

MOUNTAIN BIKES

Round Hill Event 15/10/06

The Broken Hill Mountain Bike Club Inc. held race number 9 at the Round Hill track on Sunday with 13 riders lining up for the new early start time, and another 3 arriving at the usual start time. Thankfully the weather had cooled, and a slight breeze was helpful for pushing riders up the cutting! In the juniors there were two riders, Cec Fraser and Jason Limbert . Both lads were keen to take first place, and they both put in a fantastic effort, riding one lap of the senior's course. Cec was too strong on the day, and took first place in a time of 21.58. Cec is continuing to improve, and his passion for mountain bike riding has taken him to the next level with his riding. Jason is riding consistently this season, and with a nice new set of wheels to get used to, he did well on this challenging course. Great effort lads!

Two ladies took off from the start line, with Shelley taking the lead for the first half of lap 1. Bronwyn's fitness paid off once again, and even though she was riding a borrowed bike, she took the lead, and powered away for the win.

In sport men there was a small field this week. Joel Ryan was once again favorite, and didn't disappoint, taking out first place in this category, and second place overall. Unfortunately for Clyde, who has been riding very well this season, a busted chain saw him withdraw in the first lap. Royce Beck, a relative newcomer to mountain biking, continues to improve on his fitness and skill, and completed 3 laps in very consistent times.

Senior men saw Dave Clarke take off like a scalded cat, and was able to take a commanding lead for the race, taking first place in a good time. Visiting Med student, James Marangog was the dark horse, and after the first lap was in 2nd place. David Lyle had a scorcher of a first lap, crossing the line in 3rd, with Barrie Gentle hot on his wheels. Trevor was close by in 4th, with Brian chasing not far behind.

Barrie dug deep to pull into 2nd place in the second lap, and was able to hold the others' off for the duration of the race to take 2nd overall. James, Trevor and David had a close tussle, but in the end James took 3rd, Trev having a smooth race taking 4th, followed by David and Brian.

Thank you Sue and Tracy for timekeeping, Bob from St Johns Ambulance, and to everyone who chipped in and helped set up and pack up. Great teamwork guys.

Unfortunately, Club numbers have been down of late, and I would just like to encourage all members' and recreational riders, that it is not about how much training you can fit in, and where you place on the day – it's about getting out there and enjoying the fact that we are able to ride and enjoy each others' company. Let's not get caught up in the pressure of competition, and lets' just ride because we can.

JUNIORS'	lap1	lap2	lap3	points
Cec Fraser	21.58	-	-	100
Jason Limbert	32.55	-	-	90

WOMEN

Bronwyn Lees	17.57	36.29	-	100
Shelley Clarke	18.23	37.07	-	90

SPORT MEN

Joel Ryan	15.26	31.07	46.23	100
Royce Beck	18.52	37.56	56.18	-
Clyde Thomson	DNF	-	-	20

SENIOR MEN

Dave Clarke	14.05	28.34	43.21	100
Barrie Gentle	15.55	31.14	46.42	90

James Marangog	15.46	31.44	47.26	-
Trevor Barrie	16.03	31.54	47.58	80
David Lyle	15.53	32.05	48.16	75
Brian Devlin	16.25	33.16	50.09	70

The Clubs' next event will be held out at Silverton Heritage Trail on Sunday 19th November, rego outside the Pub from 7.30am for an 8am start. The Clubs' AGM will be held on Monday 13th November at the Mulga Hill Tavern, starting at 7pm sharp. For any information, visit the Club website www.bhmtb.asn.au or phone Shelley on 80887050