

## MARKS PRESIDENT REPORT for 2017

Firstly I want to thank every committee member, subcommittee member, all the helpers, supporters and partners for your valuable time and commitment in assisting with running the club, without this continued support the club would not function nor exist.

A special big thanks to Bev and Dave who continually give of their time and effort in making the club the success that it is.

Also thank you to everyone on the STMS and TC roster; Paul, Grant, Andrew, Darryn ,Carol, Robin, Bruce.

Also new committee members I hope you enjoyed your year and are keen for another year or 10.

Morrinsville Wheelers is not the biggest club nor does it have endless numbers of helpers but what we do have is a great, tightknit, group of guys and gals who just get on with racing, helping and being good club members. I think everybody here would agree with me that we continually punch above our weight and are more proactive than some of the other clubs in the country.

During my time as President I have tried to promote the social side of the club a bit more and celebrate success.

Such as the Christmas Do for the committee as a celebratory party for the successful 29<sup>th</sup> running of the Harcourt's Bev May tour. As well as Bev's after race baking.

The club has also had some success at WBOP and national level.

One of the highlights once again of the year was the success of the Harcourt's Bev May Women's Tour- with 120 of the country's best female cyclist coming to Morrinsville. This iconic race puts Morrinsville Wheelers on the map as a prominent and competent well organised even with the new challenges to organise with the supported club.

This race takes a huge amount of effort to run and without the continued support of club members, partners, and supporter would be able to run.

Because MW has such a good reputation and long history with running safe bike races we have not had to have the same level of compliances as other clubs have experienced recently. With a new council in place this will be a challenge going forward. For example all stop signs now need a trained TC stop/go person.

The events we have run during this year:

Kaimai cycles Twilight series

Harcourt's Bev May Women's Tour

Bill and Hazel Summers open

Track series

WBOP ITT

Winter road races

STMS and TC training

Town and country series with HCCC

Thank you to Leigh Blissett of Kaimai cycles are , we are grateful and happy to have the continued support. Please support Kaimai cycles for cycling requirements.

Looking ahead we need to try to guess what the riders are looking for and adapt some of our events for them to survive

My message to all who are here tonight thinking about going on the committee- the club is not difficult to run and organise, many hands make light work, we need your help.

Thanks