



**OLDTIMERS CELEBRATED** the Silver anniversary of the Corduroy enduro with their old, faithful mounts. Bert Irwin (left) straddles his 1958 BSA, Murray Fischer waits on his 1958 Ariel HT5, and Dave Daniel impatiently checks the time as he models the latest in protective headgear astride his 1962 BSA Gold Star.

## Corduroy enduro celebrates its silver anniversary

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HALIBURTON, Ont. — John Cooper of Columbus, N.J., and his wife Beth made a formidable team at the 25th running of the Corduroy enduro Sept. 16-17. Cooper took the premier award with a score of only 39, while his wife won the ladies' trophy by virtue of lasting until the fourth from last check on the second day of riding.

The event decided the Canadian enduro championships, and Ross Lennox of Niagara Falls, Ont., took top prize with a score of 53. Other winners became the national champions for their class.

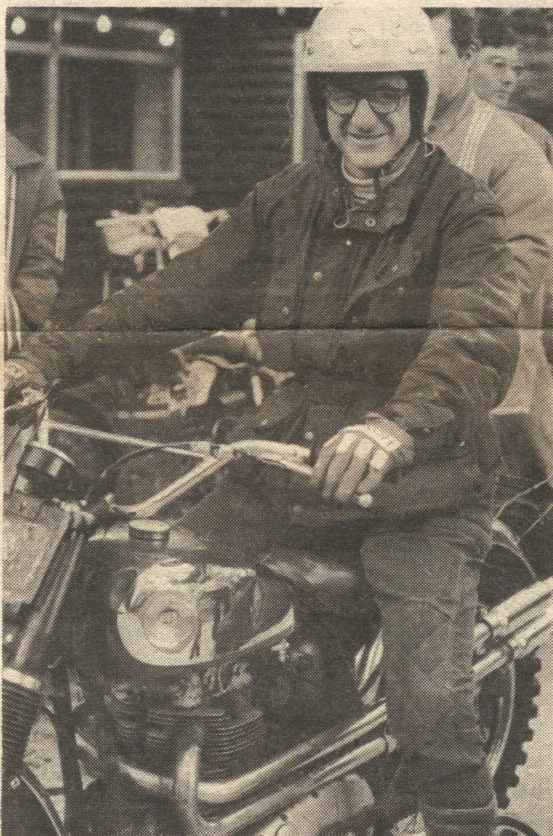
Mud and water were the big problems during the event. The Osprey and the Powderhorn trails were 50-metre mudholes connected by runs scarcely better than the holes. After the first 10 machines went through, the lines were destroyed, and cuss-and-grunt pushing became the only way to get by. Some riders compared the sections to a peat bog.

Cathy Campbell of Mayo, Md., probably thinks that the Irondale River is just as bottomless. While negotiating the submerged bridge she zigged when she should have zagged and found herself swimming. Spectators helped haul her Penton out, and she was off and running again within five minutes.

Check-to-check timing kept the speeds down this year. There were few berms created by speeding riders, and noticeably fewer complaints from police and local residents. Riders were also better off, as injuries were down from previous events.

At least one local got in the spirit of the event, as retired John Barnett was seen in his hip waders helping unbog competitors and warning them about upcoming hazards.

Many of the veterans of past years arrived with their old machinery to celebrate the anniversary. Bert Irwin



**NINE TIMES** used by Bert Irwin in the Cord, this '58 Beezer 650 twin was only for show this year. It has to weigh half again as much as the 250 Honda that Irwin rode to third in the special veterans' class.

has the record for participating, as he has ridden in 19 of the 25 Cords and has finished an unbelievable 17 times. One of the BSAs he brought has been through nine of those with him. Not many modern machines can say as much.

### RESULTS

**Premier award:** John Cooper, Columbus, N.J. (KTM)

**White Trophy:** Blair Sharpless, Toronto (Suz.) C-A

**Ladies:** Beth Cooper, Columbus, N.J. (Hon)

**Veteran:** 1 — Dave Dodd Sr., Haliburton, Ont. (Suz); 2 —

**Special veteran:** 1 — Peter Beelan, Claremont, Ont. (C-A); 2 — Bert Irwin,

Cornwall, Ont. (Hon); 3 — Don Albertson, Don Mills, Ont. (Suz)

**125 cc junior:** 1 — John Scott, Rawdon, Que. (C-A); 2 — Gil Rutherford,

Trenton, Ont. (Yam)

**250 cc junior:** 1 — Mike Stefan, London, Ont. (C-A); 2 — Mike Phelan, St.

Catharines, Ont. (C-A); 3 — Jack Deringer, Welland, Ont. (Yam)

**300 cc junior:** 1 — Blair Sharpless, Toronto (C-A); 2 — Andrew Stone,

Unionville, Ont. (C-A); 3 — Gerry Morrison, Shelburne, Ont. (C-A)

**Open junior:** 1 — Bill Wilson, St. Catharines, Ont. (Hus); 2 — Glen Evans,

Toronto (C-A); 3 — S. Heaman, Barrie, Ont. (Jaw)

**125 cc senior:** 1 — Richard Becker, Royersford, Pa. (Hon); 2 — Steve

Pressler, Plainsfield, Ind. (Her)

**300 cc senior:** 1 — Dave Dodd Jr., Haliburton, Ont. (Suz); 2 — Frank Sutton,

Toronto (C-A); 3 — Robert Bradt, Port Burwell, Ont. (Suz)

**Open senior:** 1 — Phil Brook, Thornhill, Ont. (Hus); 2 — Lynn Arnold,

Rochester, N.Y. (Bul); 3 — Mark Moyer, Rexdale, Ont. (KTM)

**125 cc expert:** 1 — Helmut Clasen, Dundas, Ont. (Zun); 2 — Steve Turnbull,

Orangeville, Ont. (C-A); 3 — Bev Kennedy, Aylmer, Ont. (Mona)

**300 cc expert:** 1 — Steve Card, Bayshore, N.Y. (Suz); 2 — Ross Lennox,

Orangeville, Ont. (C-A); 3 — Wolfgang Kruse, Mayo, Md. (Hon)

**Open expert:** 1 — Craig Howe, Port Credit, Ont. (Hon); 2 — Paul Mooney,

Niagara Falls, Ont. (Hus); 3 — Mike Shinnars, Amherst, N.Y. (Bul)

**Team:** 1 — Halton Off-Road Riders Association (Ross Lennox, Orangeville,

Ont.; Craig Howe, Port Credit, Ont.; Dave Armstrong, Georgetown, Ont.; 2 —

Team Mean (Barry Webb, Huntsville, Ont.; John Greeniaus, Mississauga, Ont.;

Dave King, York, Ont.)



**HELMUT CLASEN**, 125 expert winner, likes his enduros wet. He got his wish in the 25th anniversary edition of the Cord. The streams weren't so bad; it was the washed out trails and bottomless mudholes that caused the problems.

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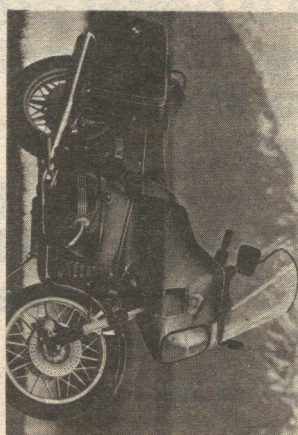
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