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Velodrome

This was a successful trip which everyone enjoyed.... club records for the "fun competition" below, these must be beaten at our next visit!

250m sprint

1st A Johnston & J Wilkinson in 19.20
200m sprint

1st B Murphy in 14.20 2nd J Wilkinson in 14.29



• **Don't forget** your entries & hotels etc for the future events....

Humber Audax: 22nd May

Polka Dot: 5th June

AUDAX: Easingwold 19th June
York 25th June

TOLK 25th Julie

Spud Riley: 4th September ...it would be great to do these events as a club run!

See James, Jonathan or Brendan.

BOARDMAN'S HOUR RECORD STILL INTACT

The recent Manchester Velodrome visit proved to be a cracker! A dozen budding VCB track virgins took to the boards for an evening of track familiarisation, fun individual races and a couple near tumbles. It was a thoroughly enjoyable occasion and it gave people an idea as to the technical skills required to ride a bike with no brakes, on a very fast and steep track, within a wheel's length (or 50 metres in some cases) of the



person in front. A few excuses were made on the night that impacted on some performances, some were genuine for example the chairman's 'man flu' (allegations of doping scrapped when 'b' sample tested negative) others not so genuine for example contact lens displacement and spectacle malfunction! We nearly had to hold a Special AGM this week to vote in a new treasurer as John Savage had a wheel wobble at mach 3 that Tom Cruise would have been proud to control! All in all a great night that will surely be repeated again this year, so make sure you don't miss out.

The winter miles have certainly paid off for the more regular riders. One or two members are making a name for themselves in the village sprints and Wolds KoM competitions, however there has been some disquiet about the rules (they seem clear to me!). It is great to see that we are now sustaining a core group of 10 – 20 riders each Sunday with VCB club kit on and people enjoying the 'camaraderie'. Last August, James and I would never have predicted that the club would have progressed so much in such a short space of time, long may it continue.

A number of members are looking to do the Humber Bridge Audax on 22/5/05, Ron Kitching Audax on 25/6/05 (part of York Rally details emailed out) and the Easingwold Audax on 19/6/05. These events are mass participation rides (at your own pace) and the distances vary - to find out more go to www.audax.uk.net.

I would also like to welcome Stuart Bone to the club, Stuart has considered joining a few clubs in the area but he has settled on VCB which is great news for us.



Finally, we had some more good news recently when the club received confirmation of some lottery funding to the tune of £1,470. This money will be used mainly for promotional materials such as flyers, posters, water bottles etc and further enhance the profile of VCB at local events throughout the year. These will include the East Yorkshire Classic and Rotary Club Ride in June and TShirts for each "VCB re-subscription" this August!

Happy cycling.....Jonathan

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REMINDER: The Club Phone number, 07984 174242: we still intend to update the message weekly and keep the phone switched on every Sunday am!