



CTT MATTERS NEWSLETTER

MAY 2016

National Secretary (Competitions & Development)



Stewart Smith commenced employment with CTT on 1 May 2016. Stewart will be attending all National Championships together with Keith Lawton and will take over as Keith's replacement following Keith's retirement on 5 August 2016. The Board of Cycling Time Trials look forward to working together with Stewart in his new role.

CTT Website

www.cyclingtimetrials.org.uk

As most, if not all, will be aware, the new CTT website went live on 17 March 2016. The new website contains many new features.

As a **rider** you can easily see all the events you have entered. You can also see your results together with your rider profile. You can “claim” results from a historic database of over 500,000 records and once events are administered fully within the system, results will be matched to your profile as soon as they are published.

The site has over 1200 CTT courses listed, many of which include a map and course profile. Anyone who wishes to add to this can help. If you have a GPX file of a CTT course, please send to support@cyclingtimetrials.org.uk and the course map can be added.

District officials can maintain and update clubs within their District. Details of clubs are linked directly to the internet entry system which is now an integral part of the website. Officials now have the facility to manage events within their District and choose what information they wish to be shown about themselves in their capacity as a District official.

Organisers can now access a “Start Sheet Builder” to assist with the creation of a start sheet in a standard Excel format, which can be downloaded. There is another template download available for result sheets. The Excel downloads include certain fields which are essential and must be included when the start and result sheets are uploaded back onto the system for displaying on the website. This is essential to maintain the integrity of the database and ensures the correct results are matched to the correct rider.

The site is “role based” and individuals are encouraged to register. To date, over 6300 individuals have done so. Even if you don’t intend to race, registration means that you will soon be able to receive directly the latest newsletters and other information concerning CTT’s activities.

Feedback is invited from everyone, whether positive or negative. If you wish to leave feedback, please send an email to support@cyclingtimetrials.org.uk

Course Measurement

As a consequence of the difficulties in late 2015, following the T1002 course being found to be short, the CTT Board of directors are to re-visit the current situation regarding course measurement. As part of a commitment to ensure that all CTT courses are in good order, the Board has appointed Alison Torode to oversee the process.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors, the following was agreed:

(i) Courses that have been measured in their entirety using a rev counter do not need to be re-measured.

(ii) Courses that have been measured either in whole or in part using a GPS device will need to be re-measured using a rev counter.

(iii) There is to be a rolling programme of course measurement for all courses used for Type A events beginning with the “Queen” courses (ie. so called “fast” courses where a competition record is a possibility) and courses to be used for National Championships, then moving on to all courses used for Type A events.

This is a large project to undertake and will take some time. It is anticipated however that this will prove to be very much worthwhile.

Say “NO” To Doping

Following the two anti-doping rule violations following in-competition tests in 2015, throughout 2016 CTT will be promoting a campaign to raise awareness of doping in sport. The CTT Champions of Champions: Hayley Simmonds, Matt Clinton, Louise Scupham and Matt Langworthy, all kindly have agreed to be CTT’s ambassadors to support CTT with this campaign.



Posters will be made available to organisers of all CTT events (June – October 2016) to be displayed at the event headquarters. All organisers are asked to do what they can to make the posters as visible as possible at the event HQ so as to help promote the campaign.

Organisers' Workshop

An organisers' workshop was held on Saturday 12 March 2016 and proved very successful. Many positive comments were made by the 50 or so delegates who attended. Topics covered included "on the day" risk assessments, event organisation, accident reporting and timekeeping; followed by an afternoon workshop focusing on the new CTT website. Those who attended all found this to be an extremely useful and informative day.

District Bank Accounts

A message from the National Treasurer, Mark Sanders, to all District Treasurers:

'It appears that most Districts have now set up District bank accounts or are at least in the process of doing so. May I ask those of you that have not so far started the process to do so or call Mark Sanders with any help you may need.

By way of an update, CTT is developing the new website to accept payments for subscriptions and the advertising fee through it, thereby reducing some of the administration demands on District Treasurers. The full details are still to be confirmed, but CTT is hoping to use this system for the coming year. District Treasurers will be contacted by Mark early in the process to discuss this and where necessary he will arrange meetings.'

Mark will be contacting all District Treasurers during the latter part of May 2016.

CTT Scholarship Riders

CTT is pleased to announce that for 2016, funding has been awarded to the following young riders: George Clark, Abby Mae Parkinson, Ben McIntosh, Jake Coward, Alice Cobb and Henrietta Colborne.

All recipients of funding are expected to ride at least two RTTC Championships during 2016. Regular communication from all funded riders is encouraged. Below is a link to an entertaining blog written by Alice Cobb following her experiences at the recent women's Tour de Yorkshire.

<https://matrixprocycling.cc/2016/05/02/tour-of-yorkshire-alice-cobb/>

The Board of Cycling Time Trials wishes the scholarship riders good luck and every success for 2016.

Current suspensions

The following riders are suspended from competition:

Robin Townsend	Team Swift	until 7 October 2019	UK Anti-Doping
Jeff King	Oxonian CC	until 20 July 2016	London West DC
Andrew Hastings	Richardson - Trek RT	until 29 May 2019	UK Anti-Doping
Ryan Taylor	Horspath CSC	until 3 January 2019	British Cycling
Jason White	Clay Cross RT	until 11 December 2016	UK Anti-Doping
John Cobb	none	until 30 May 2016	British Cycling
John Shilson	Exeter Wheelers	sine die	South West DC
Paul Murphy	Tyneside Vagabonds CC	sine die	North East DC

A sine die suspension imposed by South Wales DC in 2005 on Paul Osborne has been rescinded with immediate effect.

Please could all District Secretaries notify the National Secretary (Legal & Corporate) of any suspensions not listed or if any new suspensions are imposed (Rule 5 – see page 332 of the 2016 CTT handbook).

Dates for the Diary

National Council AGM - Sunday 4 December 2016 at Staverton Park, Daventry.

Champions Night will take place on Saturday 14 January 2017, again at Heythrop Park.

CTT Handbook 2016

Copies are available from the CTT website shop, price £9.00 plus postage & packing.

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