

NORTH KENT TRIALS COMBINE MEETING HELD 8th November 2007.

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Clubs Present: Bexleyheath, Double Five, Erith, Kent & Sussex, Kent Youth, Owls, Sidcup. (7 clubs with 13 members present)

Chair: Colin Mote

Apologies for absence: Alan Clarke was accepted

Minutes of Last Meeting: Ok

Matters Arising from those minutes: None

October 14th Trial Kent & Sussex round 8: Letter received from a rider concerning missing scores on observer sheets, on the response to verbal request to resolve them and hence no written protest. The organising club outlined the facts as they saw them and had requested the written protest. NKTC Secretary outlined how he believed we should deal with missed scores in the 21st Century and how the meeting could establish guidelines for clubs so that this would never happen again. Several opinions from clubs present were given and hence some clubs did not give theirs. On this point it seems that if we are to move forward we need a consensus and should discuss it again at a future meeting. The results stand as published.

November 4th Trial Sidcup round 9: took place at Canada Heights, Stewards report read out, 3 laps of 13 sections and the event started on time with 88 starters. All riders spoken to were very pleased and it was an excellent well run event, a credit to all concerned. Comments from those present at trial, on the expert route you had to stop & hop in some of the sections and consequently the observers are not always marking correctly, the expert route in trials generally is nearly right but not quite there yet. Others commented on how good the trial was.

December 9th Trial 96 TC round 10: ok at Rotherfield Station, Sidcup to provide the Steward.

January 13th NKTC Team Trial: at Horsmonden, NKTC to provide the Stewards, Team Trial rules apply.

SE Centre Trials Combine & Dates: Dates for Centre trials arranged and will be published in TSM, clubs could still move dates if it is a problem. **AGM;** If there are delivery issues beyond the control of TSM the SE Trials website can be used to display regs and riders will contact the club direct. Entry fees at Centre level will fluctuate due to individual land cost issues. Quaife cup has not been returned by winning team from 2006, note for its return is to go in TSM. Insurance costs are to rise 10% across the board from 1.1.08 and a further increase will apply from 1.4.08 but hopefully restricted to speed combines and not trials.

Any other business: possible volunteer to take on the Treasures job and will meet with Brian later to discuss.

Bob Brown is organising a trials seminar at Blindley Heath in Jan, all officials' licenses that expire 31.12.07 will continue to be valid until that seminar. Why does the licence have to expire every 3 years? (Could not be answered so enquiries will be made)

No further business meeting closed 21.45pm

Agenda for the meeting on Dec 13th 2007

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of Last Meeting
3. Matters Arising from those minutes
4. Dec 9th Trial 96TC round 10
5. Jan 13th NKTC Team Trial
6. Feb 10th Trial Gravesend round 1 2008
7. NKTC Dates
8. Any other urgent business

Date of next meeting Jan 17th 2008