



## Newsletter –MAY - JUNE 2018

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### **RACE PROGRAMME**

**All races start at 9.00am.**

**Check the web page for course details and possible changes.**

**15 July - Graded Scratch Races – Neerabup.**

**22 July - Graded Scratch Races – Pickering Brook**

**29 July – Graded Scratch - Casuarina**

**5 August – Club Memorial Races - Graded Handicap – Herne Hill**

**12 August - Club Age Group Handicaps – Mt Helena.**

**Note;** Riders will race in 10-year **age groups** but medals will be presented in 5-year Age categories.

Nominations accepted on the day.

**19 August – Graded Scratch Races – Chidlow ‘B’**

**26 August – Graded Scratch Races – Dog Hill, Baldy**

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**20 May – Graded Scratch Races, Chidlow ‘B’**

Only four short of a ton, the 96 riders who turned up for the first event of the road season were indeed blessed by the gods, for it turned out to be a perfect day, with perfect conditions, and blue skies. There were no incidents, though, despite pre-race warnings by the referee, a couple of riders were pulled up for

crossing the white lines. Remember folk, that this is done out of concern for our being able to keep using courses and also to protect you and others from injury or worse.

One interesting feature of the day was that for much of their races, ‘B’ grade were riding faster laps than the premier grade, and ended up only 0.4kph slower overall. No doubt tactics could account for much of this, but fear not, there is no truth in the rumour that both groups will be combined into one division at future races.

‘C’ grade were 2m 30secs faster than their last outing on the circuit in August 2017, ‘D’ grade 1m 30secs faster, and ‘E’ grade some 1min 25secs up on what was the grade’s fastest time for the circuit. Altogether, good omens of keen competition to come for the rest of the road season.

‘A’ grade saw Julian Lowes take the initiative on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the grade’s 5 laps when he passed the line 50 seconds ahead of his compatriots. The peloton regrouped on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> laps, though a number of riders found themselves in trouble on the hills, while at the bell, three riders, Lee Bolden, Wayne Keyser and Julian Lowes headed Colin Rose by 5 seconds, with the survivors another 5 seconds behind. Working well together, the leading trio then capitalised by increasing their lead, to cross the line 54 seconds ahead of Brian Sing and Ian Gregory, with four others, Jadon Boyton, Greg Rossiter and Shaun Oneill

another 4 seconds behind. The podium places were respectively taken by Julian Lowes, Wayne Keyser and Lee, Bolden. Perhaps reflecting the intensity of the attacks on the hills was that seven out of the 23 starters recorded DNF's.

'B' grade rode as a compact bunch for much of their race, with the only break witnessed by observers at the line being that by Paul Lamond and Matt Swan who opened up a lead of 15seconds as they crossed for the bell. However, their dreams of victory were nipped in the bud as the collective put down their heads to draw them in. There were still 20 riders in the fast and keenly contested run to the finish line, with the verdict going to John Liso who in a last desperate kick came over Tony Anderson and Shaun Hobson. Keith Winch, Gavin Lawson, Lee Jordan, Phil Deisel and others were close behind. Despite their fast pace, there were only two DNF's, and one of these, Michael Piromalli suffered a mechanical half way through the race.

Thirty-three riders turned out as the largest group of the day for 'C' grade. They remained together for the first two laps but the clanging of the bell witnessed Brad Stalker take a lead of 15 seconds over the rest of the field. Riding strongly, Brad steadily increased his lead and despite being hunted down by 18 riders, he kept his lead to finish 6 seconds ahead of Paul Henderson who kicked hard to bring home the main bunch. Third place went to Peter Wilshaw, followed by a strongly finishing Amanda Nabi, who was just ahead of Ben Bartlett, Phil Davidson and the rest of the main bunch. Unluckiest riders were Margot Biggs and Katarzyna Pawikowska who both suffered mechanical problems when well placed in the peloton, but who nevertheless finished the race.

One of the questions of the day was, what has happened to 'D' grade, as despite the glorious conditions, only six riders faced the starter, There appeared to be no heroics, though as earlier noted they completed the race in record time. In the sprint finish Graham Blyth proved the victor, but he was closely challenged by Kathryn Dines and Michelle McGowan, with two other female riders, Roberta Richardson and Sam Bolton taking the next two places.

'E' grade started with one more rider than 'D'. Again, no observable heroics, and again a record time for their two laps. Bob Stephens was in fine sprinting form when he crossed the line about two lengths ahead of Diane Humphrey, riding her first race with the club, while local rider Dave Walker of Mundaring, was third.

*'A' Grade - 89km - 5 laps*

1. Juian Lowes; 2. Wayne Keyser;  
3. Lee Bolden; 4. Brian Sing;  
5. Ian Gregory; 6. Jason Boynton;  
7. Greg Rossiter; 8. Shaun Oneill;  
9. Ben Madsen; 10. Ian Lyne;  
11. Jeff Kriell; 12. Paul Mackey;  
13. Colin Rose; 14. Andrew Kirkham;  
*Average 37.9kph*

*'B' Grade - 71km - 4 laps*

1. John Liso; 2. Tony Anderson;  
3. Stuart Hobson; 4. Keith Winch;  
5. Gavin Lawson; 6. Lee Jordan;  
7. Phil Deisel; 8. Neil Roscoe;  
9. Justin Schultz; 10. Peter Hammond;  
11. Andrew Lilley; 12. Kylie Anticich;  
13. Joshua Weidman; 14. Paul Prottey;  
15. Paul Hearne; 16. Frank Bate;  
17. Leo Geoff-Cumbers; 18. Mark Taylor;  
19. Paul Lamond; 20. Giovanni Carnicelli;  
21. Matt Swan; 22. Wade McCann;  
23. Paul McMurtrie; 24. John O'Boyle;  
25. Merv Byfield; 26. Scott Ayles.  
*Average 37.5kph*

*'C' Grade 53km - 3 laps*

1. Brad Stalker; 2. Paul Henderson;  
3. Peter Wilshaw; 4. Amanda Nabi;  
5. Ben Bartlett; 6. Phil Davidson;  
7. John Hanson; 8. Andrew Highfield;  
9. Richard Barville; 10. Ross Boaden;  
11. David Menarry; 12. Vanessa Johnson;  
13. John Spicer; 14. Lutz Sprengel;  
15. Steve Oates; 16. David Varcoe;  
17. Steve Burns; 18. Shane Cable;  
19. Laurensia Rosana;  
20. Cameron Dawson; 21. Maurice Berger;  
22. StaceyThomas; 23. James Howard;  
24. Michelle McLintock; 25. Steve Ryan;  
26. Mark Williamson; 27. Liam Donley;  
28. Anke Hoskins;  
29. Katarzyna Pawikowska;  
30. Margot Biggs. 31. Iain Dow-Vine.  
*Average: 39kph*

*'D' Grade – 53km – 3 laps*

1. Graham Blyth; 2. Katheryn Dines;
3. Michelle McGowan;
4. Roberta Richardson; 5. Sam Bolton;
6. John Shattock.

*Average 30.3kph.*

*'E' Grade 36k – 2 laps*

1. Bob Stephens; 2. Diane Humphrey;
3. Dave Walker; 4. Anthony Clews;
5. Shirley Dow-Vine; 6. Pat Briggs.

*Average 28.9kph.*

## **27 May 2018 – Graded Scratch Races Neerabup.**

Looking on the bright side, the 67 starters enjoyed sunshine as they lined up for the start, but casting a shadow on proceedings was the lashing rain and blustery showers that punctuated the actual racing. Overall times were down on the last event held on the circuit but thankfully there were no accidents.

'E' grade saw the appearance of Mike Barr as a trial rider, though far from inexperienced as a competitor he was able to hold his own with his six compatriots. There were no heroics and other than Bill Stibbs who had a long and lonely ride, the group was together as they approached the finish at the end of their five laps. Local Northern Beaches lad, Anthony Clews took a long one and no-one was able to get on his wheel, resulting in a four-second win over 2nd placed Bob Stephens, and another 5 seconds before Lawrence Fahey took 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The remainder were also well spread out, with Mike Barr being pleased to finish 4<sup>th</sup> ahead of Doc Lawrence and Gerry Allen.

'D' grade again had the smallest field of the day with three-quarters of the field being guaranteed a podium place! Wisely, with such a small field, there were no attacks, much to the relief of Jon Nelson who was promoted on the day from 'E' grade after just returning from a slothful fortnight in Bali. At the end of the race, and spinning a small gear, Graham Blyth came past Jarred Finnigan over the final 20 metres, while making it a family affair, Fiona Vescoli-Finnigan made sure there was fish with the celebration chips at their household later in the day. Jon Nelson was pleased to cross in their shadow.

'C' grade which averaged lap times of 12m 45seconds on their previous outing appeared to take it easy when recording circuits that were almost one minute slower. There was an attack by Dave Harwood as they entered the bell lap, but in the end it all came down to a bunch sprint that was taken by Eddy Pope, while Phil Davidson and oldest man in the grade, Richard Barville finished close behind in that order. The trio of Anthony West, Troy Drewett and Caroline Crow were another 3 seconds behind, just ahead of the remainder of the 12 riders who started the race.

'B' grade with 20 entrants did see some action, although none of the attackers managed to hold off the peloton by opening up a race-winning gap. Andrew Lilley showed determination when he crossed some 10 seconds up at the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> lap, while on the following lap, Mark Yancazos found himself in a similar position. Joshua Weidman and Greg Gale got together on the 3<sup>rd</sup> lap and opened up a promising gap of 15 seconds but all came together when they crossed for the 4<sup>th</sup> time. There was then a lull until two laps to go when Paul Lamond and Lee Jordan led by 10 seconds, but with an attentive group behind they were soon brought to heel. There were efforts made on the final lap to split the field and 10 riders led across the line by Patrick Woods, Mark Yancazos, Greg Gale, Keith Winch and John O'Boyle saw them finish with gaps of 9 seconds to 23 seconds over the rest of the field.

'A' Grade started with 24 riders, the largest field of the day, and the one that saw the greatest action. Matt Upton was particularly keen and decided to attack from the gun. He increased his lead to 25 seconds by the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> lap when he was joined by Wayne Thomson. Wayne later dropped back to the shelter of the bunch, but with 5 laps under their belts the duo at one time enjoyed a lead of 35 seconds. Behind, there were attempts to close the gap, but this didn't happen until the end of the 8<sup>th</sup> lap when Matt was joined by 5 other riders who, working together, began to build up an

advantage. With two laps to go that had increased to 1min 5 seconds and another 10 seconds was added as they crossed to receive the bell. In a hard fought finish, laurels went to Tom Perry, with Jon Gregg and Brian Sing taking the next two places. Followed by the rest of the break consisting of Scott Sanders, Matt Upton and Michael Tapscott. Taylor Wilcock, Tom O'Neill and Chris Glasby then led in the chasers who finished about 1 minute 10 seconds behind the leaders.

Overall an interesting day with surprisingly few DNFs ('A' grade had six, and 'C' grade one)). The mystery of the day, however, was 'what happened to Kylie Anticich who having collected her number for 'B' grade, didn't turn up for the roll call?

*'A' Grade - 86km – 11 laps*

1. Tom Perry; 2. Jon Gregg;
3. Brian Sing; 4. Scott Sanders;
5. Matt Upton; 6. Michael Tapscott;
7. Taylor Wilcock; 8. Tom O'Neill;
9. Chris Glasby; 10. Paul Mackay;
11. Wayne Thomson; 12. Colin Rose;
13. Andrew Kirkham; 14. Ian Lyne;
15. Jeff Kriel; 16. Stephen McNeilly;
17. Nathan Jones; 18. Philip Johnston.

*Average 38.0kph*

*'B' Grade – 78km – 10 laps*

1. Patrick Woods; 2. Mark Yancazos;
3. Greg Gale; 4. Keith Winch
5. John O'Boyle; 6. Mark Taylor;
7. Tim James; 8. Neil Roscoe;
9. Chris Brown; 10. John Liso;
11. Garry Horsfield; 12. Wade McCann;
13. Paul Lamond; 14. Jason Hapeta;
15. Nathan Brown; 16. Merv Byfield;
17. Andrew Lilley; 18. Lee Jordan;
19. Joshua Weidman.

*Average 38.0kph*

*'C' Grade 70km – 9 laps*

1. Eddy Pope; 2. Phil Davidson;
3. Richard Barville; 4. Anthony West;
5. Troy Drewett; 6. Caroline Crow;
7. Kevin Taylor; 8. Chris Woodhead;
9. James Howard; 10. Ian Dow-Vine;
11. Dave Harwood.

*Average: 33.2.kph*

*'D' Grade – 55km – 7 laps*

1. Graham Blyth; 2. Jarred Finnigan;
3. Fiona Viscelli-Finnigan;
4. Jon Nelson.

*Average 30.2kph.*

*'E' Grade 39k – 5 laps*

1. Anthony Clews; 2. Bob Stephens;
3. Lawrence Fahey; 4. Mike Barr;
5. Denis Lawrance; 6. Gerry Allen;
7. Pat Briggs. .

*Average 28.8kph.*

**3 June – Graded Scratch Races Pickering Brook**

The century was broken when 101 riders faced the starter on a clear but chilly morning, though by the end of racing the temperatures having soared, saw riders shed their arm warmers. Perhaps the chill accounted for the relatively slow start among all divisions, especially 'D' grade that completed its first lap 20 seconds down on 'E' grade. However, bar for 'D', all grades finished close to the times recorded on the last time the circuit was used.

'E' grade split soon after the start, as Tony Clews, Bob Stephens and Diane Humphrey attacked, showing no mercy for their compatriots. Diane was later dropped but hung on valiantly to take third place in a 2-up sprint with Pat Briggs, while Tony Clews recorded his second victory over Bob Stephens in consecutive weeks. Derek Crowther making a comeback was 5<sup>th</sup> while Ginny Donley riding her first event as a trial rider was happy to just finish, though some way down.

'D' grade saw a runaway victory for recent member Katarzyna Pawikowska though there were some reservations when she got away on the tails of 'C' grade. But being new to the club all was forgiven and she finished two-and-a-half minutes ahead of the 2<sup>nd</sup> placed rider, having ridden alone strongly for the final four laps, leaving Anke Hoskins to finish in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. A minute later, Michelle McGowan bested John Shattock and Katheryn Dynes, while Jon Nelson, still getting over a slothful fortnight in Bali was a further 6 seconds

behind. Emma Tattum appeared to struggle on the day when taking 7<sup>th</sup> place.

'C' grade with 29 riders was the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest field of the day. First out of the blocks was David Menarry who held a lead of 20 seconds at the end of lap one. On the next lap he was joined by team-mates Daniel Harvey and Trial rider Tim Hopkins, and when joined later in the event by Steve Burns, Ross Boaden, Adam Ralph and Brad Stalker, the writing was on the wall for the rest of the field. In a hard fought sprint, Steve Burns finished ahead of Ross Boaden, Adam Ralph, David Menarry and Brad Stalker, with Tim Hopkins surviving to take 6<sup>th</sup> place some 17 seconds down on the winner, but over 2 mins ahead of the main peloton that crossed the line two-and-a-half minutes behind the main bunch.

'B' grade with 37 riders started quietly but picked up the pace as the race went on. With just over half of their 9 laps completed Andrew Highfield and Greg Gale began to stir up the field when opening a small gap. This led to a number of counterattacks, and as they crossed the line on completion of the following circuit, a strong group comprising Paul Prottey, Mark Yankazos, Mark Taylor, Andrew Lilley and Joey Rawson, took the lead, and with two laps to go increased to 25seconds. Over the final two laps there were fireworks and some changes in the composition of the group, with 32 riders sharing the same time of 1hr 50mins 14secs for their 68km. The laurels went to Neil Roscoe, with Justin Schultz in second place, and Peter Hammond in third. In a close fought fight for minor places, Julian Chipper was next, followed by Wade McCann, John Liso, Lee Jordan and Patrick Woods.

The fate of 'A' grade was set in the opening laps with an early move being taken by Wayde Keyser, Daniel Hughes D'Aeth, Colin Rose and Ben Masden, who held a lead of 15secs. The following laps saw them absorbed by the main field, though Lee Bolden crossed with 25 seconds in hand at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> lap. The order had changed again by lap 3 when six riders came around the final bend with a lead of 25 seconds, a lead that they extended to 1min 50secs by the end of the race. There was a heroic attempt to close the gap by Colin Rose, but the odds were too great even when he was joined by Ian Gregory and Greg Rossiter. Of the six escapees, Tom Ford

attacked on the final ascent of Repatriation Road to shatter the group, and he held off a challenge by Chris Beeck and Paul Mackay close to the line to take the honours. Jason Boynton was 4<sup>th</sup> some 3 seconds down, while Lee Bolden and Chris Glasby were the last of the breakaway to finish. Of the chasing trio, Greg Rossiter led them in for 8<sup>th</sup> place with Ian Gregory and Colin Rose on his wheel.

*'A' Grade - 76km - 10 laps*

1. Tom Ford; 2. Chris Beeck;
3. Paul Mackay; 4. Jason Boynton;
5. Lee Bolden; 6. Chris Glasby;
7. Greg Rossiter; 8. Ian Gregory;
9. Colin Rose; 10. Daniel Hughes-d'Aeth;
11. Jaimie Kirkwood; 12. Andrew Kirkham;
13. Michael Tapscott; 14. Matt Swan;
15. Jeff Kriel; 16. Wayne Thomson;
17. Eddie Hollands.

*Average 39.1kph*

*'B' Grade - 68km - 9 laps*

1. Neil Roscoe; 2. Justin Schultz;
3. Peter Hammond; 4. Julian Chipper;
5. Wade McCann; 6. John Liso;
7. Lee Jordan; 8. Patrick Woods;
9. Frank Bate; 10. Andrew Highfield;
11. Dean Roser; 12. Tony Anderson;
13. Amanda Nabi; 14. Paul Prottey;
15. Mark Yankazos; 16. Greg Gale;
17. Joshua Weidman; 18. Jason Hapeta;
19. Anthony Doherty;
20. Jeremy Outschoorn; 21. Mark Taylor;
22. Owen Henderson; 23. John Hanson;
24. Phil Deisel; 25. Leo Gott-Cumbers;
26. Jon-Paul Grygorcewicz;
27. Joey Rawson; 28. Kevin McIllduff;
29. David Irvine; 30. Melissa Robinson;
31. Luke Austin; 32. Gavin Wark;
33. Garry Horsfield; 34. Tony Smith;
35. Andrew Caltabiano.

*Average: 37.7kph*

*'C' Grade 61km - 8 laps*

1. Steve Burns; 2. Ross Boaden;
3. Adam Ralph; 4. David Menarry;
5. Brad Stalker; 6. Tim Hopkins;
7. Mitchell Henville; 8. Anthony West;
9. David Ellis; 10. Peter Wilshaw;
11. Jaimie Bell; 12. Paul Henderson;
13. Vanessa Johnson; 14. John Spicer;
15. Caroline Crow; 16. Cameron Dawson;

17. Chris Woodhead; 18. Margot Biggs;  
19. Sergio Dionisio; 20. Shane Cable;  
21. Lauerensia Rosana; 22. Liam Donley;  
23. Daniel Harvey; 24. Dave Harwood;  
25. Stephen Farran; 26. Troy Drewett;  
27. Vim Sephton; 28. Eddy Pope.

*Average: 35.7.kph*

*'D' Grade – 53km – 7 laps*

1. Katarzyna Pawikowska;  
2. Anke Hoskins; 3. Michelle McGowan;  
4. John Shattock; 5. Katheryn Dines;  
6. Jon Nelson; 7. Emma Tattum.

*Average 31.1kph.*

*'E' Grade 38mk – 5 laps*

1. Anthony Clews; 2. Bob Stephens;  
3. Diane Humphrey; 4. Pat Briggs;  
5. Derek Crowther; 6. Ginny Donley.

*Average 29.0kph.*

### **10 June – Graded Scratch Races – Casuarina.**

Following a night of drenching rain and wild winds only the brave ventured forth to face the elements at Casuarina. The result, the smallest field for eons, with 38 riders all told, the largest group being 'B' grade with 12 nominations, followed by 'A' grade's 12, 'C' grades' 8, 'D' grade with 7, and 'E' grade with only 2 – the latter also being there to set out and collect the road signs. As a result of the small number in 'E' grade, they started alongside 'D' grade, though riding five rather than 'D's six laps. However, the pace was too much for Pat Briggs who bravely plodded a lonesome trail to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> in his 'E' division, while Bob Stephens stayed with his newfound compatriots in 'D' to finish well clear of Pat.

Meanwhile the 'D' graders rode sensibly and together, apart for on or two burn-offs, leaving the race open to a burst for glory over the final 500 metres. This left it open for the husband and wife combo of Jarrad Finnigan and Fiona to take 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places, with Jon Nelson finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> a length or two behind, and just ahead of Sam Bolton.

While the gods were with the riders for the first couple of laps, mother nature then periodically threw down the gauntlet with driving rain, high winds and squally conditions that hit the riders head-on in the finishing straight. In the adverse conditions, 'C' grade wisely stayed together until the final lap when

Eddy Pope, Richard Barville, Shane Cable and Greg Smith crossed the finish line in that order, with James Howard being the best of the rest, some 19seconds behind.

'B' grade saw a strong start by JC Van der Welt who rode solo from the start to build up a lead of 35 seconds at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> lap. He was then reeled in, with his place being taken by Nader El Sayed and Mark Taylor who with 4 laps remaining enjoyed a lead of 40 seconds. However, the early effort might have been too much, for both JC Van der Welt and Nader El Sayed failed to finish. With two laps to go Patrick Woods and Lee Jordan took the opportunity to attack into the wind and opened up a gap of 15 seconds, being joined on the final lap by Jason Hapeta, Mark Yancazos and Mark Taylor. In the sprint finish, Patrick Woods put in a strong effort over the final 100metres to win the event by a couple of lengths over Mark Yancazos, with Lee Jordan and Jason Hapeta a few more lengths behind, and Mark Taylor finishing 4 seconds later, ahead of trial rider David Newton in 6<sup>th</sup> place.

'A' grade lost five riders during the race, one being puncture victim Martin Depiazzi, while another was Wayne Thomson who had attacked on lap one to take a lead of 10 seconds, when it would have paid in the adverse conditions to have stayed within the shelter of the bunch. At the end of lap three, a trio consisting of Wayde Keyser, Nathan Jones and Tom O'Neill opened a small gap that they held for another lap, though the latter rider was another victim of the DNF bug. As they passed the judges for the final time before the finish, they were joined by Jon Gregg and Scott Sanders, but with no-one behind to chase, there was no urgency for a relatively slow final lap, as they jockeyed for position. In a hard fought sprint, the victory went to Wayde Keyer who crossed the line a few lengths ahead of Scott Sanders and Jon Gregg, with trial rider Nathan Jones another 4 seconds behind in 4<sup>th</sup> place.

Altogether, a tough day at the office for all those who braved the overnight forecasts to compete on the roads at Casuarina.

*'A' Grade - 87km – 10 laps*

1. Wayde Keyser; 2. Scott Sanders;  
3. Jon Gregg; 4. Nathan Jones.  
*Average 38.6kph.*

*'B' Grade – 78km – 9 laps*

1. Patrick Woods; 2. Mark Yancazos;  
3. Lee Jordan; 4. Jason Hapeta;  
5. Mark Taylor; 6. Mark Taylor;  
7. David Newton; 8. Brett Clapham;  
9. John Liso; 10. Garry Horsfield.  
*Average: 36.8kph*

*'C' Grade 70km – 8 laps*

1. Eddy Pope; 2. Richard Barville;  
3. Shane Cable; 4. Greg Smith;  
5. James Howard; 6. Vim Sephton;  
7. Colin Day.  
*Average: 34.0kph*

*'D' Grade – 53km – 7 laps*

1. Jarred Finnigan; 2. Fiona Vescoli-Finnigan;  
3. Jon Nelson; 4. Sam Bolton;  
5. Michelle McGowan; 6. Nick Cowie;  
7. Diane Humphrey.  
*Average 31.9kph.*

*'E' Grade 44mk – 5 laps*

1. Bob Stephens; 2. Pat Briggs.  
*Average 31.8kph.*

### **17 June – Graded Scratch Races – Mt Helena**

The hills turned on a welcome with bright sunshine and only the hint of a breeze facing 85 riders on the back leg of the 20km circuit. The day was incident free and fortunately for those with hangovers, the riders passed the booze bus on Toodyay Road without being pulled over for a test.

The most unfortunate riders in 'A' grade were Chris Beeck and Greg Rossiter who found themselves heading for Midland rather than Stoneville after missing the turn when leaving Toodyay Road. Also unfortunate was Ian Gregory who found himself revving down hill and struggling up hill when stuck in a gear of 39-15, but despite this he still managed to finish some 30seconds behind winner Henry Morley. Henry was part of a breakaway of seven riders on the first lap who managed to stay away for the remainder of the race. Brian Sing finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Tom Perry in 3<sup>rd</sup>, while Jeffrey Kriel and Matt Upton were next in line. Andrew Brierley finished 3 seconds behind in 6<sup>th</sup> place, having put in a strong

performance when considering his recent lack of racing miles.

'B' grade with 32 starters, rode most of their 80km race as a compact group, and while there were a few drop-offs, the race ended in a 19-strong sprint finish. The peloton's average of 32m 30secs was only 1m 45seconds down on the premier grade's lap times, so they were far from standing around! Tony Anderson led the field over the line at the end of the first lap with a lead of 20 seconds before being joined by Jarrod Bell and Steve Burns for a lead of 45 seconds at the end of the following circuit. All came together on lap three apart from Mark Yancazos who had edged away for a gap of 10 seconds, though he was quickly reeled in but was one of those contesting at the finishing sprint when he finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place. The winner was Greg Gale who beat Frank Bate by a length, to be followed by Drew Mitchell in 3<sup>rd</sup>, Luke Austin 4<sup>th</sup> and John Liso in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Tony Anderson was unlucky enough to finish on a softening tyre but still managed 15<sup>th</sup> in the large group that contested the final sprint.

'C' grade with a respectable field of 24 riders were almost on the timekeeper's schedule when finishing their 3 laps in 1hr 40mins. As with 'B' grade, the field kept in close contact with each other but with David Varcoe opening a gap of a little over 10 seconds at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> lap. He was still at the head of affairs to contest the sprint finish along with 8<sup>th</sup> others when finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in a hard fought finish but was just bested by David Menarry by almost a length. Richard Barville finished 3<sup>rd</sup> after being boxed in for a while as they came up the rise to the finish, with Shane Cable in 4<sup>th</sup>, Ben Bartlett 5<sup>th</sup> and first female Caroline Crow in 6<sup>th</sup> place. John Spicer was next followed by Margot Biggs and Anthony West. Ian Dow-Vine back from a stint at sea, finished over 11mins down, but appeared to be happy to finish the event.

All six riders in 'D' grade finished their 60km race, though a couple of them appeared to have struggled on the hills on the latter laps. With four riders still in contention a km or so from the finish, it was Jill Pope who took the initiative when she surged on the climb to distance her

compatriots by 2 seconds. Graham Blyth sporting his finely fashioned beard was 2<sup>nd</sup> when pushing his chin over the line, just ahead of Sam Bolton, with trial rider Phil Drayson another 7 seconds behind the winner.

Graham Thornton, short of miles in his legs, gave up after one lap of the two laps contested by 'E' grade, and with Pat Briggs having a hard time on the hills, this left only Anthony Clews, Lawrence Fahey and Bob Stephens to be still there at the start of the final circuit. However, the cosy relationship between the three riders ended on the final leg of the circuit, and with a strong showing, Tony Clews forged forward to cross the line with a 29 seconds lead over Lawrence Fahey, and another four seconds over 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Bob Stephens.

The average speeds recorded were 'A' grade 38.9kph; 'B' grade 36.9kph; 'C' grade 35.9kph; 'D' grade 31.5kph; and 'E' grade 30.3kph. There was a good turnout at the Mt Helena Tavern for the prize-giving, with quite a few supporting the proprietors with their custom.

#### *'A' Grade - 80km - 4 laps*

1. Henry Morley; 2. Brian Sing;  
3. Tom Perry; 4. Jeffrey Kriel;  
5. Matt Upton; 6. Andrew Brierley;  
7. Ian Gregory; 8. Matt Swan;  
9. Ian Lyne; 10. Colin Rose;  
11. Andrew Simpson; 12. Taylor Wilcock.  
*Average 38.6kph; Aver. 30m.45s per lap.*

#### *'B' Grade - 80km - 4 laps*

1. Greg Gale; 2. Frank Bate;  
3. Drew Mitchell; 4. Luke Austin;  
5. John Liso; 6. Mark Yancazos;  
7. Keith Winch; 8. Neil Roscoe;  
9. John O'Boyle; 10. Tim Hopkins;  
11. Jarrod Bell; 13. David Irvine;  
14. Peter Wilshaw; 15. Tony Anderson;  
16. Ross Boaden; 17. John Hanson;  
18. Paul McMurtrie; 19. Steve Burns;  
20. Leo Gott-Cumbers; 21. Melissa Robinson;  
22. Greg Bayley; 23. Justin Schultz;  
24. Lee Jordan; 25. Owen Henderson;  
26. Andrew Lilley; 27. Brett Clapham;  
28. Mark Taylor; 30. Gary Horsfield.  
*Average: 36.8kph. Aver. 32m.30s per lap.*

#### *'C' Grade 60km - 3 laps*

1. David Menarry; 2. David Varcoe;

3. Richard Barville; 4. Shane Cable;  
5. Ben Bartlett; 6. Caroline Crow;  
7. John Spicer; 8. Margot Biggs;  
9. Anthony West; 10. Phil Davidson;  
11. Brad Stalker; 12. James Howard;  
13. Steve Oates; 14. Jon Hanson;  
15. Katarzyna Pawikowska;  
16. Chris Woodhead; 17. Vanessa Johnson;  
18. Steve Ryan; 19. Chris Fox;  
20. Vim Sephton; 21. Liam Donley;  
22. Ian Dow-Vine.

*Average: 34.0kph. Aver. 33m.35s per lap*

#### *'D' Grade - 40km - 3 laps*

1. Jill Pope; 2. Graham Blyth;  
Sam Bolton; 3. Phil Drayson;  
Jon Nelson; 4. John Shattock.  
*Average 31.9kph. Aver. 38m.00s per lap*

#### *'E' Grade 40km - 2 laps*

1. Tony Clews; 2. Lawrence Fahey;  
3. Bob Stephens; 4. Pat Briggs.  
*Average 31.8kph. Aver. 39m 35s per lap*

### **24 June - Graded Scratch Races - Herne Hill.**

Another marvellous day in terms of the weather, and under blue skies and not a breath of wind, Martin Depiazzi turned up at the last minute to make the turnout hit the 100 mark. 'B' grade had the largest group of the day with 36 riders, followed by 'A' grade with 26, 'C' grade with 20, and 'D' and 'E' with fields of 10 riders each. Despite the relatively large bunches, all arrived safely at their respective finishes, while marshals and referees all pointed to the good behaviour of all grades when obeying the road rules.

'A' grade riders were content to sit-in for the first lap, while the 2<sup>nd</sup> witnessed a group of 8 riders who pulled away to a lead of 45 seconds. That lead was halved by the end of the following lap, and all came together midway through the race. However, the plot was set with 3 laps to go when Shane Oneill, Ian Gregory and Brian Sing got together to ride away from their compatriots to open up a lead of 25 seconds. Despite efforts behind this was also the gap with 2 laps to go, and the following time around that had only been reduced by 5 seconds, At the bell the trio's lead gave little hope for the chasers, and as they



entered the finishing straight the peloton were well out of sight and contention. In the cut and thrust of the finishing sprint, it was Brian Sing who took victory, with Ian Gregory and Shaun Oneill filling the other podium placings. Matt Upton was best of the rest when he led in Tom Perry, Scott Sanders, Martin Depiazzi, Julian Lowes and 15 other riders.

The 'B' graders' race proved interesting in that for most of the 8 laps there were riders off the front. On the 1<sup>st</sup> lap it was Jason Hapeta and Mark Taylor who impressed, with the bunch at 15 seconds. Tony Anderson and Paul Prottey were at that time in no-man's land but joined them by the time they next passed the timekeeper, with the strength of extra legs taking the quartet to a lead of 50 seconds. Over the next couple of circuits that lead was reduced, first to 45 seconds and then to half-a-minute with 3 laps to go. Coming around with 2 to go, the quartet was missing Jason Hapeta who had moved back to the shelter of the large bunch, and at the bell the three survivors had also been absorbed. Thirty-three riders were in with a chance as they came into sight coming off Campersic Road, and with such a large bunch it was a relief to see that quite a few riders who knew they had no chance in a fight to the line, sat up to watch the sprinters contest the finish. The laurels were taken by Matt Harris, followed by Gavin Wark, Owen Henderson, Chris Coote, and Lee Jordan who still had enough firepower after his long stint off the front to fight it out with the other finishers.

In 'C' grade's race no epics were recorded from the finish line by the judges, thus leading to a compact group to contest the finish. After some switching in the bunch commented on later by the one of the referees, Shane Cable crossed the line for a clear victory, just ahead of Greg Smith, Ben Bartlett, David Varcoe, Richard Barville and Anthony West, with first female rider, Sam Bolton, in 7<sup>th</sup> place. Shane improved from his 4<sup>th</sup> place the previous week on the hillier Mt Helena course, while following a few not so impressive rides, it was good to see Vim Sephton find some form when finishing 8<sup>th</sup> overall.

With a relatively small field it was no surprise to see 'D' grade stay together for much of their 5 laps of the circuit. Lapping at

16 minutes 15 seconds, they were the only grade that kept to their expected schedule, for despite what looked like perfect conditions, all other divisions were a couple of minutes down. Perhaps the explanation was that standing at the side of the road, conditions were deceptive, it being reported by some riders that while it appeared to be calm, there was definitely resistance on the ride down Lefroy Avenue after the first corner. At the finish, Jarrad Finnigan led out but a fast finishing John Shattock only failed to overhaul him by a fraction of a second. Jon Dooner showed surprising form after a short layoff to finish 3<sup>rd</sup>, while Graham Blyth was 4<sup>th</sup> just ahead of Fiona Vescoli-Finnigan. Another making a comeback was Ian McFall who was pleased to finish with the bunch, while Mick Russell, also on a comeback ride finished just ahead of Emma Tattum.

'E' grade rode together until 2 of their 5 laps to go when Pat Briggs and Bob Stephens showed their colours by riding a few seconds ahead of the remainder of the field. With one lap to go, Pat had returned to the shelter and comfort of the group, while Bob had extended his lead to 20 seconds, Bob not only held his lead but took the 1<sup>st</sup> place some 30 seconds ahead of the rest of the field when finishing ahead of Tony Clews and Lawrence Fahey, with Pat Briggs and Kevin Hart finishing 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> respectively. Julie Humphreys riding her first event as a full member was 6<sup>th</sup>, while it was good to see her accompanied across the line by Paul Humphreys who hit media headlines a few weeks ago when he suffered a cardiac arrest.

#### *'A' Grade - 86km - 9 laps*

1. Brian Sing; 2. Ian Gregory;
3. Shaun Oneill; 4. Matt Upton;
5. Tom Perry; 6. Scott Sanders
7. Martin Depiazzi; 8. Julian Lowes;
9. John Gregg; 10. Travis Goad;
11. Andrew Brierley; 12. Wayne Thomson;
13. Eddie Hollands; 14. Simon Duncalf;
15. Colin Rose; 16. Ian Lyne;
17. Frank Bate; 18. Jeff Brooks;
19. Tom O'Neill; 20. Bernie Swart;
21. Magnus Rudisele;
22. Stephen McNeilly; 23. Nathan Jones;

24. Chris Roberts; 25. Adam Fielding.  
*Average 40.1kph; Aver. 13m.45s per lap.*

*'B' Grade – 76km – 8 laps*

1. Matt Harris; 2. Gavin Wark;  
3. Owen Henderson; 4. Chris Coote;  
5. Lee Jordan; 6. Greg Gale;  
7. Tom Hopkins; 8. Garry Horsfield;  
9. Keith Winch; 10. Stuart Hobson;  
11. John Liso; 13. Greg Bayley;  
14. Mark Taylor; 15. Anthony Doherty;  
16. Wade McCann; 17. Andrew Lilley;  
18. Martin Dolinschek; 19. Phil Deisel;  
20. Jason Hapeta; 21. Justin Schultz;  
22. Michael Jones; 23. Chris Brown;  
24. Mark Yankazos; 25. Craig James;  
26. Tony Anderson; 27. Brett Clapham;  
28. Kevin McIliduff; 30. Paul Prottey;  
31. Craig White; 32. Paul Lamond;  
33. Darren Kinsella; 34. Paul Borrett;  
35. Mark Anastasas.

*Average: 40.0kph. Aver. 14m.15s per lap.*

*'C' Grade 67km – 7 laps*

1. Shane Cable; 2. Greg Smith;  
3. Ben Bartlett; 4. David Varcoe;  
5. Richard Barville; 6. Anthony West;  
7. Sam Bolton; 8. Vim Sephton;  
9. Jaimie Bell; 10. Kevin Taylor;  
11. Mark Williamson; 12. John Spicer;  
13. James Howard; 14. Troy Drewett;  
15. Jon Hanson; 16. Chris Hodge;  
17. Bruce Powell; 18. Brett Fowler.

*Average: 35.7.kph. Aver. 16m.00s per lap*

*'D' Grade – 48km – 5 laps*

1. Jarred Finnigan; 2. John Shattock;  
3. Jon Dooner 4. Graham Blyth;  
5. Fiona Vescoli-Finnigan; 6. Ian McFall;  
7. Mick Russell; 8. Emma Tattum.

*Average 33.9kph. Aver. 38m.00s per lap he finished*

*'E' Grade 38mk – 4 laps*

1. Bob Stephens; 2. Tony Clews;  
3. Lawrence Fahey; 4. Pat Briggs;  
5. Kevin Hart; 6. Julie Humphreys;  
7. Graham Thornton; 8. Paul Humphreys;  
9. Leon Nieuwenhuizen.

*Average 31.83kph. Aver. 18m 10s per lap*

**1 July – Graded Scratch Races – Chidlow 'A'.**  
Our winning streak with the gods continued at Chidlow when following the arctic conditions of Saturday morning, the weather on Sunday

morning proved benign, as proved by the shower of abandoned arm warmers that descended on the judges at the end of lap one. Ninety-six riders were in attendance, 'though the hills and a few punctures saw some victims abandon their respective races before the end of the day.

'E' grade was in fine form when breaking their average time per lap by over a minute. The eight starters were unfortunately reduced on the first lap when trial rider Salazar Beatriz, the first Columbian to ride with the club, unfortunately went heading for the Great Eastern Highway instead of taking a left on the roundabout by the Chidlow Tavern, to be later rescued, but too late to rejoin the race. Also at the end of the first lap Trevor Holmes, Bob Stephens and Tony Clews had a gap of 10 seconds over the rest of the field, a gap that opened up over the remainder of the race's four laps. They were still together with 300 metres to go, but Bob Stephens dropped by 5 seconds in the run to the line, leaving the contest for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places to Trevor Holms and Tony Clews. With 20 metres to go it looked as if Tony would add to his season's tally of wins, but a last lunge by Trevor Holmes saw him cross the line to win by a small margin.

'D' grade with 5 entrants was the smallest field of the day (are they a dying breed – where have they gone?). They stayed together for two of their five laps, but the field was then disrupted when Graham Blyth winged off the front to open up a gap of 10 seconds. With 2 laps to go he had extended his lead to 45 seconds, to which he added another 5 seconds by the end of the following lap. However, either Graham slowed or the rest of the field went faster on the final lap, for Jon Nelson in 2<sup>nd</sup> place halved the gap on the final circuit, while Jon Dooner in 3<sup>rd</sup> place was another 2 seconds behind.

The 23 riders in 'C' grade riding 6 laps of the 11km circuit, stayed largely together for much of the race, with most damage being set on the final lap. However, there were still 10 riders who remained as they took the final run to the line. In a strong sprint finish, James Howard finished a length ahead of Julian Bleddyn, followed

closely by Richard Barville, Dave Harwood, Michael Bowden and Eddy Pope. First female finisher was Margot Biggs in 7<sup>th</sup> place, while the remaining places in the first 10 were taken by Chris Hodge, trial rider Chris Fox, and Caroline Crow.

'B' grade had a well-attended field of 42 starters who worked hard to make for an excellent race. The first real break occurred with 4 of the 7 laps to go when Mark Taylor, and trial riders Jaimie Baldwin and Celis William found themselves with an advantage over the peloton of 20 seconds. That gap had been closed as they started the next lap, though two other members of the grade, Giovanni Carnicelli and Joey Rawson found themselves at the head of affairs, also by 20 seconds. At the start of the following lap, the duo now with an additional 10 seconds to the good, were joined by Tony Anderson, John Liso, Chris Singleton and Gavin Lawson. After a hard chase that gap was brought back by the time the race reached the final turnoff, resulting in 25 riders being in with a chance for honours. In a scintillating last 100metres, Peter Seizovic blitzed the opposition to cross some 3 lengths ahead of 2<sup>nd</sup> placed John' O'Boyle, followed closely by Paul Hearne, Greg Gale, John Liso, Keith Winch and the remainder of the field. As Peter Seizovic was a trial rider, all other riders moved up a position for the cash prizes, much to the delight of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> placed riders.

While the 'A' grade event over 8 laps saw a great deal of action, it all ended unfortunately when the referee disqualified the whole field for making a dangerous move when overtaking a car by crossing double white lines. This also led to a split in the field. Previous to this the race was enlivened at the end of the first lap when Chris Glasby opened up a gap of 30 seconds, a move that was soon thwarted when he snapped a spoke on his rear wheel. At the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> lap Matt Swan led the field by 5 seconds, while in turn he was replaced off the front on the next lap, again by 10 seconds. However, the picture had a different complexion when the next circuit was completed, as Shaun Oneill, Brian Sing, Ian Gregory, Andrew Brierley, Jeffrey Kriel and Jon Gregg led by 25 seconds. It's suspected this was on the line-crossing incident lap but soon after there were a few abandonments, and

the gap of the leaders increased lap by lap to reach over 2 minutes by the end of the race. Andrew Brierley had a clear two-lengths when taking the sprint from Shaun Oneill and Jon Gregg, with Ian Gregory 4 seconds behind, and Brian Sing and Jeffrey Kreil at another 3 seconds.

While disqualifying the whole grade, the referee softened the blow when announcing that all riders, while denied cash prizes, would retain their points.

*'A' Grade - 88km – 8 laps*

1. Andrew Brierley; 2. S;
2. Shaun Oneill; 3. Jon Gregg;
4. Ian Gregory; 5. Brian Sing;
6. Jeffrey Kriel; 7. Tom Perry;
8. Tom O'Neill; 9. Wayne Keyser;
10. Matt Upton; 11. Nathan Jones;
12. Matt Swan.

*Average 38.7kph; Aver. 17m.20s per lap.*

*'B' Grade – 77km – 7 laps*

1. Peter Seizovic 2. John O'Boyle;
3. Paul Hearne; 4. Greg Gale;
5. John Liso; 6. Keith Winch;
7. Joey Rawson; 8. Jarrod Bell;
9. Gavin Wark; 10. Stuart Hobson;
11. Neil Roscoe; 13. Lee Jordan;
14. Tony Anderson; 15. Chris Singleton;
16. Adam Ralph; 17. Gavin Lawson;
18. Tim Hopkins; 19. James Baldwin;
20. Paul Borrett; 21. Peter Wilshaw;
22. Andrew Lilley; 23. Elar Kalda;
24. Luke Austin; 25. John Hanson;
26. Greg Bayley; 27. Paul Lamond;
28. Mitchell Henville; 29. Kevin McIllduff;
30. Ross Boaden; 31. Celis William;
32. Giovanni Carnicelli;
33. Owen Henderson; 34. Steve Burns;
35. Tony Smith; 36. Leo Gott-Cumbers;
37. Scott Ayles; 38. Andrew Highfield..

*Average: 38.1kph. Aver. 17m.25s per lap.*

*'C' Grade 66km – 6 laps*

1. James Howard; 2. Julian Bleddyn;
3. Richard Barville; 4. Dave Harwood;
5. Michael Bowden; 6. Eddy Pope;
7. Margot Biggs; 8. Chris Hodge;
9. Chris Fox; 10. Caroline Crow;
11. Jamie Bell; 12. Ian Dow-Vine;
13. Anke Hoskins; 14. Shane Cable;
15. Sam Bolton; 16. Mark Williamson;
17. Cameron Dawson; 18. Troy Drewett;

19. Brendan Logan; 20. Steve Ryan;  
21. Bruce Abbott.  
*Average: 3.1.kph. Aver. 18m.00s per lap*

*'D' Grade – 55km – 5 laps*

1. Graham Blyth; 2. Jon Nelson;  
3. Jon Dooner 4. Diane Humphrey.  
*Average 30.49kph. Aver. 21m.50s per lap.*

*'E' Grade 44km – 4 laps*

1. Lawrence Fahey; 2. Tony Clews;  
3. Bob Stephens; 4. Trevor Holmes;  
5. Julie Humphries; 6. Paul Humphries;  
7. Graham Thornton  
*Average 29.00kph. Aver. 22m 45s per lap*

## **8 July – Graded Scratch Races – Dog Hill, Baldivis.**

### **DASTARDLY DEED DOGS DUNNY USERS AT DOG HILL**

A Grand Fondo and other competition eroded the ranks to 75 riders on what turned out to be an almost perfect day, However, those who rode elsewhere were saved the trauma of facing a dunnylesss day, following the theft of our hired porta toilets. When our resident Dunny Wallah, Richard Barville turned up to hitch same to his wagon, he found that someone had cut the chain with a bolt cutters. Its not known whether we'll get to the bottom of this mystery but the crime is now in the hands of the local constabulary. No doubt their sniffer dogs will be following the trail.

Under clear blue skies and what appeared to be perfectly calm conditions (though some reports mentioned a breeze on the back leg of the course) and warmish conditions, there was some excellent racing with the only 'incident' occurring among the 2<sup>nd</sup> group to finish in 'B' grade when Jason Hapeta suffered a fall a couple of hundred metres from the finish line when he jumped and pulled out his back wheel. Luckily, Jason suffered only a loss of some skin and hurt pride, this being his one and only fall since he started racing.

The 'A' grade event saw 13 participants, with much of the race being dominated by Doug Stewart and Colin Rose who at the end of the first lap opened up a gap of 1min 5secs. This increased to 1m 20secs on the following lap after which the peloton got working to erode the lead lap by lap, until two laps to go, when their lead was a slim 10 seconds. On the final lap, Doug surrendered to record a DNF

while his compatriot was absorbed by the bunch to finish in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Ian Gregory took the sprint, with Martin Depiazzi, Chris Roberts and Tom O'Neill filling the first 4 places.

'B' grade also saw much action. Scott Ayles passed the start line after one lap with a 5-seconds lead but at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> circuit he had been joined by Paul Borrett, Chris Singleton, Mark Taylor, and Anthony Doherty. Working well together they were never caught and as the bell rang for the final lap they had an insurmountable lead of 2mins 40 seconds. The winner of the sprint was local rider Phil Deisel, while Scott Ayles who has experienced some torrid rides lately, surprised when he took 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Mark Taylor was 3<sup>rd</sup>, with Craig Huxtable, Lee Jordan, and Keith Winch being next in line along with 6 others in the group.

'C' grade rode as a solid group until their 3<sup>rd</sup> lap when a few attacks resulted in some drop offs. However, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of their laps there was an easing at the front and with 2 laps to go the group had consolidated again. This left a pack of 13 riders to contest the sprint, which was won by Greg Smith who was only a smidgin in front of Julian Bleddyn and 3<sup>rd</sup> placed Shane Cable. Anthony West was 4<sup>th</sup>, Wayne Mitchell 5<sup>th</sup> and oldest man in the group, Richard Barville finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place.

'D' grade after a couple of weeks of low numbers had a respectable field of nine contestants. Jarred Finnigan and Clinton Hort were first to cross the line at the end of lap one, but the next time around they had been joined Ian McFall and Graham Blyth, the latter, not for the first time using a single free wheel. Clinton Hort capitulated soon afterwards, stating that he had to leave for home, while the other three leaders continued steadily on their merry way, and others in the division began to split into ones and twos. Ian McFall led out the sprint, but was overhauled in the final 5 metres by Jarrad Finnigan who won by a small margin. Graham Blyth freewheeled over the line for 3<sup>rd</sup> place, and Jon Akers then led Jon Nelson over the line some 2 minutes behind.

'E' grade proved a race of attrition as the not-so-fit dropped off the pace early in the race. Their total time for the race was only 5 seconds astray of their last event on the course, which showed their consistency. In a closely contested finish the victory went to Tony Clews, who finished 2 seconds ahead of Trevor Holmes and Bob Stephens, with Diane Humphrey closely behind in 4<sup>th</sup> and as first lady finisher.

*'A' Grade - 88km – 8 laps*

1. Ian Gregory; 2. Martin Depiazzi;  
2. Chris Roberts; 4. Tom O'Neill;  
5. Colin Rose; 6. Paul Mackay;  
7. Chris Glasby.

*Average 45.1kph & 16m 10secs per lap.*

*'B' Grade – 77km – 7 laps*

1. Phil Deisel 2. Scott Ayles;  
3. Mark Taylor; 4. Craig Huxtable;  
5. Lee Jordan; 6. Keith Winch;  
7. Paul Borrett; 8. Chris Singleton;  
9. Paul Prottey; 10. Greg Bayley;  
11. Tony Doherty; 12. Justin Schultz;  
13. Steele Bishop; 15. John Liso;  
16. Mark Anastasas; 17. Gary Horsfield;  
18. Mark Sladden; 19. Mitchell Henville;  
20. Peter Wilshaw; 21. Paul Lamond;  
22. Brett Clapham; 23. Jason Hapeta.

*Average 39.6kph & 16m 50s per lap.*

*'C' Grade 66km – 6 laps*

1. Greg Smyth; 2. Julian Bleddyn;  
3. Shane Cable; 4. Anthony West;  
5. Wayne Mitchell; 6. Richard Barville  
7. James Howard; 8. Ben Bartlett;  
9. Troy Drewitt; 10. Brett Fowler;  
11. Shannon Arnott; 12. Chris Hodge;  
13. Steve Oates; 14. Dave Harwood;  
15. Chris Norris.

*Average 36.6kph & 17m 00secs per lap.*

*'D' Grade – 55km – 5 laps*

1. Jarred Finnigan; 2. Ian McFall;  
3. Graham Blyth; 4. Jon Akers;  
5. Jon Nelson; 6. Bill Stibbs;  
7. Nick Cowie; 8. Fiona Vescoli-Finnigan;  
*Average per lap 34.6kp & 18m 50s per lap*

*'E' Grade 44km – 4 laps*

1. Tony Clews; 2. Trevor Holmes  
3. Bob Stephens; 4. Diane Humphrey;  
5. Paul Humphreys; 6. Julie Humphreys;  
7. Graham Thornton;

8. Leon Nieuwenhuizen.

*Average per lap 31.7kph. & 20m 30s per lap*

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