

**Sizmurs Property “Misty Oaks”
Ferny Glen Qld
October 2021**



Sunday 18th October we returned to one of our favourite property's named 'Misty Oaks' owned by the Sizmur family. It never disappoints to hold a trial at Misty Oaks and this one was no exception. It has everything needed to set some great sections and the loop is fairly easy to get around for all grades. After a 6 or 7 month break from the last trial we ran here, the property was in great shape and little to no clearing was required to set some great sections in some of our usual haunts. After some rainy days leading up to the trial, the weather gods turned it on for us with glorious spring weather for both Saturday and Sunday. Saturday morning we had a dozen or more volunteers break up into a few groups to set the sections. It was a pretty smooth operation with 12 sections set by lunch time. The volunteers did an amazing job so we really appreciate them turning up to lend a hand. There were even a few who were unable to ride Sunday due to other commitments but still donated a few hours of their time on Saturday to help the club out, so thank you for your dedication.

Saturday evening brought a change in the temperature with a low of around 10 degrees leaving the campers rugging up with a blanket or thinking how nice it would have been if they actually brought one. It was a quiet evening with more noise coming from a party up the road than there was from our lot. Sunday morning was a beautiful dry spring day with no dew to speak of and the feeling it was going to be a cracker of a day, which it was and then some. We had a field of 47 riders which was not too shabby considering how much trials has been on offer lately across the SE Qld clubs. At 9am it was time to get rider's briefing done and dusted so everyone could get to what they came for.

With average rider numbers and 12 sections there wouldn't be too much waiting at sections so the day flowed pretty well. Everyone had completed their 3 laps by around 1pm leaving plenty of time for pack up and reviewing the scores with free Sqtadogs on offer.

Well done to all the riders that got themselves a top 3 placing, there were some good scores amongst the leaders with Division 4 to 7 winners all on single figures for 3 laps. The closest battle was between Jason Cunliffe and Aki Nagao on the yellow line with just 1 point separating them on 11 and 12 points respectively. The red line boys should be pleased with themselves also with some tidy scores all things considered. The full score sheets are attached.

Thanks to all the section setters on the Saturday, it was a great turnout. I'd like to thank Steve Sizmur for making his property available, Jean McDonald-Smith for helping with the scoring, Keegan Smith for collecting the bread rolls, Cam Norton for looking after the drinks, Denys and Christine Reed for organizing the toilet, Drew Wightman for doing a great job with the section bags, Robert Reed for mowing the top and bottom camping areas and everyone who stuck around to help pull the sections in and save Harry from a diet of hotdogs for the next week.

Our next event will be on 7th November at Meringandan, which sits between Toowoomba and Crows Nest not far from Cooby Dam. 'Erinvale' is a fantastic property so try not to miss it. There might even be a handful of special new bikes getting their first run at a trial, well that's the rumour. Until then, keep ya engine running and ya feet up.

Cheers
Brad