



### **2009 Irish Trials Championship**

With the 2009 Irish Trials season fast approaching, the Irish Grade A Championship has received a welcome boost from the 2008 Ulster trials series sponsor. The 2009 Irish Trials Championship which commences on 6<sup>th</sup> September with the Ards Clubs Turner Trial at the Lead Mines, Newtownards, will be the opening round of the Lunneys Electrical for Sanyo Grade A Irish Championship. Following the success of his sponsorship of last years Ulster Championship, David Lunney has decided to support the Grade A Irish Championship, again with the added input from Sanyo.

Due to his University commitments, 2008 Ulster Champion Harold McQuaid will not compete the entire season against the 2008 Irish Champion Michael Burton. There will no doubt however, be a close battle all season throughout the class as Burton will be eager to challenge the enthusiastic Sean Doyle and experienced Gareth Andrews. Former champion Andrew Perry should also provide a threat with former winners McQuaid and Robert Crawford hopefully making appearances throughout the series. With an attractive prize fund of 1<sup>st</sup> – £500, 2<sup>nd</sup> – £300 and 3<sup>rd</sup> £200 along with the professional image of rider bibs displaying name and 2008 Championship finishing positions, this series is attractive to both riders and spectators.

As well as having supported the 2008 Ulster Grade A Trials series, Lunneys have supported tarmac motorcycling over the years with support for some of Irelands best road racers over the past 20 years.

Lunneys Electrical are a family run Electrical Superstore, established in Portadown in 1967 by John Lunney. Now controlled by John's son David, Lunneys Electrical have built a successful business supplying audio visual, electrical appliances, beds, furniture and kitchens, with branches in Banbridge, Lisnaskea, and a 11,500 square ft superstore in Portadown.

### **2009 Irish Championship Calendar**

1	6 <sup>th</sup> September 08	Ards Turner Trial
2	20 <sup>th</sup> September 08	Knock Shaw Cup
3	12 <sup>th</sup> October 08	Dublin & District Moran Cup
4	1 <sup>st</sup> November 08	Lisburn McPharland Trophy
5	15 <sup>th</sup> November 08	Lightweight Calvin Cup
6	23 <sup>rd</sup> November 08	MEC Stanley Woods Trial
7	February 09	Temple Terry Hill
8	February 09	Dublin & District Manders
9	March 09	Leinster Patland Cup
10	12 <sup>th</sup> April 09	Youghal Easter Trial



2008 Irish Champion Michael Burton



2008 Irish Champion Michael Burton in Action at the 2008 World Trial in Bangor