



# CTT MATTERS NEWSLETTER

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## National Ranking System

Those who attended the National Council meeting in November 2014 will remember the discussion following the request made by several CTT Districts for consideration to be given to a national ranking points system. A working party was to be funded to look into the viability of such a system.

The working party to date has met three times in 2015. Good progress is being made and below is a press report from the working party:

### National Ranking System

*Following on from the announcement at the 2014 National Council Meeting of a dedicated working party to consider a national ranking system, we are pleased to report the following progress.*

*The working party in seeking to develop a simple system for a national, annual ranking of competitors, by ability, intended to offer a potential season long target for riders, and based upon finishing positions rather than times, has considered a number of differing systems. The equal distribution system (similar to that used by Midland District) has been identified as the one considered most appropriate to satisfy and embrace the above requirements.*

*Work is continuing to address the issues (cost and resource) raised by the introduction of such a system that will facilitate the submission of a proposal for consideration by the Cycling Time Trials Board of Directors so as to establish a national ranking system.*

## Workshops/Conferences

### **Organisers' Workshop**

This took place on Saturday 14 March 2015. A total of 60 delegates attended what is hoped was a friendly and informative workshop. Topics covered included event administration, police influence on events, signage and risk assessment, event timing, on-line entries and drug testing. There was also an entertaining presentation by Frank Bird from the Midlands Region Highways Agency.

From the feedback received, those who responded found the workshop very useful, and indeed some said that their confidence was boosted to the extent that they would be volunteering to promote more events in the future.

**District Officials' Conference** – Saturday 23 May 2015 at Staverton Park, Daventry.

Details have been sent to all District Officials. Please can details of delegates attending be sent by the relevant District Secretary by 9 May 2015 to the National Secretary (Legal & Corporate).

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### **District Secretaries' Conference**

This is to take place on Saturday 27 June 2015, again at Staverton Park. Further details will be given shortly.

## It's About Times

A short video has been made and titled "It's About Times". The video makes excellent viewing and demonstrates succinctly how CTT "works". The video can be seen on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0mlcWcjaykM&feature=youtu.be>

## Triathlon Show

Board members Paul Thomson and Roger Wakeling and National Treasurer Mark Sanders represented CTT at the recent 220 Triathlon Show held at Sandown Park on 27/28 February/1 March 2015.

There was significant interest shown by the triathletes attending and it is hoped that that interest will translate into greater participation in CTT events in the future. If those who said they would be riding more time trials actually do so, then certainly it will be time well spent.

## Closed circuit events 2015

DIW Wheelers is promoting the events listed below during 2015 on closed circuits. These events are **not** in the handbook.

The exact distance of the events is not yet known but they will be between 8 and 11 miles.

All the events will be run on a “Come and Try” basis which means entries are not only open to experienced time triallists and club members, but also to the complete novice and non-club members.

At each event there will also be a shorter event (over 1 or 2 laps) for the under 12s to experience time trialling.

Access to the venues will be from 17:30 with the events scheduled to start at 18:30.

Date	App. Dist.	Venue	
Wednesday 27 May	10M	A/Darley Moor	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Darley Moor)
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Wednesday 10 June	10M	T/Croft	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Croft) (JUN/JUV)
Wednesday 10 June	10M	T/Croft	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Croft)
Wednesday 08 July	10M	A/Darley Moor	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Darley Moor)
Wednesday 08 July	10M	A/Darley Moor	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Darley Moor) (JUN/JUV)
Wednesday 15 July	10M	T/Croft	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Croft) (JUN/JUV)
Wednesday 15 July	10M	T/Croft	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Croft)
Thursday 06 August	10M	H/Dorney Lake	DIW Wheelers (Closed Circuit)(Dorney Lake)
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Entry to the events at Darley Moor and Croft is £10.00 (£5.00 for Juniors and Juveniles), Dorney Lake is £15.00 (£10.00 for Juniors and Juveniles).

It is hoped to have a prize list of circa £500.00 split across Men/Women/Juniors/Novices at each of the events. However, this is dependent on the number of entries received as circuit hire isn't cheap.

The events can be entered through the Internet Entry System on the CTT website or by post to: Keith Lawton, 1 Pinfold Court, Sherburn in Elmet, LS25 6LD.

The jewel in the crown of the closed circuit events is of course the closed circuit National Championship, which is again to be held at Thruxton, this year on 18 October 2015.

## Numbers

To encourage clubs to promote events, all clubs affiliated to CTT that promote an event in 2015 (whether an “open” (Type A) event, or “club” (Type B) event) will be able to purchase direct from CTT a set of event numbers (1-150) at a cost of **£50** (to include postage and packing).

All enquiries should be sent to: [keith.lawton@cyclingt看trials.org.uk](mailto:keith.lawton@cyclingt看trials.org.uk)

### Note:

In addition, all clubs that promote either a Type A or Type B event for the **first** time in 2015 and are entitled to receive the free “starter pack” of signs will also be entitled to receive a **free** set of numbers. All the club has to pay for is postage and packing.

All enquiries should be sent to: [signs@cyclingt看trials.org.uk](mailto:signs@cyclingt看trials.org.uk)



## Dates for the Diary

National Council meeting - Sunday 5 December 2015 at Staverton Park, Daventry.

Champions Night has been provisionally booked to take place on Saturday 16 January 2016, again at Heythrop Park.

## Current suspensions

The following riders are suspended from competition:

Tony Stott (VTTA Yorkshire)	until 31 July 2015	(Yorkshire DC)
John Shilson (Exeter Wheelers)	sine die	(South West DC)
Paul Murphy (Tyneside Vagabonds CC)	sine die	(North East DC)

Please could all District Secretaries notify the National Secretary (Legal & Corporate) of any suspensions not listed or if any new suspensions are imposed (Rule 5 – see page 318 of the 2015 CTT handbook).