

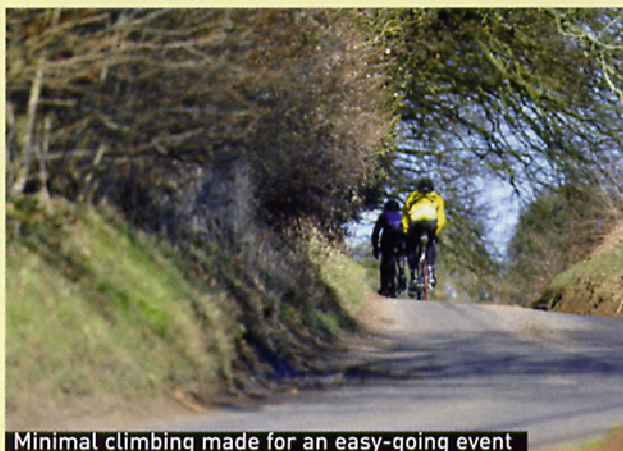
Cobham, Surrey, March 7

# The Surrey Rumble

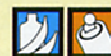


**P**ROMOTED and run by the Twickenham Cycling Club, this ride through the Surrey lanes had a real club feel to it. A new online entry system was used for 2010, resulting in the event selling out in three days.

Due to icy conditions, organiser Des Bennett sent out two groups of club riders early in the morning to be the ride



Minimal climbing made for an easy-going event



[www.surreyrumble.co.uk](http://www.surreyrumble.co.uk)

Distance	77 & 57 miles
Climbing	934m/1,212m
Major climbs	One
Terrain	Rolling
Participants	227
First finisher	4hr33/3hr24
Last finisher	6hr14/7hr32
Best	Attainable challenge
Worst	Ice patches



**Paul Greenwood (48)**

57 miles in 5hr-ish

"Wonderful, third time the Fat Ol' Gits have done it. It was bloody cold, after such a bad winter it was brilliant to be out and going again."

guinea pigs and report back any dangerous spots to HQ. Marshals were then deployed accordingly, mainly to the Holmbury area.

Safely off, 227 riders enjoyed the route through Surrey and the South Downs. Designed to be challenging but not outlandish, both 77 and 57-mile routes were lumpy affairs but with no real killer climbs. However, the little lumps kept riders in and out of the saddle all day. Two aid stations at 28 and 54 miles served hot drinks, perfect for a chilly spring day. Timing cards were stamped to authenticate the distance achieved.

Both courses headed south into Surrey, dipping down to Cranleigh. The long course kept working its way down to pretty Wisborough Green and back up through Dunsfold. Rejoining the short course at Milford, riders pushed on into the wind to just below Woking.

Many returning riders commented on how the

event had improved on last year, especially the signage and marshalling. Monies in excess of £580, raised from entry, feed stations and sponsors, were donated to the Dave Rayner Fund. The fund supports and sends young UK riders to Europe to make a successful career from cycle racing.

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**WIGGLE SUPER SERIES:** New Forest Spring Sportive, April 18, offers two distances. Both the 83 and 56-mile routes are undulating but don't have killer climbs. First event of 10 for 2010. [www.ukcyclingevents.co.uk](http://www.ukcyclingevents.co.uk)



Let's get ready to rumble: enjoying cold-weather camaraderie



**John Collinson (23)**

57 miles in 4hrs 30min

"It was quite a nice ride; marshals were set out well. It got difficult towards the end, the distance got me in the last couple of miles down the country paths."