

Club Championships 2017

Craven Energy Triathlon Club



Fast or slow/Good For Age (or bad for age)/Male or Female
Everybody's very welcome

April to Sept 2017

Why a Club Championships?

This is intended to work on two levels :

- a) Competition - We have some great athletes of all ages both male and female within the club. Competition amongst friends is often at the heart of improving performance and whatever your ability, this is a competitive sport and this allows everybody to strive for their best performance with that little extra incentive.

- b) Social and making triathlon fun - By designating a small number of events spread out from April to September, we hope to encourage people to try to aim to do the same events wherever possible. Even if you are back of the field, we would love to have you there.

When we look back over recent years, there have been Keswick, Helvellyn, Outlaw and Ripon Triathlons where we had between 15 and 30 Club Members attending. Each event turned into something special as we shared a great triathlon experience and supported each other whether fast or slow, experienced or novice.

It is hoped that when people plan their own triathlon calendars, they give consideration to these races and we end up with a good Craven Energy contingent at each one. Four of the events also offer camping facilities for triathletes to turn them into even more of an occasion.

At the end of the season, an Award Ceremony can be combined with the Xmas Do.



Alison, Gary & Peter halfway round Triathlon X in June 2016 stopping for a social feed station !

How Will It Work?

It is not the easiest way to compare performances over different events however as this is meant to be fun, we hope that have come up with sensible format and we can always improve in future years.

How Do I Score?

We will take your finishing position and work it out as a % of the number of finishers in that race (not starters as including DNF's etc gets complicated and always uncertain).

We will then take away this % from 100 and that will give you your points for that event.

Example:

- a) Your name is Peter Smith and you race at Ilkley Triathlon and finish 225th out of 250 finishers. Therefore your percentage is 90%. Everybody starts with 100 so if we take 90 away from 100 then Peter has 10 points.
- b) In the same race, Mark Quinn is 5th out of 250 finishers and this gives him score of 2%. Therefore 100 take away 2 leaves Mark with 98 points.



Any comparisons to real people and their abilities is purely coincidence. We all know Peter would have finished lower and Mark higher.

How Many Races Do I Have To Do?

To fully take part in the Championship and the League Table that will be published after each event, we will be awarding an End Of Season title based on following:

a) Overall Club Champion - Male/Female

Must complete 4 events minimum of which 3 can be in one race category. This allows everybody whether you prefer sprint distance or long distance to be compared. If you complete more than 4 events, only your best 4 will score.

b) Allrounder Club Champion - Male/Female

Must complete one event in each race category. If you do more than one event, your best score will be taken for that category.

c) Best newcomer award - Male/Female

Open to anybody who competed in their first triathlon in 2016 or 2017.

d) Veteran Category

V40 and V50 categories to apply for men/women as long as we have more than one in each category. The V60 will be known as 'The Jagan' and shall be awarded in 2016, a year in advance. They can give the 50 year olds some serious competition though in V50.

e) Miscellaneous Awards

We cannot categorise this now, but note will be taken of all performances in club events whether for overall race position or an exceptional performance in individual disciplines of swim/bike/run. We are not all going to be at sharp end of events but we recognise that somebody coming in at back of field may actually in own way have outperformed to do this and their achievement could be bigger than the winner. We'll be keeping a close eye on these performances.

The Events

Sprint Distance

- a) Kendal Sprint Triathlon - Sunday 16th April 2017
- b) Harrogate Sprint Triathlon - Sunday May 14th
- c) Castle Howard Super Sprint Triathlon - Saturday 22nd July 2017
- d) Ilkley Sprint Triathlon - Sunday 24th September 2017

Note:

- i) **Dates for Kendal, Harrogate and Ilkley still not confirmed but unlikely to vary by more than 7 days.**
- ii) **Castle Howard is the Super Sprint distance for the Club Championships. Please note that early entries get a 25% discount and then use CETRICLUB17 as voucher code for further 10% discount.**

Standard Distance

- a) Ripon Triathlon - Saturday 1st July 2017
- b) Castle Howard Olympic - Sunday 23rd July 2017
- c) Buttermere Triathlon - Saturday 9th Sept 2017

Note:

- i) **Buttermere date to be confirmed**
- ii) **Castle Howard early entries get a 25% discount and then use CETRICLUB17 as voucher code for further 10% discount.**

Long Distance

- a) Any Ironman distance race (minimum 125 competitors)
- b) Castle Howard - The Gauntlet - Sunday 23rd July 2017
- c) Wensleydale Triathlon - Sunday 20th August

Note:

- a) **Wensleydale date to be confirmed**
- b) **Castle Howard early entries get a 25% discount and then use CETRICLUB17 as voucher code for further 10% discount.**
- c) **If you wish for any Ironman distance race to be used then please message Gary Chapman with your finish position and number of finishers.**

Further Info

a) Entry To Events

As soon as an event has a date confirmed then we will set up an 'Event' on Craven Energy Facebook Page. Everybody who enters an event is encouraged to confirm going as will encourage others.

Some events sell out very quickly such as Ilkley. Other events such as Castle Howard get more expensive the closer you get to event. We will post reminders on Facebook page.

b) Why These Events?

If you are happy with the events chosen then Gary will take responsibility. If you are unhappy then please direct your unhappiness to Anthony, Mark and Andy.

We didn't want too many events and we wanted them spread out. We wanted to ensure that some of the lower cost events were in there and we were trying to prevent date clashes with other things in calendar already. Also, between the four of us, we have a pretty good idea about events having done many of them which also allowed us to include events that we thought would work.

c) 2018 Club Championships?

We hope that this will work and people will start to consider club championship events when sorting their triathlon calendar. In 2018, we are sure that we will include different events and if anybody feels strongly about particular events, then we will be 'shouting out' for feedback/ideas so everybody can have their say.