

TTMA NEWSLETTER JUNE 2016

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Hello and welcome to the May/June newsletter, the last one before the TT starts. By the time you receive this, there will be nearly two weeks to go before the first bikes thunder down Bray Hill (weather permitting!)

All signing-on forms have now been sent out so if you haven't yet used the online system to let us know when and where you would like to marshal, please either do so or return the forms to the office as soon as you can. Please don't leave it until the first day of practice the office is busy enough as it is!

There are still some areas where we are undermanned, especially on the first Saturday, so if you can help it would be much appreciated. Similarly, please help your Chief or Deputy Sector Marshal if they ask you to move to a different place as we need all 520+ Marshals in the right places before any of those bikes can 'thunder down Bray Hill'.

A short message from me this time as there is still so much to do but whether you are a new marshal just starting out or a seasoned veteran, I hope you have a safe, enjoyable and incident-free TT.

regards
Robert Crane

TRAINING REPORT

Well it was a long trip down to Redhill for Sam and I on the Friday but it was worth the 635 mile round trip. Great days training with some lovely Team Orange Marshal's down at Redhill. Then a quick blast up the motorway to Rugby for some more training on the Sunday at the ACU HQ and again great marshals there too. Everyone is now getting geared up for TT 2016 which is not that far away. We are hoping for a bright, warm and safe 2 weeks of practice and racing. We are also looking forward to seeing all our marshals who we have trained this year at the marshal's supper. This will be held again at the Villa Maria on Mad Sunday evening. Doors open at 7.15pm and all are welcome. Please ensure you bring your warrant card with you. We will have riders and officials to give us an insight as to how things are going and to thank you for what you do best.

This year the refresher day will be on Saturday instead of the Sunday as usual. We are having an extra Incident Management Course so have had to swap days.

Please check out our website www.iomttma.com and see when your IMC course needs to be renewed. If you are not, sure speak to Deana in the office. The courses commence at 08:45 for registration and finish at approx. 5pm. There are 24 places maximum available on each course. Once the course is filled names will go on a waiting list and other courses maybe arranged to suit num-

bers. Once you are booked to do the training course I would ask you to make a real effort to attend and if you are not able to attend, please let us know as soon as possible. The office will email everyone a week before as a reminder.

Brett Hammonds

SECTOR 4

Hello everyone, well not long to go now and things are progressing well on sector 4. We have relocated some marshalling positions and added a new position at Laurel Bank to improve visibility and these will make for some really good view points. So if you want to try a new location close to the racing with excellent views supported by an excellent team of friendly marshals and medical staff please come and join us. All will be made welcome on sector 4.

I would like to remind anyone who has not yet signed on to do so ASAP as we are working on the rotas daily to ensure our new system works as it should. We hope to have a good turnout but we are still short in some areas.

For the ones that have kindly volunteered to marshal anywhere and have made up our own response team, will you please meet me at Glen Helen car park before the session unless I advise you otherwise. If anyone wants to see sector 4 from a selection of locations, please sign on as part of the team and we will do our best to accommodate your wishes.

It was good to meet up with some of you at Scarborough and although the weather was a little on the cool side and damp, a good time was had to start with. However, our thoughts are with the family and friends of Billy Redmayne at this time.

Telephone number – if anyone has problems contacting me please use 07821 276028 as this proved the best last year. Sorry it's my UK mobile but the costs should have reduced slightly by TT. If you send me a text, I'll give you a call back. I look forward to meeting you all in a few weeks.

Neil Smith

SECTOR 5

If you haven't ventured out into the more rural spots around the course, why not come and join us for a couple of days? You'll be made more than welcome at one of our locations on the west side of the course such as Burnside (just after the end of Cronk-Y-Voddy), the 11th Milestone, Handley's Corner or the Top of Barregarrow.

I'd like to thank my usual team of Deputies and their deputy-deputies including Nick Hunt, Andy Dorman, Jane Caley, Robert Cannell, Lee Chelton and Peter Lovekin, who will be joined by Colin Cripps for his first experience as DSM at the bottom of Barregarrow.

Not forgetting the 'usual' marshals that return every year – I look forward to meeting you all again. Let's hope for sunny weather and 'tarmac melting' reports rather than 'rivers running'.

Regards

Robert

SECTOR 7

There is one change in Sector 7 which is in the Wildlife/ Quarry Bends Area. Janet Crowe who has marshalled there for quite a few years then became the DSM, has decided to retire from doing the TT but she says she is still going to marshal for the FOM. The new DSM at the Quarry location is Shaun Dalton. A lot of you will already know Shaun as he is Chief Marshal at Auto 66 Scarborough so I hope you will all make him welcome.

Apart from that everything else is virtually the same. The forms are now out for signing on so can you all complete these ASAP as it helps me with my manning levels and there is no better location on the course than being a marshal in Sector 7!

Eddie Christian

SECTOR 10

Hi all, well TT is nearly here again. Thank you to all of you who have signed on. The rota is filling up nicely although some points are still short on certain days, but as the postal forms are now starting to arrive I'm hopeful that this will right itself. If not, at least I'm lucky enough that my marshals are always prepared to help me out and move if asked.

I have been up to see what changes were made after the two-week mountain maintenance closure. To be honest there has been very little on our sector so pretty much business as usual. Look forward to meeting as many of you as I can, and to all of you 'from across' have a safe journey.

Mike Brown

SECTOR 12

Hi everybody, just a short note for this newsletter. I hope this short article finds you well and eagerly anticipating this year's road racing events on the Island's roads. The TT is rapidly approaching and all plans seem to be running well.

As I am sure you all know by now the Subaru boys are having a play again. It has been stated by the Clerk of the Course that any marshal that is not interested or does not feel happy covering these laps may stand down while the Subaru is on the course. I have no problem with anybody who does not wish to marshal these laps and just ask that each point in the sector informs me of the number of marshals still on post.

At the moment numbers are still shortages in some places, so I would ask you all 'PLEASE', if we are short anywhere, then be prepared to move so that we can get things underway, especially practices as the guys out there need all the track time they can get. I will never ask anybody to move very far on foot and will always make sure you can get back OK.

I hope all those of you marshalling at Governors give the new deputies all the help they need in their first event. I am sure you will all work together as a great team. I don't think there is much more to say for now.

See you all at the end of May, have a safe journey to the Island to those of you that are travelling from far and wide.

Take care,
John Walsh

Colin Poland

For all of those who knew him, I need to pass on the sad news that Colin passed away on Good Friday. Colin had put up a brave fight against cancer for over a year and his funeral took place on 22nd April.

Colin and his wife Sheila have supported the TTMA for 9 years, mainly marshalling on Sector 4, ending up looking after Cronk- y-Voddy Crossroads. Sheila tells me that she fully intends to support the TT in the future and will be travelling over to the Island during May so If you bump into her during this year's events, please say "Hi".

Paul Griffiths

Bike show on Thursday of race week

For any marshals interested in attending the free bike show which has been held in Laxey for the last 9 years, **it has had to move** and will now be held at the far end of Peel Prom. Also this year the annual Harley Davidson meet is to be part of this show. Assuming there is no need to race on this Thursday, I'll see you there.

Mike Brown
CSM 10

MODDEY DHOO MCC 10th Anniversary Bike Show

(formerly the Laxey TT Bike Show)

Thursday 9th June 2016

11am—5pm



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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

With only a few days to go, I thought the practice and race schedules would be useful information. Please note this may be subject to change and always check there have not been any alterations to road closure times.

Qualifying Schedule

For qualifying sessions roads close from Barrule Park, Ramsey to the Bungalow at 1645, the Bungalow to Creg-ny-baa at 1700 and the rest of the Course at 1800.

All practices are timed qualifying sessions unless otherwise noted.

Saturday 28th May

1820		Solo newcomers speed controlled lap untimed practice
1825		Sidecar newcomers speed controlled lap untimed practice
1840	2050	Lightweight / Supersport / Newcomers (all solo classes)

Monday 30th May

1820	1950	Superbike / Superstock / Supersport / Newcomers (all classes except LW)
1955	2050	Sidecars

Tuesday 31st May

1820	1925	Superbike / Superstock / Supersport / Newcomers (all classes except LW)
1925	1955	Supersport / Lightweight / Newcomers (all solo classes)
2000	2050	Sidecars

Wednesday 1st June

1820	1950	Superbike / Superstock / Supersport / Newcomers (all classes except LW)
1955	2050	Sidecars

Thursday 2nd June

1820	1925	Superbike / Superstock / Supersport / Newcomers (all classes except LW)
1925	1955	Supersport / Lightweight / Newcomers (all solo classes)
2000	2050	Sidecars

Friday 3rd June

1820	1945	Superbike / Superstock / Supersport / Newcomers (all classes except LW)
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1950	2035	Sidecars
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2040		TT Zero
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Race Day Practices

Saturday 4th June

1635		Superstock / Supersport / Lightweight (2 Laps)
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1715		TT Zero (1 Lap)
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Monday 6th June

1228		Sidecars (2 Laps)
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1607		Lightweight (1 Lap)
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1628		TT Zero (1 Lap)
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Tuesday 7th June (in event of being an alternate race day)

1220		Sidecars (2 Laps)
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1525		Lightweight (1 Lap)
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1540		TT Zero (1 Lap)
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Wednesday 8th June

1225		Sidecars (1 Lap)
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1540		Senior (1 Lap)
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Thursday 9th June (in event of being an alternate race day)

1235		Sidecars (1 Lap)
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1540		Senior (1 Lap)
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Race Schedule

Saturday 4th June

1100 RST Superbike TT Race (6 Laps)

1400 Sure Sidecar TT Race 1 (3 Laps)

Monday 6th June

1035 Monster Energy Supersport TT Race 1 (4 Laps)

1345 RL360^o Quantum Superstock TT Race (4 Laps)

Wednesday 8th June

1035 Monster Energy Supersport TT Race 2 (4 Laps)

1345 Bennetts Lightweight TT Race (4 Laps)

1625 SES TT Zero Race (1 Lap)

Friday 10th June

1015 Sure Sidecar TT Race 2 (3 Laps)

1245 PokerStars Senior TT Race (6 Laps)

There will not be a newsletter at the start of July and the next issue will be due at the start of August. If you have any stories from this year's TT or any photos that you would like to submit, please send them to the newsletter address below by the 25th July at the latest. To everyone travelling across to the island, have a safe journey and to everyone who will be marshalling this year, thank you very much from all of the board of the TTMA.

Amanda Wightman

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