



The official Team Cambridge Newsletter - December 2006

(Incorporating Mud Munchers Monthly)

AGM Monday 13th November

Officer's reports

At a well attended AGM held at the Scout Hut on Perne Road members heard the minutes of last years meeting read out, which were passed and accepted by all. Officer's reports were then read starting with the General Secretary Sue Clarke. The very healthy financial report was read by the treasurer Pauline Parker, with the MTB secretary completing the officer's reports.

New Committee

At this part in the proceedings the officers for 2006/7 and the new committee was elected, for once we had a change in members and one of the official positions. The new committee being as follows:-

President	Doug Parker
Chairman	Tony Clarke
Secretary	Sue Clarke
Treasurer	Pauline Parker
Racing Secretary	Paul Millard
MTB Secretary	Jeff Bushrod
Membership Secretary	Ian Millard

Committee Members	Steve Laurie
	Chris Wilmetts
	Trevor Avis
	Trevor Kimber
	David Earle
	Doug Parker

Club Clothing Sec	Pauline Parker
Newsletter Editor	Doug Parker

Many thanks to Charlie Wilmetts for all his efforts in maintaining the Membership records for the past few years, also well done to young Ian Millard stepping in to take over this important position. Welcome to new committee member David Earle, David has been a member of Team Cambridge for a couple of years or so.

Your Newsletter

One of the questions raised at the AGM was 'do we need a club newsletter?' it was agreed that we do and I readily agreed to take over the position that I had previously held for many years. So first of all many thanks to Chris Wilmetts, for doing a valiant job for the past two or three years. I will endeavour to produce a newsletter as frequently as I receive news from THE MEMBERS!! If you have any snippets of news/gossip then email at the above address. I will be looking for your race results (other than club events) items you may have for sale etc. I will continue to send The Spokesman electronically to those of you I have email addresses for; otherwise the snail-mail will continue to deliver to those that cannot access the WWW.

Thank-You

Many thanks to Tony & Sue Clarke for bringing down their slides of a recent CTC tour to China, to a Monday Evening club night. Quite a few of us were present to see the photos of a rather unknown country; it was very interesting but very different from anywhere else that I and many others have visited.

Forthcoming Events

Mountain Biking

Most of you are aware that the MTB season is kicking off with the first race being held at Santon Downham (Thetford Forest) on Sunday 26th November. Two other events in this series are being held on Jan 14th 2007 and February 14th 200. Not certain of the exact locations! Jeff Bushrod our MTB racing secretary has based the winning of our new club trophy on these three Thetford Forest events. Basically to qualify for the new trophy (still not decided what it will be) points will be awarded to all club riders based on their fastest times for two laps of each course. By doing this it means that members that only ride the two lap fun events are still eligible to win the trophy. Jeff will take the times as published on the event organizers web site and keep a running total of each competitors score. Results will also be found on the TC web site. www.team-cambridge.co.uk

Quiz Night

The annual quiz night is being held as usual at the Scout Hut on Perne Road on **December 18th** at 8.00pm. For those of you that have never attended it's a great night where we (well not every-one) try to answer all the cycling questions compiled by Colette Millard. Apart from the quiz (which Sue Clarke always seems to win) there is always a pile of nibbles, Christmas cake, mince pies, home made shortbread and soft drinks for the children. The big children usually bring their own beer and wine. There is no cost to anyone attending, and families are encouraged to come along.

2007 First Race

The first event of the season kicks off on Jan 7th 2007 at 10.00am on the E3/10 course at Bottisham. It is not intended to be a serious event, no prizes for the winner, just an excuse to meet up with old friends and exercise the legs and lungs. There is generally more Christmas cake and mince pies on offer and occasionally mulled wine.

Social Evening

The highlight of the year is undoubtedly the annual social and award presentation evening. We all gather to see the lucky winners receiving their cups, shields, medals and certificates, presented by the club President! For those of you who are new to the club (or have never bothered to come along) this takes the form of a very informal evening in a members house, where there is a buffet meal and beer, wine, cider and soft drinks. There is, of course a charge for this, usually around £10-£12 per head, and its not just for riders, wives, partners, girlfriends, are also welcome. This seasons social evening the venue will be held at Doug & Pauline's place in Longstanton on **February 3rd** 2007 7.00pm for 7.30pm. It would be nice to see some new faces at this event! To book your places see the attached form elsewhere in this newsletter.

Membership and Standard Forms

On the subject of forms there is also the membership form for 2007 included together with the Standards Claim form, both of these can probably be down-loaded from our web site.

Le Tour 2007

The final item on the subject is next years visit to the UK by *Le Tour* a camping weekend has been arranged and booked for a number of TC members. Very early days yet but more information will be available nearer the time.

2007 Social Evening

The 2007 social evening will take place on February 3rd at 13 Colesfield Longstanton, Cambs CB24 3BW
The cost this year will be £10 per head, please complete this form if you would like to attend. Send it to Pauline Parker:- 13 Colesfield Longstanton Cambs CB24 3BW., by Jan 20th 2007

Name _____

No of tickets _____ Vegetarian Y/N _____

I enclose a cheque for £ _____ (Payable to Team Cambridge)

Club Clothing

Latest Order

By the time you receive this newsletter some of you will have collected your items from the latest consignment, which arrived on Monday 27th November. For those of you who do not attend the Monday Evening club nights then contact Pauline Parker ASAP to arrange your collection. A couple of new members have expressed a desire to order some more club clothing. If you wait until early in January then we will see if we can make up another order. Please note orders of less than six items incur a 10% surcharge. January/February is one of Imp Sports busiest time of the year, when they are supplying clubs with their new tops etc. So if you require anything please contact Pauline so that she can order it in time for the new racing season.

Hill Climb Result Nov 5th

There was a good turn out of riders, and supporters, for this the last event of the Team Cambridge season. With ex club member Ralph Keeler taking first position overall in a field of twelve. Simon Denney was the winner of the Stewart Dingley Hill-climb trophy.

Results:-

Position	Name	Club	Time
1	Ralph Keeler	Cambridge CC	2.13
2	Nick Jackson	Cambridge CC	2.20
3	Simon Denney	Team Cambridge	2.21
4	Rob Jackson	Cambridge CC	2.25
5	Alan Kidd	Team Cambridge	2.27
6	Steve Laurie	Team Cambridge	2.32
7	Ian Millard (Juv)	Team Cambridge	2.48
8	Paul Millard	Team Cambridge	2.51
=9	Charles Wilmets	Team Cambridge	3.00
= 9	Charles Tallack	Team Cambridge	3.00
10	Tony Clarke	Team Cambridge	3.02
12	Christine Wilmets	Team Cambridge	3.42

As usual all the Team Cambridge results can be found on our web site www.team-cambridge.co.uk

Club Trophies

Would the winners of last years trophies return them to Paul Millard ASAP so that he can get them into the engravers before the end of this year.

Mud Munchers Monthly

Attleborough Cyclo Cross

The mud muncher's season started with a visit to the Norwich ABC sponsored cyclo-cross at Attleborough. An unfortunate clash of dates meant four Team Cambridge members had to miss the hill-climb but were on the start sheet, on a bright, dry sunny afternoon in Norfolk. First event of the day was a Junior and Ladies race, Angela Parker taking first prize in the Ladies section. Next event was the Under 12's, with 25 youngsters lining up on the start line. With Samantha, Kathryn and Danielle Parker; taking part in their very first event. The three girls finished with respectable positions of 8th, 9th and 10th, all the riders were presented with certificates and a bag of sweets for their effort! Main event of the day was the senior's 1hour +1lap event. The last club member to ride was Kevin Parker who finished 75th out of 90 riders. Full marks must go to Norwich ABC for a splendidly run event.

Thetford Forest MTB Winter Series

Thetford Forest Mountain Bike Event 1

Sunday 26th November the first of three mountain bike events in the Thetford Forest series saw nine Team Cambridge members lined up to take part in the various events. Apart from the riders there were a large number of family members providing support, encouragement and welcome refreshments. The riders taking part were:-
Two Hours Event Kevin Parker, Steve Laurie, Simon Bowden, Charles Tallack, Paul Millard Jeff Bushrod
Two Lap Fun Event Doug Parker, Angela Parker, Ian Millard the photo below shows some of the riders before the start.

The support team consisted of Colette & Peter Millard, Pauline, Kathryn, Samantha & Danielle Parker; together with Sophie and Jasmine the two unofficial club mascots.

For anyone that has ever ridden an MTB or a cyclo-cross event, this must rank as one of the hardest courses. Technically it was not very difficult, the biggest problem we all found was the strength sapping mud! For good measure the race organisers included two very difficult ‘bomb’ craters, which had steep entries a bottom section deep in mud and a hard climb out of the other side. Luckily there was a detour round both of these craters which got used by numerous riders. Simon Bowden seemed to fly round the course completing 4 laps in his allotted 2 hours to take first place for the club. Steve Laurie competing in his very first MTB event was in second slot also with four laps. Angela Parker lost considerable time when she stopped to assist a fellow competitor



who had, had a very bad accident. Angela as most of you will know is a fully trained first aider, the unfortunate young lady she assisted was taken to hospital with head injuries and required stitches in a leg. Ian Millard also stopped to assist by directing riders around the fallen rider. Full club results were:-

Pos	Name	MTB Trophy Time	Points	
1.	Simon Bowden	1.10.00	20	
2.	Steve Laurie	1.15.27	19	
3.	Charles Tallack	1.18.15	18	
4.	Kevin Parker	1.18.39	17	
5.	Paul Millard	1.18.43	16	
6.	Jeff Bushrod	1.20.48	15	
7.	Ian Millard	1.26.43	14	
8.	Angela Parker	1.34.52	13	
9.	Doug Parker	2.25.50!	12	(must be a fault on that clock!)

Full marks to the event organisers who did a first class job, full information, results and photographs can be found at www.thetfordmtbracing.com

Ian Millard’s chain after the event!!



A Timekeeper's Lot

Rain, freezing cold, wind blowing across the fens, 3 layers of clothing, April, May, June.... oh occasionally a bit of summer sun.

Clipboard in one hand, pen in the other, stopwatch round the neck...don't knock the buttons, it could be a good night!

Toes-lost touch with those long ago-what do they feel like?

Counting down from 20, 10, 5,4,3,2,1. Even my children learnt to count backwards first.

I've been doing this for a few years now, Pauline even longer. Some riders say thank you each week, a lot just expect that we will be there.

When its wet riders decide if they're going to race, timekeepers accept the decision and go with it....and serve teas afterwards.

This sounds like a moan and a whinge-its not. I've made a lot of good friends through the club. But sometimes it would be nice to acknowledge that racing wouldn't happen without timekeepers.

We keep the club racing!

Colette & Pauline

Team Cambridge Membership Form 2007

This form can be used for multiple members at the same address

I/We agree to abide by the Team Cambridge cycling club rules (Delete as appropriate)

Surname name	First Name	Date of Birth (if under 18)	Membership 1 st /2 nd /Ass	Signature	Date

(Please note: a Parental consent form must be filled in for under 18's)

Address _____

Post Code _____ Telephone _____

Email Address _____

If Second Claim, please state First Claim Club _____

Year 2007 Club Subscription Rates

	Qty	@	Cost
1 st Claim		£15 (1)	
1 st Claim (under 18)		£7.50 (1)	
2 nd Claim		£8 (1)	
Associate		£1	
CTT (RTTC) handbook		£6.00*	
Total amount (Payable to Team Cambridge)			£

* Orders for handbook will only be taken until 16th Jan 2007. After that date you will need to order your own.

Note (1) – Due to CTT increasing the levy for club events – both 1st Claim 2nd claim members will have to pay to enter club events. The fee will be the amount that the CTT set the levy at.

I am/We are willing for my/our (Delete as appropriate) contact details to be released to members of Team Cambridge in conjunction with cycling related matters.

YES/NO (please delete as appropriate)

British Cycling Membership for Year 2007

Please contact Paul Millard on 01223 511155 for details of the current BC membership fees and application forms.

Please return your completed form with payment to:

The Membership Secretary

Ian Millard, 4 Wilson Way, Milton, Cambridge, CB24 6BX

Tel:(01223) 511155

2006 Claim Form

This is the 2006 claim form for all trophies and Club records as well as Club standards so please fill this in and return it to Paul Millard by 15th December. Do not forget to enclose a copy of the race results

Name.....

Standards Gold/Silver/Bronze

Distance	Standard	Time	Date	Event
10 Mile TT				
25 Mile TT				
30 Mile TT				
50 Mile TT				
100 Mile				
12 Hr				

Club Records

Distance	Time	Date	Event
10 Mile TT			
25 Mile TT			
30 Mile TT			
50 Mile TT			
100 Mile TT			
12 Hr			

Trophies Please tick the ones entered for:

Club BAR (50,100,12Hr)		Ladies BAR (25,50,100)	
Men's Middle Dist BAR		Ladies Middle Dist BAR	
Fastest 10		Junior BAR (10,10,25)	

Distance	Time	Date	Event
10 Mile TT			
10 Mile TT			
25 Mile TT			
50 Mile TT			
100 Mile TT			
12 Hr			

FEN Trophy

Distance	Time	Date	Event
F (course) 10 Mile			
E (course) 25 Mile			
a(N)y 50 Mile TT			