



# Wirral 100 News



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## EVENTS CALENDAR 2010

### SPORTING CALENDAR

Sat/Sun 24/25 July \_ Anglesey, Club Champ. Rd. 4 & ACU F2 S/C  
Sat/Sun 2/3 Oct. \_\_ Anglesey Grand & Club Champ. Rds. 5 & 6  
Sat 23 Oct. \_ \_ \_ \_ Oulton Park, Club Championship, Round 7

### SOCIAL CALENDAR

Sat 22 Jan 2011 \_\_ Annual Dinner Dance, Holiday Inn.

### YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU

#### ANGLESEY SATURDAY/SUNDAY 24/25 JULY

Due to holidays and other commitments, we are always short of marshals at our July two day meeting. If there is anyone out there that is willing and able to marshal at this event, then please call Dave Edwards on 0151 327 4399.

#### ANNUAL DINNER DANCE & AWARDS EVENING

Following the success of last years event, we have again booked the Holiday Inn, Ellesmere Port, for our 2011 Dinner Dance. So please make a note in your diaries of Saturday 22nd January 2011, for this Social Event of the year.

#### ANGLESEY SATURDAY & SUNDAY 24/25 JULY

First of all our usual reminder to riders – if you have not already entered, please do so as soon as possible. And our usual plea to marshals – this has all the signs of being a mega meeting (as in the last two years) and we need you all, and for both days, if possible. Mid-summer, it will be fabulous!

This meeting will closely follow the format of the equivalent meeting last year – for the W100 riders it effectively amounts to a day and a half of practice and racing (hence the somewhat discounted level of our entry fees). The other half day or so of track time is currently assigned to the British ACU Formula 2 Sidecar Championships, and to the ACU TTXGP (Electric Bike) UK Championships. The Suzuki GSX-R Trophy Championship which we hosted for the last two years has been abandoned by the ACU due to a lack of entries, and this has given us the opportunity to be part of the TTXGP experiment – discussions, however, are ongoing, so at the time of writing it is not 100% certain yet.

Each of the W100 classes will, in addition to practice, get three races across the two days – a qualifying race, a club championship race and a trophy race. The intention currently is that the first two rounds of races will be over 10 laps (15.5 miles) each and the trophy races will be over 8 laps, but the latter may increase if the TTXGP race is a no-goer. There is no doubt that the majority of riders prefer longer races, so please spread the word; from our perspective it means we are maximising track-time and hopefully making the early stages of our races less manic and therefore safer.

The feature races of the weekend though will probably be the two legs, one each day, of the British F2 Sidecar Championships, and with a likely grid of thirty, lead by current champions John Holden & Andy Winkle and former champions Simon Neary & Paul Knapton, it should again be a great spectacle.

## ANGLESEY B.H. MONDAY 31<sup>st</sup> MAY

Our third meeting of the year attracted 152 starters, marginally down on last year, but not bad considering a fair few were in the Isle of Man. Great weather, no major accidents or delays – just as we like it. We were able to run all of the championship races over 10 laps, and the consensus afterwards was that riders want more of that (which they will get, see preview for the 24/25 July meeting).

Racing-wise we noted that Connor Behan is now getting to grips with a four-stroke and won his first F600 championship race and whilst John Robb had things fairly easy in the Powerbikes class, it was good to see the new names of Matthew Cox and Lee Millar finish second and third. Probably the most impressive win was that of Simon Napier in the very competitive F400 class but Chris Dean's in the Minutwins and Karl Owen's in the Steel-Framed 600's were also impressive. Once again we had a large number of orange-jackets present and their occupants certainly were not disgraced – the same could be said for two of our former regulars returning to the sport – Chay Budden had a 3<sup>rd</sup> in the small F/Era class and Craig Jones a 14<sup>th</sup> in the very competitive F600 class.

One whinge. Despite warnings in the last newsletter and in the final instructions, we had several riders complain about noisy behaviour well after midnight from two specific riders and their entourage. On this occasion their apologies were accepted, but they know that they will not be so lucky next time.

Again our last newsletter and the final instructions clearly stated that we would not be given access to the paddock until after it was clear of the car racers competing on the Sunday. This could not have been made any clearer, so why did a few of our riders take it upon themselves to get into the car-race paddock on Saturday and Sunday? On the other hand, comments on our website indicate that some of our other riders / supporters were not spoken to 'appropriately' by circuit staff, when they arrived early at the circuit. Not our doing, but of course we regret that – also that some of the car teams were still in 'our' paddock on Monday morning. Six of one and half a dozen of the other but all unnecessary hassle that, please, we could do without.

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## THE ISLE OF MAN TT 2010

It is always interesting to see how "our" regular riders perform at the TT and this year was no exception. Carl Rennie has been the star performer for the last two years, but mechanical problems this year brought him back to earth big time. This left Ian Mackman as our star man with two 13<sup>th</sup> positions in the Superbike and Senior races, an 18<sup>th</sup> in the Superstock race, and a 22<sup>nd</sup> and a 26<sup>th</sup> in the two Superstock races. Five good finishes out of five – well done Ian. Kieran Hankin was almost as equally consistent, with four good finishes and a best of 26<sup>th</sup> in the Superstock race.

Two of our Dinner Dance guests in the last two years also made their mark. Guy Martin again didn't quite get his first win, but certainly made his mark in two respects, firstly with his unique reaction to being penalised for pit-lane speeding and secondly with his enormous fireball of an accident in the Senior, which brought out the red flags. Knowing Guy no doubt he is still talking ten to the dozen and will be back racing again soon. And all credit to our guest earlier this year, Jenny Tinmouth, who achieved a lap of 119.9 mph, so close to the magical 120 barrier. Undoubtedly the best of the ladies, well done, Jenny.

The unluckiest tale from the Club's involvement in the TT, though, involved Pete Alton, a leading contender for the Club's sidecar championships this year. He reverted to passengering for the TT and a big off saw him suffer serious leg and hip injuries, which are likely to keep him out for some time. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Pete.

## DAVID SWALLOW

It is with great sadness that we have heard of the sudden death of David Swallow, who has died in tragic circumstances, apparently from the effects of carbon-monoxide poisoning, when camping overnight at the Bob McIntyre Memorial Races at East Fortune last month.

David was an experienced and popular classic bike racer, who finished second in our 350/500 Classic Bike Championships in 2009.

The Club extends its sincere condolences to his family and close friends.

## WIRRAL 100 WEB SITE

The address of the Wirral hundred Web site is:-  
**[www.wirral100.co.uk](http://www.wirral100.co.uk)**

The site is regularly updated and contains Photographs, Regs for Anglesey and Oulton, Results of Previous Meetings, Full details of points scorers in the Club Championship, Membership Forms. Information from the Newsletter etc. etc.

## WIRRAL 100 ROAD RACE CHAMPIONSHIP 2010

The positions in the Club's 2010 Road Race Championship, after the first Three rounds, are as follows:-

<u>125cc GP</u>		<u>250cc GP</u>	
Rhodri Owen	30	Joel Williams	38
Martin Darren	30	Adrian Morris	22
Steven Howard	27	Alec Cottam	20
Peter Broadbent	18	Stuart Thomas	16
John Hornby	12	Paul Brandon	15
		Neil Smith	12

## FORMULA 400

Tim Bradley	61	John Robb	63
Andy Whitehead	45	Kieran Hankin	45
Jim Martin	38	Lee Miller	31
John Bolsover	32	Matthew Cox	28
Simon Napier	32	Ian Mackman	26
Tony Limer	24	Neil Watson	26

## POWERBIKES

## FORMULA 600

Connor Behan	48	Karl Owen	75
Chris Mort	41	Darren Johnson	60
David Jones	38	Lee Prior	24
Mark Cronshaw	36	Richard Sampson	23
Jamie Harris	27	Andrew Goddard	23
Tim Kermod	24	Alex Gallemore	22

## FORMULA 600-Steel Frame

## F. ERA UP TO 500cc

Caron Roberts	24	Steve Hutchins	27
Stephen Buckley	23	James Coward	23
Peter Howarth	23	Mike Hose	15
Colin Croft	22	Phil Hacker	12
Adrian Morris	20	Steve Cave	10
David Edwards	15	Anthony Stock	6

## F. ERA OVER 500cc

## FORMULA 125

Harley Rushton	30	Chris Dean	40
Louis Dawson	15	Keith Jackson	36
Adam Cross	12	Kevin Stitt	28
Kieran Ahern	12	Mike Elliott	22
Gary Daniel	10	Tim Bradley	15
		Paul tattersall	11

## MINITWIN 650

## CLASSICS 125-250

Dave Edwards	27	Robert Owen	20
Richard Von Mach	27	Howard Tipping	16
Terry Kermod	15	John Cronshaw	15
Martin Budden	10	James Coward	15
Paul Reed	10	Barry Davies	15
David Brasier	8	Steve Elliott	12

## CLASSICS 251 - 500

## F2 SIDECARS

T Robinson/R Stewart	30	T Robinson/R Stewart	30
A Molyneux/A Halewood	24	S Ramsden/J McWhir	22
S Ramsden/J McWhir	24	A Molyneux/A Halewood	21
P Alton/M Highton	23	P Alton/M Highton	21
C Hauxwell/G Daniel	22	C Hauxwell/G Daniel	18
T Cunliffe/M Cunliffe	13	C Chaplow/D Evanson	12

## OPEN SIDECARS

The full list of points scorers can be found on our web site.

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