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## Newsletter

Eastern Veterans Cycling Club



### Newsletter, Aug 9th 2013

#### Duty Roster

**This Week on 10th August – Gruyere:** Richard Dobson, Andrew Buchanan, Tony Curulli, Lance Wearne, Joan Sloan, Jeff Smith, Jim Swainston, Wes Hurrey, Curt Tebbutt.

**Next Week on 17th August – Yarra Junction:** Robert Feigan, Kevin King, Shane Stiles, Franc Tomsic, Marcus Thiele, Tony Tonkin, Nick Thompson, Damien Toohey, Ross Tinkler.

**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)**

*The race reports below give some idea as to the tricky conditions down at Casey Fields this week. It didn't rain so the racing was 'on'; but it was a bit windy:)*

#### **A Grade (Rob Amos)**

The action was on from the start in A grade, which was a surprise, giving that the wind was like a force 10 gale, blowing off the North Sea and across the dykes in Holland. Frank was the first to start softening up the sprinters legs, but was not allowed too much space. An attack by Clem Friis opened up a big gap, with the chase by the bunch not making any impression as he continued to pull away, working on his form for his European racing trip. A hard turn by Rob found a gap back to the bunch, so he decided to try and catch Clem and was making up good ground for a couple of laps until about 50m away where the gap remained the same. Luckily, Roy had decided to make a move & attacked the bunch, combining with Rob to catch Clem. The three worked together to increase their lead. Clem led the sprint out at 59 kph along the

bottom straight, with Rob leading into the last corner before Roy & Clem powered pass. Back in the bunch Frank got a small break, just holding off Laurence for 4th.

#### **C Grade (John Williams)**

Windy was an understatement! During my warm up laps I tried a practice "sprint finish" and hit the line at 18.7 KPH. Might be a good day for breakaways. I was apprehensive of the wind — in a big C grade pack I could see mayhem in the crosswinds. I was having great difficulty turning from the tail to the head wind, and early on I was losing 10 metres every lap on the wheel in front as we transitioned into the head wind, then working really hard into the breeze to get back under cover. Meanwhile there was a group of 3 or 4 (Steve Short, Ken Bone, Chris Ellenby) who had gapped the field as early as the 3rd or 4th lap. Ross Morgans came past me after I had chased for half a lap, he managed to get onto them; I couldn't hold his wheel.



I looked around for some help in the chase pack. There was no chase pack. By the 5th lap 12 of the 16 starters were either straggled out around the course in ones and twos, or back in the clubhouse wondering why the rest of us bothered. Neil Cartledge, Hamish Moffatt and myself seemed to form a loose liaison for a few laps, and if we weren't catching the leaders, we were hanging in about 100 metres back. Then Hamish got away, strong enough to leave Neil and I 30 metres behind, but losing ground on the leaders. Neil and I took turns for the rest of the race (his turns getting progressively longer and mine shorter) until we approached the line for what we thought might be the bell. No bell rang, although one or two spectators at the line seemed to simulate bell ringing movements.

**D Grade (Phil Taylor)**

Rocked up to Casey fields and it was blowing a gale. I did one of Wes' SoulRiders spin classes in the morning thinking the days racing might be canceled because of the weather. The rain held off but not the wind; this would be a tough day out. The bunch pretty much stuck together for the first 4 or 5 laps until someone broke away and I thought I would try my luck and go with him with another rider tucked in behind me. I found out later that Peter Mackie was the lead rider and David Brown was the other with 3 laps to go. Took a couple glances behind and there was a fourth

We battled around and I won the slowest sprint to the line on record to take 5th ahead of Neil by half a wheel. However, unsure of whether we had finished we both rode a further lap and repeated the slomo sprint, this time Neil shooting past with 10 metres to go to win the second slowest sprint on record. Lots of determination shown by many riders who rode 10 or more laps on their own. Geoff O'Loghlen and Peter Shanahan were two who caught my eye. Great ride by the leading 4, Ken, Ross, Steve and Chris who worked well together leaving the rest of us with no chance.

rider gaining a bit of ground but the others were spread out not making a charge at us. The bell lap came, not soon enough I thought, and it was going to be a sprint finish into the wind between the three of us. Peter, having led for most of the way for the last couple of laps was starting to take its toll and so it was David and I in the lead turning into the home straight. Head down, bum up and off I went into the wind and held on with David 2nd and Peter 3rd. Thanks to all the riders and officials. It was a tough day all round.

**Casey Fields results 3rd August 2013**

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
<b>A-grade</b> ( 7)	R Clark	C Friis	R Amos		
<b>B-grade</b> (13)	D Smith	W Hurrey	R Harris		
<b>C-grade</b> (17)	K Bone	R Morgans	S Short	C Ellenby	
<b>D-grade</b> (12)	P Taylor	D Brown	P Mackie		
<b>E-grade</b> (5)	R Watts	H Werner	R Stranks		
<b>F-grade</b> (6)	R Goodes	J Eddy	P Gray		

**Thanks to the officials**

**Last Week 3rd Aug Casey Fields:** Peter Mackie and Ron Stranks for taking entries, Steve Bernard (referee), Roman Suran, Darren Rowlinson and Jo-anne Sabbatini for marshalling. Also thanks to Andrew Buchanan for managing the duty roster, J.C Wilson for bringing the trailer and to Dean Niclasen for the drinks. Special thanks to those that replaced rostered officials or helped out at short notice and of course thanks to all the riders for making the day.

Thank you to all the contributors to this week's newsletter.

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### Results for 'The Loop' Aug 7th

	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
<b>First</b>	D Beovich	G. O'Loughlen	C Ellenby	L Wolfers
<b>Second</b>	JP Leclercq	I Milner	A Spiteri - James	J Cadd
<b>Third</b>	P Thompson	N Cartledge	D Halliday	L Bohn

### Future events:-

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

	Date	Time	Location	Melway Ref	Event
<b>August</b>					
Sat	3	2:00pm	Casey Fields	134 E10	Graded Scratch Races - Criterium
Sat	10	2:00pm	Gruyere	282 F10	Graded Scratch Races
Sat	17	1:30pm	Yarra Jn/Piedmont	288 G10	Graded Scratch Races
Sat	24	2:00pm	Arthurs Creek	510 N12	Graded Scratch Races
Mon	26	7:30pm	Ringwood Club	50 C3	Monthly General Meeting
Sat	31	2:00pm	Yarra Glen	26 J11	Graded Scratch Races - Kermesse
Wednesday's		10:15am	The Loop	44 G4	Graded Scratch Races - Criterium

**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/>

4-08-2013	Tom Stewart Memorial (Super Series - RACE 6)	64km		10.00am
	[Enter Online Soon]			
11-08-2013	Age Championships [Enter Online Soon]	Various		10.00am
18-08-2013	Graded Scratch	1hr+Bell	National Boulevard (Ford)	9.00am
	VVCC Handicap - Goulburn Valley Vets			
25-08-2013	Lancefield/Pastoria Scratch [Enter Online Soon]	60/81km		9.30am

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

11/8/2013 10:00am	Handicap (Goulburn Valley)	Kialla	55k		
08/9/2013 10:00am	Open handicap (Eureka Vets)	Learmonth Yacht Club Ballarat	58k	not yet open	
22/9/2013 10:00am	'George Goodwin' Memorial (Hume Vets)	Scout Hall, Coster Street, Benalla	52k	not yet open	

**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.



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## “Warrnambool Veterans Cycling Club”

Are proud to present the

### Mick Kenneally memorial

66 Klm Handicap Road Race

Dixie Memorial Hall  
Terang Timboon Road  
Dixie

**Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup> 2013**

### Warrnambool-Colac Combine Race

Start 10.00AM

Entries close Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2013

\$1000 in Prize Money

Entry \$15.00

Pre-Entries with Mark Hyland

Phone: 5562 8423

**BBQ and Drinks provided**  
after race free of charge.  
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