



Aug 30th 2013

Eastern Vets has a New World Champion!



Congratulations to Roy Clark on winning the World Masters Cycling Federation, world championship road race in St Johann, Austria. Apparently Roy managed to get into an early break with two other riders and managed to stay away. He attacked them with about 700m to go and hung on for the championship win. Fellow Eastern rider Guy Green, who won the championship in 2012, was in the next chasing group and finished the race in a creditable 6th position. Other Eastern/Victorian vets in the race include Peter O'Callaghan, Clem Fries, Bill Gordin and Ray Jarratt.



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Duty Roster

This Week on 31st August – Yarra Glen: Adrian Dickenson, Nick Hainal, Peter Verheijden, Kaye Ward, Michael Waterfield, Andre Weber, Russell Wheelhouse, Peter Brain.

Next Week on 7th September – Ballarat week-end. See promo below.

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

The following race reports follow the action out at Arthur's Creek on 23rd Aug 2013:-

Results Arthur's Creek 4/08/2013

Grade	First	Second	Third	Fourth
A Grade (7)	D Holt	P Cavaleri	L Lee	
B Grade (9)	S Ross	D Beovich	W Hurrey	
C Grade (18)	M Chapman (N)	M Jones	G Forester (N)	C Oliver
D Grade (8)	D Coull	A Hasan (N)	G Haines	
E Grade (7)	G Youl	D Niclasen	R Stranks	

A Grade (Rob Amos)

Once again , a small field in A grade with some of the regulars racing in Europe. The first half lap was ridden at club run pace to the turn, until B grade gave them a wakeup call as they nearly caught them. Every rider had a bit of a dig, to try and get a break established but nobody was being given much rope. The strongest attacks came from David Holt, but he was the most marked. The group was still altogether at the last turn where once again the attacks came from all riders, with strong moves by Darren & Dave, before JP wound it up going up the hill. As they rolled down the other side catching their breath, Rob flew past & knocked a couple more bike lengths out of them rounding the cones. Into Greens road, he had Darren sitting on his wheel and then some daylight back to the bunch. A call to Darren had him help set the pace , but Lawrence was towing up the sprinters. David easily took the sprint as it came back together while at the same time leading out his team mate Phil for 2nd,with Lawrence recovering from the chase to take 3rd.

C Grade (Mal Jones)

Arthurs Creek always brings a few of those that don't mind the rolling stuff out the woodwork, and last Saturday was no exception. Eighteen riders fronted the starter and set off on what was to be a solid three-lap race. The first to show his hand was Frank Tomsic as he decided to test the bunch on the way out to the turnaround point on the first lap. He wasn't about to be allowed to slip away, and every move was reasonably quickly shut down as the elastic was stretched, but never to the point of breaking. On the way back the bunch observed the rather forlorn sight of Tony Tonkin holding up a front wheel and muttering something about our collective parenthood... Approaching the final climb in the Nankervis Road section 'The wick' was lit as a few attacked the hill with some reasonable gusto, but fresh legs prevailed and no real damage was done, resulting in the bunch starting lap two together. Along the way Chris Ellenby, on the comeback from his hand injury decided to spice things up a bit and threw in several of his trademark attacks, with each one resulting in a mad scramble to get across. Those with knowledge of Chris' riding



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weren't too fussed, although the attacks really showed signs of softening up several in the bunch.

Another that was keen to dish up a bit of punishment was Jason Williams. He put in several attacks on the way out, hoping to shed a few, but no, it was still just a little too early for that. Oh yes, we saw Tony Tonkin still in the side of the road, still holding that wheel and still muttering obscenities, and he was even happier (not) when we went past him on the way back to the Greens Road end for the second time.

All the while Chris Ellenby was throwing in attack after attack, often taking one or two with him and then switching off – it was fairly obvious he was using the race as interval training as a part of his comeback strategy, but the other plus effect was that it was beginning to thin the field.

Lap two finished with what seemed to be an almost obligatory attack up the hill, but it was reasonably half-hearted and really didn't cause too much stress to anybody.

And so, to lap three. It started off mildly enough, and yes, there was Tony Tonkin, now looking a little bit disheveled still on the side of the road on the way out. There was an increased sense of urgency, with several of the bunch that had been down the back for some time making an appearance towards the front. Jason Williams was still keen to try and do some damage, although Chris Ellenby was by now actually looking a bit dangerous with his less random and more precise attacks. The pace was becoming far more challenging and the grab for wheels more aggressive.

Several hard attacks midway back on lap three did split the field, but with everyone tiring, it was proving hard to make them stick. Finally, coming up to the final climb, Mark Chapman from Northern had a real crack and managed to put in a 50 to 100 metre gap very quickly, so as the bunch were midway up the hill, he was going over the top. For Jason Williams it ended there as he

blew up from the effort just short of the top. The thinned bunch pursued Mark and he was well out of the turnaround by the time everyone else arrived into the turn, setting a fairly hard chase to the line.

It was a case of closing, closing, closing as Mark slowed with the line seeming to take forever to come. He did hang on, but another 50 metres or less, and the result may have been different. Greg Forester from Northern looked to be the goods for second, but Mal Jones kicked and managed to get over him to relegate him back to third ahead of Craig Oliver.

All in all a very good day, with great weather, hard racing and no incidents. It doesn't get much better than that!

E Grade (Brian Farrell)

My first ride after a 3 month break so it was always going to be hard

E grade started out well with a few putting in hard turns as we headed out to Strathewen and we were all together at the turn.

At the climb a few attacks were put in by several but we were all together again at the bottom of the hill. Around the turn and back up the hill with several attacks. I managed to stay with them until last the 20 meters of the hill and then bang! My legs exploded.

I lost sight of the leaders and several riders passed me on the flat. When I recovered I started to chase but unable to close in on leaders. However, I was in sight to see Ronnie make a spectacular fall on the turn (must have been a Vertigo attack). He recovered and still caught the leaders finishing 3rd.

Fortunately, no-one was hurt except a little pride and some skin.

I wasn't there to see the last climb so didn't see the end of the race.



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Thanks to the officials

Last Week :17th Aug 2013 at Yarra Junction

Ron Stranks and Peter Mackie for taking entries, Keith Bowen (referee), Charles Lethbridge, Andrew Nielson, Alison Skene, Nick Tapp, Kenton Smith, Dale Thompson, Phil Smith, Kevin Turley and Kelvin Stagg 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.

Results for 'The Loop' Aug 28th 2013

	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
First	S Miller	A Weber	A Skene	L Wolfers
Second	A Giromondo	K. Baumgartner	N Hainal	B. Rodgers
Third	P Thompson	R. de Bernardi	P. Griffiths	L. Bohn

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Presents

Saturday 7th September 2013 Graded Scratch Races Ballarat

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Future events:-

Eastern Vets Program: www.easternvets.com/

	Date	Time	Location	Melway Ref	Event
August					
Sat	31	2:00pm	Yarra Glen	26 J11	Graded Scratch Races - Kermesse
September					
Sat	7	2:00pm	Ballarat	927 A3	Graded Scratch Races
Sun	8	10:00am	Learmonth Yacht Club, Ballarat	927 A3	VVCC Open handicap
Sat	14	2:00pm	Casey Fields	134 E10	Handicap with GSR qualifier
Sat	21	2:00pm	Gruyere	282 F10	Graded Scratch Races
Sun	22	9:00am	Launching Place	287 H2	Don Road Hill Climb TT - Handicap
Sat	28	2:00pm	METEC	51 D8	Graded Scratch Races
Mon	30	7:30pm	Ringwood Club	50 C3	Monthly General Meeting

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/>

18-08-2013	Graded Scratch	1hr+Bell	National Boulevard	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/

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.

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

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