EAST KENT SCHOOLBOY SCRAMBLE CLUB



MEMBERS HANDBOOK 2025/6

WARNING!

MOTOCROSS IS DANGEROUS

MOTOR SPORT IS DANGEROUS AND PERSONS ATTENDING RACE MEETINGS DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK.

It is a condition of admission that all persons having any connection with the promotion and/or conduct of the meeting, including the Landowners and the drivers of the vehicles are absolved from all liability arising out of accidents, howsoever caused resulting in damage and /or personal injury to spectators, ticket holders or riders.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

ALL MEMBERS SHOULD PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING NOTICES WHICH ARE OF DIRECT INTEREST AND CONCERN TO THEM

THE ORGANISERS, LICENSING AUTHORITY AND THE LANDOWNERS

do not hold themselves responsible for loss or damage, howsoever caused to vehicles or property left in the paddock/pit area

CROSSING THE COURSE

Under no circumstances should anyone not signed on to / authorised to do so cross the course at any time during the race meeting.

Committee members or organisers are always present within the paddock any issue should be taken to them.

PARENTS/SPECTATORS ARE **STRICTLY** PROHIBITED FROM TRACKSIDE

Any spectator crossing the boundaries to the enter the track represents not only a danger to themselves but also to any rider participating in the race or track office working to run the race, in cases where non-authorised persons cross onto the track the club reserves the right to exclude them and their riders from that even and any championship standing gained from that days racing.

DOGS

Dogs must be kept on a lead all times
Under no circumstances are dogs allowed within the precincts of the course. THIS RULING WILL BE
STRICTLY ENFORCED.

FLAG SIGNALS

UNION FLAG	START OF RACE
CHEQUERED FLAG	END OF RACE
BLACK FLAG	RIDER TO STOP IMMEDIATELY
RED FLAG	STOP IMMEDIATELY
YELLOW FLAG(waved or stationary) No Passing, maint	
BLACK CROSS ON YELLOW FLAG	COMMENCEMENT OF LAST LAP
Red CROSS ON WHITE FLAG	PARAMEDIC REQUIRED

MEMBERSHIP AND RACE FEES

MEMBERSHIP

Any membership or race number queries during the season should be made to Membership Secretary, current contact details can be found on the club's social media sites.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees are reviewed and set annually; these will be posted on the club web page and advertised with membership renewal.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS / TELEPHONE NUMBER

Please ensure all your membership details are current and up to date.

RACE FEES

Race fees will be advertised through the online booking portals and documented online.

Paid marshalling is offered by the club to its members of which is included in there booking in fees

CLUB PROFILE

East Kent Schoolboy Scramble Club is the club that provides facilities for boys, girls and adults to race motocross.

All our meetings are attended by paramedics and first aiders. Even though we lay our tracks with safety in mind accidents do happen. But please remember that Medics should be treated with respect.

Some parents think we are a service or a business. This is not true; responsibility does not end when you sign on, all riders must provide or pay for a Marshall or help with points, lap score or track clearance, etc. Remember **YOU** are the Club.

Tracks - even though we do use several tracks, they do come and go, so if you know of a suitable venue, please let us know.

Kindly take **ALL** your **LITTER** home; it must be picked up at the end of the day by tired committee members.

Every parent should think about serving on the committee at some stage, new members bring new ideas and keep the club running.

New riders are always welcome. If you know of a child who might like to start racing, bring them along and let them see what it's all about.

The club was formed in July 1981 when more and more youngsters were taking up the sport. Although KSSC were already in existence, it was felt that there was a need for another club in the Kent area, as the nearest clubs were in Averley, Essex and Horsham, Surrey.

The Club was founded by

PETER PAYNE President (Former owner of Newnham)

BRIAN PARSONS Chairman (Landlord of The Swan)

DEREK HOLT Treasurer (Local Farmer)

ANGELA THOMAS Secretary

DEREK BLYTHE General Committee

It was affiliated to the BSMA, as their nearest club was Portsmouth and by November 1981 there were 171 members; increasing to 267 by November 1982. Towards the end of the first year Tich Horsford and Terry Wyles joined on the Committee and at the beginning of 1982 the Club managed to purchase an Ambulance for the St John's Ambulance Brigade. For the first 18 months' meetings were organised once a month, as tracks were scarce and only Oare and Newnham were available. During the first year, these increased to four with the addition of Coombe Valley and Grafty Green.

HONARARY VICE PRESIDENTS

Peter Payne Brian Parsons Derek Blythe
John Flockton Dennis Thomas* Martin Crosby
Bob Kingsmill* John Salmon Bryn Nicholas
Mark Montgomery Sally Heasman* Ann Cooper*
Martin Crane Peter Russell tony guy. Steve bliss. Dan Farley. Mark akers
*Denotes Life Time Honorary Membership

HONORARY PRESIDENT

Tony Read*

CHAIRMAN

Brain Parsons		1981-82
Graham Horsford		1983-84
Terry Wyles		1983-86
John Flockton		1987-88
Dennis Thomas		1989-89
Martin Crosby		1990-91
Bob Kingsmill		1992-93
John Salmon		1994-95
Bryn Nicholas		1996-99
Mark Montgomery		2000-01
Tony Read		2002-03
Nicky Fry		2004-05
Andrew Still		2005-06
Gary Lane		2007-09
Martin Crane		2010-11
Mike MacGregor		2012-13
Pete Russell		2013-15
Ritchie Martin		2015-15
Tony Guy		2015-2019
Ct. I.I.	2020 2024	

Steve bliss 2020-2021 Dan Farley. 2022

Mark akers. 2023-2024 Michael wood. 2025- current

PRESIDENT

The President has to act as the Chair when the Committee is dissolved at the AGM. If the President does not attend the AGM then the Honorary President can act up.

East Kent Schoolboy Scramble Club (Affiliated to the ACU) CLUB RULES

Membership

- 1. All meetings will be held under the Constitution and Rules governing body.
- 2. All Riders must hold a valid race Licence, issued by the governing body which the club is affiliated to and this must be produced at signing on for every meeting.
- 3. Non-Members must obtain a Day Licence if they are unlicensed, upon completion for the appropriate day licence form.
- 4. All subscriptions and monies due will be paid before a rider takes part in any event. Membership is per family. The committee reserve the right to amend riding fees as and when considered necessary.
- 5. Age groups and classes shall be in accordance with the governing body rule book.
- 6. Automatics may join on attaining 5 years of age.
- 7. Marshals must make themselves conversant with flag signals and marshalling duties and will be recompensed their expenses.
- 8. Any Marshal who leaves their post or fails to carry out their duties will be reported to the stewards. Their decision as to the outcome will be final.
- 9. UPGRADES Riders may upgrade to the class they will be riding in the following season at any time (providing age restrictions comply) but they must nominate a class that they wish to qualify for the championship at the time of upgrade. You must have ridden 75% of the rounds to qualify for a trophy.
- 10. Scrutineering is no longer mandatory but random checks will be made. The club reserves the right to reintroduce if they see fit.
- 11. Correct Backgrounds, numbers and transponders must be in place before practice.
- 12. FUEL:- Must be a commercial brand of unleaded petrol that is supplied to the public from a roadside pump or E85 Bio-Ethanol fuel pump fuel. Methanol & Avgas are banned substances.
- 13. **RIDING IN THE PADDOCK IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON ANY POWERED BIKE/QUAD.** At the first offence, a rider will forfeit his best result of the day. A second offence carries a penalty of exclusion from the meeting.
- 14. NO PILLION PASSENGERS to be carried at any time.

 Non-Compliance with this rule will render the rider automatic Exclusion from the meeting.
 - The completion of the win reliable the rider date in the Exercise Herrican
- 15. NO ENGINES WILL BE STARTED BEFORE THE time stated on the supplementary regs
- 16. FLAGS (Parents please instruct your rider accordingly).

 Non-Compliance with flag instructions will render the rider automatic loss of points for that race.
- 17. All members will be expected to keep the area around their vehicles clear of litter and to clear said area at the end of the day.
- 18. CLUB members must book in for events no later than 3pm on Friday prior to that meeting. Thereafter they will not receive priority over visiting riders. There will also be a late booking fee of £10.00 payable for late booking in.
- 19. If a rider fails to cancel his/her entry for a meeting he/she may be liable to pay the permit fee for that meeting before signing on at the next meeting attended and will have to pay in advance.
- 20. Double booking rule applies. If a rider is found to have booked into 2 meetings on the same day and not attended East Kent, the riders name and group will be forwarded to the Booking-in Secretary for possible exclusion from the next meeting.
- 21. EKSSC reserves the right to cancel or alter any date or event without prior notice and to refuse member permission to ride or remain on any site controlled by the club.
- 22. Signing on shall commence at 7.30am and close at 9.15am.
- 23. The decision of the First Aid personnel is final.
- 24. The points system for Club Championship Points: 1^{st} 45 points, 2^{nd} 42 points, 3^{rd} 40 points, 4th
- 38 points, 5^{th} 36 points, 6^{th} 35 points, 7^{th} 34 points, 8^{th} 33 points, 9^{th} 32 points and so down to one point for last place.
- 25. Trophy meeting points will be at the discretion of the serving committee.
- 26. There will be 12 Club Championship meetings, open to members only. (See Rule 9 must have ridden 75% of the meetings.) The results of a rider's best 75% of race meetings will be used to calculate their

trophy position. Riders must attend 75% of meetings on or before the last Club Championship round to qualify. All races will count for points on each day; a rider must complete the course and pass the chequered flag unaided.

- At the end of the championship if two riders have joint final points the higher position will be awarded to the rider with the most amount of higher positions I.e most amount of wins if neither has wins it will go to 2nds and so on.
- 27. Injury and Sickness will count towards Club championship attendance if the Competition Secretary is informed in writing within seven days after the event.
- 28. Gate positions will be decided by pegs for the first race of the day, followed by race positions for subsequent races.
- 29. In the interests of safety, young children must not be in the track area unattended. Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times. Parents and spectators are not permitted on to the track area unless on marshalling duties they must remain in the designated spectator areas.
- 30. Protests of any Rule infractions made to the Clerk of the Course must be returned to the Clerk of the Course accompanied with £250 cash, a completed protest form, within 30 mins from receiving the Rule infraction. The Clerk of the course will then make a decision. If you cannot agree with his/her ruling, an appeal form must be completed and returned to the club secretary accompanied with a fee of £500. This will then be passed to The Governing Body to make the final decision. If your protest is upheld your fees will be returned.
- 31. There will be no practising on Land used by the Club without the express permission of the committee. Such an offence can carry a twelve month ban.
- 32. All vehicles used for transportation of motocross bikes MUST carry an adequate fire extinguisher (Min 1.5kg not water).

Management and Administration

- 33. Membership the club shall be formed of family memberships, being Families consisting of parents (whether riders or not) together with children of the said Family (whether riders or not).
- 34. Membership to the club shall cease as at 31st December each year, and shall become renewable as at 1st January.
- 35. An Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Club Members held at the end of the calendar year or at such time shall be determined at the preceding AGM.
- 36. The business of the AGM shall include the presentation of the accounts for the previous financial year (which ends 30th November) a report by the chairman; Election of The Committee; Followed by any rule amendments deemed necessary and voted for by the members.
- 37. Any Member intending to propose any amendments to the rules of the club shall submit such proposal in writing to the secretary not less than 14 days prior to the AGM. Any rule changes must be approved by the AGM. The AGM may also propose and vote amendments under Any Other Business on the Agenda.
- 38. A Committee headed by the Chairman, shall be elected by the members to be responsible for the Administration and organising events during the forthcoming year, and who shall stand down at the AGM. Any Committee member may choose to stand for re- election. Changes to the Committee shall be at the discretion of the committee standing prior to the AGM.
- 39. Only Club Members have the right to vote at the AGM, and there is only one vote per family.
- 40. In the event of the AGM being postponed to January of the following year, memberships must be taken out on or before the meeting, in order to procure a vote.
- 41. Nominations for committee positions must be submitted in writing, to the secretary at least 14 days prior to the AGM (see Rule 37). In the event of there being insufficient candidates for vacancies, The Annual General Meeting may elect members without prior nomination.
- 42. The Committee shall consist of a President, Vice President who may be the retiring Chairman. In the event the retiring Chairman refuses to stand as president or vice president, Nominations shall be invited from the floor. The Committee shall consist of Chairman (who must have served at least one year on the Committee); Vice Chairman; Membership Secretary; General Secretary; Competition Secretary; Treasurer; Social Secretary; Chief Marshall; Chief Timekeeper; Child Safety Officers; Chief
- 43. The committee shall have the power, during their term of election, to deal with all matters, including amendments to riding fee, and concession to elected committee, in the event that such changes deem necessary.

Scrutineer; Safety Co-ordinator and six General Committee Members – see Club website).

- 44. The Committee shall have the power to expel or suspend, or temporarily suspend, any member who shall offend against the rules of the club, or whose conduct, in the opinion of the committee, renders him/her unfit for membership. Before any member is expelled, the secretary shall give him/her 14 days' written notice to attend a meeting giving him/her the opportunity to answer the complaint made against him/her. Any misdemeanours falling within the rules of the Governing Body shall be reported to the General Manager of the Governing Body. The committee have the right to refuse membership to EKSSC.
- 45. At all the meetings of the committee, each member present shall have one vote. Proxy votes will be accepted, in writing. The Chairman shall preside at all meetings, but if he has signified his inability to attend, the Vice Chairman shall preside.
- 46. An Agenda together with minutes of the previous meeting shall be forwarded to committee members at least five days prior to the meeting (where possible). The Secretary should be notified of all matters to be included in the agenda, together with any apologies for absence.
- 47. Minutes of meetings and /or accounts shall be available for inspection by club members upon request.
- 48. The treasurer shall provide to the committee a meeting by meeting balance sheet, together with the quarterly balance sheet of the club funds. These documents shall be available for inspection by club members upon request. The year end accounts shall be audited prior to the AGM for presentation to the members.
- 49. Club records should be kept for a minimum period of five years.
- 50. DISSOLUTION CLAUSE: Should the club cease to exist, after discharging all debts and liabilities the remaining assets shall not be paid to or distributed among the members but shall be given or transferred to some other voluntary organisation having objects similar to those of the club.

Addendum:

All riders must complete their race unaided and without cutting the track at all. They are allowed to push their bike in order to obtain points but no one else must help.

Only riders who fall in Auto's and Junior's are allowed assistance and the assistants must be signed on at registration in the morning as they will be allocated a hi vis and a specific location on the track to stand and assist. Riders in SW85 and above are not allowed assistance unless this is deemed appropriate by the Committee as this is in the interest of safety and points may be deducted.

Fires must not be on the floor but in a suitable pit.

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THERE WILL BE 12 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP MEETINGS TO CONTEST THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP THIS YEAR. YOU MUST ATTEND 75% OF THE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP MEETINGS ON OR BEFORE THE LAST CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND. YOU MUST ALSO HAVE ACTUALLY RIDDEN AT LEAST 75% OF THE ROUNDS TO QUALIFY FOR A TROPHY

(This does not include Team Events, Fun Days or Trophy Meetings)
In the event of a cancellation, the rounds will be re-calculated to ensure that the 75% criteria is met

Remember to advise the Club Secretary
IN WRITING OF INJURY, SICKNESS WHICH WILL COUNT TOWARDS YOUR ATTENDANCE
Any rider who does not qualify for the club championship may receive a riding award

THE DOUBLE LINE UP SYSTEM EXPLAINED

The double line up system is used when more than 40 riders have booked in and arrived at a certain meeting. This system is used only once or twice a year, mainly during the Grand Slam qualifying rounds at the beginning of the summer series. Your group will be indicated on the signing on sheet in the morning, and you will be handed a slip of paper similar to the chart below, with your group indicated.

DOUBLE LINE-UP SYSTEM

RACE 1	А	В	С
RACE 2	В	С	D
RACE 3	С	D	A
RACE 4	D	А	В

4 blocks of racing will run, but you will only compete in 3 races. You will all have raced each other by the end of race 4 and points will be awarded as at any other meeting IT IS ESSENTIAL YOU RACE IN YOUR OWN GROUP THROUGHOUT THE DAY, AND IT IS UP TO YOU TO REMEMBER WHEN TO RACE

Examples of racing:

If you are placed in Group B you will race as follows: Block 1 – Block 2 – Block 4 – (Do not race in Block 3)

If you are placed in Group C you will race as follows: Block 1 – Block 2 – Block 3 – (Do not race in Block 4)

If you are placed in Group D you will race as follows: Block 2 – Block 3 – Block 4 – (Do not race in Block 1)