

NWFTF March 7 Match Results

As usual, John Mickel set out a really fun course at the Capital City club, just south of Olympia, WA. He said he was going to make it "easy", with lots of big KZ's. Sure. I don't think there is such a thing as an "easy" shot at the club, with all the shadows, shot's across canyons, etc. I think about 10 brave souls turned out to see what it was going to be like.

As folks started to arrive at the club between 9-9:30, we started hearing about the weather that they had encountered while driving in. Some came from the Seattle area, where there had already been 1 to 2 inches of snow that morning, some came from Tacoma, where it was raining heavily. I came from about 35 miles to the Southeast, where there were blue skies and no precip at all. (Welcome to Washington State...) However, there wasn't much going on at the club location weather wise, just a slight breeze and partly cloudy skies.

In the next hour, the situation turned ugly. Dark skies and wind gusts between 20-30 mph. And then, over the next 3 hours during the match, it only got worse....Rain, sleet, snow, on and off, on and off, again with wind gusts, and temperatures dropping into the low 30's. I think all of us were happy to get to the lanes that were inside the woods, instead of being exposed to the nastiness out in the open.

Of course, as the match ended, Mother Nature took a breather and relaxed a bit. Still breezy, but the sun started to peek through here and there.

Considering the conditions, there were some great scores, which is a testament to the talent of the guys behind the triggers.

Unfortunately, there aren't any photos of this event, but there will be a few more at Capital City over the next few months, and we'll get some pictures then.

Thanks again John for a fun match!

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