

John Southern Firbank 1st October 2017

Be warned, this report will probably end up as one where everyone gets a mention, so if you want to get a brew on - now's the time. Firstly, there were a couple of non-starters as John Bamber was out of sorts and Phil Yarwood returned to his car to find that an oak tree had taken a bite out of the front. So he and Dougie wielded pencils for the rest of the trial. Pat Henson made a good start but soon disappeared off the radar and I think he and Peter too put their shoulder to the marshalling wheel. Barry Hogg and Phil Brown were both forced to retire with trouble at the pointy end, so Joanne did the afternoon pencil shift on Hill 1 – after the rain had started, bless her cotton socks. We might yet see Phil sorting out the steering on his 'CAP in hand' blog at <http://captrialcar.blogspot.co.uk>.



Barry working out how many metres of concrete needed to fix the CAP's steering arm.

Barry and Dave propped up the score sheet plucking that honour from Richard Howell and new passenger, Helen Copping. Stuart Lambert collected fewer points but not enough to catch newcomers Tony Coid and Mike Moran in the ex-George Watson CAP. You will have to excuse the use of an analogy to avoid the graphic but if the lads had just taken up horse riding instead of trialling then they'd have been unseated the first time out. Lets hope the horse isn't too lame and they can get back in the saddle at The Fox.

Neil Martin and Hadley Robertson hail from the Midlands but it's hoped we'll see them North of the 54th parallel again. They are still fairly new to the sport and gave a good account of themselves finishing behind Mike Storrar and Keith Markham who were clear winners of C Class.

Brian Thornton, with young Tom Anson on board, was understandably, a very steady 15th just behind Jeff Armitstead and Stephen Postlethwaite in the old Lexi, I think Jeff said the Hutton is having a Hiab jib crane fitted but I didn't have my hearing aid in at the time. The always welcome John and Anne Cole were next up then Tom and John Bamber. Tom must

have been pleased with 12th place just behind Bob Packham and Mark Tallon, equalling Bob's 34 in the second round.

Mark Milne and Andrew Davidson were 10th on 81 points, the same score as Bob but taking the place on clears. David Halsall and David Campbell squeaked a very creditable 9th place with Ghandi's breakfast (ate-nowt). Mike Salton and Duncan Walker were eighth with 70 and 4 clears on a day when a ☺ was hard to come by. Martin Grimwood and Vickie Hunter only managed two clears but Martin's total was a tad better than Mike's securing 7th place and with it a clear B Class win.

George and Victoria Watson's score translates into "any way up" in bingo parlance – not really appropriate here - for a couple of reasons. George managed four clears to Andrew's two but Andrew Woodhead and Karen Briggs took 5th place with consistency and the lucky woolly hat. Talking of hats, Boyd and Sharon would surely walk away with the fashion award with very snappy headwear from Henley and the Russian front. As it was, Boyd Webster's excellent second round was plenty good enough to snaffle 4th place. No fashion awards for Richard and Joe, at least not this trial, however I do recall them looking dapper in bow ties at the Club's Presentation Dinner. Incidentally, the menu for the next Dinner is up on the website, so check that out. Richard and Joe Sharp scored a more appropriate "turn the screw" - 62, just a couple behind second placed Bryan Walker and Mark Simpson.

Simon and Matthew Kingsley's 42 was remarkable really, because the trial was a tough one, even before it rained. Worthy winner.

Special mentions

Everyone who turned up deserves a mention. No one will forget this trial in a hurry. Eh Tony?

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Entry Number	Entrants	Round 1								Round 1 Total	Round 2								Round 2 Total	Overall Total	Position	Club Class	Club Points	BTRDA Class	BTRDA Points			
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8										
	PAR FOR THE COURSE TODAY	0	5	5	4	0	0	1	8	23	0	3	2	5	0	0	0	2	12	35								
15	Simon Kingsley / Matthew Kingsley	0	5	6	5	0	0	3	8	27	0	4	2	7	0	0	0	2	15	42	1	A	30	Red		30		
23	Bryan Walker / Mark Simpson	0	7	5	7	0	3	1	8	31	8	4	8	7	0	0	0	2	29	60	2	A	28	Red		29		
9	Richard Sharp / Joe Sharp	0	5	8	7	1	7	3	8	39	0	3	3	7	6	0	2	2	23	62	3	A	27	Red		28		
26	Boyd Webster / Andrew Gains	1	5	6	8	1	11	3	10	45	1	5	3	5	1	0	3	2	20	65	4	A	26	Red		27		
2	Andrew Woodhead / Karen Briggs	0	7	7	6	4	7	3	9	43	1	6	4	7	1	0	2	2	23	66	5	A	25	Red		26		
11	George Watson / Victoria Watson	0	10	8	4	2	7	3	8	42	0	7	3	9	5	0	0	3	27	69	6	A	24	Red		25		
1	Martin Grimwood / Vickie Hunter	0	7	8	7	4	7	2	8	43	1	5	3	7	6	0	3	2	27	70	7	B	23					
18	Mike Salton / Duncan Walker	0	5	8	6	0	10	2	8	39	0	6	8	7	6	0	2	3	32	71	8	A	22	Red		24		
22	David Halsall / David Campbell	1	9	5	6	2	11	3	10	47	2	7	3	7	6	0	3	5	33	80	9	B	21					
5	Mark Milne / Andrew Davidson	0	10	8	7	1	7	2	9	44	8	6	4	7	6	0	3	3	37	81	10	A	20	Red		23		
25	Bob Packham / Mark Tallon	0	5	5	6	5	12	5	9	47	1	7	3	9	2	6	3	3	34	81	11	B	19	Blue		22		
7	Tom Bamber / John Bamber	1	10	9	5	5	12	2	8	52	2	4	6	7	6	3	3	3	34	86	12	B	18					
27	John Cole / Anne Cole	1	6	6	6	4	12	3	9	47	2	6	3	7	11	7	9	2	47	94	13	B	17	Blue		21		
16	Jeff Armitstead / Stephen Postlethwaite	0	10	9	7	0	8	3	10	47	1	6	8	9	7	11	4	4	50	97	14	A	16					
14	Brian Thornton / Tom Anson	1	10	8	6	9	7	8	11	60	1	7	5	11	6	4	3	3	40	100	15	B	15	Red		19		
10	Mike Storrar / Keith Markham	9	10	7	7	8	12	3	10	66	9	6	5	7	6	0	3	3	39	105	16	C	14					
24	Neil Martin / Hadley Robertson	1	10	8	11	10	12	7	8	67	9	6	9	10	6	6	7	3	56	123	17			Rookie		18		
6	Tony Coid / Mike Moran	2	10	9	10	10	12	12	10	75	2	7	8	12	12	5	3	12	61	136	18	C	12					
19	Stuart Lambert / Michael Jackson	9	10	9	8	10	12	8	10	76	9	7	9	9	12r	12r	6	5	69	145	19	C	11					
3	Richard Howell / Helen Copping	10	10	9	11	10	12	8	11	81	9	9	9	10	11	11	8	5	72	153	20	C	10					
4	Barry Attwood / Dave Nickson	8	10	9	11	9	12	8	11	78	11	10	9	12	6	11	8	10	77	155	21	C	9					
12	Pat Henson / Peter Henson		10				7	3	8			7									B	dnf	Blue					
20	Barry Hogg / Joanne Hogg				6	0		7	10												A	dnf	Red					
17	Phil Brown / John Swannie	2	10	9			11														C	dnf						
8	John Bamber / Tom Bamber																				C	dns						
21	Phil Yarwood / Dougie Parkinson																				B	dns	Blue					

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Organising Club - NPTCC

Site - Firbank

A Round of the NPTCC and BTRDA Championships

Overall Winner - Simon Kingsley / Matthew Kingsley

A Class - Bryan Walker / Mark Simpson

B Class - Martin Grimwood / Vickie Hunter

C Class - Mike Storrar / Keith Markham

Independent Red - Simon Kingsley / Matthew Kingsley