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AVCC National Championships, Perth, 13 – 15 November 2009

- Time to start thinking about filling in the nomination forms for the track and road championships. If possible, **please enter on line** – see address on information form, or get on to our web page.
- We are looking for sponsors for the championships – why not take out naming rights for some of the events? Just talk to us.
- Note that there is a special Road **Best All Rounder Competition** being sponsored by Denis Robinson. You have to ride the Road, Criterium and Road Time Trial events to qualify.
- The AVCC Rules of Racing allow you to use a road bike for the track time trial and pursuit events.

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>
30 August, *Gr Scratch, Neerabup*
6 September – *No racing – Father’s Day.*
13 September, *56km Handicap, Herne Hill.* Noms 7 days in advance.
20 September, *Gr Scratch, Chidlow ‘A’.*
9.30am start.

27 & 28 September ‘Mark Keyser’ AWT 2-day events – **Noms 7 days in advance.**

Sunday 4 October – ‘Willing Homes’ WCMCC State Road Age Championships, My Helena – kindly sponsored by Doug Willing

Start on Mildura Road, Mt. Helena. Noms at Mt Helena Tavern, Keane Street by 9.15am at the latest.

<u>Dist.</u>	<u>Age Div</u>	<u>Start time</u>
40km	70-74/75 plus (2 laps)	9.30
80 km	45-49 years (4 laps)	9.33
60 km	55-59 years (3 laps)	9.36
80 km	35-39 years (4 laps)	9.40
80 km	40-44 years (4 laps)	9.44
40 km	65-69 years (2 laps)	9.47
80 km	50-54 years (4 laps)	9.50
60 km	60-64 years (3 laps)	9.53
Approx time of finish 12.00		

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

Cash prizes & medals

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 will be allotted to the combined group only.

Nominations must be in by Monday 28th September.

RACE RESULTS

12 July, Grade Scratch, Mt Helena

A ride in the 'chilly' hills appealed to 76 riders on a fairly calm and sunny morning but things warmed up after the neutralised 3km climb to the start, allowing all to raise enough sweat to put down the gauntlet on the 20km circuit. Despite the hard terrain there were very few who threw in the towel, showing perhaps that folk are already looking to getting fit for the road events at the national champs.

The 16-strong 'A' grade witnessed a determined attack by Chris Glasby who held a 400metre lead over the first two laps. On the 3rd lap, however, Chris went back to the bunch while John Gregg led strongly to hold a similar lead as he entered the bell lap. It was at this juncture that Eddy Hollands decided to give chase and once started there was little to stop him as he steadily gained on Jon. Coming into the final 200 metres of rising road to the finish, Jon tried hard but had to give way to Eddy who enjoyed a lead of 20metres as he crossed the line. A minute or so later, Fenton Moran opened up a small gap on the rest of the bunch to cross for third place ahead of Sam Smith, Richard Kelly, Gary Collett and the remainder of the field.

'B' grade with 24 riders had the largest field of the day but tended to move a bit more slowly than anticipated when lapping at 34m 15s, some 2m 45s slower than 'A', and only 1m 15s faster than 'C' grade. However, the effort was still enough to see some of the bunch gasp for air after the struggle up the hills. There were no breaks but on the final ride to the line, Shaun Hodges had a clear 10 metre lead over Peter Shanley and Simon Chester on the line. The two Matts - Siliacus and Wilding, filled 4th and 5th places, while Gary Boterhoven took the last of the cash prizes in 6th place. Scott Lee who last rode with the club in the 2008 road season, surprised when finishing 7th, ahead of Geoff Marshall who made history by actually claiming his correct position in the bunch!

'C' grade told a similar tale to 'B', no heroics and a steady but hard ride to the conclusion of the event. At the finish Antony Bourne with a lead of a few bike lengths triumphed ahead of Malcolm McWatt and Allan Clarke, with the rest of the bunch close on their heels, with Mark Burke, Bob Thomson and Bob Stephens in their shadow.

'D' grade included two new riders, Lino Antonelli and Roy Romeo who held their own with a group that rode almost three-minutes per lap faster than did their 'D' grade compatriots in 2008. Hero of the day was Derek Mayall who showed his recent good form by sprinting hard up the final climb for a two or three length lead. Broniek van Moorsell also showed that he was finding his racing legs again when beating Shane White by a bike length, while the crowd favourite, Alison Dyson, finished fourth just ahead of Rod Babel.

'A' grade 80km (4 laps)

1. Eddy Hollands; 2. John Gregg;
 3. Fenton Moran; 4. Sam Smith;
 5. Richard Kelly; 6. Gary Collett;
 7. Gary Wright; 8. Keith Winch;
 9. Fred Landon; 10. George Miller;
 11. Mike Lawrence; 12. Chris Glasby;
 13. Ian Lyne; 14. Terry Drieissen.
- Average 31m 30secs per lap

'B' grade 80km (4 laps)

1. Shaun Hodges; 2. Peter Shanley;
 3. Simon Chester; 4. Matt Wilding;
 5. Matt Saliacus; 6. Gary Boterhoven;
 7. Scott Lee; 8. Geoff Marshall;
 9. Ian Skidmore; 10. Chris Skinner;
 11. Andrew Candy; 12. Bob Addy;
 13. Mark Cummings; 14. Keith Gill;
 15. Gavin Lawson; 16. Steve Bush;
 17. Kelly Gray; 18. Steve Dodd;
 19. Dave Grover; 20. Ian McFall;
 21. Mark Sprod; 22. Jeff Yeaton.
- Average 34m 15secs per lap

'C' grade 60km (3 laps)

1. Antony Bourn; 2. Malcolm McWatt;
3. Allan Clarke; 4. Mark Burke;
5. Bob Thomson; 6. Bob Stephens;
7. Graham Blyth; 8. Trevor Robson;
9. Mark Crowther; 10. Chris Hunt;
11. Sean Crummey; 12. Rod Tinniswood;
13. Dave Dyson; 14. Brian Buck;

15. Jeff Usher; 16. Andrew Bennett;
17. Neil Dodge; 18. Glen French;
19. Ray Clancey; 20. Justin Goldrick;
21. Peter Maxwell.

Average 35m 30secs per lap.

'D' grade 40k (2 laps)

1. Derek Mayall; 2. Bronck van Moorsel;
3. Shane White; 4. Alison Dyson;
5. Rod Babel; 6. Pat Briggs;
7. Lino Antonelli; 8. Denis Robinson;
9. Roy Romeo; 10. Paul Crespi;
11. Bill Crout; 12. Geoff Gilmore;
13. Larry Ross.

Average 37m 15secs per lap

19 July, Fleet Cycles, Handicap York – Beverley – 50.5km

Without doubt, put off by wild overnight weather, some seven riders failed to turn up at York (nor ring up to put in their apologies!), on what turned out to be an excellent day. A very light breeze and one shower of rain and even some blue skies made conditions almost perfect for an interesting race. The scratch riders off at 25 minutes from limit must have been inspired by watching Le Tour on TV, for they pulled out all stops to catch most of the field with about 12km to go, despite losing Gary Wright who suffered a puncture (Mark Crowther suffered the same fate!). At the finish there was a large bunch of 17 riders but there was no holding the scratch men who crossed the line in an excellent time of 1hr 14 45secs for the 50.5km course. First and fastest was Sam Smith who led Chris Glasby over the line by a length, with Eddy Hollands another bike-length away in third place. Gary Collett from block was a comfortable fourth, while Mark Paget off the 4minute group sprinted strongly to take fifth. Geoff Marshall celebrated his 66th birthday by taking ninth place. With 15 place prizes amounting to over \$1,100, there was a holiday feeling at the presentation at the Settlers Hotel. With the first prime of \$50 provided by Alan and Sheona Clark being set at the top of the first hill at about 28km, the longmarkers battled among themselves for the honour, making Derek Mayall one of the wealthiest pensioners in WA. At other end of the spectrum, Chris Glasby

made sure of the 2nd \$50 prime that was located some 3 or 4km from the finish.

Results

1. Sam Smith, Scr; 2. Chris Glasby scr;
3. Eddy Hollands scr; 4. Gary Collett 2m;
5. Mark Paget 4m; 6. Phil Deisel 2m;
7. Mark Roberts scr; 8. Peter Shanley 2m;
9. Geoff Marshall 4m; 10. Fred Landon 2m;
11. Matt Saliacus 4m; 12. Frans Buissink 4m;
13. Dale Groves 6m;
14. Gavin Lawson; 15. Antony Bourn 8m;
16. Bob Thomson 10m; 17. Mike Paxman 14m (all at same time);
18. Mark Burke 8m;
19. Malcolm McWatt 10m; 20. Ian Lyne 2m;
21. Pat Briggs 18m; 22. Rod Babel 18m;
23. Steve Richards 18m; 24. Derek Mayall 18m;
25. Trevor Robson 8m;
26. Ian Skidmore 6m; 27. Scott Lee 8m;
28. Chris Hunt 10m; 29. Jeff Usher 8m;
30. Dave Dyson 10m; 31. Geoff Gilmore 18m;
32. Doug Willing 14m;
33. John Wighton 14m; 34. Bevan Buirchall 10m;
35. Steve Carlton 2m;
36. Ian Turner 4m; 37. Steve Bush 6m;
38. Bob Stephens 8m; 39. Bill Crout 14m;
40. Denis Robinson 25m; 41. Paul Wighton 8m;
42. Denis Cosgrove 10m;
43. Alison Dyson 18m; 44. Fran Watson 25m;
45. Steve Milford 6m; 46. Gary Wright scr;
47. Mick Russell 8m;
48. Colin Butcher 14m.

Fastest time – Sam Smith 1hr 14m 45secs.

Prime 1- Derek Mayall;

Prime 2 – Chris Glasby.

26 July, Gr. Scratch, Pickering Brook

A bright but chilly morning but that didn't appear to dampen the enthusiasm for the 75 starters, and all divisions recorded almost exactly the same overall times as they had on a warmer day on 21st June. As per norm, 'A' grade saw some attacking riding with Sam Smith and Chris Glasby forcing the pace and opening up a slight gap on the 4th lap of the circuit. The race then came together until three laps to go when the two aforementioned riders joined by John Gregg, Michael Bonner and George Miller forced a gap that opened to 50 seconds with a lap to go. Despite valiant attempts by, among others Andrew Brierley and the newly promoted Peter Shanley to bridge the gap, it wasn't to be

and the group continued to stay clear to the line. However, on the final climb, John Gregg showed a clean pair of heels to finish some 50metres in front of the rest of the escapees. Sam Smith, keen to gain even more points to his Rose Preedy competition tally sprinted clear to take 2nd place, while George Miller, Chris Glasby and Michael Bonner filled the next four places.

'B' grade moved at a steady pace until with two laps to go Bob Addy decided to put the cat among the pigeons in an attack that saw him open up a gap. Joined by Rod Marton the gap had opened to about 150m when they passed the judges for the final lap but the rest of the field, no doubt inspired by the chasing down of breaks on 'Le Tour' whipped up the pace and brought them to heel. In a closely contested finish, Matt Wilding sprinted hard to record a convincing win over sometime 'A' graders Simon Chester and Keith Winch. Geoff Marshall was less than a quarter of a wheel away in fourth place and it took the camera to determine that Antony Bourn had beaten Matt Siliacus to the 5th place.

'C' grade were no slouches and circled the course less than 20 seconds slower than 'B' grade. Bob Thomson was an early agitator and opened up a gap of 300m, while Roger Steinkrug showed some space from the bunch with two laps to go. All was, however, closed down on the bell lap and at the finish the two riders had to give way to a fast moving Nick Crane who sprinted to a two or three length victory over Roger, Bob, and the newly returned Laurence Wynne. Brett Clapham finished fifth while new riders Tony McGrath and Trevor Floyd were just ahead of old timers Mark Burke, Dave Dyson and the rest of the field. Unluckiest riders of the day were Brian Buck and Dave Equid who fell after a touch of wheels. Dave suffered concussion and as a precaution our 'team' Doctor, Katrina Beeby, conjured up an ambulance to take the riders away for a check up. Fortunately there appeared to be no lasting damage.

'D' grade suffered a few casualties early in the race but the nucleus continued at a steady and consistent pace throughout the race. Denis Robson was riding comfortably but came to a quick halt and abandoned after a stick went into his wheel, while Gerry Allen also packed finding the chill a bit too much for his sensitive limbs, having just returned from a 2 month fishing research expedition in warm Hawaii. On the final lap, Justin McGoldrick rode away on the hill to finish ahead of the bunch, the sprint for second place going to Denis Cosgrove who had a length lead over Derek Crowther and Derek Mayall.

'A' grade

1. John Gregg; 2. Sam Smith;
3. George Miller; 4. Chris Glasby;
5. Michael Bonner; 6. Gary Wright;
7. Fenton Moran; 8. Lance Portman;
9. Pedro Turibaka; 10. Andrew Brierley;
11. Fred Landon; 12. Mark Roberts;
13. Ian Lyne; 14. Peter Shanley;
15. Mike Lawrence; 16. Richard Woods;
17. Gary Collett; 18. Eddy Hollands;
19. Brendon Nicholls.

Average 12m 03s per lap

'B' grade

1. Matt Wilding; 2. Simon Chester;
 3. Keith Winch; 4. Geoff Marshall;
 5. Antony Bourn; 6. Matt Saliacus;
 7. Ian Turner; 8. Andrew Candy;
 9. Rod Marton; 10. Gary Boterhoven;
 11. Greg McCoy; 12. ??; 13. Paul Owen;
 14. Gavin Lawson; 15. Ian Skidmore;
 16. Shaun Hodges; 17. Dale Groves –
Afraid we lost Bob Addy; Steve Dodd,
Steve Bush, Bruce Mclennon and Marc
Sprod – reward offered if you find them!!
- Average 13m 00secs per lap.

'C' grade

1. Nic Crane; 2. Roger Steinkrug;
 3. Bob Thomson; 4. Lawrence Wynne;
 4. Brett Clapham; 5. Tony McGrath;
 6. Trevor Floyd; 7. Mark Burke;
 8. Dave Dyson; 9. Graham Blyth;
 10. Trevor Robson; 11. Andrew Bennett;
 12. Bob Stephens; 13. Dave Equid;
 14. Nick Cunnington; 15. Mike Watson;
 16. Peter Maxwell; 17. Ray Clancey.
- Average 13m 25secs per lap.

'D' grade

1. Justin McGoldrick; 2. Denis Cosgrove;
3. Derek Crowther; 4. Derek Mayall;
5. Pat Briggs; 6. Colin Butcher;
7. Lino Antonelli; 8. Ray Romeo;
9. Rod Babel. Average 14m 30secs per lap.

2 August, Gr. Scratch, Wandi

Yet another great racing day beckoned the 85 starters, not a bad field considering there was CA competition on the day at Pinjarra. Inspired no doubt by his Swiss countryman, Fabian Cancellara, Fred Landon was prominent throughout the race, opening up a small gap on the 3rd lap that had opened up to 500metres halfway through the race, and thereafter riding off the front in the company of George Miller and then Pedro Turibaka. With two laps to go, the bunch seemed to wake and picking up the pace, pulled back the escapees, only for Frans Buissink, and Gary Wright who had been sitting quietly at the back of the bunch, to attack and open a gap of about 300metres at the bell. Riding together they maintained their lead with Gary taking the sprint over Frans by a couple of lengths. Pedro Turibaka finished third in No-Man's land, while Andrew Brierley led in the bunch.

'B' grade seemed to lack any spirited attacks, though there might well have been some around the back of the course. However, for the second week in a row they only lapped some 20 seconds faster than their 'C' grade compatriots, causing the handicapper to wonder whether he should combine the two grades at future events!! In a mass rush to the line, Chopper Marshall was prominent from afar because of his usual liquid smooth style of riding and finished a bike length in front of the consistent Matt Siliacus, Nick Smith and Bob Addy. Mark Paget sporting his new 'Collie CC' jersey was a close 5th while alongside him, James Somers scooped up the 6th cash prize.

Of particular interest in 'C' grade was the return to the ranks of Steph Ratcliffe who didn't disappoint when he took the bunch sprint from Mark Burke, who must hold the club record for 2nd place-gettings – but not to fret Mark, as the

handicapper put Steph into his black book for immediate promotion to 'B'. Malcolm McWatt who has steadily improved his fitness over the previous few weeks finished in third position, just ahead of the enthusiastic Justin McGoldrick and the consistent pair of Bob Stephens and Dave Dyson.

John Wighton in 'D' seemed out to prove himself on the day and with three laps to go he broke away to open up a gap of about 50 metres. However, the bunch was too canny to allow anyone to get a decent lead and instead opted to contain the real action until the final 400 metres. In a close photo finish that resulted in a camera post-mortem by three judges, the verdict went to Geoff Gilmore over Bill Crout by only a smidgin. John Wighton was rewarded for his earlier efforts when finishing in third place, while Gerry Allen, recently returned from his tropical fishing expedition (for research not fish and chips!) claimed fourth just ahead of Roy Swift and Bill Stibbs, Kevin Hart and the remainder of the bunch.

Following a couple of months of 'rest' when he had been secretly training in the north of the state, the clubs oldest rider, Ray Craig, made his comeback a winning one when he beat Denis Robinson, Larry Ross and the other 'E' graders across the line. 'E' graders note, if at least six of you turn up, then we will always be happy to put on a group race.

'A' grade, 86km, 10 laps

1. Gary Wright; Frans Buissink;
 3. Pedro Turibaka; 4. Andrew Brierley;
 5. George Miller; 6. Sam Smith;
 7. Fenton Moran; 8. Peter Shanley;
 9. Ian Lyne; 10. Keith Winch;
 11. Mike Lawrence; 12. Steve Bush;
 13. Fred Landon; 14. Gary Collett;
 15. Doug Stewart; 16. Paul Williams.
- Average 12m 55s per lap.

'B' grade, 77km 9 laps

1. Geoff Marshall; 2. Matt Saliacus;
3. Nick Smith; 4. Bob Addy;
5. Mark Paget; 6. James Somers;
7. Antony Bourn; 8. Ian Turner;
9. Greg McCoy; 10. Andrew Candy;
11. Gavin Lawson; 12. Simon Chester;

13. Afton Galbraith; 14. Nick Crane;
15. Dale Groves; 16. Steve Milford;
17. Ian Skidmore; 19. Phil Johnston;
20. Mark Sprod.

Average 13m 25secs per lap.

'C' grade, 69km, 8 laps

1. Steph Ratcliffe; 2. Mark Burke;
3. Malcolm McWatt; 4. Justin McGoldrick;
5. Bob Stephens;
6. Dave Dyson; 7. Trevor Robson;
8. Rod Atkinson; 9. Wessel Victor;
10. Graham Blyth; 11. Paul Wighton;
12. Broneck van Moorsell; 13. Brian Buck;
14. Chris Hunt; 15. Dave Equid;
16. Juliana Austin-Olsen;
17. Denis Cosgrove; 18. Derek McVickers;
19. Trevor King; 20. Sean Crummey;
21. Brian Sawyer; 22. John Flynn;
23. Michael Watson.

Average 13m 45secs per lap.

'D' grade, 52km, 6 laps

1. Geoff Gilmore; 2. Bill Crout;
3. John Wighton; 4. Gerry Allen;
5. Roy Swift; 6. Bill Stibbs; 7. Kevin Hart;
8. Leon Nieuwenhuizen; 9. Pat Briggs;
10. Ray Romeo; 11. Leno Antonelli;
12. Rod Babel; 13. Alison Dyson;
14. Derek Mayall; 15. Derek Crowther;
16. Shane White.

Average 15m 20secs per lap.

'E' grade, 43km, 5 laps

1. Ray Craig; 2. Denis Robinson;
3. Larry Ross; 4. Brian Kennedy;
5. Ken Portman; 6. Fran Watson.

Average 17m 00s.

9 August, Gr. Scratch, Chidlow 'B'

The weather again came up trumps for this event on the Chidlow-Wooroloo Course and the 85 starters enjoyed cloudy but relatively calm conditions. 'A' grade upset the timekeepers schedule by pulling out all stops, the average time per lap being about 3 minutes faster than the previous ride on this course. At the end of the 1st lap, a break of seven riders held a 50 metre lead but by lap 2 this had been whittled down to four riders – Eddy Hollands, Chris Glasby, Sam Smith and John Gregg. Eddy dropped back to the bunch on the next lap, while at the bell Andrew Brierley had made a great but successful effort to bridge the gap. Working hard together the quartet pulled

away although John Gregg found the pace too hard and dropped back on the final half of the circuit to be overtaken by Eddy Hollands who finished in fourth place some 1m 30secs behind the three leading riders. In a frantic sprint to the line, Sam Smith maintained his recent form to cross the line in 1st place, a length ahead of Andrew Brierley and Chris Glasby. John Gregg just managed to scrape in ahead of the pursuing bunch to fill 5th place, while Fenton Moran led in the rest some 2 minutes behind the leaders.

'B' grade also set a fast pace, as shown by their circling some 2mins 30secs than in the same 2008 event. Despite attempts by various members of the group, the bunch remained together for most of the race, though with 2 laps to go Chris Peniston and Steve Bush with a lead of 50 metres caused angst to their compatriots. All were together as they started the bell lap but jumping away before Needham Road, Roger Steinkreug put down the challenge on the hilly section approaching Liberton Road, and holding his lead he coasted to the line with a comfortable bolster of 300 metres. The mass finish gave some excitement to the gathered masses on the line as the sound of clashing metal rent the air, and as riders were seen flying onto the dirt. Miraculously no one came off, though Gary Boterhoven was a pathetic sight as he viewed his buckled wheel that had been victim to someone's pedal. Geoff Marshall managed to stay in front of the trouble and finished strongly to again take major points for the Rose Preedy competition when beating Matt Saliacus by half-a-wheel. Ian Turner, Simon Chester, Bob Addy, and the rest of the bunch finished tight behind in an almost blanket finish that only the camera was able to sort out.

'C' grade stayed together for most of the race, or at least that's how it seemed at the line, though on the final and most important lap Brett Clapham, Paul Wighton and Mark Burke opened up a small gap that they maintained to finish in that order. The ever-present Bob Stephens again featured in the prizes when taking

the bunch sprint ahead of Rod Tinniswood, Rod Atkinson and Graham Blyth. It was also good to see three female members work hard during the race to finish in the bunch. Juliana Austin-Olsen finished 12th, Erica Morris 13th and Tracy Ober in 15th place. Unluckiest rider was probably Jeff Usher who was attacked and bitten by a dog!

'D' grade also contained two female riders, both again contributing some hard riding and dishing out punishment. It was, however, local rider Bill Crout who proved triumphant when sprinting just ahead of Rod Babel and Pat Briggs to take out the victory. Steve Richards was fourth, when only just crossing before first time-rider Rebecca Wheadon and Anne Bramley, with Leon of the long name finishing on their wheels in seventh place.

'A' grade, 85km, 5 laps

1. Sam Smith; 2. Andrew Brierley;
3. Chris Glasby; 4. Eddy Hollands;
5. John Gregg; 6. Fenton Moran;
7. Paul Lamond; 8. Richard Kelly;
9. Gary Wright; 10. George Miller;
11. Steve Marks; 12. Richard Woods;
13. Ron Sammut; 14. Mike Lawrence;
15. Fred Landon; 16. Peter Shanley;
17. Pedro Turibaka; 18. Gary Collett;
19. Paul Williams; 20. Steve Carlton.
Average 27m 50s per lap (2h 19m).

'B' grade, 71km 4 laps

1. Roger Steinkrug; 2. Geoff Marshall;
3. Matt Saliacus; Ian Turner;
5. Simon Chester; 6. Bob Addy;
7. Keith Gill; 8. Laurence Wynne;
9. Antony Bourne; 10. Ian Skidmore;
11. Gary Boterhoven; 12. Gavin Lawson;
13. Andrew Candy; 14. Matt Wilding;
15. Paul Graham; 16. Steve Bush;
17. Mark Sprod; 18. Steph Ratcliffe;
19. Chris Penniston; 20. Nick Crane;
21. Bruce McLennan; 22. Dale Groves;
23. Richard McCartney; 24. Frank Norton.
Average 30m 00secs per lap. (2h 0m).

'C' grade, 53km, 3 laps

1. Brett Clapham; 2. Paul Wighton;
3. Mark Burke; 4. Bob Stephens;
5. Rod Tinniswood; 6. Rod Atkinson;
7. Graham Blyth; 8. Trevor Robson;
9. Dave Equid; 10. Brian Buck;

11. Mark Crowther; 12. Juiliana Austin-Olsen; 13. Erica Morris; 14. John Flynn; 15. Tracy Ober; 16. Darryl Miller;
17. Derek McVickers.

Average 32m 40s per lap. (1h 38m).

'D' grade, 36km, 2 laps

1. Bill Crout; 2. Rod Babel; 3. Pat Briggs;
4. Steve Richards; 5. Rebecca Wheadon;
6. Anne Bramley; 7. Leon Niewenhuizen;
8. Derek Crowther; 9. Roy Swift;
10. Colin Butcher; 11. Derek Mayall;
12. Gerry Allen; 13. Larry Ross.
Average 34m 30s per lap (1h 9m).

19 August, Gr. Scratch, Herne Hill

Amazing, that following a week of appalling weather the sun should again shine down on the 84 riders who turned up on the day. However, a stiff breeze against riders on the back part of the circuit meant a hard ride and saw times in all but C and D grades substantially slower than recorded when we last raced at Herne Hill.

'A' grade with the largest field of the day – 23 riders – saw an early break that included Keith Winch, Gary Collett, Peter Shanley and George Miller that led to a 500m lead at the end of the first lap. They continued to hold a lead but on lap 5 were joined by Frans Buissink and Steve Marks, while Andrew Brierley was seen fighting hard to bridge the gap between them and the main bunch group. With two laps to go the lead group was joined by Sam Smith and with such a strong bunch of riders the curtain came down on the chasers. The battle for top place proved a close run affair, with Andrew Brierley leading out only to be pipped on the line by a flying Sam Smith, a decision that could only be determined by looking at the results on the camera. Chris Glasby in finishing third meant the same riders took the first three places as at the previous week's race at Chidlow. Steve Marks in finishing fourth, only just crossed in front of Frans Buissink.

'B' grade with 22 starters saw early aggression from Steve Dodd who opened a gap on lap 1 that he maintained until half-way through the race. Brought back to the bunch, it was the turn of Chris Penniston to have a go with three laps to go but when

he faded the final break of the day took place. This involved four riders who got dangerously close, but not too close, to getting mixed up with 'A' grade. In the sprint the consistent Ian Turner beat Simon Chester by a length and with Greg McCoy and Andrew Candy finishing close behind in third and fourth places. Gavin Wark led in the bunch some 300 metres behind to just beat Geoff Marshall into 6th place.

At the end of the second lap, Paul Wighton and Brett Clapham were 50m to the goodin 'C' but the bunch was too attentive to allow them any greater leeway, so that much of the race was closed down as far as breaks were concerned. A surprising number of riders were burned off, perhaps a reflection of limited miles of training during the recent wet and chilly weather but there was still a sizeable bunch left in the main field as the riders entered the bell lap. With only 2 metres to go, it looked as if the premier place would go to Mark Crowther who had broken away with 2km to go – but it wasn't to be, for Mark Crowther lunged hard to take him on the line. Trevor Phelps was a close third to be followed closely by Justin McGoldrick, Bob Stephens and Mark Leaker.

It was the females in 'D' grade who provided most of the action, despite the fact that the previous day they had ridden the Collie Handicap ridden under appalling conditions! Sherie Bonasera attacked to take a 200m lead with 2 laps to go, while Rebecca Wheadon crossed the finishing line first in a powerful sprint that left Lino Antonelli, Bill Crout and Roy Swift in her wake, Kevin Hart and Leon Niewenhauzen sopped up the remaining cash prizes in a closely contested sprint. Unfortunately the camera decided to have a rest at this stage and as five riders claimed 7th place the judges decided to record a blank for the remaining places!

Already down to five riders, the withdrawal of Jack Iveson with a puncture while still on the start line saw two males and two females left to contest the four-lap race. Jack later joined in for training miles but in the sprint it was Larry Ross who finished first, just ahead of Brian Kennedy,

Fran Watson and Helen Penniston. Hopefully, a few more 'E' graders might be persuaded to gird their loins in future races so as to provide more competition in the grade.

'A' grade, 84km, 9 laps

1. Sam Smith; 2. Andrew Brierley;
3. Chris Glasby; 4. Garry Collett;
5. Steve Marks; 6. Frans Buiisink;
7. Phil Johnson; 8. Pedro Turibaka;
9. Doug Stewart; 10. Richard Kelly;
11. Lance Portman; 12. Fred Landon;
13. Keith Winch; 14. Peter Shanley;
15. Ian Lyne; 16. Paul Lamond;
17. Brian Farrelly; 18. Gary Wright;
19. Paul Lamond; Steve Bush.

Average 14m 20s per lap

'B' grade, 74.5km, 8 laps

1. Ian Turner; 2. Simon Chester;
3. Greg McCoy; 4. Andrew Candy;
5. Gavin Wark; 6. Geoff Marshall;
7. Matt Saliacus; 8. Frank Norton;
9. Terry Skinner; 10. Danny Kelsall;
11. Steve Milford; 12. Paul Graham;
13. James Somers; 14. Ian Skidmore;
15. Chris Penniston; 16. Steve Dodd;
17. Nick Smith; 18. Afton Galbraith;
19. Rick Churchill.

Average 15m 25secs per lap.

'C' grade, 65km, 7 laps

1. Brett Clapham; 2. Mark Crowther;
3. Trevor Phelps; 4. Justin McGoldrick;
5. Bob Stephens; 6. Mark Leaker;
7. Malcolm McWatt; 8. Dave Equid;
9. Bob Thompson; 10. Derek McVickers;
11. Paul Wighton; 12. Mick Russell;
13. Denis Cosgrove; 14. Jeff Usher;
15. Brian Walsh; 16. John Flynn.

Average 16m 10s per lap.

'D' grade, 56km, 6 laps

1. Rebecca Wheadon; 2. Lino Antonelli;
3. Bill Crout; 4. Roy Swift; 5. Kevin Hart;
6. Leon Niewinhauzen. No more places taken. Average 17m 20s per lap.

'E' grade, 46.5km, 5 laps

1. Larry Ross; 2. Brian Kennedy;
3. Fran Watson; 4. Helen Penniston.

22 August, Gr. Scratch, Dog Hill

Following another cold and wet week the day of the races dawned chilly and bleak. However, during the race the skies

brightened, there was some sunshine and only on the final lap for 'A' and 'B' grades did the rain come down, only to clear up again for the presentations. Because of a fair breeze on the roads on the back-side of the circuit, times for the 78 riders were a bit slower per lap than on the previous ride in May. However, the conditions made it possible for breakaway attempts and there were some valiant efforts, none more so that the epic ride of Geoff Marshall who held a lead for over two laps, only to be brought back to the field. Bob Addy attacked from the finishing line on the bell lap and with a couple of km to go it looked as if he would hold his lead to the finish. However, it was not to be and he was caught with about half-a-km to go thus allowing the sprinters to gear up for the final push. This resulted in Nick Smith beating Geoff Marshall by a length or so, while Gavin Wark, Gary Boterhoven and Nick Saliacus were close behind. Kelly Grey rode strongly throughout and was able to hold most of her male compatriots at bay when finishing fifth.

'A' grade saw the usual fireworks with a break of four riders taking a 600m lead on the first lap. By lap three the lead had been halved but a lap later they were back to over half-a-km. With two to go there was little chance of the main bunch joining in the celebrations, for the lead had risen to over 1m 40secs and on the finishing line this had increased to about 2mins 20secs. In a change of fortune, Sam Smith who had cleaned up in the previous few races, had to be satisfied with third, being beaten by first time rider Tauge Czislowsky and Andrew Brierley in a fiercely fought sprint. Richard Wood finished on Richard's wheel while the last of the breakaway group, Gary Collett was fifth. Phil Diesel led in the bunch followed by Graham Betts and George Miller. Perhaps reflecting the conditions was that out of 23 riders, eight were non-finishers, though two of these were puncture victims.

'C' grade moved at a fair pace but most aggressive rider award went to Mark Burke who attacked half way through the race to open up a 200metres lead with

three laps to go. With no one else prepared to join him, Mark sensibly came back to the bunch but put the cat among the pigeons when he took the sprint by a clear length from Mick Russell whose 'secret' training in the rain (yes Mick, you were spotted) saw a great improvement in performance over previous weeks. Justin McGoldrick exhibited his consistent sprinting form when finishing in third place over the also consistent Bob Stephens who continued to add to his Rose Preedy points. Trevor Robson and Mark Leaker were also in on the kill for the cash prizes while Graham Blyth knocked on the door in seventh place.

The 12 riders in 'D' grade rode steadily, recording close to 20 minutes on every lap. Jeff Gilmore demoted for the day from 'C' grade ensured instant promotion when taking the sprint by over a length from Bill Crout and Graham Benthien and the rest of the group. Derek Mayall had Alison Dyson breathing down his neck when she finished fifth just in front of Bill Stibbs.

With only six starters, 'E' grade promised little in the way of shelter for the participants but that number soon dwindled as Fran Watson suffered a puncture on the 1st lap and Eric Maddock just starting his riding found the going too hard. With Denis Robinson recovering from injury, there was little doubt who would fill the first three places but in the sprint to the line Larry Ross proved strongest, while the sprightly 81 year-old Ray Craig finished third on the wheel of Brian Kennedy.

'A' grade, 95km (9 laps)

1. Tauge Czislowsky; 2. Andrew Brierley;
3. Sam Smith; 4. Richard Woods;
5. Gary Collett; 6. Phil Diesel;
7. Graham Betts; 8. George Miller;
9. Mark Roberts; 10. Ian Turner;
11. Simon Chester; 12. Peter Shanley;
13. Keith Winch; 14. Ron Sammatt;
15. Fred Landon.

Average 16m 50s per lap.

'B' grade, 85k (8 laps)

1. Nic Smith; 2. Geoff Marshall;
3. Matt Siliacus; 4. Gavin Wark;
5. Gary Boterhoven; 6. Kelly Grey;

7. Laurence Wynne; 8. Andrew Candy;
 9. Dave Equid; 10. Mike Johnson;
 11. Steve Bush; 12. Ian Skidmore;
 13. Bob Addy; 14. Frank Norton;
 15. Danny Kelsall.

Average: 18m 30secs per lap.

'C' grade 64km (6 laps)

1. Mark Burke; 2. Mick Russell;
 3. Justin McGoldrick; 4. Bob Stephens;
 5. Trevor Robson; 6. Mark Leaker;
 7. Graham Blyth; 8. Rod Tinniswood;
 9. Paul Wighton; 10. Jeff Usher;
 11. Dennis Cosgrove; 12. Nick Crane;
 13. Albert Ulbricht; 14. Bronck van Moorsell;
 15. Anthony Peters.

Average 18m 40secs per lap.

'D' grade, 53km (5 laps)

1. Jeff Gilmore; 2. Bill Crout;
 3. Graeme Benthien; 4. Derek Mayall;
 5. Alison Dyson; 6. Bill Stibbs;
 7. Annie Bramley; 8. Leon Nieuwenhuizen;
 9. Jane McIntyre;
 10. Rod Babel; 11. Roy Romeo;
 12. Andrew Lorrimar; 13. Kevin Hart.

Average: 20m 05secs per lap.

'E' grade, 41km (4 laps)

1. Larry Ross; 2. Brian Kennedy;
 3. Ray Craig; 4. Denis Robinson.

Average 22m 45secs per lap.

Correction

It hurts me, a historian, to have to admit I was wrong when stating that the Menzies-Kalgoorlie Handicap was the oldest road event in WA. As Mark Paget rightly pointed out, that honour goes to the Collie-Donneybrook that was first run in 1925 and is now in its 85th year. The Menzies was first run three years later in 1928. So, grovelling apologies to all Collieites!

Rose Preedy Points Competition

Looks as if Sam is on a roll!! Results are up to the Dog Hill event on 23 August. For full list of points see our web page.

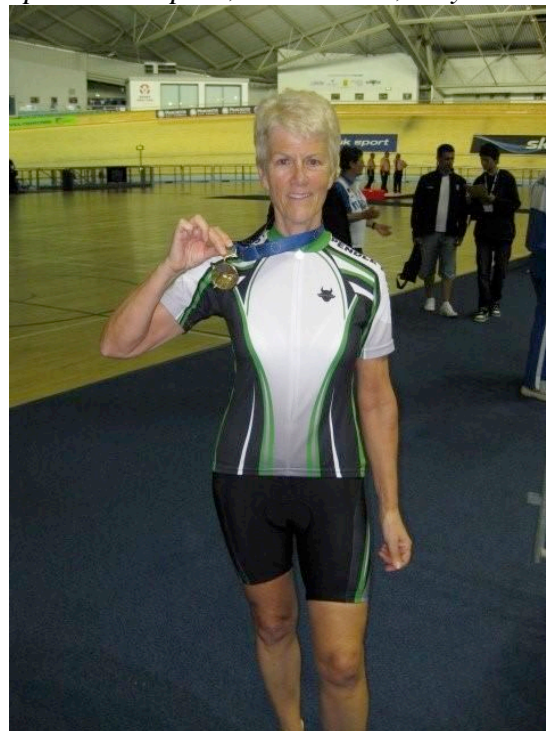
Name	Rank	Points
Smith, Sam	1	207
Marshall Geoff	2	178
Shanley, Peter	3	151
Burke Mark	4	149
Mayall Derek	5	147
Brierley Andrew	6	145

Bourne Antony	7	139
Briggs Pat	8	138
Robinson Denis	9	137
Stephens Bob	9	137
Collett Gary	11	135
Turner Ian	12	134
Wright Gary	13	131
Crout Bill	14	125
Saliacus Matthew	15	120
Babel Rod	16	116
Miller George	16	116
Dyson Ali	18	114
Dyson Dave	19	112
Wighton Paul	20	111
Robson, Trevor	21	110

Congratulations

Our Brit compatriot and faithful member Heather Sanderson did us proud when riding in the European Masters Track Championships at Manchester at the end of July when she took a gold medal in the sprint. What was even more impressive is that she won the medal in the 50+ category, there being no medals being presented for the 60 years + division. No doubt our handicapper will be noting this triumph when she returns at the end of the year to compete with us in Perth.

Heather Sanderson – European Masters Sprint Champion, Manchester, July 2009



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