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## Newsletter September 2007

### Farewell – Again!

Seems that Victoria is the new Mecca, as after recently losing Dom & Kerri Bruehwiler to that State, we learn that Rob Suter has shifted to Camperdown because of work reasons. Camperdown just happens to be the start point for the Camperdown to Warrnambool Vets handicap that's always run to finish an hour or so before the Melbourne-Warrnambool classic. We wish Rob all the best and can announce that you can meet up with him again at the AVCC championship in November.

### Fitness Test Results - Invite

Quite a number of our members attended a fitness test at Edith Cowan University a few months ago that was conducted as part of a research project. Jeremiah Peiffer has now completed that research and offers to discuss his findings, which he says provide 'interesting insight into the Masters cyclist'. We've arranged for Jeremiah to speak on his findings at the **Belmont Sports & Recreation Club**, Abernethy Road, Belmont, on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 7.00pm**. All are invited to attend.

### NEW ROAD EVENT

Please note that Peel CC will be running a sponsored handicap event at Byford on

**Sunday 28 October** (details in next newsletter). Enter this on your road programme. Currently the 28<sup>th</sup> is advertised as a training ride. Distance approx. 55km. Prize-money \$2,000.

### Forthcoming Events

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

*16 September – Gr. Scratch, Mt. Helena*  
Presentation and meal at the Mt. Helena Tavern. **9.30am start.**

*23 September – Gr. Scratch, Dog Hill, Baldivis*  
9.00am start.

*Sunday 30 September – AWT 2-day Tour*  
**\* Noms must be in by 23 September**  
*Stage 1: 9.5km T T, Herne Hill, 9.00am*  
*Stage 2: Gr. Scratch, Herne Hill –12.00pm*  
*Monday 1 October*  
*Stage 3: Gr. Scratch Pickering Brook - 10.00am*  
*Stage 4 – Criteriums – Kewdale 1.00pm*

**Sunday 7 October – 'Willing Homes'**  
**WCMCC State Road Age Championships,**  
**Wandi – kindly sponsored by Doug Willing**

Start at corner of Brooks Place/Wandi Drive. Some rescheduling may take place, so get there at least 30 mins before time.

| <u>Dist.</u>          | <u>Age Div</u>         | <u>Start time</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| 72 km                 | 40-44 years (8 laps)   | 9.00              |
| 45 km                 | 65-69 years (5 laps)   | 9.02              |
| 36km                  | 70-74/75 plus (4 laps) | 9.04              |
| 54 km                 | 55-59 years (6 laps)   | 9.06              |
| 72 km                 | 35-39 years (8 laps)   | 9.08              |
| 72 km                 | 45-49 years (8 laps)   | 10.20             |
| 60 km                 | 50-54 years (7 laps)   | 10.35             |
| 54 km                 | 60-64 years (6 laps)   | 10.45             |
| Approx time of finish |                        | 12.20             |

Women will ride with males two divisions above their age group.

### **\$1,300 in prizes & medal**

Note that any divisions with 5 or fewer competitors will ride in a combined bunch but compete for medals in their 5-year age division. Cash prizes allotted to the combined group only.

**Noms must be in by Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September, NO LINE STARTS.**

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*14 October – Peel CC, Stan Fennell – Spring Classic – Mandogolup \* noms in by 7 October.* Start 9.00am

*21 October – ATTA - Grand Prix des gents 28km Time Trial Mundijong*

**\* noms in by 14 October.**

Start 8.00am

### **NATIONAL ROAD/TRACK TITLES**

The AVCC Road & Track Championships will be held in and around Torquay-Geelong in November:

*Time Trial*, Friday 16 Nov. at Paraparap;

*Road Race*; Saturday 17 Nov. Anglesea;

*Track Champs*, Sunday 18 Nov. (Pursuit//TT/Scratch) – **Note:** Road bikes permitted for pursuit & time trials.

*criterium*, Monday 19 Nov. Torquay.

Registration forms available from Denis Robinson or the Secretary.

## **Race Results**

### ***15 July, Gr Scratch, Mt Helena.***

‘Where have all the old folk gone – gone hibernating everyone’ – well almost, as with 41 riders, this was the third week in a row where numbers fell below the half-century. No excuse, it was a glorious day – hardly a breath of breeze, blue skies and a pleasant 20 degrees. Was it that everyone stayed up late to see the first Alpine stage of Le Tour? If so they should have been inspired by the couple of hills that help make Mt Helena such a sporty course. Those who turned up were distributed into the four usual grades, with ‘A’, ‘C’ and ‘D’ each having eight or nine starters and ‘B’ seventeen.

The ‘A’ graders lapped at about 32 minutes for the four laps with some riders seeming to enjoy proceedings while others had grim looks as they climbed past the start line on each lap. George Miller claiming that mid-week sickness had made his legs feel like lead, still proved too strong at the finish when he led in Mike Bytels, Keith Winch and most of the original bunch.

‘B’ grade saw some hard riding with times only about two-minutes slower than the premier grade. This was shown by the early dropping of Paul Slocombe, Paul Hare and Derek McVickers – all who can normally be expected to feature in the main finishing group. At the bell all the remainder were in a compact group but picking up the speed on the final lap there were only 11 out of the 17 starters in at the kill. The up hill finish suited Peter Shanley who finished a wheel or so in front of Wayne Lally and Mark Sprod, with Eoin Rothery, Ian Lyne and Alan Clark filling the rest of the first 6 placings. Both Mandie Collis and Katie Watson were active throughout the race and proved their worth when finishing in the bunch in 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> places respectively.

‘C’ grade looked comfortable on their first lap, though John Wighton again suffered bad luck for the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in a row with a puncture, and though finishing, spent most of the race on his own. Greg Mumme was

strongest in the sprint and put a couple of lengths between himself and second placed Graeme Benthien, while Trevor Robson kept up his consistent place-getting when just beating Mark Burke to the line.

'D' grade contained two 'greenskins', Ian Lee and Andrew Maubay, who had never ridden in a bunch before. Both said they'd enjoyed the experience and would be back for more. In a five-up dash to the line it was Ian Lee who took the honours when beating Paul Crespi by a couple of metres while a triumphant Sheona Clark was rewarded for her hard work with a well-deserved third place.

*A Grade 80km (4 laps)*

1. George Miller; 2. Mike Bytels;  
3. Keith Winch; 4. Gary Wright;  
5. Dom Bruehwiler; 6. Mike Bonner;  
7. Gary Collett; 8. Steve Marks.  
Average 32m per lap.

*B Grade 60km (3 laps)*

1. Peter Shanley; 2. Wayne Lally;  
3. Mark Sprod; 4. Eoin Rothery;  
5. Ian Lyne; 6. Alan Clark; 7. Ken Harvey;  
8. Frans Buissink; 9. Mandy Collis;  
10. Geoff Marshall; 11. Jeff Usher;  
12. Katie Watson; 13. Oma de Pellegrin;  
14. Peter Fitzsimmons;  
15. Derek McVickers; 16. Paul Slocombe;  
17. Paul Hare. Average 34mins per lap.

*C Grade, 40km (2 laps)*

1. Greg Mumme; 2. Graeme Benthien;  
3. Trevor Robson; 4. Marke Burke;  
5. Len Hall; 6. Denis Robinson;  
7. Dave Brown; 8. John Wighton;  
Average 37mins per lap.

*D Grade, 40km (2 laps)*

1. Ian Lee; 2. Paul Crespi;  
3. Sheona Clark; 4. Andrew Maubay;  
5. Dave Tierney; 6. Dave Nangle;  
7. Alan Taylor; 8. Jack Iveson.  
Average 40mins per lap.

**22 July, Fleet Cycles 52km Handicap, York**

This was undoubtedly the hardest race of the year. Speeds of 55km per hour were recorded on the first leg of the race from

York to Beverley but a sharp left, a few hills and a gale in the face on the return leg played havoc. Revelation of the day was Gretta Lee off on limit, who held off the field for much of the race, picking up the first prime of the day and surviving to finish 8<sup>th</sup> of the 36 starters. Steph Ratcliffe on the 3m 30s mark took the 2<sup>nd</sup> prime a couple of kilometres before the finish. Previously, his group, now combined with the two-minute bunch, looked as if they had the race sewn up. That was until scratchman George Miller rode away from his compatriots to catch them with about six kilometres to go. In the seven-up sprint into the headwind George proved too strong and came across the line a couple of lengths ahead of Gary Collett, Keith Winch, Steph Ratcliffe, the resurrected Peter Fitzsimmons who returned to the ranks after a few years absence, and Phil Deisel alongside Ed Campbell. The remainder of the field trickled in having been battered and buffeted by head and cross winds but all voted it an excellent event! Merv Byfield representing the sponsor Fleet Cycles, handed out the generous prizes at the presentation held in the Castle Hotel. Among the awards were three new jerseys, raising the hope that George Miller would abandon his tattered jersey and appear resplendent in Fleet Cycles colours. With 15 place prizes, 1<sup>st</sup> and second fastest; fastest lady and two prime prizes – the latter donated by Alan and Sheona Clark - there were lots of smiling faces.

*Results:*

1. George Miller (Scr);  
2. Gary Collett (2mins);  
3. Keith Winch (2m);  
4. Steph Ratcliffe (3m 30s);  
5. Peter Fitzsimmons (7m 30s);  
6. Phil Deisel (2m);  
7. Ed Campbell (7m 30s);  
8. Gretta Lee (28m);  
9. Bill Crout (11m 30s);  
10. Dave Brown (17m);  
11. Scott Lee (11m 30s);  
12. Terry Skinner (3m 30s);  
13. Paul Slocombe (7m 30s);  
14. Chris Hunt (9m 30s);

15. Derek McVickers (9m 30s);
16. Jeff Usher (9m 30s);
17. Len Hall (11m 30s);
18. Brian Williams (Scr);
19. Dave Tierney (22m);
20. Katie Watson (7m 30s);
21. Ken Harvey (3m 30s); 22. Matt Tognini (Scr);
23. Ian Lyne (5m 30s); 24. John Wighton (11m 30s);
25. Matt Poyner (Scr); 26. Ernst Kreutzer (17m);
27. Alan Taylor (28m); 28. Alan Clark (3m 30s);
29. Dave Nangle (22m); 30. Sheona Clark (17m);
31. Denis Robinson (17m); 32. Mick Russell (5m 30s);
33. Wayne Lally (5m 30s); 34. Steve Richards (9m 30s);
35. Ruth Haslam (22m).

*Fastest Time* – George Miller 1h 28m 10s.

*2<sup>nd</sup> fastest* – Gary Collett st;

*Fastest lady* – Gretta Lee;

*Primes* – Gretta Lee and Steph Ratcliffe.

### **29 July, Gr. Scratch, Neerabup**

Thirty-nine brave souls turned out on a showery morn to try out the Neerabup circuit. The dearth of numbers saw C & D grades combine into one group, while a fair-sized 'A' grade of 14 riders was whittled down to 11 when Matt Kortzen, Matt Togninini and Keith Winch all punctured. Taking about 13 minutes a lap most of the action seemed to take place in the early part of the race when Gary Collett, Keith Winch and Wayne Thompson pulled away to open a gap of about a-quarter of a minute. This they held over two laps before a bit of effort by the chasers brought them back to the fold. This gave Russell Fulton the chance to try a solo but with two laps to go the whole field was together again. The procession moved at picnic speed for the last two laps, with everyone deciding to leave the verdict to a sprint. Over the rise about 300metres from the line appeared the familiar bouncing figure of George Miller, still resplendent in his tattered green and grey skinsuit, only to be passed with apparent ease by a triumphant Doug Stewart with 40metres to go. Wayne Thompson was a close third, followed by Andrew Brierley, Russell Fulton and the rest of the field.

'B' grade saw a break towards the end of lap three that resulted in Ed Campbell, Phil Johnston and Mark Sprod crossing the start line with a 30-second lead on the rest of the 16-strong bunch. In the next lap they had stretched this to over a minute and with two to go they managed to more than double the gap. Steph Ratcliffe made a valiant attempt to bridge the gap but either the bunch behind woke up or he decided he preferred the company, for he was absorbed, only to break away to chase the now slowing trio on the final lap. However, he left it too late and finished 10 seconds behind as Ed Campbell sprinted hard to outdistance Phil Johnston and Mark Sprod at the finishing line. Laurence Wynne and Frank Norton led in the rest of the field. Mick Russell retired with 'wet legs' early in the race while Derek McVickers suffering from the same syndrome stuck gamely to a lonely ride until on lap to go.

'C' grade started with three 'D' graders, Paul Crespi, Greta Lee and Brian Kennedy and at the end of the first lap the three were riding their own private battle that ended when Paul Crespi took the honours over Gretta and Brian. Meanwhile in the main arena some hard riding by Bill Crout, Mark Burke, Dave Brown, Scott Lee and Chris Hunt saw the rest of the field break up, leaving the five to fight for the cash prizes and to finish in that order.

*'A' Grade, 67.5km (9 laps)*

1. Doug Stewart; 2. George Miller (Scr);
3. Wayne Thompson; 4. Andrew Brierley;
5. Russell Fulton; 6. Roger Shooter;
7. Lee Parker; 8. Gary Collett;
9. Rob Suter.

Average per lap: 12m 40s

*'B' Grade, 60km (8 laps)*

1. Ed. Campbell; 2. Phil Johnson;
3. Mark Sprod; 4. Steph Ratcliffe;
5. Laurence Wynne; 6. Frank Norton;
7. Graham Blyth; 8. Barry Wanless;
9. Dave Equid; 10. Ian McFall;
11. Jason Rolfe; 12. Katie Watson;
13. Wayne Lally; 14. Ian Lyne;
15. Jeff Usher.

Average per lap: 13m 0s

*'C' Grade, 52.5km (7 laps)*

1. Bill Crout; 2. Mark Burke;
3. Dave Brown; 4. Scott Lee;
5. Chris Hunt; 6. Denis Robinson;
7. Bruce Rhind; 8. Ernst Kreutzer;
9. Paul Crespi; 10. Gretta Lee;
11. Brian Kennedy.

Average per lap: ??

### **5 August, Lakes Bikes Age Div., Wandí**

The third of the Lakes Bikes promotions saw a glorious morning that welcomed 47 riders with bright sunshine and a slight following wind on the home straight. The young lads in the 35-44 year division started with a lap of 13m 30s but as the judge's watch stopped on lap two then we'll never know what pace Matt Tognini was achieving when he opened up a slight gap on lap two. There were a number of attacks, but no one succeeded in making a great impression on the bunch until Matt finished off where he had started with a few seconds lead that he held to the line. 'Killer' George and Doug Stewart fought hard to ascertain dominance and for the second week in a row it was Doug who proved supreme when he crossed the line a length to the good for second place. Ed Campbell performed well in august company to finish a close fourth and to take up the last of the cash prizes for the division.

Largest group of the day was the 45-54 year division that started with 15 riders. Most of the field stayed together and appeared to move at about the same speed as their erstwhile compatriots in the younger age division,

The fireworks started just before the bell when a group of four opened up a gap that no-one was able to close. However, at the flag there were only three to contest, as the fourth member, Keith Winch, had the misfortune to puncture with about half-a-lap to go and subsequently had to be content with 11<sup>th</sup> place. Gary Wright was in fine sprinting form and finished a couple of lengths ahead of Gary Collett and Wal Crowley. Laurence Wynne comfortably took the bunch sprint for fourth place just

ahead of Ken Harvey, Frank Norton and remainder of the bunch.

The 55-64 year group turned out to be a promenade as Steph Ratcliffe decided to blastoff from the gun. There seemed little concerted effort to bring him back with the result that he finished some nine-minutes ahead of the rest of the field. Dave Brown was able to bring in the bunch with Mick Russell and Gary Boterhoven close to his wheel.

The eleven 'old' folk in the 65 years plus division were in good form and until 2 laps to go stayed largely together. However, at that juncture Derek McVickers and Bill Crout were anxious to shine and so put down their heads to tandem to the finish. Derek McVickers proved master of the sprint and Bill finished a few lengths behind. Denis Cosgrove sprinted well to bring the remnants to the line, where he finished just ahead of Larry Ross for third place.

*35-44 years, 68km (8 laps)*

1. Matt Tognini; 2. Doug Stewart;
3. George Miller; 4. Ed Campbell;
5. Peter Shanley; 6. Dom Bruehwiler;
7. Omar Pellegrin; 8. Jason Rolfe;
9. Mark Cummings; 10. John Van Vliet.

*45-54 years, 68km (8 laps)*

1. Gary Wright; 2. Gary Collett;
3. Wal Crowley; 4. Laurence Wynne;
5. Ken Harvey; 6. Frank Norton;
7. Dave Equid; 8. Katie Watson;
9. Ian McFall; 10. Allan Clarke;
11. Keith Winch; 12. John Wighton.

*55-64 years, 59km (7 laps)*

1. Steph Ratcliffe; 2. Dave Brown;
3. Mick Russell; 4. Gary Boterhoven;
5. Bob Stephens; 6. Dave Walker;
7. Trevor Robson; 8. Sheona Clarke.

*65 years plus, 60km (7 laps)*

1. Derek McVickers; 2. Bill Crout;
3. Denis Cogrove; 4. Larry Ross;
5. Denis Robinson; 6. Derek Mayall;
7. Brian Kennedy; 8. Jack Iveson;
9. Alan Taylor.

**12 August, Gr. Scratch, Chidlow 'B'**

Another glorious day but also another disappointing turnout of 37 riders, the number being without doubt adversely affected by the WACF championships being held at Rolystone. This saw only six riders in 'A', although this didn't seem to slow down the proceedings, with the 17km laps being covered in 30minutes, except for the last where 'jockeying' saw a slow down of about three minutes. After 5 hilly and hard laps the race came down to a well-contested uphill sprint that saw Gary Collett kick over the line a length ahead of Keith Winch, Nick Foster and Dom Bruehwiler, while Brian Farrelly sat up to coast in some 20 metres down.

'B' grade also kept up a hot pace, which saw the early demise of Alan Clark who suffered after having raced the previous day with Peel CC. Nic Crane also retired, as did Ed Campbell who had mechanical trouble, This left 11 riders with three laps to go, and when Allan Clarke who was still recovering from injury was burned off, then there were ten. The uphill finish suited Irish import, Wal Crowley, who held off Frank Buissink by half-a-length, which was also the distance that separated Frank from Peter Shanley. Ian McFall was close behind for fourth place, with the rest of the survivors close to his wheel.

There were also a few 'abandons' and dropped riders in 'C' grade, and perhaps little wonder, as their first lap was 15-seconds faster than 'B'. The bell lap saw five riders with a commanding lead but Scott Lee wasn't content to sit there for the sprint and blasted away on the final hill on Needham Road and consolidated his lead to cross the line with a 40 second lead. Mark Burke sprinted strongly to take the second place just ahead of Trevor Robson, Derek McVickers and Chris Hunt.

'D' grade also saw a 'sorting' as the hills and distance took effect. On the bell lap Denis Cosgrove, who was riding his first race after being on the injuries lists, and Sheona Clark had opened up a long lead, while the rest of the field came in one at a time. Denis Cosgrove proved the stronger in the run to the line to finish some 40

metres ahead of Sheona. Mystery of the race is what happened to Jack Iveson? He completed the first lap but when he failed to appear for a second time everyone assumed that he'd turned right after the finish to get back to his car. About 90 minutes later, as the last of the mob was leaving the Chidlow Tavern after the presentations, Jack appeared in person, still in his racing clothes and wearing his number. As he explained, he had made a 'premature' left on Needham Road and reached a dead end. Not only that but he had then got lost in the bush, had waded through a stream and had finally got back onto the course. Jack was given 6<sup>th</sup> place in abstentia!

*A grade, 88km (5 laps)*

1. Gary Collett; 2. Keith Winch;
3. Nick Foster; 4. Dom Bruehwiler;
5. Brian Farrelly.

Average 31 minutes per lap.

*B grade, 71km (4 laps)*

1. Wal Crowley; 2. Frank Buissink;
3. Peter Shanley; 4. Ian McFall;
5. Jason Rolf; 6. Matthew Wilding;
7. Frank Norton; 8. Dave Equid;
9. Graham Blythe; 10. Ken Harvey;
11. Allan Clarke.

Average 32m 30s per lap.

*C grade, 54km, (3 laps)*

1. Scott Lee; 2. Mark Burke;
3. Trevor Robson; 4. Derek McVickers;
5. Chris Hunt; 6. Derek Mayall;
7. Bruce Rhind; 8. John Dooner.

Average 33m 20s per lap.

*D grade, 54km, (3 laps)*

1. Denis Cosgrove; 2. Sheona Clark;
3. Rod Babel; 4. Colin Bloomfield;
5. Paul Crespi; 6. Jack Iveson.

Average 38m 20s per lap.

***19 August – Collie-Lowden handicap***

Reports from the scene of action say that it was a successful event. There were 37 starters, and a dozen or so riders who didn't turn up, but despite that there was lots of action. Katie Watson rode well to be first to the Lowden turn and to hold on to her lead to beyond Mumbullup hill where she took the prime prize and the

Toddy Bonser trophy. There was some heavy rain soon after the start but all had dried out by the finish. Unlucky man of the day was Ed Campbell who experienced wheel problems for about the third week in a row, and had to pull out when sitting comfortably in the group that went on to win. Roger Shooter proved the sharpest in the four-up sprint for the line, while George Miller once more took fastest time from scratch.

### *Results*

1. Roger Shooter (4m);
2. Wal Crowley (6m)
3. Jason Rolfe (6m)
4. Nick Foster (4m);
5. Katie Watson (20m)
6. Steph Ratcliffe (6m)
7. Steve Ware (8m)
8. George Miller (Scr)
9. Gary Collett (2m);
10. Gary Woodlands (Scr)
11. Eric Cox (Scr); 12. Alan Clark (8m);
13. Scott Lee (14m); 14. Dave Walker (20m); 15. Steve Dodd (14m); 16. Frank Norton (8m); 17. Graham Bythe (10m30s);
18. Peter Fitzsimmons (10m30s); 19. Sheona Clark (25m); 20. Ken Harvey (8m).
21. Derek McVickers (14m); 22. Nick Crane (10m30s); 23. Phil Diesel (4m); 24. Ian McFall (6m); 25. Derek Mayall (20m); 26. Keith Winch (4m); 27. Joe Cox (25m); 28. Brian Kennedy (32m); 29. Ian Logan (14m); 30. Fran Watson (32m); 31. Jack Iveson (32m); 32. Denis Robinson (25m); 33. Ruth Haslam (32m); 34. Colin Rossiter (20m).

1st back to Mumbullup, 1st to the top of Lyell's Hill and 1<sup>st</sup> lady – Katie Watson.

Oldest rider to finish - Joe Cox.

Fastest time: George Miller (Scr).

### **26 August, Peel CC, 76km Classic Handicap, Casuarina**

The gods again kept their benevolent eye on the proceedings and following a wild and wet night not a drop of rain fell on the 32 starters in this hard fought event. Handicapper, Mark Keyser had to make last minute adjustments because 18 riders failed to turn up but his judgement still proved excellent with the event not being

decided until the last few kilometres. Battling the hardest conditions of the year, it was a day made for scratch, though they failed to make any impression upon block until the final 15km lap when they managed to bring back about one second a kilometre which ensured them fastest time. Long-markers Brian Kennedy and Jack Iveson at 35mins rode steadily and were only caught by the 26-minute group with just over a lap to go. Meanwhile the likely-looking winners were in the 8-minute group, with Steph Ratcliffe, Steve Ware and Ed. Campbell having absorbed the rest of the field by the 45km mark and still commanding a 3-minute lead over block who in turn were lapping some 5 seconds faster than scratch. However, distance and hard turns from block saw them move into the finishing straight in a commanding position, while, as previously mentioned, scratch rode hard and furious to finish about 50 seconds behind the winner. Five riders contested the winning sprint, laurels going to Wayne Thompson who held off Steve Berglund, Steph Ratcliffe, Mark Roberts and brand new member Dean Gatherole who took out 5<sup>th</sup> place. The result was *déjà vu* for Steve who also took second place in 2006. George Miller and Doug Stewart fought hard for 6<sup>th</sup> and fastest, with George taking the honours, and again promising to look into buying a new skin-suit with the proceeds to replace his now legendary tattered outfit. First lady prize went to Katie Watson who rode well in the 12-minute group to take 10<sup>th</sup> place. There were 22 finishers and all deserved a guernsey under the conditions of the day. Special applause went to Gary Wright who found it wasn't his day but who stoically kept on to ride solo for most of the race

### *Results 75km (5 laps)*

- 1; Wayne Thompson (1m30s);
2. Dave Berglund (1m30s);
3. Steph Ratcliffe (8m);
4. Mark Roberts (1m30s);
5. Dean Gatherole (1m30s);
6. George Miller (Scr);
7. Doug Stewart (Scr);
8. Gary Collett (Scr);
9. Eric Cox (Scr);
10. Katie Watson (12m);

11. Peter Fitzsimmons (12m);
12. Steve Ware (8m);
13. Ed Campbell (8m);
14. Steve Dodd (12m);
15. Roger Le Tessier (20m);
16. Derek McVickers (12m);
17. Chris Hunt (12m);
18. Joe Cox (26m);
19. Jack Iveson (35m);
20. Brian Kennedy (35m);
21. Dave Equid (8m);
22. Gary Wright (Scr).

*Fastest Time:* George Miller 1h. 54m 50s;

*Prize for 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest* – Doug Stewart;

*First lady* – Katie Watson.

### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to our seven riders who recently performed well at the World Championships held at St Johann, Austria. Bob Addy, Wayne Lally, Fred Landon, Geoff Marshall, Hilton McMurdo, Atilla Nagy and Mark Petterson all participated along with more than 4,000 riders from around the world.

Racing was keenly contested in all age groups, the 80-year plus included. Fields generally had 100 riders, though one of the divisions saw over 200 participants. A long hill at the start of each lap and the zig-zag final km to the finish made for great racing.

Experience and fitness as well as good luck was necessary. Our group of talented riders was disappointed in not being able to achieve podium status but this was for various reasons that will no doubt be mulled over at length! However, some very large cups, designating high finishes were present on the aircraft for the journey home!

Good effort, boys!

*Wayne Lally.*

### **Death Notice**

We are sorry to announce the death of Terry Allen of the Melville-Fremantle CC. Terry will be known to many of our members for his cycling activities that involved administrative work both with his club and the WACF. Terry was always accommodating when it came to our

organisation and also rode years ago as a Vet, when he put in some good performances on the road. Before immigrating to Australia in the late 1960s Terry rode for many years in England. He recently visited Britain and it was whilst there that he learned he had cancer. Despite treatment, it was too advanced and he died at 2.00am on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> September. He will be missed by everyone in the cycling fraternity. Our condolences to Barbara, Stephanie, Chris, Leanne and family.

### **Heart-Start Machine**

We are pleased to announce that after receiving a very generous donation from Bryan and Annabelle Taylor, we have now raised the money necessary to purchase the machine. However, don't all rush to try it out, for while it might prove a lifesaver, we'd much rather it lay unused in its box!

### **National Ride to Work Day**

To help promote cycling advocacy why not sign up for the National Ride to Work Day that takes place on **Wednesday 17 October 2007**? Register to promote cycling and also have the chance of winning a couple of Trek machines. For details get onto the web at: <http://www.ride2work.com.au>

### **Bring & Buy**

Want to upgrade your equipment with the best that money can buy? Watch this place for an announcement of future date and venue.

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