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Chief Steward Report First Round South Island Nationals

Held by the Nelson Offroad Club

It should be mentioned that the weather leading up to the event was one of the worst rainfalls to be experienced in the area in many years. The Enduro track was literally washed away and any new tracks put in being clay based were impassable.

Three options were put to the drivers at drovers brief prior to any racing.

1. Short course on Saturday with a very minimal chance of running the Enduro on a very reduced length track (approx 3 to 4 k's in total)
2. One day of Short Course for maximum 72 points
3. Two days of Short Course racing based on 36 points for each day.

By majority (no driver objecting) it was decided to run the event over the two days being Short Course for each day subject to a final check of the Enduro Track late Saturday in case the track was passable.

Sunday morning saw the continued running of three short course races to complete the weekends racing.

The track was well marked and started off very wet but as the days racing progressed, the track came back to being a fast track with ample passing. The second day saw the racing run in the reverse rotation of Saturday giving the drivers fresh challenges to keep the racing interesting for all parties.

Both days saw good clean racing with no Protests being tended. There were a number of roll overs particularly amongst the 'S' and 'U' Classes but no injuries or points of concern.

The event was well organized with good scrutineering prior the event and the prize giving was well attended. A credit to the Nelson Club.

Any improvements would be track communication although it was adequate for the day, did get a little stretched at times.

Yours sincerely,

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