

EDEN CREEK – NOVEMBER 2017

Sunday was perfect weather for our 11th and final trial for 2017 and thinking about all the positives comments days after the event, we are certainly blessed to have great section setters in our NSW chapter. Throw in some heavy showers to get the creek flowing and the ground to get soggy, it turned out to be a perfect recipe for another great SQTA trial. A big thank you to Paul and Nerida Anderson for letting us use their property and it was great to open up the gully past the cattle dips, it turned out to be everyone's favourite area and there was a fair bit of practicing going on in that area after the event.

As you can see by the photos taken by the Ian Rogers (who is in mid holiday mode) the creek was flowing pretty quick and thought it might gobble up a couple of riders. Well, we weren't disappointed as we had 4 victims during the day. Steve Chesters did it twice! so he received the "You Plonker" award for the weekend. One of those EM electric bikes also went completely under, it was simply picked up and ridden off like nothing had happened, unlike the petrol bikes that took some work to get them going again (there's a pic there). Most sections became a bit easier as the ground started drying up, but the hill climbs with wet boggy entries became more challenging as the day went on, especially for the TY riders.

As it was our last trial, we weren't playing for sheep stations, but looking at some of the score cards a bit of imaginative self scoring was obviously happening. So in light of that I won't be posting the score sheets, but from the fun we had, we were all winners.

The score tent was manned by Kerry and Christine who did another great job entertaining Russell and anybody else that wanted to drop in.

Mark Hird did a great solo job on the BBQ, cooking snags and onions for all to enjoy after the event and from all reports there have been no reports of any sickness or ill health, so thanks Mark, ya did a great job.

Our last event for 2017 will be our Christmas party and presentations. For those members and non members that are unable to make this break up and for those following SQTA, thank you for your support and well wishes. We'll be back in 2018, looking forward to riding trials for competitive fun for another year. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Harry van Dijk
President





