

WHAT NEXT?

General Information.

Monthly Ixion Club Trials start at 10.30am and generally the flags are pulled at 3pm. This gives competitors plenty of time to do the usual three rounds and have time to stop and have a bite to eat at lunchtime.

Twilight trials start at about 6pm and you are expected to help in setting the trial. They are very much a do it yourself trial.

Riders are expected to help at the end of each trial by helping bring in the section markers (flags).

Trials are never cancelled. The events are held wet or fine. If you have any queries about the events or any other Club activity telephone Ash Wells at (04) 784 985 or any of the Committee members listed in the front inside cover of each cycle torque.

March 12

Practice day at Mark and Lindsay Wilcox on Moonshine Road just before the Bullrun Rd turnoff. Start approx 10.30am. Mark Sidevalve organising.

April 2

Club Trial. Mr Muir's property Whitemans Valley.

April 30

Club Trial. Ash Wells' 110 Ohariu Rd

May 14 & 15

North Island Champs. Ixion Club organising. Day one Maungatukutuku (Pram) and the second Day at Reikiorangī (Waikanae). A lot of help will be needed here in running these events.

June 11

Club Trial. Belmont Park. Better directions will be given next month.

July 2

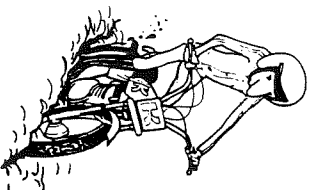
Club Trial. Otaki

August 6

Club Trial. Paekakariki

September 3

Club Trial. Whitemans Valley



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CLUB TRIAL

Hulme's property
Ohariu Valley
Sunday 5 March 1989

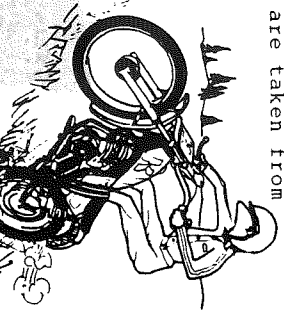
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The annual subscription is \$20 or \$10 for social members and full-time students.
Monthly Club Trial entry fees are \$4.
ACU licences are required for all riders and are taken from 1 July of each year.



A Grade

James Lawton	Fantic 301	11	1st
Mark Sidebotham	Fantic 301	23	2nd
John Lawton	Fantic 125	24	3rd
John Thomson	Montesa 349	58	4th

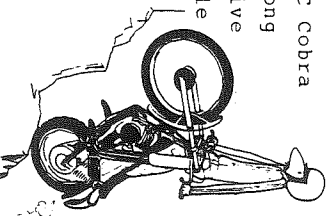
B Grade

Stuart Lawton	Fantic 125	37	1st
Phil Neal	TLM 200	44	2nd
Shane Belch	Fantic 200	46	3rd
Bryan Johnson	*TLM 200	50	4th (14x0)
Rob Lawton	Fantic 200	50	5th (10x0)
Doug Flux	TLM 200	68	6th
Tim Hobbs	TLM 200	70	7th
Pete Birkett	Bultaco 250	76	8th

C Grade

Ash Wells	TLR 200	28	1st
Gerard Pinguet	TLM 200	38	2nd
Bill King	KT 250	49	3rd
Chris E Harris	Fantic 200	59	4th
Mark Kortlink	TY 250	DNF	

Trials-master was John Thomson assisted by Phil Neal and Rob Lawton.
The weather was fine as usual this summer so there weren't any drowned bikes at this meeting. I did hear mutterings about the close proximity of the dam but no one did fall into it.
The 10 sections ridden three times was enough and everyone had a good day out. Graeme Kidd drove his just built AC Cobra replica to the trial. Its a great looking machine. Among the other visitors were a group of riders out for a drive who after sampling a trials ride thought it was a little harder than it looked.



CLUB TRIAL

Mr Pattinson's place
Paekakariki Hill Road
Sunday 12 February '89

Twilight Series

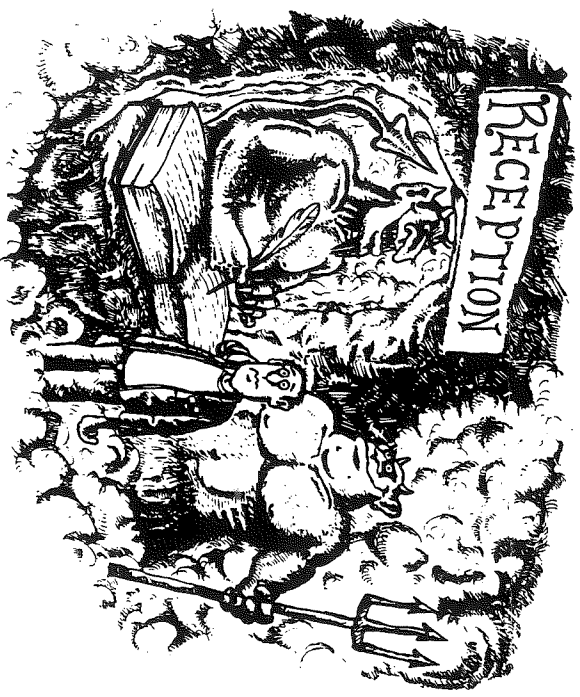
Mr Masons property
Ohariu Valley
22 February 1989
Round Six

<u>A Grade</u>			
James Lawton	Fantic 301	10	1st
John Lawton	Fantic 125	21	2nd
Kevin Tither	TLR 250	77	3rd
John Thomson	Bultaco 349	79	4th
<u>B Grade</u>			
Stuart Pike	Fantic 200	24	1st
Phil Neal	TLR 200	30	2nd(20x0)
Peter Birkett	Bultaco 250	30	3rd(15x0)
Shane Belch	Fantic 200	39	4th
Bryan Johnston	TLM 200	42	5th
Graeme Kidd	TY250	70	6th
Robbie Lawton	Fantic 200 Pro	80	7th
<u>C Grade</u>			
Stuart Lawton	Pantic 125	15	1st
Ash Wells	TLR 200	33	2nd
Mark Kortink	TY 250	40	3rd
Bill King	KT 250	47	4th
Dave Pryor	TY 175	DNF	
Bob Bloomfield	KT 250	DNF	

<u>A Grade</u>			
Mark Sidebotham	Fantic 301	24	1st
Peter Glover	TLM	31	2nd
<u>B Grade</u>			
Shane Belch	Fantic 200	34	1st
Bryan Johnston	TLM 200	37	2nd
Graeme Kidd	TY250	42	3rd
<u>C Grade</u>			
Ash Wells	TLR	15	1st
Gerard Pinguet	TLM 200	20	2nd

This was a good trial with testing sections without being silly. Bob Bloomfield who joined the Club on the day had the bad luck to drop his KT250 into the creek where it ingested water while revving its head off and managed to separate the cylinder barrel from the crankcase and leave a great hole where the two had once met. For the rest of us the day was fine even if a little muddy if you happened to be behind Spike whose rear wheel was spinning and showering the unsuspecting.

Thanks to John Lawton and John Thomson for setting out a good trial even if one or two sections were over flagged.



"Ah yes, put him in 36174237 with Ernie Noakes who had an Ariel 350 for 6 months in 1937 and sold it for 15 shillings, bets it'd be worth thousands now, 'course thats when bikes sounded like bikes, not like these bleedin' sewing machines, pulled like a train it did, how many 1 year old Jap bikes d'y' see now, not like that old Ariel, sold it for 15 bob....."

Twilight Series Results

NAME	GRADE	ONE	TWO	THREE	FOUR	FIVE	SX	TOTALS	AGE
JAMES LAWTON	A	20	-	-	-	-	-	20	4 TH
MARK SIEBERTHANN	A	17	20	17	20	20	20	97	1 ST
JOHN LAWTON	A	15	-	-	-	-	-	15	5 TH
PETER GLOVER	A	13	15	20	17	-	-	82	2 ND
BOBBER	A	11	17	-	-	-	-	28	3 RD
JOHN THOMPSON	A	10	-	-	-	-	-	10	6 TH
CRISTINE KIDD	B	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	6 TH
JANNE DEACH	B	20	20	-	20	-	20	80	2 ND
BRYAN DUNSTON	B	17	17	20	-	20	17	91	1 ST
TERRE FULFAY	B	15	-	-	-	-	-	15	6 TH
DAVE EASTON	B	13	10	-	-	-	-	23	4 TH
ANDREW HARRIS	B	11	11	-	-	-	-	22	5 TH
ROBBIE LAWTON	B	10	-	-	-	-	-	10	10 TH
DOUG FLUX	B	9	-	-	-	-	-	9	11 TH
PAUL PEDERSSON	B	8	-	-	-	-	-	8	12 TH
PAUL NEAL	B	-	15	17	-	-	-	32	3 RD
ROBBIE LAWTON	B	-	13	-	-	-	-	13	9 TH
DOUG FLUX	B	-	-	15	-	-	-	15	6 TH
GERNARD ANQUET	C	17	17	17	17	-	17	85	2 ND
DILL KING	C	15	-	-	-	15	-	30	4 TH
STUART LAWTON	C	13	-	-	-	-	-	13	7 TH
BARRY EASTON	C	11	13	-	-	-	-	24	5 TH
MARK KOETNIK	C	10	11	1	20	17	-	59	3 RD
PETER BRUCKE	C	9	15	-	-	-	-	24	5 TH
BOB FLUBERTY	C	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	8 TH
ASH WELLS	C	20	20	20	15	20	20	100	1 ST

GASFLOW

Steve Saunders has been and gone, witnessed in action at Auckland by a select group of Ixion riders. Well over 100 spectators turned out to the first day at Dury to see Steve and a handful of NZ's best riders tackle six sections. Three were on shingle quarry like terrain featuring plenty of vertical-to-overhanging real estate and three under trees with slime, big bogs and creeks to the fore. Once Steve got used to Kevin Pinfolds Fantic 303 (the flywheel weights were hurriedly removed after his first ride) he quickly showed his superiority with smooth dramatics free rides and a masterly (as expected) application of the latest 'tricks'. After the riding Steve gave a demo of tricks on their own.

The second day was a quieter affair for the riders with Steve setting the sections. Three were vertical jobs in a pine plantation and here we saw demonstrated not only fancy tricks but also superb basic techniques. There is no point in flicking the bike around at the foot of a steep climb if you can't ride the hill! The high point of the weekend was the next two sections set on big slabs of rocks under trees on a hillside. Here Steve was able to really make our boys look Clubman like. The advanced tricks and superb control of world class riders comes to the fore on multiple vertical rocks. He bounced and hopped and jumped in and out of some fantastic situations. Andrew and Stefan rode above themselves here I thought. They haven't anyone better than themselves to ride with and I think the experience drew them out quite a bit. Look for big improvements as they practice what they learned.

Your Club supported the tour to the tune of \$250. Directly we get a video of the event and a promise that he will come to Wellington next time. Indirectly the major benefit will be that the expert Trials will be harder than ever to win and that more riders will have more advanced skills and be using a more technical thinking style of riding and practising. The benefits will I am sure trickle down to some of our grassroots riders.

Sorry there will not be a Trials school at the April trial cos I'm away with the ferries (sorry the Interislander!). You had better practice the skills I showed you last November or else.

Why did no one come to our Twilight trials? Never mind; I like riding my own sections even if others don't. Seriously though think of the demoralising effect on the new and hardworking Trials convenor who put so much into the series.

The Sidevalve rules rewrite has been substantially approved by the country's major trials organisers/thereby becoming the NZ Trials Organisers rules rewrite. They have been submitted to the ACU for consideration at the mammoth leaparty known as the ACU Annual Conference. I will be the Clubs delegate to this years party and will labour to get the thing passed in one piece.

We now have an National Champs Calendar so start planning your holidays and budgets now. Its well worth attending these events and anyone who can ride our B grade sections is capable of riding Clubmans sections in the national events. Don't forget the Ixion rounds of the Champs on 14 and 15 May. We have 30 observer positions to fill.

I would like to make it known that I am not a Honda owner. It belongs to Janet who now has two sewing machines.

My Fantic 301 is still for sale and is still the best in the country and has the new lower price of \$3850. Telephone (04) 798868.