



Newsletter –AUGUST –NOVEMBER 2016

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Editor's Comment

Readers of this epistle will note a large gap in the reported race results, and will also wonder why the earlier results were not posted earlier. The latter question is also a mystery to me, while the gap can be explained by my trip overseas. The highlight of that trip should have been the finish of the Vuelta outside my hotel in Madrid. Unfortunately I saw the banners but the race had finished the previous day to my arrival! C'est la vie.

RACE PROGRAMME

All Criterium Races listed here start at 8.00am, Road Races start at 8.30am.

13 November – *Graded Scratch Criteriums Innovation CCT – Advantage Way, Wangara,*

20 November – *Graded Scratch Criteriums Smeaton Way, Rockingham.*

27 November – *Graded Scratch Criteriums – Kewdale.*

4 December - *Graded Scratch Criteriums Innovation CCT – Advantage Way, Wangara,*

11 December - - *Graded Scratch Road Races – Herne Hill.*

FOLLOWED BY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

18 December - *Graded Scratch Criteriums, Bibra Lake - Cascara Corner – Cocos Drive, Spearwood*

25 December – **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Racing break.

8 January – *Road Races – Chidlow 'A'*

15 January - *Graded Scratch Criteriums – Kewdale.*

22 January – NO RACING – SEE SA MASTERS CYCLING ASSOCIATION RACES ADELAIDE at end of newsletter.

29 January - *Graded Scratch Criteriums Innovation CCT – Advantage Way, Wangara,*

RACE RESULTS

24 July – *Graded Scratch Races – Casuarina*

A total of 89 riders turned out on a bright, calm but chilly morning, where only the masses gathered at the finish in the sun managed to keep warm. All went well until the final 10metres of the 'A' grade event when Paul Hearne slid across the road after touching a wheel. Glad to say, apart from a few scrapes and scratches and the need to replace a pair of shorts and a jersey, Paul was ok. This was particularly bad luck as he had only just recovered from an accident when riding the Menzies-Kalgoorlie event.

Earlier, Paul Miller, along with Patrick Hayburn, Magnus Rudisele and Chris Gaskell had been animators, having been in a six-lap break, though their lead never exceeded half-a-minute. Everything in 'A' grade came together with three laps to go and ended in a mass sprint. In a last

kick, Martin Depiazzi took the win just ahead of Scott Sanders, Eddie Hollands, Alistair Patterson, Jeffrey Kriel and Jaimie Kirkwood.

In almost perfect riding conditions 'B' grade stayed together apart from a short break amounting to about 10 seconds by Brett Clapham towards mid-way, and similarly by Greg Bayley on the final two laps. At the end of the race 19 riders were in contention during the sprint, which saw John Liso finally break into 1st place after a long run of being in the lesser podium places. Other familiar names filled the lesser places, with Garry Horsfield being 2nd, Paul Chartres in 3rd, followed closely by Andrew Foggin, Brett Clapham and Lee Jordan.

'C' grade rode what looked like a steady race until Paul Humphreys and John Hanson opened up a small gap of between 10 and 15 seconds with 2 laps to go. Peter Hunt again showed his sprinting prowess when beating Gary Suckling across the line at the finish. With another 15 riders breathing down their necks they went across the line just ahead of Jason Hapeta, Neil Vroomans and John Hanson. Trial rider John Raphael was 6th but with the no prize rule in place for trial riders, Eddy Pope took away the envelope.

'D' grade averaged a steady 15m 10seconds per lap and resulted in a 10-up sprint that was won by Richard Stokes. Graham Blyth finished on his wheel, while Rod Atkinson and Partner Juliana Austin-Olsen were 4th and 5th respectively. Juliana was the only female prize-winner of the day, although after Bob Stephens and Lawrence Fahey finished close behind her, Tracy Suckling finished 7th.

With the grand total of four riders, and with Denis Robinson concentrating on his training for his forthcoming one-hour track ride, there was lots of room on the winner's stage for the finishers. Gerry Allen in his return ride following his accident earlier in the year at one of our Kewdale criteriums finished a couple of lengths ahead of Wayne Gordon. Pat Briggs who had arrived early in the day to lay out the road signs, finished 3-seconds behind.

'A' Grade 87km – 10 laps

1. Martin Depiazzi; **2.** Scott Sanders;
3. Eddie Hollands; **4.** Alistair Patterson;
5. Jeffrey Kriel; **6.** Jaimie Kirkwood;

7. Chris Singleton; **8.** Colin Rose;
9. Paul Miller; **10.** Justin Schultz;
11. Ciaran O'Kane; **12.** Chris Gaskell;
13. Jeff Brooks; **14.** Andrew McGlurg;
15. Chris Glasby; **16.** Chris Roberts;
17. Paul Hearne; **18.** Magbus Rudisele;
19. Adam Feilding; **20.** Norm McLeod;
21. Patrick Hayburn

Average: 41.2kph; 12m 35s per lap.

'B' Grade 78km – 9 laps

1. John Liso; **2.** Garry Horsfield;
3. Paul Chartres; **4.** Andrew Foggin;
5. Brett Clapham; **6.** Lee Jordan;
7. Robert Collings; **8.** Neil Thorpe;
9. Neil Vroomans; **10.** Danny Steinen;
11. Andrew Candy; **12.** Paul Borrett;
13. Michael Morton **14.** David Kent;
15. Julian Chipper; **16.** Fenton Lambert;
17. Anthony Doherty; **18.** Gordon Lewis;
19. Kieran Glaser; **20.** Craig Baker;
21. Jaimie Bell; **22.** Matt Tognini;
23. Greg Bayley.

Average: 38.2kph; 13m 40s per lap.

'C' Grade 70km – 8 laps

1. Peter Hunt; **2.** Gary Suckling;
3. Jason Hapeta; **4.** Neil Vroomans;
5. John Hanson; **6.** John Raphael;
7. Eddy Pope; **8.** Brett Fowler;
9. Bruce Abbott; **10.** Craig Hynes;
11. Ian Lee; **12.** Matt Davidson;
13. Paul Humphreys **14.** Melissa Robinson;
15. Steve McLeod; **16.** Greg Smith;
17. Mick Russell; **18.** Liam Donley;
19. Dave Harwood; **20.** Jill Pope;
21. Derek Munro; **22.** Chris Hodge;
23. Nadir Sader. .

Average: 35.7kph; 14m 30s per lap

'D' Grade 54km – 5 laps

1. Richard Stokes; **2.** Graham Blyth;
3. Rod Atkinson; **4.** Juliana Austin-Olsen;
5. Bob Stephens; **6.** Bob Stephens;
7. Tracy Suckling; **8.** Liam Walker;
9. Natalie Britz; **10.** Nick Cowie;
11. Matt Cruikshank; **12.** Ron Jones;
13. Clinton Hort; **14.** Anthony Clews;
15. Samantha Flockhart.

Average: 34.7kph; 15m 00s per lap.

'E' Grade 43km – 4 laps

1. Gerry Allen; **2.** Wayne Gordon;
3. Pat Briggs; **4.** Denis Robinson.

Average: 30.8kph; 17m per lap.

31 July - Graded Scratch Races, Chidlow 'B'

This was the kind of day when only the foolhardy and the brave ventured forth, so it was no surprise to see only a smallish field of 51 riders, many of whom finished the day shivering at the side of the road. However, because of the pain and the wish to seek refuge in the Chidlow Tavern, the 'A' graders finished over a minute faster than they did on the last time we used the course – or at least, the three placegetters, Sam Smith, John Gregg and Wayne Thomson did. Their break began at the end of the 1st lap when Wayne attacked into the wind on the rise to the finish. Sam Smith then bridged the gap, soon to be joined by John Gregg. At the finish, a shattered 3rd placed Wayne Thomson stated he had sat on for most of the four laps the trio were away. In a long sprint, Sam Smith crossed the line 3 seconds ahead of Jon Gregg, while the best of the rest were led in by Paul Miller, Matt Upton and Jason Boynton 5m 48s behind.

'B' grade kept close together for the duration of the race, with no one prepared to go it alone in the difficult conditions. There was a fast and furious finish when Garry Horsfield finished strongly to cross the line about three lengths ahead of Julian Chipper, Neil Roscoe, Danny Steinen, Peter Wilshaw and John Liso. Out of the 18 starters there were 6 DNF's.

'C' grade circled the circuit some 11 minutes slower than on their previous race on the course, thus reflecting the difficult conditions on the day. As with 'B' grade, there was a bunch finish which saw a blanket finish between Phil Davidson and Matt Davidson (no relation) with Paul Humphreys and John Hanson close behind. The winner by a smidgin was Phil Davidson.

As 'D' and 'E' grades attracted only 3 riders each, they started the race together, with the higher grade riding 3 laps, while 'E' grade rode two. At the end of lap 1, Mark Tansell was 40 seconds ahead of both divisions, some 40 seconds ahead of the only female rider of the day to brave the elements, Sam Bolton, with Dave Walker from 'E' grade alongside. Mark Tansell continued to extend his lead by another 2 minutes as he entered the bell lap, a lead that had extended to 6m 30secs minutes over Sam at the end of the 'D' grade race.

Lawrence Fahey rode a lonely three laps to finish 3rd.

In 'E' grade, Dave Walker finished best, just 5m 20s in the lead, while Gerry Allen had a hard fought win of a length over Pat Briggs.

'A' Grade 89km – 5 laps

1. Sam Smith;
2. Jon Gregg;
3. Wayne Thomson;
4. Paul Miller;
5. Matt Upton;
6. Jason Boynton;
7. Chris Singleton;
8. Jeffrey Kriel;
9. Chris Glasby;
10. John Sonogo;
11. Norm Shattock;
12. Tom O'Neill;
13. Shaun Oneill;
14. Jaimie Kirkwood;
15. David Sumich.;

Average: 27m 10s per lap.

'B' Grade 71km – 4 laps

1. Garry Horsfield;
2. Julian Chipper;
3. Neil Roscoe;
4. Danny Steinen;
5. Peter Wilshaw;
6. John Liso;
7. Simon Chester;
8. David Kent;
9. Craig Beeching;
10. Craig Smith-Gander;
11. Paul Shields;
12. Gordon Lewis;

Average: 31m 00s per lap.

'C' Grade 70km – 53km, 3 laps

1. Phil Davidson;
2. Matt Davidson;
3. Paul Humphreys;
4. John Hanson;
5. Brett Fowler;
6. Adam Parker

Average: 34m 20s per lap

'D' Grade 53km – 3 laps

1. Mark Tansell;
2. Sam Bolton;
3. Lawrence Fahey.

Average: 37m 00s per lap.

'E' Grade 36kmkm – 2 laps

1. David Walker;
2. Gerry Allen;
3. Pat Briggs.

Average: 39m 00s per lap.

7 August – Club Memorial Group Handicap, Herne Hill

Following a wet and windy night, only 42 riders turned up at the Memorial Race, though this was another case where conditions proved much better than the anticipation of those who had stayed in bed. Apart from one heavy shower, the sun shone and riding conditions proved for fast racing.

With 24 minutes between limit and scratch, and gaps of 6mins each between

five groups (A, B, C, D & E), the winners were going to come from the group where riders sacrificed their own interests to cooperate by taking hard turns. For the first time in memory, this turned out to be the six riders in 'D' grade. Riding consistently they rode laps of 16m 15s, 16m 05s, 16m.15s, 16m 40s, 15m 55s, and 16m.00s, to cross the finishing line almost one-and-a-half minutes before 'B' grade's Gavin Wark, with the co-joined riders from other groups 3 seconds behind. The delighted winner was Rod Atkinson who finished a couple of lengths ahead of Graham Blyth, with trial rider Vanessa Johnson 3rd. That proved lucky for 4th placed Ronald Jones who took the prize-money for 3rd place.

During the presentation, the President read out a list of valued club members who had passed away, and ex club President, Des Williams, handed out the envelopes. Rod Atkinson was also presented with a club trophy, and Leo Enright handed over to him special awards that he had kindly donated for the occasion.

In addition to the three overall prizes, each grade was presented with the usual race cash allocation, that was determined by the number of riders in each group.

Overall Results

1. Rod Atkinson (D grade);
2. Graham Blyth (D)
3. **At 2secs** Vanessa Johnson (D);
4. Ronald Jones (D);
5. Juliana Austin-Olsen (D);
- 6 **At 1m 27s** Gavin Wark (B)
7. At 1m 30s Craig Beeching (B);
8. Keith Winch (B);
9. Greg Bayley (B);
10. Anthony Mateljan (B);
11. Darin Dunstan (B);
12. Nick Vroomans (B);
13. Michael Morton (B);
14. Danny Stienen (B);
15. Garry Horsfield (B);
16. John Hanson (C);
17. Mick Russell ©;
18. Paul Chartres (B);
19. Paul Humphreys ©;
20. Angel Amaro ©;
21. Craig James (B);
22. **At 1m 50s** Fenton Lambert (B)
23. **At 2m 19s** Dave Walker (E)

24. **At 2m 31s** Jason Hapeta ©;
25. **At 2m 58s** Ray Bergin;
26. **At 3m 27s** Mark Williamson (C);
27. **At 5m 01s** Gerry Allen (E);
28. **At 5m 19s** Mark Castle (C);
29. **At 5m 42s** Nick Vroomans (C);;
30. **At 5m 46s** Patrick Hayburn (A)
31. Doug Stewart (A);
32. Chris Roberts (A);
33. Gary Wright (A);
34. Gary Wright (A);
35. Andrew McClurg (A)
36. **At 5m 57s** Michael Tapscott;
37. **At 6m 27s** Kylie Anticich;
38. **At 11m 59s** John Liso.

14 August – Club Age Division Championships – Mt Helena

A great day for racing, with hardly a breath of wind and clear blue skies. There were 117 nominations, the number taking to the road was reduced by 29 because of DNS's, with doses of flu accounting for some of these. The 10-year age division races plus free nominations appear to have been popular with club members, and this was the best-supported championship event ever. While there were obvious disparities in the individual divisions where all our regular grades were represented, the racing was keen, with some notable breakaways being recorded. A couple of races saw combined divisions, but of note was that there were enough females present to have held a separate Women's division. Perhaps we could hear from our female contingent whether they would support this idea at future championships?

As with championships in the past – we only provide the results here and thank everyone for so strongly supporting the event.

Results

75-84yrs

Gold Graham Thornton; *Silver* Denis Robinson.

65-74yrs

Gold Michael Morton; *Silver* Graham Blyth.
Bronze John Shattock;

4. Dave Walker; 5. Bob Stephens.

55-64yrs

Gold Chris Singleton; *Silver* Paul Miller;
Bronze Gary Wright; 4. Keith Winch;
5. Merv Byfield; 6. Paul Shields;
7. Peter Neuzerling; 8. John Hanson;
9. Nick Vroomans; 10. Paul Humphreys;
11. Brett Clapham; 12. Chris Hodges;
13. Robin Warrington.

45-54yrs

Gold Jon Gregg; *Silver* Innes Davie;
Bronze Chris Glasby;
4. Tom O'Neill; 5. Sam Smith;
6. Doug Stewart; 7. Jeff Brooks;
8. Ian Lyne; 9. John Liso;
10. Steven Tarr; 11. David Irvine;
12. Gavin Lawson; 13. Neil Roscoe;
14. Lee Parker; 15. Darin Dunstan;
16. Michael Tapscott; 17. Matthew Owen;
18. David Sumach; 19. Paul Hearne;
20. Tim Mollison; 21. Alvin Lim;
22. Gordon Lewis; 23. John O'Boyle;
24. Bruce Davies; 25. Paul Borrett;
26. Garry Horsfield; 27. Maurice Berger;
28. Chris Howard.

35-44yrs

Gold Jason Boynton; *Silver* Paul Mackay;
Bronze Shaun Oneill;
4. Tom Ford; 5. Ciaran O'Kane;
6. Tom Perry; 7. Matt Upton;
8. Jeffrey Kriel; 9. Robert Hurst;
10. Norm Shattock; 11. Andrew McClurg;
12. Richard Cook; 13. Craig Huxtable;
14. Danny Stienen; 15. Craig Baker;
16. Justin Scultz; 17. Kim Halliday;
18. Paul Chartres; 19. Stuart Murray;
20. Lee Jordan; 21. Mark Hoyer;
22. Adam Feilding.

Women 40-49yrs

Gold Kylie Anticich; *Silver* Nathalie
Laurendeau; *Bronze* Lorna Henson.

Women 30-39yrs

Gold Hisayo Thornton.

Congratulations to all medal winners and to everyone else for making it a successful day.

21 August – Graded Scratch Races – Dog Hill, Baldivis

With the Collie-Donneybrook races taking place on the previous day, numbers were down to 79 on what turned out to be a chilly morn. Glad to say, there were no incidents apart from

a situation where a few 'D' grade riders joined the passing 'C' grade and were penalized by losing their prize-money to the club, and by being promised promotion to the higher grade at their next event!

With 15 riders, 'A' grade had a much-reduced field than in recent events, though it didn't adversely affect the speed. The first gap opened on lap 1, when Matt Upton, Magnus Rudisele and Patrick Hayburn opened up a slight gap that they held for a couple of laps. With 4 of the 7 laps to go, Magnus retreated to the comfort of the now broken-up bunch, and was replaced at the front by Paul Miller and Eddie Hollands. With 3 laps to go their lead was 55 seconds, a lead that had increased to almost 2 mins at 2 to go. The chase was hard and by the bell the gap was down to 1min 25 seconds. By that time riders were spread liberally around the circuit all finishers coming in in one's and two's. There were 5 DNFs, most having ridden at Collie the previous day. Patrick Hayburn won a three-up sprint, with Paul Miller in 2nd, and Matt Upton in 3rd, with Eddie Holland free-wheeling over the line some 14 seconds later.

'B' grade with 29 riders had the largest field of the day, and averaged 16mins 35 per lap, some 10 seconds faster than the previous ride on the course when they were challenged at the finish by a large tractor. Gavin Wark and Merv Byfield were the most prominent animators and with three laps to go they had opened up a gap of 5seconds. The following lap their lead had been reduced by 30 seconds, after which the group hunted them down. They were both absorbed half-way around the circuit on the bell lap, and at the finish Keith Winch won a 5-up sprint, with Neil Roscoe 2nd, Robin Schuman 3rd, Michael Buytels 4th and Julian Chipper in 5th, some 45 seconds ahead of the main bunch led in by John Liso and Mark Anastasas. Robin Schuman was a visiting German rider from near Cologne, who competed as a trial rider, using the race as a training ride for the ICF Grand Fondo.

'C' grade, as usual, remained a compact group for much of the event with the only notable breaks being established by Phil Davidson who had a lead of 15 seconds

half-way through the race, and Iain Dow-Vine who was 25 seconds up at the bell. Both riders also featured in a three-man sprint some 4 seconds ahead of the main field. Eddy Pope took the main honour, while Iain Dow-Vine was a close 2nd, and Phil Davidson 3rd. Jason Hapeta followed closely by John Hoye, and Ray Bergin took the remaining cash prizes.

The sad tale of 'D' grade has already been recorded, but after a steady ride averaging 19mins per lap the order across the line was: Clinton Hort, followed by Lawrence Fahey, John Shattock, Juliana Austin-Olsen and Chris Howard, with Dennis Radcliffe 5 seconds behind.

'Small but mighty' describes the four riders who contested 'E' grade. With Denis Robinson a victim of stiff legs on lap one, it was Gerry Allen and Pat Briggs who showed potential as likely winners with Rod Babel some way off the back at the half-way mark. However, Rod fought his way back, but perhaps because of his effort was unable to overcome Gerry Allen and Pat Briggs who took the first two places at the finish. Denis rode solo for most of the event to finish 4th.

'A' Grade 78km – 7 laps

1. Patrick Hayburn; **2.** Paul Miller;
3. Matt Upton; **4.** Eddie Hollands;
5. Robert Hurst; **6.** Chris Roberts;
7. Justin Scultz; **8.** Magnus Rudisele;
9. Martin Lowell; **10.** David Kent.
Average: 15m 50s per lap; 40.7kph

'B' Grade 71km – 4 laps

1. Keith Winch; **2.** Neil Roscoe;
3. Robin Schuman; **4.** Michael Buytels;
5. Julien Chipper; **6.** John Liso;
7. Mark Anastasas; **8.** Craig Huxtable;
9. Mike Andrew; **10.** Garry Horsfield;
11. Greg Bayley; **12.** Tim James;
13. Andrew Foggin; **14.** Jamie Bell;
15. Peter Wilshaw; **16.** Suzanne Narbey;
17. Michael Morton; **18.** Gavin Wark;
19. Nathalie Laurendeau; **20.** Craig Baker;
21. Brett Clapham; **22.** Merv Byfield;
23. Kylie Anticich; **24.** Mark Armstrong;
25. Luke Austin; **26.** Fenton Lambert;
27. Paul Prottey; **28.** Scott Ayles.
Average: 16m 35s per lap; 38.8kph

'C' Grade 64km, 6 laps

1. Eddy Pope; **2.** Iain Dow-Vine;

3. Phil Davidson; **4.** Jason Hapeta;
5. John Hoye; **6.** Ray Bergin;
7. Brett Fowler; **8.** John Hanson;
9. Angel Amaro; **10.** Bruce Abbott;
11. Rod Atkinson; **12.** Mark Taylor;
13. Ian Cope; **14.** Margot Biggs;
15. Liam Donley; **16.** Robin Warrington;
17. Annie Bramley; **18.** Ian Lee;
19. Annie Bramley; **20.** Jill Pope.
Average: 17m 30s per lap; 36.5kph

'D' Grade 54km – 5 laps

1. Clinton Hort; **2.** Lawrence Fahey;
3. John Shattock; **4.** Julians Austin-Olsen;
5. Chris Howard; **6.** Dennis Ratcliffe;
7. Emma Molloy; **8.** Bob Stephens;
9. Sam Bolton; **10.** Nick Crowe.
Average: 19m 00s per lap; 33.8kph

'E' Grade 43kmkm – 4 laps

1. Gerry Allen; **2.** Pat Briggs;
3. Rod Babel; **4.** Denis Robinson.
Average: 21m 00s per lap; 30.6kph.

6 November – Graded Criteriums, Kewdale

Despite competition from a number of other events, 87 riders turned up for the first criterium races of the 2016-17 season. It turned out to be a pleasant day with temperatures in the 20s and a light (though occasionally blustery) breeze, and riders took advantage of the conditions to put their heads down.

'E' grade's 10 riders saw some keen riding, but there were no heroics, with the bunch riding together until the vitally important finishing straight. In the sprint, Rod Babel proved the benefit of some recent hard miles by leading in the bunch, beating Wayne Gordon by a couple of lengths, while Mick Dunne pulled off 3rd place just ahead of Pat Briggs and Gerry Allen.

A similar story was told in 'D' grades race, with the bunch of 18 staying together despite the efforts of Paul Greeney who was seen to be testing the rest of the field at the head of the bunch. In a keenly contested sprint, Graham Blyth fronted first across the line, with Anthony Clews, Paul Greeney, Craig McDonald, Bob Stephens and Matt Cruickshank finishing ahead of the rest of the field in that order.

'C' grade saw the advantage of coaching from International Pro Graeme Brown, both before the race and during the event, when he rode alongside them to provide happy hints on how to corner and ride safely. Neil Foster appeared to be inspired by the advice and from the 10-minute mark he attempted to stir up the peleton. The first serious gap appeared just before the 30-minute mark when Dianne McAuliffe put 70metres into her largely male opponents, a lead that she then shared with Jon Hanson for another two laps. All came together with 3 laps to go, but undeterred Jon Hanson attacked alone to open up a gap, but had shaky legs on his 2nd breakaway lap and was absorbed soon after the start of the bell lap. In a closely contested sprint to the finish, Mick Russell triumphed over Richard Stokes by a wheel with Gary Servier, Jarrad Finnigan, Peter Hunt and Stephen Hesketh taking the rest of the top six placings.

'B' grade witnessed a number of attacks and hard chasing from early in the race when Michael Buytels, Keith Winch and Greg Stoyles opened up an appreciable lead of about 90 metres at the 5-minute mark. A lap later this had extended to 22 seconds but was thereafter reduced until they were caught by the bunch after three laps at the front of the race. Things remained quiet until Greg Bayley, Tony Anderson and three other riders made a valiant attempt to break up the field with about 14 minutes to go. Kevin McIllduff then went off on his own for three laps, though he never moved more than 10 seconds ahead of the field, which saw them reel him in as they reached the 2 laps to go mark. It was notable that at the finish it was mainly those who had worked in the breakaways who featured in the top placings, the race going to Michael Buytels, with 2nd to 6th positions being taken by Darin Dunstan, Tony Anderson, Greg Bayley, Keith Winch and John Liso. The gap was 6 seconds before Justin Schultz and Andrew Candy crossed the line, with the gaps in the rest of the field suggesting a very hard final lap.

With 19 starters, 'A' grade promised a hard fought race, especially when noted that Graeme Brown wearing No. 13, was one of the competitors. He did'nt disappoint, attacking in the first lap of the race. However, things hotted

up on the 3rd lap when a group of five, consisting of Ian Lyne, Jon Gregg, Adam Fielding, Chris Singleton, and Andrew Brierley forged ahead to put some light between themselves and the main peleton. Graeme Brown, then jumped hard to bridge the gap, and as predicted by those sages on the line, this saw the race for placings over for the rest of the field. Adam Fielding went back to the pack after 15 minutes of riding while the rest of the break kept up a consistent pace to head the field by between 31 and 34 seconds for the rest of the race, with laps varying between 2mins and 2m 02secs per lap), bar from the last lap or so when those at the front jockeyed for position. There were a number of individual attacks on the final 2 laps from the valiant 5, but it was Graeme Brown who finished strongest to take out the race with a two-length gap over Jon Gregg, with Andrew Brierley finishing 3rd. Chris Singleton was another 4 seconds down, and Ian Lyne at 18seconds, while Chris Roberts led in the rest of the field at 27 seconds.

Altogether some interesting racing and a good start to the criterium season.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As announced earlier in the newsletter, our Annual General Meeting will take place at the Herne Hill Primary School after the Herne Hill Road Races on Sunday 11th December 2016.

Members are asked to send in any substantive motions to the Secretary to reach him **by 20th November 2016**.

Members wishing to stand for the committee are asked to submit a signed application to the Secretary that is signed by a seconder.

Order of Business:

1. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting.
2. President's annual report.
3. Treasurer's annual report.
4. Auditor's report.
5. Discussion of submitted motions.
6. To elect the following:
Patron(s); President; Vice President;
Secretary; Treasurer; Handicapper;

Racing Secretary; Auditor, and up to six committee members.

7. Determination of Fees and Honorariums for ensuing year.

Remember, this is your club and your support and interest at this one meeting of the year will be appreciated.

FORTHCOMING NATIONAL EVENTS

See the AVCC web page at: <http://www.ausvetcycling.com/> for details on the following:

18th Classic Adelaide Masters Series (SAMCA)

Events for AVCC members to be held during the 2017 Tour Down Under, 14th to 22nd January 2017. Road races, Criteriums, Time Trials and Hill Climb.

15th to 17th April 2017 – AVCC National Championships. Maryborough, Victoria.

Road Races, Criteriums, Mockridge Cup Time Trial.

(Details available on the AVCC web page soon).

OBITUARY

We sadly report the death after long illness of **Jack Iveson** at the age of 81 years. Jack had a long cycling pedigree and over the last few years was a regular in the ranks of 'E' grade. Employed as a research scientist in the UK, Jack came to WA to take up a position at The University of Western Australia. A man of much 'humour' Jack had many an interesting tale to tell, but none more so than his quarrying and tunnelling ventures that saw him feature a few years ago as the subject of a whole TV programme that was shown around the world. Jack's special talent was quarrying granite in the hills near Mundaring to use as a lining for the labyrinth of tunnels and furnished rooms that he built on a couple of his properties. A rather unique hobby perhaps suggesting that he was related to the original Hobbits, or Cornish miners. Jack will be missed. Our sympathy goes out to Jack's wife, Mary, and his family.

MJD/November 2016