

CTT Newsletter – April 2019

This month we have details of a new type of event being added to the racing calendar; there are changes to the presentation of age group awards; the new full online start sheets go live and don't forget to enter the last two events in the Sigma Series.

New relay event

An exciting new event has been added to the schedule for this season, Antelope RC is promoting a three-rider relay at Thruxton Circuit on 20 October, before the National Closed Circuit Championships. Teams will start at 30 second intervals from the pit lane. The first rider will do two laps, then go into a transition area on the track, dismount at a line, rack their bike, take off their chip, pass the chip to the second rider, who will then unrack their bike, go to line, mount and do their laps, with the same process between the second and third rider who will ride two laps and to the finish. Altogether the event is 14.4 miles long. To enter click on https://www.cyclingtimetrials.org.uk/race-details/19452



Age group awards

As the Board continues to look at costs, it has been agreed that this season as a trial, age group medals will be presented to the winners at the Championship events, rather than at Champions Night. This will mean that all winners will receive them in person as, in the past, not all have attended Champions Night and the medals then have to be posted out. If you are at a Championship event, please make sure you stay for the awards and give these winners the recognition they deserve.

Parental Consent Forms

Please note that all riders under 18 years of age must present an appropriately signed parental consent form when signing on at any CTT event. The form can be obtained from the CTT website. https://www.cyclingtimetrials.org.uk/documents/index/guardians

Marketing opportunity

The Board are exploring ways of marketing CTT rather more. Do you have a background in marketing, know someone who might be interested in this voluntary role, willing to offer some guidance? This would be a purely voluntary basis in an advisory capacity. Anyone who is interested, is asked to contact CTT Chairman, Sheila Hardy, at sheilactt@sky.com

Timekeepers' watches

Some districts are organising, or have recently held, timekeepers' courses for those who are interested in stepping up and learning the skill. Martyn Heritage-Owen (South Wales) is now an approved watch tester and has purchased a stock of certified Fastime 7 watches which he is selling at £31 plus postage per order. Other watches can also be purchased to order. If you are interested please contact him at coaching@realteam.co.uk. There is also a list of all the approved watch testers now on the website as well as on page 28 of the 2019 handbook.



If you are interested in becoming a timekeeper please let your district secretary know, most districts are in need of you!

Online start sheets

Full start sheets, giving details such as headquarters, local regulations, prizes, etc are now uploaded on to the website as per Regulation 27(e). To view the documents, go to the Event Details page and it will either be an attachment or, if not, click on the blue button Download Startsheet; this button is also on the rider list page. If you wish to download the rider list as well, click on either the XLS or CSV button (below Download Startsheet). Please can all riders make sure they read these documents before going to an event, there is essential information, including where to park!

Sigma Series

The first three events of the Sigma Series have now taken place and the fourth one, hosted by Dumfries CC, closed at the weekend with 96 entries. There are still two rounds more of the series to come, round five is hosted by Border City Wheelers CC on 26 May, and round six, which is also the National Circuit Championships, takes place on 9 June, this time hosted by West DC. Both have closing dates of 14 May – enter now!

Finally – can all riders and organisers please make sure that only riders whose names appear on the official start sheet for an Open event are allowed to ride. Please see Regulation 27(h) for full details. Thank you!