



## Newsletter, May 10th

### Duty Roster

**This Week on May 11th - Gruyere:** Jim Hobbs, Jason Laird, Stewart Jenkins, Anthony Lateo, Kevin Turley, Marcus Thiele, Brian McCann, Richard Dobson, David Hyde, Ian.N.Smith, Nigel Frayne.

**Next Week on May 18h – Avenal:** Nigel Kimber, Liz Randall, David McDonald, Gary LeRoy, Daniel Hulbert, and Ben Muller.

**Note:** Members rostered for marshal or traffic control duties must be at the circuit at least one hour before the scheduled start time to assist with the setting up of the course. (But bring your bike, you just never know). If a marshal fails to turn up for duty, a rider will be balloted to do that duty. If you cannot turn up for duty, you must find a replacement and please advise Andrew Buchanan at [tiptop2@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tiptop2@optusnet.com.au)

## Casey Fields 4<sup>th</sup> May 2013

### Race report (Casey Fields 4/05/13)

It was cooler conditions this week down at Casey Fields with a modest turnout. But that didn't stop a

### C Grade: (Adam Dymond)

Another reasonably windy day at Casey saw a slightly smaller C grade field of 16 riders head off for their weekly adrenaline fix. The wind was not a howler like

good days racing and some interesting battles out their on the track.

usual & coming from the south we got a tail wind up the finish straight & cross wind on the bottom straight making conditions a bit flukey so you had to be on your guard from the get go.



With the new Pres, Hylton nominated as bunch Captain we got underway with a steady pace being attained pretty quickly. There were the usual suspects pushing the pace along with Brian McCann, Geoffrey O'Loghlen & Peter Ransome doing good turns to keep the pace up. There were several attacks from the back of the bunch from the likes of Peter Shanahan & Jeffrey Gerrish from Northern putting on some big bursts to get the heart rates going into the red.

Mid race saw a group of 3 including the 2 Smith's, Ian & Darren get away by around 100 meters, but the bunch quickly bought them back in. And so on it went like this until around the 1 hour mark when big Darren Smith decided enough was enough. I was towards the back of the bunch at the time so I'm not sure whether he just rode away or did it with a burst. Either way it seemed that no-one wanted to, or could chase him.

Then the bell came & the consensus amongst the bunch was that we were racing for 2<sup>nd</sup> with big Darren well away. I had considered earlier in the race that Brian McCann would be a good wheel to get on as he's been in good form of late. As I settled on the back of Brian's wheel, I noticed Chris Norbury pull off to the side, no doubt to film all the action on the new video camera he had mounted on his handlebars. So as we wound our way to the bottom past the pond, Brian and I were at the back as the field started to wind up. I was starting to think that maybe I'd chosen the wrong wheel, when all of a sudden as we came into the big bend before the bottom straight Brian put on the turbo boosters..... I just hung on for dear life as we took the whole bunch by surprise & went flying past & into the bottom straight. Brian's attack stretched the bunch along the bottom straight as we hammered along. As we got to the final bend, Brian seemed to tire a bit & I lost a fraction of momentum as we went around the corner & Jeffrey Gerrish flew past me & had momentum on his side on his way to 2<sup>nd</sup> place. Safely around the corner I started my sprint to the line, up out of the saddle giving it all I had left in the tank. I sensed Ken Bone on my right & thought I had a battle to keep him at bay when all of a sudden Ken must have got some dust in his eye as he sat up 😊.

I kept hammering determined to hold on for 3<sup>rd</sup> & could feel Tim Maffey closing on my right but I managed to hold him off so he got 4<sup>th</sup> place.

I made a point of thanking Brian for his wonderful lead out & also to Ken for deciding he wants to stay in C grade for a bit longer 😊.

A solid race by all accounts & well done to all. Race time was 1.05, average 35KPH with the last lap average 44KPH & top speed 51KPH.

### C Grade: (Chris Norbury)

A cold and windy day at Casey saw sixteen riders brave the conditions in C Grade. The pace was kept consistent with Brian McCann on the front early. Pete Ransom, Peter Shanahan and Tim Maffey picked the pace up at the ten minute mark. Tim attempted to split the bunch several times without success. Attack after attack came from the same three riders; Pete Ransom, Peter Shanahan and Tim Maffey. Darren worked hard to bring the attackers back. When it looked like it was going too slow, Hylton kept the pace up.

At the 25 minute mark, the pace picked up again due to the likes of Pete Ransom and Jeffrey Gerrish.

At the 35 minute mark, Ian Smith and Jeffrey Gerrish took off, holding off the field for about two laps. Then Darren Smith and Tim Maffey put in a big effort to pull them back.

At about the 50 minute mark, Peter Shanahan took off with Geoff O'Loghlen on his wheel. Peter fell away but Geoff and Darren Smith kept going, getting a good break. Tim Maffey tried chasing but couldn't make up the ground.

At the 55 minute mark, Geoff O'Loghlen couldn't stay with Darren, dropping back into the bunch. On the bell lap, Darren extended his lead leaving everyone else racing for minor placings. With half a lap to go, Brian McCann took off with Adam Dymond and Jeffrey Gerrish on his tail, giving Adam a perfect lead out. After doing a big turn, Brian peeled off leaving Jeff Gerrish and Adam Dymond to fight it out for second and third. Tim Maffey picked up a well earned fourth.



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### D Grade: (David Brown)

The race started routinely enough with the pace being shared by a number of riders including Michael Paull, Jim Swainston and Colin Mortley among others. The pace quickened a few times after about 15 minutes with new rider Matt Anstee taking a prolonged turn at the front, showing no signs of concern and seemingly happy to stay there. After about 30 minutes there was a momentary drop in speed on one of the inclines and I decided to just increase cadence to try to keep the speed up. Unexpectedly, I opened up a reasonable gap and so it was either; - sit up and wait or keep going – harder. So, I opted to get in to time trial mode and found, initially, that the gap was increasing. After about 10-15 minutes and hanging out for the bell I was beginning to fade. A glimpse over my shoulder and two riders coming up fast. Peter Mackie and Geoff Cranstone had bridged the gap and were in no mood to take it easy as another two riders behind them were also chasing hard. Both riders then did strong turns with me just hanging on and trying to recover. With about two laps to go the second pair of riders - Colin Mortley and Matt Anstee caught us and then there was a bit of positioning going on for the last lap. Into the last corner I was comfortable in third spot. Geoff and Matt jumped ahead, I was closing on them but the line was coming too soon. I was more than happy to settle for third when Peter Mackie, finishing like a C-grader, jumped from behind and with perfect timing clinched third spot by inches. It was a good win by Geoff and a really good first race by Matt. Thanks to all the riders for a great race.

### Results: Casey Fields 4<sup>th</sup> May 2013.

	First	Second	Third
<b>A-grade</b> (15)	R Clark	G Green	S Ross
<b>B-grade</b> (12)	J-P Leclrecq	P Thompson	A Gullace
<b>C-grade</b> (16)	D Smith	J Gerrish (N)	A Dymond
<b>D-grade</b> (11)	G Cranstone	Matt Anstee	P Mackie
<b>E-grade</b> (5)	P Taylor	G Miller	R Watts
<b>F-grade</b> (6)	A Watts	M Waterfield	C Wright

### Results: The Loop May 8<sup>th</sup> 2013.

	First	Second	Third
<b>Division 1</b>	C Jones	V Condello	S Ross.
<b>Division 2</b>	A Weber	G Plummer	T Curulli.
<b>Division 3</b>	J Cadd	P Gray	F Lees.





### Officials at Casey May 4<sup>th</sup> 2013.

Thanks to Nigel Kimber and Peter Mackie for taking entries on the desk and to Duncan Hansford and Catrin Harris for their marshalling duties. Thanks also to Andrew Buchanan, who manages the duty roster and ensures we have enough people on the day for our races, to Michael Paull who brought the trailer along and Ian Smith, who was on hand with the drinks. Thanks also to anybody else who helped out and to all the riders for making the day.

### Future events:-

The **Athletic Soft Tissue Therapy** handicap is a pre-entry event to be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2013. Entries close May 15<sup>th</sup> at 5pm. No entries after this date. A likeable course, approx 15 km out and 15km back x 2 laps (approx 60KM).

The out is predominately flat, but at the 5km mark it does have a 1.5km long rise (approx), at about 3%; the return has a short, sharp incline before returning to flat or down hill for the turn.

The race starts at 1.30pm, sharp!! Remember the start line is 5km's away from registration, so you need to be on time and organised. The race waits for no-one!

Entries open to all AVCC members, licenses required! Numbers will be capped to first 100 riders; great prize money and trophies.

Will scratch get up! Or will the other grades continue to hold the upper hand on this straight & challenging course??

### Eastern Vets Program: [www.eastervets.com/](http://www.eastervets.com/)

Wednesday's			10:15am	The Loop	Graded Scratch Race
Saturday	May	11	2:00pm	Gruyere	Kermesse.
Saturday	May	18	1:30pm	Avenel/Seymour	Athletic Soft Tissue Handicap
Saturday	May	25	1:30pm	Yarra Jn/Piedmont	Graded Scratch Races

**Note:** Graded Scratch Race entries are accepted on the day up to 15 minutes before the advertised race start time. Handicap entries close the Tuesday before the race. Riders entering a handicap **MUST** pay the entry fee regardless of participation. Fees are due on race day; entrants will **NOT** be allowed to start in any EVCC race until fees have been paid.

No late entries will be accepted for either scratch races or handicaps. Entries to handicaps can be submitted via e-mail to the handicapper or on any race day prior to the event.

### Northern Vets Program: <http://www.northerncycling.com/>

12-05-2013	Graded Scratch - All Mothers race for free	1hr+Bell	National Boulevard (Ford)	9.00am
19-05-2013	Graded Scratch VVCC Handicap - Colac Vets	1hr+Bell	National Boulevard (Ford)	9.00am
26-05-2013	Club Championships & Secret Handicap	60km	Lancefield	10.00am

### Victorian Veterans Cycling Council program: [www.veterancycling.com.au/](http://www.veterancycling.com.au/)

Sunday	May	19	10:00a m	May Open Colac Vets	Cororooke Hall 67k
Saturday	June	1	1pm	'OPPY' race (Central Victorian Vets)	Rochester Football Ground

**Note:** Entries are to be on the appropriate VVCC Open entry form (available on VVCC website) and are to be accompanied by the requisite fee.

