Hi TO YOU ALL

What a great day for the SI cup I left the bike at home thinking it would be foul weather and id committed to official duties too. Now I wish id taken it, next to no wind and a warmish day, slight precip for the last race but nothing to get down about. I was glad, to be a part of running the meeting it gives you another view of what goes on and I must say it was done with professionalism and light hearted humor at times. Through the headset radio you hear all flagies checking in making sure its all clear throughout the track b4 we get to come of dummy grid. We take it for granted but people have to make a call to make sure were all safe out there. A good attendance for the 150 class with close racing as expected. Sid Challoner had the measure of the pre 89 class with Graham Russell charging hard, but with a broken clutch cover making rolling starts his only option he was never going to catch the leaders. As always Jeremy Holmes was turning out the good laps with Stuart Smart giving chase. I had some feed back from Grey mouth but nothing official so I cant say who won what, but I can say is the Southlanders from all accounts did very well.

The Burt Monroe is nearly here and it shocked me to learn only 23 southland club members have entered, I sure hope we can rekindle the strength of the road racing faction. Before becoming recently involved, in some aspects of running the Road Race side of the club I was just another rider. Trying to run meetings and hoping to please everyone is impossible, with lots of criticism and no help making it even harder! To all those who came to the special meeting or who put themselves forward to help out at the Burt Monroe PLEASE honor your commitment WE NEED YOU. If it fails and is run chambolicaly we are all to blame Not 1 person can do it all. The new people steering the road race side are Green horns!!! they don't know it all and will confess to this, but we as club members have pieces of the puzzle so we need your pieces. Blaming and becoming vindictive will not help the club, you may not like the persons running the show so step up and try to help them do it better, next year you may wish to give it a go?.

The past 2 presidents did great jobs as far as I was concerned hats of to them both.

The Paul Nixon date was laid down for the 12 Dec from a long time ago, but when a call was made to the CHCH club so see what approx numbers would come down, we were told probably none due to a big meeting of there own plus a training track day on the Sunday so it has been rescheduled for the 19th Dec

Friday Nov 12th Afternoon, Sid and I are coming down for an afternoon track session, with a few others showing interest, the more the better this way we can give chase to get our lap times down.

MEETING NOV 12TH FRIDAY 5PM at the track to discuss Paul Nixon and the Nationals, all riders, volunteers or interested parties please attend

PRACTICE NOV 14TH afternoon practice session has been scheduled for those who want to get some track time

Hope to see you all soon cheers Beak!

24-28 Burt Monroe 19th Dec Paul Nixon memorial

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