

'Brain washed'

A superb turnout for the sixth round of the 1st Choice 2008 championship rewarded the efforts of the Isle of Man Youth Trials club to promote another quality event at Kings Forest. A perfect window in the weather greeted the 59 competitors with a bright, breezy and more importantly dry, morning for the earlier than usual start of 9:30am. 'A' & 'B' class, along with the Adult Expert & Clubman set off on 4 long laps of the plantation completing a good mix of slippery sections comprising natural streams, fallen trees, root strewn climbs & rocky hill sides. Whilst the 'C' & 'D' along with the Adult Sportsman, & Twin Shock classes started out on a somewhat shorter lap of 8 similar sections, again ridden 4 times each. The now customary scoreboard was again to prove the centre of attention at the end of each lap, with the scoreboard dollies Jane Birchall & Julie Owen kept busy. The weather was so kind as ten minutes after everything was finished and cleared away - the heavens opened.

'A' class national regular Josh Brain on his Academy Sherco took the 'A' class honours, as expected, although Jordan Birchall riding out of class got the better of fellow Gasser mounted Ryan Corkill to snatch second. Brain's return of 45 proved to be the best return over the adult expert course. 'B' class, on the adult Clubman course, saw the return from injury of Oliver Megson on his Paxau Sherco, Oliver wasn't troubled too much on the day taking the win ahead of a close battle for second as little Joe Yeardsley finished 1 mark ahead of the rapidly improving Oliver Lace.

A better than usual supported 'C' class saw Callum Millward on top of the podium 6 marks up on recently crowned class champion Juan Lace, the latter a little off colour with an upset stomach. Ben Collins made the step up to 'C' class after clinching the D+ championship last time out & although finding the going tough managed to snatch third place from Jack Kelly by a narrow 1 mark margin. Thomas Knight returned to the top of the pile in the 'D' class snatching the win from early leader Sophie-May Smith, with championship elect Adam Kelly rounding off a Gas Gas 1,2,3. The 'D' class is now the best supported youth class with another electric bike piloted by Michael Cannon's daughter Katelyn, the growth in this class is a direct result of the efforts of the training & practice events being promoted by the club - looking good for the future! The support classes saw Aleyn Taggart take B+ ahead of Steven Teare, Jack Hunter managed to come out on top of a very tight 3 way battle in C+ with James Quayle pipping Ryan Wilson on cleans in turn 1 Mark down on Jack. D+ saw Beta mounted Aaron Molyneux take the win ahead of Dillon Killeen, both of these lads are improving big time recently & will surely be ready to step up to 'C' next year.



Ben Collins - Beta



Sophie-May Smith - Gas Gas

The Adult Expert class saw the return of newly crowned sidecar centre champion driver Jamie Teare to the solo world, indeed taking his £500 Scorpa to the win 5 marks ahead of new resident Nigel Sharp, fellow returnee Steve Franklin showed some of his old familiar style in rounding off the podium. Wayne Wardell chose to ride the clubman class, whilst still struggling a little with back problems, had enough in reserve to take the win 7 marks ahead of another tie break between Kevin Millward & Neil Christian which saw Kevin get the verdict on cleans count-back. The Sportsman class saw a familiar pattern with David Harding Jnr coming home ahead of yet another equal return which saw Matthew Bond get the nod ahead of Maurice Kelly on cleans. The Twin shock class was won by Jim Davidson stealing the win by from Dave Megson by the slimmest margin of 27 to 26 cleans - both finishing on 6 dabs.



Juan Lace - Beta



Callum Millward - Beta



Adam Kelly - Gas Gas

Pictures courtesy of Rob Temple.

Huge thanks again to DAFF & all officials – **especially the new observers...**

Results

A class

1	Josh Brain	Sherco	45
2	Jordan Birchall	Gas Gas	89
3	Ryan Corkill	Gas Gas	95

B Class

1	Ollie Megson	Sherco	44
2	Joe Yeardsley	Beta	78
3	Ollie Lace	Gas Gas	79
4	Carl Owen	Sherco	86

C Class

1	Callum Millward	Beta	39
2	Juan Lace	Beta	45
3	Ben Collins	Beta	89
4	Jack Kelly	Sherco	90

D Class

1	Thomas Knight	Gas Gas	7
2	Sophie-May Smith	Gas Gas	12
3	Adam Kelly	Gas Gas	15
4	Lewis Brew	Gas Gas	19
5	Max Lewthwaite	Beta	31
6	Reece Keown	Xispa	45
7	Max Bradshaw	Sherco	53
8	Katelyn Cannon	Oset	64

B + class

1	Aleyn Taggart	Beta	74
3	Steven Teare	Gas Gas	85
4	Steven Currie	Beta	87
5	Matthew Asbridge	Sherco	107

C + Class

1	Jack Hunter	Gas Gas	52
2	James Quayle	Gas Gas	53 13cl
3	Ryan Wilson	Sherco	53 6cl
4	Matthew Corkill	Sherco	60
5	Kasey Corlett	Gas Gas	63
6	James Everitt	Beta	80

D + Class

1	Aaron Molyneux	Beta	7
2	Dillon Killeen	Beta	14
3	Henry Dorman	Sherco	32
-	Isabel Dorman	Sherco	rtd

Expert

1	Jamie Teare	Scorpa	50
2	Nigel Sharp	Gas Gas	55
3	Steve Franklin	Gas Gas	81

Clubman

1	Wayne Wardell	Gas Gas	15
2	Kevin Millward	Gas Gas	22 22cl
3	Neil Christian	Montesa	22 19cl
4	Graham Christian	Montesa	26
5	Andy Cannell	Gas Gas	38
6	Sam Ansermoz	Gas Gas	41
7	Kieran Peters	Gas Gas	74
8	Paul Cannell	Gas Gas	76
9	Mark Bimson	Sherco	84
-	Josh Corlett	Scorpa	rtd

Sportsman

1	David Harding jnr	Beta	12
2	Matthew Bond	Scorpa	16 22cl
3	Maurice Kelly	Gas Gas	16 20cl
4	Barry Teare	Sherco	23
5	Rodney Callister	Beta	30
6	Chris Keown	Montesa	40
7	Brian Kinrade	Beta	55
-	Gary Corlett	Gas Gas	rtd

Twin shock

1	Jim Davidson	BSA	6 27cl
2	Dave Megson	Yamaha	6 26cl