



# POST-IT NOTE

For the members of Castle Colchester MCC – **We won't get fooled agaaain. Oh no.**

June 2015 Edition

Apologies, Brethren, as this is a very hurriedly thrown together Edition with minimal content and even less editing. Also it's a bit late as I was waiting for the Quaife/Camden results to come out. Hoping to do a little better next month as there should be a little more time to get my act together, man.

## 2015 Tye Family Update

The Tye family and associates went as far as naming ourselves "131 Racing" for 2015 – Well, I thought it was a good idea, the kids liked it and no one else argued! 131 dates back to the riding number of Richard Williams (Castle Club founder member and my grandfather), we even managed to get the family Basset Hound in the team logo... Well, Bassets are known for being very enthusiastic if not very fast! I have to admit 2015 has been fairly quiet on the racing side to date. This year the sidecars have yet to see an outing due to the ongoing work to get everything back in top condition so the focus has been on getting the younger team members ready to go:

Dean (7) has moved from the occasional practice session on his automatic Husqvarna 50 to practicing regularly on a Kawasaki KX 60 for this year. This is the bike ridden by older brother Leon during 2014 and whilst the bike is now 30 years old it has the advantage of fully adjustable rear suspension allowing us to lower it enough for Dean to touch the floor –Something not possible on the newer 65cc bikes. Plenty of practice sessions are helping him get used to changing gear and his ability is now starting to increase towards the same levels as his confidence! He is hoping to make his racing debut at Ringmer on May 17<sup>th</sup> in the GEST MX Junior Championship.

Leon has moved from the Junior class (geared bikes up to 65cc) to the Small Wheel 85cc class for this season. His first competitive outing on the KX 85 went very well with Leon riding consistently to take 10<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> in the GEST MX meeting at Hawkhurst. He too is hoping to be out at Ringmer on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

Club Member Glen Adams has added to his bike collection with the addition of a KTM 525 EXC for occasional Motocross and Enduro outings and has recently been spotted training at Off Road Action Parks along with myself. Hopefully as work and family commitments will allow us both to get out for the odd meeting over the summer on either the trials or motocross side.

### Further update from 2<sup>nd</sup> June:

Dean had his first race at Ringmer on 26<sup>th</sup> May riding the 30 year old KX60 and did exceptionally well for his first ride in a competitive class. With us all watching in (terrified and proud in equal measures) he finished 8<sup>th</sup> overall in the 65cc (Junior) class despite a few minor offs, scoring good points in all 3 races and making some excellent passes. I think I aged about 15 years during the day and ran several miles!

Leon had a tough day with issues at the start in Race 1 leaving him out of touch but he rode smoothly to finish 15<sup>th</sup> and add to his points tally for the year. Race two saw a much better start and he was running inside the top ten for the first few laps before a big moment over a jump left him nearly off the track and totally out of his rhythm. It took a lap or two for the confidence to return and he came home in 14<sup>th</sup>. Race 3 saw the best start of the day with Leon running fifth out of the first bend however it was clear the bike wasn't happy and within two corners he was at the back of the field. Halfway around the first lap he was flagged down by a marshal who turned the choke off... Leon is now taking applications for a new mechanic and I am relegated to cleaning goggles... He got going on the now much happier KX and came home 14<sup>th</sup> again to take 13<sup>th</sup> overall on the day.

Since this event the boys and I have taken part in the Screw U Cancer charity motocross event at Mildenhall. The event helped raise £2600 for Cancer research and was a brilliant day out.

Next up is some more practice the racing at Hawkhurst in late June, as it's father's day I might even dig out my old KX and have a wobble around again!

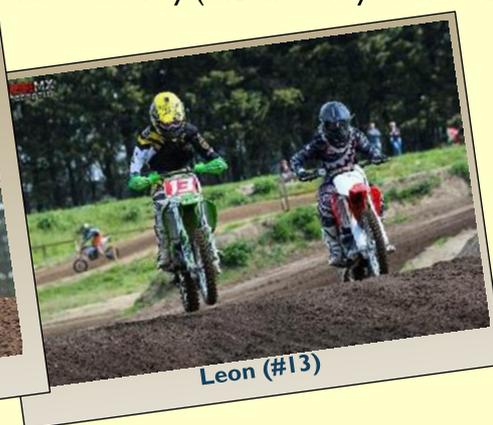
(Middle photo above) An old bloke on an old Kawasaki was seen at the Charity day too... If seen on track with Handlebars again anytime soon please restraint this individual for his own safety (and the safety of those in the surrounding area!



Dean (#89)



Dave



Leon (#13)

## March Round Up

### Chelmsford – Beazley End – 2<sup>nd</sup> May

No Castle riders in this one. So no report. Simple.

### Southend – Poles Wood – 9<sup>th</sup> May

Just the one Castle-ite in this one....

**Inter:** Paul Lonergan rode into 5<sup>th</sup> place in class losing 68 marks.

### Ipswich – Offton – 17<sup>th</sup> May

After a few super-tough events here in the last couple of years it appears that the sections returned to a normal kind of level, judging by the scores in the results.

**Yellow:** Chris and Tom had their usual battle with Tom coming in 6<sup>th</sup> overall and 3 points ahead of Chris in 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Expert B:** Paul Whitehead, now on a 300 Sherco I believe, was top Castle rider here placing 3<sup>rd</sup> on 12 marks.

Richard Norman was 9<sup>th</sup> on 27 – a slack five costing him 3 places in the pecking order.

**Inter:** Buck finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in class with a 27 mark tally. Neil was 6<sup>th</sup> on 40 and Paul Lonergan 9<sup>th</sup> on 54.

### N&SJ MCC – Great Ellingham – 24<sup>th</sup> May

As seems to be usual, only 1 Castle rider in this event....

**Yellow:** Richard Chamley 2<sup>nd</sup> place on 51 marks lost.

### Camden Cup – Crowborough – 31<sup>st</sup> May

As you may remember everyone rides the same route so I'm not going to trouble you with the separate Classes, and will lump everyone in together.

Tom was top of the Eastern Centre pile losing 40 marks. Richard wasn't too far behind on a score of 55. A similar gap takes us to Chris Ryland on 66. Neil was only 3 marks back, on 69, and Braintree's Steve Butcher was a further 3 marks back on 72. Buck had a problematic day and lost 88 while Chris Eley struggled in the ultra-slippery conditions and retired (with a heavily bruised knee) before doing himself any more damage.

## Nothing To Do With Anything Much



Now, That's a wheelbarrow....



I'm sure you all have someone or other in mind for this plate....



Something missing here....

## Club Night

### Club Night Diary:

**June Club Night – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Could be at Raydon: GW will let you know....**

**July Club Night – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>.**

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