

## Les Blow Trial – by Dave Fair

Wet, drizzly weather was in store for the thirty-seven riders who entered the annual Les Blow trial held at the Club property on February 12th. Once known as the “Hangover Trial” because it was started to “clear the heads” of those that attended the annual banquet the previous day, the name was changed to honour a former member, Les Blow. Ten sections were laid out in varying degrees of difficulty for the seven different classes and most riders rode three loops. There were some new faces participating this time:- Shane Cuthbertson and Stephen Foord visiting from Alberta and Heather Wall from Powell River. Rhys Hathaway was competing in his first ever trial (he did well) and Matt Swanson competing again after a twenty year break. Also making an appearance were Perry Chow and Turk Perepalkin. Dave Horner, chairperson for organizing the last eighteen Terra Novas, put in some fine rides on his Bultaco in the Vintage class. The committee for the day was Ian Cottier and Dave Fair with help from Andrew Watson, Thomas Cordner, Dave Nunn, Hugh Simpson, Paul Brend, Rob Hannah, Rod Volk and Don Venn — thanks to all. The results (total scores only) are as follows:-

<u>Junior</u>		<u>Total/Cleans</u>
1/ Hugh Williams	GasGas	27/16
2/ Riley Ferguson	GasGas	31/18
3/ Neil Rich	GasGas	36/7
4/ Bruce Calland	GasGas	43/16
5/ Edward Graham	Beta	44/13
6/ Rick Kool	Montesa	47/14
7/ Matt Swanson	Beta	57/10
8/ Paul Brend	GasGas	57/8
9/ Sean Millard	Sherco	68/10

<u>Vintage</u>		<u>Total/Cleans</u>
Knee		
1/ Dave Bissenden	Yamaha	4/28
2/ Dave Fair	Montesa	4/27
3/ Burke Piotrofski	Yamaha	10/21
4/ Hank Lovett	Honda	13/23
5/ Dave Horner	Bultaco	38/12
6/ Perry Chow	Yamaha	DNF

<u>Expert</u>		<u>Total/Cleans</u>
1/ Will Duggan	GasGas	27/17
2/ Thomas Cordner	GasGas	38/14
3/ Stephen Foord	GasGas	42/10
4/ Devon D'Argis	Sherco	43/13
5/ Andrew Watson	GasGas	50/10
6/ Matt Fracy	Beta	104/1

<u>Intermediate</u>		<u>Total/Cleans</u>
1/ Owen Stearns-Smith	GasGas	56/6
2/ Rhys Hathaway	Sherco	78/3
3/ Brandon Volk	GasGas	81/5

<u>Senior Intermediate</u>		<u>Total/Cleans</u>
1/ Keith Jack	GasGas	40/8
2/ Heather Wall	GasGas	41/12
3/ Ian Burton	GasGas	49/10
4/ John Rebneris	GasGas	55/7
5/ Andrew Graham	GasGas	56/7
6/ Turk Perepalkin	Beta	DNF

<u>Sportsman</u>		<u>Total/Cleans</u>
1/ Jordan McFarlane	GasGas	37/11

<u>Senior Sportsman</u>		<u>Total/Cleans</u>
1/ Dave Nunn	GasGas	30/15
2/ Ernie Ferguson	GasGas	34/16
3/ Shane Cuthbertson	GasGas	44/10
4/ Kari Unger	Beta	76/5
5/ Iain Walton	Sherco	DNF

\*\* A challenging event but enjoyable for all —  
Thanks to the committee for organizing it — Ed