

NORTHERN VETS 17th Jan, 2010 40Km Road Race - Longford

The Northern Vets attracted good numbers and an influx of new members for their first race of the year at Longford.

Justin Cooper had a great start to his racing career with a first up win in E Grade over a 40km course. While first timers Paul and Peter Lanham also rode strongly in C grade and enjoyed their debut with the club.

Robbie Weeks continues to get stronger and rode strongly to take out D grade from Steve Tristam, Michelle Dabner and Gavin Moore. While in C grade Jeff McMahon took out the sprint from John Frankling and Peter Dadson. While A and B grades started together, a crash saw the A grade race come to an end, as Mark Wilkie, who had ridden strongly all race saw more of the road than he had intended, but fortunately he no major injuries were sustained. B grade continued on and saw Adam Sanders attack the finish from over a 1.5km out and nearly hold the field off, but in the end Julian Clayton and Collin Burns rounded him up to take out 1st and 2nd.

Next week's race is at Carrick with Jeff Garwood, Glenn Myler and Julian Clayton on duty.

Results

A Grade- Not completed due to crash

B Grade- 1st Julian Clayton, 2nd Colin Burns, 3rd Adam Sanders

C Grade- 1st Jeff McMahon, 2nd John Frankling, 3rd Peter Dadson

D Grade- 1st Rob Weeks, 2nd Steve Tristam, 3rd Michelle Dabner, 4th Gavin Moore

E Grade- 1st Justin Cooper, 2nd Hilary Ivery, 3rd Ray Brien