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Fun Trial at Whale Rock results:

The annual Fun Trial at Whale Rock Trials was deemed a success by the 23 riders who participated. Temps started out in the 30's, but it quickly warmed up and the day ended up around 50 degrees...perfect weather for a Moto-Trial. Missing this year was our esteemed president Rick Schill. He normally makes it to every event, but family matters come first.

Many Thanks to Jim Ellis for again allowing the CVOTC to use his great piece of land. Jim took 7th place and won the prize for "oldest rider". Special thanks to Leslie Matheson, recovering from shoulder surgery, for providing a bounty of food. Hot dogs with chili were the main course. Riders were also treated to chips, fruit and snacks, water, cookies and donuts. Handing in his score card Jon Quell was giddy...He believed he rode as well as he could and employed the right strategy. In a gate Trial, you can ride whatever line you want. Each gate has a point value. Ride the hard gates for more points. Put your foot down and lose those points accumulated. Unlike a normal Trials event where the lowest score wins, in a gate Trial the high score wins.

This year we had 8 sections with 3 loops: a possible total of 360 points. Winner of this years Fun Trial at Whale Rock: Jon Quell with 271 points. Honorable mention goes to Keith Bell, who has not ridden an event in 3 years. Keith also had a good strategy and took 4th place with 200 points. Keith helped his team: The Wheelie Crew, win with a total of 894 points. The three other teams: Bad Dabbers with 802 points. Team Crash with 791 points and The Bunny Hoppers with 666 points.

Three new riders tried their luck at this event. Newcomers Mariusz and his son Alex Stancyck and Daniel Hughes. From their smiling faces it looked like they had a great time. Daniel won the prize for "lowest score" with 55 points. Todd Havelack on a Beta motorcycle and 12-15 other spectators came to watch...including Chris and Abigail Buzzelli. Chris is recovering from double knee replacement....NOT because of riding Trials. We wish him a speedy recovery and back on a bike soon.

Cody Johnston rode exhibition and had his own entourage following him from section to section cheering him on.

Keep on eye on FB for a video from Ellis Daw. Normally a rider at these CVOTC events, Ellis took a medical time out and grabbed his camera. Expect a video of the day's events. Ellis also helped with the section lay-out and at sign-up and score tallying. As always we have special prizes for the riders who join us...we hope you join us next year!

Special Awards:

Oldest rider: 78 year old Jim Ellis

Youngest rider: 6 year old Alex Stancyck

Max points log ride: Jon Quell

Most points Vintage: Gary Heyer
Lowest score: Daniel Hughes
Best crash: Christian Alva
I ride like a tank: Jim Carey

2021 Fun Trial at Whale Rock results:

- 1 Jon Quell 271
- 2 Garry Hoover 250
- 3 Kevin Bobal 228
- 4 Keith Bell 200
- 5 Gary Heyer 199
- 6 Mike Mazak 187
- 7 Jim Ellis 159
- 8 Bob Sullivan 152
- 9 Bryce Lundsford 149
- 10 Kenny Gwynn 149
- 11 Rusty Lacy 131
- 12 Jim Carey 118
- 13 Mike Friesen 112
- 14 Berndie Lundsford 109
- 15 Frank Wolf 97
- 16 Scott Porter 93
- 17 Mariusz Stancyck 84
- 18 Christian Alva 63
- 19 Daniel Hughes 55

Exhibition

Alex Stancyck
Kevin Hobbs
Cody Johnston
David Webster