

Eastbourne & D.M.C.C.

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CLUB NEWS NOVEMBER 2025

Twistgrip



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Club Officials

President:- Thomas Moss

Chairman:- Steve Stretton

Vice Chairman:- Steve Baldock

Secretary:- Pete Collins

Treasurer:- Alan Peach

Trials Secretary:- Gloria Moss

Club Captain:- Derek Strudwick

Twistgrip Producer:- Roger Strudwick

Committee:-

Made up from club the membership all members welcome. Meetings are held at the British Queen Willingdon Triangle 1st Tuesday of the month 7.30 start members welcome.

News.....

I cant remember us having to cancel a club trial before, (*other than foot and Mouth, Pandemic*) but the committee decided that having run 20 events since May we were a bit trials'ed out.

However I did give us an opportunity to hold a joint working party at Coney Burrow, along side the Gest club whom we share the ground with. The objective was to clear out all the streams ahead of winter so they flow and not build up the dreaded silt.

It went really well, stream and banks cleared in many places and some excellent new old sections ready to use again, one example is a major new improvement to sections in far corner (*the one where many had a ducking on Good Friday*) using the stream & drop in, the old island area was cleared & can be used again, Many thought it was actually worth missing a trial for, the stream went down a good 8 inches and now flows really well, so Bunny is happy, also major clearance at banked stream near car park with the old access cleared we now have an in and out to that area. All in all a successful day for both clubs.



Interesting fact emerged comparing tools used on the day, Steve Jones wowed us with his 50 year old bow saw, when questioned he said he's had that saw man and boy, for the thick end of 50 years, someone remarked that it was in good condition for a fifty year old saw, Steve's reply "yeah well it's had five blades and two handles", someone remarked it's not the same bloody saw then is it, well above is photographic evidence with assembled witnesses, as they say "look after your tools"



Annual General Meeting 4th November

It's that time of year again 4th November at the British Queen Willingdon 7.30. I have a few proposals for discussion

1. Raise the entry fee to £20, the extra revenue to be split between setup crews to cover their expenses.
2. Or ballot club members to be allocated a month to help setup run and clear up a club trial.

As always just pop along and vote against anything you disagree with! I wont be offended, but you might if something gets past you don't agree with...

A Bit Sparse this month Twistgrip is a bit on the thin side, with no committee meeting or club trial to get any gossip from as you'll see Steve Jones has been up in the loft and has dug out some old twistgrips from back in the day, for a trip down memory lane.

COVER PICTURE

Geoff Muston, Twinshock Honda, at the Lighthouse Trial

E.&O.E.

The views and comments expressed in this club news are not necessarily the views and comments of the committee, and are intended to be a bit of fun and not offend anyone!

Down Memory Lane

Do you remember, June 2002!

Back in the days of having to supply an observer, or do it your self! And remembering the club members past and present and some sadly no longer with us....

EASTBOURNE & D.M.C.C. 

TWISTGRIP



JUNE 2000

Committee Members

President	Chris Wells
Chairman	Jo-Anne Creed
Vice Chairman	Ron Baker
Past Chairman	Steve Foord
Secretary	John Cawt
Trials Secretary	Ian Miklaucich
Treasurer	Judy Charman
Club Captain	Ray Foord
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Committee	Hugh Reilly, Steve Jones, Andrew Mephram, Caroline Rees, Charlie Cole, Cliff Moir, Ralph Charman, Roger Strudwick, Joe Reilly, Harry Reed, John Bird & Tim Edmonds

Observers

January Club Trial—Attwood Farm

Ian Cole, John Bird, David Samborra, Mark Johnson,
Jim Cottingham, John Cawt

February Club Trial

K Harris, Craig Moir, J Creed, T Edmonds, J Puttock, M Stiles

PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO OBSERVE

CARRY ON CAMPING!!

Those more observant members out there may have noticed that the June club trial and the Simon Levett open to centre trial are being held on consecutive days, at the same venue (Durrants Farm). This is planned in order to give us an excellent excuse to go out camping 'under the stars' and have a bit of a party. A bar-b-q will be provided as will some form of basic toilet facility, all you have to do is bring your own canvas, food and drink!

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The Simon Levett Trial, although a championship round for the South Eastern Centre, is still open to club members who can even enter on the day.

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!!

**QUAIFE S.E. CENTRE TEAM TRIAL/CAMDEN CUP
- HOOK FARM, CROWBOROUGH, 13th May 2000**

Winning Team	3rd Team	'EASTBOURNE 180+'
'E.ASTBOURNE A'	'EASTBOURNE B'	E) M. Peach 61
E) A. Peach 39	E) T. Edmonds 65	I) R. Charman 96
I) I. Cole 46	I) S. Jones 32	N) D. Harris 103
N) F. Puttock 48	N) M. Smith 72	TOTAL : 260
TOTAL : 133	TOTAL : 169	
2nd Team	OTHER E.D.M.C.C.	Best Youth Team
'TEAM STRUDWICK'	RESULTS:-	'EASTBOURNE YOUTH
E) Stephen 25		YB) A. Farley 43
I) Roger 60		YB) M. Jones 75
N) Keith 59		YB) C. Moir 108
TOTAL : 144		TOTAL : 226



ACU SOUTH EASTERN 2025 TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIP

A = SIDCUP (Sidcup Sixty - 19 Jan
 B = Sittingbourne (Walker Cup) - 2 Feb
 C = Gravesend (Richard Bartlett - 30 Mar
 D = Tenterden (Weald non Expert -20 Apr
 E = Bexley Heath (Langmaid) - 22 Jun
 F = OWLS (Brian Hodges) - 6 Jul Canc'led

G - Tenterden (Man of Kent) - 20 Jul
 H = Wick'm/Grav'd Harvest Watling - 17 Aug
 I = Tenterden (Weald of Kent) - 21 Sep
 J = Eastbourne (Lighthouse Trial) - 28 Sep
 K = Witley (Charlie Wake) - 8 Nov
 L = Barham (Mutton Lancers) - 16 November

Eastbourne rider's are featuring high in the South Eastern Centre Championships, lead by Reining Elite Champion Tom Moss with Jack Stiles currently in second place. Tom had a shaky start to the season missing the first two round due to a virus infection and a clash of dates in other Championships, winning five of the ten rounds so far with two rounds remaining he must be the favourite to retain his Championship that he has won on numerous occasions.

In the EXPERT class Adam Goodsell has regained his lead after recovering from a broken finger, Ben Smith is currently lying in fifth place after dropping back to the Experts from Elite. Michael Jones jumped up to third in the Intermediate class with his win at the Lighthouse Trial, adding to his wins Gravesend, and Bexleyheath's Langmaid, boosting his score over a consistently scoring John Smith.

Michael Stiles cuts a lonely path for Eastbourne in the Over 40's currently lying in fifth place, Novices Charlie Cole is in second place from Tim Carter, Winner of the Lighthouse over 50's, "Factory" Frank Puttock finds himself in = eleventh place after missing a few rounds. Gary Roberts and Steve Jones are locked in a battle for Twinshock supremacy with only two points separating them, Geoff Muston and Alan Paton are fifth and sixth with only two points separating them. Youth Intermediate James Hutton is in fourth place and only three points away from second, not bad for his first attempts at OTC trials.



Pos	EXPERT ELITE		Total	A	B	C	E	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Thomas Moss	Eastbourne	100			20	20	20	20		20		
2	Jack Stiles	Eastbourne	88	7	15	11	13	15	10		17		
3	Ashley Newbery	Sittingbourne	82	11	20	17	17	17					
4	Dean Heathfield	GEST/Sidc	75	8	11	10	11	11	9		15		
5	Jack Challice	Kingston	66	13	10		15	13	15				

Pos	EXPERT		Total	A	B	C	E	G	H	I	J	K
1	Adam Goodsell	Eastbourne	117	9	17	13	20	20	10	17	11	
2	Alex Davies	Bexleyheath	105	15	15	15	13	13	11	13	10	
3	Mason Meadows	KYTC/Sidc	92	10	20	17		15	15		15	
4	Matthew Strank	Barham	69	6	13		17			20	13	
5	Ben Smith	Eastbourne	55	20		(ee)				15	20	

Pos	INTERMEDIATE		Total	A	B	C	D	E	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Graham Thomas	Bexleyheath	115	17	11	15		17	20		20	15		
2	Mark Robinson	Bexleyheath	103		dnf	11	13	13	17	17	15	17		
3	Michael Jones	Sid/East	77			20		20			17	20		
4	Jon Smith	Eastbourne	74	4	15	8		11	13	10	13			
5	Michael Hollyer	Bex/Tent	73	10	13	17	20		(exp)			13		

Pos	TWINSHOCK		Total	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	Gary Roberts	Erith	119	20	17	13	15	17	20	17		
2	Steve Jones	Eastbourne	117	15	13	17	20	20	17	15		
3	Robin Whorlow	Tenterden	43	13	15				15			
4	Graham Baylis	Bexleyheath	30		20	10						
5	Geoff Muston	Eastbourne	30				17			13		

Whats On

Always check website or social media for any last minute updates as these dates are only meant as a provisional guide.

Provisional Club Trial dates for your Diary

Saturday November 15th

Club trial

Coney Burrow.

Winter Start Time **12.30**

SUNDAY December 28th TBC

Turkey & Christmas pud blow out

Club trial

Venue Squirrel Wood.

Start Time **11.00am**

Open to Centre Championship dates for your Diary

Sat 8th November

Witley - Charlie Wake

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16th November

Barham - Mutton Lancers

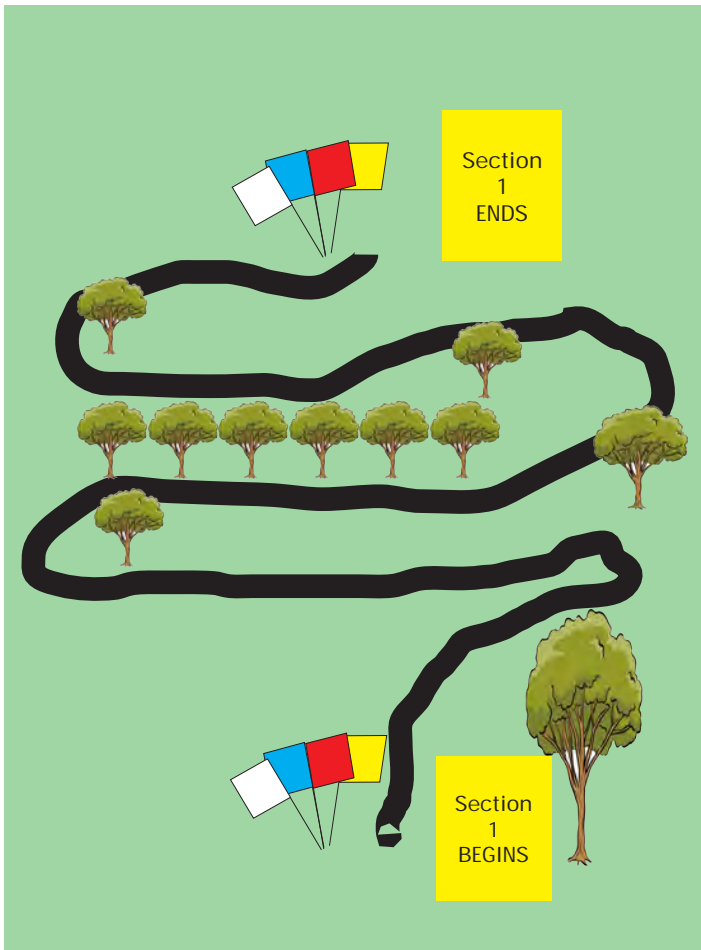
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January 2026

Sidcup 60 Trial

Canada Heights

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The Basic Club Trial Rules.

- 1/. Make sure your number is clearly displayed on the front of you bike, follow the marked route to the first section.
- 2/. The section begins/ends card is always on the right hand side, and facing you. The corresponding route colours on the left.
- 3/. A clean is when you ride through the section between marker flags without putting your foot down, or touching a marker flag.
- 4/. One dab with the foot = a **1**, two dabs with the foot = a **2**, for a three you can foot and dab as man times you like as long as you keep moving it's still only a **3**.
- 5/. Stopping is permitted provided any part of your body doesn't come into contact with the ground or obstacle,
- 6/. New ruling if you stall you can stop with your foot down to restart engine for a **1**. Providing your foot or any part of you only comes in to contact once.