



Track n Trail Thrills at the Deverills

Race report by Track n Trail

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Championship winner Phil Studley

With rain threatening to pour between 7am and 10am, the Track n Trail Team were pleased that the strong winds gusted the clouds away from Longbridge Deverill, in time for the racers to climb the long, steep entrance to the top of this hilly venue. Once at the top everyone was rewarded by breathtaking panoramic views across Wiltshire.

The Sportsman and Trail classes had the first crack at the course. Flagged away with a dead engine start, they shot off around a sweeping left hander into the tight S bends before following the tight and twisty grass course. This in turn led to a large pile of wood chippings to manoeuvre and then up and over a big mound of soil.

Next the fast part of the course with the first drop off leading them down and round before jumping back up into the last of the flat sections where riders charged down 100 ft towards the valley bottom, with the bravest riders taking a heart pounding leap from the top and then suddenly disappearing around a steep bank to work their way around the second valley before eventually coming back into view. The bravest riders the clambering up the steep hard route on the last leg of this four mile, adrenalin pumping scramble track. In the Championship class we saw the top 5 riders all complete 9 laps in both heats. Jack Twentyman, was flying in the first heat, he led throughout and finished a good minute ahead of Phil Studley. Jack couldn't keep up his blistering pace in the second heat, this time it was Phil who took the lead from the beginning. Daniel



Beaven found his pace in the second heat and was snapping at Phil's heels in the final laps but couldn't quite take the win. So the day went to Phil once again.

In the Over 40's Expert we were pleased to see 1980's Moto-x world champion Neil Hudson, slip quietly into our ranks, although lots of the spectators were pleased to spot him. Neil put in a very respectable performance taking 3rd and the 4th in his heats. But Mark Kirby, 10 years Neil's younger, was once again flying taking a convincing win in both heats. Marcus Barnes, also on fine form took 2nd in both heats.



Daniel Beaven. 14 Championship



The expert class, also had the presence of a Hudson. Ashley, Neil's son put on a great performance chasing Craig Callow throughout, both riders results would have made them worthy of the Championship class. Craig having the fastest lap of the day, 6mins 42.29 and Ashley's fastest lap only a second slower. But the day went to Craig, with Ashley 2nd and Matt Pemble 3rd. With each hour long heat every class saw some great cat and mouse racing and all the adults thoroughly enjoyed the course and we would like to thank everyone for their positive feedback.

Mark Kirby Over 40's Expert Winner

Chris Gunter Clubman 2 stroke overall winner



Stuart Keedwell 4th over 40's expert

133 Andrew Gorse 3rd overall Clubman 2 stroke



The sun shone in the afternoon and there was a fantastic turn out for the youth race. Even our smallest class, 65cc had an amazing 15 competitors, over double the usual numbers in this class. As usual the young riders were not daunted by the track. When Mike told them, he wouldn't be changing any of the course, there was no apprehension but a great feeling of anticipation and eagerness to get going.

George Hayes Winner 12500

In the 125's, we again saw George Hayes out ahead, but the race for 2nd and 3rd was hotly contended by Liam Manchip, Connor Davis and Jack Liddard. With much changing of positions it was Liam who eventually secured 2nd and Jack 3rd.





Dylan Baynton, in the 85Bw class, who always stands out excelled himself to take the win on 12 laps, making him the overall winner of the youth event. 2nd went to Nathan Newman and 3rd to Charlie Frost.

Nathan Derricke 85Bw

For the 85SW Bradley Rowland led from beginning to end, and try as he might Isacc Atherley could not close the minute gap and had to settle for 2nd. Jordan Ridgeway put in a strong performance to take 3rd.



215 Jordan Ridgeway 3rd 85SW

In the 65cc class Josh Wilson and Brett Rowland were just seconds apart throughout but at race end it was Josh who just got through for that precious extra lap, whilst the flag came down on Brett. In 3rd it was Connor Smith. Round 5 now done and dusted, were off to the re-graded course of Two Valley's for 22nd August Rd 6...See you there!

322 Josh Wilson 6500 Winner



6500 6th Place. Ben Harvey

