The Yennards was graced with glorious sunshine for the inaugural Edgar Jones Trial, and the day was enjoyed by an entry of 99 riders. The entry was bolstered by a number of the best youth riders in the country coming to the trial to scope out the newly revitalized ground prior to the youth British Championship in May. Two of those youth riders, Jack Dance and Harry Turner took top honours, 1st and 2nd respectively, on the hard route. Both riders are still eligible for Youth B, so to beat all the local experts really is exceptional. Another top youth A rider, Brett Harbud took third overall. Dan Tuley was the best Expert with his kamikaze style narrowly beating Joe Collins through some good rides on the ‘decider’ section 9. Adam Juffs was top Inter, showing he’s really getting to grips with the 250, just in time to move back to the 125 for the SSDT! Alice Minta was the only lady brave enough to tackle the hard route dropping only 52, a really cracking ride!

The 50/50 route between the hard and middle route had a very strong entry and was won by former club champion Neil Jones. The way he rides his Beta TR34 would have given Jordi Tarres a run for his money! Ben Butler was 2nd beating Steve Bird on most cleans. Steve was also on an air-cooled machine making things look far easier than he had any right to! Top youth B was Josh Taylor, only the tricky camber on section 7 and section 8, in ‘Luke’s gully’ caused him any issues. Daisy Parsons was only a mark behind Josh with Max Agar a further 3 marks further behind, setting up quite a nice championship battle!

No specific section took the marks on the yellow route but each one caused their own problems. However, someone who didn’t have any problems was Joe’s Collins dad, Julian, winning on 1 mark and in the process proving that he taught Joe everything he knows! The next 7 riders could probably have been found at the top of the results at the club’s very first trial, with Pete Jones, Mick Thurman, Mark Lamplough and Gil Jones taking the next 4 places, with Gil taking the twinshock class win and Pete taking the over 50 class win.

The 50/50 route between the yellow and white was again well supported with sections 6, 7 and 8 causing the majority of the problems. Joe Swann managed to take the win with his excellent ride on section 6 being the difference between him and John Herbert in 2nd. James Llewellyn was the only youth on the route, riding round for the good score of 33.

The white route was very well supported, Mark Daniell took the win with a perfect clean day on his BSA Bantam! Reece McDaid took second place with only a single dab at the tricky start of section 2. Matt Juffs riding Adam’s SSDT 125 TRS came in third being narrowly edged out by Reece on furthest clean! Max Dance Jack’s younger brother was top youth D on his Gas Gas, so the Dance family had a very success day in the sun, mum and dad will be proud! Local rider and latest member of the Jones dynasty Javier Jones-Rojas was second youth D with an excellent ride dropping only 10 marks. William Sparks was 3rd, whilst Kayleigh Rich had a great ride as the only rider on the main route to be on an electric bike!

9 young riders rode the conducted route with the help of the exceptional Max Clarke, a man who has helped turn many young riders into top expert riders. Another young member of a trialling dynasty, George Wareing was top youth E a year to the day since he competed in his first ever trial!

Jonas Flanagan was the best youth D on the conducted hard route riding his Beta, Jack Rich won the conducted 50/50 route and Oliver Voice won the Youth D easy route. Oliver managed to fend off strong competition from Joshua Bailey, Finley Samuel, Isaac Kinninmont, Daisy Craig and Thomas Herbert, all brilliant rides guys!