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SINGLESPEED WORLD CHAMPS 2010

Garth Weinberg was one of the main inspirations for the Rotorua Singlespeed Society to get together in 2007 to run the New Zealand Singlespeed Championships the following year. Could we host the Worlds here, as well? Why not? And so, in October, some world class riders arrived with the rest of the circus. Could Garth win it? We only mentioned it in hopeful whispers. No pressure.

On race day, all the radio traffic was about Ross Schnell and Garth head-to-head in the Whakarewarewa Forest. Garth had a 15 second lead into the race village. They sculled a beer each, side by side. Then, first out of the beer tent came the man from Rotorua on his black and white Niner, wearing his unofficial RSSS team shirt from the 2008 World Champs in Napa. Over the finish line, sliding to the ground, surrounded by his wife and kids. There were tears. Garth Weinberg—World Champion! GRAEME SIMPSON, ROTORUA SINGLESPEED SOCIETY

