

Bath Classics Emborough trial enjoyed great weather after a foggy start to the day. Thanks to the 58 riders that turned up to support our trial. It makes it well worth the effort the team put in to make each event a bit different to the last one.

3 laps of 12 sections rocks, roots and unusually for Emborough just a small amount of mud. It was just damp enough that the roots had to be treated with caution. Also something I have never seen before was the huge numbers of acorns that acted like ball bearings and were the cause of more than a few dabs.

The rooty turn at the end of section 2 caused a few comments and dabs. It was interesting watching the different lines that riders were taking especially on the B route. There was a straight line across the roots but it meant a tight turn immediately before them. It worked for some but not all.

Another section that caused a few marks lost was Chris and Janet's section 7, it was a drop into and along a muddy ditch on the B route or for the A route the choice of going over a fallen tree or a tricky rooty muddy ditch. Chris, Janet and Dave left a very wide gate when setting out so the A route could choose.

The Lowest score on the A route was Tim Wheeler with Ray Perkins close behind on a very tidy Honda. Steve Miller on his Honda had just 3 on the A/B route with Dean Whitty riding a very nice Ossa had only 1 dab on the B route. John Cull was on the only Rigid and would have put in a great result except he got caught on those roots at the end of section 2. The last 2 laps he cleaned it which is a good effort, plus he still had a very respectable score overall. Nice to see a few more riders on the C route with Graham Jones taking the honours. I saw some very tidy riding on all the routes, one standout piece for me was Phillip Inglis using his motorcross skills to jump clean over the tricky roots at the end of section 2.

A huge thanks to the all the observers many of which stood in at the last minute and also those that gave up their ride to help out.

Last and definitely not least is the Bath trials team who put in a lot of effort to give the riders a fun day out.

Our last event of the year is at Binegar on the 23rd of November.