



auto, Yamaha's French importers, and Moto Revue, a leading French motorcycle magazine.

The programme started with an exciting demonstration by Mick Andrews riding over huge rocks. The scheduled start had to be brought forward from 3 pm to 1 pm due to the unexpectedly large number of participants who turned up.

Mick, assisted by French trials rider Christian Rayer, instructed some 200 riders during the day. Mick explained and then demonstrated the basic points of riding a section to the beginners. Christian meanwhile rode with the more experienced riders over difficult sections, including a dry river bed, rocky hills and steep dirt trails. He also covered the finer points of trial riding.

Eight TY250 machines were provided for the school – six from Sonauto and two from Jaky Onda Motors of Nice. By the end of the day, all eight machines had been sold to prospective trial riders. Sonauto's sales manager, Jean-Claude Olivier, organizer of the school, was more than pleased with its success. Yamaha T-shirts were distributed to all the riders participating in the school, and Yamaha hats to the spectators. Many of the enthusiasts brought their own machines and eagerly tackled the section set up by Mick and Christian.

The day was rounded off with another demonstration by Mick, apparently tireless. He said he had thoroughly enjoyed working with the young riders and only wished he had more time to work individually with them.

Because of the success of the September event, Sonauto plans to hold a series of trial schools throughout France in 1975. It is hoped that Yamaha's other European Importers will hold similar learn-to-ride schools this year. □

A School for Trials

The popularity of trials and learn-to-ride trial schools was overwhelmingly demonstrated last September, by more than 2,000 enthusiasts who turned out in the south of France to watch Yamaha's Mick Andrews.

The one-day school was held in the French Alps, some 60 kilometres north of Nice. It was sponsored jointly by Son-

