SIDCUP AND DISTRICT MOTOR CYCLE CLUB THE 1935 SIDCUP SIXTY TRIAL

Sunday, 27th October 1935

Start and finish at the Paddock, Brands Hatch

RESULTS as printed in the "Motor Cycle" magazine of 31st October 1935

Youngs Challenge Cup: A.A. Smith 246 Stevens (** see below)

Burlingham Cup: E. J. English 688cc Norton sidecar

Palmer Cup: G. C. Wheeler 347cc Matchless

Walden Cup: W. E. Brock 346cc Levis

Novice Cup:S. Cheal498cc Levis sidecarStandard Tyre Award:F. Lyne348cc VelocetteBromley Club Tankard:F. C. Eames490cc Norton

Sidcup Club Tankard: F. E. Hawken 490cc Norton sidecar

Sunbeam Club Tankard:A. J. Grover497cc ArielCarshalton Club Tankard:M. Riley348cc B.S.A.Special Test Award:A. J. Grover497cc Ariel

Club Team Prize: Sunbeam M.C.C.: E. W. White (348cc Norton),
G. A. Wolsey (497cc Ariel), A. J. Grover (497cc Ariel)

** The four 'Stevens' machines in the programme were made by the sons of Joe Stevens, the founder of AJS Motorcycles, after the company (and name) were sold to Matchless and Crossley Motors in 1931. The name AJS could not be used, so their bikes were called Stevens.

The Motor Cycle report stated there were 152 entries and "The Sidcup Club is to be congratulated on its wonderfully efficient organisation which rose to the occasion in a truly creditable manner."

And, "An enormous crowd of motorcyclists was present at the start in the spacious grounds of Brand's Hatch, near Farningham, Kent. Here supplies were available for both machine and man."

The ACU Steward's Report included:

"Course marking was somewhat patchy and warning signs were not placed early enough. I observed several riders overshooting corners. There was considerable congestion at the Vigo crossroads caused by spectators parking their vehicles in a most unsatisfactory manner.

Some trouble was caused by the action of a local landowner at Hatch Hill Wood and as a result, some competitors did not go through this section.

I noticed competitor No. 105, M.H. Wright of the Ashford Club riding with what looked and sounded like an open exhaust.

The two Officials operating the Special Test were badly hindered by the crowd of unruly spectators, the time-keeper in particular."