

NORTH KENT TRIALS COMBINE MEETING HELD 15th Jan 2009

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Clubs Present: Bexleyheath, Double Five, Erith, Kent & Sussex, Owls and Sidcup. (6 clubs with 9 delegates present)

Chair: Colin Mote **Secretary:** Steve Westley

Apologies for absence: Peter Burton was accepted.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Ok

Matters arising from those minutes: None

Jan 11th NKTC Team Trial: This event took place at Jacksons Wood, Horsmonden using the usual formula for our team events. The Stewards report was read out detailing 3 laps of 13 sections for 58 competitors who after a rider briefing were all started together at 10:30am, each observer had riders at their section within minutes of the start. This trial came at the end of a particularly severe cold spell which was down to -12C at times and the sections were laid out on the Saturday with this in mind. As it moved to +4C on the day if you got round quickly you had an advantage on some of the sections and the results will confirm this. All those spoken to enjoyed the trial and there were no complaints. Well done to those who set it out in the cold on Saturday.

Comment from those present – A very good trial with the severity spot on and congratulations to the Bexleyheath team for winning the Team Shield.

Rider Survey – well done to those who set it out – an excellent idea to hold a briefing and then to start all riders together to a nominated section – 1st class trial, tough but enjoyable.

Feb 8th Gravesend trial Round 1: All ok and the event is taking place at Jacksons Wood, Horsmonden – Kent Youth to provide the NKTC Steward

Mar 8th Wickham trial Round 2: The regs will be in the form of an advert in TSM and the event will take place at Sandfields Farm, Cowden and it will be one of our championship rounds – Gravesend to provide the NKTC Steward

Outcomes from SE Centre AGM & Board mtg: The levy to the ACU contingency fund will continue as this covers uninsured losses such as policy excesses. The Talmag trial will take place at Hungry Hill on 25th Jan. If we wish to use Forestry land the liaison officer will sort out problems if we ask him. Can clubs consider any candidates that they may have to provide a deputy to the main Board officials should they be unable to carry out their duties for any reason, currently there aren't any and more detail can be obtained from Peter Burrell. If we have a proposal regarding youth being able to utilize the much cheaper and more readily available 250's we should put it to the Centre Board who will take it up with the ACU. Jim Connor was voted as President of the Centre Board following Alan Clarke's retirement after his allotted 2 year period. Twickenham now have a trials club in the Centre.

Awards for 2008 season: The final awards for Observer and Most Improved rider were decided

AOB: None

Date of next meeting is 12th Feb 2009 at 8:30pm - meeting closed 21:50pm

Agenda for the meeting on Feb 12th 2009

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of Last Meeting
3. Matters Arising from those minutes
4. Feb 8th Gravesend trial Round 1
5. Mar 8th Wickham trial Round 2
6. Apr 12th Kent Youth trial round 3
7. Any other urgent business
8. Date of next meeting Mar 12th 2009