

The Motor Cycling Club Ltd
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LANDS END TRIAL: Although entries officially closed on 31st January for this Easter's event anyone sending in an application in the next few days will almost certainly be found a place so if you have second thoughts about entering or feared you had missed the boat, don't despair – **but act quickly**.

Entry Taker: Ray Goodright, Redwoods, Trecarne, St Cleer, Liskeard PL14 5EE Tel: 01579 348765

This year's later Easter date should bring better weather so if you don't feel like entering but would like an involvement and an excuse to enjoy a west county spring holiday we shall never turn down offers to marshal particularly if you can bring family or friends to help.

Chief Marshal: John Barthram, 3 Willow Tree Road, Rumsam, Barnstable EX32 9ET

EXETER TRIAL: Although one of the coldest for many years and pre-trial weather which had left many of the usually less difficult hills unexpectedly tricky, the event was a happy one. More attention was paid to timing than in recent years something which gained general approval, even by some who were caught out.

We are sorry to keep competitors waiting for the final results but there have been two or three protests to deal with. The Clerk of the Course is on a mission to make performance accurately reflected in results and awards. This takes time so everyone has to be patient. One decision that has been reached, after much debate both within the Exeter Trial organising team and at Executive Committee level, is that all Class O competitors who 'went clean' and completed all requirements 100% correctly on all sections will be awarded a Class O medal. Time penalties will not be applied. The Standing Supplementary Regulations 2009 specifically say that for Class O, the section covering Timing and Awards - Section G, does not apply. This means there will be more Class O awards than shown in the Supplementary results already issued.

TRIPLE MAGAZINE: Don't forget the deadline for contributions for the next edition is **6 March**. Now you have had time to reflect on the Exeter Trial I hope as many of you will submit proper reports on how the event treated you as came up with short sharp comments for News of the Week immediately afterwards.

Triple Editor: Celia Walton, Briggs Cottage, Noke, Oxford OX3 9TW

ANGUS STEWART TROPHY: Presented to the MCC by his wife soon after Angus' sad death the committee has decided it should be awarded annually to the best performance by a driver using a car powered by an 1172cc Ford engine. Full details and exact wording will be available shortly but the recent Exeter Trial will be the first qualifier for the 2009 season.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS: The committee has confirmed that from next year, 2010, the annual subscription will increase to £26.00, in line with inflation. Meanwhile may we remind members who have not paid their £25.00 for 2009 that they will not be seeing many more Newsletters or other club communications. unless they send off their cheque to the **membership secretary**, John Childs, 57 Ash Grove, Wheathampstead, St Albans, AL4 8DF without delay.

JOHN WEST: Very pleasing to learn that John, who was forced by outside reasons to leave the committee last year has been elected a **Vice President**, so his long experience and clear thinking brain will not be lost to the club.

CLASSIC BIKE SHOW: Once again the club will be exhibiting at this show which is being held on 14/15 February at the Bath and West Showground, near Shepton Mallet. Our thanks go to those members who will be organising and manning our stand.

2009 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

10/11 APRIL -- LANDS END TRIAL; 7 JUNE – SUMMER RUN 18 JULY – AGM;
12 JULY – TESTING TRIAL; 3 OCTOBER – EDINBURGH TRIAL.