



Worthing Excelsior Cycling Club



PRESIDENT - ROBERT DOWNHAM

Club Ashurst Circuit Time Trial - Sunday 25th March 2018 **Course GS/983 (17.1 miles)**

Qualifying event for WECC SPOCO Competition

Event Promoter: Chris Putnam: [Email](#)

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

This was an event that was very low on numbers and extremely high on quality. The average time recorded was a quite remarkable 42:06. Previous recent years were 2011 – 46:16, 2012 – 50:39, 2013 – 50:28, 2014 – 47:15, 2015 – 49:56, 2016 – 45:39, 2017 – 45:29).

Nik Allen repeated his 2017 win on this course, but this time he absolutely smashed the course record (40:25) set in 2011 by Jeremy Wootton.

John McGrath demonstrated his Bike Buddy competence and his nerve by rebuilding the cockpit of his bike only minutes before the start. A second place with 41:09 beat his previous 2016 best by 37 seconds.

Martin Booker continued on with the fine form that he showed at the Ashurst circuit event two weeks ago. He was almost a minute and a half faster than his personal course best of 43:56 set last year. Neil Crowther was a mere 4 seconds off his best from last season and just two seconds slower than Martin.

Ian Cheesman was delighted to beat his 2016 personal course best of 44:27 by well over a minute. Commiserations to Rick Hughes who came last in a time that would have had him very well placed in any other season. Good ride though.

Jeff Blunsdon was a late entrant (as a private ride) but was not going well and so only completed a single lap.

Nice to see a rider from another club. Well done to Martin Baker for giving it a go on a road bike.

Nik, Martin and Neil were the 1-2-3 on handicap.



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WECC - Scratch Classification

Pos	Rider No	Name	Club	Cat/ Age	Actual Time	1st Lap	SPOCO Points
1	6	Nik Allen	Worthing Excelsior CC	V46	38:56	(19:17)	20
2	5	John McGrath	Worthing Excelsior CC	V53	41:09	(20:21)	19
3	2	Martin Booker	Worthing Excelsior CC	V49	42:29	(21:06)	18
4	4	Neil Crowther	Worthing Excelsior CC	V44	42:31	(21:25)	17
5	3	Ian Cheesman	Worthing Excelsior CC	V49	42:48	(21:32)	16
6	1	Rick Hughes	Worthing Excelsior CC	V55	44:41	(22:10)	15

Private Entries - Scratch Classification

Pos	Rider No	Name	Club	Cat/ Age	Actual Time	1st Lap
1	8	Martin Baker	Blazing Saddles	V40	47:03	(23:22)
	7	Jeff Blunsdon	WECC (Private Ride)	V46	DNF	(22:15)

Combined Results - Scratch

Pos	Rider No	Name	Club	Cat/ Age	Actual Time	Position on Std
1	6	Nik Allen	Worthing Excelsior CC	V46	38:56	1
2	5	John McGrath	Worthing Excelsior CC	V53	41:09	2
3	2	Martin Booker	Worthing Excelsior CC	V49	42:29	3
4	4	Neil Crowther	Worthing Excelsior CC	V44	42:31	5
5	3	Ian Cheesman	Worthing Excelsior CC	V49	42:48	4
6	1	Rick Hughes	Worthing Excelsior CC	V55	44:41	6
7	8	Martin Baker	Blazing Saddles	V40	47:03	7
	7	Jeff Blunsdon	WECC (Private Ride)	V46	DNF	

WECC – Vets on Standard

Pos	Rider No	Name	Club	Cat/ Age	Actual Time	VTTA Std	Vet +/-
1	6	Nik Allen	Worthing Excelsior CC	V46	38:56	45:29	+06:33
2	5	John McGrath	Worthing Excelsior CC	V53	41:09	46:25	+05:16
3	2	Martin Booker	Worthing Excelsior CC	V49	42:29	45:52	+03:23
4	3	Ian Cheesman	Worthing Excelsior CC	V49	42:48	45:52	+03:04
5	4	Neil Crowther	Worthing Excelsior CC	V44	42:31	45:13	+02:42
6	1	Rick Hughes	Worthing Excelsior CC	V55	44:41	46:42	+02:01

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	7	Jeff Blunsdon	WECC (Private Ride)	V46	DNF	45:29	

Forthcoming Events

19:15 Thursday 3rd May [G10/98](#) WECC First Evening 10 of the season

06:30 Sunday 13th May [G25/93](#) WECC Open 25 (Ray Douglass Memorial)

07:30 Sunday 20th May [G25/95](#) WECC 25 Mile Club Championship

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

Standings – WECC SPOCO Competition

Pos	Rider	Rides	Points	Ashurst Circuit	Long Furlong	Club 25	Pulborough Circuit	Hard Riders	Evening Hill Climbs
1	John McGrath	2	39	20	19				
2	Ian Cheesman	2	35	19	16				
2	Martin Booker	2	35	17	18				
4	Neil Crowther	2	32	15	17				
5	Rick Hughes	2	27	12	15				
6	Nik Allen	1	20		20				
7	Spencer Kirkham	1	18	18					
8	Nolan Heather	1	16	16					
9	Trevor Leeding	1	14	14					
10	Dominic Maxwell	1	13	13					
11	Jeff Blunsdon	1	11	11					
12	Ian Newbold	1	10	10					
13	Phil Frean	1	9	9					
14	Andy Haste	1	8	8					