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Round 6 Club Championship Trial—Dews Farm

A nice entry of nineteen club members for round 6 which was incorporated into the South Harrow Club's Operation Smile Trial held at Dews Farm Harefield, it was swelled by 55 riders from the Meteor Group for their championship. They had to complete 4 laps of 10 sections set out by Simon Dowling and Paul Heron, it was the hottest day of the year but luckily most of the sections were in the shade of the trees, Paul Sims had given up his ride to observe at section 4 – thanks go to him and Jane Hains. Simon Dowling made it look simple losing just 1 mark at section 8 but triumphed in the Over 50 class from Pete Haines on 4 and John Reeves on 9. There was a close battle for honours in the expert class with Mike Powdrell just edging out James Grist with Jon Yendell in third place, section 4 had them all in trouble with some cross cambered climbs. Paul Heron took the inter honours but another close tussle for runner up between Nigel Hains and Peter Steer settled in favour

of Nigel by 2 dabs, wheel perfect rides by Paul at section 3 another cross cambered ride and a swoop down and up the steep banks. Adam Grosch was best of the novices with Kevin Fishlock second and Steve Austin retiring from third place, feet up rides by Adam at section 10 up and down the shallow banks with Jane taking scores. Martin Kemp took the Pre67 class when rival Nick James was forced to retire, all cleans from Martin at section 7 skirting the green pond. Joe Snelling, was out on his own in youth inter with wheel perfect rides at section 2 down and up the steep banks ending over a fallen tree. It was all too hot for Josh Brown but he got some useful time out on a newish Beta getting used to operating the clutch and gears. The Brown family would like to thank everyone for supporting the trial, all proceeds and monies collected on the day will be donated to Operation Smile, their aim to provide every child born with a cleft lip, cleft palate or both a life changing reme-

dial operation. Steve and Gary plus friend Tony will be entering Ride London on 30th July and planning to ride 100 miles to raise money for the charity, sponsorship available on justgiving.com/fund-raising/gary-brown34 or justgiving.com/fundraising/steven-brown22

RESULTS

Experts: Mike Powdrell (Montesa) 15, James Grist (Sherco) 18, Jon Yendell (Beta) 40, Jim Howell (Beta) 51, Gary Brown (Sherco) 60.

Inter: Paul Heron (Ossa) 31, Nigel Hains (Beta) 49, Peter Steer (Beta) 51, Colin Grist (Gas Gas) Retired.

Novice: Adam Grosch (Beta) 25, Kevin Fishlock (Gas Gas) 36, Steve Austin (Fantic) Retired.

Over 50: Simon Dowling (Beta) 1, Pete Haines (Beta) 4, John Reeves (Beta) 9.

Pre 67: Martin Kemp (Greeves) 26. Nick James (DOT) Retired.

Youth Inter: Joe Snelling (Beta) 42.

Youth Beginner: Josh Brown (Beta) Retired.

Remaining Club Rounds 2017 & Open Trials

23rd July 7
Sethern
Dunsfold

10th September 5
Star Group t
Beare Green a

24th September
Quarry Trials
Betchworth

8th October
Suzette Farmer Trial
Hook Wood Trials Centre

6th November 9
Star Group
Hungry Hill

19th November
Frensham

31st December
Mike Kemp Classic Trial
Hungry Hill

Joint Trials

We have invited the Worthing Club to join us at Dunsfold as it worked okay last year.

At the AGM it was suggested that we try to hold more joint events as it increases entries and cuts down on the workload of setting out etc. Both Hook Woods and Kingston were invited to round 4.

Other clubs have been sent similar offers but have yet to accept.

Any further suggestions to Bob please.

Star Group

After the seventh round of the Star Group Championship held at Plaistow, the club has increased its lead in the Club Championship, thanks to those members who have entered and scored valuable points.

The next round takes place on Sunday 13th August at Faygate courtesy of the Croydon Club, entries need to be in by 4th to Victor Hurst. RRND have decided to run their round in September, hoping for more riders than they have been getting in December

Moving onto October 8th, we will be promoting the Suzette Farmer Trial at the very popular Hook Wood Trials Centre, and will need 12 observers, any offers to Bob on 01895 638738 Club members do not score individual or club championship points at our round.