

Track n Trail's Kings Hill Round 2 Summer Series
Sunday 19th July 09
Nuttal Takes the Crown
Race Report by Track n Trail
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Despite the wet forecast Sunday's rain never arrived, and so with the ground conditions just about perfect, a full adult and very healthy youth entry, Kings Hill was always going to be a good event plus the notorious stream bed was bone dry yet again! The start led straight into a tight and very twisty grassy Moto Cross track, most classes took almost three minutes to clear. This sorted out the pecking order before the riders disappeared into the woods section. They raced around a twisty field section blasting into, then flying out of the ford. The second section of woods had two easy and hard routes, the 2nd of the hard routes included a 90 degree left turn with no run up over a steep, high bank which only offered large roots for grip, no rider ever made it to the top, that was a first for any Track n Trail hard route! They left Lady's Walk woods through the 2nd ford, then a very fast straight led to the bridge which in turn led to the stream bed and then on for the rest of the 6 mile course.

Ross Blackmore, Dave Nuttal and Derek Bawn all took their turn at leading the Championship class. But Derek's race was over on lap 10 leaving Ross to chase Dave for the win. Dave was on fine form and had paced his race well and with each of the closing laps extended his lead to take the win over Ross.

Mark Kirby led the experts for the entire race only to be reeled in by an incredibly last fast lap by Daniel Beaven. Daniel took the win from Mark by just 34 seconds. Gary Webb took 3rd just under a minute behind Mark.

Daniel Beaven
Expert Winner



In the Over 40's expert class Peter Archer once again dominated the race but Dennis Harrison was breathing down his neck, at lap 3 managing to close the gap to less than 2 seconds. Dennis had a brief lead on lap 7 as Pete stopped for fuel but Pete came back to regain and extend his lead by lap 11. Dennis pushed on valiantly but could never quite close the gap. Stuart Keedwell also pushed hard at the end to take 3rd just 21 seconds behind.



Euan Harrison on his way to 6th



Darren Osborne checks out the hard route.

Both clubman classes saw an excellent race with lots of position changes, wins finally went to Joe Dyke (4 stroke) and Thomas Wesley (2 Stroke).



Barry Mitchell Strikes a pose



And Clubman 2 stroke are off!

Over 40s sportsman was sorted by lap 9, the win going to Andrew Trott. Daniel Price took sportsman 2 Stroke and Ben Hampshire 4 stroke. Trail win went to Luke Todd.



Someone lost his bike



Guy Dix was flying to take 3rd



Ben Ridgers Sportsman 2 stroke



Will Ansell dropping into the hard route in Lady's Walk Woods

The Youth race saw Tommy Alba take a rare win over George Baylis as the two had their usual cat and mouse chase throughout the 1½ hours. Daniel Richards taking 3rd. 85 BW class saw Jordan King flying round the 5 mile course throughout to take the win from start to finish (he was 3rd overall). A fantastic performance! Conner Davis took 2nd and Lawrence Harper 3rd. Dylan Baynton dominated 85Sw but Mitchell miller and Jack Howe also performed well to take 2nd and 3rd. A hotly contested 65cc class saw Bradley Rowland just snatch the win from Aaron Gordon, with Isaac Atherley 2nd.

And so we look forward to Track n Trails round 3, a return after a long break to the Forge Hill circuit on 23rd August.