

AWOC Club MTBO Champs. and State Series MTBO #8 at STANLEY on Sunday 8th Sept.

A splendid number of exactly 50 competitors turned out on an overcast day (but no rain as forecast) for our big MTBO day.

Congratulations to Matt and Emma Flower who can both display trophies at home for the next 12 months, and then it's their turn to set the courses. Competitors ranged from a 6yo being towed along by dad to evergreen very senior Helen who travelled up from Melbourne. Others ventured from Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and of course very locally, Albury, Beechworth and STANLEY.

James Robertson won C1 (20 km hard) which we were told was long and enduring. Our Matt came in 4th ahead of Rick, Norm and Bill.

Steve Hanlon won C2 (15 km hard) ahead of Emma, Ronice and Rob.

Keith Wade from Melbourne just pipped our club Pres. Peter on C3 (10 km moderate) ahead of our John T and so many did this course including 4 family groups I must mention being –

Ian and Louise Burns on the piggy back bike, Jo and Tex Hunt, Penny with Ruby Burns, local Stanleyites Amber with Adele and Louis, and Dean, Oliver and Cleave Smith. What great family turnouts.

Only 2 on C4 (6 km easy) won by Carolyn Cusworth from Kathy Liley.

We also had a 90min. score event and Stuart Lloyd was the standout there with 10 controls in 85.04 mins.

Results as follows (AWOC members underlined, club champions in bold)

Course 1 (20 km hard); James Robertson 95.05, Tom Lothian 103.15, Carolyn Jackson 110.10, **Matt Flower 119.44**, Martin Young 132.17, Rick Armstrong 134.18, Norm McCann 155.21, Lisa Page 12 controls, Bill Krautz got most but not all.

Course 2 (15 km hard); Steve Hanlon 83.26, Bruce Patterson 87.08, Peter Cusworth 87.34, Bill Vanden Dool 89.17, Cormac McCarthy 97.33, Jane Sales 105.06, Kate Gavens 105.59, **Emma Flower 109.49**, Gavin Melgaard 114.01, Craig George 122.48, Ronice Goebel 135.36, Rob Simmons 150.31

Course 3 (10 km moderate); Keith Wade 68.39, Peter Mousley 74.09, Graham Wallis 81.23, Brad Saunders 83.31, Monica Dickson 87.28, Heather Leslie 89.27, Melissa Biviano 90.03, John Gavens 93.21, John Trevivian 97.07, Ralph Koch 97.29, Ian and Louise Burns 111.17, Jo and Tex Hunt 112.43, Peter Maloney 116.38, Penny and Ruby Burns 112.59, Karen Simmons 130.38, Amber, Adele, and Louis Croft 146.51, Dean, Oliver and Cleave Smith 149.13

Course 4 (6 km easy); Carolyn Cusworth 66.18, Kathy Liley 73.46

Score; Stuart Lloyd 10C (85.04min), Sophie Van Gungston 10C (86.57), Wayne Page 9C (93.29), Helen Alexander 4C (68.48)