

Broken Hill Mountain Bike Club

Race report

Golf Club Track 10/08/08

Last Sunday saw a 19 hardy mountain bikers brave the icy winds to compete on the brand new Golf Course track. Firstly thanks must go out to Benny Goodman, Taz Johnston and everyone else who helped with the track construction. This track is by far the most technical in the region and matches courses we would usually have to travel to for competition.

A big thanks must also go out to Garry Barraclough and the Broken Hill Golf Club members for allowing the use of the track.

The race started at 9am with stiff, icy westerly wind blowing into the riders faces especially when passing through snake gully which is like a wind tunnel. The pace was quick from the start as the senior men jostled for position with Jason Attard leading from Brian Devlin and Royce Beck. The track was throwing up challenges with the long climbs and steep descents spreading then bunching the field as individuals found they were able to make time on the parts they preferred. The senior men's race continued at a fast pace all the way through to the end with Royce finally overpowering Brian for the runner up position and Jason coming home with the win. Just behind the top three were Benny Goodman, Trevor Barrie, Barry Gentle and Tony Hepburn.

In the Sport Men's category Randall Burt powered through for a good win with Taz Johnston and Jono Spain second and third respectively and Phil Dupal fourth. Again this category is proving to be super competitive with gaps of only one minute between competitors after one hour of racing.

Our two senior junior boys elected to compete on the full track with great results, Cec Fraser again taking the win after completing 3 full laps in a great time and Corey Sammut completing two. Great job boys, well done.

The Junior girls again raced hard with Abi Beck powering home to complete 3 laps of the junior track in a time of 34.31 ahead of Olivia Burt. If these girls follow in their father's footsteps they will be ones to watch in the future.

The junior boys rounded out the field with four competitors having a great race. All four completed three laps of the junior track with Juke Baldwin taking the win from Doyle Vaughan, Myles Burt and Blake Milne.

Thanks to our scorers, St Johns and volunteers on the day for your efforts. Our next race meeting will be held at the 9 mile course on the 14th of September.

Name	Category	Lap 1	Lap2	Lap3	Position
Jason Attard	Senior Men	17:26	35:35	53:59	1
Royce Beck	Senior Men	18:10	36:47	55:35	2
Brian Devlin	Senior Men	18:04	38:36	58:45	3
Benny Goodman	Senior Men	19:38	39:47	59:37	4
Trevor Barrie	Senior Men	20:24	40:29	1:00.20	5
Barry Gentle	Senior Men	20:18	40:21	1:00.34	6
Tony Hepburn	Senior Men	21:23	43:34	1:04.45	7
Randall Burt	Sport Men	19:11	39:29	59:30	1
Taz Johnston	Sport Men	19:19	39:46	1:00.35	2
Jono Spain	Sport Men	20:51	42:29	1:04.23	3
Phil Dupal	Sport Men	25:06	50:43	1:18.26	4
Cec Fraser	Junior Boy (s)	22:08	45:39	109:26	1
Corey Sammut	Junior Boy (s)	29:55	1:02.19		2
Luke Baldwin	Junior Boy (J)	8:48	18:19	27:00	1
Doyle Vaughan	Junior Boy (J)	9:50	19:51	31:31	2
Myles Burt	Junior Boy (J)	10:31	21:39	31:53	3
Blake Milne	Junior Boy (J)	10:53	23:40	39:41	4
Abi Beck	Junior Girl	10:02	22:27	34:31	1
Olivia Burt	Junior Burt	13:59			2