

Time Trial Secretary's Report

2012 was a record year for the evening time trials with a total of 622 entrants. The most disappointing aspect of the series was the amount we had to pay in levies to the CTT. At £2.00 per rider we paid out £1244.00 whilst the club retained only £700.00. It is proposed to increase the entry fee to £4.00 for next season

Once again Peter Keenan funded the John Keenan Memorial Points Competition and 19 riders managed to win prizes.

The popularity of the evening events is stronger than ever as the traditional weekend fixtures diminish. This brings on its own problems as we need help to run the events. We managed to marshal all of the events in 2012 but only just and on some occasions there was only 1 marshal at a particular point when there really should have been 2. For the 2013 season riders or their appointed deputies will have to take on the role of marshals and a notice to this effect will be kept at the sign on area. There is also a need to recruit additional timekeepers and volunteers will need to come forward immediately so that training can be given before the season starts.

Of course if there is no one elected to Time Trial Secretary at the AGM then the 2013 events will have to be cancelled.

The Open 25 successfully promoted by Dave Hilton attracted a small field which mirrored the trend of reduced entries nationally. It remains to be seen if the Olympic surge manifests itself in Time Trials as it has in other aspects of cycling.

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