Axton April 18, 2021

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From Rusty Lacy, on Facebook:

31 riders came to ride the Sandy River Trials Sunday in Axton, Virginia. It was a beautiful day with temps from 55 to 70 and dry conditions with perfect traction. We had 8 sections with either 3 or 4 loops ... depending on each class's preference. With classes riding together and peer scoring, we have that flexibility.

Section 1 was a gully/ hillside combination with several up, around and down combinations. Section 2 was a very rocky hillside short and sweet off camber adventure. Section 3 was a new moss covered rock/ log around a big tree exercise. Section 4 was a road bed/ hillside with more up, around and down lines. Section 5 was also in a road bed with ups, downs and over a big rock at the end. Section 6 was up and down, along a very long rock ledge. Section 7 was, of course, more rocks with a few twists and turns. Section 8 was a man made section in a sandy bottomed horse jump called a sunken road with tires, rocks, railroad ties, walls and an oil drum to contend with. Lines proved to be about the correct difficulty with the class leaders coming in with single digit or low double digit scores...and they went up from there. Riders ages ranged from 8 to 76...quite a spread...but everyone seemed to have fun.

Here are the results.

NOVICE

- 1 Matt Simpson 5
- 2 Colton Fitzpatrick 56
- 3 Aria Fitzpatrick 71

INTERMEDIATE

- 1 Martin Sturla 3
- 2 Jim Cary 31
- 3 Kevin Hobbs 38
- 4 Kim Brown 51
- 5 David Janson 88 Leslie Matheson DNF

IMTERMEDIATE

- 1 Rick Schill 8
- 2 Michael Friesen 33
- 3 Christian Alva 47

SPORTSMAN

- 1 Brian Roach 13
- 2 Josh Hendricks 17
- 3 Marc Redbone 20

- 4 Berndie Lunsford 23
- 5 John Hendricks 26
- 6 Ellis Daw 38
- 7 Kenny Gwyn 43

VINTAGE SPORTSMAN

- 1 Jim Ellis 59
- ADVANCED
- 1 Joe Palrang 31
- 2 Alan Hensley 36
- 3 Mike Mazak 49

EXPERT

1 David Webster 23

EXHIBITION

Will Salter

John French 10 riding Sportsman

Mark Barnette

David Lawson

Ed Beehler

Scott Porter

Gerald Mullins