



# Worthing Excelsior Cycling Club



HILL CLIMB SERIES - No 3 (GH/95)

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2015

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## Report

The Thursday evening series of events concluded with tonight's final hill climb event of the season.

Mark Newnham had already retained his series' title and as was the case year opted to forego his final ride.

So it was left to the club's rising junior star Schaeff Potter to shine ever more brightly. In a season where his 10 mile times have improved dramatically, and he has qualified for the GHS National Finals, he is now showing considerable prowess at the punchy hill climbs. Having set a significant personal best last week he took a further 6 seconds off that time as he finished in first place. In doing so he very nearly snatched second place in the overall series as he finished level on points with Chris Putnam. It required a countback on aggregate times to split them and there was barely a second between them.

It definitely looks like Schaeff should have a crack at the Sussex CA Hill Climb on Steyning Bostal in early October as on that form he must have a great chance at winning the junior county title.

Chris' second place on the night was just enough to defend his position despite being one of only two riders not to record a personal best. The high personal success rate was somewhat surprising because there was a 13 mph WSW wind which is an unfavourable direction for the course, so well done to all concerned.

The final table for the series can be found after this week's results.



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## WECC riders in Open Time Trials

### Last weekend

On Saturday Colin Barton rode in the Dulwich Paragon CC 10 mile time trial on a challenging course in Surrey and in the searing heat. His time of 24:08 was an improvement of his previous attempt at this course and he finished in 30<sup>th</sup> place.

On Sunday four Excelsior riders competed in the Bec CC 25 mile time trial at Broadbridge Heath and there was stiff competition with a field of 110.

Martin Booker was the man with most to be pleased about as he finally achieved a long standing personal goal by going under the hour mark. His time of 59:55 placed him 25<sup>th</sup> overall. Grand Chapeau indeed. Martin is now looking to improve upon that even further on this coming weekend.

Mike O'Gorman recorded a 58:40 which got him 17<sup>th</sup> place and also won him 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the veteran's category.

Ian Cheesman finished 42<sup>nd</sup> with a time of 1:1:44, just a single place ahead of Colin Barton who recorded a new personal best at the distance being 1:2:20. Colin has ridden in quite a few open time trials on a variety of courses this season and this is clearly helping as his form continues to improve.

### Upcoming events

On Saturday Rick Hughes is in the Sussex CA Sporting 10 on G10/45, whilst Colin Barton and Mike O'Gorman ride on H10/8 at Bentley in the Reading CC 10.

The following day sees a number of our riders in our club Hard Riders event – whilst Nicole Patterson-Lett, Martin Booker, Colin Barton, Andrew Haste, Phil Frean and Schaeff Potter have opted for the more gentle terrain of the popular Southdown Velo 25 on P901/25 at Fontwell.

And just to round it all off – on Monday Rick and Mike are in action for the third time during the break; this time in the Sussex CA Sporting 25 on G10/49.



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Overall Position	Name	Club	Actual Time (mins)	
1	Schaeff POTTER	WECC	01:42.2	(personal best)
2	Chris PUTNAM	WECC	01:45.2	
3	Mike O'GORMAN	WECC	01:48.4	(personal best)
4	Rick HUGHES	WECC	01:51.3	(personal best)
5=	Trevor LEEDING	WECC	01:54.8	(personal best)
5=	Andy HASTE	WECC	01:54.8	
7	Jamie WASTELL	WECC	02:05.0	(personal best)
8	Graeme GILL	WECC	02:27.5	(personal best)
9	Rome BHAMRA	WECC	02:31.6	(personal best)
	Ben ABBOTT	TUFF FITTI	01:56.0	
	Rob CHARLES	BLAZING SADDLES	01:58.6	
	Bruce SAMUEL	SOUTH DOWNS BIKES	02:04.4	

## Event Secretary

Phil Frean

## Very Grateful Thanks To:

Timekeeper (start):	Allan Orman
Timekeeper (finish):	Mick Irons
Start Marshal:	Ian Cheesman
Catering:	Dave Hudson
Results Service:	Mike O'Gorman



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## FINAL TABLE

	Name	Rides	Best 2	1	2	3	SPOCO Points	Aggregate Times Best 2 Places
1	Mark NEWNHAM	2	2	1	1		20	03:09.2
2	Chris PUTNAM	3	4	2	2	2	19	03:29.0
3	Schaeff POTTER	2	4		3	1	18	03:30.3
4	Mike O'GORMAN	3	6	3	4	3	17	03:39.4
5	Rick HUGHES	3	9	4	5	5	16	03:44.9
6	Andy HASTE	3	9	5	6	4	15	03:48.1
7	Trevor LEEDING	2	13		8	5	14	03:54.3
8	Jamie WASTELL	2	14	7		7	13	04:17.0
9	Graeme GILL	3	16	8	11	8	12	05:01.4
10	Rome BHAMRA	2	18	9		9	11	05:10.8
11	Simon TOPPIN	2	19	10	9		10	04:39.4

## (non-qualifiers)

	Name	Rides	Best 2	1	2	3	SPOCO Points	Aggregate Times Best 2 Places
	Darron MUGGERIDGE	1		6				
	Aaron HARTLEY	1			7			
	Dave HARTLEY	1			10			