



THE BEAMISH TRIAL 2024

The Beamish Trial 2024 saw a good turnout from the BSA stable, including a few familiar faces...

Phil Bull chancing Westgate Ford



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As some of you may be aware this is an historic re-run of the road test that they used for bikes and cars in the 1920s. The route travels on some old green lanes that were closed many years ago. We are allowed permission to use them under Historic Rites and very understanding land owners. The start is at the New Board Inn near Langley Park Durham. Yes, at one stage starting from the Beamish Museum but the elves and safety wizards deemed it too dangerous for the public...no comment there. As there are some very old bikes (and riders) there is an easier road route for those not fit enough for the off-road sections. Some 120 miles are covered.▶▶▶▶▶



Haggs up!



Rupert Ratio

The BSA club had many representatives riding and our Hon. Sec., Phil Bull was one. He rode his trusty B33 in a gentlemanly manner. Two years ago, he rode the even on his B40 Trials bike but has since decided on peaceful riding. I did spot Phil before the start being his usual tidy self and putting his car in order after a bawdy Saturday evening in the New Board. Camping on their field is included in the entry. We set off in horrid foggy conditions and some of us on the hard route were dreading it. Phil led a team of slower riders, all on Bantams with Mike Kelly exercising his Bushman. Not off road though, I can't understand why? Part of the route took us through Westgate Ford where again the Hon. Sec. caused a splash. Note, his feet were well in the air and well out of the water. Most of the riders safely negotiated this tricky section, well, almost all!



Phil Bull tidying up

By this time the clouds had lifted. Onward to the lunch break where the locals had a venerable feast for us, loads of tea and coffee plus hot sandwiches and plenty of cakes. Refuelling and by this time my cracked kneecap and shoulder injury were not too happy so I joined the Bull convoy back on the road route. Yes, I rode up Haggs Bank.

Rupert Ratio also joined this merry group as he'd lost first gear. On the way back we hit wind and rain of biblical proportions! However, Phil manfully battled through leading us back to the finish. A cracking event and well worth the trip North East.

Bill Nelson

26 October 2024

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SUNDAY

Depart after breakfast

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No. of persons

2 Nights Full Board @ £120pp – (Children @ 50%)

TOTAL AMOUNT

Circle room type preferred (on a 1st come basis): **DOUBLE** **TWIN** **SINGLE**

SATURDAY PACKED LUNCH – Tick box if required

Allergies and Dietary Needs: _____

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