



**Round 5 Husquarna Supported Summer Series
TwoValley's
Sunday 14th September 2008
CORNICK MAKES HIS MARK AT TWO VALLEYS
Race Report by Track n Trail
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After a very wet week, September sun was shining to greet the riders as they lined up for Round 5 of the Track n Trail Summer Series. However the course was never going to be easy with the long wet grass giving riders a very greasy course to contend with.

Over 40's sportsman wait for the flag to drop.



The course was reversed and ran in a clockwise direction and with added changes it was a far more technical course than previously. With plenty of jumps to slow the faster sections the race track flowed perfectly. There was the added bonus of two hard routes. The first one heading up the face of an old chalk pit of which only the top riders were able to clear the top.....just! The riders not quite making it to the summit traversed along a track which took slightly longer but still a big time saving route.

The Second hard route ran down and around an old hill climb, with a wet, chalky and very steep off camber to contend with. Two deep ruts carved up the face and riders either had wheelie and bunny hop the rear across or they took a higher line and jumped across. With the short wet grassy run up the top riders really turned on the style!



The championship class was very competitive with the top places changing constantly as they were being blocked by fallen riders on the first hard route. It was number 4, Mark Cornick who took the win eventually, using the later laps to take the win by 5 minutes over Phil Studley who just piped Gary Wright by 30 seconds. If that wasn't enough Mark stayed on to marshal the youth race and was blown away by their speed and ability.

Mark Cornick flying to take the win.

Peter Archer back in front of the Over 40's Class

In the Over 40's Expert class it was Peter Archer who was back on top, the only competitor outside of the championship class to complete 11 laps. Anthony Marshall took 2nd and Nick Dyer 3rd.





In the expert class Euan Harrison led from the second lap only losing the lead momentarily on lap 7 as he refuelled, But regained the lead when second place mark Kirby stopped for his refuel on lap 8. Jack Grover took a good third and was only 2 minutes behind Mark.

Euan Harrison on the way to the Expert win.

A mention must go to Seb Dexter who won Clubman 2 stroke to make it 5 out of 5 for the championship. Once again leading throughout he always did enough to hold young Marcus Alba a good minute behind. Gary Webb and Jack Ayres also completed 10 laps with Gary taking third two minutes ahead of Jack.

Clubman 4 Stroke was a close affair, Mike Bryson took the win by 2 seconds over Phillip Gilder, and Richard Wiltshire was only a further 3 seconds behind again.

Sportsman 2 stroke saw the top three all on 9 laps, Wes Thomas took first 2 minutes ahead of James Thomson with Mark Damon in third..

Simon Coventry took a decisive win with 9 laps in Sportsman 4 stroke. Andrew Pearce was

second and Leigh Stonier 3rd. Will Ansell on his first visit to Track n Trail took 4th.



4th Place Will Ansell



169 Craig Farnum, no points this time but a great ride out to celebrate his birthday!

Ian Baldock took another win in the Trail class, Alan Furse out in his best performance of the series to take 2nd with Matthew Jones in third.

The adult race was cut short by 30 minutes, with the air ambulance being brought in as a precautionary measure for Nick Heath who had taken a nasty fall, managing to get a blow from the handle bars in the stomach, we all wish him a speedy recovery.

As the youth race began we saw a battle from start to finish between Steve Holcombe and George Baylis in the 125cc class but George notched up a gear in the last 2 laps to take the win. A handshake after the finish line showed great sportsmanship as well as great skill. Third went to Marcus Clares who although not quite on the pace of the other two also completed 9 laps.

The Big Wheeled 85cc was just as exciting with Bradley Maddever leading throughout, but being chased constantly by Tommy Alba, who at lap 7 had closed the gap to 18 seconds and looked as if he might be able to take the lead, but he could not maintain the pace and the win went to Bradley by just 20 seconds. Third was Jordan King who finished 3 minutes behind Tommy.

Dylan Baynton dominated the small wheel 85cc class, but Mitchell Miller took a good second and.

Christian Corthorn third All of the 65cc riders put in a sterling effort with the top 4 being on 6 laps, the win going to Aaron Gordon. Joe Newman took 2nd, followed by Isacc Trovato and Sid Burgess putting in his best ride of the series in 4th.

The last round of the series promises to be just as exciting as we visit a new venue near Wareham on the 5th of October.



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