

## **THURSDAY NIGHT RIDES 2017**

October 5, 2017 Report by Ron Milbanke

**Greetings All** 

A mixed level of enthusiasm presented itself for the first ride of the "summer?". Some were as dull as the weather while others were chomping at the bit after a frustrating wet winter. It was cold, the easterly which blew most of the day must have dampened the resolve of some with previous good intentions. Twelve overcame and presented themselves at the start line.

Peter and Warren set out a sympathetic course which catered for those who had not been the most active during the break. It included Muncher, Cams and The Wiggles and by all accounts was a lot of fun.

Brendon was first around the opening lap showing his usual rapid style and he had a healthy gap to Danijel and Bailey. Next Khan and Warren were together after lap 1 with Warren showing off his new machine and Khan his old one. A winter on the play station had taken its toll and Warren and Peter passed Khan on lap 2. Bailey on the other hand has been clocking up some bike Kms and when Connor arrived late the two set about catching Brendon. This was accomplished on lap 5. Meantime Warren was ultra consistant and passed Danijel on the same lap.

It was certainly a "feeling their way" sort of night for some after a winter of relative inactivity, and most would have gone home with the satisfaction that there was still life in the old bones yet, and looking forward to improving their fitness over the summer.

Danijel finished lap 5 after hiding behind a tree until the clock ticked over 45 minutes. Warren then came blasting through several minutes later completing his 6th lap and still raring to go. He shamed Danijel into a warm down lap but unfortunately the two were never seen again. Don't know where they disappeard to but if anyone spots number 201 or 204 wandering the hills, could you please return their numbers to next weeks event.

Next week we will be on the Taylor River reserve adjacent to the recycle centre, 5:45 pm reg for a 6:15 start.

For those with club race plates, please try to remember to attach them to your bikes. Will not name names of those who left their at home, for this week anyway.

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