



The official Team Cambridge Newsletter – May 2007

(Incorporating Mud Munchers Monthly)

and

(Tarmac Terriers Tribune)

Team Cambridge Open 25m TT

Win for Doug Bradshaw

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Doug relaxing after epic win

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Team Cambridge Racing Season Kicks Off

By the time you get this edition of The Spokesman, the Team Cambridge 2007 season will be well under way. In fact I was planning to publish the weekly results, but decided not to as they are all on the club web site, which you can find at www.team-cambridge.co.uk a full results serviced is updated regularly.

Does anyone require any item of the new club clothing? I am about to place an order for a racing shirt. There is a 10% surcharge for any orders less than six items, so if you contact Pauline ASAP after receiving this newsletter it can be added to the list!

Mud Munchers Monthly

In a rehearsal for the big TC en Tour in July, the Mud Munchers had a meeting at Rendlesham Forest in Suffolk over the Easter weekend. Two lots of Parkers and the **Mud Munching Millard Mob** all met up for a weekend of camping and cycling. Before the MMMM's arrived on Easter Sunday Kev Parker had thoroughly investigated suitable tracks throughout the forest. Jeff **MTBusrod** would have given his eye teeth (assuming that he still has any) to have been given the chance to ride the very technical single



The riders after the circuit.

file parts of the course. The circuit was probably similar to the Black Route at Thetford, but without some of the long climbs. The weather was perfect for riding, with the temperature up to around 17 degrees C and plenty of sunshine. The group did one lap of the circuit. Returned to base camp and dropped off the four U12 team, to then head back out for one more quick lap. The day was completed with a large BBQ for the eleven members that were present. Much beer and wine flowed for most of the afternoon and evening. Judging by the amount of empties that was left after the event, we wonder what it will be like in July, when most of the club are in Kent for le Tour.

Team Cambridge En Tour

Dateline May 1st = 67days to go! I have obtained detailed maps of the Kent section of the Le Tour which I'm sure that you will have all have seen at www.tourdefrancelondon.com From these maps we will be able to plan the best place to watch as the riders race by. A link from the Canterbury Tourist Information web site www.tourdefrancecanterbury.com has come up with a great amount of information on all that is happening in the Canterbury area over the Tour weekend. There are many events planned including three days of French and Italian markets in the town (6th, 7th & 8th July). There will be a TV large screen viewing point set up in the City Centre which will be showing the Prologue and Stage1 of the event.

What I cannot find is an equivalent website for Ashford and Maidstone, with the same kind of information. If one of you web surfacing fanatics can find anything then please let me know.

Pauline has been in touch with the campsite, which confirms that we now have pitches for two caravans, and nine other camping spaces. I will publish full directions to the site in the June edition of The Spokesman; meanwhile you can look it up on www.google/maps or www.multimap.com by using the post code TN27 0BU or the grid reference of TQ925493

A meeting has been arranged to be held on **Monday 21st May** at the Scout Hut on Perne Road starting at 8.30pm (after the club run) all those who are coming camping for Le Tour are invited to attend. We can discuss all the arrangements of the weekend!!

Tarmac Terriers Tribune

Haverhill Wheelers Hilly 20

The Tom Bray Memorial Hilly 20m TT took place on April 1st 2007 on a bright sunny morning, but with a rising NE chilly wind. Six Team Cambridge riders were on the start sheet, with the first outing for that **New Bike**. The event was won by local man Ian Cammish (Planet X) in a time of 46.15. As usual Alan Kidd was first home for the club, but Trevor Kimber was in second place probably a result of the new Giant.

Name	Time
Alan Kidd	51.09
Trevor Kimber	55.11
Trevor Avis	56.23
Tony Clarke	56.54
Charles Willmets	57.07
Christine Willmets	1.01.52



E.C.C.A 10m TT

Saturday 7th April saw four Team Cambridge riders line up on the good old local E3/10 course at Bottisham. A new course record was set by 18 year old Alex Dowsett (110percentme.com) with a time of 19.51, I'll type that again that is **19.51** who could believe that anyone would do that sort of time on that course!! The club riders times were as follows:-

Name	Time
Alan Kidd	23.55
Trevor Kimber	26.56
Tony Clarke	27.00
Sue Clarke	27.45

Bishop's Stortford Hilly 28m TT E15/27

Easter Monday was a bright sunny morning with little wind and three Team Cambridge riders on the start sheet. The event was once again won by Alex Dowsett (110percentme.com) with another course record of 1.06.27. Alan Kidd was the first rider in for the club in a time of 1.20.07. Tony Clarke recorded a time of 1.35.13, whilst Michael Stanley was DNS!

V.T.T.A 25m TT E2/10

Saturday 14th April a warm windless afternoon with once again four club members on the start sheet. The event was won by Ian Cammish (Planet X) in a time of 56.50. Shock horror the New Bike didn't have the speed today, leaving Trevor Kimber in last place for the club

Name	Time
Trevor Avis	1.06.36
Tony Clarke	1.08.55
Sue Clarke	1.11.04
Trevor Kimber	1.11.09

Club Run Sunday 15th April

Led once again by Konstant Kadance Kimber on what was supposed to be the hottest day of the year so far, seven riders set off from Trevor's house in Hardwick at around 09.30am. Most of the members were in long sleeve tops and track suit bottoms, due to the thick cold fog that was covering the country side. It was so thick that Tony and Sue Clarke had an event cancelled that they had entered on the A1 at Tempsford.



Back in the sun at Trevor's after the ride

The sun did break through eventually, but only when we were about 10miles to the finish. The usual route through the villages was followed. Simon Bowden had the longest ride as he rode out from Burwell and back home again after the run!!

A Blast From The Past



Proof that not all cyclists are as sane and sensible as we like to think they are is provided by these two jokers, who spent quite a long time chatting in the middle of the road beside the start area of the women's '25'. Note the way they are carefully positioned on a bend, forcing the coach to move over into the line of oncoming traffic. Nice one, guys — or should we say, boneheads? ▲

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Many of you will remember the Bonehead Saga from 1994



Team Cambridge Open 25m TT

Forty nine riders on the start sheet were greeted with a bright sunny morning on the F16/25 course at Barton on Sunday 22nd April. This included seven club riders with many more members out and about assisting to run what was a very well organised event. As usual all the riders that 'signed on' were given a free bottle of beer to take away with them, this is generously donated by Alan Kidd the event organiser. Another unique feature of this event is that all refreshments are free, but riders are asked if they would like to contribute a small sum which is given to two local hospices. Douglas Bradshaw (API-Metro) was the event winner, storming round the course in 56.30 beating his nearest rival by nearly two minutes. Alan Kidd was the top rider for the club, producing a time of 1.01.44. Full club results were:-

Alan Kidd 1.01.44
 Trevor Avis 1.08.57
 Trevor Kimber 1.09.20
 Tony Clarke 1.10.37

Charles Wilmetts 1.11.56
 Christine Wilmetts 1.16.45
 Michael Stanley DNS



Alan Kidd on the way back!



Trevor Kimber near the finish



Charlie Wilmetts and Tony Clarke at the top of Orwell Hill



More Photo's



Christine Wilmetts



Trevor Avis

Christine was unlucky at the RAB on the return leg. She got held up by a small van. Trevor went well over Orwell Hill. Alan would like to thank all the helpers including Sue Clarke, Patrick Kidd (marshals) Steve Laurie, (pushing off), Tim Groves (timekeeper) Doug Parker (observer & photography) Last but not least to Betsy Kidd for the superb job with the catering.

Two Team Cambridge Second Claim members hammering it over Orwell Hill (well one of them was)



Dave Jones



Nick Jackson

St Ives CC 10m TT

Only two club riders faced the timekeepers on the N1/10 course on Saturday 21st April. Ian Cammish (Planet X) was in second place with a time of 22.33. The outright winner was Gary Empson (API-Metrow Silver Hook) A brisk south-westerly wind made the return leg very hard. Club results were:-

Tony Clarke	26.53
Sue Clarke	28.08

Team Cambridge BBQ 2007

Just to remind you that the TC BBQ will be held on **Saturday 21st July**, we are giving you all plenty of notice so that you can plan any races round this date. More details will be in the June edition of The Spokesman.