



## THURSDAY NIGHT RIDES 2017

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Greetings All

Peter pulled a rabbit out of the hat to find a fun track using just one side of the river. It would have been impossible to find a crossing point other than the Meadowbank Bridge which would have been quite a trek.

The cold wind was probably responsible for the whimps staying home and we had only nine tough nuts braving the elements. Bailey came to the venue via The Mapp Track and Riverlands Rail Track, so he was good and warm for race start. He also managed a recce lap as the rest were signing in.

So it was no surprise when Bailey was first to appear after the first lap. Brendon was next after almost a week adjusting to his new work routine at Cycle World. It will take some adjustment to fit in some decent training Kms if he is to maintain his usual high standards.

Danijel arrived late after attending to a customer and latched on to Brendon's wheel for a couple of laps before giving up the chase. Todd was consistently quick in third place for the five laps. He put in a burst on the final lap trying to beat the 50 minute mark, but the clock sped up and beat him by just a few seconds.

Young gun Cam managed to keep a good gap back to Peter who was hounded for the first four laps by Euan.

Newcomer and young gun Aaron showed that he had the goods with a quick first lap before his lack of racing saw him succumbing to the wily vixen Alana. Ange completed the field and was happy to put in a solid 40 minutes.

We hope that Aaron enjoyed the experience and will join us next week at Condors Bend. We will try a slightly later start to enable more riders to join us, 6:00 registration for a 6:30 start.

The Avanti guys are having a Trek demo day this Saturday between 10 am and 3 pm at the Rifle Range carpark. Christmas not that far away so a good opportunity to find a treat for someone special even if it yourself.

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