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Long tough sections, heat, great food, a huge turnout, a British invasion, and did I mention heat were the themes of the day at the Sanford CVOTC Trials event this past Sunday. A special thanks to our sister clubs STRA and FTA for the great support.

A CVOTC record 41 riders from FL, GA, SC, VA, TN and NC converged on the Flyin H Farm for the "Hotter'n Hales" Trials weekend. A few riders arrived Saturday afternoon and got the benefit of inspecting the sections and some riding practice. Karl Davis made the trip up from FL, and the Hoovers pulled in with their big rig Saturday evening turning the place into an RV park. The STRA GA boys rolled in heavy Saturday afternoon in the Team Sloggy Plumbing MB Sprinter and commenced to unloading bikes and beers. By the end of the day everyone knew it was going to be a long tough hot day on Sunday. So what do the STRA GA hoodlums and a couple of us do, but hit a local restaurant (Davison's Steak House) for some great grub and adult hydration.

A huge thanks to 2 NC Trials dealers for participating in the event. Lynn Barker (Honda Suzuki Arctic Cat of Sanford) brought out a new Montesa 300RR for all to lust after, while Jim McKenzie (Competition Wheels and Cycles) had the new TRS and Betas on display. Saw Jim wrenching on quite a few riders bikes throughout the day. Thanks Jim!!!

Sunday morning riders started rolling in around 9am. By the riders meeting 41 riders were signed up with 15 new CVOTC memberships. What a turnout! The "HTH" event was composed of 3 loops with 9 sections per loop for a 27 section total.

In keeping with the Olympic theme Medals with Red/White/Blue neck loops were awarded to the top 3 finishers in each of the classes. The National Anthem of the USA was sung to all the class winners with the exception of Expert and Intermediate classes as Tom and Chris were from Great Britain. No one knew the British National Anthem so they left a little disappointed. LOL

Another huge thanks goes out to Naomi and Stuart Bishop for providing pizza and refreshments for all after the event. I've never seen so many Elizabeth's Pizzas eaten so fast. Happy belated birthday to you Stuart!

And finally, thanks to all who helped make this event possible; Wendy Hales (CEO of the Flyin H Farm), Adam Duthie (Assistant Trials Master), and those who helped mark sections...you know who you are.

WHAT A GREAT EVENT!!!!!!

Results

Expert

- 1 Tom Fraser 37
- 2 Karl Davis Sr 47
- 3 Maddie Hoover 54
- 4 David Webster 71

5 Jeff Hensley 74

6 Gary Hoover 92

Advanced

1 Joe Palrang 55

2 Steve Billman 59

3 Matt Stancil 60

4 Dan Fahey 73

5 Doug Kaufman 107

Bob OSullivan DNF

Thomas McKenzie DNF

Sportsman

1 Brian Sloggy 57

2 Alan Hensley 61

3 Sean Parker 70

Kevin Bobal DNF

Rusty Lacy DNF

Gary Heyer DNF

Stuart Bishop DNF

Francois Saint Laurent DNF & Wet

Intermediate

1 Chris Gilder 33

2 John Hendricks 36

3 Scott Porter 40

4 Steven Maltba 55

5 Nick Bugliari 69

Jim Merrill DNF

Barry Zeeman DNF

Michael Friesen DNF

Thad Laughlin DNF

Kevin Hobbs DNF

Novice

Will Salter 28

Noah Ashton 74

Exhibition

Tom Ashton

Ed Romney

Jason Marshall

Jim Ellis

Scott Gates

Ed Beehler

JD Gilliam

Chris Suits