

## SIDCUP AND DISTRICT MOTOR CYCLE CLUB

# CLOSED STANDARD TYRE HANDICAP TRIAL

SUNDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 1952

**For solos only**

### **The Supplementary Regulations state:**

The course was 5 laps of a 3 mile circuit on the Brands Hatch Estate, near Farningham, Kent.

Entry fee was 2s 0d (20 pence).

Awards: 1<sup>st</sup>: One pint Pewter Tankard of Cigarette Lighter.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Club Pewter Ashtray

3<sup>rd</sup>: Silver Medal

Note: A fourth award will be given if over 15 entries.

Handicapping: This will be based on recent Combine Trials

Where newcomers etc. enter, their percentage figure will be at the discretion of the Committee.

A list of percentages will be exhibited at the start.

The lowest figure arrived at by multiplying the marks lost by the Merit percentage figure, will find the winner.

	Merit %
i.e. X loses 11 marks	$11 \times 88 = 968$
Y loses 15 marks	$15 \times 62 = 930$ – winner
Z loses 25 marks	$25 \times 39 = 975$

### **21<sup>st</sup> Century notes:**

- The Clerk of the Course and Secretary of Meeting was Mr. Norman Smith, who did just about everything in the Sidcup Club. He produced bi-monthly Club magazines (the Compass) throughout World War 2. Some were sent to Sidcup members who were prisoners of war in Germany.
- In 1939 Brands Hatch was used by the Sidcup Club for Grass Track Racing. This was long before the road race track was laid down.
- It was 'normal' for men to smoke, hence the first and second place awards!
- Riders had to trust the Committee in its decisions on what percentage figure to set for each rider. Whether there were any disagreements or not is lost in the mists of time!
- As you may gather, there is no programme or results in the Club's archives!