

Llysfasi Hill Climb and Freewheel Competitions Saturday 29th September 2018

Riders gathered at **Llysfasi** in the bus shelter/makeshift office to book in and completed the required paperwork. Ten riders entered the hill climb and although the road surface was good (having been repaired the previous week) the climb was as long and steep as ever.



Ben Hughes put in a masterful ride to win the event; in recent years he has made the event his own. **Steve Jones** was second and for the first time was the first male veteran; after his ride he was kind enough to ride back down the hill to take over the start. **Phil Bennett-Lloyd** was third on his first ride in the event. **Terry Davies** was 4th closely followed by **Clare Bennett-Lloyd** in 5th place who was the first Lady rider. **Dave Statham** was 1st Super and Mega Vet returning after missing 2017 due to a ruptured Achilles tendon.



Alun and Anne Jones organised the timing at the top of the hill and **Glennys Hammond** photographed the riders as they powered, rode or struggled up the hill. Those who had ridden hard coughed gently (or not so gently) as they rode down to **Graigfechan** where they confirmed their meal bookings and got ready for the next event.

Eleven riders competed in the freewheel. 2018 was **Dave Statham's** year with him winning by reaching the furthest car park entrance about a yard ahead of **John Wilkie** who was second a few feet ahead of **Roy Bunnell** in third place. **Phil Bennett-Lloyd** was 4th, **Steve Jones** 5th and **Clare Bennett-Lloyd** was the first lady in 6th place; the rest of the field was spread out all of the way back to the pub door.

Whilst people enjoyed their lunch in the **Three Pigeons** the hill climb times and results were calculated. Presentations were made by to the winning riders with **Glennys Hammond** taking photographs. Thanks to **Alun and Anne Jones** and **Glennys Hammond** for their help with the event; the **Three Pigeons** and to all of the riders who supported the event! Click [here](#) to see a selection of photos.

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