

## Wolverhampton Wheelers Track League 6th August 2014

### Freewheelers by *Joseph Lister*

Following heats, Ethan Roberts won the A's Kerin final followed by Will Perry and Grace Lister. Ollie Baker took up his position behind the derny and led out, producing a strong ride, until being passed during the sprint with less than the length of the home straight to go. The B's final took a similar lead, with Noah Thomas sitting in behind the derny and riding to a comfortable win followed by Oliver Hancher and Alfie Austin. Tom White strung the A's Scratch race out before it regrouped and was left to a sprint finish, where Ethan took first place despite the fact he was only able to pedal with one foot after pulling out of his pedal during the finish. Finally, Noah Thomas made a solo attack, looking as if he could win the event. However, Beth Harris pulled the attack back and took a well-deserved win with Noah still finishing in second and Oliver Hancher third.

Currently, in the overall rankings, Noah Thomas is leading the B's league (22 points ahead) with Oliver Hancher in second and Reuben James third. Meanwhile, Ethan Roberts is leading the A's league (40 points ahead) with Will Perry in second. Sam Anslow is in third, however with Will Perry only having a two point lead over Sam, it will be a close competition towards the latter stages of the league.

### Youth and Senior by *Dave Brookes*

There was a smaller than usual turn out for tonight's racing and not just because we are in the middle of the holiday season. The National Track Championships at Manchester took several riders away including Jack Escritt who until tonight was leading the League. Three other Senior A riders: Jack Smith, James Ireson and Ben Manfield-Yorke were also away. They were visiting Cycle Pyrenees in France (run by Wheelers Ian and Bea Potts) where they were training and also entered a Nocturne at Montech.

Elite rider Jacob Tipper (KTM) made a clean sweep of the Senior A events tonight taking Scratch, Keirin, Elimination and 22 lap Handicap all in his stride. Wheeler Jason Colledge showed similar consistency taking second in each event which was more than enough for him to top the Ranking points and thus become the current League leader five points ahead of Jack Escritt.

Steve Wilkinson (Lichfield City CC) had a good night's racing in Senior B where he gained first places in Scratch, Keirin and the Intermediate sprint but it wasn't enough to regain the B Rankings lead from Walsall Roads CC rider Mark Shaw who still leads by three points.

The final results for the 22 lap Handicap race where Jacob Tipper was first and Jason Colledge second were Matt Radford (Wheelers) third, Mick Rapson (Paramount CC) fourth, Maisie Duckworth (Wheelers) fifth and Martin Pockett (Halesowen A & CC) sixth.