

Prescott Bike Festival

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THE second annual Prescott Bike festival attracted more than 5000 visitors and raised a massive £30,000 for the Nationwide Association of Blood Bikes charity. MCM was there in force, handing out more than 3000 copies on the day to visitors.

Set at the historic Prescott hill climb venue near Cheltenham, the festival welcomed BSB racing stars, major bike manufacturers, dealers and motorcycle clubs, plus all kinds of classic and modern two-, three- and four-wheeled race machinery.

Festival goers were treated to watching a host of motorcycling celebrities riding up the famous Prescott hill climb, including MotoGP rider Scott Redding, pulling a 'wheelie' on a tiny Mini Moto, MotoGP commentator Steve Parrish, record-breaking global adventurer Nick Sanders, 10-time British Trials champion Steve Saunders, Tarran Mackenzie and his three-time BSB winning dad, Niall, John Reynolds, Nationwide Association of Blood Bikes

ambassador and multiple British Superbike champion, Taylor Mackenzie (MotoGP 125cc) and Martin Robbins (British hill climb champion).

John Reynolds said: "Once again Prescott Bike Festival was a resounding success and it is now definitely the place for bikers to be in April. Everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves, despite the inclement weather in the afternoon."

The hill was also open for the general public to have a go on their own road bikes, through to the top national hill climb racers all getting their chance to 'run the hill'.

Passenger rides in a Formula 2 Honda sidecar and on Martin Robbins' Yamaha TRX850 racer were also very popular.

The organisers have already started planning for the 2013 event, which will take place over one day again before the Festival becomes a two-day event from 2014.

For more info, including pictures of the day, go to www.prescottbikefestival.co.uk

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John Reynolds and Niall Mackenzie were just some of the stars present



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