2014 VMC Les Blow Trial report By Rick Kool

The Les Blow Trial (a.k.a. Hang-over Trial), held February 9 on the VMC Property, opened the 2014 VMC Trials Calendar.

With the weather hovering around freezing, 7 classes were required for the 37 riders that came out for this frosty event. Light flurries of snow were offset with great traction on the hill. Thomas Cordner was impressive with 3 points, 27 cleans in the Expert class & in the largest class of the day, Steve Fracy (on his 82 twin shock Fantic) & n/m Kevin Couves were head to head with 1 point, 29 cleans each in the Sr. intermediate class.

The recent ruling, changing the number of riders required for a "class", was just in time for the Vintage class which had only 2 riders. 11 year old Nik Ferguson continued his winning streak beating out Rick Kool by 1 clean & 1 point in the Junior class.....(when I grow up, I want to be like Nik). One more heads up...watch out for Patrick Fair...shows up after 2-3 year hiatus to enter Sportsman!! (chip off the ol' block?)

Thanks to the Committee:

Hugh Williams, Sean Millard, Andrew Watson & Thomas Cordner

And to helpers:

Bruce Calland, Don Cameron, Neil Rich, Brent Sterzenbach, Paul Lederis & Jeremy McChesney

Sign-up & scorekeeping:

Nick Newton & Albert Nussbaum

Warm food was provided by Mr. Tube Steak....Thanks Randy....

Les Blow Trial Results

| Junior | #1 | #2 | #3 | Total | Cleans |
|-----------------------|----|----|-----|-------|--------|
| 1/ Nik Ferguson | 6 | 1 | 11 | 18 | 22 |
| 2/ Rick Kool | 7 | 9 | 3 | 19 | 21 |
| 3/ Brad Adams | 14 | 9 | 2 | 25 | 18 |
| 4/ Albert Nussbaum | 14 | 8 | 7 | 29 | 14 |
| 5/ Don Cameron | 10 | 11 | 24 | 45 | 12 |
| 6/ Jim Laing | 27 | 13 | 16 | 56 | 7 |
| 7/ Derek Norman | 26 | 19 | 28 | 73 | 5 |
| 8/ Jay Ryan | 26 | 27 | DNF | DNF | |
| Intermediate | #1 | #2 | #3 | Total | Cleans |
| 1/ Owen Stearns-Smith | 6 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 27 |
| 2/ Antonio Mendenhall | 10 | 3 | 0 | 13 | 26 |
| 3/ Ben Cox | 6 | 3 | 7 | 16 | 18 |

Les Blow Trial Results cont.

| Sr. Intermediate | #1 | #2 | #3 | Total | Cleans |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|-------|--------|
| 1/ Steve Fracy | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 29 |
| 2/ Kevin Couves (n/m) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 29 |
| 3/ Ernie Ferguson | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 27 |
| 4/ Kevin Marshall | 8 | 7 | 1 | 16 | 22 |
| 5/ Kerry Levin | 6 | 1 | 8 | 15 | 21 |
| 6/ Brent Sterzenbach | 4 | 11 | 14 | 29 | 18 |
| 7/ Sean Millard | 10 | 8 | 13 | 31 | 16 |
| 8/ Gord Westerhoud | 12 | 12 | 12 | 36 | 16 |
| 9/ Doug Wallis | 15 | 13 | 11 | 39 | 13 |
| 10/ Bruce Calland | 23 | 10 | 11 | 44 | 8 |
| 11/ Neil Rich | 22 | 13 | 25 | 60 | 5 |
| Vintage | #1 | #2 | #3 | Total | Cleans |
| 1/ Dave Bissenden | 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 26 |
| 2/ Hank Lovett | 2 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 24 |
| Sportsman | #1 | #2 | #3 | Total | Cleans |
| 1/ Paul Lederis | 8 | 6 | 14 | 28 | 14 |
| 2/ Jeremy McChesney | 18 | 11 | 17 | 46 | 16 |
| 3/ Brandon Volk | 15 | 12 | 21 | 48 | 14 |
| 4/ Rhys Hathaway | 22 | 14 | 16 | 52 | 11 |
| 5/ Patrick Fair | 33 | 25 | 34 | 92 | 5 |
| 6/ Riley Ferguson | 35 | 36 | 41 | 112 | 4 |
| Sr. Sportsman | #1 | #2 | #3 | Total | Cleans |
| 1/ David Nunn | 5 | 9 | 12 | 26 | 18 |
| 2/ Neil Cottier | 12 | 12 | 16 | 40 | 12 |
| 3/ Ben Hircock | 13 | 15 | 16 | 44 | 12 |
| 4/ Andrew Twamley | 27 | 30 | 42 | 99 | 4 |
| Expert | #1 | #2 | #3 | Total | Cleans |
| 1/ Thomas Cordner | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 27 |
| 2/ Andrew Watson | 15 | 6 | 19 | 40 | 14 |
| 3/ Mike Graham | 30 | 32 | 36 | 98 | 2 |