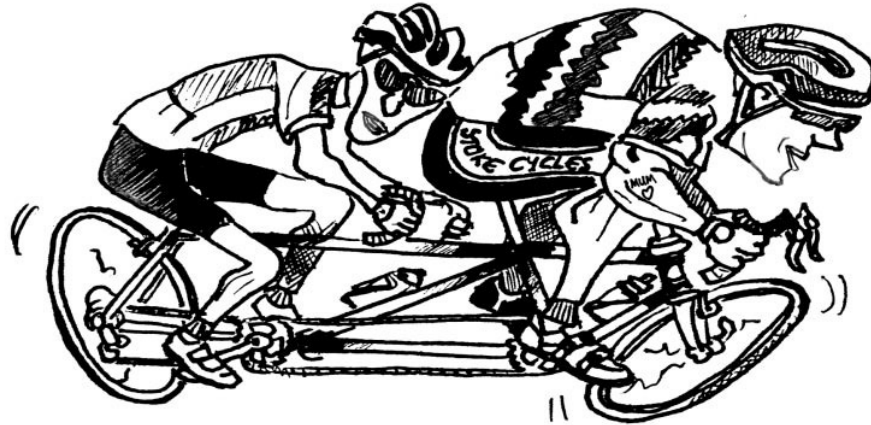


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SERIOUS FUN RACE

TANDEM CLASSIC

17th – 18th September 2011

TWO DAY

TANDEM STAGE RACE/RIDE

- MASTERTON

Grab Your Partner For A Tandem Tango!

Serious Fun or Social Fun – your choice ☺

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**Go to - www.rainborage.co.nz & click on the
Tandem Classic link.**

***All entries received before the 10/09/11 go in the draw for a
PAIR of CONTINENTAL GATORSKINS, rrp \$140.00***

Programme - September 2011

FRIDAY 16th

- Serious Fun Race Packs will be available from Lambert Cycles, 14 Lincoln Road, Masterton, from about 3.00pm until 5:00pm.

SATURDAY 17th

- 9.00am. 13km TIME TRIAL. Flat/down the valley (and ideally tail-wind assisted).
- 1.00pm. 40km ROAD RACE. A flattish ride with no significant climbs.
- 7.00pm. Dinner at the MASTERTON MOTOR LODGE. (Your cost)

SUNDAY 18th

- 9.00am. 55km ROAD RACE.

This race has one climb of note with KING OF THE MOUNTAINS points, 5, 3, 1, being awarded to the top three tandems over them in each class.

PRIZE GIVING, Join us for some Serious Lie Telling and Tour Post Mortem, a snack and a cuppa, no pomp, little ceremony and some great company.

The Classes

1. Serious Fun Class

This is for the more experienced riders with an eye to the competition and how well they're going.

2. The Social Fun Class

This class allows the more social type combinations to come and have a go with like-minded people without the full-on pressure of competing with the front bunch.

THE CONCEPT

To get together a group of tandem pairings and ride an event the like of which is not often available in NZ.

The SERIOUS FUN RACE is open to ALL tandems (road or MTB) in a safe and roadworthy condition.

MTB Tandems are advised to have Road Slicks.

THE COURSES

Will be held on open roads and NORMAL ROAD RULES APPLY.

THE ONLY OTHER RULE

Be prepared to engage in the most serious fun you will ever have had on a tandem!

PRIZES

All prizes will be spot prizes. Winners of each class will get a trophy to recognize their efforts.

SCORING

All scoring is on a points system.

20 for first, 15 for second, 12, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1.

King of the Mountain points, 5, 3, 1, are added to the total accrued during the racing and is not for an actual KOM title.

This system has proven to keep the competition a lot closer, therefore more fun, than using the normal time differential.

EARLY ENTRIES

All entries received before the close-off date of the 10th September will go into the draw for a pair of **CONTINENTAL GATORSKIN 700 x 25 TYRES, RRP \$140.00**

Late entries will be accepted but with the late fee of \$130.00 and they will not be eligible for this draw.

Pleeeeeease enter early as it is cheaper for you and it is easier for the overworked organisers, plus you get that chance in the draw for the \$140.00 WORTH OF CONTI GATORSKIN TYRES.

SPONSORS –

Without their fine assistance the event would be a much tamer affair, as far as affairs go. So look after the sponsors as they not only deserve to have you, you deserve to have them too.

CONTINENTAL – I have raved about their tyres for many years now and for a number of very good reasons. I have raced/ridden the GATORSKINS on my tandem and the triple as well.

They are very puncture-resistant without giving that “dead” feeling on the road. They roll very quickly compared to others of an equal puncture-resistance rating.

The triple we have had at over 100kph with over 250kgs of bodies on it. That’s confidence in the tyres for you! And, value for money, they are an excellent buy.

Just a word on buying tyres off the inter-web. Most commonly the tyres you buy are very old stock, hence their price. What’s wrong with that you ask? Well, old tyres lose their suppleness and their road holding characteristics are lost with that. In effect, the rubber is much harder and therefore you risk having your bike slide out from under you on a corner when you are at your normal speed. (I don’t own a bike shop now, and haven’t for nearly two years, so you can’t accuse me of bias in that regard. I just know that the only thing keeping my bum off the road is that little contact patch of rubber so I always want it be the best that it can be, not hard and slippery, which you can’t tell until it is too late. Gravel rash sucks!)

READYSETGO ANTICHAFFE – Another product that I have used for almost ten years. As far as anti-chafing cream goes I feel there is nothing that even comes close to this one. Every early entry will get two samples of the product sent to the captain for both to try. I’ll let you guys decide on how it compares to what you are using already, if you aren’t on the READYSETGO by now.

A lot of creams are water-based and don’t last very long but this has beeswax, ti-tree oil and petroleum jelly in it – excellent results. It is a concentrate so it lasts a long time.

It also works extremely well on the feet of runners, trampers, hunters etc., where chafing occurs in wetsuits, actually anywhere external chafing occurs try the READYSETGO. As it also contains a mild antiseptic I use it on cuts and scratches and then cover them with a sticking plaster as this seems to speed the healing time. Made with pride in NZ so you can go to your local cycle shop for it or go to - www.readysetgo.co.nz

LEPPIN – Sports supplements for the active person.

There is the LEPPIN SQUEEZIE – take one very half while racing/riding to maximise your potential and assist recovery.

There is the LEPPIN ENDURO BOOSTER – critical electrolyte replacement powder that easily mixes into your drink. Also great in assisting recovery after exercise.

All the above products should be available from your local cycle shop but if they haven’t got them in stock, make them get in what you want and don’t settle for less.

MASTERTON MOTOR LODGE – The obvious place to stay as it is operated by a fellow cyclist, Ian, and his wife, Danielle. They’ll look after us with rooms, food & beverages. We’ll have a social get together there on Friday at 7.30pm for a quiet drink and a time to catch on old mates and meet new ones.

Saturday evening we can join for dinner, your cost - served from 7.00pm. We’ll need to book numbers for this. This not compulsory and you won’t lose points for not being there but it is nice to have relaxed meal and a chat.

www.masterton-motorlodge.co.nz Ph 06: 378-2585. They even have a lock-up for us to store the tandems at night to save us the hassle of dismantling them or whatever.

When you ring them mention that you are part of the Tandem Classic and they’ll make sure you get the best they can do for you. They’ll even make you a lunch of you want it. That’s service!

Cheers, Mike.

