



Fingal Motor Club Ltd

(Affiliated to the Motor Cycle Union of Ireland Southern Centre Ltd)

A Message from Eamonn Medlar, President – Fingal M.C.

Mondello - March 19th

It was a pity we had to abandon racing with only half the racing complete but in the interests of safety we really did not have any other options.

I feel really sorry especially since all the good work posting flyers paid off and we had a great crowd. I only hope they come back again.

Some riders, the Pre97 non-qualifiers, never even got a chance to race. These riders will receive a 20 Euros discount of the next Fingal clubmans event, August 20th. We will post a list of riders eligible on our website.

For the other clubman classes, we will re-use the trophies we had for the second races, next August. That will allow us to spend all the allocated money on a single set of awards for the second race for each class in August.

We will double the awards for Sunday's Birrane cup race 1.

And finally we already have received entries for both of our next events

Race of the Year June 10/11 June

Clubmans August 20th

Post them early to avoid disappointment!

Thanks

Eamonn Medlar.

Following on from Eamonn's message to Club Members and Competitors, please read on:-

"Many thanks to everyone who helped distribute the fliers. Particular thanks to Glen Whelan, his Wife and son Patrick, who concentrated the delivery of flyers within a 10 mile radius of Mondello Park during the days leading up to the event. This was the key to the vastly improved public attendance numbers. Glen already gives up personal time to Marshal at events and is a great enthusiast.

Many thanks too to Jay Murray of Murray Advertising who came up with the innovative idea of the Advertising lorry and who negotiated a special price for the Club. Jay also drove the lorry around the surrounding area on Saturday and again on the morning of the race. The lorry was spotted by fans in Naas and Newbridge. Thanks again Jay.

Special thanks to Willie Crawford <http://www.fotobikes.com> and Derek Clegg <http://www.irishbikeracing.com> for providing the excellent photographs. They were very much appreciated and helped draw attention to two of our youngest and most successful short circuit stars, Jonathon Rea and Jack Kennedy both still in their teens."

"Crashing is rarely a family affair on the same day at Mondello Park, but that is what happened to Ian Marshall and his son Robert. Glad to report that both are well and Ian who broke a collar bone is on the recovery trail. Robert (16) is contesting the NDM Aprilia 125 Championship in Ireland and Ian has decided to focus on developing his cross border iNtentracing Team <http://www.intentracing.com/> of which Robert is a member. Lee Johnson (16) who contests the National Supersports 600cc class, will be supported by the Team and it is hoped to compete in at least a couple of MRO rounds in 2006 with both riders."



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Adverts:-

**A.) "1995 Daf race truck for sale,
generator, hob, microwave, shower ect. full GH awning,
carries 2 road race bikes Ph. 0872650950 9 am to 5 pm"**

**B.) Colm Lynch's Suzuki K3/K4 for Sale. Prepared to negotiate.
Contact Colm at 087 2410637.
3rd in the '05 Southern Centre 201-1010 Championship...**

**C.) Matt from Brooklyn Engineering is selling his CBR600:-
1994 Honda CBR600F, 45,316KM, Contact Matt @ 087-9683922.**

Leinster 200

Leinster Motor Club wish to convey thanks to everyone who assisted with the running of the event. Thankfully, despite the inclement weather, the program was successfully run and all riders seemed to go home happy with the day.

Temple St Children's Hospital Fund-Raiser.

Thank You to all who attended the fund-raising event in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip. Almost €4,500 was raised on the night.

The plan is to raise a total €10,000 and with that in mind, a raffle/draw will be set up over the summer months.

**All donations, cash or items to be used for prizes, are very welcome.
Contact Nobby (Usher) @ 087 2834955.**

Anyone interested in selling tickets please contact Nobby.

SideCar Supporters Club – Clubman’s Event on May 28th Mondello Park.

All Club Members are asked to support this event. Due to the timing of this event and dates set, the Club urgently requires additional manpower to promote this Race Meeting.

The main requirement is for Marshals. So, everybody is required to encourage or maybe coerce as many people as possible to work as flag marshals and crash marshals on the day. You need to be there for 0830 to sign-on and be assigned your marshalling post.

Suggestion:-

The 19th of March had all the potential of a great race meeting. Fingal MC had a great team on the day, the entry was superb and the program, whilst being busy, kicked off in good time providing both untimed and timed practice. Unfortunately, the day was marred with an extraordinary number of racing accidents. There were 19 cases dealt with in the medical centre and as Clerk of the Course on the day, the decision was taken in the later part of the afternoon to abandon the remainder of the program in the interests of safety.

Personally, I felt that the riders were let down and yet there was no alternative.

I believe for all future years, that the first event of the Year in Mondello Park should be a National Championship event and should be run no earlier than the last weekend in March each year.

Typically, the first event is fraught with a high number of racing accidents. This is often down to the eagerness and enthusiasm of being competitive early in the season.

Taking into account the weather, the state of the track and relative inexperience, maybe this first event should be for the more experience National Riders.

Also, by planning for late March, there is the advantage of additional daylight with the clocks changing to summertime.

Let us know what you think??

Thanks, Nobby Usher.



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Aprilia 125cc Class – NDM.

NDM also known as [North Dublin Motorcycles](#), and supported by [Tekmos Communications](#), have just announced a £2,000 sterling sponsorship package (per year) for the Irish clubmans Aprilia 125cc Class. NDM is a Dublin based company, well known for its race preparation and tuning shop. The company is also a distributor for Öhlins and Bridgestone tyres. Stephen Harnett the owner of NDM has previously worked for the UK tuning house TTS Engineering for a period of three years and worked prior to that for Crescent Suzuki.

Stephen specialises in four stroke preparation but recognises the importance of this class for up and coming new talent. Just look at the quality riders that have come out of this class over the last 2-3 years, Jack Kennedy, Scott Kelly, Karl Connolly, Jamie Hamilton, Marty Lennon, Edward Haddock, Luke Morrissey, James Maguire, Cody Nally and many others.

Stephen said "*We must provide support for the Aprilia's as it is a perfect class for either beginners or others who have already experienced Mini Motos or Junior Motocross but wish to try their hand at short circuit racing. Ireland has always had a deep seated pool of talent and we hope that by supporting the Aprilia riders, at an early stage, that this will help them progress their interest in the sport*".

NDM plans to support this novice class for the next three years and the breakdown of the package is as follows.

1. There will be trophies for the first three places and plaques for the next seven positions through to tenth place in the Championship.
2. There will be framed photographs for the first three finishers in the Championship.

There will be Cash prizes totalling £1,500 Sterling and split as follows,

- £500 for the championship winner
- £300 for second place
- £200 for third place
- £150 for 4th place
- £100 for 5th place
- £75 each for positions 6th through to 10th

In addition there will be *FREE* race training for three selected riders who have shown the greatest work effort, attitude, presentation and improvement throughout the first half of the season. These may or may not be amongst the top ten championship position holders at that time. Former British 250cc champion, Woolsey Coulter has agreed to provide training for these riders at one of his WCCR events at Kirkistown race circuit during the Summer months. NDM will pay Woolsey Coulter's fee.

Stephen hopes that this package will encourage the younger riders and also encourage other companies to step forward and support the Irish Short Circuit Championship(s).

Club Secretary MARK TALBOT sent fliers out at his own expense to all Pre'97 entrants asking them to submit material for the TIMELESS DISTRIBUTORS PRE'97 RACE SERIES SEASON GUIDE 2006

Mark Writes:-

A bit of a mouthful but the end result will be a smart and professional advertising platform for you, the rider, your sponsors (or lack of them), and the series itself. A little disappointed with the response so far, this is your last chance, as Mark wants this out there in time for the next Mondello event. "It seems some people are thinking that there is something up with this idea, which is fine, as it is a free opportunity for you, the rider to promote yourself and your sponsors or show that you are doing whatever you are doing with no help. It is an opportunity to advertise yourself, and will be presentable enough to throw on a table to explain to somebody what you are doing. I am going to produce this even if I only have 10 guys featured in it but it doesn't make sense to me if you have a free opportunity to promote yourself and you don't bother. So come on, send me clear and neat:

your name and address; your race number; a passport photo; a side-on photo of your machine with details of it; your best result in pre'97; your favourite track; your sponsors and any support details. Do it NOW and you can feature in this or don't bother and be sorry." Send to Mark Talbot 29 Richmond Park Herbert Road Bray County Wicklow _____

And FINALLY

**‘Race of the Year’
CLOSING DATE
19th MAY**

Thanks,
Nobby (Usher)