

New Zealand Riders at Scottish 6 Day Trial (NZ Residents only)

(Revised on 9 July 2026)

Last Name	First Name	Year Ridden	Rider Number	Bike	Points Lost	Place	Award	Notes
Harris	Chris	1974	#61	Ossa		DNF		Rode as Ixion Club, NZ entrant. Retired after front wheel collapsed on Day 2. First NZ rider to compete, but see note below for first NZ club entry.
Harris	Chris	1975	#165	Bultaco 325	272	75	1st class	Rode as Ixion Club, NZ Entrant. In programme as riding an Ossa 310, but rode a Bultaco.
Harris	Neil	1979	#159	Fantic 175	501	142	2nd class	Rode as a British Club Member (Barnett & District). In programme as riding Montesa 348 but rode a Fantic.
Miles	Kerry	1979	#2	Bultaco 250	517	150	2nd class	Rode as NZ entrant. In programme as riding an Ossa 250, but rode a Bultaco.
Ashton	Tim	1980	#23	Ossa 250	415	99	1st class	Rode as a British Club Member (Stroud Valley)
Harris	Neil	1980	#40	Fantic 156	432	104	1st class	Rode as a British Club Member (Barnett & District)
Pinfold	Kevin	1980	#46	Montesa 349	401	93	1st class	Rode as NZ entrant
Clement	Andrew	1982	#2	Montesa 349	433	93	1st class	Rode as NZ entrant
Clement	Dean	1982	#258	Montesa 349	457	107	1st class	Rode as NZ entrant
Pinfold	Kevin	1982	#64	Montesa 349	438	96	1st class	Rode as NZ entrant
March	Jeff	1984	#151	Fantic 156	580	190	2nd class	
Vincent	Martyn	1984	#277	Fantic 240	623	202	2nd class	
Vincent	Michael	1984	#251	Fantic 125	328	87	1st class	
Oliver	Grant	1985	#51	Fantic 240	502	160	2nd class	
Lawton	John	1988	#42	Fantic 250	671	202	2nd class	
Oliver	Stephen	1988	#239	Honda RTL 250	267	58	1st class	
Rackstraw	Ralph	1988	#217	Fantic 212	722	207	2nd class	
Kent	Elliott	1989	#147	Yamaha 250	336	67	1st class	
March	Jeff	1989	#111	Fantic 305	643	175	2nd class	In programme as riding a Yamaha 250 but rode an Fantic 305.
Merriman	Warrick	1989	#139	Honda RTL 250	592	161	2nd class	Warrick transported his bike without tyres. It was dismantled and packed into two suitcases, then the bike reassembled in the UK at Kettlewell YHA.
Merriman	Stefan	1990	#138	Aprilia	111	10	Special 1st Class	Ian Pollock Memorial Trophy for Best Newcomer and Edinburgh Trophy for best Foreign Rider. At 18 years old is youngest NZ rider to complete the event. The only NZ rider to achieve a top 10 finish. In programme as riding a Fantic 249 but rode an Aprilia.
Poad	Andrew	1990	#201	JCM 250	202	37	Special 1st Class	
Merriman	Stefan	1991	#145	Aprilia 280	118	15	Special 1st Class	Started Wednesday following the Friday route sheet. Lost time waiting for the ferry until realising his mistake.
Pinfold	Kevin	1991	#128	Fantic 305	360	101	1st class	
Merriman	Stefan	1992	#107	Aprilia	106	4	Special 1st Class	Daily Award for Best rider on Fourth Day (Thursday) and winner of the Jack Williams Trophy for Best Agents Rider. Best overall result by NZ rider in any year. Second time finishing in top 10. In programme as riding a Rotax 280 which was an Aprilia 280 which used the Rotax engine.
Poad	Andrew	1993	#51	Beta 260	154	17	Special 1st Class	
Lawton	James	1994	#177	Gas Gas 240	281	43	Special 1st Class	Ian Pollock Memorial Trophy for Best Newcomer. Broke foot on Day 4, so slept with boot on to contain swelling till end of trial.
Laugesen	Warren	1995	#153	Beta Techno	254	40	Special 1st Class	
Laugesen	Warren	1996	#141	Beta Techno	134	21	Special 1st Class	Best single day finish of 11th place.
Boettcher	Peter	1999	#69	Gas Gas 321	265	94	1st class	
Braithwaite	Ian	2008	#107	Scorpa 250	368	150	2nd class	
Braithwaite	Ian	2009	#170	Beta 300	282	107	1st class	
Birch	Chris	2010	#139	Gas Gas 250	274	96	1st class	
Braithwaite	Ian	2010	#140	Beta 290	400	156	2nd class	
Robson	Carl	2012	#136	Beta 250	420	162	2nd class	Broke four toes on Day 3 on undercut rock, but finished event.
Clark	Karl	2013	#57	Beta 300		Excluded		Finished, but excluded for missing Day 2 sections with bike overheating.
Clark	Karl	2014	#89	Beta 300	206	71	1st class	Rode as Pioneer Club, NZ entrant.
Robson	Carl	2014	#91	Beta 250	391	151	2nd class	Rode as Ixion Club, NZ entrant.
Lawton	John	2014	#88	Beta 300	584	212	Finisher	Rode as Ixion Club, NZ entrant. At 61 years is oldest NZ rider to complete the event.
Clark	Karl	2015	#215	Beta 250	221	62	1st class	Rode as NZ entrant.
Clark	Karl	2016	#132	Beta 250	208	57	1st class	Rode as Pioneer Club, NZ entrant.
Jackson	Paul	2016	#133	Beta 250		DNF		Rode as Pioneer Club, NZ entrant. Front wheel collapsed
Robson	Carl	2018	#237	Vertigo 250	341	139	2nd class	Rode as NZ entrant.
Snowden	James	2019	#228	Beta	539	213	Finisher	Rode as a British Club Member (Yeadon & Guisley)
Samson	Gary	2019	#232	Gas Gas		DNF		Rode as Tauranga Club, NZ entrant. Retired injured.
Gundry	Kevin	2019	#229	Vertigo 250	560	219	Finisher	Rode as Tauranga Club, NZ entrant. Also rode the SSDT as a UK resident in 1987, 1988, & 1992
Dillon	Patrick	2025	#152	Beta	327	145	2nd class	Rode as NZ entrant.
Laugeson	Warren	2026	#224	Beta	207	87	1st class	Rode as NZ entrant.

Notes:

Ralph Forbes was the first person to ride the SSDT as a NZ Club Member. He was friends with Tommy McCleary and rode trials in New Zealand during trips in 1966 and 1968, each time returning to Edinburgh where he ran Northern Motorcycles. In 1969 he rode in the SSDT and, for some reason, was listed as a NZ rider and member of the New Brighton Club. He was rider #79 and rode the first Yamaha at the SSDT, a model DT1 that he had imported from California. He is not included in the table above as he was not a permanent NZ resident.

There are a number of other riders now resident in New Zealand that have also ridden the SSDT, but were not NZ residents prior to taking part.