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Richard Bideau
BAR Champion

CHAMPION WOMEN



Katja Rietdorf
12 Hours



Sara Wheeler
50 Miles



Bronwen Ewing
10 and 30 Miles



Lynne Biddulph
24 Hours



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100 Miles



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25 Miles

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THE PRESIDENT'S PIECE

Carole Gandy

Well, another year has almost taken its course which in many ways has been quite a year both at home and abroad which has caused much debate. The media seem keen to keep Brexit in the forefront of every news bulletin and I am sure we are all getting thoroughly bored with this. Thankfully there are other distractions of which cycling is high on the agenda for members of our Association.

There have been some excellent results achieved by riders this season. I make no excuse in mentioning the outstanding performances by two women of our Association. Firstly Lynne Biddulph, who broke the National record for a 47 year old woman for the 24 hour event with a distance of 418.07 miles, a record that had stood since 1921. Secondly, Bronwen Ewing who recorded a distance of 270.911 miles in the 12 hour being the woman who has got closest to Beryl Burton's record which has stood since 1967. Technology and dedicated training plays an important part in our sport so the fact that both these records have stood for such a long time just shows that back then there were still very talented riders who probably did all their training just riding their bikes. I know that there have been some outstanding rides by male riders but it is always nice to have a small plug on achievements by the fairer sex.

So far this winter we have been lucky with the weather, even with some sharp frosts and low temperatures we have seen a good deal of sunshine, which always encourages one to put on one's winter clothes and get out on our bikes.

They say Christmas is a time for reflection and about thanking people for the joy they bring into your life. So far this year I have been to two Carol Services in aid of worthwhile charities. It is great to be able to join together and sing the carols that we all know so well. Whilst new ones are introduced, I always feel the carols are like faithful friends. It is so encouraging to see so many people joining together to celebrate a great time of the year.

I would like to take this opportunity of wishing everyone a very happy Christmas and New Year; however you spend it,*- and hope that 2017 is great for us all.



THE SECRETARY'S PIECE

Rachael Elliott

There is plenty that I could talk about for the last edition of the *Veteran* for 2016 – what the new time trial calendar has in store for 2017, discussion about tandem standards or even outline the odds on who might become the Champions of 2017. However, there is really only one subject which is of true importance to this edition.

This is not only the last edition of *The Veteran* which will be edited by Jim Burgin, but it also marks the end of Jim's association with the VTTA as he heads into a (very hugely deserved) retirement.

I am sure that the majority of members know who Jim is, at the very least. A few more will be aware of the duties he performs as Chairman. However, I like to think only myself and the other members of the NEC know *just* how much Jim puts into the Association. His professionalism, attention to detail and the knowledge he imparts to members are nothing short of incredible. Without Jim, I doubt the Association would be where it is today, and his departure is going to leave quite a large – and somewhat daunting – hole.

Jim's sense of duty is also something I revere. This year saw the VTTA NEC promote the shorter Championship events with support from the Groups. Jim attended all the Championship events, loading the car up himself with results boards, numbers and other paraphernalia and produced the accompanying start sheets and results books in a format many commercial designers would be proud of. In fact, in an age where many promoters 20 years Jim's junior are resistant to moving administration into electronic format, Jim embraces it. I am adamant I have never met anyone of Jim's generation who has such extensive knowledge of computing and desktop publishing.

I am going to sorely miss Jim's input, as I know countless others will. I am deeply sad that he is retiring, but I know this will give him the time he needs to spend with his wife, Dot. He deserves it.

I have a feeling this will not be the last we will hear of Jim although I hope, for his sake, it will be to share a bottle of red rather than corrections to meeting minutes.

RECORDER'S REPORT

Steve Lockwood

In addition to the 21 pages of the 2016 epic endeavours of the Association's Timetrialling Elite, Steve has provided a summary of those results below and on the next page.

Steve's splendid spreadsheet which contains details of all qualifying performances is available to any members requiring a copy. Send your requests to Jim Burgin who, subject to Steve's approval, will pass the spreadsheet on

BAR Individual

Richard Bideau	Pendle Forest CC	North Lancs and Lakes	01:26:51
Dave Green	Velo Velocity	East Anglian	01:18:56
Ian Holbrook	Stone Wheelers CC	Manchester & NW	01:11:53

Highest-placed woman

Katja Rietdorf	BornToBike Rt	London and Home Counties	01:06:25
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Group Team:

Dave Green	Velo Velocity		
Gray Turnock	Finsbury Park CC		
John Golder	Chelmer CC		
Julian Pegg	Hitchin Nomads CC	East Anglian	06:20:47
Rob Dulson	Hainault RC		
Graham Painter	Chelmer CC		

Club Team

Paul Holdsworth		London and Home Counties	
Nicholas Stagg	Hounslow & District Wheelers	London and Home Counties	02:40:30
Stuart Hewlins		London and Home Counties	

THREE-DISTANCE

Individual

Peter Horsnell	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	01:07:15
Richard Bideau	Pendle Forest CC	North Lancs and Lakes	01:02:52
Stephen Irwin	North Lancs RC	North Lancs and Lakes	01:02:08

Highest-placed woman

Katja Rietdorf	BornToBike Rt	London and Home Counties	00:49:25
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Group team

Richard Bideau	Pendle Forest CC		
Stephen Irwin	North Lancs RC		
Peter Greenwood	Team Swift		
David Hargeaves	North Lancs RC	North Lancs and Lakes	05:48:00
Mick Black	Team Swift		
Paul David Fleming	Preston Wheelers		

Club team

Peter Greenwood		North Lancs and Lakes	
Mick Black	Team Swift	North Lancs and Lakes	02:46:13
Neil Skellern		Manchester & NW	

SHORT DISTANCE

Individual

Ron Hallam	South Pennine RC	Nottingham and East Midlands	01:34:45
Brian Sunter	Condor RC	Yorkshire	01:22:52
Terry Icke	Newport CC	Wessex	01:22:21

Highest-placed woman:

Karen Ledger	Langsetts RT	North Midlands	01:13:13
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Group Team

Stephen Irwin	North Lancs RC		
Peter Greenwood	Team Swift		
Michael Ellerton	Team Swift	North Lancs and Lakes	07:43:12
Mick Black	Team Swift		
Paul David Fleming	Preston Wheelers		
David Hargeaves	North Lancs RC		

Club Team:

Peter Greenwood		North Lancs and Lakes	
Michael Ellerton	Team Swift	North Lancs and Lakes	03:56:54
Mick Black		North Lancs and Lakes	



MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

Merv Player

There has been a steady flow of new members this year, although the numbers are well down compared with the same period in 2015. The number not renewing had increased alarmingly, with the result that the total has been reduced by 67 compared with an increase of 225 in 2015.

There were 607 new members in 2015 compared with 413 in 2016. In 2015 there were 380 deletions; in 2016 - 480. These latter figures include 51 and 46 deceased.

Applications from New Members aged just 40 are remaining steady with 35 joining this year compared with 41 last year in the same period. On the other side of the spectrum, 31 Members have reached the age of 80 and having been members for the required 25 years have been made Honorary Life Members. A further 34 will become 80 in 2017 of which 18 will automatically be made an Honorary Life Member, the remaining 16 are requiring their joining dates to qualify. There are now 389 HLMs, 6 DLMs and 4 GLMs.

At the end of November membership now stands at 2737, including 238 partners.

Number 6000 has just been allocated to a couple who have joined North Lancs and Lakes Group. When taking on the position of Membership Secretary in March 2008 the last number allocated was 2805, plus 274 partners. The number of 'lines' on the Database is now 2500. From these figures you will see that 3195 new members have joined the VTAA but 3500 have left. A consoling factor is that of the 2805 who were members in March 2008, 2115 are still members.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank the Group Secretaries for all their assistance and patience during the past eight years.

EDITORIAL

Jim Burgin

As we enter another year, many will be looking back perhaps with relief that it is over and there might be better times ahead. That word *times* has, of course, a different emphasis for those who may read this valedictory.

As the Editor for 51 editions of this magazine, the main concern of the content has been *times*. As an event organiser it has just come down to *times*. As a timekeeper for more than 60 years, it has seemed that on Sundays I have only been concerned with *times*. And yet my almost lifelong membership of the Time Trialling fraternity has meant much more to me than just *times*.

My introduction to the *Club* cycling world in 1951 soon taught me that there was more to it than riding a bike in company. There were club runs, coach outings, track meetings, club dinners, club dances, and committees, AGMs and, most of all, time trialling, with all its complexities. More committees, more meetings, more AGMs; marshalling, result boards, start and result sheets and *timekeeping*. It was a new club, three years old with a membership of around 100, all of whom were under the age of 25.

Recalling that so significant period, was the discovery of allegiance; each club I came across had this sense of loyalty. I learned this and made many, many friends.

Years passed and with it came change; the club shrunk and I became old enough to join the VTTA. With less linkage with what remained of my club, I realised I had found a new club. This time a big club, one that included kindred spirits from throughout the UK. The club was so big it was split into Groups and so a new committee and a new range of meetings, of AGMs, of minutes and promotions. And of a great increase in friendships.

Came *The Veteran* and with it another committee and all that went with it. Twelve years later, and after 51 editions of the magazine, I realise that all is perhaps not as I imagined. Not one edition has been published without some mention of the shortage of helpers, of the poor attendance at luncheons, AGMs and such occasions when, I had assumed, those friends I had gained, got together and, intentionally or otherwise, shared that sense of belonging.

As a certain politician said, I had been 'Living in cloud cuckoo land'. I now realise that most of those 3500 members who, according to Merv's figures have been and gone in just eight years, simply wished to 'shop' at the VTTA and any other club or association which provided the opportunity for them to try for an improvement on a *time*. They were in the sport in order to record *times*.

Some contend that what loyalty exists belongs to their club but I don't buy that. Riders switch clubs on a whim, on the offer of a free jersey or similar minor attraction, witness the ever changing lists of affiliations to any CTT District Council.

I say all this to illustrate my realisation that the VTTA, Cycling Time Trials and the sport, is destined to fade away unless something is done to overcome the reliance on an ever increasing age group who maintain the sport; for without them, and their loyalty, (so amply demonstrated by the revered Les Lowe who was so loyal to the VTTA that he has left the Association £12,000 in his will) we cannot survive unless we find another way.

With that sad prediction (which has a solution), I am sad to end my term of office and am grateful for the comradeship I have gained and extend my thanks to that multitude whose company I have enjoyed at so many gatherings when I have recorded *times*.



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GROUP REPORTS



KENT

Ian Turner

The Group's AGM was held on Sunday 13 November at Lenham Community Hall, an oft used HQ for Time Trials on the nearby A20.

The election of officers and committee members for 2017 resulted in the following individuals being elected:-

President: Mark Vowells

Mark replaces Dave Wright whose term ends on 31 December this year. Dave was thanked for his excellent contribution as President over the past three years.

Vice-Presidents: Carole Gandy
Laurie Broad
Peter Baker.
Chair: Mark Vowells
Vice-Chair: John Hawkridge
General Secretary: Carole Gandy
Treasurer: Laurie Broad
Social Secretary: Tom Morton
Time Trial Secretary: Robert Giles
Recorder and Group Reporter: Ian Turner
KVN Editor: Neil Quarmby
Accounts Checker: Geoff Hodgson
Committee Members: Dave Wright
Duncan Leith
John Hawkridge
Mark Wright

Reports were received from officers, including the General Secretary; the Treasurer (on the Group's finances, which remain sound) the Time Trial Secretary (reporting on issues arising from 2016 events and thanking all promoters and helpers) the Recorder and the Social Secretary.

Carole Gandy (General Secretary), reported that the Group's membership in 2016 had been 173,

(2015: 181). 17 new members had enrolled in the year, offset by non renewals and, sadly, a number of deaths.

With the sad passing of fellow Committee member Roger Burchett, the annual Reliability Ride, which Roger has organised over the past few years, is at risk unless someone comes forward to take it on.

Carole also reported that Duncan Leith had announced that he was stepping down from the organisation of the Group's 'Wednesday 10' series, and that Carole, Tom Morton and Bob Giles may between them step in to ensure the series continues. Duncan was thanked by those present for organising the series over many years.

Tom Morton, Social Secretary, reported on arrangements for the Annual Lunch and Prize Giving, which will be held on Saturday 11 February at the Weald of Kent Golf Club. Guest of Honour is to be Alf Engers, so demand for tickets is expected to be high.

My own report to the meeting on the year's racing results as follows.

In terms of claims for Group competitions it has once again been a disappointing year. The BAR received only one claim, and this subsequent to the meeting. Lack of entrants was possibly because the KCA 12 hour event was cancelled this year and the qualifying event was moved to the ECCA on E2/12 hour. The 85 competition received four claims. There were no claims for the Women's BAR or for the Pete Avis Cup, the latter for the fourth year running - indeed it has only been awarded once. There were only three claims for standards.

Mike Piper is the Group's Best All Rounder for 2016 with +4.141 mph.

Kevin Tye is winner of the 2016 85 Competition

with +59:05s. Second place went to Simon Henderson and third to Mike Piper.

The Group's champions for 2016 are:-

10	Kevin Tye	7:27
25	Kevin Tye	16:35
30	Kevin Tye	18:59
50	Kevin Tye	35:03
100	Andrew Meilak	1:11:46
12 Hrs	Mike Piper	55:254
24 Hrs	David Greenwood	63:27

Trophies for each of the championships will be awarded at the Annual Lunch (see above).

The 'Wednesday 10' Series was won by Chris Bax.

Group records were set by Kevin Tye (10, 15, 25, 30 and 50 miles); Mark Vowells (10, 15, and 25 miles - solo trike); Alan Rowe (10 and two at 25 miles); Mike Daniels (10 miles); and Bob Loader (25 and 50 miles). Kevin Tye has claimed National records at 10, 15, 25 and 50 miles, and Mark Vowells at 15 miles.

Congratulations to all riders who have taken part in the Group's 2016 programme, and in particular to trophy, medal and certificate winners and record breakers. Medals are awarded for places in all of the Group's open events, and the list is too long to be reproduced in this report. All medals and trophies will be presented at the annual lunch on Saturday 11 February to those winners who attend.

So, on to winter training once again - stay safe out there!

LONDON & HOME COUNTIES

Peter Tasker and Jim Burgin

For those of us who are of an age that that can remember a comedy programme on the Radio called 'ITMA' with the star comedian being Tommy Handley will recall the opening phase '*It's that man again*' - well that is very true of 87 year old John Lee of the Icknield Road Club. In early September, on the outdoor track at

Welwyn Garden City, he set a new National and Group hour record when he covered the distance of 18.815miles. Since then *Cycling Weekly* have been to interview him at Welwyn track for an article for their magazine in the near future, as the saying goes 'there's life in the old dog yet. A fine example to all.

The 'Rocco' 25 was a success except perhaps for the difficulties with the Headquarters. The event had the ostensible use of the rear changing rooms which include toilet facilities, together with the kitchen. On the day, the week-end occupants of the Hall decided to stay the night, sleeping in the changing rooms. Initially unaware of this, early arrivals woke some soundly snoring computer buffs.

A small garage, containing a huge mower, had to provide space for numbers, signing-on and computer with the result board outside. Worse was to come; it seems that one of the riders had said some strong words to one of the 'boffins' with the result that the Caretaker demonstrated his prejudices by "Banning all cyclists in future". Letters of apology and explanation to the Hall Management Committee remain unanswered.

Other news is that Geoff Perry managed to get the Don Byham 10 re-run on Saturday 8th October on the Aston Clinton F11/10 course, with a field of 81. The weather could have been better but all credit to the riders who rode and in particular to Liam Maybank who was fastest and best on standard (see supplement for result).

Here's a summary of results collected from the CTT website:

VTTA East 10 (E2/10)	
Roger Porter	22:11
Alan Crane	22:22
Peter Harridge	23:22

NDCA 10 (F15/10)	
John Lacey	21:22
Alan Crane	23:01
Roger Porter	23:07
John Markham	23:22
Gill Reynolds	26:22
John Hassell	26:33
Anne Lacey	27:35

WLCA 10 (H10/3a)
Ian Greenstreet 22:15

Westerley CC 25 (H25/2)
Stuart Stow 54:02
John Sullivan 54:25
Rob Gilmour 55:19
Richard Hutt 56:58
Paul Holdsworth 57:02
Peter Harridge 58:01
Jill Bartlett 1:07:17

CC Breckland 50 (B50/18)
Peter Harridge 2:05:24
Lea Valley 30 (E30/1)
Richard Hutt 1:3:09

Norlond TTC 25 (F2A/25)
Tim Davies 55:08
Ian Markham 57:04
Alan Crane 57:06
Peter Harridge 58:02

VTTA East 10 (E2/10)
Simon Norman 19:25
Richard Hutt 21:42
Gary Orsborn 21:43
Roger Sewell 22:40

At the Group's AGM on the 13 November, the largest attendance for years replaced most of the 'Old Guard', electing John Hoskins as Secretary/Treasurer and Katja Rietdorf as Social Secretary. David Guy, Stuart Stow and Tim Childs were elected as Committee Members to join survivors of the carnage, Chas Jepson and Ron Purdy. Gladys Purdy remains as Chairman and Geoff Perry as Recorder and Awards Secretary. Before the meeting got under way, Peter Long was awarded Honorary Life Membership by Gladys.

Arrangements for the Luncheon and Prize Presentation are being jointly handled by Katja and Jim Burgin; the big date being Sunday 22 January at Aldenham Golf Club, Watford.

This will be Peter's last Report as he is standing down from the role, finding it difficult to get the results and with so many new members he cannot keep up with who is in the group or not.

MANCHESTER & NORTH WEST

Jim Ogden

The December issue of *The Veteran* is the one for reviewing the season just ending. There were two events which were due to be held on the fast Blythe Bridge/Etwall course in September, too late for my last report. Unfortunately one of them, the Burton and District CA 100, had to be cancelled due to road works – which would be a set-back for many riders BAR hopes.

However, fortune favoured the Stone Wheelers 25 which uses the western end of the 100 course and was held on Saturday September 10th when 103 of the 127 finishers beat the hour led by the favourite, Charles Taylor in 47:32. Our group member Darren Maironis, was 3rd fastest in 50:01. Then other group members well placed were Neil Skellem, 51:03; Aidrian Hughes, 52:12; Nige Wood, 52:41; Greg Dancer 54:18; Dave Fearon, 54:42; Neil Rothwell, 57:44; Barrie Whittaker, 58:04 and Jim Williams, 1:00:21.

Our local 12 hour is a joint promotion by the West Cheshire TTCA; Liverpool TTCA; Manchester & District TTA and the Merseyside Ladies CA. It was held on Sunday 21st August. Our best placed rider was Neil Skellem who covered 282.84 miles to fill fourth place. Other group finishers were Aidrian Hughes 263.64; Dave Fearon 247.42; Pauline Atkinson, 231.24; Jim Williams 227.32; Wayne Powell, 219.24; Janette Barber, 209.08 and Denise Hurst, 188.74. For her ride, Pauline Atkinson wins the Manchester & District TTA Edith Massey Trophy. Wilf Lewis (80), was a non-finisher.

Before listing the group winners, I feel it appropriate to mention our oldest regular competitor, 86 year old Cyril Wynne, who consistently manages to produce 28 minute 10s at Levens or at North Cave.

Brian Camfield, our Group Recorder, has provided a list of the Group Winners who will collect their awards at the luncheon on the 27th November. The Group Best All Rounder was again Ian Holbrook, with +71:52. Incidentally, Ian won the Vets category (actual) in the RTTC Classic Series (six events) and was also runner up on Vets target times. As Group BAR, Ian will collect the Bert

Starkey Shield. Unfortunately, day one of the lan's winter training didn't start off too well at the end of October, with a dislocated shoulder and a fractured bone after he fell off on the muddy lanes. We wish lan a speedy recovery ahead of next season!

Neil Skellern is placed second in our BAR with +68:44 and third is Aidrian Hughes with +59:07. Ian also takes the Butterworth Trophy by winning the three distance competition (the aggregate plus over 25; 50 and 100) with +50:47 just three seconds ahead of the runner up Neil Skellern, with Aidrian Hughes third with +44:04.

The Livingston Trophy for the BAR on local courses goes to Neil Skellern, +64:12, with Aidrian Hughes second with +57:01 and team mate Pauline Atkinson third with +38:37.

The three distance competition on local courses is also won by Neil Skellern +45:58 ahead of Adrian Hughes 41:58 and Ian Holbrook, 40:42. The Short Distance Trophy on any course (the aggregate plus over two 10s and two 25s) goes to Aidrian Hughes +65:14 ahead of Ian Holbrook +64:36 and Alan Chorley, +63.44. The Watterson Team Shield (first team of two riders on aggregate plus in the three distance competition) goes to the Seamons duo of Aidrian Hughes and Pauline Atkinson. The Short Distance competition on local courses, the FTA Trophy, is won by Aidrian Hughes +55:16 with team mates Alan Chorley +46:22 and Janette Barber +27:45 the runners up. Aidrian also wins the 25 mile Championship Cup (best 2 aggregate plus performances in Group 25s) +12:14 and +12:12 total + 24:26. Darren Maironis will collect the ES Ward Trophy as first Group member on standard in the Group 50, with his +25:44

The Memorial Handicap Shield which is for first Group Member on handicap in the Group 25 (Seamons) and it goes to Lee Winslow, with a handicap time of 45:31. The Lamp Trophy (last in the four distance BAR) goes to John 'never fails to finish' Baddeley, -6:59.

18 members will receive medals or plaques for a total of 56 standard awards for bikes and trikes. Also 14 members have set 23 new Group age

records, including 3 that are potential National age records at 15 miles and all will be detailed at the annual luncheon.

The Group AGM was held at Goostrey Village Hall on Remembrance Sunday on 11th November and was attended by only 16 members. The low number was due to a clash of dates with a CTT conference held in Manchester at the same time. Before our meeting started, all stood for a minute's silence, including in their thoughts the fallen in the wars and memories of five members who have passed away since our last AGM, namely Val Palk, Douglas Shaw, John Bagshaw, Harry Jackson and Stan Jones.

All the existing members of the committee were re-elected – Jim Ogden, Chairman and Editor; Brian Camfield, Secretary and recorder; Helen Gresty, Treasurer and Lunch Organiser with Tony Farrell, Wilf Lewis, Roy Deakin and Denise Hurst as committee members. Barbara Wellings, Altrincham Ravens, who volunteered to become a committee member, was elected and completes the committee. Phil Guy, Merseyside VTTA, recruited last year to be our Auditor, has agreed to continue. A unanimous vote of thanks was given to Helen Gresty for taking over the duties of treasurer after husband Jim's accident on January 18th. He is still wheelchair bound in hospital.

Although 22 new members have been accepted during the year, our total membership now stands at 192 which is a decrease in line with a national trend. So, with our membership under 200, the Group will be represented at the National AGM by 2 members not 3 – Brian Camfield and Jim Ogden.

The Group programme of events for 2017, submitted and approved by the CTT committee are listed below. They follow the same pattern as this year, thanks to continuing partnerships with Warrington RC; Nova CC and Seamons CC.

8 April	10	J2/1	Roy Deakin	2pm
27th May	50	J4/16	Warrington RC	2pm
8th July	25	J4/8	Nova CC	2pm
29th July	25	J2/9	Seamoms CC	2pm

Please note, our 10 will be the VTTA National Championship event and will be using Siddington

Village Hall as Headquarters. Yvonne Camfield provided welcome refreshments for the meeting, which ended at 11 am.

Mike Cotgreave has provided notes on the CTT conference. After the presentation by the Manchester Committee, discussions centred on what time trialling will be like in 2020. Many ideas were generated from a very lively debate and included a move on to more closed roads; chip timing and the training and rewarding of marshals. A constant theme was to recognise that the current 'custodians of our sport' were all of 'a certain age' and there was a definite need for younger blood to join the organising bodies. Matt Bottrill was the keynote speaker and his thoughts for taking the sport forward re-enforced those of the committee. All the ideas were collected and will be reviewed for a further conference that will be held in the near future.

Looking at the Group's immediate future, a reminder that subs are now due. £13 for single members, £15 for doubles, £6 for life members wishing to receive a Veteran and Honorary Life Members are free. Send cheques payable to VTTA Manchester and NW to Helen Gresty, 7 Balmoral Drive, Market Drayton, Shropshire TF9 1RJ.

To be among the standard winners next year, you need to register with our recorder, Brian Camfield at 21 Sadler Avenue, Stone, Staffs ST15 8YH and £10 covers all events at all distances.

Reports of the Group Luncheon and prize presentation will be in the next issue. Should *The Veteran* arrive in time, I send my best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a New Year that fulfils all our hopes.

MERSEYSIDE

Geoff Edgerton

Early November saw the group holding its annual general meeting. Held at Tilstock Village Hall, there were six members present. Mel Griffiths continues as Chairman with Phil Guy as Treasurer and myself as Recorder and Editor. Sadly, we continue to operate without a Secretary. Others

present were Andy Durber, Barry Ralphs and Dave Nicholas. The plus side of the AGM were the recollections and tales from the older members attending, tea and biscuits helped, and going off at a tangent every now and then made it one of the, dare I say, more enjoyable meetings. Whilst putting the World to rights, there was concern that older members without internet access, were not receiving start sheets through conventional mail. In a Shropshire open time trial held in late September, three Mersey vets didn't receive one and had to resort to ringing to find their start time. I hope this is just an isolated instance and organisers realise that the internet, while a wonderful tool, isn't for everyone.

Late September saw Phil Guy and myself make the trip to Normandy to ride the Duo Normand 2 up time trial. I have to be honest and say I had never heard of it before but obviously Phil had and he cajoled me to enter. Anyhow, it was off to Portsmouth with the bikes and partners to catch the ferry to Caen. The following day, a recce of the 50 kilometre course proved more than useful, a flat first half was followed by a more technical second half. By technical I probably mean up and down with a couple of sharp bends at the bottom of the descents. The weather was pretty good so I thought we'll be alright if it doesn't rain. The morning of the race, a look through the hotel window to see that it had rained overnight was slightly unnerving but, however, a dry morning resulted in the roads drying out when we started which was a big relief. I have to say that it was a tremendous experience, especially starting down a ramp with the five finger countdown. I could never master that. Coming back through the town with the crowds was absolutely brilliant.

An experience all round that I will not forget. However, the untimely accident and death of a fellow vet Ian Bashford marred the day. Ian and his partner were starting a couple of minutes after us and we had bit of nervous banter with him just before the start. So tragic.

There are two group events to report on. The Rhos-on-Sea 10 mile time trial was held early August and proved a good Sunday morning with excellent times. Port Sunlight Wheelers Kevin Larmer recorded the fastest time stopping the

clock at 20:33 with a plus of 5:50.

With the one rider one prize rule, Kevin takes the Oscar Dover Shield for best on standard.

North Shropshire Wheelers Richard Kay is the recipient of the Derek Ireland Cup with a time of 20:53 for fastest with a plus of 5:11.

The Hilda Dover Cup for best woman on standard was claimed by Helen Tudor of Oswestry Paragon with a plus of 2:54 and time of 25:54.

A rare appearance by Frodsham Wheelers John Flynn proved rewarding with a more than competitive time of 22:51 (+4:53).

Chester Road Club's Ian Hawkins also put in a good morning's stint to finish in 23:05 (+3:31) with North Shropshire Wheelers Phil Guy crossing the line in 23:46 (+4:56).

Birkenhead Vic's Derek Parry made the most of the morning with a best time of the season 23:58 (+3:46) with Martin Sturge of Graham Weigh Racing not far adrift in 24:15 (+2:26).

I was getting the better of Birkenhead Vic's Ian Casson early season but his time of 24:19 (+3:47) was too good with myself recording 24:29 (+4:13). DJ Fanning was next rider home in 24:39(+2:11) with Peter Booth recording 28:51(+0:45).

The final group event of the year was North Shropshire Wheelers 25 mile time trial. Held in late September, the race had thirteen group members competing. Richard Kay put in a super ride to retain the Gomersall Cup recording a time of 56:23 (+9:50), two seconds quicker than last year.

Mid Shropshire Wheelers Andy Hazell also retained the Joe Brook Trophy for best on standard with a plus of 12:36 and actual time of 1:01:01.

John Flynn also took advantage of the good conditions to finish in a time of 1:01:15 (+9:23) closely followed by Ian Hawkins with 1:01:30 (+6:08).

Mid Shropshire Wheelers Dave and Jenny York were the next two finishers with Dave finishing ahead with a time of 1:02:06 (+8:32). However, Jenny produced a personal best on the Prees

course to finish in a time of 1:03:09 and second overall on standard with a plus of 12:16.

Derek Parry put in a good morning's effort to record 1:03:11 (+7:27) with Mid Shropshire Wheelers John Robertson stopping the clock at 1:04:11 (+6:27). DJ Fanning produced a good ride to finish in 1:04:57 (+5:17) with Ian Casson recording 1:05:54 (+5:42). Helen Tudor and Peter Booth were the final group riders recording 1:08:09 (+4:40) and 1:15:16 (+0:27).

Everyone will probably be well into their winter training by the time this hits the doormat. Christmas will also be a distant memory. Just hope all have a good winter and if you are out on the road, Stay safe.

MIDLANDS

Jeff Matthews

My Season by David Steel



The following article was offered in the form of a letter to Sue Kelly, with a claim for Standards. We thought it worth publishing. Where there's a will...

As per our recent dialogue, you will soon receive an envelope containing:

- My 2016 Standards Claim Form for 10, 15, 30 and 12 hour distances, for which I would like a plaque please.

Having had a few injuries this year, mostly running related, I have only managed to compete in four events, with the 12 hour last Sunday being my last counting event. I am sure you appreciate that riding a 12 hour needs a lot of planning and preparation, so this account may amuse you.

There is the bike of course, fit a smaller ring to achieve a lower range of gears: bolt on a couple of bottle cages for the all-important hydra one needs over such a prolonged period; ensure you have a spare tube and a C^o2 pump on board for rapid tyre changing; have spare wheels in the support vehicle with tyres inflated to just the right pressure for the conditions; have the schedule printed up for your support team to follow, with clear guidance on what you expect to need where and when, eg. roast chicken dinner soup in a bottle, fruit and rice in a bottle, Jaffa cakes, fresh apricots, small bananas, tea, and of course for when things get tough, hot chocolate and brandy (Lumumbas).



Obvious stuff really, all of which was well in hand, and of course I had packed my kit with a couple of options for what the weather may turn out to be on the day.

The day dawned wet and very windy, but my 'stroll-in-the-park' target of 180 miles still looked, well, like a stroll in the park really. I mean, what could possibly go wrong?

The first thing that went wrong was that my bottle cage snapped 20 minutes before the start. Hydra on? I don't think so. By cunning and yes, I admit, slightly panicked bodging, I did however manage to adapt it using a cable and copious tape, but only one of my bottles was small enough to fit in it. Never mind, rather than handing up bottles I would simply have to stop every mile and refill the same bottle. 180 miles still looking just about do-able, but certainly rather more challenging than it had initially appeared.

Five minutes to go, and breathe. Dressed, signed on, numbers pinned. And breathe. OK, we're good, just slip on the shoes and we are away.

What shoes?

For the second time in my entire life I had left my shoes at home. Arrrrrrghhhhh!!!

All I have is my 'gardening' trainers (not that I ever do gardening of course).

OK, abandon? Go home and enter the last 12 hour of the season over near Norwich? No, may as well start in my gardening trainers and see how it goes, but it's not going to be good, it's not going to be clever, and 180 miles to get a tick in the box is suddenly looking like a very forlorn hope.

So, with feet slipping off the Look pedals and therefore unable to stand up on them - which I usually do quite a lot - and losing control of the bike at inopportune moments when both feet slip off simultaneously, off we went. I can't feed as I ride along because I have to keep hold of the bike. Can't pee whilst rolling downhill for the same reason (errrrr . . . did I say that last bit out loud . . . ?) the shoes are catching on the chain stays, etc. etc.

Eventually taped my shoes to the pedals and relied on getting my foot out of the shoe in an

emergency. So a walk in the park turned into a frustrating 12 hour gravel, with lots of quizzical looks and comments from (allegedly) well-meaning fellow cyclists along the way. Well it was actually slightly less than 12 hours, because I finished a few minutes early having nailed 186 miles at a convenient timekeeper right next to where the van was parked.

The good news is that today, I find that I can just about walk normally again, across the room anyway, and planning to walk the wheelie bin down the bottom of the garden tomorrow - it is important to push oneself don't you think?

So, four races ridden, four ticks in the box - JUST!

NORTH

Gavin Russell

Following on from my last report, where I reported on all the results to date from the North Group season, the following events concluded the North Group racing year.

Cleveland Coureurs/VTTA North Group 25 – Only 18 riders finished the event out of the 34 who entered (one DNF and 13 non-starters). Of those finishing, nine were VTTA members. With the Yorkshire intruder, Gareth Metcalfe 3rd fastest overall, recording the best on standard with +15:01, Group pride was maintained with a sterling ride from Gary Hunt finishing 4th with 54:46 and a +14:17.

Other notable rides were: John Murphy, visiting from Gloucester, +13:30 on fixed wheel, Elliott Gowland finishing second overall and fastest VTTA member, with a ride of 54:09 and a plus of +12:42. Additional rides were Roy Burne +12:42, Dan Evans +9:24, Howard Heighton +9:20, Richard Grant +8:18, Alan Sides +5:30, Paul Dawson +4:59, Phil Wright +4:42, Craig Wilson +1:45. The event was won by Andrew Scorey of 100% ME with a time of 53:45.

Cleveland Wheelers CC Hill Climb (incorporating the VTTA North Group Championship) - This year five riders completed the Clay Bank climb to contest the Championship, with Shaun Tyson fastest Veteran on standard with a plus of 1:35,

followed by Ian Hutchinson (the defending Champion) +1:11, Paul Thirling +0:47, Dan Evans +0:44 and Richard Grant +0:10.

With the 2016 competitive season completed, attention has turned to both the social and administration aspect of our sport and the events proposed for the 2017 season.

The North Group AGM was held with the usual group of attendees. The good news is that Les (George) Dawson agreed to continue as Group Secretary, despite giving notice last year of his intention to stand down, a decision welcomed by all present. All other officers, et al, were re-elected ('unopposed surprisingly') to continue in their current positions. It was confirmed that, as the Group broke even in 2016, subscriptions and standard fees are to remain unchanged at £12 for single membership and £13.50 for couples, with £12 for the full set of standards and £3 for any number of attempts at a nominated single distance. 2017 membership and standard fees, which are due, should be forwarded to Paul Dawson, the Group Treasurer. Please note that both need to be paid prior to competing in 2017 fixed distance events, so as to qualify for awards.

It was recorded that the Group currently has 78 members, a drop of 16 from 2015. It should be noted that a good number of the North Group membership, and especially the officials, are over the age of 70.

By the time you read this (prepared in November), the closing date for the sale of tickets for the Group Lunch at the Hardwick Hall on 8 January 2017 will have passed. It is really great and welcoming news that it has been confirmed that Bryan Bevis, a lifelong stalwart from Cleveland Wheelers, has agreed to the VTTA North Group Committee's invitation to be the Guest of Honour at the luncheon. Bryan has been a part of the local Teesside cycling scene for many past decades, both as a competitor and official. He has even encouraged the young to compete on the back of his tandem in local hill climbs. His support for the cycling scene has spanned from the Kids' League 2000 events (now being held at the Sports Village in Middlesbrough) through to assisting and officiating at road events and time trials. Bryan was one of the first Teesside

recipients of the Cycling Time Trial's Certificate of Honour.

With the prizes being presented to both the Group Competition winners and those who were successful in the Teesside District Championship (where all eight of the age awards for the over 40s were won by group members), an excellent afternoon is to be expected.

In addition to the 14 members achieving their standard awards this season, there have been a number of group age records reported. In all eight new Group Age Records (four to Keith Murray in a six week period) have been set on the road, together with a number of distance records also set by Howard Heighton on his way to establishing a new Group Age Hour Record on the recently opened outdoor Teesside Velodrome at the Sports Village in Middlesbrough.

The 2016 Group Competition Results read:

Group BAR and fastest 25 in Group BAR
Keith Murray

1st on Standard in Short Distance BAR
Gary Hunt

1st on Standard in Middle Distance BAR
Gary Hunt

1st on Standard in Points Competition
Gary Hunt

1st on Handicap in Points Competition
Gary Hunt

1st on Actual Time in Points Competition
Gray Walker

Best Team on Standards
Stockton Wheelers CC
Gary Hunt, Graeme Carter & Paul Thirling

Hopefully the award winners together with their supporters (families) will all attend the lunch to collect their well-deserved trophies and medals, whether it be a single standard medal (like me) or a sack full like Gary

At the October Teesside District Council Meeting, the following VTTA North and associated events were approved:

Saturday 22 April: Hartlepool CC/VTTA North Group 10ml on T105 – Organiser: Phil Wright

Sunday 14 May: Hartlepool CC/VTTA North Group 25ml on T252/3 – Organiser: Paul Garstang

Saturday 3 June: VTTA North Group 10ml on T104 – Organiser: Ruth Crossley

Sunday 13 August: Darlington CC/VTTA North Group 50ml on T502 – Organiser: Dave Bennett

Sunday 3 August: Cleveland Coureurs/North Group 25ml (incorporating Teesside District Championship) on T252/3 – Organiser: Gavin Russell

Sunday 17 September: Hartlepool CC/VTTA North Group 25ml on T254 – Organiser: Paul Garstang

At the time of writing, following sight of the proposed events in the North East District, there are no VTTA events planned in the north of the Group's area.

It may be worth noting the following dates in your racing diaries:

Sunday April 30th VTTA National 15 mile Championship is being held in the adjoining Yorkshire District on the super-fast Hull based V278 course (an extension of the V718 course).

Sunday June 25th Cycling Time Trials National 50 mile Championship is being held in the Teesside District on the fast Crathorne/Dishforth course based on the T502 course.

Anyone who wants to start planning his/her forthcoming season, an early copy of all the proposed 2017 Teesside events can be emailed by contacting the writer.

Once again, if you have any news or information you wish to impart to your fellow members of the North Group, please do not hesitate to contact the writer on gavin_russell@hotmail.co.uk or telephone 01642 654419.

NORTH LANCs AND LAKES GROUP

Dave Brown

In what other way could we begin these notes other than by congratulating our Group Member, Richard Bideau, on those magnificent performances which resulted in him winning the British Best All Rounder (BBAR) competition?

12 months ago the Pendle Forest Cycling Club member had done more than enough to win the 2015 BBAR until the issue of the short course for his qualifying 100 time arose.

Thankfully this year 'All is safely gathered in' and Richard will receive the Award at the Cycling Time Trials Champions Night in January.

Just for completeness Richard's incredible qualifying performances for the 50, 100 and 12 hours were: 1:35:22, 3:22:16 and 305.765 miles giving him a record average speed of 28.867 mph – not bad for a 45 year old 'Vet'!

Back to 'normal business' and at the Group AGM held in October, our Chairman, Richard Taylor, opened the meeting where just 23 of our Group Members were present with a number of apologies for absence accepted.

A one minute's silence was observed for four Group Members who had passed away this year: Ruth Smith, Jack Crossley, Terry Kay and Jack Mellis.

Copies of the 2015 AGM were circulated and the minutes accepted. There were two items that Secretary Derek Black had previously raised but had not yet received replies from the National Secretary. These were the possibility of Standards for disabled competitors and the possibility of a 15 mile National Championship.

Derek said that he had posted out AGM notifications at a cost of £85 but it had not increased the number attending the meeting this year. However Treasurer Hazel Matthews said that by including a renewal form it had increased the number re joining for next year.

Hazel then gave her own Treasurer's Report saying that membership was slightly down but renewals had improved for next year as

mentioned earlier.

Keith Tattersall thanked the Group for flowers sent to ex-member Ruth Smith's funeral.

Press Secretary Dave Brown again put his job 'up for sale' but with no takers he is happy to continue for another year.

Other officials were elected as follows: Chairman Richard Taylor, Vice Chairman Paul Fleming, and Secretary Sue Cheetham, whilst Derek Black was thanked for his work in the role in recent years. Treasurers Hazel and Bob Matthews, Group Recorder Richard Taylor, Minutes Secretary Sue Cheetham.

The General Committee members are: Frank Kerry, Geoff Duteson, Peter Knott, Harry Haseley, Dave Shorrock, Graham Sheard and John Leach.

John Leach was elected as a Vice President and Mal Gill will again act as Auditor.

Sue Cheetham and Graham Sheard will represent the Group at the VTTA National AGM.

In AOB I said that at the previously popular New Year's Day get-together there were only Jack Stokes, our Treasurer and myself turning up for the last one and should we now discontinue with that function. It was agreed that present members do not want the same social functions that we enjoyed in the past and it was agreed to discontinue this event.

Richard Taylor then gave his Recorder's Report plus 2017 events programme:

He started by congratulating Richard Bideau on his outstanding BBAR win. Also the two National successes of Dave Hargreaves of the North Lancs. Road Club. Dave had won the VTTA National 100 on Standard and the RTTC Classic Series Championship on Target Time.

Standard awards were achieved by: Jim Lawley for four on his bike and three on his trike, Sue Cheetham and Denis Thompson claimed three each and Peter Glover and Gary Sedgwick two each.

Nine members rode the minimum of four events to qualify for the Group Championship – up by 50% on last year. Steve Irwin was a clear outright

winner with the maximum of 480 points with Paul Fleming and new member this year Derek Parkinson tying on 471 for second.

Nineteen new Group age records have been set by members on local 'L' courses in the 2016 season. Steve Irwin set four of them with his incredible times over 10, 25, 30 and 100 the fastest ever by VTTA members on 'L' courses. The times to beat at those distances now stand at 18:49, 49:26, 1:05:43 and arguably best of the lot his 3:33:32 on the Keswick/Cockermouth course. Theresa Taylor of Preston CC also claimed four age records with her 4:36:40 in that 100, probably her best ride.

Other Record breakers were: Mike Westmorland and Mick Black with two records each then single records from Harry Haseley, John Draper, Paul Fleming, Sue Cheetham and Emily Warner whilst Jim Lawley broke two trike records.

When it came to National Age Records, Recorder Richard said that an unprecedented occurrence in the list of National Age Records has led to the fastest ever rides by a male veteran in this country – from 10 miles to 100 miles – being held by members of our Group! He said that Steve Irwin was 'responsible for some mind boggling rides!' His 17:49 10, 47:01 25 and 1:35:13 50 – which is the second fastest 50 ever ridden at any age - were all records for his 45 years. Richard Bideau – also aged 45 – with his 3:22:16 100 - again a tremendous performance and also the second fastest ever recorded at any age.

Mick Ellerton of Team Swift set three new National Records for 55 year olds with a 19:01:10, 49:31 25 whilst his 15 of 28:27 was the first ever 30mph plus ride at that distance. Pete Greenwood – also Team Swift – updated the National 50 mile Age Record for 64 year olds with a superb ride of 1:44:23.

For the VTTA National BAR competitions our Recorder, Richard, said that Richard Bideau was our only male rider in the 4 Distance Competition and is sure of a very high placing. There are 11 applicants for the 3 Distance BAR with our top 6 – Richard Bideau, Steve Irwin, Pete Greenwood, Dave Hargreaves, Mick Black and Paul Fleming – and as our Group Recorder said 'If

they don't win the Group Award I will eat my hat'!

Our only female applicant is Theresa Taylor who should be in for a high placing. Other male qualifiers are: Derek Parkinson, Scott Leverington, Stephen Moorhouse and Harry Haseley.

Richard had 20 applications for the Short Distance Competition with our top 6 of Steve Irwin, Pete Greenwood, Mick Ellerton, Mick Black, Paul Fleming and Dave Hargreaves being sure of being near the top of the table. Our second 6 qualifiers: Mike Westmorland, Greg Plummer, Scott Leverington, Derek Parkinson and Gethin Butler should also be well placed. Zoe Whiteside of Team Bottrill is our highest placed woman member.

It has been another incredible year for that 'Hot Spot' for time trialling - East Lancashire.

Richard Bideau, Steve Irwin, Mick Ellerton and Pete Greenwood all live within a 5 mile radius of each other – and we can also include in that the CTT National Champion at 25 miles, 50 miles and 100 miles, Ryan Pery and for good measure Rio Team Pursuit Gold Medallist Steven Burke.

The Group will promote three events in 2017 – with non-other than Richard Taylor the event secretary for all of them. We really must have offers to promote our 2018 events.

Weds 12 April	25	L2521a	1300
Sun 21 May	50	L505R	0700
Weds 14 June	25	L256	1900

The North Lancashire Time Trial Association (NLTTA) will be promoting a 100 in Cumbria – the one that Richard organised this year – that date is Sunday 25 June.

Our Group Dinner and Prize Presentation will at the Crofters Garstang on Sunday 8 January.

Four new members have joined our Group in the past three months. We welcome Kath and Paddy Finn of the Kendal Cycle Club, Carol Westmorland of Border City Wheelers and Heather Greening also Border City Wheelers and hope they all enjoy their time with us.

NORTH MIDLANDS

Alex Deck

I often wonder how groups differ in terms of make-up, levels of enthusiasm, involvement in racing and so on. This was on my mind at our annual prizegiving, when all eleven trophies were shared between just four riders, all sitting on the same table. It just made me think about people's reasons for joining the VTTA, and whether it's more for the social side for the older (70+) vets who no longer race. Would be interesting to compare groups but getting people to complete surveys is hard, especially when a significant proportion of members don't have email. A job for next year perhaps.

Anyway - that's me just musing. Here are our very worthy winners:

Cleethorpes Shield (Group 10)	
Chris Melia	+7:39
Ron Blythe Trophy (March 10)	
Chris Ledger	+6:06
Sheffield Central Cup (Both group 25s combined)	
John Smith	+9:55
Sid Sharman Cup (50)	
Chris Melia	+39:46
Unity Cup (100)	
Trevor Mayne	+1:01:56
Watson Trophy (Group events)	
Trevor Mayne	
Meersbrook Trophy (Short Distance BAR) (10, 25 & 50)	
Chris Melia	+57:45
Colin Bell Cup (Middle Distance BAR) (10, 25, 50 & 100)	
Trevor Mayne	+1:04:55
Brian Beardsley Memorial Cup (12 hour)	
Trevor Mayne	+69:84
Susie Denham Cup (Women's BAR) 10, 25 & 50)	
Chris Melia	+57:45
Ethel Scothern Cup (BAR - 25, 50, 100 & 12)	
Trevor Mayne +	1:04:38

We also set a fair few age records, several of

which we hope will be national records once these have been ratified by the National Record Secretary.

10 mile solo men	
57 Keith Ainsworth	19:43
87 Syd Wilson	26:52
10 mile solo men (trike)	
43 Andy Newham	22:54
10 mile men (tandem)	
66/61 Graham Barker/Chris Duggleby	21:30
15 mile solo men	
54 Chris Ledger	30:51
69 Mick Allen	32:03
71 Peter Stirk	35:47
78 John Smith	36:23
87 Syd Wilson	50:07
25 mile solo men	
57 Keith Ainsworth	51:18
50 mile solo men	
57 Keith Ainsworth	1:48:29
12 hour solo men (trike)	
43 Andy Newham	219.581
10 mile solo women	
43 Karen Ledger	20:27
52 Chris Melia	21:24
15 mile solo women	
43 Karen Ledger	31:47
25 mile solo women	
43 Karen Ledger	53:56
52 Chris Melia	55:11
50 mile solo women	
52 Chris Melia	1:52:24

As always, check our website for regular updates <http://vtanorthmidlands.co.uk> or follow us on Twitter at @VTTANorthMids.

NOTTINGHAM AND EAST MIDLANDS

David Herd

Well another season has come and gone, far too quickly, with a damp spring and as I recall we had more than our share of strong winds during the

summer months. There were however some good times set.

Ian Guilor was a clear winner in the Ratae RC 25, held on the 11 September 2016 on the A25/20 Six Hills course with a 51:42 followed by his team mate Julian Younger second fastest of NEM group riders 58:34. James Westwood found himself in the top ten placings with a fine 59:18, and Steve Howgill close on his heels also having a good ride on 59:27. Other NEM times Steve Boat 1:01:21, Ben Waddington 1:03:47, Louise Day 1:04:27, David York 1:11:22 and Michael Spurr 1:14:07.

The NEM group's AGM on 20 November 2016 at Granby Village, was well attended. Following the sad passing of Joe Summerlin almost 11 months ago. Sue Bowler was voted in unanimously as the new chair. Sue, who will be a familiar name to most time triallists, has been involved in the East Midlands and neighbouring Counties cycling scene for number of years. Sue is secretary of South Pennine RC, secretary of the Burton and District Cycling Alliance, Chair of Central District CTT and Director of CTT National Time Trials. Sue brings her chairing skills, cycling experience, a great deal of time trialling knowledge and is very welcome member to the group.

All the present committee members were re-elected.

Our secretary, Russell Gent put forward his excellent report. There has been an increase in number of standard [racing] membership this year of 20 riders which is the highest since 2008 bringing the total membership up to 173.

All three NEM 25 mile open events were well supported and all attracting almost full fields. The group would like to thank Bryan Fenwick and Russell Gent for their hard work in promoting these events and also the Christian family headed up by Robert and Julie who did a great job in promoting the Bert Christian Memorial.

The National VTTA 10 mile event on the A10/14A at Long Bennington was administered by the National VTTA team with the NEM team provided local knowledge, the catering, time keepers and marshals. Despite several racing incidents the

NEM managed to provide a high level of assistance and support.

Group Events for 2017 are as follows:
Sat 22 April VTTA [NEM] 10 A10/14A
David Yarham
Sat 20 May Ivan Mahon 25 A25/34
Russell Gent
Sat 22 July Jack Watts 25 A25/34
Sat 23 Sep Bert Christian 25 A25/34
Robert and Julie Christian
in association with Melton Olympic

Thanks to all the promoters above stepping forward for their time and effort.

Kathy Smith presented details of the year's income and expenditure accounts which indicate a slight loss over the previous year due to the Bert Christian Memorial taking place quite late in the year and receipts not being finalised.

It was agreed that the profit from catering income should be shared between the Lincolnshire and Nottingham Air Ambulance giving them a donation of £65 each.

It was agreed to purchase a new set of numbers from the VTTA for £60.00.

The annual luncheon and prize presentation will be held at The Risley Park, Derby Road, Risley, DE72 3SS on 22 January 2017; tickets at £19.00 are available from Gail Summerlin who has kindly agreed to organise the function.

For further details please contact Gail at: 19 The Paddocks, Sandiacre, Nottingham, NG10 5HQ, and Telephone 0115 9398984 Mobile 0752 5848184. Please include sae if you want tickets mailed to you.

In any other business, concerns and frustrations were voiced about the CTT online entries and particularly result sheet system in which many cases promoters were not sending out results at all, relying on riders to source the results from the CTT website. Sue Bowler said that the CTT were aware that there were problems and that they were looking to sort out the issues and iron out any misunderstandings.

Ron Hallam and Colin Parkinson were trying to update missing information on the Trophy Bases and set up a database with all the information.

The VTTA NEM Bert Christian Memorial 25 took place on 24 September using the A25/34 East Stoke-Stragglethorpe-Farndon course. The event was held in very windy conditions yet there were some very good times on the day. First year Vet Brett Harwood was fastest on 50:20, with 2nd place senior rider Matt Sinclair just behind on 50:28. Joel Wainman was 3rd with 50:58 and Ian Guilor 4th recording 51:29.

The following riders made up the top ten positions: Robert Gibbons 51:31, Nick Cave 51:53, Sean Vincent 51:56, Neil Palmer 52:19, Adam Coffey 52:37 and Richard Hamlin 52:48.

Other NEM Group results: Geoff Platts 53:31, Ian Pike 56:06, Guy Webster 56:25, Paul Mabletoft 56:55, James Westwood 57:14, Andy Barnard 58:33, Michael Wilkinson 59:15. Steve Boat was unlucky to be just over the hour 60:06. Graham Green recorded 1:02:15, Louise Day 1:03:11, Anthony Spence 1:03:21, David Woodall 1:04:24, Graham D'Arcy 1:05:48, Ron Hallam 1:07:07, and David York 1:12:02.

The ANDCC 25 promoted by Mapperley CC was run in the Vale of Belvoir on 18 September. Unfortunately the course had to be shortened because of road works; however, there were some fast times. Fastest was Ryan Perry on 47:44 and a second a rare appearance this season for Matt Bottrill (48:22) third was Matt Sinclair (49:53). Other NEM times:

Ian Guilor	50:47
Nick Cave	52:46
Jason Swann	53:03
Andrew Tomkins	53:06
Geoff Platts	53:16
Colin Parkinson	53:53
James Westwood	56:45
Julian Younger	57:24
Steve Howgill	57:38
Andy Fretwell	1:01:09
Tony Hardenberg	1:02:43

Well, that's it for now so here's wishing you all a safe and successful New Year.

SCOTLAND

James Skinner

Happy New Year to all

If this edition of the Veteran drops through your letterbox early you may still have time to attend the SVTTA prize presentation Lunch on Sunday January 15th 2017 - 11am, the venue is MQs Tartan Arms, 45 Main St, Bannockburn, Stirling FK7 8LX. Tickets are priced £12.50, and are available from George Skinner 0141, come along and celebrate the 65th anniversary of the SVTTA.

Our recent AGM in MQc Bannockburn attracted 24 members for the meeting of which 19 stayed for the meal; as usual Dave Millar was up on his bike, and headed away before the dinner, hoping for a tailwind home.

Proceedings included changes to the wording of our constitution to recognise Cycling Time Trials (CTT) events.

David Mitchell of Perth United sustained a few broken bones after an accident and will be wearing a neck brace for a few months. Graham Jones, our multiple 12 hour champion, was injured whilst competing down south. After being admitted to hospital, his season was cut short. The Scottish group wishes them, and all who have sustained injury a speedy recovery and hope to see them racing soon.

As we go to print, sad news of another Mitchell, Honorary Life Member Davie Mitchell, a long time member of the SVTTA and Johnstone Wheelers, sadly passed away in Paisley after suffering dementia, Davie was a keen TT rider and held positions of Club Secretary and race Secretary in his time with Johnstone Wheelers; he is survived by wife Helen and his two daughters who were all active club members throughout the years.

Racing

This year has seen 44 members achieving a total of 120 standards, with a reported 23 age related records being submitted on the road, and nine on

the track.

The track racing records are worth noting as they have only recently been highlighted. Anyone who is racing on the track, keep a note of your racing results, and get your hard work recognised, as there are record books to be filled out.

The first of the SVTTA Championship events are detailed for 2017, they can be confirmed on the CTT and British Cycling websites nearer the time.

Sun 16 April 15 £12.00 08.00
Organiser Dave Millar SVTTA: CTT
HQ Cambusbarron Community Hall
Cheques payable to D. Millar
davemillar@ntlworld.com

Sat 13 May 10 £9.00 08.00
Organiser Stephen Kelly
Law Wheelers Robert Cooper Trophy
SVTTA J & B. Train Trophy: CTT
Course 10 MI/10/1R,
HQ Cambusbarron Community Hall.
Cheques payable to S. Kelly

Sun 21 May 30 £10.00 08.00
Organiser Michael Devlin
Pinky Williams Trophy.
Course - 30 MI/30/R
HQ Thornhill Community Hall
Cheques payable to Michael Devlin
Entry on the day available

Other provisional race dates are noted below and will be detailed in the next issue of the Veteran

Sunday 11 June 25 Aberdeenshire
John Cramb Handicap Trophy

Sunday 18 June 50 Alastair Speed Memorial

SVTTA H Roberts Trophy

Fife.

Sunday 2 July 25
Ben Smith & Pet Trophies Cambusbarron

Sunday 20 August 100
SVTTA Reilly & Sharp Trophies

Sunday 1 October Tour de Trossachs
Details of the Boomerang Trophy and the Vets
Road Racing to follow

New Members

A total of 24 new members joined in 2016, the following have not yet been mentioned in the Veteran magazine.

Gillian Anderson	Iain Cowden
Stephen A Dickson	Sonya Drummond
Iain Duguid	Callum Finlayson
Malcolm Grant	Mathew Hennon
Mark Leadbetter	Jonny May
Donald McLean	Alexander McPhee
Stuart Moran	Brian Muir
Gordon Murdoch	Gareth Rees
Martin Shields	Mark Skilling
Angus Neil Swanson	Lynne Wardrop
Jonathan Ward	

The Scottish group warmly welcomes all new members this year, and wishes each and every member good health, high speed, and enjoyable cycling for the coming season.

If readers have any information, news or gossip, get in touch at jamesmskinner@hotmail.com or INFO@SVTTA.ORG.UK

SURREY-SUSSEX

Tim Carpenter

I must start by mentioning the AGM. There were only five attendees out of a Group membership of 165, which is probably a new low (and work commitments kept me away). I am giving up my Bets jobs this year because of work and other commitments and we are still looking for a Group Recorder, although Jon Fairclough has agreed to take on my role as Press Secretary (so is now doing two jobs). We also need someone to organise the lunch.

So the final results are in and all the calculations done (although the vagaries of the post and mail mean that a few claims arrived long after the closing date so by the time you read this who knows what the position maybe. We had three finishers in the Four Distance BAR compared to four last year and two the year before; five in the Three Distance BAR compared to 14 the previous year and five in 2014. The Short Distance BAR had six finishers compared to 31 last year and just four the year before. This year I did not find riders' results for them and this has obviously had an impact on claims, unless like me racing was almost non-existent.

Ray Dare did 1:20:14 in the Group's event in September. This was a new 90 year old National and Group record. Ray Dare (25 miles), Mike O'Gorman (10, 15 & 50 miles), James Rix (10 & 25) and Alan Robinson (15 miles) have set new Group Records, and I suspect there are a few more out there.

The results of the annual competitions were:

FOUR DISTANCE BAR

Name	Age	25	50	100	12 Hr.	Mins ±
David Shepherd	55	56:10	1:48:02	3:54:09	277.032	55:05
Tom Glandfield	42/43	54:41	1:51:21	3:53:59	282.560	45:46
Peter Baker	57/58	58:36	1:53:59	4:24:35	241.580	41:33

THREE DISTANCE BAR

Name	Age	25	50	100	Mins ±
David Shepherd	55	56:10	1:48:02	3:54:09	47:03
Tom Glandfield	42/43	54:41	1:51:21	3:53:59	38:39
Peter Baker	57/58	58:36	1:53:59	4:24:35	36:31
Clare Campbell-Smith	48	59:11	2:06:25	4:41:12	34:59
Adrian Blacker	52	56:02	1:57:08	4:20:05	33:57

SHORT DISTANCE BAR

Name	Age	10	10	25	25	Mins ±
Keith Lea	46	19:13	19:22	0:48:25	0:50:03	71:50
Alan Robinson	75	24:32	24:38	1:03:08	1:05:30	53:00
Adrian Blacker	52	21:02	21:11	0:56:02	0:57:10	52:37
Tom Glandfield	42/43	20:38	21:19	0:54:41	0:55:48	49:01
Peter Baker	57/58	21:49	22:29	0:58:36	0:58:37	48:50
Clare Campbell-Smith	48	24:11	24:38	0:59:11	1:03:10	45:15

THE LIST OF TROPHY WINNERS ARE:

Palmer Trophy

Awarded for the Best on Standard Average over 25, 50, 100 miles and 12 Hours.

David Shepherd +55:05

Women's Best All Rounder

Awarded for the Best on Standard Average over 25, 50, 100 miles and 12 Hours.

No qualifying rides

Jim Ballard Trophy

3 Distance Competition (25, 50 and 100 miles)

David Shepherd +47:03

Charles Robson Cup

Women's Short Distance Competition 10, 25 & 50 Miles

Clare Campbell-Smith +31 mins 40 secs

Short Distance BAR

Awarded for the Best on Standard average over two at 10 and two at 25

Keith Lea + 71:50

Robin Buchan Memorial Cup

Best Surrey/Sussex Member on Standard 25 – Group 25 18/9/16

Ray Dare +15:52

Pound Hill Trophy

25 Mile Team Trophy

Best Surrey/Sussex Team on Standard 25 - Group 25 18/9/16

Lewes Wanderers +35:48

(Nick Dwyer +13:40; Peter Baker 9:15 and M Valks 5:40)

Stan Harvey Memorial Trophy

Best on Standard 10 Miles - June Group 10 10/6/16

Peter Tadros +5:38

Wilf How Cup

10 Mile Team Trophy - June Group 10 10/6/16

Lewes Wanderers +8:09

(Peter Baker +3:25; M Valks +2:46 and P Valks +1:58)

Aubrey Wenman Trophy

Best Surrey/Sussex Member on Standard 25 Miles - Bec CC 25

NO RESULT SHEET FOUND

Aldershot Cup

Best Surrey/Sussex Member on Standard 50 Miles - ESCA 50

Nick Dwyer +30:26

50 Mile Group Team

Best Surrey/Sussex Team on Standard 50 Miles - ESCA 50

Lewes Wanderers +1:11:36

(Nick Dwyer 30:26; Peter Baker 20:50 and Tom Glandfield 20:20)

The Mick Burgess Memorial 30 Mile Trophy

Best Surrey/Sussex Member on Standard 30 Miles – Lewes Wanderers CC 30 10/6/16

Peter Tadros +15:17

30 Mile Group Team

Lewes Wanderers +45:18

(Tom Glandfield 11:31; S Ramsey 9:28 and Peter Baker 8:41)

100 Mile Group Championship

Best Surrey/Sussex Member on Standard 100 Miles – ESCA 100 10/7/2016

Alex Napier +61:34

100 Mile Group Team

Lewes Wanderers +1:42:38

(Nick Dwyer 55:44; Peter Baker 33:18 & S Ramsey 31:37).

12 Hour Championship

Best Surrey/Sussex Member on Standard 12 Hours – KCA 12

Not Awarded

Hopefully the award winners will make the Group Lunch. Jon will be writing out with a booking form and the details shortly.

I hope you all have had a lovely Christmas and wish you a successful 2017 and, who knows, I might see one or two of you during the year..

It's a good job I am retiring, my memory is getting so bad. The family suggested I should get in the habit of writing things down.

Recently, I left the computer for a while to ask Dot if she wanted anything whilst I was in the kitchen.

'Will you get me a bowl of ice cream, please', she said.

'Don't you think you should write it down so you can remember it?' she adds.

'No, I can remember it.' said I.

'Well, I'd like some strawberries on top, too. Maybe you should write it down, so as not to forget it?'

No, I say 'I can remember that. You want a bowl of ice cream with strawberries.'

'I'd also like whipped cream. I'm certain you'll forget that, write it down' she urges.

I show signs of irritation and say : 'I don't need to write it down, I can remember it! Ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream - I got it, for goodness sake!'

It took me about 20 minutes before I returned from the kitchen to hand her a plate of bacon and eggs. She stared at the plate for a moment.

'Where's my toast ?' she said.



WEST

Brian Griffiths

The AGM season is upon us and, like me, some rather look forward to this time each year, a chance to meet socially to discuss our common interests and make an effort to sustain our sport, discuss changes and hopefully update or put in place any changes that may be necessary.

Unfortunately many of our members stay away from these important meetings, but will readily complain about decisions made in their absence. This is unfortunate; if they have a useful point of view we want to hear it.

There are indeed great changes taking place, they need to be monitored and we need cool, constructive thinking to resolve the problems that appear to be facing us in the immediate future. We have strength and great expertise in our ranks if only these people would come forward and lend a hand to maintain our sport in good order and help shape it for the future.

Working for the good of your favourite sport and pastime can be immensely satisfying and need not take up a great deal of your time.

The WestVets AGM was held at the usual venue at Sutton Benger and this year was very well attended. It is always a very social occasion with friends meeting to discuss their common interest and exchanging news and information. We are always provided with generous refreshments from a delightful bevy of women who willingly turn up and readily roll up their sleeves to cheerfully serve the goodies and accept the grateful compliments and friendly jibes they receive along the way.

The meeting proceeded in the usual smooth way under the chairmanship of Brian Barraclough. Our secretary, Gordon, gave a very inspired report about the events and activities of the past year. Financially we appear to be in good order and Ian, our Treasurer, was pleased to announce that subscriptions would remain at the same level for the coming year. Mike, our journal editor, had a few pointed comments to make which hopefully will trigger members to keep their contributions coming. He was complimented on the quality of the content over the last year, much of which he had actually contributed himself. It seems that one

or two members are now reading their copy on line, which saves a lot of money and time, but as one might expect the majority still prefer the hard copy version.

Rob, our time trial secretary, gave his usual comprehensive report about our successes over the past season and did well to get everything together for the meeting in the tight time space available to him.

Our web site appears to be getting more use and an enthusiastic website master, Tony, is keen to encourage us, despite the reluctance of many of the older members to move into the digital age.

The committee from the President Ted King down to the minor and almost forgotten task of writing these contributions for the National magazine, readily accepted an invitation to continue in their roles. Though most of us expressed our view that we would be happy to move over to make way for anyone willing to take a turn in helping to run the group. It's still not too late if you fancy your chances!

I shall be attending many more AGMs in the coming weeks. If I am a member of an organisation, I feel it is my duty to turn up and contribute if possible. Over the years I have noticed that not everyone has the same attitude as me. People seem to feel that if they turn up they will get lumbered and that their spare time could all be consumed by hours of hard uninteresting work. We simply have to fill these posts and it is obvious that there are many with the capabilities and skills to do these jobs, so why is it so difficult to persuade them to come forward. Surely it's not lack of confidence in this day and age. Why is it that some organisations like Audax UK seem to flourish, with no apparent shortage of volunteers to take on the tasks so essential for success, whilst others like our own often have to struggle to survive? I am thinking of course of our National committee in particular! We really do need to be assured of continuity to maintain our present high standards and keep the ship afloat well into the future and even beyond. So please feel inspired and volunteer if you think you have the capabilities to help run this great organisation, you won't be disappointed and you will be much appreciated.

Back to WestVet matters! Your annual subscription is about due so why not make our Treasurer's life a bit easier by paying it now whilst it is fresh on your mind. He will be happy to accept cash or cheques or you can pay by one of the new bank facilities if you care to talk to Ian Pritchard first. Be warned that if you don't pay promptly you could miss out on the next journal because we are clamping down on those who get a free copy in the hope that they will pay eventually.

Gordon Scott is continuing to run the very successful evening time trial, prize presentation and super buffet in May next year. Put it in your diary because it really is a worthwhile social occasion, which you should not miss.

We are also running the National 50 championships later in the year and want to make it a very special event. More information will be forthcoming as soon as it is available, so keep your ear to the ground.

The year ahead looks surprisingly challenging to me and not just for us WestVets, so let us prepare ourselves, I am sure we are up to the task.

Best wishes for the coming year to all our fellow vets and may we find the resources to continue successfully as individuals and as a very proud and worthwhile National organisation.

YORKSHIRE

Malcolm T Cowgill

YORKSHIRE

We finally had a few mild days in August and September, but it was ironic that, for the second year in succession, we lost one of our events to the weather. Mike Penrice's 10 in September had to be called off due to heavy spray on the V718. This scenario is always going to be on the cards with events on the main road courses like this one. The two tandems entered did in fact complete the course. John and Julie Smithies were both BoS +4:38 and fastest 21:58. Richard Horton and Elizabeth Dales, recorded 24:10 +2:32. The solo event was abandoned after three

riders out of a field of 144 had started, one was halted, but two continued! One of those who did was Vincent Jenkins (76) who recorded 22:26 which is a national age record – subject to confirmation. So the big success of the day was the refreshments, which raised £72.87, which will be donated to Yorkshire Air Ambulance. Many thanks to the Refreshment Team also to the marshals who turned out on a foul day. Thanks also to Mike for promoting the event.

By contrast, Andrew Vaughn had a splendid day for his 10. The winner was Brian Sunter (73) with +8:55 - a national age record of 20:44. Second was Bronwen Ewing (50 +8:19 with a Women's national age record of 20:34. In third place was Peter Greenwood (64 +8:15, again a national age record of 19:51. Several more age records were broken. Fastest on the day was Andy Jackson (40 with 18:11, a PB by one second! Four more riders beat 19 minutes and twenty-four were inside 20 minutes and, amazingly, 125 riders beat 25 mph! There were 28 over-70s and eight over-80s racing. All in all a stunning event; thanks to Andrew for organising.

Now to next year's events: Again, we will have just the two tens as we don't have an organiser for the 25. Andrew Vaughn will again run his 10 on Saturday 22 July and Mike Penrice will run his 10 on Saturday 2 September. Both events will be on the V718 and both restricted to VTTA members. In addition, Mike Williams has agreed to run the inaugural VTTA National 15 mile Championship on the V728; at the time of writing, a date had not been confirmed.

We had a fair number of super-Vets racing again this season. Congratulations to the following for their continued motivation:

John Martin (85)	Gerry Noble (78)
Mike Riches (84)	John Baines (77/78)
Barbara Penrice (84)	John Tiffany (73/74)
Peter Yates (83)	Bob Tate (73)
Mickie Hornby (81/82)	Peter Macklam (73)
Brian Ward (81)	Brian Suter (72/73)
Geof Hornby (81)	Brian Ashworth (72)
Keith Richardson (81)	Mike Shacklock (72)
Brenda Littlefair (79/80)	Mike Cole (71)

John Churchman (78/79) Alven Bell (70)
Cheryl Trueman (71/72) Mike Williams (70)
Walter Wilkinson (71)

Our Annual Lunch and Prize Presentation will be on 29 January 2017 at 'The Bridge' in Walshford. Tickets £22 are now available from Mickie Hornby (01904-766113); our Guest of Honour will be Brian Sunter, our own multi-National VTTA Champion. Mickie will be organising the Lunch for the last time, so let's give her our support and make it a memorable occasion.

Now to our AGM: You may remember in the last issue I reported that a motion was put forward at our August meeting that, in the light of the lack of support in running the Group, the Group be wound up. This seems to have done the trick; attendance was up fifty per cent with 23 present. Our Secretary reported a steady rise in membership to 181 despite a substantial number of non-renewals by individuals who joined only for the purpose of a fast ride on the V718 when we restricted our tens to VTTA members only!

We have 35 Honorary Life Members and 12 Life Members. Our Treasurer, George Young, reported that our finances are in a healthy state.

Our Racing Secretary, Cliff Ralphs, who is standing down after 13 years, produced his usual comprehensive racing report. Our Medals Secretary, Geoff Hornby, is also standing down, but will do the medals for the Lunch one last time. He raised the matter of the proposed new 10 mile trophy; after some discussion, a vote was taken and it was decided that we do not require any new trophies as, these days, nobody wants them and they remain in cupboards.

Another one stepping down is our Recorder, Bob Tate, who has done more than his fair share. Bob reported that there were just nine Standard claims; there was some discussion as to whether new members were aware of the system for making Standard claims. As mentioned earlier, Mickie Hornby stood down as Social Secretary. Mike Penrice reported that the motion he put forward last year concerning Tandem Standards, which was accepted at the National AGM, needed tweaking and he would draft a suitable

amendment.

So we came to the appointment of your officials for 2017: Tony Stott was re-elected Secretary, Bob Tate will remain as Chairman and George Young will continue as Treasurer. Blair Buss will be your new Racing Secretary and Jim Trevor has taken over as Recorder. Between them, they will take care of the medals so the Medals Secretary job is redundant. Mike Williams will take over as Social Secretary. Your Auditors will be Mike Penrice and Tony Stott and, finally, after 21 years, yours truly is stepping down as Press Secretary. I have enjoyed doing this job, but I feel it's time for a change; Chris Goode will take over from the next issue and I'm sure he will do admirably. All the retiring officials received a vote of thanks for their work over the years.

So there you have it; the Group will continue and thanks are due to those stepping up to the plate. The average age of your officials must have dropped by 20 years!

A date has now been fixed for the National 15 mile Championship I mentioned earlier; it will be held on Sunday 30 April.

On to racing matters: Our short distance competition for 2016 has been won by Brian Sunter (73), with +1:22:52. In second place Tony Stott (71), with 1:08:26 and in third place Andy Asquith (51/2). There were nineteen qualifiers. Our Best All Rounder Championship had only three qualifiers in 2016; it was won by Andy Asquith (51/2 with +57 45. Second was Jim Trevor (43/4), with +50 14 and third Chris Goode (50 with +31 18. Our Women's Champion for 2016 is, once again, Karen Taylor (49/50).

So that's it for another season. A year when records were broken right, left and centre. But the one who broke the Women's 10 record with 18:36, rode the World's TT and conceded almost 3 minutes in 16 miles. Makes you think; and is there any truth in the rumour that when Team Sky lost the Vuelta on that disastrous Stage 15, Dave Brailsford gave them a 1000 lines: 'I must pay attention at all times!' No doubt somebody knocking a ball about will be BBC Sports Personality. At least Laura Kenny (nee Stott) was

named Woman of the Year by "Harper's Bazaar" in a glittering function at Claridges.

Thank you for putting up with me. I'm off to the sun. You may see me up the road – if it's not raining! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

EAST ANGLIAN GROUP

Mary Horsnell



On the very day that the last issue of *Veteran* came through in the post, there was a 'phone call from a very senior man, Bill Thorncroft, saying that he had in fact, back in the early 1950s, promoted not only three events at 30 miles on the same day, but three at 50 miles on the same day, courses E1, E3 and E8, and four at 25 miles on the same day on courses E1, E3, E4 and the old E2 - no longer existing. The late Doug Brunwin, also of Brentford Road Club fame at that time, once promoted two at 100 miles on one day using E1 and the old Pilgrims Hatch course, turning at Audley End. These promotions must have been on behalf of the ECCA; perhaps someone could check their records? It would be interesting.

Another well-known name in Essex at that time

was that of Bob Haworth and it was a nice gesture by the Committee to invite Sue to present the prizes at the Chelmer dinner, marking 60 years since Bob was Club Champion and BAR. Sue and her husband Clive, also Bob's grandson Matthew, are all members of the Club. It was pleasing that the President, Peter Horsnell, retained the Group's Bob Haworth trophy for the 100 this year. For the first time in the Club's history, there was a standing ovation when he went up for the Vets trophy. Graham Painter also had a good reception for his fantastic improvement at 12 hours.

Moving from the past down to the present age list, Peter is the oldest member still riding time trials in Essex, beating Eric Marsh to that honour by one day only! Now that Connie Tapper has finally retired, still looking good, but the turbo now relegated to the garage from the conservatory, Mary Horsnell becomes first lady age-wise. Next comes resident dinner photographer Len Finch, oldest in Suffolk; Merv Player ditto in Hertfordshire, young Bob Bush, and following the retirement of Eddie Fone, no-one in Norfolk, but Jim Caplin, at Bungay, must be a borderline case. It is understood that the listing of those over 70 and still racing has been discontinued, thus the mention of those above, over 80. There are also nearly 30 members over 70 from a membership of 407. Peter Baumber and Brian Foster were granted Honorary Life Membership, making a total of 38, while Bob Bush, Brian Swallow and Patrick Sheppard are due for promotion in 2017.

These long-standing members died during the year: John Wilson, passed away on 20 July, aged 76. He had only recently moved up to Sunderland to be near his sister and was still riding daily; he died doing the thing he loved most, cycling. Clifford Brocklesby died on 30 March, aged 83; he was a life-long cycling friend of Dave Peck since they were apprentices together and both were leading riders in the days of the Essex & Border Combine. It is pleasing to know that their sons still ride together and still with the Newmarket & District CC. Frank Edwards, who died on 3 July, aged 86, was a cycling legend, thus the full column tribute in the local paper. He had been a member of Norwich ABC, Lowestoft Wheelers, VC Baracchi and Godric CC (a full obituary is elsewhere in this issue).

Mention of Frank's home town Lowestoft and its once prosperous fishing industry, leads to thoughts of Aberdeen and that well-loved and respected man Derek Stewart, who often made the long journey to the E courses to ride, and usually win, National Championships. Even when one was cancelled, he came again for the re-run. He was also a regular at the National Prize-giving. A fine competitor and sportsman; it was a shock to read of his death.

Travelling further North, and very much alive at 99, Llewelyn Ransom has now taken up residence at Toux Farm, Mintlaw, near Peterhead, Aberdeenshire AB42 4LX, the home of his married daughter Anne, having sold his bikes and even his 25 inch Higgins Superlite tricycle, before leaving Essex and his life-long home at East Hanningfield. Should anyone live nearby or be travelling that way, he would be pleased to see them. 'Welwyn was a close friend of the Group's founder, Herbie Nevill, and travelled with him to Warwick when he could no longer ride. He always attended the Group's Prize-giving and was sad to miss out this year, but greetings were sent for his birthday and for the future.

Retired long-serving RAF man, now physio and Coach Dave Green, who has excelled himself this season, succeeded in taking one more trophy than Peter Horsnell, but has a few years to catch up! Sue Triplow took the Women's Cup, having ridden out and back from her home in Braintree to the venue, Ipswich Holiday Inn. Other main recipients were Andy Grant and Darren Bigmore. It was pleasing to see new names in addition to those well established.

At the AGM, which preceded the Lunch, Mick Pepper retired from the post of Archivist, after 17 years, having taken over from Herbie, whose task was easier when the Group was smaller in number. He has rounded off his tenure by arranging the deposition of the Group's records at the Essex Record Office where things will be microfilmed and will be available for all to consult in 2017. Mick also relinquished the post as Club Chairman and new man at the helm of Wolsey RC is the ever-dependable Bob Quarton, who has made such a successful come-back in recent years; once a well-known road racer, he was and

still is a mean time-triallist; certainly, he won the Combine Open 100 back in 1980.

Group Chairman, Peter Horsnell, stood down after 17 years and was promptly elected to the newly created post of President. New Chairman is Andrew Grant, Cambridge, who has already made a name for himself as another talented come-back man, much improved the second time around, as is Len Benton, who appeared as a trophy winner on the 1992 National Awards list when with Southend Wheelers. Another on that list was Eric Marsh, then with Hainault RC. This was the first year that East Anglian won the Raleigh Shield with L Benton, E Marsh, M Player, T Anderson, P Horsnell and B Ward and thereby hangs the tale.....

It was the 40th Annual Dinner and the 50th year of formation of the VTTA hosted by the South Wales group at the Beaufort Arms Hotel at Raglan. A very formal affair, the VTTA was toasted by Graham Morris, Chairman of the RTTC and Ethel Brambleby, Chairman of the VTTA, made the response. National President Dick Clarke was presenting the awards and for some reason was handing them across the top table. All was well until Peter Horsnell went up to receive the large and heavy Raleigh Shield. Dick lifted the cumbersome item, but not high enough, and a bottle of red wine spurted all over Pete's best suit, necessitating a hasty change. Such was the efficiency of the staff that, by the time he returned from his ride, it had been cleaned and pressed! It is so pleasing to know that all of those team members are still very active in the Group. Bob Ward, now 88, says he will no longer be occupying his little seat, checking at the Red Lodge turn; it's getting too dangerous. He has done more than his share of marshalling over the years – well done!

Bill Gilham, the last Secretary, reports that the 32nd Association has been wound up, which is very sad. This organisation of Clubs, named for the 32nd milestone, has given many people much pleasure throughout its history. There is still plenty of activity; the Rosslyn Ladies famous camp has long been abandoned and the Eagle Road's clubhouse, near the 'Chequers' may be under threat, although the club flourishes. Down the

lane, the Crest CC's Stag Hall is now a private home, but HQ still surviving are Easterly RC, Comrades CC, Victoria CC and Shaftesbury CC, the last two being the only remaining original members of the ECCA, while the Lea Valley RC are comparative newcomers to this site, having taken over from University CC. Some of the old East London clubs that still exist only meet socially now for lunch or dinner.

Back to the present, it was an honour for the Group to have the National Chairman Jim Burgin and his wife Dot as guests of honour at the Annual Lunch. Peter Horsnell said that, while he could never claim to equal Jim in years of service or achievement, they had one thing in common – retirement from duties - as Jim is standing down at the National Meeting. Apart from his other activities, these two are responsible for preparation of *The Veteran* entailing at least 40 hours of work for each copy. Dot is the painstaking person who deciphers the handwritten copy – mercifully rare now. Every reader will wish to thank them and wish them well.

Here's to many good times in the New Year.

Now that I'm older here's a few things that I've discovered:

1. I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it.
2. My wild oats are mostly enjoyed with prunes and all-bran.
3. I finally got my head together, and now my body is falling apart.
4. Funny, I don't remember being absent-minded.
5. Funny, I don't remember being absent-minded.
6. If all is not lost, then where the heck is it?
7. It was a whole lot easier to get older, than to get wiser.
8. Some days, you're the top dog, some days you're the hydrant
9. I wish the buck really did stop here, I sure could use a few of them.
10. Kids in the back seat cause accidents.
11. Accidents in the back seat cause kids.
12. It's hard to make a comeback when you haven't been anywhere.
13. The world only beats a path to your door when you're in the bathroom.
14. If Mother Nature wanted me to touch my toes, he'd have put them on my knees.
15. When I'm finally holding all the right cards, everyone wants to play chess.
16. It's not hard to meet expenses.... they're everywhere.
17. The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.
18. These days, I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter, I go somewhere to get something and then wonder what am I "here after".
19. Funny, I don't remember being absent-minded.
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It is requested that those competitors who are registered on the internet entry system and are members of the Veterans Time Trials Association, revisit their profiles, to include the appropriate information. You will be asked to tick a box to indicate that you are a member of the VTTA, include your group and your membership number (if you don't know it, it is on the address label when you receive *The Veteran* magazine. The number also available from your Group Secretary).

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Name	Age	10	10	25	25	Plus
Brian Sunter	73	20:44	21:27	54:36	56:46	1:22:52
Tony Stott	71	21:51	22:18	58:03	58:43	1:08:26
Andy Askew	51/2	20:11	20:12	53:01	53:34	1:03:15
Karen Taylor	49/50 W	22:37	22:43	58:10	58:36	1:01:15
Mike Williams	70	22:28	22:45	59:19	1:00:40	1:00:21
John Baines	78	24:20	00:24	1:05:25	1:05:57	59:54
Allen Bell	70	22:21	22:41	59:22	1:02:03	59:22
Brian Ward	81	25:50	02:56	1:07:10	1:07:43	57:16
Sharon Clifford	56 W	23:10	23:12	1:01:29	1:01:33	56:29
Jim Trevor	43/4	20:02	20:40	53:09	53:19	56:22
Richard Durham	61/2	21:08	00:00	57:25	1:00:39	54:21
Mark Philipson	59	22:09	22:23	58:49	58:49	48:50
Simon Ward	43	20:39	21:04	54:28	57:06	48:31
John Chutchman	79	25:15	25:20	1:13:27	1:16:26	40:17
Adam Cockcroft	45	21:10	22:16	58:46	58:50	39:50
Bob Tate	73	24:23	25:03	1:06:38	1:10:35	38:53
Keith Richardson	80/1	27:43	27:52	1:12:29	1:14:22	36:18
Chris Goode	50	22:25	22:50	59:36	1:01:22	35:43
Mick Phillips	69	24:53	25:05	1:06:58	1:10:35	29:11



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Frank Alfred Edwards

27.06.1930 – 03.07.2016



Frank Edwards was my training partner and friend for 30 years. What a cyclist, what a man. After 50 miles he would get stronger and stronger. He did a 4:46:00 hundred when he was 70; his best 12 hour was 226 miles.

Nationally, he will be remembered for winning the Brighton to Newcastle race in 1953, (beating the professionals of the day) and thus gaining a place in the England B team for the Tour of Britain (the Milk Race).

He introduced Majorca holidays to us all in 1994; 500 miles was the standard of the week, which included some tough mountain climbs. In the past he was a member of the Norwich ABC, Lowestoft Wheelers, Velo Club Barachi and Godric CC.

A true friend to many of us, he was always enthusiastic about training and time trials.

Frank had great sense of humour, and was well known for running the Fish and Chip shop in St Peter's Street, Lowestoft, the Woodbine Café and the restaurant on the south pier of Lowestoft.

In his early years he worked for his Dad delivering milk (Edwards' Dairy) in Norwich; 500 pints every morning, training in the afternoon and time trialling in the evening.

They just don't make them like Frank Edwards anymore.

Mike Rainton

Paddy Ward
(1931 - 2016)



Much loved and respected Merseyside cyclist, Paddy Ward, passed away on 23 September, 2016 aged 85 years. After a couple of years of poor health, Paddy suffered a major stroke in March this year, from which he never really recovered.

Paddy lived for cycle racing and had a long and highly successful career, from 1950 to 2007, in many of the disciplines of our sport. He rode for a number of clubs, including Birkenhead Victoria CC, Kirkby CC, North Shropshire Wheelers and Scarborough Paragon. He was an Honorary Life Member of the VTTA Merseyside Group. His other love was fishing, and he fitted that in whenever he could.

He served his time as a Joiner in Cammell Laird's Shipbuilders on Merseyside, after which he served two years National Service in the RAF as an Airframe Mechanic.

He was married to fellow cyclist Eileen for 62 years and they enjoyed a long and happy life together, for which Eileen is very grateful. They had two daughters, Elaine and Christine, both of whom successfully followed in Paddy's racing wheel tracks.

Paddy was always ready to offer words of advice to fellow riders, which, together with his great sense of humour, made him a good friend to many.

Paddy's funeral was well attended by his many friends and relatives. Donations, amounting to £995, were made on his behalf to the Dave Rayner Fund to further the careers of future budding champions.

He will be so sadly missed by Eileen, Elaine and Christine, and their families, who wish to offer grateful thanks to everyone for their generous donations and cards and words of sympathy.

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BAR

Richard Bideau	Pendle Forest CC	North Lancs and Lakes	1:35:22	3:22:16	305.765	45	1:26:51	1
Dave Green	Velo Velocity	East Anglian	1:43:41	3:37:01	289.508	52	1:18:56	2
Ian Holbrook	Stone Wh CC	Manchester & NW	1:41:55	3:52:47	291.250	47	1:11:53	3
Gray Turnock	Finsbury Park CC	East Anglian	1:41:57	3:39:32	277.646	47/48	1:11:21	4
Steve Williamson	...a3crg	Wessex	1:47:47	3:44:29	293.333	44/45	1:09:52	5
Neil Skellern	Team Swift	Manchester & NW	1:47:49	3:52:22	273.250	52	1:08:45	6
John Golder	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	1:56:32	4:04:34	262.927	62/63	1:07:31	7
David Shepherd	GS Stella	Surrey/Sussex	1:48:02	3:54:09	277.032	55	1:07:07	8
Katja Rietdorf	Born To Bike R/V/Bridgetown Cycles	London and Home Counties	1:56:01	4:04:26	257.950	45	1:06:25	9
Trevor Mayne	Birdwell Wheelers	North Midlands	1:49:38	3:56:47	267.050	52/53	1:04:38	10
John J Murphy	Gloucester City CC	West	2:09:16	4:45:26	214.442	76	1:04:25	11
Julian Pegg	Hitchin Nomads CC	East Anglian	1:48:40	3:54:44	263.440	53	1:03:21	12
Elliot Gowland	Team Bottrill	North	1:47:40	3:55:20	284.778	44	1:00:47	13
Adrian Hughes	Seamons CC	Manchester & NW	1:48:48	4:03:20	263.640	48/49	0:59:08	14
Paul Holdsworth	Hounslow & District Wheelers	London and Home Counties	1:51:53	4:04:23	266.930	52	0:58:39	15
Andrew Askwith	Bridlington CC	Yorkshire	1:49:54	4:08:06	259.500	51/52	0:57:45	16
Tom Glandfield	Lewes Wanderers CC	Surrey/Sussex	1:51:21	3:53:59	282.560	43	0:56:27	17
Nicholas Stagg	Hounslow & District Wheelers	London and Home Counties	1:52:41	3:57:59	269.350	45	0:55:58	18
Arthur Winstanley	Liverpool Phoenix	Merseyside	1:58:43	4:11:50	245.290	59/60	0:54:25	19
Rob Dulson	Hainault RC	East Anglian	1:56:44	4:09:04	260.890	55	0:51:53	20

Jim Trevor	Hull Thursday RC	Yorkshire	1:50:53	4:01:43	254,050	43/44	0:50:14	21
Theresa Taylor	Preston CC	North Lancs and Lakes	2:18:07	4:36:40	234,779	56	0:50:04	22
Peter Baker	Lewes Wanderers CC	Surrey/Sussex	1:53:59	4:24:35	241,580	58	0:49:05	23
Lynne Biddulph	Born to Bike	Midlands	2:13:38	4:29:53	242,720	47	0:48:15	24
Graham Painter	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	1:56:52	4:03:07	270,184	44/45	0:47:45	25
Ian Peacock	Leek CC	Manchester & NW	2:03:39	4:24:13	224,440	64	0:47:21	26
Stuart Hewlins	Hounslow & District Wheelers	London and Home Counties	1:53:46	4:02:04	245,940	44/45	0:45:53	27
Matthew Moore	Walsall Roads CC	Midlands	1:53:56	4:15:52	236,900	50	0:45:09	28
Jonathan Hobby	North Hampshire RC	Wessex	1:57:31	4:07:14	236,150	50/51	0:43:59	29
Rob Vee	Yeovil CC	West	1:57:28	4:17:52	268,360	43	0:43:44	30
Pauline Atkinson	Seamons CC	Manchester & NW	2:14:40	4:55:14	231,240	54	0:38:37	31
Stephen Skinner	New Forest CC	Wessex	2:03:09	4:33:35	234,210	60	0:38:10	32
Nigel Briggs	South Pennine RC	Nottingham and East	2:03:20	4:39:38	244,910	54/55	0:36:34	33
Chris Goode	Yorkshire Coast Clarion	Yorkshire	2:01:43	4:30:55	230,150	50	0:31:18	34
Jeanette Barber	Seamons CC	Manchester & NW	2:19:18	5:06:40	209,080	58	0:31:14	35
Derek Parry	Birkenhead Victoria	Merseyside	2:16:06	4:54:33	224,940	61	0:26:36	36
Ian Casson	Birkenhead Victoria	Merseyside	2:20:27	5:13:43	212,440	63/64	0:18:55	37
Alan Morris	Hinckley CRC	Nottingham and East	2:23:39	4:53:39	203,590	55	0:12:47	38
John Baddeley	Stone Wh CC	Manchester & NW	2:39:27	6:18:53	182,035	70	-0:06:59	39
Mick Fountain	Didcot Phoenix	West	3:02:18	6:20:56	194,740	75	-0:12:55	40

GROUPS

Dave Green	Velo Velocity	East Anglian	01:18:56
Gray Turnock	Finsbury Park CC	East Anglian	01:11:21
John Golder	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	01:07:31
Julian Pegg	Hitchin Nomads CC	East Anglian	01:03:21
Rob Dulson	Hainault RC	East Anglian	00:51:53
Graham Painter	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	00:47:45
Ian Holbrook	Stone Wh CC	Manchester & North West	01:11:53
Neil Skellern	Team Swift	Manchester & North West	01:08:45
Adrian Hughes	Seamons CC	Manchester & North West	00:59:08
Ian Peacock	Leek CC	Manchester & North West	00:47:21
Pauline Atkinson	Seamons CC	Manchester & North West	00:38:37
Jeanette Barber	Seamons CC	Manchester & North West	00:31:14
			05:16:58

THREE DISTANCE

Peter Horsnell	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	1	01:07:15
Richard Bideau	Pendle Forest CC	North Lancs and Lakes	2	01:02:52
Stephen Irwin	North Lancs RC	North Lancs and Lakes	3	01:02:08
Peter Greenwood	Team Swift	North Lancs and Lakes	4	01:00:45
Liam Maybank	Twickenham CC	London and Home Counties	5	01:00:26
Jon Wynn	TI Diabetes.info	West	6	00:58:15
Ken Platts	Cambridge CC	East Anglian	7	00:58:00
Dave Green	Velo Velocity	East Anglian	8	00:56:48
Rob Pears	Bath CC	West	9	00:56:16
David Hargeaves	North Lancs RC	North Lancs and Lakes	10	00:55:25
Gavin Hinxman	Kettering CC	East Anglian	11	00:55:22
Mick Black	Team Swift	North Lancs and Lakes	12	00:54:58
Gray Turnock	Finsbury Park CC	East Anglian	13	00:53:13
Julian Elliott	Finsbury Park CC	East Anglian	14	00:53:06
Steve Whitewick	Veloefined Aerosmiths	Wessex	15	00:52:42
Keith Murray	Drag2Zero.com	North	16	00:52:33
Paul David Fleming	Preston Wheelers	North Lancs and Lakes	17	00:51:53
Keith Dorling	Team Bottrill	East Anglian	18	00:51:51
Ian Greenstreet	Newbury RC	London and Home Counties	19	00:50:50
Ian Holbrook	Stone Wh CC	Manchester & North West	20	00:50:48
Neil Skellern	Team Swift	Manchester & North West	21	00:50:31
Katja Rietdorf	BornToBike Rti/Bridgetown Cycles	London and Home Counties	22	00:49:25
John J Murphy	Gloucester City CC	West	23	00:49:06
Steve Williamson	...a3crg	Wessex	24	00:48:52
John Lacey	Hemel Hempstead CC	London and Home Counties	25	00:48:50
Tony Stott	VTTA (Yorkshire)	Yorkshire	26	00:48:41
John Golder	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	27	00:47:54
Trevor Mayne	Birdwell Wheelers	North Midlands	28	00:47:53
Alan Emmott	Fareham Wheelers CC	Wessex	29	00:47:30
Phil Watts	North Hampshire RC	Wessex	30	00:47:15

Simon Henderson	Thanet RC	Kent	00:47:13	31
Julian Pegg	Hitchin Nomads CC	East Anglian	00:47:10	32
David Shepherd	GS Stella	Surrey/Sussex	00:47:03	33
Susan Triplow	Essex Roads CC	East Anglian	00:46:47	34
Martin Winter	Twickenham CC	London and Home Counties	00:46:10	35
David England	Crabwood CC	Wessex	00:45:13	36
Tom Cox	Northover VT / Rudy Project	Wessex	00:45:12	37
John Samways	Bournemouth Jubilee Wheelers	Wessex	00:44:58	38
Steven Fullerton	Darlington CC	North	00:44:12	39
Adrian Hughes	Seamons CC	Manchester & North West	00:44:04	40
Lawrence Wintergold	Hounslow & District Wheelers	London and Home Counties	00:44:02	41
Anna Dearing	Colchester Rovers	East Anglian	00:43:53	42
Derek Parkinson	Springfield Financial	North Lancs and Lakes	00:43:51	43
Alasdair Washington	Catthess CC	Scotland	00:43:27	44
Karen Taylor	East Bradford CC	Yorkshire	00:43:13	45
Colin Parkinson	South Western RC	Nottingham and East Midlands	00:43:07	46
Andrew Askwith	Bridlington CC	Yorkshire	00:43:06	47
Geoff Reynolds	Hemel Hempstead CC	East Anglian	00:42:24	48
Elliott Gowland	Team Botrill	North	00:42:08	49
Paul Holdsworth	Hounslow & District Wheelers	London and Home Counties	00:41:56	50
Susan Semple	Born to Bike	Midlands	00:41:52	51
Chris Womack	VC Baracchi	East Anglian	00:41:33	52
Benjamin Allen	Westerley CC	London and Home Counties	00:41:01	53
Nicholas Stagg	Hounslow & District Wheelers	London and Home Counties	00:40:44	54
Ann Shuttleworth	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	00:40:28	55
Arthur Winstanley	Liverpool Phoenix	Merseyside	00:40:15	56
Annis Moore	Walsall Roads CC	Midlands	00:39:48	57
Martin Dickinson	Deal Tri	Kent	00:39:13	58
Cliff Voller	Newbury RC	West	00:39:05	59
Jim Trevor	Hull Thursday RC	Yorkshire	00:38:58	60

Scott Leverington	Chorley CC	North Lancs and Lakes	00:38:48	61
Tom Glandfield	Lewes Wanderers CC	Surrey/Sussex	00:38:39	62
Joe Le Sage	Rutland CC	North Midlands	00:36:52	63
Murray Kirton	A5 Rangers CC	Midlands	00:36:48	64
Ian Peacock	Leek CC	Manchester & North West	00:36:33	65
Peter Baker	Lewes Wanderers CC	Surrey/Sussex	00:36:31	66
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Bob Quarton	Wolsey RC	East Anglian	00:35:37	72
Brian Muir	Royal Albert CC	Scotland	00:35:14	73
Clare Campbell-Smith	Born to Bike	Surrey/Sussex	00:34:59	74
Jonathan Hobby	North Hampshire RC	Wessex	00:34:56	75
Simon Dighton	Beacon RCC	Midlands	00:34:36	76
Stephen Moorhouse	Nelson Wheelers CC	North Lancs and Lakes	00:34:35	77
Lynne Biddulph	Born to Bike	Midlands	00:34:22	78
Adrian Blacker	Norwood Paragon CC	Surrey/Sussex	00:33:57	79
Harry Haseley	North Lancs RC	North Lancs and Lakes	00:33:43	80
Daryl May	Sheffrec CC	North Midlands	00:33:24	81
Graham Painter	Chelmer CC	East Anglian	00:32:18	82
Paul Heggie	Birdwell Wheelers	North Midlands	00:32:06	83
Robert Jones	Cardiff 100 miles RCC	South Wales	00:31:54	84
Joanna Knight	Bristol South CC	West	00:31:37	85
Simon Ward	Scarborough Paragon	Yorkshire	00:31:37	86
Robin Vessey	Mickey Cranks CC	West	00:30:53	87
Peter Perrin	Bournemouth Arrow CC	Wessex	00:30:41	88
Barry C Eeles	North Hampshire RC	Wessex	00:29:27	89
Rob Vee	Yeovil CC	West	00:29:20	90

Sharon Clifford	WCS RC	Yorkshire	00:28:06	91
Alison Vessey	Mickey Cranks CC	West	00:28:03	92
Nick Parravani	CC Breckland	East Anglian	00:27:37	93
Nick White	East London Velo	East Anglian	00:27:03	94
Stephen Skinner	New Forest CC	Wessex	00:26:39	95
Richard Kay	North Shropshire Wheelers	Merseyside	00:26:29	96
Pauline Atkinson	Seamons CC	Manchester & North West	00:25:37	97
Nigel Briggs	South Pennine RC	Nottingham and East Midlands	00:24:12	98
Chris Goode	Yorkshire Coast Clarion	Yorkshire	00:24:00	99
Mark Burtonshaw	Team Swift	Yorkshire	00:23:46	100
Steven Boat	Weiland Valley CC	Nottingham and East Midlands	00:23:26	101
Joe Shaw	Falkirk BC	Scotland	00:22:50	102
Jeanette Barber	Seamons CC	Manchester & North West	00:22:22	103
Malcolm E Young	Deeside Thistle CC	Scotland	00:21:39	104
Sarah C Wheeler	Offcumber	West	00:21:26	105
David Rogers	Hemel Hempstead CC	London and Home Counties	00:18:06	106
Derek Parry	Birkenhead Victoria	Merseyside	00:16:55	107
Helen Tudor	Oswestry Paragon	Merseyside	00:15:50	108
Ian Hawkins	Chester RC	Merseyside	00:15:26	109
Adrian Watkins	Tornado Road Cycling Club	Wessex	00:11:46	110
Ian Casson	Birkenhead Victoria	Merseyside	00:10:59	111
Alan Morris	Hinckley CRC	Nottingham and East Midlands	00:10:20	112
John Gallagher	Royal Albert CC	Scotland	-00:00:34	113
Harry Cowley	Chester RC	Merseyside	-00:08:44	114
Mandelin Hadwin	Liverpool Phoenix	Merseyside	-00:09:25	115
John Baddeley	Stone Wh CC	Manchester & North West	-00:10:39	116
Mick Fountain	Didcot Phoenix	West	-00:22:48	117

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Richard Kay	North Shropshire Wheelers	Merseyside	00:26:29
Derek Parry	Birkenhead Victoria	Merseyside	00:16:55
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LETTERS

To the Editor

Dear Sir

I'm not sure whether non-members are allowed room for a contribution to the Letters page of this illustrious publication but I feel I just have to express my thanks to the East Anglian Group for inviting Jim and I to their recent Luncheon at the Holiday Inn in Ipswich.

To be welcomed and entertained by Ron Beck whilst the Group's AGM was in progress was a really thoughtful gesture.

The ambience was grand as was the excellent meal. The camaraderie completed the pleasure—and then, added to all this, provision of overnight accommodation at the Hotel.

Thank you East Anglia and especially the Committee.

Dorothy (Dot) Burgin.

PS:

Jim tells me Peter the President is 86, I'm sure he has the figures the wrong way round, he looks a young 68 to me.

Dear Redneck son

I'm writing this slow because I know you can't read fast. We don't live where we did when you left home. Your dad read in the newspaper that most accidents happen within 20 miles of your home, so we moved. I won't be able to send you the

address because the last Yorkshire family that lived here took the house numbers when they moved so they wouldn't have to change their address.

This place is really nice. It even has a washing machine. I'm not sure it works so well, though. Last week, I put a load of clothes in and pulled the chain. We haven't seen them since. The weather isn't bad here. It only rained twice last week: the first time for three days and the second time for four days.

About that coat you wanted me to send: your uncle Billy Bob said it would be too heavy to send in the mail with the buttons on, so we cut them off and put them in the pockets. Bubba locked his keys in the car yesterday. We were really worried because it took him two hours to get me and your father out.

Your sister had a baby this morning, but I haven't found out what it is yet so I don't know if you are an aunt or uncle. Uncle Bobby Ray fell into a whisky vat last week. Some men tried to pull him out, but he fought them off and drowned. We had him cremated. He burned for three days.

Three of your friends went off a bridge in a pickup truck. Butch was driving. He rolled down the window and swam to safety. Your other two friends were in the back. They drowned because they couldn't get the tailgate down. There isn't much more news at this time. Nothing much out of the normal has happened.

Your favourite aunt,
Mom.

NOTICES

CLOTHING

The ordering and delivering of clothing will no longer be via Jim Burgin but direct to the VTTA page on the **Gear Club** website:

<http://www.gearclub.co.uk/en/33-vtta>

THE AGM

The AGM and Prize Presentation will be on Saturday the 11 February commencing with the buffet at noon.

The venue is once again :

Kings Court Hotel, Kings Coughton, Alcester B49 5QQ

THE TED BRICKNELL AWARD

Dave Knock was nominated by the East Anglian Group

Andrew Simpkins by the Midland Group

Jim Burgin by the West Group

Following a ballot, Jim Burgin was declared the winner of the award.

THE C W COOKE TROPHY

Dave Green was nominated by the East Anglian Group

Lynne Biddulph was nominated by the Midland Group

Ron Hallam was nominated by the Nottingham and East Midlands Group

Jon Wynn was nominated by the West Group

Following a ballot, Lynne Biddulph was declared the winner of the trophy.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

Event Date	Distance	Fee	Course	Organising Club
8 April 2017 Roy Deakin, 14 Heathend Road, Alsager, Stoke-on-Trent ST7 2SQ NEC Rep: Brian Camfield	10	£8.00	J2/1 01270 873978 royager531@yahoo.co.uk	VTTA Manchester & NW
30 April 2017 Mike Williams, 10 Manor Garth, Skidby, Cottingham, Hull HU16 5UF NEC Rep: Rachael Elliott	15	£10.00	V728	VTTA Yorkshire
29 May 2017 Peter Catherall, 49 Elm Grove, Buckley, Flintshire CH7 2LU NEC Rep: Brian Camfield	100		D100/2	Anfield BC
8 July 2017 John Golder, 6 Middlemead, West Hanningfield, Chelmsford CM2 8UT NEC Rep: Geoff Perry	25	£10.00	E2/E5	VTTA East Anglia
22-23 July 2017 Jon Wilkinson; oggy_merseyroads@hotmail.com NEC Rep: Alan Colburn	24 hour			Mersey Roads Club
13 August 2017 Dave Nock, 81 Woodhall Road, Chelmsford CM1 4AF NEC Rep: Geoff Perry	12 hour	£15.00	E2/12hr	VTTA East Anglia
20 August 2017 Gordon Scott, 5 Pride Close, Moreton, Dorchester DT2 8FN NEC Rep: Rachael Elliott	50 mile	£8.00	U109	VTTA West
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