



Newsletter – MAY 2009

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Forthcoming Events

All events **start at 9.00am** unless otherwise advertised. Line noms, otherwise contact Handicapper, *Alan Clark* 93592747 <arsiclark@bigpond.com>, or, Racing Secretary, *Trelma Lally* 93302643 <waynelally@optusnet.com.au>

17 May – Graded Scratch Races, Pickering Brook.

A 75km (10L), B 68km (9L), C 60km (8 L), D 52km (7 L)

24 May – Graded Scratch Races, Dog Hill, Baldvis

A 74km (7L), B 74km (7L), C 64km (6 L), D 53km (5 L)

31 May – Graded Scratch Races, Chidlow ‘A’ circuit - 9.30am start

A 77km (7L), B 66km (6L), C 55km (5 L), D 44km (4 L)

Note – this is one of the circuits that will be used for the national championships in November. Enjoy the ambience of the hills and stay after the presentations for a meal at the Chidlow Tavern.

7 June – Graded Scratch Races – Herne Hill

A 75km (8L), B 66km (7L), C 56km (6 L), D 56km (6 L)

Note: ‘A’ and ‘B’ grades will continue along Campersic Road on the final lap to finish at the top of the hill at Brigadoon.

14 June – Graded Scratch Races, Wandii.

A 76km (9L), B 67km (8L), C 60km (7 L), D 52km (6 L)

21 June – Graded Scratch Races, Pickering Brook

A 75km (10L), B 68km (9L), C 60km (8 L), D 52km (7 L)

PRIZE-MONEY

We were taken by surprise by the large turnouts at recent races and paid out the same money as we have for the past few years when fields were much smaller. It’s always been our policy to pay back nomination money in the form of prizes and payments for marshals, and with that in mind we will in future change the format for prizes if warranted by large numbers. In such cases, prizes will now be related to the number of riders in a group, with larger prizes being paid to the top of the field. To prevent hold-ups at the presentation and to overcome the difficulties of pinpointing the placings immediately after a race, only up to six places will be paid in scratch races.

Handicap Nominations

At the Rose Preedy handicap a number of riders were accepted who were not on the printed programme. Allowance was made because they had nominated by e-mails sent to officials who were unfortunately absent when the nominations closed.

Please note that in future where noms are called for in advance, **late noms will not be accepted** and its no point turning up on the line and saying 'I forgot to nominate'. Absences and blow-ins upset the handicaps and thus spoil the chances of other participants, so please abide by the instructions.

If you can't turn up then please ring the racing secretary or handicapper to say you can't do so. If you don't then you still have to pay the nomination money (prizes are pre-allocated according to the entries). If you don't have a satisfactory reason for failing to turn up (eg, if you don't turn up because you couldn't be bothered, or thought it too wet or cold, or, have taken the option of one member who recently entered a WACF event and our own and decided to ride the former) then you may be told that we won't accept your nomination for the next handicap race. Be considerate and courteous to your officials and fellow competitors by doing the right thing!

RACE RESULTS

29 March, Kewdale Criteriums

With no points at stake and the promise of greasy sausages after the race at the Roger Sutton presentations, there was a relaxed atmosphere among the 67 starters at the last Criterium of the season – a good field considering the number of competing events on the day. The promised sunshine and pleasant 27 degrees turned out to be a cool and windy occasion, something that caused a lot of agony as riders fought to avoid the front of the bunch on the ride up the finishing straight. However, 'A' graders seem to thrive in these conditions and the 21 starters gave a lot of stick. John Van Vliet started the trouble when he blasted off the front to hold a 50m lead for about three laps some 10mins into the race. Steve Carlton bridged the gap but the two escapees were brought back. Nick Foster was another who chanced his luck at the halfway mark and this was followed by another attack by John Van Vliet and Andrew Brierley. Sensing the time to go was when these two frisky colts were

brought back, a group of six rode off the front to work together, never to be caught. On the last lap Sam Smith made a strong bid into the wind from the final corner to take the premier award from a determined Gary Wright who had ridden hard but sensibly during the race. Paul Foxwell was a length or so behind Gary while 'trackkie' Frans Buissink finished 4th to lead in the other two escapees Ian Lyne and Nic Foster. Andrew Brierley who had tried to bridge the gap to the break finished alone in 7th place, with the rest of the bunch finishing in small groups.

'B' grade followed a different pattern and although there were some valiant attempts to break away none were successful, although Atilla Nagy and Ken Harvey did open up a small gap some 25mins into the race and were prominent among those hitting the front throughout the race. However, just reward came their way as both finished in the money prizes. Paul Gray rode to glory with a strong sprint that saw Atilla finish a couple of lengths behind, while Peter Shanley and Rick Churchill filled 3rd and 4th places. With riders finishing close and taking up the whole road it took the camera to sort out the rest of the placings and this showed that Mark Paget had just aced out Ken Harvey by a whisker on the line. Both Andrew Duff and Steve Lack suffered punctures and DNFd.

'C' grade stayed together for most of the race and there being a hard leg into the wind there were few who were tempted to have a go. That is until the final lap when Russell Fryer took a flyer (the poet in me!) to open up a 30-metre gap that he held until the final bend. With the hounds in pursuit it looked as if he would be caught but he managed to hang on to finish some 15 metres ahead of the chasing bunch. All the sprinters were there and there were no great surprises as Brett Clapham kept up his recent form to finish in 2nd place just ahead of Ray Clancey, Bob Stephens, Nick Cunningham, Doug Macdonald and new member John Lambert who finished seventh.

The 'D' graders seemed to struggle under the windy conditions and it was painful to see their agonised faces as they rode past the finish line on each lap. To give due, the bunch was only seven-strong to start, so there was little shelter and no one was prepared to sacrifice for the common good! It was thus a waiting game that only ended when it came to sprint time at the close of the scheduled 30-minutes and two laps. Bill Crout showed that training in the hills gives strength to tired limbs when he led in the field by a few lengths. The consistent Bill Stibbs was 2nd while Graeme Benthien put a length between himself and Pat Briggs.

'E' grade seemed more active than 'D' which caused the handicapper to think that perhaps he should have combined the groups. There was plenty of jockeying around the circuit but as with most of the crits, the last race of the season was decided in the final 300 metres. This saw our oldest Kiwi and indeed oldest rider, Ray Craig, charge up the straight alongside Colin Bloomfield, Brian Kennedy and Lindsay Froyland. Only in the final 20-metres was the verdict decided when Ray kicked for home to beat Colin by a bike length. Helen Peniston did well to hang on to the bunch and must have been pleased with her improvement during the last couple of races.

'A' grade, 45mins plus 2 laps

1. Sam Smith; 2. Gary Wright;
3. Paul Foxwell; 4. Frans Buissink;
5. Ian Lyne; 6. Nic Foster;
7. Andrew Brierley; 8. Gavin Wark;
9. Lee Parker; 10. Steve Carlton;
11. Garth O'Leary; 12. Gary Collett;
13. Keith Winch; 14. Geoff Marshall;
15. Phil Johnston; 16. Ian McFall;
17. Darren Hawley.

'B' grade, 45mins plus 2 laps

1. Paul Gray; 2. Attila Nagy;
3. Peter Shanley; 4. Rick Churchill;
5. Mark Paget; 6. Ken Harvey;
7. Ian Turner; 8. Bruce McLennan;
9. Bruce Hunt; 10. Bob Addy;
11. George Law; 12. Steve Dodd;

13. Mick Russell; 14. Matt Soliacus;
15. Chris Peniston; 16. Kelly Gray;
17. Omar de Pellegrin.

'C' grade 35min, 2 laps

1. Russell Fryer; 2. Brett Clapham;
3. Ray Clancey; 4. Bob Stephens;
5. Nick Cunnington; 6. Doug Macdonald;
7. John Lambert; 8. Graham Blyth;
9. Bevan Buirchall; 10. Derek McVickers;
11. Paul Wighton; 12. Adam Scott;
13. Trevor Phelps; 14. Peter Maxwell;
15. Mark Burke; 16. Trevor Robson;
17. Tony Bourne; 18. Ken Graffin;
19. David Dyson; 20. Chris McCabe;
21. Alison Dyson.

'D' grade 30 mins plus 2 laps

1. Bill Crout; 2. Bill Stibbs;
3. Graeme Benthien; 4. Pat Briggs;
5. Barry Eversden; 6. Derek Mayall;
7. Terry Lack.

'E' grade, 25mins plus 2 laps

1. Ray Craig; 2. Colin Bloomfield;
3. Brian Kennedy; 4. Lindsay Froyland;
5. Jack Iveson; 6. Denis Robinson;
7. Leo Enright; 8. Alan Taylor;
9. Helen Pensiston.

5 April – 25km Time Trial; Championships, Herne Hill

In what turned out to be a hard and blustery day, the laurels went to the oldies – and if there are any questions about the merit of age standards they were answered on the day by the recorded times of the age group winners who were faster than most in the field. Michael Guerin at 76 years of age was one of the few to go under 40 minutes in 39m 34 secs, while 77 year old Joe Cox was only just over that mark. World TT Champion Lorraine Schutz recording a time of 39m 05 took third on age standard for the bronze medal (though the Secretary forgot that the medals were in his pocket during the presentation!!).

Fastest ride was by a surprised Cameron Berg whose 34m 03secs was a great ride under the conditions – surprised because he said that he had never before beaten 2nd place Dave Berglund, whom he had backed to take the fastest time. Pedro

Turibaka also performed well to finish some 48 seconds behind Dave for 3rd place.

For those who are wondering, the age standards are based on the actual age on the day of the event, while the age division placings (for Rose Preedy points) are based on the age that you reach at any time this year.

Name	Time	Std Time	Age Grp	
B. Paxman	49m37	(+) 4m30	75-79	3
J. Cox	40m34	(+)12m20		2nd
M. Guerin	39m34	(+)12m34		1st
D. Mayall	44m39	(+) 7m27	70-74	2nd
K. Portman	46m03	(+) 5m39		3rd
D. Robinson	43m39	(+) 7m40		1st
T. Lack	DNF			
D. McVickers	42m01	(+) 7m46	65-69	2nd
D.Nangle	47m02	(+) 2m 00		4th
G.Marshall	39m55	(+) 8m47		1st
A. Taylor	51m31	(-) 1m44		5th
B. Hunt	43m35	(+) 5m04		3rd
H. Watkins(F)	49m00	(+) 5m31		1st
T. Skinner	39m33	(+) 8m23	60-64	1st
T. Robson	41m46	(+) 5m48		3rd
S. Ratcliffe	39m12	(+) 8m01		2nd
R.Tinniswood	42m09	(+) 4m21	55-59	2nd
P. Wighton	43m07	(+) 2m41		3rd
D. Cass	48m36	(-) 3m08		4th
M. Burke	40m29	(+) 4m38		1st
L. Schutz (F)	39m05	(+)11m28s		1st
F. Landon	36m25	(+) 8m21	50-54	1st
J. Usher	41m54	(+) 2m32		3rd
D. Equid	40m42	(+) 2m24		2nd
F. Norton	38m25	(+) 4m41	45-49	4
G. Wright	38m39	(+) 4m07		5th
G. Perry	36m22	(+) 6m24		1st
G. Collett	38m49	(+) 3m57		6th
W. Hartas	44m01	(-) 1m34		9th
I. Turner	40m00	(+) 2m27		7th
B. Bussey	46m39	(-) 4m12		11th
S. Chester	37m41	(+) 4m08		2nd
D. Dyson	46m29	(-) 4m40		10th
A. Scott	42m16	(-) 0m46		8th
S. Marks	37m58	(+) 3m32		3rd
A. Dyson (F)	47m52	(-) 1m01		1st
P. Deisel	34m18	(+) 7m12	40-44	2nd
J. Van Vliet	39m13	(+) 1m40		7th
C. Glasby	36m08	(+) 4m45		5th
N. Foster	35m41	(+) 4m53		4th
P. Turibaka	35m06	(+) 5m28		3rd
B. Farrelly	36m14	(+) 4m20		6th

C. Berg	34m03	(+) 6m13		1st
D. Appleton	38m25	(+) 1m33	35-39	2nd
S. Smith	36m53	(+) 2m46		1st
P. Prottey	38m16	(+) 1m06		3rd

Overall:

1st on Age Std.

Michael Guerin (+) 12m55s

2nd on Age Std.

Joe Cox (+) 12m20s

3rd on Age Std.

Lorraine Schutz (+) 11m28s

1st Fastest:

Cameron Berg 34m03s

2nd - Phil Deisel 34m18s

3rd - Pedro Turibaka 35m 06s

19 April, Gr. Scratch, Herne Hill

A glorious day and a great turnout – in fact, a record number of 131 starters that caught us on the hop as far as finding frame and body numbers was concerned. The only problem was the large size of some of the groups thus making it sometimes difficult to overtake, especially when overtaken groups picked up their pace and when the overtakers slowed or held pace with the others. This, and a certain problem with one of the neighbours (that won't be elaborated here) made for an exciting day. Fortunately there was only one fall when Neil Frazer clipped a wheel in 'C' grade, though luckily he came off without much damage, while Alan Taylor provided light entertainment (as usual) by performing a an authentic looking heart attack after his 'E' grade finish, only to find in the hospital, to everyone's relief, that he was suffering from low blood pressure.

With some excellent riding in all grades, the first road race of the season augured well for the rest of the race programme. 'A' grade saw a 6-man break after 2 laps but that was whittled down to two with a lap or two to go, and once the duo of Eddy Hollands and Andrew Brierley put down their heads there was little chance that they would be caught. Subsequently Eddy took the sprint ahead of Andrew, while Pedro Turibaka led in the bunch for a

comfortable third place over Graham Betts, Gary Wright, Paul Watts and the two Ians' – Ian O'Brien and Ian Lyne.

With 37 riders it was unlikely that anyone was going to successfully break away on the relatively flat Herne Hill circuit. And indeed that was the story, with the decision coming down to a mass sprint. In the melee, Darren Hawley's yellow jersey was prominent at the front of the bunch and he sealed his promotion to 'A' when he appeared to take the sprint with little effort. Andrew Annand was second, while Geoff Marshall having just triumphed at the Maryborough weekend in Victoria kept up his good form when coming in fourth, just ahead of Ian McFall, Chris Peniston, Rick Churchill and Danny Kelsall, all competing for the ten cash prizes.

'C' grade told the same story as 'B' except that on the final lap Steve Matthews and Andrew Candy got mixed up with 'A' after breaking away. This caused some comment from the bunch but the officials having been informed by a couple of the leading riders in the following bunch that they had broken away and had been absorbed by 'A', decided on this occasion to let the placings stand. However, riders should beware of the word 'contamination' when it comes to being absorbed. Mark Burke took the bunch sprint while Allan Clarke, Anthony Bourne, Nick Cunnington and the rest of the bunch finished in that order. Thanks to young Scott Stephens for his camera work which allowed us to sort out the main placings.

The 'D' graders posed no problems and finished in a nice compact group after riding at a presentable and consistent laps of about 17minutes 45 seconds. All seemed to enjoy the ride, especially Bill Stibbs and Pat Briggs who continued on the same path as they had done on the Criterium circuits when finishing first and second. Len Hall who had been prominent on each lap as he led from the front, still had enough energy to finish a close third, while Geoff Gilmore, Graeme Benthien

and Derek Mayall were also in contention at the line.

With the large field there was room for 'E' graders to be catered for, and with a 13-strong group the racing was keen. Michael Guerin tried to break away in time-trial fashion but was brought back to the bunch with over a lap to go. In the sprint finish, Larry Ross returned fresh after a crit season lay-off to take the laurels over one of our keenest riders, Brian Kennedy, while the evergreen Ray Craig added yet another placing to his record when finishing third. Surprise ride of the day was done by Kevin Hart who hadn't been seen for a season or so, though who knows what training he had done? Terry Lack again faced misfortune when he was the only rider on the day to puncture.

Apologies for the meagre results below, but putting down 131 placings takes up too much space, camera searching and typing time!

'A' grade, 75km (8 laps)

1. Eddy Hollands; 2. Andrew Brierley;
3. Pedro Turibaka; 4. Graham Betts;
5. Gary Wright; 6. Paul Watts;
7. Ian O'Brien; 8. Ian Lyne;
9. Chris Glasby; 10. Frans Buissink.

'B' grade, 66k (7 laps)

1. Darren Hawley; 2. Andrew Annand;
3. Geoff Marshall; 4. Ian McFall;
5. Chris Peniston; 6. Rick Churchill;
7. Danny Kelsall; 8. Gerrit O'Plaat;
9. Omar de Pellegrin; 10. Fenton Moran;
11. Mario Librizzi; 12. George Law.

'C' grade 56km (6 laps)

1. Steve Matthews; 2. Andrew Candy;
3. Mark Burke; 4. Allan Clarke;
5. Arthur Bourne; 6. Nick Cunnington;
7. Bob Stephens; 8. Bevan Buirchall;
9. Roger Scott; 10. John Lambert.

'D' grade, 47km (5 laps)

1. Bill Stibbs; 2. Pat Briggs; 3. Len Hall;
4. Geoff Gilmore; 5. Graeme Benthien;
6. Derek Mayall; 7. ??; 8. Rod Babel.

'E' grade, 38km (4 laps)

1. Larry Ross; 2. Brian Kennedy;

3. Ray Craig; 4. Kevin Hart;
5. Michael Guerin; 6. Leo Enright;
7. Alan Taylor; 8. Lindsay Froyland;
9. Kevan Logan; 10. Fran Watson;
11. Helen Peniston; 12. Jack Iveson.

26 April, Gr. Scratch, Wandí

It came as a pleasant shock to the officials to see 141 riders queuing with their nomination money in hand and we only just managed to provide all riders with numbers – but never fear – new numbers are on order and should have appeared by the time you read this report. With five bunches on the road it proved hectic for the lap scorers but thankfully there was only one miscalled ‘laps to go’ but that itself didn’t have an adverse effect. All groups went around at a sharp pace - so sharp that all grades recorded record averages (see below) on what was a perfect morning in terms of temperatures and still conditions.

Because of the tight riding, only ‘A’ grade saw any threatening moves, and on two occasions breaks of half-a-dozen riders went away only for everything to consolidate on the final lap. In ‘B’ grade, Chopper Marshall made a couple of attempts to break up the field but that and any other attempts were nullified. The last attack in ‘B’ saw Steve Bush make a valiant attempt over the last 400 metres but the line was just a few metres too far away and he was caught by the pursuing bunch just before the line, with our good President Wayne Lally kicking to victory over Geoff Marshall and newly returned Lindsay O’Brien. Eddy Hollands’ sprint win in ‘A’ was not unexpected, though he was challenged by second-placed Martin Depiazza and Andrew Brierley, with Fred Landon and Richard Kelly a couple of lengths behind.

As with the other divisions, ‘C’ grade finished in a mass sprint which saw an excellent kick by Aaron Pauley launch him across the line just ahead of Mark Burke, Bob Stephens and Antony Bourn. Newly rejuvenated Wayne Hartas was fourth while Roger Scott appeared to have got

over his race injuries when just beating new face in the bunch, Mark Stupart to the line.

‘D’ grade also saw a close finish and David Dyson riding his third race ever, showed distinct promise of things to come when he out-sprinted vintage sprinters Gerry Allen, Graham Benthien, Roy Swift and Pat Briggs in another closely contested finish. Surprise of the day was that ‘E’ grade, though small in numbers, moved around the circuit at a respectable 16mins per lap. Victory went to Ray Craig by a couple of lengths over Brian Kennedy, with Terry Lack who avoided the puncture bug that had plagued him in the last three races, finishing third in the sprint. Unluckiest man of the day was Peter Shanley who punctured just as he left the start line.

Apologies once more for not recording all 140 or so placings.

‘A’ grade, 76km (9 laps)

1. Eddy Hollands; 2. Martin Depiazza;
 3. Andrew Brierley; 4. Fred Landon;
 5. Richard Kelly; 6. Lance Portman;
 7. Graham Betts; 8. Darren Hawley;
 9. Brian Farrelly; 10. Sam Smith;
 11. Gary Collett; 12. Mike Lawrence.
- Average 12m 30secs per lap.

‘B’ grade, 65k (8 laps)

1. Wayne Lally; 2. Geoff Marshall;
 3. Lindsay O’Brien; 4. Steve Bush;
 5. Mike Brammer; 6. Ian Turner;
 7. Bruce McLennan; 8. Ken Harvey;
 9. George Law; 10. Paul Lavery;
 11. Greg McCoy; 12. Mike Andrews;
 13. ?; 14. Paul Prottey; 15. Mario Librizzi.
- Average: 12m 55secs per lap.

‘C’ grade 60km (7 laps)

1. Aaron Pauley; 2. Mark Burke;
3. Bob Stephens; 4. Antony Bourn;
5. Wayne Hartas; 6. Roger Scott;
7. Mark Stupart; 8. Rod Tinniswood;
9. Malcolm McWatt; 10. Paul Wighton;
11. Graham Blythe; 12. Chris Hunt;
13. Bob Thompson; 14. ??; 15. ??; 16. ??;
17. Amanda O’Connor; 18. Jon Dooner;
19. Trevor Robson; 20. Jay Newby;

21. Andrew Bennett; 22. DerekMcVickers;
23. Paul Slocombe; 24. Bevan Buirchall;
25. Dean Winfield; 26. Keith Davenport;
27. Jack Flynn; 28. Adam Scott – plus
others. Average 13m 45secs per lap.

'D' grade, 52km (6 laps)

1. David Dyson; 2. Gerry Allen;
3. Graeme Benthien; 4. Roy Swift;
5. Pat Briggs; 6. Barry Eversden;
7. Leo Nieuwenhuizen; 8. Michael Guerin;
9. Derek Mayall; 10. Bill Stibbs;
11. Alison Dyson; 12. Gavin Swanepoel;
13. Larry Ross; 14. Doug Willing;
15. Len Hall; 16. Rod Babel;
17. Dave Brown.

Average: 15m 10secs per lap.

'E' grade, 38km (4 laps)

1. Ray Craig; 2. Brian Kennedy;
3. Terry Lack; 4. Denis Robinson;
5. Fran Watson; 6. Leo Enright.

Average 16m 0secs per lap.

**3 May – Rose Preedy 56km Memorial
Handicap, Herne Hill**

Another beautiful day with hardly a breath of wind and with clear blue skies – not the type of day to favour scratch, though at the end of the race they were only between a minute and a minute-and-a-half behind. Andrew Annand from the four-minute group was the man who proved the best of the day, taking the Rose Preedy Cup and the \$100 first prize. All the sprinters were in at the kill with Mick Russell beating his usual 'B' grade compatriots, Gary Boterhoven, Bob Stephens, Rick Churchill and other notables in the mass bunch sprint. The Fastest time award went to scratchman Deane Gathercole who pipped Gary Collett and Sam Smith to take the cash prize. As I was otherwise (un)occupied on the day, afraid the details of valiant epics are unknown. There were 73 starters and two known unlucky puncture victims – Danny Kelsall and James Somers.

1. Andrew Annand (4m30s)
2. Mick Russell (4m30s)
3. Gary Boterhoven (4m30s)

4. Bob Stephens (6m00s)
5. Rick Churchill (4m30s)
6. Bruce Hunt; (6m00s)
7. Malcolm MacWatt (14m00s)
8. Steve Dodd (4m30s);
9. Paul Slocombe (8m00s);
10. Andrew Candy (8m00s)
11. Matt Wilding (4m30s);
12. Dave Equid (4m30s);
13. Andrew Bennett (10.00m)
14. Brian Gower (4m30s);
15. Bob Thomson (10m00s);
16. Leon Nieuwenhuizen (17m00s);
17 Pat Briggs (20m00s);
18. Brian Kennedy (20m00s)
19. Michael Guerin 17m00s);
20. Len Hall (17m00s);
21. Gavin Swanepoel (8m00s);
22. Derek Mayall (20m00s);
23. Ray Craig (20m.00s);
24. Alison Dyson (20m00s);
25. Bill Stibbs 17m00s);
26. Barry Eversden (17m00s);
27. David Brown (17m00s);
28. Larry Ross (17m00s);
29. Kevin Hart (20m00s);
30. Steve Matthews (10m00s);
31. Rod Tinniswood (6m00s);
32. Ian Skidmore (4m30s);
33. Steve Marks (1m30s);
34. Richard Kelly (1m30s);
35. Steve Carlton (1m30s);
36. Deane Gathercole (Scr);
37. Gary Collett (Scr);
38. Sam Smith (Scr);
39. Keith Winch (1m30s);
40. Ian Lyne (Scr);
41. Ken Harvey (3m00s);
42. Ian Turner (3m00s);
43. Terry Skinner (3m00s);
44. Wal Crowley (1m30s);
45. Peter Shanley (3m00s);
46. Paul Lamond (Scr);
47. Garth O'Leary (Scr);
48. Gary Wright (Scr);
49. Ian McFall (1m30s);
50. Steph Ratcliffe (3m00s)
??Paul Wighton; ??George Law;
??Steve Bush; ??Ed Campbell;
??Chris Hunt; ??Derek McVickers;
??Mark Stupart; ??David Dyson

17 May, Graded Scratch, Pickering Brook

Perfect conditions, calm with pleasant temperatures and 95 riders signed on for some excellent racing around this sporting course. Nominations were down on the previous scratch races but this was no surprise considering that both the WACF and Cyclo Sportif had competing rides on the same day. 'B' grade with 36 riders was the largest group and the leaders benefited from the new rule that says prizes will be allocated according to the numbers in a grade. The event turned into a virtual time trial for Mark Roberts who broke away on the first lap to hold a lead of up to two minutes, though that was substantially reduced on the final two laps, which left him 10 to 15 seconds margin as he crossed the line. Peter Shanley finished first of the bunch followed closely by Brian Gower, Geoff Marshall, Matt Davis and Wal Crowley.

'A' grade also saw a break go from the line, though this involved three riders, George Miller, Gary Collett and Nick Foster who at one time held a lead of 2m 40secs. This was eroded in the last two laps but they still held onto well over a minute as they crossed the finishing line. Fresh from his visit to Italy, George took no time to get into the Rose Preedy points as he outsprinted his two breakaway compatriots. Sam Smith managed to finish clear of the chasing bunch, while Andrew Brierley headed the rest of the 22-strong field, just ahead of Paul Lamond, Fred Landon and Richard Kelly.

The 20 riders in 'C' grade seemed content to ride around as a group, though at a respectable pace, averaging just over 13 minutes a lap. Only on the last lap was there a break when Neil Glasser attacked on the hill to stay away to head the field by about 200 metres at the line. Bob Stephens maintained his recent consistent form when winning the bunch sprint, while Nick Cannington, Graham Blyth, Trevor Robson and Rod Tinniswood were close to his wheel.

With the thought of the hills proving unattractive, only three 'E' graders turned

up, and so found themselves absorbed into 'D' grade, thus taking the bunch to a respectable 18 riders. While there was a solid core to the peleton, there was also a long tail as riders dropped off one-by-one. The sprint saw Len Hall make a valiant attempt to burn off the rest, but Rod Babel was able to jump off his wheel to take victory. Roy Swift was close behind as were Pat Briggs, Derek Mayall and Bill Crout.

'A' Grade – 75km, 10 laps

1. George Miller; 2. Gary Collett;
3. Nick Foster; 4. Sam Smith;
5. Andrew Brierley; 6. Paul Lamond;
7. Fred Landon; 8. Richard Kelly;
9. Steve Marks; 10. Brian Farrelly;
11. Keith Winch; 12. Mike Lawrence;
13. Dave Berglund; 14. Steven Carlton;
15. Ian Lyne; 16. Lee Parker;
17. Greg Stoyles; 18. George Bottello;
19. Darren Hawley; 20. Gary Wright;
21. Fabio Capitani.

Average: 11m 45secs per lap

'B' Grade – 68km, 9 laps

1. Mark Roberts; 2. Peter Shanley;
3. Brian Gower; 4. Geoff Marshall;
5. Matt Davis; 6. Wal Crowley;
7. Ian Turner; 8. George Law;
9. Ken Harvey; 10. ??; 11. ?;
12. Andrew Candy; 13. Chris Pensiston.

Average: 12m 40secs per lap.

Apologies - no more placings available.

'C' Grade – 60km, 8 laps

1. Neil Glasser; 2. Bob Stephens;
 3. Nick Cunnington; 4. Graham Blyth;
 5. Trevor Robson; 6. Rod Tinniswood;
 7. Andrew Bennett; 8. Mark Burke;
 9. Jeff Usher; 10. Dave Dyson;
 11. Derek McVickers; 12. ??; 13. ??;
 14. Anthony Bourne; 15. Wayne Hartas,
- plus others ... Average: 13min 50secs per lap

'D' Grade – 52km, 6 laps

1. Rod Babel; 2. Len Hall; 3. Roy Swift;
4. Pat Briggs; 5. Derek Mayall;
6. Bill Crout; 7. Denis Cosgrove;
8. Alison Dyson; 9. Leon Nieuwenhuizen;
10. Dave Nangle; 11. Jeff Gilmore;
13. Terry Lack; 14. Dale Cousins;
15. Kevan Logan.

Average: 14m 15secs per lap.

Congratulations

Congrats to our esteemed President Wayne Lally and to Geoff 'Chopper' Marshall who performed marvellously at the Classic Maryborough Easter Weekend races in Victoria. Both came home with part of the \$18,000 that was up for grabs when Geoff took gold medals and Wayne Silvers in the 65-69 year division road race and criterium. In the road race Chopper chased down and caught an escapee with a couple of km to go and kept away to the finish, while Wayne took the bunch sprint from the 20-strong group. Both are hoping to keep their form until the national titles in November when they can impress the local masses.

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Rose Preedy Points Competition

Very early in the competition but here are the positions (to 10 points) to 17 May.

Name	Rank	Points
Marshall Geoff	1	52
Stephens Bob	2	48
Burke Mark	3	47
Mayall Derek	4	42
Tinniswood Rod	5	42
Robinson Denis	6	41
Smith, Sam	7	41
Briggs Pat	8	39
Annand Andrew	9	38
Collett Gary	10	37
Landon, Fred	11	36
Brierley Andrew	12	35
Dyson Ali	13	35
Dyson Dave	14	35
Guerin Michael	15	35
Hall Len	16	35
Wright Gary	17	35
Foster, Nick	18	33
McVickers Derek	19	33
Ratcliffe Steph	20	33
Robson, Trevor	21	33
Turner Ian	22	33
Craig Ray 'The Fox'	23	32
Marks, Steve	24	32
Paxman Brian	25	32
Hartas Wayne	26	31
Kennedy, Brian	27	31
Babel Rod	28	30
Hollands Eddie	29	30
Ross Larry	30	30
Shanley, Peter	31	30
Stibbs, William (Bill)	32	30
Churchill Rick	33	29
Candy Andrew	34	28
Equid Dave	35	28
Gower Brian	36	28
Swift Roy	37	28
Benthien Graham	38	27
Lack Terry	39	27
Wighton Paul	40	27
Hunt Bruce	41	26
McFall Ian	42	26
Bussey Bruce	43	25
Crowley Walter	44	25
Hawley Darren	45	25
Lally Wayne	46	25
Matthews Steven	47	25
Bennett Andrew (Peel)	48	24
Farrelly, Brian	49	24
Lamond Paul	50	24
Turibaka, Pedro	51	24

Appleton Damien	52	23
Russell Michael	53	23
Prottey Paul	54	22
Usher, Jeff	55	22
Bush Stephen	56	21
Gilmore Geoff	57	21
Hart Kevin	58	21
Clancey Ray	59	20
Dodd Stephen	60	20
Glasby Chris	61	20
Harvey Kenneth	62	20
Kelly, Richard	63	20
Kelsall Danny	64	20
Law George	65	20
Lyne, Ian	66	20
Nieuwenhuizen, Leon	67	20
Oplaat, Gerrit	68	20
Scott Adam	69	20
Skidmore Ian	70	20
Skinner Terry	71	20
Taylor, Alan	72	20
Watson Fran	73	20
Winch, Keith	74	20
Crout Bill	75	19
Eversden Barry	76	19
Allen, Gerry	77	18
Enright Leo	78	18
Blyth, Graham	79	17
Boterhoven Gary	80	17
Bourne Antony	81	17
Betts Graham	82	16
Clarke, Alan	83	16
Gathercole, Dean	84	16
Nangle David	85	16
Berg, Cameron	86	15
Botello, Jorge	87	15
Brown David	88	15
Campbell Eddy	89	15
Carlton Stephen	90	15
Dixon, John	91	15
Lawrence Michael	92	15
Logan Kevan	93	15
McWatte, Malcolm	94	15
Miller George	95	15
Nagy Attila	96	15
Peniston, Chris	97	15
Perry, Greg	98	15
Phelps Trevor	99	15
Saliacus Matthew	100	15
Schutz Lorraine	101	15
Scott Roger	102	15
Somers, James	103	15
Stoyles Greg	104	15
VanVliet, John	105	15
Watkins Helen	106	15
Chester, Simon	107	13
Cox Joe	108	13
Cunnington Nick	109	13

De Piazzi, Martin	110	13
Diesel, Phil	111	13
O'Brien Lindsay	112	12
Portman, Kenneth	113	12
Cass Darryl	114	11
Davis, Matt	115	11
Norton Frank	116	11
Berglund Dave	117	10
Bloomfield, Colin	118	10
Brammer Michael	119	10
Buirchell Bevan	120	10
Buissink, Franz	121	10
Cunnington Nick	122	10
Capitani, Fabio	123	10
Clapham, Brett	124	10
Cosgrove, Denis	125	10
Crespi Paul	126	10
Crowther Derek	127	10
Dooner, Jon	128	10
Duff Andrew	129	10
Fear, Richard	130	10
Flynn John	131	10
Fryer Russell	132	10
Galbraith Afton	133	10
Gill, Keith	134	10
Graffin Ken	135	10
Hunt Chris	136	10
Lack Steve	137	10
Librizzi Mario	138	10
McCoy Greg	139	10
Moran Fenton	140	10
Newby Jay	141	10
O'Brien, Ian	142	10
O'Leary, Garth	143	10
Parker, Lee	144	10
Pellegrin (de), Omar	145	10
Savage Larry	146	10
Slocombe, Paul	147	10
Sprod, Mark	148	10
Swanapool Gavin	149	10
Thomson, Bob	150	10
Wilding, Matthew	151	10

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