

Thurmond October 21, 2018

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From Rick Schill on FaceBook:

For those that made the trip to Thurmond, they were rewarded with great trials weather. Cold in the morning and developing into a perfect day for physical activity and easy breathing sans the profuse perspiration. Landowner Vernon and his many spectating friends really gave the event that legitimate feel; we're not just having fun in the woods, we're also putting on a show for spectators. Some arrived on sweet dual-sport BMWs that adorned the parking area.

If a picture is worth a thousand words, then Darris Smith has already written the Event's article. Do check out his pics on our CVOTC FB page. Nice Darris.

Bob O'Sullivan, Stuart Bishop, David Lawson, and friends, put in the hard work and their efforts were well appreciated by all attendees. Crazy weather these last several weeks kept the boys busy making accommodations for changing terrain; good job keeping up! Twenty riders were treated to eight well-marked sections on three clearly marked loops; you've got to love those laminated gate cards and full boundary tape. There was a nice mix of sections: logs, river rocks, stone walls, stream banks, sand (sections 4 and 5 had what seemed like imported sand from the coast), just the right amount of slippery stuff aka mud, and a slightly scary hill climb out of a stream bed. According to some riders, going down was more concerning than getting back up again. Good thing only Sportsman and above used the entire section's descent and climb. Scores were quite close in many groups with Intermediate being decided on "Cleans". It is getting to be the norm that Advanced class takes the most time and points...going big, ain't going home!

Trophies were much coveted toboggan hats hand made by Naomi Bishop. According to Naomi the colors represented the five class' gates. Only the Vintage A hat was adorned with a pom-pom to show that extra Vintage love. Enjoy the hat Wendy.

Expert

JEFF HENSLEY 46

DAVID WEBSTER 53

Advanced

KEITH JAZORSKI 56

ERIC SHEETS 61

ALAN HENSLEY 69

ED ROMNEY 70

Sportsman

GORDON BOWDEN 17

JOHN FRENCH 31

Vintage A

GREG HALES 26

Vintage B

GARY HEYER 13

RICK SCHILL 18

SCOTT PORTER 23

Intermediate

JEROMY WILLIAMSON 25 (15 cleans)

MARK REDBOND 25 (13 cleans)

KEVIN HOBBS 29

JUSTIN GARNER 59

Novice

DARRIS SMITH 2

WILL SALTER 16

SAMMY ROMNEY 27