

2026 AGM, Australia Time Trials Association (ATTA)

President's Report

2025-26 was again a challenging year for ATTA in terms of the number of events held, particularly on open roads, and also rider participation per event which declined by approximately 20%.

We were unsuccessful in our attempts on improving the course and event approval processes with Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) during the last year. If anything, the requirements are increasing, as was evident on additional traffic management requirements recommended by MRWA during a recent on-site review of our Hopeland course (where we have safely managed events over many past seasons).

Your Committee have therefore determined to take a more pragmatic approach to course and event approvals in the future and will target courses where we have a stronger relationship with relevant Local Government Authority (Shire/Council). Hopefully this approach, combined with a variety of off-road courses, will allow us to increase event and rider participation.

Fortunately our financial position, as summarised in our Treasurer's Report, continues to be in a strong position.

Our Kings Park Early Bird Series saw an increase in the number of events compared to 2024-25 as well as rider participation, including a nice increase in women riders. People continue to enjoy the smoother road surface, with many able to get some good training in for the 2026 AusCycling National Road Championships.

We again had a strong ATTA volunteer involvement for the "Nationals" in January, together with some great participation and results from our members across all disciplines and many categories. Long may this continue!

Unfortunately we were only able to hold three Hilly Classic events during the year with significant roadworks on Old Northam Rd leading to the cancellation of two planned events. Low participation at our Hilly Events continues, so the Committee are working on ways to improve this during the coming year including the reintroduction of a Hill Climb Championship event back but on a new course.

We are encouraged to see some new faces coming forward to take up various volunteer roles at our events. The contribution and recognition of volunteers is a core value for ATTA in order to continue to effectively run a consistent calendar/program of events.

Some great behind the scenes work has been completed to improve the use of Webscorer as the common platform for membership renewals together with our event calendar, registrations and results. Hopefully this makes things easier!

We continue to have good participation on our Committee, which is reducing the load and providing some backup for the small dedicated few in the past. We intend to further enhance our Committee during the next year with Women and Junior Coordinator roles focussed on improved participation, coordination and perspective.

We recently held another successful TTT event in collaboration with the West Coast Masters Cycling Council. We hope to run more collaborative events next year to share event effort and costs as well as provide members with an increased variety of events on the calendar.

Our Road Bike category has continued to attract both new riders to ATTA events without the need for a dedicated TT bike. We see this category not only as means to attract new members but also to current riders looking for an alternative challenge during the season.

So in summary, while the last year has not been without several challenges, we look forward to the opportunity to improve upon the number and diversity of both events and riders in the coming year.

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