



**THE TT RIDERS ASSOCIATION  
73rd ANNUAL LUNCHEON  
to be held at  
The National Motorcycle Museum &  
Conference Centre Birmingham  
**SATURDAY** NOVEMBER 15th 2025**



**Ticket price £45 per head. DRESS CODE SMART CASUAL**  
Members are requested to wear their Association Tie

*All must be seated by 12-20pm as the Luncheon proceedings will commence at 12:30 with the installation of our New President for 2025/2026*

**TABLES OF 10 FULL PAYMENT AND NAMES REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION.**

Unfortunately **NO REFUNDS** can be given on cancellation these are treated as a donation to the Association Benevolent Fund

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**TO ENSURE THAT YOU SIT WITH YOUR FRIENDS, APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN October 17th PLEASE OTHERWISE SEATING MAY BE **RANDOM** ON THE DAY**

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# TT Riders



# Association

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## TTRA Newsletter No 93 September 2025

Hello and welcome to everyone. I hope you are all well and available for the Luncheon on Saturday 15th November! Please get yourself, your partner and team together for this event and let's make it another enjoyable function for everyone.

The day will begin with our Annual General Meeting at 10:45 followed by the Luncheon. Included in the ticket price is free admission to the National Motorcycle Museum which is a fantastic display of machinery and memorabilia.

During the afternoon we will install our 2025-2026 President Mr Dave Molyneux who will receive the Chain of Office from Mr Rex Butcher. The Chain of Office was first presented to Freddie Frith in 1951 who was our first President and as you can see from the list of Past Presidents it is a long list of experienced TT Riders who are nominated, proposed and voted for by us, the members. This will be followed by a delicious meal, plenty of banter, a tombola and the auction. Proceedings will be compered by Nick Jefferies.

This is one our main fundraising event of the year and we are thankful for the kind donations of Auction Items which will be listed on your table on the day. Amongst the items are tickets to a MotoGP, Goodwood events tickets, BSB tickets, TT Hospitality Tickets plus some incredible pictures from a private collection

We also have a European Trackday courtesy of Focused Events. This is a BMW Performance Academy event at Almeria, Spain. Hotel with breakfast for 2 nights, 2 days on track, BMW S1000RR machine and tuition- Instruction with Taylor Mackenzie or similar  
All fuel and tyres,5 sessions a day ,(There is a £3000 insurance indemnity required) value of £1300.00  
Your support for this event is much needed and appreciated.

### **TT and MGP/ClassicTT**

Long days and excellent racing tell the story of TT2025.

This years TT suffered with the weather which included the loss of the Senior TT for only the second time in its history, the first being in 2012 but the racing did make up for the delays. Practice was marred by a crash exiting Kerromooar which saw Peter Hickman's TT2025 come to an abrupt halt. We were all delighted to see him in and around the paddock following treatment and he has now recovered enough to compete in BSB at Donington Park. Teammate Davey Todd was in fine form winning the opening Superbike race from Michael Dunlop and Dean Harrison with young Nathan Harrison in a fine fourth with 3 laps over 130 and a best over 131mph! Dean won both Superstock races with Davey and Michael on the rostrum in both races.

Michael won both supersport and supertwin races to bring his win tally upto 33 and was on the podium in every race except the Sidecars!

Notable to mention Rob Hodson's second place in Supertwin 2 with Paul Jordan splitting four Patons in third place on his Aprilia. Davey and Dom Herbertson competed the podium in race 2.

James Hillier had a fantastic ride to third place in Supersport 1 with Michael and Dean battling at the front with just 9 seconds between them after the three lap race. Race 2 saw the trio of Michael, Dean and Davey on the rostrum.

Loris Majcan was awarded the Monster Energy People's Challenger Trophy - the result of a public vote. The award also marked a symbolic passing of the torch: last year's RST Star of Tomorrow, Loris now watched as Kevin Keyes stepped into the spotlight in 2025, earning that same title for a strong 2025 campaign. James Hind was the recipient of the Privateers Cup after a week of impressive results and laptimes with a best finish of fifth in Supersport 2 backing up seventh in race 1 and tenth in Superstock 1.

Superstock competitor Mark Parrett hit a seagull exiting the 33<sup>rd</sup> breaking his arm, he managed pulled up at Creg Ny Baa to seek medical attention. Remember Hutchy's collision with one on Glencrutchery Road

The Sidecar races were both won by Manx brothers Ryan and Callum Crowe who were sensational averaging over 120 in both races with a new lap record of 121.021 in race one. They won Sidecar 1 and 2 from Ben Birchall and Patrick Rosney and the pairing of Lee Crawford and Scott Hardie. Impressive performance from newcomers Keiran Clarke and Andrew Johnson who finished 5<sup>th</sup> in both races and lapped in excess of 114mph! Oscar Lawrence was a newcomer passenger finishing 7<sup>th</sup> in race one after initially battling for a podium spot with driver Lewis Blackstock, they had to stop to make adjustments and continue. Pete Founds and Jevan Walmsley didn't compete following an incident during qualifying at Rhencullen Jump in which the bike was wrecked. It was great to see the lads back in the paddock the next day and in good form. The professionalism of the teams is impressive to see and the machine preparation is immaculate, which came over well on the footage broadcast each evening.

The 38<sup>th</sup> Milestone was well attended throughout the fortnight, and it was wonderful to see so many competitors, team members and friends come in for refreshments and a chat. We had visitors from UK, Eire, Europe, South Africa, America, Australia and New Zealand. It was a pleasure for TTRA and FoTTRA committee members to meet you all and share memories.

There were 30 new member registrations, and we welcome you all to our exclusive and inclusive Association, we have all started in an Isle of Man TT race.

The TT Riders Association once again supplied drinks bottles, SIS electrolyte powder and cloth bags were provided by The AB Project, to keep them all together for competing riders.

We once again opened our doors for our members at the 38<sup>th</sup> Milestone for the Manx Grand Prix where the event was blessed with fantastic weather conditions which laid the foundations for excellent racing with four podiums and two wins for TTRA member Jamie Williams. Jamie competed in the 2018 TT and returned to the Manx following covid. He had a big crash at Kates (Tates) Cottage last year and spent the Winter recovering from his injuries. A very emotional week indeed!

The Classic TT was run on the Wednesday and Friday of race week after starting qualifying the previous Wednesday in glorious sunshine which prevailed for all sessions unfortunately, the weather broke as the Manx drew to a close. It was a very trying time and the races were cut in laps

with the main events, the Formula 1 and Senior being lost to the conditions. TTRA Members filled the podiums in the Lightweight race with Michael Dunlop winning from Ian Lougher. Adam McClean struck problems on the drop down the mountain and he nursed the two stroke home he relinquished second place but held onto third by 0.6 second from Dan Sayle after the 250 Yamaha slowed dramatically on Hailwood Rise.

In the Historic Senior race which was reduced to 2 laps eight of the top ten are TTRA members! Mike Brown gave the Norton ES2's New Zealand Team a well deserved win from Adam McClean and Dean Harrison, John McGuinness saw his chance of victory diminish with a second puncture of the week on the immaculate Winfield Paton after setting the early pace.

The Historic Junior race was reduced to 1 lap and what an incredible lap it was! Paul Jordan took the win from Dean Harrison and Jamie Coward-7 of the top 10 are TTRA members. well done to the event organisers, officials, riders and teams for putting on a fantastic meeting.

We are grateful to the TT Riders Association and FoTTRA committee members, especially Mick Chatterton, who manned The 38<sup>th</sup> Milestone everyday throughout this year's TT and MGP I appreciate all their efforts in attending both events. Many tales were told, refreshments made and friendships rekindled ensuring it was 'The Place To Meet'!

This year we have welcomed twenty nine present TT riders and one past rider to the Association. If you are chatting to riders, past and present, mention the TTRA and the work we do fundraising and supporting Injured Riders and their families and older members who may be in a distressing situation. The Committee will look into each request for assistance on merit, in a discreet and compassionate manner.

We do have the following memorabilia available from stock, I will bring them to the Luncheon for you with no P&P charges

#### OLD STOCK

Fleece £25.00 ( plus £10.00 P&P)

Polo Shirt £15.00 ( plus £8.00 P&P)

V Neck pure wool Jumper £18.50 ( Plus £8.00 P&P)

The above available in Small, Medium, Large & X Large in Blue and Grey subject to availability.

Postage costs are more expensive from the Island, collection is free!!

### NEW STOCK

Zipped Hoodie £35.00 (Plus £10.00 P&P)

Polo Shirt £25.00 (Plus £8.00 P&P)

Baseball Cap or Beanie Cap £15.00 (plus £6.00 P&P)

Tie £12.00 (Plus £3.00 P&P) These are a new design with the emblem and TT Riders Association on them.

Metal Lapel Badge £5.00 (Plus £1.50 P&P)

Stickers £2.00 (Plus £1.00 P&P)

Car Mats £25.00 ( Plus £18.00 P&P) The car mats consist of a set of 4 with either the TTRA logo or The Triskelion ( 3 Legs emblem)

### Under The Chequered Flag

**Derek Farrant** passed away on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024 aged 94. Derek competed in the Manx, winning in 1952 and rode in six races at the 53 and 54 TT's on works AJS's with a best finish of 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the 54 Junior. He was very good friends with Bob McIntyre and the pair travelled together as part of the Continental Circus. Derek retired from racing in 54 to take over the family fruit and veg business and took up sailing, a sport in which he became a six-time British Champion, two European titles and two world titles in 66&72. A life well lived. Thoughts are with his family and friends.

**Ralph Crellin** passed away in April age 77. TTRA member Ralph competed in the 1972 and 74 Sidecar TT with a finish in 10<sup>th</sup> place with Mike Wortley. He also rode in the 1976 MGP on an Ossa and did take part in a few parade laps, Ralph wrote a book on Japanese riders at the TT and had extensive knowledge racing on the TT and Clypse Course. Thoughts are with his family and friends.

**Roy Bisbey** passed away on April 25<sup>th</sup> age 87. Roy rode in the MGP 1959-61 and the TT from 1962 until 1975 apart from 1970, his best finish of 16<sup>th</sup> place was on a Norton in the 1971 Senior. He met his Wife, Kate, towards the end of his racing career and she has very little knowledge of what he did and would appreciate any memories from his racing friends. Please email me and I will pass on the details, Condolences to Kate and family and friends.

**Dan Shorey** a longtime TTRA member passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> May at home in Banbury after a long illness. Dan started his TT course career in the 1958 MGP progressing to the TT in 1961 until 1967 competing in all classes 125 to 500. Dan did all the major road races plus the world championship GP's and top European meetings rarely finishing outside the top ten. Dan was one of the last surviving members of the Continental Circus. Our Sincere Condolences to Dan's Family and Friends..Words by Mick Chatterton.

**Michelle Duff** passed away in Liverpool, Nova Scotia on 23<sup>rd</sup> July. Known as Mike during her racing career she had 20 starts in the TT from 1960 to 1967 and had four podium finishes with 3 in the 1965 Ultra lightweight 3rd, Lightweight 2nd and Senior 3<sup>rd</sup>. Her racing career cut short following a near fatal accident in Japan 1967 two weeks after a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish at Mosport Park, in the Canadian GP, she also had 3 GP wins and a 2<sup>nd</sup> place championship finish to Phil Read in 1965. Condolences to all.

**Harold Cosgrove** passed away in his sleep on July 25<sup>th</sup>. Harold was a longstanding member of the TTRA and a frequent poster on Facebook of his extensive library of photos and videos. Harold and his Wife, Mary, made 40 trips to the Isle of Man TT from their hometown of Niagara Falls in Ontario. He will be sadly missed by us all and if you wish to express your condolences to Mary send to 7740 Chorozy Street, Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada. L2H 2N9. Words by Linda and Alex George

**Ben Wylie** died on August 6th following an rtc in Audlem, Cheshire aged 42. Ben raced in the British and European Superstock championships as well as World Endurance. He rode in British Supersport before making his TT debut in 2009 where won the best newcomer award. He had a best finish of 7<sup>th</sup> in the 2011 Supersport race2 and he continued to compete in the TT until 2017 and rode Supertwin, Supersport and Superstock bikes. Ben and fellow TTRA member Sam West established Moto-Hub UK in Stoke on Trent in 2021. We send our condolences to his family and many friends.

**Malcolm Wheeler (Malc)** passed away on Sept 9<sup>th</sup> after fighting a long illness. Malcolm spent his whole working life in motorcycling starting as a salesman at the shop owned by Freddie Frith in Grimsby our first world champion and multiple TT winner. He also spent time with the Ducati importers, running the race team for a short time. With this background its no surprise that Malc had a successful racing career of his own.

Competing in the Isle of Man from 1974 to 1990 he achieved three podiums including two second places in the 1986 and 87 production classes. Later moving into journalism Malcolm became assistant director at Mortons Media before retiring after 25 years in 2016.

A former president Malcolm remained very supportive to the TTRA.

**Keith Martin** passed away on 17th May 2024. I mistakenly wrote an obituary for the Stoke on Trent TTRA member Keith, who was surprised to read about himself in the Spring newsletter! I sincerely apologise to both families for the mixup and it should have been for PR man and photographer Keith Martin who was a well known journalist from humble beginnings in the 70's to working with elite teams. He wrote Roger Marshalls book ' Roger and Out' and worked with many teams including Kawasaki and Red Bull Ducati but his favourite was Honda Britain with Joey Dunlop, Steve Hislop and John McGuinness. He is sadly missed by his family and many friends including Ron Haslam, The Lowes brothers and Team Honda. Heartfelt condolences to you all.

### **Fundraising Events**

I would like to say a big thank you to the many legacies and donations in lieu of flowers that have been received throughout the year and during the sad times families remember the TTRA helping us to continue to try to do to assist those who need our support. I do acknowledge their support and send thankyou letters for each donation.

### **Database and Email Newsletter**

Thank you for your response to my question regarding updating your Database information and whether you wish to receive email Newsletters in the future which I appreciate as it helps to keep the database up to date. There was a considerable take up of members wishing to opt in to receive email notifications and all our newly joined members will be receiving their first email Newsletter.

Finally, I hope to see as many of our members as possible at this year's Luncheon, please make the effort to support the event if at all possible. Can I ask all those attending, to ensure the day is as enjoyable as possible, runs smoothly and on time, please note the following itinerary: The National Motorcycle Museum opens at 08:30, you receive free entry with your Luncheon Ticket. We will commence the day in the National Conference Centre, adjoining the Museum, with the AGM at 10:45 followed by drinks in the bar, please use this time to preorder drinks for you to enjoy at your table, there is no waiter service and it is a CASHLESS bar (card only). At 12:20 we shall move to our respective tables, (the seating plan will be on display in the entrance to the bar) in preparation of the new President, Dave Molyneux, entering the room at 12:30, Nick Jefferies will compere proceedings. Dave will then receive the Chain of Office from outgoing President, Rex Butcher. Luncheon will be served at 13:00, this is a fixed menu, if you or any of your Guests have special dietary requirements please include this information on your application form, you will receive a green ticket to produce when sat at your table. After the meal we will have special presentations followed by the Tombola, small envelopes will be on the tables for you to write your name on and place your entry in to be in with a chance of winning the prize. The main auction will be carried out by Bonhams auctioneers, lists of auction items will be on each table for you to decide what to bid on! We do ask if you are not interested in bidding then please retire to the bar area so that the auction can take place. The auction is our main fundraising event of the year and it is important that we respect the auctioneer and bidders as some large bids are often placed and we appreciate your assistance in making this event a success and on behalf of the Committee, we look forward to catching up and seeing many of you on November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Yours in Sport  
For The Love of The TT

Dave and your Committee