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Bill Decker Wins Jack Pine

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Sandy Lane Swamped with 194 Entries

SANDY LANE ENDURO - SEPTEMBER 26th

For a change of pace, we decided to try our hand at an endurance run so off we went to the 125 Mile National Championship Endurance Run down in Atsion, N. J. This was the 28th annual running of this great enduro. A record of 194 riders staggered the officials and they had to scrape in all the corners for more route sheets. They had run out of number plates, souvenir wagon wheels and route cards. However, everyone was taken care of with a little stretching.

All the top enduro riders in this area were on hand. Bill Baird from Illinois was here to try to win the Grand National Championship Award for the 5th year in a row. He and Bill Decker of Butler, N. J. are running about tied and the Sandy Lane event and the Jamestown, N. Y. event are the remaining two runs in which each can rack up some more points. Its a close battle this year.

To say that enduro riders are an enthusiastic group is borne out by the fact that with an 8:00 AM starting time, he has to drag his weary bones out of bed at 4:00 AM and drive several hundred miles to get to the start. Many of the out of town riders arrived on Saturday and stayed overnight at motels. Riders came from Illinois, Ohio, Delaware, Maryland, New York, New Jersey, Mass., Conn., Penna., and probably several other states that I missed seeing.



Grand Champion, Gene Esposito cresting a sand bank.

The riders were started 2 on a minute and first men were out at 8:01 AM. The run was an excellent combination of steady woods going. Very little paved road was used at all. They just put you on the sand lanes and you can go hundreds of miles without seeing a car or black-top road. From my personal experience, I can only tell you about the first 21.2 miles - as that was as far as I got. All I saw in those miles was sand - and that varied only in depth - sometimes it was 6 inches deep and sometimes up to a foot deep. It was loads of fun, but very tiring on this little gal. There was one other girl entered and we cried on each others shoulders along the sand trails. The noon control was in Manahawkin, N. J. and the riders were given an hour to eat, repair and rest up for the afternoon section. Quite a few riders were out by lunch time with machine breakdowns. Several had lost more points than they should have due to getting lost. It isn't hard to get lost in this type of going. Generally speaking, the markers were very good. However, some of the intersections on these sand trails have at least 6 trails branching off in all directions. Just one snap decision can take you up a wrong trail and you can go for miles before discovering you are wrong - and then you have a job remembering which direction you came from. There are tire tracks going in all directions and it is just a gamble as to which is the right way.

Some of the early riders had lost very few precious points up to noon check and their spirits were high. Sal Scirpo got off to a very late start due to electrical problems, but had made up most of his lost time by lunch check.

The afternoon section was a little tougher than the morning, with a lot more close in riding and the infamous stump fields. A group of the early riders missed some arrows and got very lost. However, the later riders had more tracks to follow and fared a little better. The finish back at the Pic-a-Lilly Restaurant was at 2:37 and the riders rolled in pretty much on time.

I think the promoters of this event deserve a big round of applause for putting on a truly Championship event. The course was excellent, the markers were good, checkers watches were right on the nose, the checking teams very efficient and results were ready that evening and the awards given out to those riders that were able to remain. They had the C.A.P. at the checks radioing the times into the finish where the results were being figured as the run was still in progress. A sheet was printed up for the spectators giving several spots where the riders could be observed with directions on how to get there. This is a very helpful guide to wives and families wanting to observe their riders in action.

In addition to the regular place trophies, high score and 3 in each class, there were a dozen special trophies. The high score winner also has the honor of having his name engraved on the perpetual Wagon Wheel trophy.

Congratulations to all the Winners - you did a terrific job. And Congratulations to the Meteor Motorcycle Club - you also did a terrific job.

Reported by Leslie Pink. Action Sports Photos.

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HIGH SCORE - Gene Esposito, Brooklyn, N. Y. TRI 990

CLASS A LIGHTWEIGHT (up to 200cc):

1 - Bob Maus, Valhalla, N. Y. TRI 977
2 - William Brandenstein, Woodlynne, N. J. TRI 970
3 - Gerald Pacholke, Mentor, Ohio HON 956

CLASS B LIGHTWEIGHT:

1 - Clint Riley, King of Prussia, Pa. BUL 936
2 - Ken Rosengren, Magnolia, Del. TRI 933
3 - Louis Russo, Mt. Holly, N. J. TRI 930

CLASS A MEDIUMWEIGHT (201 - 350cc):

1 - Bill Decker, Butler, N. J. GRE 976
2 - James Smith, Stanhope, N. J. DMW 975
3 - Don Pink, Yonkers, N. Y. H-D 970

CLASS B MEDIUMWEIGHT:

1 - Al Gendreau, Southbridge, Mass. GRE 947
2 - Cliff Ferris, Mt. Holly, N. J. GRE 939
3 - Francis Guchone, Newark, N. Y. HON 927
4 - Joe Henri, New Britain, Conn. BSA 926

CLASS A LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT (351 - 600cc):

1 - Bill Baird, Sterling, Ill. TRI 989
2 - Charles Stapleford, St. Georges, Del. MAT 981
3 - Piet Boonstra, Buchanan, N. Y. TRI 959

CLASS B LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT:

1 - Richard Sorenson, Old Bridge, N. J. TRI 947
2 - Edgar Smith, Smyrna, Del. MAT 938
3 - Clarence Hyde, Haddonfield, N. J. TRI 935

CLASS A HEAVYWEIGHT (600cc and over):

1 - George Talcott, Clyde, N. Y. BSA 756

CLASS B HEAVYWEIGHT:

1 - Will Guy, Willoughby, Ohio TRI 899
2 - Walt Wendel, Somerville, N. J. TRI 824
3 - Hoss Maybury, Morrisville, Pa. 129.6 mi.

BANTAMWEIGHT (up to 100cc Class B Only Awards to Noon Control)

1 - Michael Waite, Newburgh, N. Y. SUZ 456
2 - Rich B. Sehor, Dover, Del. YAM 425
3 - Everett Lanning, Fairton, N. J. YAM 417

SPECIAL AWARDS:

High Point Dist. #6 - Frank Dean
Longest Distance Entrant - K. Kimball, Los Angeles

Best Represented Club - Blue Hens (Del)
High Point Senior (over 45 yrs) - Frank Dean
High Point BSA Rider - Joe Henri
High Point H-D Rider - Don Pink
Best AMA Club Team - Crotona M. C.
Pink, Maus, Boonstra

Low Score Senior - Ken Arnold
High Point Triumph Rider - Gene Esposito
Best Score - Lady Entrant - Leslie Pink

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Warren Peck of Stow, Mass., rides an old cedar trail. The trail comes out the same way.



George Talcott, of Geneva, N. Y. crosses a log bridge.



Sal Scirpo hits the mud on a woods road.



The Champion, Eugene Esposito, of Brooklyn, N. Y. and Meteor M. C referee Millard Epley, display the cycle, the Trophy, and the famous Wagon Wheel with it's 28 plates.

Sport Schedule

NOVEMBER:

7 - Champ. Enduro	Northern N. J.	District #5
14 - Scrambles	Walden, N. Y.	Ace
21 - TT Scrambles	Maybrook, N. Y.	Walden Playboys
21 - Turkey Enduro	Southern N. J.	MonShore. Pts.
28 - Scrambles	Maybrook, N. Y.	Paterson

Point Standings

ACTIVITY CONTEST STANDINGS AS OF AUGUST 15th

CLASS 1:

1 - Zeke Evans	15 Points
- Bob Padworski	15
2 - Jim Durso	11
3 - John Grant	3
- Jon Hampe	3
- James King	3
4 - Bill Davis	2
- Ted Schaaf	2
5 - Len Murray	1
- Wally Gapanovich	1

CLASS 2:

1 - Don Roane	8 Points
2 - Louis Irribarren	6
- Leo Biedermann	6
3 - Bob Wyckoff	2
- Fred DePaso	2
4 - John Giuffre	1

CLASS 3:

1 - Al Heylman	13 Points
2 - Gordon Hatch	11
3 - Bill Elvey	7
4 - Don Pink	5
5 - Kenny Coolbeth	3
- Zeke DeRuvo	3
6 - Pete Zloch	2
- Doug Pink	2
7 - Dick Kirk	1
- Kenneth Coolbeth	1

CLASS 4:

1 - Barry Higgins	11 Points
2 - Jim Fennell	9
3 - Clem Healy	7
4 - Wally Durso	4
5 - Roy Gates	3
6 - Larry Mohan	2
7 - Ralph Durso	1
- Robert Fletcher	1
- Harry Higgins	1

CLASS 5:

1 - Rod Pink	13 Points
2 - Tony Granone	12
3 - Charles Galasso	8
- Whitey Loud	8
4 - Arnie Johannessen	7
5 - Don Gore	5
- Don Pink	5
6 - Ken Keeler	4
7 - Charles Goodrich	3
8 - Cliff Hoke	2
9 - Joe Ponessa	1

Points are awarded to the first 4 places in a class - 5,3,2, 1 points. The events included in these results are as follows: Crotona 5/16, Fishkill, N.Y.; Mid-Hudson 6/27, Accord, N.Y.; NyConn Riders 7/4, Millerton, N. Y.; Suffolk County 8/1, Maybrook, N. Y. and Ace 8/15 Walden, N. Y. If you have any questions regarding these point standings, please contact the scorekeeper, Joan Watson, 811 Colfax Avenue, Pompton Lakes, N. J.

The remaining Point Scrambles are - NyConn Riders Championship Sportsmen's Hillclimb 8/29, Suffolk County Northeastern States Championship Cross Country Scrambles 9/19, Walden Playboys Tri-States TT Championship Scrambles 10/24, Walden Playboys Scrambles 11/21, Paterson Scrambles 11/28.

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Lots by Leslie

The Sports Committee Raffle sales are going nicely, which means that we will have a bigger and better awards night. At the last Sports Committee meeting it was voted to have our awards night in January. It will be either the 3rd or 4th Saturday in the month.

Charlie Watson is in charge of the dinner so you can be sure it will be an affair you won't want to miss. Trophies and the #1 plates will be awarded for our various activities, so get a date lined up and start a savings account. Join your fellow riders in a social night out. Everyone is welcome - you need not be a member of the Sports Committee. Watch for more details.

I must apologize to Ron Bose and Marv Eckstein for giving them the business at their run. I really and truly enjoyed the day - all except about one mile of it. I just don't enjoy pushing my Sportster up rock hills. The run was excellent. However, next year I think I'll ride my woods machine - or gain 50 pounds. I haven't decided just what to do yet.

Had a nice visit from some dear friends of ours. Leroy Winters, Robert Winters and John and Donna Penton stopped by on their way to Europe for the International Six Days Trials. They left us with their trucks, a Honda and a BMW. They'll be back the end of September and I can hardly wait for their adventures in Europe. John Penton won the Cordroy Enduro up in Canada and LeRoy won his class. These boys have been making the enduro circuit. They rode the Jack Pine then went on to Canada and then down to New York. Robert Winters, who is doing very well in Class C rode a BMW in from Arkansas. Most of the trip was in the rain too. John Penton has a BMW and Honda agency in Lorain, Ohio and Leroy Winters has a Triumph and Honda agency in Fort Smith Arkansas. Both these boys have won the Jack Pine - and almost any other enduro in the country.

Congratulations, to Bill Decker of Butler, N. J. who won the Jack Pine 500 Mile National Championship in Lansing, Mich. over Labor Day weekend. That's the first time the Cow Bell has been back east in a long time. They had a fantastic entry this year. I forget just how many, but well over 600. They had 6 riders on a minute and most of the complaints were that the trails were too congested. Gene Esposito of Brooklyn, N. Y. missed the high score by 1 point. I understand the Class A riders petitioned the AMA to allow the Class A riders to have the early numbers so they do not have to pick their way through the slower B riders.

I can never understand why a rider gets mad at the promoters when he fails to show up on the line for his race. The races are all posted on the blackboard so he knows what rotation the races are going on. The numbers for the next race are called far enough in advance. If for some reason the rider will be delayed on getting on the line - a word to the officials will hold the start 5 minutes. Some riders sleep right up to the time the flag is dropped and then say - stop the race, I'm not ready. The thing I object to is that he then blames everyone BUT himself for not starting.

We are quite embarrassed when we read results from other areas and find our Experts riding in the Amateur classes. This is out and out dishonest and these riders can only be considered as the worst kind of cheaters. We have a rule in our Sports Committee that if a rider cannot prove his classification, he rides in the expert class. Some of the other areas would be wise to adopt this rule. We very seldom use it, but we have it there to protect our own riders. These other areas that are letting these riders sign up as Amateurs are not being very fair to their own riders.

The latest addition to our father-son scramblin team is Ed Murray, 15 year old son of Expert Leonard Murray. I think our area can boast the largest father-son racers on the east coast. To name a few, we have Harry and Barry Higgins, Frank and Joe Arnone, Clein and James Healy, Harry and John Leale, Kenneth and Kenny Coolbeth, and let me apologize now for any that I have missed.



Boy, did we have excitement at the end of the Sandy Lane run. Don checked in the finish right on the button and said he had just gotten stung by a bee. He complained of itching all over and when we looked into the matter, he was covered with bumps - something like hives all over his body - from the soles of his feet to the top of his head. His eyes were practically shut, and he felt weak. We quickly rushed over to a hospital and they gave him an antihistamine injection - which helped considerably. In a couple of hours, he was back to normal - but it sure scared us to death. He had ridden the whole run and not even fallen off, but had to be rushed to the hospital with a bee sting. That is ironic.

We really had a good time down at Sandy Lane seeing all our old friends that we hadn't seen in about 5 years. I'm going to stick my neck out now and say that I think that in all the different phases of motorcycling, the enduro rider is the best sportsman of them all. The only kind of enduro rider that gets me mad is the one that back-tracks on the course as fast as he would go if he were going in the right direction. This is what causes head-on collisions - and one dear heart almost wiped me out down at Sandy Lane doing that.

Well, friends, you must be tired of listening to me chatter on - so I'll let you get back to more important things. See you next month.

PS. There is one rule that I would like to repeat again - for you readers that are tired of hearing it - you can turn the page. In Metropolitan Sports Committee events you must ride the machine you sign up on your entry blank to ride. You may not switch motorcycles if the one you originally planned to ride breaks down. This rule is strictly enforced by all the member clubs and there is no sense in getting mad at the officials when you are told you may not switch. If you feel the rule should be changed - a majority vote of the Sports Committee is all that is required. We run a democratic organization with each have 1 vote.

Northeast Championship Held at Maybrook

NORTHEASTERN STATES CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP SUFFOLK COUNTY M. C. - MAYBROOK, SEPTEMBER 19th

A brand new track was built at Lido Mansion in Maybrook, N. Y. by the Suffolk County M. C. adjacent to the TT course run by the Walden Playboys. They are using the same piece of property once developed by the Kingsboro club. Some of the track is the same as the old course, but some new additions were added. A jump has been built and a few new turns added. The riders had a lot of praise for the new track and are anxious for more races on this course. There was a little problem with dust, but that is to be expected with a fresh cut track - and no rain for several months.

John Lesquereax of New Jersey won by a good lead in Class 1 Amateur. Udo Gietl was in 2nd, but his engine stalled long enough to let Dave Swain get by. He started up again and managed a 3rd place in spite of his delay.

There was a flock of riders in Class 2 Amateur and John Clarke kept his Dot out front all the way. Russ Shandrowski held 2nd spot for awhile, but enduro ace Joe Kastner on a Greeves maneuvered his way by and Shandrowski had to settle for 3rd. This was 15 year old Ed Murray's first ride in the Metropolitan area and he was running 6th in the pack when motor trouble kept him from finishing.

Our #1 rider in Class 2 Expert, Don Roane, was out front again followed by John Rodi. Nick Irons had to keep on his toes to keep Art Herrick from getting by for the 3rd place.

The hard luck trophy today could have gone to Dennis Rizzio in Class 3 Amateur. He led by half a lap for 11 laps. Marc Wilson of Long Island on a Ducati held a distant second and Paul Schwab worked his way up from the rear into the 3rd on a H-D. In the last lap, Rizzio's chain came off on the jump. By the time he got it back on, all the place winners had gone by and he limped around in 7th spot.

Class 1 Expert was a very good race with a close battle for first going on between Zeke Evans in the lead on a Bultaco and Frank Theime on his Ocelot. Jim Durso had some trouble in the first lap and was in the back trying to make up some time. John Fiederlein also out for the first time on a Bultaco was holding down 3rd. Curtis Leon and Bob Padworski were also having a battle for 4th. Theime fought his way past Evans and then proceeded to protect his lead by building up a good distance between himself and Evans. John Fiederlein dropped out with engine trouble as did Padworski. This left Curtis Leon in 3rd, now being menaced by Jim Durso. However, he did manage to hold onto the 3rd place for the finish flag.

There were only 4 Expert riders in Class 3 which meant that some Amateurs could be moved up to fill up the class. Doug Pink shot off the line first and brother Don's Sprint came off the cam and he sputtered off the line in last position. He did some wild maneuvering to get by the pack as fast as he could so he could chase brother Doug. Doug had built up a good sized lead, but he poured it on and managed to get up right behind Doug, but his many attempts to get by were unsuccessful and he finished in 2nd behind Doug. Dennis Rizzio our advanced Amateur held the 3rd spot. All riders were on H-D Sprints.

Our tall blond City Slicker, Alan Dybvig on a Triumph rode a nice race in Class 4 Amateur and led all 12 laps. Roy Gates on a H-D K model held a fairly safe 2nd. Our Latin from Havana, Louis Irribarren worked his way up into 3rd on a Matchless. Class 4 Expert was a wing ding. To start the ball rolling, Ken Weinert took a spill in the first turn which put him out of the race, Ralph Durso out on a big job again took the lead followed hotly by Jim Fennell. These 2 fought it out for several laps and Fennell won the battle and took the lead. Al Samuelman on a Matchless also slipped by Durso and started to close in on Fennell. They were all riding hard and determined to hold their positions. John Skopp stole the 3rd spot from Durso. In the last lap, Fennell and Samuelman were very close and it looked as though positions might change at the flag, but they didn't and Fennell was the winner. He pleased the crowd by falling down in a big heap and a cloud of dust right after receiving the flag. Now you must admit that if you have to fall, it is best to do it after the checkered flag.

Class 5 Expert was led by Rod Pink with Tony Granone in 2nd. A close battle for 3rd was going on between Bob Allen on a BSA, Skip McKay on a Triumph and Tony Casale also Triumph mounted. They battled for several laps and finally McKay took the bull by the horns and charged out of the pack into the 3rd position. Bob Allen was in 4th and just before the finish line, he took a tumble, his machine stopped, but he must have rolled 20 feet into the soft dirt. He came up looking like a coal miner - but unhurt.

There were about 90 riders entered today and the unseasonal 90 degree temperatures really had the boys huffing and puffing.

Reported by Leslie Pink. Pink Photos.



Alan Dybvig won Class 4 Amateur.



Don Roane (1) and John Rodi (362) in Class 2 Expert contention.



Ed Murray is latest son of scrambling father to try the game.



Dennis Rizzio lost his chain right here, and with it, the race.

CLASS 1 AMATEUR:

- 1 - John Lesquereux, Bloomfield, N. J.
- 2 - Dave Swain, ??
- 3 - Udo Gietl, Dumont, N. J.
- 4 - Jon Hampe, Wayne, N. J.

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GRE

CLASS 1 EXPERT:

- 1 - Frank Theime, Hicksville, N. Y.
- 2 - Zeke Evans, Beacon, N. Y.
- 3 - Curtis Leon, Hastings, N. Y.
- 4 - Jim Durso, Beacon, N. Y.

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CLASS 2 AMATEUR:

- 1 - John Clarke, Trumbull, Conn.
- 2 - Joe Kastner, Elmsford, N. Y.
- 3 - Russ Shandrowski, Stratford, Conn.
- 4 - Bruce Ritchel, Huntington, Conn.

DOT
GRE
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GRE

CLASS 2 EXPERT:

- 1 - /Don Roane, Thornwood, N. Y.
- 2 - John Rodi, Trumbull, Conn.
- 3 - Nick Irons, E. Orange, N. J.
- 4 - Art Herrick, Hicksville, N. Y.

JAM
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BUL

CLASS 3 AMATEUR:

- 1 - Marc Wilson, Long Island, N. Y.
- 2 - Kenneth Coolbeth, Marbledale, Conn.
- 3 - Paul Schwab, White Plains, N. Y.
- 4 - George Kay, Williston, N. Y.

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CLASS 3 EXPERT:

- 1 - Doug Pink, Yonkers, N. Y.
- 2 - Don Pink, Yonkers, N. Y.
- 3 - Dennis Rizzio, Mamaroneck, N. Y.
- 4 - Paul Schwab, White Plains, N. Y.

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CLASS 4 AMATEUR:

- 1 - Alan Dybvig, New York, N. Y.
- 2 - Roy Gates, Bayshore, N. Y.
- 3 - Lou Irribarren, Passaic, N. J.

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CLASS 4 EXPERT:

- 1 - Jim Fennell, Riverside, Conn.
- 2 - Al Samuelman, Bridgeport, Conn.
- 3 - John Skopp, Bridgeport, Conn.
- 4 - Ralph Durso, Beacon, N. Y.

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CLASS 5 AMATEUR:

- 1 - Harry Greene, Trumbull, Conn.
- 2 - John Dietrick, Greenwich, Conn.
- 3 - Richard Phillip, ??

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CLASS 5 EXPERT:

- 1 - Rod Pink, Yonkers, N. Y.
- 2 - Tony Granone, Bronx, N. Y.
- 3 - Bob McKay, Brewster, N. Y.

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