



September 2008 NEWSLETTER

We are nearly at the end of the 2008 Season and we are still getting more and more members sign up with the Morgan MCC. A special welcome to all those people who have joined up this year and especially those families who have joined up and are already experiencing the relaxed family attitude of the Club

24HR Trial

A special thanks to all those members who attended at the Morgan MCC 24hr Check Point this Year and helped run the control. The location, although a bit windy, was an excellent view point to observe the bikes throughout the day and night, and I know we had an excellent representation of riders riding under the Morgan MCC club this year. I think I counted about 15 competitors within the programme which is excellent for a Motocross Direction club. A consideration for the 2009 24hr would be for the riders to get together, and enter a few club teams, of which I am sure the Committee would agree to sponsor. A HUGE thanks to Scotty Wait once again for organising the checkpoint and keeping most people under control throughout the duration.

GILMAN RIDE DAY

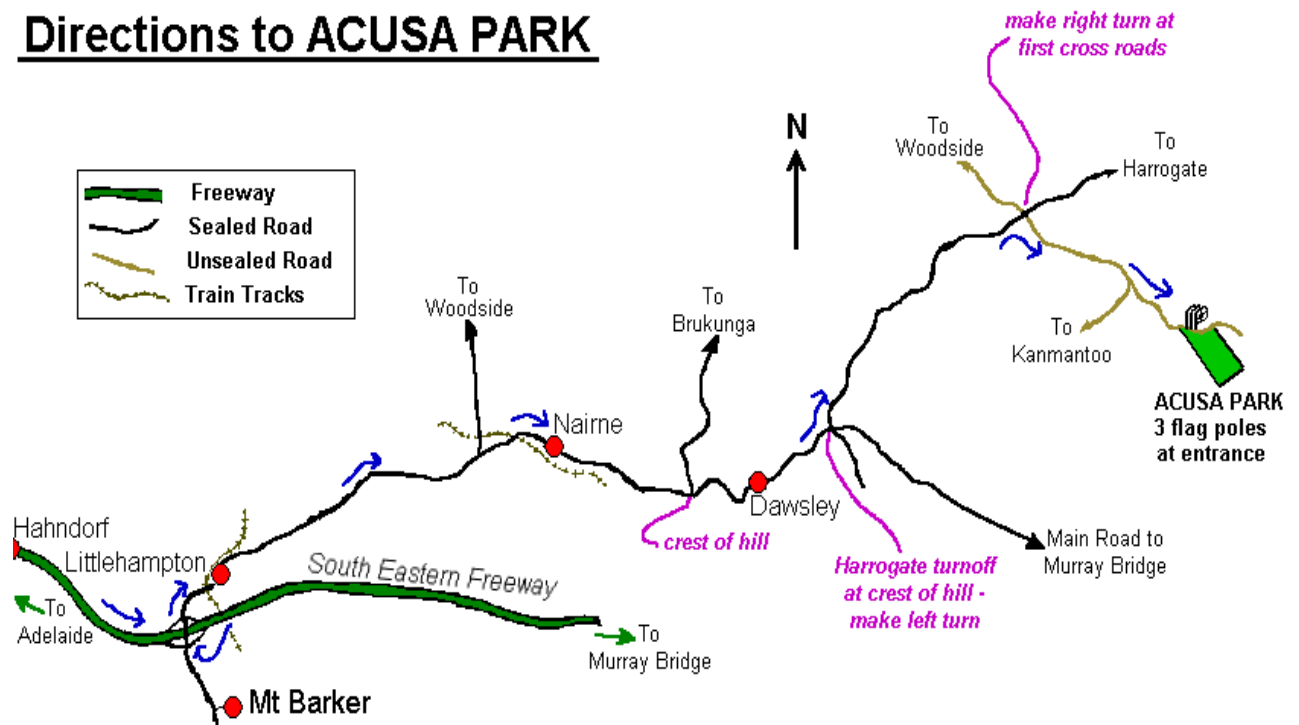
The Australian Sidecar Cross Association are holding round four of their series in 2008, at Gilman on September 28th. They have hired the whole facility and are once again inviting all solo riders along to compete in solo support races. The format of the events are identical to that of Morgan events (mainly because the same people are involved in running this series), and the entry fee is \$30 per solo and \$40 per sidecar. There will be ribbons for 1st 2nd and 3rd place riders with solos, so anyone interested can turn up at around 8.30am for sign on and this certainly gives Morgan MCC members the opportunity to ride some new and excellent tracks. The event is all closed to club so one event licenses will be available, and will cater for all classes.

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ACUSA Park Ride Day

In our calendar each year, we have set down the ride day to be held at Acusa Park. This year it will be held on the 14th of September, starting at 9.00am. Now for those of you are unaware of Acusa Park, or are negative about the place, I think you should really come along and have a go. This year, the property has been booked out for Morgan MCC members only, **SO YOU WILL NEED TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS WITH YOU**. The format of the day is very casual, but gives you access to the two motocross tracks, the short circuit track (which all the juniors get addicted to) and the Enduro Loop. What has happened in the past, is that most people who go there do not take enough fuel. But be warned, the day is run in such a manner, that you can get on your bike at 9 am and ride all day in different intervals on all the different tracks, without stopping except for fuel. There will be Junior coaching available with our club coaches and Gill Harris, so it is an opportunity to improve your riding ability. It is a brilliant day and we usually get a lot of Morgan people there and really have a casual fun day. Here is a map to help you find the place. Anyone wanting to meet outside the Tungkillo Hotel at 8.30pm, can do so and follow us there.

Directions to ACUSA PARK



ROOTED CLASSES in 2009

The Morgan MCC committee is already working hard with plans for the 2009 season and have recently addressed a number of areas within the rooted classes which have needed clarification.

It should be noted that when the rooted classes were introduced, it was designed to give those older riders (Being mums and Dads) the opportunity to get their bikes out, or even buy a bike, and have a ride so they can actually be involved in the sport their kids are riding. However, we have found that in some cases, the rooted classes are now not being utilized for the reasons they were originally set up for. As a result a number of rules have been set down for the rooted classes that will come into vogue in 2009. It should be noted that these rules, MAY be ignored at the discretion of the Club President.

These classes are:-

- **Modern Rooted** Rider must be 40 years or older and be a current club member, riding a motorcycle manufactured after the year 1985, and can not ride this motorcycle in any other class, (all at the discretion of the Club President).
- **Old Rooted** Rider must be 40 years or older and be a current club member, riding a motorcycle manufactured prior to 1985, preferably twin shock, (all at the discretion of the Club President).

FLAGGIES

Much discussion has been held at our committee meetings relating to flaggies and their duties. I have been quite vocal in defending our current flaggie system where we don't demand that the riders bring one flaggy, and that we continue with the volunteer process as in previous years. It is evident however, that this system has failed in recent times, and we now need to start requiring that you provide a flaggy. No flaggy, no ride. You will see this rule has been introduced at this round and you need to ensure that you are reporting to the started to identify which rider you are flagging for.

CHANGE OF OCTOBER DATE

Please note that because of a change in the MSA state MX calendar, the date of the Morgan Club day has been changed from **October 19th** to **October 12th**, Please ensure you tell everyone.

TROPHY SPONSORS/PRESENTATION EVENING

With the end of the season looming, we are once again seeing sponsors for the trophies. One thing I have always been proud of at the Morgan MCC is the ability to find people to sponsor these classes. The cost to sponsor each class is \$100 per class, so if you are interested please see Rocky and put your name down for the class you want to support.

In addition, at last years Presnetaion/Agm we resolved to hold the presentation evening in the Barossa and make it a little more formal and possibly have a bit of entertainment. A major reason for this was to allow all those people who work tirelessly at the club days, to have a bit of a break. This is for a one year trial period, and if the members don't support it, then we will return to the old format. We will still be holding a ride/practice/coaching day on Saturday 15/11/2008 but the Presentation will be held on Saturday evening 22/11/2008 (location TBA).

To work out the size of the venue we will need, we are asking if you can fill in and tear off the below section of the newsletter, and leave it in the canteen indicating if you will be attending and the number of people.

PLEASE MAKE THE EFFORT TO DO THIS.

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<p>We will be attending the Morgan MCC Presentation Night in the Barossa and we expect to have the following numbers in our party.</p> <p>.....Children</p> <p>.....Adults</p>
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