

## **THE CAWDER GHYLL CHAMPIONSHIP TRIAL**

Round 9, Yorkshire Classic Club Championship, at Cawder Ghyll, Skipton – 21<sup>st</sup> Sept 2014

Report by Steve Rayner

### **Three way tie at Skipton**

Three riders went round the 10 section 4 lap hardest route with the loss of 6 marks on a calm and pleasant day at the popular Cawder Ghyll venue on Sunday. Chris Haigh on his Jackson framed Velocette pre-unit machine was the pick of the crop on the tricky mix of streams, rocks and sharp climbs.

Tony Calvert could have won the event outright on his Cub but a missed flag on the rocky outcrop at the difficult section 8 cost him dearly. He did however still win the tie with John Maxfield in the Cub class, even though John was given a 3 by Terry Wright when video evidence shows that he bounced backwards off a rock in the tricky section 2. However, Terry continues his late father Harry Wright's rider friendly manner of observing.

Of the other riders on the harder sections, only Andy Scott was able to stay under 20 marks who together with Dave Ingram on his C15 outperformed all the two stroke riders on the day.

By comparison, the riders on the easier Clubman's route had a less taxing time of it with several riders losing under 10 marks.

Pick of the crop were Cumbria's Colin Benson on 1 mark lost, out on his Cub to give his normal Twin mount a rest and Mick Haslam giving his newly built Armac Cub a run in the Clubman's specials class. Several of the normally fancied riders fell foul of the flags and a five dropped them well down the list.

Only 1 mark behind them were Mick Whitlow (Cub) having a day out on the Clubman's route to safeguard his tender nostrils and Ian Livingstone collecting valuable championship points in the process.

Thanks to Dave Wear and Mick Preston for finding some new lines in familiar sections to make it an enjoyable day out for all.

Some excellent rides at a good venue made it look easier than it was with the bonus of the Indian summer making for a good day out.

With two rounds remaining, there is still much to ride for in many of the classes with the best 7 rides to count.

Next round – 28<sup>th</sup> September – Dob Park, Otley – NOTE : This has been brought forward by one week!

### **Results**

#### **Harder route**

##### **Class A- Pre-Unit Springers**

1<sup>st</sup> Chris Haigh Velo – 10

##### **Class D-Cubs**

1<sup>st</sup> Tony Calvert – 6 2<sup>nd</sup> John Maxfield - 6 3<sup>rd</sup> Andy Scott – 15

##### **Class E- unit over 250**

1<sup>st</sup> Dave Ingram C15 – 26 2<sup>nd</sup> Paul Wilson C15 - 42

##### **Class F- 2 strokes**

1<sup>st</sup> Steve Thomas Bantam - 28 2<sup>nd</sup> Nigel Greenwood Bantam – 29 3<sup>rd</sup> Mick Clarke F/Barnett – 34

##### **Class G-Twins**

1<sup>st</sup> Andy Littler Triumph – 50

##### **Class S – Specials**

1<sup>st</sup> David Emmott Tri twin – 39 2<sup>nd</sup> Keith Hobson Armac Cub - 52 3<sup>rd</sup> Paul Jackson Jacko Cub – 64

#### **Easier Clubman Route**

##### **Class B - Pre-Unit Rigid**

1<sup>st</sup> Steve Cordon Matchless – 5 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim Pawson Norton - 15

##### **Class H - Vintage 2 strokes**

1<sup>st</sup> Adrian Brayshaw James – 7 2<sup>nd</sup> Eric Atkinson James – 17

##### **Class J - Pre unit Rigid/Springer under 347**

1<sup>st</sup> Chris Bacon C10 – 16

##### **Class K – open Clubman**

1<sup>st</sup> Colin Benson Cub – 1 2<sup>nd</sup> Mick Whitlow Cub – 2 3<sup>rd</sup> Ian Livingstone DOT - 2 4<sup>th</sup> Tarn Bainbridge Cub – 3  
5<sup>th</sup> Rob Goodwin – F/Barnett 3