



# Worthing Excelsior Cycling Club



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## ***Club Hill Climb Championship - Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 Course GH/92***

***Held within the Sussex CA Hill Climb Championship event***

***Qualifying event for WECC Championship Points Competition  
Qualifying event for WECC Championship Points Competition (Veterans)***

Promoted for and on behalf of **Cycling Time Trials** under their rules and regulations

## **RESULTS**

There were truly appalling conditions for the riders in this event. The weather, both before and during the event, varied between hard rain and absolute torrential cloudbursts. Many of the riders were huddled in a bus shelter near the start line in a vain attempt to dodge the worst of it. The course itself became a raging torrent with flash flooding and debris.

Warming up was an interesting concept. Mike opted to stay in his car until seven minutes before his start time but despite that was utterly soaked and frozen by the start and his ride reflected that (almost a minute slower than last year). Rick decided for the more traditional warm up on the road and was sent away from the start line by the officials as by that time he was verging on hypothermic.

Well done indeed then to Chris and John for overcoming the conditions and putting in fine performances. The club championship was decided by the slenderest of margins with Chris regaining the title that he held in 2014 in a time that was only a couple of seconds slower than his 2014 time. John was always expected to be a close contender and so it proved to be.

Having gone through the grimness of a 'warm up' in lashing rain poor Aaron then managed to get himself a late start with the consequential time penalty of 6 minutes. If not for that then it was a good ride, being slightly quicker than last season.

This event was part of the SCA Championship series, with vets placings based on CTT target times (as opposed to VTTA standards). Big congratulations are due to John as he was the SCA vets winner with Chris in second place and Mike in fourth place. Their combined time was good enough to win the SCA team title for Worthing Excelsior CC, with Brighton Mitre finishing in second place.

Well done to all involved throughout the season as WECC have won the SCA team titles at 15, 30, 100 and now Hill Climb as well.

Pos	Rider No	Name	Cat/ Age	Time	VTTA Std	Vet +/-	Pos on Std
1	1	Chris Putnam	V51	5:17.1	5:19.0	+0:01.9	2
2	31	John McGrath	V53	5:17.7	5:21.0	+0:03.3	1
3	19	Mike O'Gorman	V64	6:18.7	5:34.0	-0:44.7	3
4	4	Aaron Hartley	J17	11:42.9	#		
	25	Rick Hughes	V53	DNS(A)	5:21.0		

# Aaron incurred a 6 minute late start penalty

### Forthcoming Events

08:00 Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October [GS/983](#) WECC Long Furlong (17.1 miles)

For more details of these and other events please check out our [club web site](#)



## WECC Championship Points Competition

### FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	Name	Rides	Points	25 Mile	15 Mile	50 Mile	100 Mile	30 Mile	Hill Climb
1	Mike O'Gorman	6	111	17	18	20	20	18	18
2	Martin Booker	5	81	16	16	16	19	14	
3	Ian Cheesman	4	68	18	17	18		15	
4	John McGrath	3	58		19			20	19
5	Trevor Leeding	3	57	19		19		19	
6	Rick Hughes	4	55	15	13	15		12	
7	Chris Putnam	3	44	13				11	20
8	Dom Maxwell	2	40	20	20				
9	Simon Atkinson	2	34			17		17	
10	Neil Crowther	2	28		15			13	
11	Nicole Patterson-Lett	2	25	7			18		
12	Phil Freaan	2	22	9		13			
12	Rome Bhamra	2	22	8		14			
12	Karen McGrath	2	22		12			10	
15	Aaron Hartley	1	17						17
16	Dan Cobby	1	16					16	
17	Colin Barton	1	14	14					
17	Nik Allen	1	14		14				
19	Paul Townsley	1	12	12					
20	Andrew Lock	1	11	11					
21	Clive Patterson-Lett	1	10	10					

## WECC Championship Points Competition (Veterans – VTTA Standards)

### FINAL STANDINGS

Pos	Name	Rides	Points	25 Mile	15 Mile	50 Mile	100 Mile	30 Mile	Hill Climb
1	Mike O'Gorman	6	118	20	20	20	20	20	18
2	Martin Booker	5	77	13	14	15	19	16	
3	Rick Hughes	4	66	15	17	17		17	
3	Ian Cheesman	4	66	17	16	18		15	
5	John McGrath	3	58		19			19	20
6	Trevor Leeding	3	56	19		19		18	
7	Chris Putnam	3	42	12				11	19
8	Dom Maxwell	2	36	18	18				
9	Simon Atkinson	2	28			14		14	
10	Nicole Patterson-Lett	2	26	8			18		
10	Karen McGrath	2	26		13			13	
12	Neil Crowther	2	25		13			12	
13	Phil Freaan	2	24	11		13			
14	Rome Bhamra	2	19	7		12			
15	Paul Townsley	1	16	16					
16	Colin Barton	1	14	14					
17	Nik Allen	1	12		12				
18	Andrew Lock	1	10	10					
19	Clive Patterson-Lett	1	9	9					