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# Newsletter March 2007

#### **Quiz Night**

Note that the Quiz Night previously scheduled for 16 February will now be run on Friday 27 April starting at 6.30pm (doors open 6.00pm). The venue is the Rivervale Community Centre, Francisco Street, Rivervale. Contributions to prizes welcome (Please see Kevan Logan).

#### Forthcoming Events

All events start at 9.00am unless otherwise advertised. Nominations \$10.

1 April – Time Trial Championships, Herne Hill.

Start **8.30am**. Noms, \$10 at Herne Hill Primary School Angas Street,.

Medals for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup> on Age Time Standard.

#### Cash Prizes:

Age Std: \$50; \$30; \$25; \$20; \$15; \$15. 1st Fastest \$50; \$30; \$25.

#### **EASTER Racing Break**

22 April, Graded Road Races, Herne Hill

Start 9.00am. For distances see race programme or web page.

29 April, Lakes Bikes Age Div races, Wandi.

6 May, Graded Scratch s, Pickering Brook.

13 May – no racing – Mothers Day

20 May, Graded Scratch races, Neerabup. (this is a new course for our organization).

27 May, Rose Preedy Memorial Handicap Herne Hill. 56km (6 laps)

3 June Peel CC – 'Beat the Choo Choo' 24km handicap, Pinjarra-Dwellingup.

#### Vets Camperdown to Warrnambool Handicap

For those interested in riding this classic please note a change of date to Saturday 27 October 2007. For details contact Brian O'Loughlin, VVCC Secretary, phone/Fax 03-87342229; or, Tom Finning, VVCC President, Phone/Fax 03-52770722

#### Race Results

#### 18 February, Criteriums, Wangara

Another good turnout with 74 riders at the start line and the bunches boosted with half-a-dozen new riders. Weather conditions were perfect with hardly a breath of wind and temperatures in the

lower 20s. This certainly made all bunches perky and all grades saw substantial action.

'A' grade witnessed some stirring riding, a serious attack coming after about 35 minutes when the strong quartet of George Miller, Keith Winch, Barry Whiting and Dave Townson opened up a substantial gap but much of the lead was pulled back with two laps to go. At the bell two of the group, George Miller and Keith Winch were about 70metres to the good but a determined effort by a bunch led out by Gary Wright bridged the gap before the final bend. The finish saw a very long sprint up the straight and on this occasion Matt Korten proved his worth when putting a few lengths into the almost unbeatable Paul Brown, Gary Woodland and Bryan Williams. Barry Whiting in finishing fifth did well considering his earlier efforts in the break.

A large field of 26 riders in 'B' grade saw a long train of riders eat up the road at a very fast pace. Bob Addy was particularly active when attacking the bunch up the rise, while later strong efforts were made Jason Rolfe and new rider Ewin Rothery. However, the whole group was caught napping with two to go as Enzo Cadelli pushing a large gear powered up the rise to open up a gap that he was able to hold until the finish. In a very close fight for the minor places, Paul Heyes just got past Bob Addy, Jami Somers, Alan Clark, Geoff Marshal and the rest of the closely packed bunch.

Mystery of the day was 'what happened to Ernst Kreutzer'? After paying his noms he disappeared and wasn't seen again by his 'C' grade compatriots, nor anyone else for that matter. There was some stretching and groaning but all remained in contention until the bell lap, leaving the sprinters another golden opportunity. What looked like a certain win for Doug Macdonald saw him finish a close second to Bill Crout after he appeared to hesitate with 20 metres to go. The in-form Barry Eversden finished a close third just ahead of Allan

Clarke, new rider Kim Robson and Trevor Robson (no relation).

In 'D' grade Tony Speechley again showed his improved form when he blasted away on the final lap to a lead of 100metres that he held to the line. Before this epic, other riders including Colin Bloomfield and Dave Tierney had attempted to break up the field with strong attacks, though all moves were nullified by the attentive bunch. The sprint for the lesser placings was taken by a stronglooking Frank Kettle, but surprise of the day was the third place of Ray Craig freshly returned from his Christmas injury when he fractured his ankle. Des Williams led in the other hopefuls, with Gerry Lawford and Jack Iveson close on his heels.

'A' grade – 50mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Matt Korten; 2. Paul Brown;
- 3. Gary Woodland; 4. Bryan Williams;
- 5. Barry Whiting; 6. Matt Davis;
- 7. Nick Smith; 8. Lee Parker;
- 9. George Miller; 10. Ian McFall;
- 11. Gary Wright: 12. Dave Townson:
- 13. Keith Winch; 14. Lach Vallmerhause.

#### 'B' grade – 45mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Enzo Cadelli; 2. Paul Heyes;
- 3. Bob Addy; 4. Jamie Somers;
- 5. Alan Clark; 6. Geoff Marshall;
- 7. Frans Karel; 8. Steve Marks;
- 9. Jason Rolfe; 10. Nic Crane;
- 11. Clint Bird; 12. Wal Crowley;
- 13. Mike Watson; 14. Gary Boterhoven;
- 15. Mick Russell; 16. Jeff Usher;
- 17. Chris Peniston; 18. Wayne Hawkins;
- 19. Steve Dodd; 20. George Law;
- 21. Derek McVickers; 22. Steve Rouse;
- 23. Atilla Nagy; 24. Richard Fear;
- 25. Frank Norton; 26. Ric k Churchill;
- 27. Eoin Rothery.

#### 'C' grade – 35mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Bill Crout; 2. Doug Macdonald;
- 3.Barry Eversden; 4. Allan Clarke;
- 5. Kim Robson; 6. Trevor Robson;
- 7. Scott Lee; 8. Leo Niewenhauzen;
- 9. John Wighton; 10. Roy Swift;
- 11. Jon Doonen; 12 Paul Crespi;

13. Debbie Burge; 14. Mick Dunne.

'D' grade – 35mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Tony Speechley; 2. Frank Kettle;
- 3. Ray Craig; 4. Des Williams;
- 5. Gerry Lawford; 6. Jack Iveson;
- 7. Lindsay Froyland; 8. Steve Goulds;
- 9. Sheona Clark; 10. Colin Bloomfield;
- 11. Brian Paxman; 12. Denis Robinson;
- 13. Leo Enright; 14. Heather Sanderson;
- 15. Dave Tierney; 16. Alan Taylor.

#### 20 February, WCMMC John Sullivan Memorial Westral Handicap – 6-laps, 1500m

Riding in the 'big boys' Westral on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February, only cms came between Matt Poyner and Champion Peter Dawson in the historic Westral handicap. Three days later Matt was still in scintillating form and in an exciting race that attracted 16 of our WCVCC riders he dominated the race when he jumped away from a good class field to win the event by a good 50 metres. Matt, who said that he had trained especially to take out the event that honours one of our past riders was delighted with the result, saving that he placed more store on the win than on his second place in the WACF Westral.

The long markers looked in a strong position for four out of the six laps but with the shortmarkers pulling out all stops the gap came down steadily and all the field had been absorbed with a lap to go. This was when Matt put in his effort, leaving everyone else lost in his wake. Behind, there was a keen fight to take the lesser placings, Terry Skinner showed excellent form to beat Steph Ratcliffe for second place by three-quarters of a length. In his first ride on the track George Miller did well from the 30m mark to take out fourth. with Franz Karel using his extensive track experience to hold off Dave Townson for fifth place and last of the cash prizes. With the O'Sullivan family in attendance, Brian Taylor and Colin Rossiter gave a run down on John O'Sullivan's history before Matt was presented with his sash and trophy. It had been an excellent race and with 16 riders.

including two of our female members, it was a well-supported event.

1<sup>st</sup> Matt Poyner (scr); 2. Terry Skinner (70m); 3. Steph Ratcliffe (60m); 4. George Miller (30m); 5. Franz Karel (90m); 6. Dave Townson (35m); 7. Darren Millar (20m); 8. Colin Rossiter (105m); 9.Lorraine Schutz (130m); 10. Colin Bloomfield (185m); 11. Heather Sanderson (230m); 12. Allan Carke (125m); 13. Gredg Stoyles (115m); 14. Denis Robinson (195m).

25 February, Graded Criteriums Kewdale Another excellent turnout of 83 riders on this popular circuit on a windy but relatively cool morning. A good days racing but there was one unfortunate fall in 'A' grade in which George Miller, Attila Nagy and Bryan Williams hit the deck, though other than scratches, lost skin, a few bruises and George's ruined helmet there were thankfully no serious injuries. Before this occurred there was plenty of action. At the 10-minute mark Attila and Bryan Williams put in some distance from the rest of the bunch that lasted for about three laps. Following the fall, and about 35 minutes into the race Atilla was off again, this time Paul Brown, Barry Whiting, and Dave Townson and the group pulled steadily away despite some action behind – though this tended to be uncoordinated resulting over the last 15 minutes in most of the chasers giving up any thought of catching the quartet. Paul Brown was in his usual dynamic sprinting form, beating Attila Nagy by some two lengths, with Barry Whiting coming in third a length or so in front of Dave Townson. In his first race with us this season, Fenton Moran led in the chasers, beating Nick Smith, Matt Korten, Ian MacFall and the remainder of the group.

The thirty starters in 'B' grade must have been a record for any of our divisions but some sharp action at the front of the bunch meant there was no mass finish, thus easing the task of the judges. Showing flashes of his form in a previous life, Bob Addy was soon in action in softening up the field but when absorbed at about the 20

minute mark it was time for 'Chopper Marshal, in company with Alan Clark and breakaway king, Enzo Cadelli, to take matters into their own hands. Alan found the pace somewhat hot and retired back into the comfort of the bunch but his breakaway companions kept up a fast pace that the chasers failed to match. At the finish it was Geoff and Enzo, one, two, while Bob Addy again blasted away to take third place. Some 200 metres behind the remaining bunch got into sprint mode with Mick Russell leading them in being a length or two ahead of Gavin Brown, Mike Watson, Rick Churchill, Steve Marks and a long string of riders.

The 20-strong 'C' grade moved at a very respectable pace, some riders hanging grimly at the back of the stretched group for much of the race. Putting in the hard turns appeared to be new members Allan Clarke and Scott Lee who helped to persuade a small number to pack and 'spectate' the finish of the race. This was a keenly fought finish in which Paul Lavery just pipped Pat Tappitt on theline. Old-timer, the canny Doug Macdonald was a close third, with Scott Lee, Bill Crout and Colin Rossiter leading the rest across the line.

'D' grade was, for about the fourth race in a row, caught up in controversy as 'B' grade flashed by in the closing minutes of the race. However, despite protest from one or two regulars, the referee was in no doubt that lone winner Dai Sankey who had been at the head of the field for much of the race, had jumped away from the group and opened up a gap before 'B' grade came by. Dai therefore enjoyed his first ever road race win and will no doubt go back to Wales muttering about whinging Aussies!! Frank Kettle was first of the chasers to cross the line, just ahead of the consistent Gerry Lawford, Denis Robinson and Ray Craig. Heather Sanderson showed her greatly improved form when finishing in contention at 8<sup>th</sup> place.

'A' grade – 50mins plus 2 laps 1. Paul Brown; 2. Attila Nagy;

- 3. Barry Whiting; 4. Dave Townson;
- 5. Fenton Moran; 6. Nic Smith;
- 7. Matt Korten; 8. Ian McFall;
- 9. Dom Bruehwiler; 10. Rob Suter;
- 11. Mike Lawrence; 12. Gary Wright;
- 13. Bryan Williams.

#### 'B' grade – 45mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Geoff Marshall; 2. Enzo Cadelli;
- 3. Bob Addy; 4. Mick Russell;
- 5. Gavin Brown; 6. Mike Watson;
- 7. Rick Churchill; 8. Steve Marks;
- 9. Alan Clark; 10. Jason Rolfe;
- 11. Gary Boterhoven; 12. Ian Logan;
- 13. Steve Rouse; 14. Eoin Rothery;
- 15. George Law;

#### 'C' grade – 40mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Paul Lavery; 6. Pat Trappit;
- 3. Doug Macdonald; 4. Scott Lee;
- 5. Bill Crout; 6. Colin Rossiter;
- 7. Roger Scott; 8. Leon Niewenhauzen;
- 9. Ernie Kreutzer; 10. Allan Clarke;
- 11. Larry Ross; 12. Paul Crespi;
- 13; Trevor Robson; 14. Paul Wighton;
- 15. Jon Doonan; 16. Barry Eversden;
- 17. John Wighton.

#### 'D' grade – 35mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Dai Sankey; 2. Frank Kettle;
- 3. Gerry Lawford; 4. Denis Robinson;
- 5. Ray Craig; 6. Lindsay Froyland;
- 7. Colin Bloomfield:
- 8. Heather Sanderson; 9. Steve Goulds;
- 10. Dave Tierney; 11. Gabor Bronson;
- 12. Brian Paxman; 13. Brian Paxman;
- 14. Alan Taylor; 15. Jack Iveson.

### 4 March, Jim Thompson Memorial Points Score Criteriums, Rockingham

The original race having been abandoned because of the sad death of Jim Campbell, the 83 riders rode a neutralised first lap of the respective races in his memory. Conditions were pleasant as far as temperature was concerned but a very strong wind in the face of riders on the back straight caused a lot of comment from those who braved the front of the field. However, the conditions did little to contain the effort of Hilton McMurdo in 'A' grade, who time-trialled away after the first sprint to take the other four sprints and to end up over 1min 30secs ahead of

the 14-strong bunch. In so doing, Hilton also cleaned up the Jim Thompson trophy awarded to the rider with the greatest points score out of A, B, C & D grades (with adjustment to the latter two grades who contested fewer sprints). 'B' grade also saw a great performance from Steve Marks who managed to take three of the five sprints to beat a determined Geoff Marshall who scored 2<sup>nd</sup> place in three sprints and fourth in another. 'C' Grade saw a strong breakaway after the first sprint some 10 minutes into the race, when Brian Buck, Paul Slocombe, Allan Clarke and Russell Fryer opened up a gap that was never to be closed. Brian Buck proved the victor with 12 points from two first and a third place but was very closely followed by Paul Slocombe and Allan Clarke who both ended up with 11 points- though on the count-back rule Paul was declared the winner of second place. 'D' grade was a closely fought event with a surprise winner in Leanne Hoffman who showed the lads how to sprint when taking out a first and two second places – a surprise because she was listed as a starter in 'E' grade, only to promote herself to 'D' just before the start. Steve Goulds also showed good form when finishing two points behind and one in front of Colin Bloomfield. 'E' grade was contested on a straight out first across the line Criterium and attracted seven starters. Heather Sanderson showed her colours on a couple of occasions when jumping to a lead, while the Peel members were also prominent. The decision coming down to the sprint, Joe Cox showed his old sprinting prowess when beating Tom Atkinson by a couple of lengths while Bob Norton finished a close third.

'A' grade - 50mins - 5 sprints

1. Hilton McMurdo, 20 points. 2. Paul Brown 14 pts; 3. Mark Petterson 10pts; 4. Matt Korten 3 pts; 5. Gary Woodland 3pts; 6. Bryan Williams 2pts; 7. Gary Wright 2pts.

'B' grade – 45mins – 5 sprints

1. Steve Marks 15pts; 2. Geoff Marshall 10pts; 3. Atilla Nagy 7pts; 4. Steve Dodd

6pts; 5. Eoin Rothery 5pts; 6. Steph Ratcliffe 5pts; 7. Marc Hulston 3pts.

'C' grade – 40mins – 4 sprints

1. Brian Buck 12pts; 2. Paul Slocombe
11pts; 3. Allan Clarke 11pts; 4. Russell
Fryer 4pts; 5. Doug Macdonald 3pts; 6.
Paul Lewis 2pts; 7. Bill Crout 1pt.

'D' grade – 35mins – 4 sprints
1. Leanne Hoffman 11pts; 2. Steve Goulds
9pts; 3. Colin Bloomfield 8pts; 4. Jack
Iveson 5pts; 5. Frank Kettle 4pts; 6. Phil
Edwards 3pts; 7. Paul Crespi 3pts.

'E' Grade – 30 minutes plus 1 lap 1. Joe Cox; 2. Tom Atkinson; 3. Bob Norton; 4. Brian Paxman; 5. Heather Sanderson (& 1st lady prize); 6. Alan Taylor.

Overall winner Jim Thompson Memorial trophy – Hilton McMurdo 'A' grade.

11 March, Age Division Criterium Championships, Rockingham

Another pleasant if breezy day that saw 80 riders report for action – would have been 91 if all nominees had turned up – but please note as the prize-money (over \$900) was based on entries than our new Racing Secretary, Trelma Lally, will be chasing you for your \$10. There was some very good racing but so as not to glorify some at the expense of others, for all are worthy champions, only results rather than the usual blow-by-blow account is given. Note that Roger Sutton points are split in mixed

Women

divisions, as listed below.

35-39yrs - Gold, Leanne Hoffman (and  $9^h$  in 55-59yr div.);

<u>45-49yrs</u> – *Gold*, Sheona Clark; *Silver*, Lyn Pettit (and 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> respectively in 55-59yr div.).

 $\underline{55-59 \text{yrs}} - Gold$ , Heather Sanderson (and  $9^{\text{th}}$  in 65-69yr div.).

<u>60-64yrs</u> – *Gold*, Fran Watson (and 11<sup>th</sup> in 70-79 divs).

Males

#### 35-39yrs

Gold – Matt Poyner;

Silver – Matt Korten;

*Bronze* – Doug Stewart.

- 4. Wayne Thomson; 5. Eric Cox;
- 6. Barry Whiting; 7. George Miller;
- 8. Matt Tognini.

#### 40-44yrs

Gold – Paul Brown;

Silver – Darren Miller;

Bronze – Jeff Burt;

- 4. Bryan Williams; 5. Phil Deisel;
- 6. Nic Smith; 7. Darren lee;
- 8. Peter Shanley; 9. Dom Bruehwiler.

#### 45-49yrs

*Gold* – Dave Berglund;

Silver – Alan Clark;

*Bronze* – Gary Collett;

- 4. Jim Gibson; 5. Rob Suter;
- 6. Steve Dodd; 7. Allan Clarke;
- 8. Nick Crane.

#### 50-54yrs

Gold – Dave Townson;

Silver – Gary Woodland;

*Bronze* – Fred Landon:

- 4. Jamie Somers: 5. Mike Lawrence:
- 6. Stuey Stockdale; 7. Wal Crowley;
- 8. Eoin Rothery; 9. Jeff Usher;
- 10. Steve Ware; 11. Bryan Taylor.

#### 55-59yrs

Gold - Atilla Nagy;

Silver – Steph Ratcliffe;

*Bronze* – Mick Russell;

- 4. Paul Wighton; 5. Ian Logan;
- 6. Jeff Leslie.

#### 60-64yrs

Gold – Brian Buck;

Silver – Bob Stephens;

*Bronze* – Martin Moran;

4. Trev Robson: 5. Colin Bloomfield.

#### 65-69yrs

Gold – Bob Addy;

Silver – Doug Macdonald;

Bronze – Derek McVickers;

- 4. Geoff Marshall; 5. Colin Rossiter;
- 6. Doug Willing; 7. Ernst Kreutzer.

70-74yrs

Gold – Larry Ross; Silver – Jack Iveson; Bronze – Vince Preedy; 4. Leo Enright; 5. Denis Robinson; 6. Ken Portman.

#### 75-79vrs

Gold – Joe Cox; Silver – Des Williams; Bronze – Ray Craig; 4. Gerry Lawford; 5. Tom Atkinson; 6. Brian Paxman.

#### 18 March, Criteriums Kewdale

With 50 riders this turned out the smallest field of the season, but understandable, as many of our riders were participating in the charity ride along the Mitchell Freeway. 'B' grade again attracted the largest field with 22 riders, while 'C' grade was 13-strong. Weather conditions were perfect and there was some animated riding. Although only eight in number, 'A' grade saw lots of attacking riding with notable breaks being made in turn by Rob Suter and Paul Brown, though the ultimate attack was made by Gary Wright who opened up a gap at about the 30-minute mark that he continued to the finish. Paul Brown attempted to close the gap in the final lap but left the move too late, was caught back, but still managed to hold off Dave Townson and Pedro Turibaka in the sprint.

'B' grade was in full flight from the word 'go' but as matters settled down Grant Alexander took the initiative and moved into a fast but steady time-trial but was never allowed to move out of sight. Towards the end of the event Geoff Marshall tried to split up the bunch but on the final lap everyone regrouped, thus leaving the pickings ripe for the taking by the sprinters. Sure enough, out of the fray emerged the dashing figure of Mick Russell who confidently held the mob at his heels. Ian McFall bested the rest of the bunch just ahead of President, Wayne Lally, Bob Addy, Geoff Marshall and Steve Rouse. Rick Churchill was also in close contention and in taking seventh place showed a welcome return to form.

There was much early stretching in the peleton in 'C' grade and for some the end came early in the race with tail-enders seeing the light of day between themselves

and the main part of the bunch. An early animator was Leon Nieuwenhuizen who attempted a break some 20 minutes into the race but was absorbed a lap or two later. In a very close finish, it was Bill Crout who proved triumphant when beating Jeff Usher and Roger Scott by half-a-wheel, with Scott Lee and Ernst Kreutzer a metre or two behind.

Sheona Clark showed good form in 'D' driving the bunch from the front. This caused some angst half-way through the race that resulted in a few drop-offs but did little to shake off the sprinters who played a waiting game. In a long sprint from just after the final corner, Colin Bloomfield showed his strength when he crossed the line a couple of lengths ahead of Lindsay Froyland, Ray Craig, Des Williams, Sheona and Brian Paxman.

- 'A' Grade 50mins plus 2 laps
- 1. Gary Wright; 2. Paul Brown;
- 3. Dave Townson; 4. Pedro Turibaka;
- 5. Gary Collett; 6. Rob Suter.
- 'B' grade 45mins plus 2 laps
- 1. Mick Russell; 2. Ian McFall;
- 3. Wayne Lally; 4. Bob Addy;
- 5. Geoff Marshall: 6. Steve Rouse:
- 7. Rick Churchill; 8. Alan Clark;
- 9. Jamie Somers; 10. Peter Shanley;
- 11. Paul Hare; 12. Ken Harvey;
- 13. Grant Alexander; 14. Ian Logan;
- 15. Pat Trappit; 16. Nic Crane;
- 17. Doug Macdonald; 18. Mark Leaker;
- 19. Derek McVickers; 20. Frank Norton;
- 21. Clint Bird.

#### 'C' grade – 40mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Bill Crout; 2. Jeff Usher; 3. Roger Scott;
- 4. Scott Lee; 5. Ernst Kreutzer;
- 6. Trevor Robson; 7. Larry Ross;
- 8. Leon Nieuwenhuizen, 9. Frank Kettle;
- 10. Denis Robinson; 11. Paul Crespi;
- 12. Steve Goulds.

#### 'D' grade – 35mins plus 2 laps

- 1. Colin Bloomfield; 2. Lindsay Froyland;
- 3. Ray Craig; 4. Des Williams;
- 5. Sheona Clark; 6. Brian Paxman;
- 7. Jack Iveson; 8. Alan Taylor.

#### 25 March, Criteriums Wangara

A pleasant though gusty morning that attracted 82 riders to participate in the last Criterium for the 2006/2007 season. Racing in all divisions was intense, including 'A' grade as witnessed by some lung searing laps and a few attempts to stretch out the field. Paul Brown attempted a break and gained 100m at about the 30minute mark but if he hoped this would induce a small chasing group to bridge the gap he was to be disappointed, though when he was absorbed Mark Buytel, Eric Cox, Dave Townson and Bryan Williams jumped away and gradually built up a commanding lead. At the finish Eric Cox gave all to just beat Bryan Williams in the sprint, with Micheal Buytel and Dave Townson a further couple of lengths behind. Paul Brown made sure of the bunch sprint when leading in Pedro Ruribaka, Wayne Thomson and Lee Parker. There were a few DNFs on the final lap, though most probably because they knew the chase was fruitless.

With 29 starters, 'B' grade had one of the largest fields of the season. Early animator was Bob Addy, though he was a marked man and wasn't allowed too much leeway. Grant Alexander held a 200metre lead for about three laps after 30 minutes but was then absorbed, leaving the winning move to a break of three that moved ahead with about four laps to go. On the final lap, Alan Clark lost his legs, leaving Jamie Somers and Peter Shanley to fight out the finish. This went to Jamie Somers, while Mick Russell made sure he was in the money when taking the bunch sprint for third place. Bob Addy and sidekick Geoff Marshall were 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> respectively with an almost blanket finish for Nic Crane, Wal Crowley, Barry Wandless and Pat Tappit. With prizes going down to 9<sup>th</sup> place, the judges were thankful for the camera.

'C' grade saw Paul Wighton take a flyer on the first lap, only to be brought to heel on the 2<sup>nd</sup> circuit, after which the group settled down to a fast but steady pace. First across the line was Bob Stephens, while

regularly placed Allan Clarke, still seeking his first win, finished a close second just ahead of Roger Scott, Doug Macdonald and Kim Robson.

The 'D' graders were also in fine form and from the line a number of riders were seen to try to shake up the group as they hit the rise: Vince Preedy, Sheona Clark and Denis Robinson being among that number. With no competition points at stake it proved a long hard fight to the line with there being no great surprise when Gerry Lawford showed his prowess once again to beat Denis Robinson, Paul Crespi, Ray Craig ands Sheona Clark across the line.

The day ended with an excellent sausage sizzle being run by Steve Bright and presentation of the keenly contested Roger Sutton competition awards that was won by Paul Brown (see below).

- 'A' Grade 50mins plus 2 laps
- 1. Eric Cox; 2. Bryan Williams;
- 3. Micheal Buytel, 4. Dave Townson;
- 5. Paul Brown; 6. Pedro Turibaka;
- 7. Wayne Thomson; 8. Lee Parker;
- 9. Atilla Nagy; 10. Ian O'Brien;
- 11. Nic Smith; 12. Jim Gibson;
- 13. George Miller; 14. Rob Suter;
- 15. Brian Farrelly.
- 'B' grade 45mins plus 2 laps
- 1. Jamie Somers; 2. Peter Shanley;
- 3. Mick Russell; 4. Bob Addy;
- 5. Geoff Marshall; 6. Nick Crane;
- 7. Wal Crowley; 8. Barry Wandless;
- 9. Pat Trappit; 10. Jason Rolfe;
- 11. Roger Shooter; 12. Wayne Hawkins;
- 13. Bill Crout; 14. Jeff Usher;
- 15. Steve Rouse; 16. Ian McFall;
- 17. Gary Boterhoven; 18. Ian Logan;
- 19. Grant Alexander; 20. Richard Fear;
- 21. Steve Dodd: 22. Frank Norton:
- 23. Franz Karel: 24. Clint Bird:
- 25. Alan Clark; 26. Chris Penniston;
- 27. Rick Churchill.
- 'C' grade 40mins plus 2 laps
- 1. Bob Stephens; 2. Allan Clarke;
- 3. Roger Scott; 4. Doug Macdonald;
- 5. Kim Robson; 6. Barry Eversden;
- 7. Roy Swift; 8. Scott Lee;

- 9. Dave Henderson; 10.
- 'D' grade 35mins plus 2 laps
- 1. Gerry Lawford; 2. Denis Robinson;
- 3. Paul Crespi; 4. Ray Craig;
- 5. Sheona Clark; 6. Steve Goulds;
- 7. Brian Paxman; 8. Vince Preedy;
- 9. Des Williams; 10. Dave Tierney;
- 11. Alan Taylor; 12. Jack Iveson.

#### **Roger Sutton Points Competition**

Congratulations to Paul Brown for his resounding victory in the Roger Sutton competition, and congrats also to the other placed riders down to lucky 10<sup>th</sup>. Commiserations to the near misses but remember that on 1 April we start afresh with the Rose Preedy Points Competition for the road season. Also nice to see the prizes distributed through the ranks with A, B, C & D riders being represented.

Rank	Points
1	172
2	149
3	136
4	136
5	134
6	133
7	125
8	122
9	120
10	118
11	117
12	115
13	114
14	112
15	110
16	107
17	105
18	103
19	101
20	100
21	100
22	99
23	97
24	97
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26	93
27	93
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Speechley Tony	30	88	O'Leary, Garth	80	38
Clark Sheona	31	87	Farrow Duncan	81	<u>37</u>
Wighton Paul	32	85	Moke Paul	82	37
Clark Alan	33	84	Davis, Matt	83	36
Goulds, Steve	34	83	Lee Scott	84	36
Sanderson Heather	35	81	Maxwell, Peter	85	36
Dodd Stephen	36	75_	Cox Joe	86	35
Paxman Brian	37	74_	Murdoch Ben	87	35
Tierney, Dave	38	71_	Reed John	88	35
Whiting, Barry	39	71_	Willing Doug	89	35
Cox, Eric	40	70	Calverley, Ian	90	34
Crane, Nick	41	70	Jenkison Bernie	91	32
Rossiter Colin	42	69	Pursell Dave	92	32
Marks, Steve	43	68	Bennett Andrew	93	30
Woodland, Gary	44	68	Buck, Brian	94	30
McFall lan	45	67	Campbell Jim	95	30
McVickers Derek	46	67	Hoffman, Leanne	96	30
Suter Robert	47	66	Trappit, Patrick	97	29
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Rouse, Steven	64	49	Bennett Janet	114	20
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Clarke, Alan	67	46	Cummings, Mark	117	20
Bird Clint	68	45	Ferris, John	118	20
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#### An Act of Kindness

This little note penned by Mick Russell shows that beneath the hard veneer of racing cyclists there can be a soft ticking heart:

#### Tour Down Under 2007

'Not all champions were on the bike, at Sunday's last stage. Two laps to go, it had been raining all day and the parklands around the circuit were soggy, especially

outside the two transportable toilets near the finish. I was standing on the opposite side of the river from where I could see the toilet blocks. I saw a person in a wheelchair being pushed across the grass to the toilet blocks. I also noticed this bloke in bright yellow plastic clogs come from nowhere and help them to get to the steps, where the two of them help lift the man in the wheel chair up the two flight of steps into the toilet block. It looked to be a struggle to get this person into the toilet block. After a few minutes they all reappeared at the door and managed to lift him back down into his wheelchair. With this they both helped to push him back to the pathway when the bloke in the yellow plastic clogs raced off in the opposite direction waving goodbye to the gentleman in the wheelchair and his carer. This unselfish act by this person could have cost him his only chance to see Robbie McEwan win the Tour Down Under Stage'

Mick Russell

#### **Road Programme**

Enclosed you will the road find programme for the 2007 season. Note that the Rose Preedy Points Competition starts with the Time Trial Championships. Points awarded for each age division.

#### **Non-Financial Members**

Please note that this will be the last newsletter sent to non-financial members. Remember that paid-up members are covered by the AVCC insurance. If you do intend to race this year why not join now? Membership gives you insurance cover for training as well as racing.

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