

Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club

(First newsletter of the new financial year)



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President's report

G day all.

Well what a great trials the Melton Mowbray trials was. The weather was a little on edge for the first lap. I don't know about anyone else but I found it very slippery with that slight snowing. When I say very, I could use a lot of these words for very but I think its most appropriate lol. As the day went on the sections rode better and the rocks become less slippery.

Top job to the Southern team. They were well set with plenty of diversity across the entire group of sections. We had slippery rocks, slippery leaf and take off areas and steep turns. I did like the concept of 8 sections. The day seemed to flow quite well, 8 sections definitely gives a better opportunity for some more diversity as mentioned. Not an easy place to set sections due to them always being slippery in the morning and changing so much though out the day. But I reckon you guys hit the nail on the head. All the scores from the day across all grades were spot on.

I did see Ashlee's photos. There are quite a few crashing photos, going to be a big selection process for the broken handlebar award this year. Great photos and thanks again.

Huge thanks to Rosie and Alysha for their huge efforts with the pie drive. Massive thanks to all the club members for supporting it and for selling pies to family and friends. It was a great fund raiser where people could get something for their money. The pies are tasty.

Next weekend is a little bit exciting. We have a lot a Tassie people on the boat making the trip to compete at the Victorian Titles. A few up and coming riders will enjoy the challenge and that level of competition. I wish all our riders the best of luck, enjoy the experience and give it your best shot. It will be a lot of fun.

All the TDN plans are going well, every ones flights are booked. We're all off to the world round the weekend prior in Italy and then it will be bulk training in-between that an the Trial Des Nations. All the riders have been working hard on the bike and off the bike. Fundraising is going well. On behalf of the team they are super stocked with what our club has been able to achieve so far. We all very much appreciate it.

Regards Baylesy

Newsletterman's report

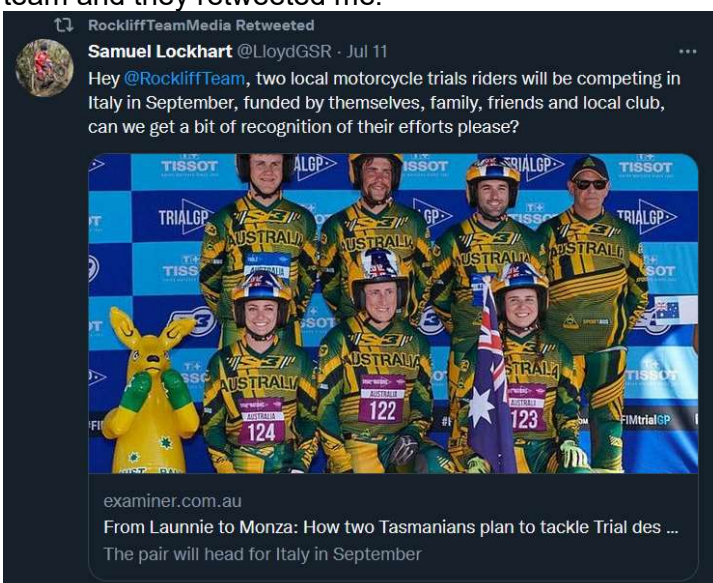
First, massive apologies for my mistake. At least one person used the link on the website to see the location of the last event. I'd updated it from Lovely Banks to Bisdee Tier, but I did it on the test site, not the live site everyone actually sees. Sorry, I bugged up there. I've changed stuff now so that shouldn't happen again.

For those that wonder what's up the road from the parking area at Melton Mowbray... It's kinda cool:



I bet when all those politicians and such went up there, they didn't end up sitting in their car, because it was bloody freezing, slowly being encircled by curious cows like the kids and I did when we went up for section setting.

Also, I tried to get a bit more exposure for the sport, so I tweeted at the Tasmanian Premier's social media team and they retweeted me:



For those going to the Victorian Titles, they're pretty concerned (and rightly so) about foot and mouth disease. This might be something which becomes more common but for those heading there, take note:

Due to the recent Foot and Mouth Disease outbreak in Indonesia and Bali and the increased risk of it entering Australia the landholder has advised us that **the general public and spectators will not be permitted on the property. The only personal permitted to enter the property are Officials, Competitors and Support crew members.**

If you intend to return from Indonesia or Bali in the 7 days prior to the trial you are required to notify TCV so that the property's biosecurity plan can be discussed.

Please accept our apology for any inconvenience that this measure may cause.

Phil Whittle
President
Trials Club of Victoria.

The Trials Australia podcast has finished up. David did a great job with these, a lot of work goes into the production and they were enjoyed all over the world. Read more here: <https://trials.com.au/news/all-good-things-some-to-an-end-6130>

Keep an eye out over the coming months for Christmas dinner details, it's up at Spreyton this year, we've got a venue, we've got a caterer and it's booked for the 10th December.

And one last thing, THANK YOU! Every single person entered online for Melton Mowbray, I was stoked with that! Bloody good effort from everyone, that was the first time it's happened (including the Tas Titles, which was online entry only, but we still had an entry on the day)

I don't have anything else to report, good luck to our riders going over for the Vics, and good luck to Kurt who is carrying a broken hand after a nasty unfortunate stack at Melton Mowbray.

Training day July 31st, Mt Joy

This weekend is our coaching weekend (31st July) At Mount Joy, 10:00am start around at the two day spot. The coaching day is a TDN fund raiser, both Jenna and Chris will be coaching along with other experienced club members. This will be a good day. We'll be working on finding room in a section, reading sections, body positioning, making the bike do the work, key trials techniques and many other aspects. If you are attending and have any questions then please do not hesitate to ask. It's your day to get the most out of, looking forward to seeing everyone there. Cost is \$50 for adults, \$30 for kids. You can pre enter if you like on the website, it's not compulsory but it gives us an idea of numbers:

<https://www.tastrials.org.au/entriesandevents/training-day/>

Melton Mowbray

Look, we keep calling it Melton Mowbray, but it's halfway up Spring Hill and the sign says Bisdee Tier, so it's a bit confusing. And as it turns out, I talk to people at work, and most of them have never heard of either place. Maybe that says more about the people I work with than anything else? Anyway, between our two sites at Melton Mowbray, this one has far better parking, even when there's a whole big bunch of beehives stuck in the middle. Thankfully, they were closed up, they'd probably be annoyed with a bunch of bikes and people hanging around.

As Chris mentioned, eight sections. I was asked after it was announced if the scoring system can handle that many sections. Yes, it can, I think the maximum is 20 sections, we use the same system for one lap of

fifteen for the Scottish and four laps of heaps for the Tas Titles. If you've set eight sections for an event, flick me a quick message to let me know please so I can sort it in advance.

Funny thing, when we were setting these sections, we said they'd be great unless it rained. Famous last words, the rain early on Sunday morning made for some tricky sections. The first three sections in the gully in particular weren't great at all for the first bunch of riders who went through, all that leaf and bark litter doesn't give any traction when it's wet. Look at the scores and it tells the story, most people had higher scores on their first lap and far lower scores for the remaining three. Those sections were great for spectators though, they could stand on the bank opposite and see all three at once. Section four, out on the rocks, they weren't that slippery when we set it, but I can say that about every section really. Section five, all that bark and crap made it pretty tricky for two of the Clubman riders, snappy 50cc engines and electric motors with kids on board struggle on that stuff. It was an interesting section, a fair few different lines could be taken on that big long rock or on the top side of it for C grade. Section six, I'm told we used that bit before but I can't remember it at all. This one also had a few different options depending on how you interpreted it. After this, you entered an entirely different season, state, country, world, whatever. The first 6 sections all relatively well sheltered, but then you get onto the road to the last two, and it was awful. The wind in your face the whole way there, some raindrops, it was much colder as well. And then you had to ride section seven. Most of it was pretty good, except for that last big flat rock. Riding up the corner of it was preferred, though myself and a few others had the not at all bright idea of riding straight onto it. The idea was, you could easily ride off and through the end gate. What ACTUALLY happened, the bike would slide sideways down the rock and you'd barrel out of the end gate at a high rate of knots. Not recommended. Section eight, 'Dad, it's a section just getting to the section!', it didn't look that tricky and, on a dry day, would be a proper doddle. Damp grass and rocks though, it's all about momentum to get up to that top turn.

I'm glad we've got a computer doing the scoring stuff, so many exceptionally tight scores and lots of ties needing countback, doing that by hand like we used to do back in old days would have done my head in. Overall, the trials was great, I didn't hear any complaints, queuing was minimal, the worst part was cleaning the mix of mud from the road and cow poop from the paddock from the bikes afterwards.

Next events

Upper Natone! Good venue, lots of rocks, stay off the button grass, Sunday 21st of August, section setting is scheduled for the weekend before but check with a NW person or keep an eye on Facebook for changes. It's just off Blythe Road, which you turn on to from Upper Natone Road. There will be signs.

Entries are open, we've already got an entry for our next event, Cooper did his entry all by himself on Wednesday night just gone, he's clearly very keen for a weekend away.

<https://www.tastrials.org.au/entries/>

Round 4 Melton Mowbray
Tasmanian Motorcycle Trials Club Inc
17 July 2022

Expert		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Chris BAYLES	22	16	8	4	50	50	13	10	1	1	7
A Grade		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Will THORNBURY	9	8	13	5	35	35	20	5	1	1	5
2	Jordan PERKINS	20	10	13	11	54	54	14	3	4	6	5
3	Matt WOODHOUSE	21	12	11	12	56	56	10	8	6	2	6
4	Daniel FENTON	27	23	18	14	82	82	6	3	4	12	7
5	Zak LUNN	26	27	16	13	82	82	5	4	5	11	7
DNF	Kurt PICKERING					0	DNF	0	0	0	0	0
DNS	Brendan SMITH					0	DNS	0	0	0	0	0
B Grade		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Jack SALTER	13	7	8	10	38	38	13	8	5	5	1
2	Jenna LUPO	21	6	8	14	49	49	10	8	5	7	2
DNS	Callum MILLAR					0	DNS	0	0	0	0	0
C Plus		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Jarrod CHIVERS	3	5	0	0	8	8	28	3	0	0	1
2	Nigel MUNDAY	4	9	0	0	13	13	27	2	0	2	1
3	Ian PICKERING	9	1	3	1	14	14	26	2	0	4	0
4	Nobby GABBEDY	5	3	4	2	14	14	23	6	1	2	0
5	Sam CALOW	6	6	2	0	14	14	22	9	0	0	1
6	David PARKER	11	8	8	10	37	37	22	2	1	1	6
7	Ken HOSKING	13	11	3	11	38	38	15	9	1	4	3
C Grade		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	David CATT	1	1	1	1	4	4	28	4	0	0	0
2	James FISH	7	2	0	1	10	10	26	5	0	0	1
3	Mike TRAVICA	6	5	0	0	11	11	27	2	2	0	1
4	Bryce SQUIBB	8	1	2	1	12	12	27	2	1	1	1
5	Samuel LOCKHART	7	0	4	1	12	12	24	5	2	1	0
6	Neil BERNE	11	3	0	0	14	14	26	4	0	0	2
7	Bob PERKINS	4	5	1	5	15	15	26	3	1	0	2
8	Millie LOCKHART	10	10	2	0	22	22	21	6	1	3	1
9	Rosie ENNISS	9	7	5	2	23	23	20	8	1	1	2
10	Grant TAYLOR	6	3	3	13	25	25	19	7	4	0	2
11	Conrad BROWN-THOMAS	10	7	8	1	26	26	21	3	1	7	0
12	Mike HULL	8	7	6	5	26	26	15	10	5	2	0
13	Andrew SQUIBB	9	8	13	6	36	36	12	11	4	4	1
14	Elliot SALTER	13	7	12	8	40	40	14	4	6	8	0
15	Braith LUNN	16	13	12	2	43	43	16	5	5	1	5
16	Alysha LUNN	15	14	8	8	45	45	16	5	1	6	4
NC	Mick LUSCOMBE	9	1	6	4	20	20	20	8	0	4	0
Clubman		Lap 1	Lap 2	Lap 3	Lap 4	Sun	Total	0	1	2	3	5
1	Scott PICKERING	4	3	1	2	10	10	25	5	1	1	0
2	Will DELANTY	18	6	4	3	31	31	20	6	1	1	4
3	Cooper LOCKHART	21	18	13	12	64	64	8	3	6	13	2

Classifieds

Wanted to buy

Seeking a twin shock trials bike ideally rideable (I'm wanting to ride the twin-shock class in TMTC club events) will consider a "project" bike, who knows maybe buy one of each!

No real preference for any particular make or model, I do find the idea of a mid 1970's Yamaha TY 250 or Kawasaki KT 250 appealing as both have sentimental appeal. However I'm very open considering any other make, model or capacity.

I'm ready to purchase immediately.

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