

From the programme of the first Billy Hutton Motocross 2006

Today's event commemorates two men who shared the same name and who have been great ambassadors for Knock MCC and Motor Cycle sport.

Sadly both passed away last year.

Bill Hutton was one of Irish Motor Cycling's greatest all rounders being a multi Irish Champion at Scrambling, Grass tracking and Trials riding. He also represented his country at the I.S.D.T. He won the Tommy Stewart Scramble a record breaking number of Ten times. In the period 1958 – 1966 when this premier event was sponsored by Gallahers and attracted the top riders from all over the UK Bill was only beaten by two works supported cross channel riders, John Griffith and Malcolm Davis.

In the 60's spectators eagerly awaiting to see who was leading on the first lap will recall Bill's big Matchless thundering out of the trees, jumping into the bog section of the old course, hotly pursued by the factory Dot and Greeves riders. These stars always found him to be a formidable opponent.

On retirement from competition Bill continued his involvement with motor cycling in the M.C.U.I. where he became President, and he acted for an amazing 53 years as travelling marshal at road races.



Cousin Billy Hutton from Bells Hill never competed but used his considerable talents to organise and layout courses for both Trials and Motocross. He acted as Clerk of Course for events ranging from Summer Trials to World Championship Rounds. Billy has generously provided land for Trials and Motocross events for many years with Bells hill being used as a venue for the Tommy Stewart Scramble since 1955. It is very fitting that this annual event held in August will now be known as the Billy Hutton Motocross. Billy's commitment and hours of hard work for over 50 years has enabled hundreds of riders to have an enjoyable days sport.



Knock MCC has purchased Two valuable Trophies to be competed for annually in memory of these two exceptional men.