**VTTA 100 Mile Championship**

**Sunday 1st September 2024**

Many thanks to all of you who entered this year’s 100 mile championship. We had a small, but select field, who were brave to enter the event on what I believe is one of the more challenging 100 mile courses in the country. Several riders commented on the struggle of the southbound leg.

I’m sorry that some of you had to get away and missed the VTTA awards presentation. I was told this was due in some cases to an important football match! The three female medal winners were present and congratulations go to the ever consistent Joanna Cebrat for another championship winning ride. Kath Smith continued her amazing season with a silver medal to add to her championship winning rides in both the 12 and 24 hour. Angela Hannon-Flaherty took a well-deserved bronze medal.

The men’s result was slightly delayed when it was discovered there had been a one digit mistake in the whatsapp transmission of a rider’s time that resulted in him being allocated the gold medal. Thanks to Mick Flaherty for his honesty in pointing this out to me before I made the presentation! We hope you quickly recover, Mick, from your fall in the event.

The gold medal and champion’s jersey was in fact won by Chris Smart with a tremendous actual time of 3:43:39 (3:42:01 on AAT), the one VTTA rider under 4 hours. Chris, your jersey will be in the post! But Chris only beat David Nichol by just over a minute on AAT. David, at age 72, rode an impressive 4:33:25 which gave him an AAT of 3:43:21. The bronze medal went to Philip Kennell with 4:07:50 giving him an AAT of 3:50:48.

There was an extremely tight result for the winning Group Team. North Group (David Nichol, Philip Kennell, and Stephen Boxall) took the team medals but by a margin of only 18 seconds over Scotland (Chris Smart, Vincent Pickering and Sean Quinn). North Groups’ AAT was 11:35:18 just beating Scotland’s 11:35:36. There were no club teams.

Our thanks to Nick Wild, and Sharon Dyson for their support to our championship this year and to all their team of timekeepers, marshals and helpers.

Andrew Simpkins

National Chairman

**VTTA 100 Mile Championship Result**

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| **Open** | **Female** | **Rider** | **Age** | **Group** | **Club** | **Time** | **AAT** |
| 1 |   | Chris Smart | 43 | Scotland | GTR - Return To Life p/b Streamline | 03:43:39 | 03:42:01 |
| 2 |   | David Nichol | 72 | North | Ferryhill Whs | 04:33:25 | 03:43:21 |
| 3 |   | Philip Kennell | 57 | North | GS Metro | 04:07:50 | 03:50:48 |
| 4 |   | Vincent Pickering | 51 | Scotland | St Christopher's CC | 04:05:31 | 03:56:38 |
| 5 |   | Sean Quinn | 51 | Scotland | Law Wheelers | 04:05:50 | 03:56:57 |
|   | 1 | Joanna Cebrat | 45 | Manchester & NW | 360cycling | 04:28:00 | 03:59:34 |
| 6 |   | Stephen Boxall | 43 | North | Houghton CC | 04:02:47 | 04:01:09 |
|   | 2 | Kathryn Smith | 70 | East Midlands | Sleaford Wheelers Cycling Club | 05:19:52 | 04:03:05 |
| 7 |   | Mick Flaherty | 62 | Yorkshire | Seacroft Whs | 04:32:39 | 04:06:52 |
|   | 3 | Angela Hannon-Flaherty | 55 | Yorkshire | Seacroft Whs | 04:47:18 | 04:11:11 |
| 8 |   | Andrew Simpkins | 70 | Midlands | Team Echelon | 04:55:42 | 04:11:22 |
| 9 |   | James Muir | 61 | Scotland | Glasgow Nightingale CC | 04:46:49 | 04:22:57 |
| 10 |   | Christopher Beaty | 41 | North | GS Metro | 04:34:37 | 04:34:08 |
| 11 |   | Gary Chiverton | 63 | Wessex | Bournemouth Jubilee Whs | 05:13:18 | 04:45:32 |

DNS (A): Charlotte Dadd (East Midlands), DNS: James Rees (Manchester & NW), DNF: Phil Wright (North), James Wood (East Anglian), Angus Wilson (Scotland)