Chippenham and District Wheelers – Time Trial Report 2026

The full write of weekly reports can be found at:

https://www.chippenhamwheelers.org/2026-results/

all of which appeared on the Chippenham Wheelers Facebook page with pictures.

Overview

The 2026 club time trial programme has continued to provide competitive yet welcoming racing, attracting a mix of club members and visiting riders. Summer events benefited from favourable weather conditions, producing several fast times and noticeable rider improvements compared with earlier season performances.

A particular strength of the season has been the depth of participation. Multiple riders have featured consistently across events, creating close competition for podium places while maintaining the club's traditional emphasis on inclusivity and camaraderie. Post-race gatherings and special events such as the Medium Gear and Steel is Real competitions have reinforced the social side of the club alongside the racing.

Standout Performers

Matt Chapple

Matt delivered one of the fastest rides recorded on the page, winning the 22 July UC866 event in 21:23. His victory demonstrated a significant performance advantage over the rest of the field and highlighted his status as one of the club's leading testers.



Simon Cox

Simon has arguably been the most consistently competitive rider across the events reported. He claimed the Medium Gear title, recorded podium finishes in both UC866 events, and repeatedly featured amongst the fastest club riders. His ability to adapt across different event formats deserves particular recognition.

James Eccleston

James has established himself as one of the club's strongest riders, taking victory in the Jack Nunn UC866 event with an impressive 23:28 and consistently featuring at the sharp end of the results.



Notable Member Contributions

Paul Winchcombe

Paul continued his tradition of supporting the club's special events, winning the Steel is Real category on his steel-framed machine and maintaining regular participation throughout the season. His results demonstrated remarkable consistency, finishing mid-field in the competitive UC866 events while also embracing the club's more light-hearted challenges.

Mick Sharratt

Mick remained a reliable competitor throughout the season, featuring in all reported events and regularly finishing within the leading club riders. His performances underline the depth of experience within the Wednesday evening series.

Andy Summers

Although affected by misfortune in the Jack Nunn event after taking the wrong course, Andy remained a regular presence in the series and contributed to maintaining healthy fields across the summer programme.



Performance Trends

Several riders recorded substantial improvements compared with earlier season outings. The report following the 22 July event noted that riders returning to the course were between 30 and 80 seconds faster than their April performances, suggesting excellent seasonal progression and favourable racing conditions.

The UC866 course produced particularly competitive racing, with winning times ranging from 21:23 to 23:28 depending on conditions and rider availability. Strong fields and close battles for podium positions helped maintain interest throughout the series.

Special Events

The annual Medium Gear / Steel is Real event once again proved popular, celebrating cycling's heritage while providing a different challenge from conventional time trials. Simon Cox secured the Medium Gear title, while Paul Winchcombe claimed Steel is Real honours as the sole rider competing on a steel machine. The event successfully combined competition, humour and club fellowship.

Conclusion

The 2026 season has demonstrated the continuing health of Chippenham Wheelers' time trial scene. Strong performances from Matt Chapple, James Eccleston and Simon Cox have driven competition at the front, while committed participation from riders across the field has ensured vibrant and enjoyable racing. The combination of fast times, personal improvements and unique club events has made for another successful year of club competition.

Detailed Review

The two week pattern of events interrupted by special events and sporting course continued this year, although many would prefer larger blocks on the same course. Callow Hill dropped from the course list with the availability of Lyneham Banks for the season. However, reported lower level subsidence may need the course list to be reviewed once again.

Given the rather hot summer only one event was lost to rain, although attendance numbers were down when evening temperatures were still above 30C. In the early season we had some really good turns outs, boosted by Chippenham Tri joining us, and the Sheila Edwards 10 had a record turn out for recent years. Although, rather oddly, we had the highest number of different riders for many years our total evening entries was down on recent years – which I put down to the weather actually discouraging people.

All our Open events ran this year and although the end of season 10 was not well supported all events covered their costs and those that rode clearly enjoyed themselves. The introduction of a late entry system by CTT boosted all of our event entries. On U41 we had internation presence when Flurina Rigling (AeroCoach) won the women's podium – she is a five-time World champion in road cycling and six-time World champion in track cycling for Switzerland)
https://www.chippenhamwheelers.org/race-report-chippenham-district-wheelers-u41-open-10-mile-time-trial-sunday-19-july-2026/

The Open 25 was particularly well supported with 60 riders.
https://www.chippenhamwheelers.org/u86-25-open-25-mile-time-trial/

Every year our thanks must go to those who make time trialing possible – our club organisers of open events, the event helpers and of course our club time keeper Sue Andrews. It was great to see some none racers stepping forward to help out at events, as this allows club riders then to race in our club events. As always if you are interested in helping please do contact Paul.

The trophy night was again held in the Chippenham Sports and Social Club and enjoyed by those who attended. The 2026 prize lists are later in this report and will be published on the club website. Mention should be made this year to Matt Chapple who had an outstanding season, breaking

several course records and taking all of the major evening trophies. He would undoubtedly win the 100 and 12 Hour trophies if he entered those events. Despite not riding any Open 10s he took the Winchcombe trophy on aggregrate, despite Peter Iffland doing his best to set great open times (he was frustrated by multiple event cancellations)



Andy and Paul Presenting Trophies at the Award's Evening



Time Trialers at the Awards Evening

If you have not visited the Racing Page of the club website please do. It contains the digital honours board, list of courses and all club time trial records. https://www.chippenhamwheelers.org/racing/

In other news Paul Winchcombe became a member of Cycling Time Trials Board at the National Council AGM at the start of the year. He also continues to be on the on the West DC committee as the Open and Club Events Secretary, Risk Assessments Secretary and Paul also maintains the CTT West DC website. https://west.ctt.org.uk/ . So hopefully the club's time trialists are well represented at local and national level.



The 50 mile stalwarts with Jake Sargent setting a new U864 course record

Club Results

For the record our club ride numbers for the evening time trials are as follows:

2026 – 55 riders / 156 rides
2025 – 31 riders / 199 rides
2024 – 35 riders / 179 rides
2023 - 30 riders / 121 rides
2021 – 24 riders / 143 rides (delayed season, did not start till end of March)
2020 – 31 riders / 114 rides (shortened season due to COVID)
2019 – 181 rides
2018 – 220 rides
2017 – 345 rides
2016 – 380 rides

Jack Nunn Results

This year 5 riders completed 6 Jack Nunn events counting towards the age category competition.

Rider	Average of Best 6 Rides	
Matt Chapple	00:21:30	Senior winner
James Eccleston	00:23:42	
Simon Cox	00:24:31	
Paul Winchcombe	00:25:46	Veteran winner on AAT
Andy Summers	00:27:21	

Jack Nunn Points Results Table

Position		Ride Points	Rides Entered	Total
1	Matt Chapple	60	8	68
2	Paul Winchcombe	51	10	61
3	Simon Cox	45	11	56
4	James Eccleston	45	6	51
5	Andy Summers	39	7	46
6	Peter Iffland	36	5	41
7	Mick Sharratt	30	6	36
8	Mark Evans	17	3	20
9	Paul Grabowski	13	3	16
10	Robbie Richardson	6	1	7
11	Paul Freegard	5	2	7
12	Andrew Lockwood	4	1	5
13	David English	4	1	5
14	Neil Lewis	3	1	4

Although there is not a prize for fastest single ride on a Jack Nunn event for the record the best individual times are below:

	Fastest 10 Time	Average of All 10's
Matt Chapple	00:21:14	00:21:41
James Eccleston	00:23:11	00:23:42
Simon Cox	00:23:48	00:25:00
Paul Grabowski	00:24:21	00:24:59
David English	00:24:48	00:24:48
Paul Winchcombe	00:25:29	00:26:07
Peter Iffland	00:25:43	00:25:58
Andrew Lockwood	00:25:59	00:25:59
Neil Lewis	00:26:13	00:26:13
Andy Summers	00:26:37	00:27:26
Paul Freegard	00:27:02	00:28:52
Mick Sharratt	00:27:44	00:28:57
Mark Evans	00:27:52	00:28:08
Robbie Richardson	00:28:14	00:28:14

No riders qualified this year for the 100 trophy or the 12 Hour trophies. In addition, the BAR and VBAR had no qualifying riders.

For the National BBAR Short Distance and Long Distance, although neither Paul or Peter qualified you can see that their season long competition remained close; as it was for the club evening events.

Position	Rider	10 miles	25 miles	50 miles	100 miles	Avg Speed
-	Paul Winchcombe Chippenham & District Wheelers	0:23:22	0:59:07	2:17:08	-	24.310

Position	Rider	10 miles	25 miles	50 miles	100 miles	Avg Speed
-	Peter Iffland Chippenham & District Wheelers	0:23:06	1:01:00	2:16:50	-	24.163

Matt only rode 2 events in the competition but shows great potential.

Position	Rider	10 miles	25 miles	50 miles	100 miles	Avg Speed
-	Matt Chapple Chippenham & District Wheelers	0:21:03	0:55:03	-	-	27.876

Position	Rider	10 miles	25 miles	50 miles	100 miles	Avg Speed
-	Robbie Richardson Chippenham & District Wheelers	0:27:26	-	-	-	21.871

Position	Rider	10 miles	25 miles	50 miles	100 miles	Avg Speed
-	Joanna Meier Chippenham & District Wheelers	-	1:19:59	-	-	18.754

Club Trophies for 2026:

Time Trial Championship (Open Events) – Peter Iffland
Ted Barlow Cup (WTTA Hardriders) – Matt Chapple
Jack Nunn Club Evening 10 Mile Champion (Handicap on points) –Matt Chapple
Jack Nunn 1st Senior – Matt Chapple
Jack Nunn 1st Veteran – Paul Winchcombe (on AAT following 2025 rule change)
Sheila Edwards 10 – Matt Chapple
Sheila Edwards 10 Handicap Medal – Paul Winchcombe
The Paul Winchcombe Trophy – Matt Chapple
2 Up Time Trial Trophy H/Cap – Mick Sharrat and Joe Mann
2 Up Time Trial Medal – Paul Winchcombe and Simon Cox
Nixon Cup 50 – Simon Cox
Mike Edwards Cup 50 (Handicap) – Matt Chapple
Hinder Cup 25 – Matt Chapple
Gary Woodward Shield 25 – Matt Chapple
Hinder Cup 25 Handicap Medal – Paul Winchcombe
Roberts Tankard Hill Climb – Andrew Lockwood
Medium Gear – Simon Cox
Steel is Real – Paul Winchcombe
Jack Nunn Best Improvement – Matt Chaple (46 seconds)
Eric Fletcher Audax Shield – TBC
Harriers Award for Effort – TBC
Sheila Wiseman Trophy – Flurina Rigling (AeroCoach)
Harry Hunt Memorial Trophy – Jake Sargent (Team Bottrill Nopinz)



Matt Chapple receiving the Gary Woodward Shield

Not Awarded:

BAR
V BAR
12 Hour
Jack Nunn 12 Hr
Jackman Cup
Gerald Cup
The Kilo
Tandem

Open Event Reports

U601

Link to CTT report

U41

https://www.chippenhamwheelers.org/race-report-chippenham-district-wheelers-u41-open-10-mile-time-trial-sunday-19-july-2026/

U86/25

https://www.chippenhamwheelers.org/u86-25-open-25-mile-time-trial/



Car parking for U86/25

UH80

Link to CTT report

U41

Link to CTT report

Open Time Trial Standings

Spindata only shows 3 Chippenham Wheelers rode enough events for their data to be valid

Pos		Rank	Name	Club	Category	Score
1	›	128 ↓4	Matt Chapple A11	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Senior	357
2	›	928 ↓10	Peter Iffland C10	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 60-64	4023
3	›	1010 ↓8	Paul Winchcombe C13	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 65-69	4487

And puts Matt Chapple, unsurprisingly, in first place. Filtering on provisional riders (those who lack counting rides) we have 7 Chippenham Wheelers who have entered Open events in 2026.

Pos		Rank	Name	Club	Category	Score
1	›	128 ↓4	Matt Chapple A11	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Senior	357
2	›	582 Provisional	James Eccleston B12	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 40-44	2173
3	›	589 Provisional	David English B13	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 50-54	2199
4	›	928 ↓10	Peter Iffland C10	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 60-64	4023
5	›	972 Provisional	Simon Cox B18	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 55-59	2830
6	›	1010 ↓8	Paul Winchcombe C13	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 65-69	4487
7	›	1258 Provisional	Robbie Richardson D8	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Open Veteran 60-64	6199

Club Time Trial Records

No club age group records were broken in 2026

WTTA Hardrider Series

The WTTA Hardriders results are at:
http://www.wtta-hardriders.org.uk/showresults.htm?year=2025&type=Results&event=Results&competition=wttahardriders

Matt Chapple did well to come third overall and to win the Ted Barlow cup.

Position	First Name	Surname	Club	Category	Points	Severn	Chippenham	Bath	Sherston	Swindon	Gloucester	Gillingham	Bristol South	Chippenham2
3	Matt	Chapple	Chippenham & District Wheelers	senior	709	118	116	118	118			120	117	118
17	Peter	Iffland	Chippenham & District Wheelers	V6	604	107	95		98	101		101	102	
29	Paul	Winchcombe	Chippenham & District Wheelers	V6	405	101				100		100	104	
45	James	Eccleston	Chippenham & District Wheelers	V4	214		109							105
71	David	English	Chippenham & District Wheelers	V4	110				110					
112	Joanna	Meier	Chippenham & District Wheelers	Female	88									88

The club did well coming fifth overall in the club competition and also had the maximum number of rides to count to the score

Club	Points	Counting Rides (max 18)
Pronto Bikes	2088	18
Bristol South Cycling Club	2022	18
Clevedon & District Road Club	1976	18
Bradford-on-Avon Cycling Club	1954	18
Chippenham & District Wheelers	1947	18
Gloucester City Cycling Club	1938	18
Sodbury Cycle Sport	1926	18
360VRT	1716	16
Swindon Wheelers	1342	12
Magspeed Racing	1302	12

Club Time Trial Championship **(Open Time Trial Series) Results**

The Club Time Trial Championship based on points from placings in Open Events was run throughout the season and the results table is below. The individual results for those who qualified by riding one of each event type were:

1st Peter Iffland 7 pts

2nd Paul Winchcombe 8 pts

					Chapple	Winchcombe	Iffland	English	Cox
15-Mar	U109/25	Hardrider			1		3	2	
29-Mar	U7b		10			2	1		
12-Apr	U375		10			1	2		
26-Apr	U72		25	No one entered					
10-May	U303	Hardrider			1	3	2		
17-May	U17		25		1	2	3		
07-Jun	U370		25	Cancelled					
17-Jun	UC864		50			1	3		1
04-Jul	U109/50		50						
25-Jul	UR50/1b		50				1		
22-Aug	U7b		10			1			
13-Sep	U72	Hardrider							
DNQ - Do not qualify		**Total**			DNQ	8	7	DNQ	DNQ