him. They didn’t bother to turn around, so they must have only been admiring the nice polish job on your van Rob..... cough cough

Kevin Goodall woke everyone up and were worried there were hunters nearby, as he demonstrated the backfire his Sherco was capable of. The flywheel was removed to reveal the key had sheared and the engine firing at the wrong time.

The Carby Whisperer had to come out of retirement to solve a 1/4 throttle lean spot for Jenna Lupo the day before the trial - he's still got it!

Christmas dinner

As we mentioned last newsletter, Coast to Coast are doing the catering, Mt Joy, 6pm, 5th December. Adults \$30, kids 4 to 10 are \$15, under 4 are free.

Melrose is the cut off date, if you want to go that is your last chance to pay. You can pay cash there, or pay electronically, same as you would for an online entry, reference should be “Your name: Dinner”

HEAT enduro

This year HEAT enduro event is somewhat different. Due to COVID and being able to have mainlanders attend this years event, the committee has decided to run a traditional style enduro. This enduro will be a market enduro loop of around 20kms (no GPS this year) There will be some technical terrain but very minimal amounts (average C grade level).

The Heat club is looking for a hand full of helpers to sweep the tracks just to keep an eye on safety of other riders. The ride will be a fun with a few trials like sections over logs, through creeks and up the odd hill climb. If you are interested in helping out and having a ride around the track then please don’t hesitate to get in contact with Chris Bayles on 0438 368 487 or Josh Statton on 0411 027 537.

Entry for helpers is free, this is including the simple online AMA insurance which we will send to you once you once you make contact.

All help will be muchly appreciated, she will be a good day out on the trials bike.

Regards Baylesy

Twinshocks at Melrose

TWINSHOCK Trials at Melrose Sat 14 November from 13:00pm to 17:00pm (The next day is the last modern trail for the year)

Make sure you spread the word about this trial and come along with your dusty Twinshock.

It will be on easy lines and is hopefully going to get some fresh riders and bikes out for a fun afternoon.

Membership will be free to new riders

Camping is available on Saturday night if you need it.

There is a Facebook site with all the info on this Twinshock Trials at Melrose:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/924162448079690/>

Next State Round events

Hi ho, hi ho, we're off to Jericho.

Big sandstone rocks to test your shocks

Hi ho, hi ho hi ho hi ho.

It's a bit of a wait for this one, Sunday the 25th of October. Southerners are setting, likely to be the week before but keep an eye out for a message from Ken (probably) to confirm.

Classifieds

If you want to sell a bike, or buy a bike, we can put an ad up on the website. There's a LOT of interest in trials currently, so if you're wanting to offload one, now is the perfect time to do it. At the moment, there's a 2010 Scorpa for sale.

<https://www.tastrials.org.au/classifieds/2010-scorpa/>

Round 4 Royal George
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	Expert	Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Chris BAYLES	12	3	3	2	9	29	29	24	4	2	2	3
2	Tom WOODHOUSE	19	18	19	10	20	86	86	11	3	0	11	10
A Grade		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Kurt PICKERING	6	4	6	4	4	24	24	17	14	2	2	0
2	Will THORNBURY	12	10	7	8	6	43	43	13	11	5	4	2
3	Jordan PERKINS	16	7	9	9	4	45	45	14	7	8	4	2
4	Matt WOODHOUSE	16	9	12	9	8	54	54	12	7	5	9	2
5	Daniel FENTON	19	15	12	15	15	76	76	8	5	3	15	4
B Grade		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Callum MILLAR	21	10	4	5	12	52	52	11	12	4	4	4
2	Zak LUNN	13	9	8	14	11	55	55	10	9	4	11	1
3	Kalam LANGWORTHY	15	14	13	20	11	73	73	11	4	3	11	6
4	Sam WELLS	24	15	17	15	20	91	91	6	7	6	4	12
5	Mike AMEY	16	21	20	19	21	97	97	5	3	3	16	8
6	Jenna LUPO	20	22	18	20	18	98	98	4	4	3	16	8
C Plus		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Nobby GABBEDY	3	0	0	7	0	10	10	29	5	0	0	1
2	Chris CHELLAS	6	3	0	1	1	11	11	30	3	0	1	1
3	Nigel MUNDAY	6	1	9	1	1	18	18	26	5	1	2	1
4	Shane BAYES	5	2	3	5	3	18	18	24	8	1	1	1
5	Ross MIDDLETON	5	8	2	3	1	19	19	26	5	0	3	1
6	Ian PICKERING	6	4	3	7	10	30	30	21	4	4	6	0
7	Jack SALTER	12	6	4	3	6	31	31	20	6	4	4	1
8	Simon LANGWORTHY	8	5	16	4	2	35	35	19	7	3	4	2
9	Chris DILLON	10	11	10	7	3	41	41	19	6	1	6	3
10	John DENNISON	12	9	10	7	12	50	50	13	11	2	5	4
11	David PARKER	16	13	9	9	9	56	56	15	4	2	11	3
12	Ken HOSKING	18	17	10	12	11	68	68	8	10	3	9	5
13	Travis EUSTACE	23	14	14	13	12	76	76	5	7	8	11	4
DNF	Anton ROSENZWEIG	22	23				45	DNF	1	2	4	0	7
C Grade		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Bob PERKINS	3	0	2	1	3	9	9	29	4	1	1	0
2	Mike TRAVICA	3	3	3	2	8	19	19	27	3	1	3	1
3	David CATT	5	3	2	4	7	21	21	20	12	2	0	1
4	Mike HULL	11	7	5	8	9	40	40	17	7	4	5	2
5	Bryce SQUIBB	12	11	11	6	1	41	41	20	4	2	6	3
6	Rylan EUSTACE	20	14	7	3	6	50	50	17	6	4	2	6
7	Andrew SQUIBB	16	15	11	21	15	78	78	10	2	3	15	5
8	Matt BESSELL	19	18	14	12	21	84	84	5	6	6	12	6
DNF	Rowan ELLERY	29	24	33			86	DNF	0	1	1	6	13
DNS	Lachlan LANGWORHY						0	DNS	0	0	0	0	0
DNS	Kevin GOODALL						0	DNS	0	0	0	0	0
Twinshock		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Mick LUSCOMBE	6	3	1	5	6	21	21	22	7	4	2	0
Clubman		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Stevie HOMAN	3	2	10	0	6	21	21	29	1	1	1	3
2	Will DELANTY	9	12	9	9	2	41	41	17	2	9	7	0
3	Andrew ROYCROFT	11	2	0	17	12	42	42	22	3	3	1	6
DNF	Max GOODALL						0	DNF	0	0	0	0	0
DNF	Rosie VINEY						0	DNF	0	0	0	0	0
Junior		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Lap 5	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Ned DILLON	3	3	0	1	5	12	12	11	1	0	2	1

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