

NORTH KENT TRIALS COMBINE MEETING HELD 15th May 2009

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Clubs Present: Bexleyheath, Double Five, Erith, Owls and Sidcup. (5 clubs with 7 delegates present)

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

Apologies for absence: Peter Burton and Denis Wakeman were accepted.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Accepted without change.

Matters arising from those minutes: If the Gravesend club are not able to put on a replacement event in 2009 there may be a problem with points and the assistance not provided by their riders in the championship – this will be discussed later in the year.

May 10th trial Round 4: Owls club ran the event at Penshurst and Kent Youth provided the Steward. The Stewards report was read out; event started on time with 14 sections to be ridden 3 times, 36 riders in the programme with 6 on the day competed and the low entry was due to the large membership of the Owls club. All riders spoken to were enjoying the event and there did not appear to be anything dangerous, a well laid out trial, well done the Owls. Comment from those present about a couple of sections being a bit long and tight in places, some sections were changed due to their deterioration once ridden.

June 14th trial Round 5: Erith club confirmed all ok and Owls are to provide the Steward.

July 12th trial Round 6: Double Five confirmed all ok at Chads and Erith are to provide the Steward.

Updates from recent meetings: discussion on what has been outlined at recent meetings and importantly the Centre Management are in agreement with the proposal to pilot youth on up to 250cc bikes at restricted events. Read out a draft of a proposal to be written to the Centre and to be forwarded on to the ACU T&E committee about this; the ACU already allow youth on 250's in pre65 championship so insurance is not the problem. Asked what do the AMCA do about their youth riders and it appears to be difficult to find an easy answer even from ACU clubs that run some events under AMCA. Update on this as soon as it is known.

AOB: Discussion on some riders riding down a class, some are riding back from injury and starting in a lower class, others have not won a championship and are ok where they are. It seems to be working ok. The SE Centre dates and AGM is on 27.10.09

The Clerk of the Course Trials Seminar is on Saturday 24th October 2009 at Blindley Heath from 2pm and is being run by Bob Brown.

Secretary left the room and the Clubs decided to award him an Honorarium for his work on behalf of the combine.

Date of next meeting is 18th June 2009 at 8:30pm – The meeting closed 21:50pm

Agenda for the meeting on June 18th 2009

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of Last Meeting
3. Matters Arising from those minutes
4. June 14th Erith trial round 5
5. July 12th Double Five trial round 6
6. Aug 9th 96TC trial round 7
7. Sidecar events
8. Any other urgent business
9. Date of next meeting July 16th 2009