

SCOTTISH VETERANS TIMETRIAL ASSOCIATION

TIMETRIAL REPORT

2016

The Scottish Group welcomed twenty four new members during the season 2016 all active in the time trialing scene. With the new Cycling Time Trials Group Established in Scotland maybe 2017 will bring more members to the Scottish Group.

The Groups Best All Rounder champion for 2016 was Alasdair Washington who has had his name on various Group championship trophies through out the years. He also this year was 1st on standard in the 100 mile championship and gained 3rd on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy. Alasdair is an inspiration to our younger vets.

Steve Beech not only looks after our finances he had time to claim 3rd on standard in the 30 and 50 mile championships also was 5th on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy.

David Millar has been at the top of the tree in cycling for decades. As well as having his name on S.C.U trophies he continued the trend with the groups trophies when he became a member of the Group. This season David was 1st on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy, 10 and 25 mile championships and was a member of the S.V.T.T.A. team that claimed 1st on standard in the 10 and 25 championships.

Christine McLean was 2nd on standard in the 30 mile championship just losing out to club member Carlos Riise by 17 seconds. Alongside Carlos they were 1st team on standard in both the 30 mile and 50 mile championships. Christine also claimed 8th on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy.

Carlos Was 1st on standard in the 30 mile championship and Equal 2nd on standard in the 50 mile championship. Carlos was fastest S.V.T.T.A. in the 30 miles with a time of 1hr. 07m. 04s.

Frank Anderson has had a good season championship wise 3rd on standard in the 15 mile championship 3rd on standard in both 10 and 25 mile championship. 4th on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy along side David Millar was 1st team on standard in 10 and 25 mile championships.

Brian Nicholas 1st Handicap in the John Cramb Handicap 25 mile timetrial then went onto 2nd on standard in the 100 mile championship, 3rd on standard in the B.A.R. 10th on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy was also Member of team on standard in Both 100 mile and B.A.R. championships

Callum Finlayson Callum from Forres must be the most travelled rider to events. His name is on most result sheets from all the cycling centres. He was actual fastest M.P.H. in our B.A.R. with 26.694 mph. He is 1st on standard In the under 50year B.A.R. Trophy. 2nd on standard in the B.A.R. championship, 6th on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy, along side Brian was 1st team on standard B.A.R. and 100 miles championship. He was fastest S.V.T.T.A. in both 50 and 100 mile championships.

Callum is the S.V.T.T.A. road race champion for 2016.

Committee member Iain McLeod was 1st on standard in the 50 mile championship. Also Iain was 9th on standard in the Archie Speed Trophy. A wee health problem cut short Iain's season.

Jim Cusick keeps on time trialing year in year out. Jim is the first to have his name on our new 15 mile championship trophy donated by Mhairi and Brian Laffoley. He also was 2nd on standard in both the 25 mile championship and Archie Speed Trophy.

New Member Brian Muir returned two fabulous time in the 50 and 100 mile championships. Equal 2nd on standard in the 50 mile, 3rd on standard in the 100 miles and 4th on standard in the B.A.R. championship.

Its always pleasant to see new names on our trophies Alan Ross gets his on the Jim Sharpe 100 mile Handicap Trophy. Alan was 6th on standard in the B.A.R. championship

Joe Shaw's name gos on the Jackie Connor most improved B.A.R. which is calculated from last years table with this years table. He was 8th on standard in the Groups B.A.R.. Joe had a good season.

Sandy Wallace now retired from business has given notice that he is going after the Groups championships. Sandy was a force to reckon with in his early vets day.

A young lady whos name has appeared frequently in results sheets. Sonja Drummond gos from strength to strength. Sonja just missed out being in the top ten in the B.A.R.

Derek McMillan to my knowledge is the only Scottish Group member to compete in a 12 hour event this season returning 259.476 miles. For this Derek has his name on the John Cusker trophy. Graham Jones has been the recipient of this trophy the last few years unfortunately Graham was injured whilst competing down south this year and was admitted to hospital with various broken bones. Another group member involved in an accident, David Mitchell of Perth United. David broke bones around his neck area so has to walk around with a plastic neck support for a few months. We wish them both a speedy recovery to good health.

Peter Ettles was 1st on standard in the Boomerang Trophy and was 2nd on standard in the 15 mile championship along side Ian Humphries was 1st team on standard in the 15 miles.

The Mersey Roads 24 hour event this season attracted seven Group members and two ex—members. I believe age records are being claimed. Results are printed else where in this report.

Its with a sad note I close this report. The passing of Derek Stewart stunned us all with the swiftness of the illness that claimed his life. Although he joined the Group late in life Derek made his mark with not only winning Scottish Group Championships he crossed the border and brought home British Veteran ones too. He was held in high esteem the length and breadth of the U.K. his age records will be with us for many years to come.

Jim Harris