

Terrible Two 2005 Results

30th Anniversary Terrible Two takes the long way home.

On Saturday, June 25, the Santa Rosa Cycling Club staged the 30th Anniversary* edition of the Terrible Two double century. To commemorate that anniversary, we reprised our traditional long course, last used in 1994. For years we listed the long course as 211 miles, but new GPS mapping software has helped us to refine our numbers, and we have now discovered that a 3-mile error crept into our route slips around 1989, and that in fact the long course is only 208 miles and our standard course is only 197 miles! Regardless of that error, the fact remains that the long course is almost 11 miles longer than the regular course most of us know.

We figured the 11 extra miles—up along the Annapolis Road and down an extra stretch of Hwy 1—would be worth about 45 minutes (or more) for most participants. While it bypasses the dreaded Rancheria Wall, it includes several substantial climbs, and in fact has more elevation gain than the shorter course.

227 bikes (including four tandems) took the start out of Willowside School at 5:30 am, led through the sleepy morning streets of Santa Rosa by a pace vehicle. Those near the front said the lead pace was slower than usual this year, even after the pace car pulled away at the far side of town and let the dogs loose. No one had an explanation for the lazy pace. The weather could not have been friendlier for fast riding: overcast and almost chilly, with the sun making only a few brief but spectacular appearances later in the day, and with temps rarely even reaching the high 70's.

The relatively slow tempo seemed especially surprising in light of the fact that this was the first chance in over ten years for the fast folks to take a shot at the long-course records. We had heard that many of the usual suspects had been training hard just for this assault on the record books. In the end, this proved a mixed bag: Brian Anderson—who is getting to be Mr. Terrible Two—finished first on the ride for the fourth year in a row, but his time of 11:47 was well off the 11:19 time set by Victor Czech in 1994. Anderson's times for those previous three rides were 10:50 (the short-course record), 11:13, and 10:59, so factoring in another 45 minutes seems to have been an accurate prediction. It gives us a new appreciation for the blistering ride Czech laid down in '94. Conditions that year were also relatively benign, although we recorded a high of 95° on Skaggs that time around.

While toppling Victor Victorious from his lofty perch had seemed a tall order right from the start, Lea Brooks' women's record (14:06, 1984) appeared more vulnerable, as many women have logged times at least 45 minutes quicker than that on the short course. (Cat Berge holds that record at 11:35, but she was busy elsewhere this year, completing an awesome performance at RAAM.) For whatever reason, none of the women entered came close to the record. Erika Floric of Camp Meeker was the fastest woman not on a stoker seat, with a time of 14:55.

Speaking of stokers... There we finally do see some new records. There had never been a two-man tandem record on the old course. None had ever finished it (although some had tried). This year, the short-course record holders took care of that. Paul McKenzie and Ray Plumhoff did a fabulous job on a course not at all suited to the big bikes. They chased Brian Anderson hard all day—still with him until the first big climb on the Annapolis Road—and they brought their tandem in second overall in a snappy time of 11:58. They had been challenged early by Rick Ashabranner and Ish Makk, but those boys hot-rimmed it on the backside of the Geysers and laid it down, busting up a rim and themselves in the worst crash of the day. (They were not seriously hurt, but did have to abandon.)

Tom and Cindy Long of Piedmont, veterans of many, many doubles and other long-haul events, copped the co-ed tandem record held by Tom and Terry Dempster (13:50, 1981) with a very impressive 13:38. Robert and Brenda Fletcher of Vacaville finished not too far behind at 13:58. No recumbents finished, so Eric House's record of 12:53 from 1994 still stands (and anyway, it's still faster than the short-course 'bent record).

Overall, the mild weather contributed to an easy, almost boring day for our sag drivers, as 187 out of 227 riders finished. But the extra miles took their toll: 36 of those finishers came in after the traditional 10:00 pm "I Did It!" cut-off (meaning 66% made it by ten...typical for the old course).

Aside from the under-employed sag drivers, the volunteer support team—nearly 150 workers for 227 riders!—worked their collective fannies off all day to provide the top-notch support for which the TT is well-known. Thanks to one and all for once again making the Terrible Two somewhat less than terrible (and a grateful bow to the weather gods for doing their part).

*As the TT was cancelled in 1991, that makes only 29 TTs so far. But in its first year (1976), it was run twice: first as a test run in June, and then as the official event in August. So there really have been 30 TTs.

227	official starters (227 bikes, 231 riders...4 tandems**)
187	official finishers
150 (66%)	by 10:00 pm " <i>I Did It!</i> " cut-off

Results Below

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Place	Name	Age	Home Town	Elapsed Time
1	Brian Anderson	35	Santa Rosa	11:47
2	Paul McKenzie/ Ray Plumhoff	50/50	Richmond/ Oakland (T)	11:58
3	Kirk Buckman	39	Santa Rosa	12:05
4	Marc Moons	39	Sebastopol	12:14
	Mark Reimer	40	Chico	
	Robert McDaniel	37	Palo Alto	
	Jeff Landauer	37	Fair Oaks	
8	Giampaolo Pesce	40	Santa Rosa	12:38
	Tim Chase	39	San Francisco	
10	Peter Burnett	42	Chicago Park	12:40
	Doug McKenzie	45	Santa Rosa	
	Rob Saybolt	36	San Francisco	
	Dennis Creason	45	El Dorado Hills	
	Adam Bickett	21	Fremont	
	Kurt Levy	38	Santa Rosa	
16	Bill Ellis	46	Novato	12:45
17	Mattson Davis	41	San Francisco	12:47
18	John Axtell	44	Minden, NV	12:48
	Ray Hittenmiller	46	Monte Rio	
20	Roland Freund	50	Davis	13:10
	Tao Bernardi	38	Dublin	
	David Thompson	42	San Francisco	
	Shaun Locker	39	Lafayette	
24	Rich Boettner	38	Davis	13:20
25	Ben Larson	25	Seattle, WA	13:25
26	Jim Frink	42	Folsom	13:26
	Scott Chenu	33	San Carlos	
	Keith Vandevere	45	Pacific Grove	
29	Tom & Cindy Long	58/51	Piedmont (T)	13:38
	Rob Boyer	49	Cupertino	
	Michael Svihura	40	Belmont	
	Ken Holloway	52	San Jose	
	Carl Poppe	38	Sebastopol	
	Joseph Vella	45	Santa Cruz	
	Craig Robertson	47	Los Altos	
36	Glenn Mattsson	48	Santa Rosa	13:45
	Jason Hayes	35	San Francisco	
	Gabriel Sanctuary	34	San Anselmo	
	Jeff Mitchell	31	Santa Rosa	
40	Wayne Riley	44	Sacramento	13:54
	Larry Kluck	56	Eureka	
	Charles Samson	44	Middletown	
43	Greg Lester	50	Cazadero	13:56
44	Mike Rabdau	32	San Francisco	13:57
	Robert Ballard	34	El Cerrito	
	Brandon Correia	30	Alameda	
47	Robert & Brenda Fletcher	44/44	Vacaville (T)	13:58
48	Georg Ockenfuss	40	Santa Rosa	13:59

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49	Mike Gaylor	57	Sebastopol	14:00
50	Rob Dillion	30	Sebastopol	14:08
51	David Gravin	44	Loomis	14:10
52	Randall Olsen	37	Mesa, AZ	14:14
53	David Dixon	34	Guerneville	14:16
54	Eric Ostendorff	44	Torrance	14:18
	Joe Gorin	54	Santa Rosa	
56	David Baker	41	Federal Way, WA	14:19
57	Tode Rubenstein	36	San Rafael	14:21
58	Wayne Dunlap	43	San Jose	14:26
59	Brian Staby	34	Santa Rosa	14:28
	Richard West	57	Bellingham, WA	
	Bill Ripke	41	Pinole	
	Brett Goett	39	Paradise Valley	
63	Curtis Taylor	33	Folsom	14:35
	Paul Guttenberg	46	Davis	
	Howard Schnirman	40	Petaluma	
66	Andrew Platts	43	San Ramon	14:43
67	John Krause	44	Auburn	14:44
68	Stuart Wallace	46	San Jose	14:50
	Eric Norris	45	Davis	
	James Shupe	48	Willits	
71	Leland Gee	50	Santa Rosa	14:54
72	Erika Floric	41	Camp Meeker	14:55
73	David Neff	56	Fair Oaks	14:56
74	Stephen Hoopes	30	Walnut Creek	14:59
	Tertius Thakar	43	San Francisco	
	Michael Pucci	45	Petaluma	
77	Adamen Hannaford	29	Santa Rosa	15:10
	Keith Cook	49	Loomis	
79	Rebecca McClellan	46	San Rafael	15:11
	Tom Kuhn	45	Sebastopol	
	Tim Jones	47	Fairfield	
82	Mark Newton	33	Los Angeles	15:13
	Jay Kleinwaks		Antioch	
	Max Hogan	44	Santa Barbara	
	Jack Klebanoff	54	Walnut Creek	
	Theresa Lynch	39	Palo Alto	
87	Michael Pope	43	Auburn	15:16
88	Adrian Halme	34	Berkeley	15:20
89	Stewart Thompson	52	Burlingame	15:25
90	Jason Nemecek	34	San Jose	15:30
	Larry Bolander	60	Pacifica	
92	Robert Buntrock	40	Discovery Bay	15:31
	Gregory Wong		Millbrae	
94	Mark Birnbaum	52	Novato	15:32

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95	David Halstead	41	Santa Rosa	15:34
	Jessie Whitesides	33	Santa Rosa	
	Amos Bish	30	Santa Rosa	
	David McCormick	34	Citrus Heights	
99	Bruce Berg	58	Berkeley	15:36
	Mark Abrahams	49	Berkeley	
101	Darrel Lager	58	Livermore	15:38
	Bob McIntyre	52	Belmont	
	Spencer Frink	52	Santa Clara	
104	Steve Berry	59	Brisbane	15:41
105	John Gamper	53	Davis	15:45
	Patrick Garner	45	Vacaville	
	Mark Nelson	43	Davis	
108	Timothy Houck	55	Pleasanton	15:49
109	Scott McEldowney	49	Windsor	15:51
110	Dennis Uyeno	58	San Jose	15:53
	Kenneth McKenna	48	Novato	
	Steve Lausmann	51	Citrus Heights	
	Richard Moon	47	Folsom	
	Sean Flaherty	47	Stockton	
	Mark Boles	47	Roseville	
116	Paul Vlasveld	45	San Jose	15:55
	Jeff DuBois	33	San Francisco	
118	Alexis Irizari	47	Las Vegas, NV	15:58
	Paul Duren	46	San Jose	
	Mark Homrighausen	31	Berkeley	
	James Rupert	52	Fall City, WA	
	Cameron Lim	36	San Jose	
	Chris Cummings	36	Palo Alto	
124	Tom Gandesbery	43	Piedmont	16:01
125	Robert Duchynski	40	Santa Rosa	16:04
	Kitty Goursole	50	San Ramon	
	John Murphy	37	San Francisco	
128	Blair Hickman	29	Sacramento	16:06
129	James DeSantis	44	Oak Run	16:07
	Lou Salz	49	Santa Rosa	
131	Camillo Fenzi	51	Woodside	16:08
	Duane Stephens	56	Berkeley	
133	Michael Head	34	San Mateo	16:11
134	Randy Roten	53	Rocklin	16:13
135	Robert Okano	39	San Jose	16:14
136	Kayden Kelly	30	Auburn	16:16
	Michael Sullivan	36	Santa Rosa	
	Jason Hall	31	Santa Rosa	
139	Nick Keane	20	Cotati	16:17
	Rob Pitchford	36	Santa Rosa	
141	Coleman Ross	38	Simsbury, CT	16:21
	Beth Saman	31	Bristol, CT	
	David Wolbeck	39	Santa Rosa	

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144	Doug Springer	51	Windsor	16:26
	Kevin Foley	47	Mill Valley	
	Margie Biddick	46	Aptos	
147	Alex Brede	45	Bellingham, WA	16:27
	Tom Truong	44	Dublin	
149	Roger Coombes	66	Los Altos	16:28
150	Franck Battelli	48	San Anselmo	16:30
151	Rebecca Linkous	42	Windsor	16:31
152	Greg Sullivan	47	Spokane, WA	16:32
	Alfonso Estrada	35	Oakland	
154	Dick Robinson	58	Redwood City	16:34
	Tom Zaharis	42	Half Moon Bay	
156	Bill Beadle	58	Weimar	16:36
	Christopher O'Keefe	38	Mountain View	
158	Andrew Gustafson	64	Ojai	16:37
	Steven Neiner	41	Woodbridge	
	Steve Bottoms	44	Tiburon	
161	Lyresa Pleskovitch	39	E Palo Alto	16:43
	Mark Mathewson	42	Santa Rosa	
163	Jeff Schweninger	51	E Palo Alto	16:46
164	Louis Held	43	Stockton	16:54
	Roland Winter	47	Stockton	
	John Coe	49	Redding	
	Gary Murata	49	Lodi	
168	Veronica Tunucci	43	Corte Madera	16:57
	Jack Joseph	49	Oakland	
	Ralph Pacini	54	Redlands	
	Jack Holmgren	52	Oakland	
172	Paul Thober	58	Davis	17:00
173	Michelle Kashima	45	Irvine	17:01
	Doug Simon	46	Santa Rosa	
175	Timothy Van Blaricom	39	Folsom	17:05
	Rob Hawks	48	Richmond	
177	Scott Buswell	32	El Segundo	17:06
	David Auchard	52	San Jose	
179	Stuart Stevens	52	Santa Monica	17:11
180	Joel Rosenberg	66	Palo Alto	17:13
181	James & Katie Norton	33/32	Sacramento (T)	17:21
	Patrick Treacy	40	Oakland	
184	Sergio Silva	50	Corte Madera	17:27
	Lisa Lestishock	40	San Francisco	
186	Ira Sheftman	44	San Jose	17:29
	Leshek Fiedorowicz	46	Morgan Hill	

Notes:

Shaded or [Blue](#) entries denote female riders

** Tandems count as one place each in standings