

McDonalds Series 2013

Wyndham Race report

The weather was fine with little wind which led to good racing.

In Division 1 Tom Sexton, Hayden Strong, Hamish Beadle and Brayden Stevens set a steady pace early on the flat part of the course but were keeping a bit in reserve for the hills. The first attack came on Letterbox Hill when Tom increased the pace and opened a small gap. Noticing the gap Tom attacked hard to open a 20 second gap at the top of the hill. Hayden, Hamish and Brayden chased hard over the next 20kms but Tom was able to extend his lead to over 30 seconds on the hills and maintain this on the flat back into Wyndham. The chase continued right to the finish up cemetery hill with Hayden making a last ditch effort to close the gap to 15 seconds by the finish. Tom first 1:05:55, Hayden second 1:06:10, Hamish third 1:06:49 and Brayden fourth 1:07:26.

Division 2 saw the bunch stay together for most of the race and all the action happening on the last hill. Sam Miller, Corbin Strong and Jack Pedler got a break on the field and were all in contention for the win when Sam dropped a chain in the final kilometre. Corbin and Jack showed great sportsmanship to wait for Sam to get his chain sorted and then all three raced hard to the line. Sam first 1:22:45, Corbin second with the same time and Jack third with the same time. Caleb Hope and Lucy Timpany were next across the line in 1:25:49. The final hill sorted out the field with Emma Cumming, Bronwyn Graham, Gabbi McLeay and Lucy Pierce all finishing at about one minute intervals.

Division 3 riders rode with division 2 but finished in Wyndham instead of having the final climb. The honours went to Josh Miller in a welltimed sprint over Ronan Ferguson. Ronan and Josh had a really good race on a very demanding circuit to stay with the Division 2 riders for 90% of the race. Well done boys.

McDonalds vouchers for meals deals and combos were awarded to the place getters and spot prizes of Big Macs were also awarded following the race.