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Newsletter

Eastern Veterans Cycling Club



March 21st 2014

Duty Roster

This Week on 22nd March – Dunlop Rd: John Thomson, Mal Jones, Peter Webb, Andrew Nielsen, Darren Darling, Tom Leaper, John Clarkson, Hans Werner, Adam Dymond, Par Ruys, Roy Clark David Coull and Volunteer?

Next Week on 29th March – Arthurs Creek: - Keith Bowen, Nigel Frayne, Charles Lethbridge, Rob DeBernardi, Richatrd maggs, Tim Maffey, Ken Mayberry, Alan Hasen and Steve Fothergill.

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

Yarra Glen, 15/3/2014:

There was a good turnout of almost 80 riders for the challenging Kermesse at Yarra Glen. This shows just how much the riders enjoy discomfort on a bike. A stiff breeze in the face bunches climbing the rise, aided the stronger riders to inflict pain and suffering on this undulating course.

Most grades lost individual riders or at least had split bunches, some from early in the race and continuing to the last lap. As is the norm, the dead road up the hill in front of the winery was the key factor in defining who finished in the money or for that matter, who finished at all. The drop down King Street with some wind assistance made sure that any rider off the back, would struggle to get back on.

Thank you to all the contributors for this week's newsletter.
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A Grade: No report

B Grade: No report



C Grade: (Mal Jones)

Twenty one likely suspects lined up for Saturday's Yarra Glen kermesse. To be battled out over 9 laps, the biggest opposition was likely to come from the wind. It was howling down the finish straight to provide a strong tailwind, and conversely in your face up the back section. The conditions



suggested 2 things: that a breakaway was unlikely and there would be plenty of hiding.

Off on the neutral lap it became obvious that the crosswind down between the back and front straights was going to be challenging to say the least. That became even more so as Andrew Buchanan punctured down the hill on the first lap. Andrew did everything right and managed to squeeze off to the left hand side of the road with no dramas caused. He re-joined 2 laps later after getting a spare wheel.

Animating the race literally from the end of the neutral lap was Ian Milner. His strategy was simple – go with the wind and build as big a possible gap before having to head into the wind. It worked as Ian slipped away on successive laps, only to be reeled back in as the bunch headed up the hill to face the brunt of the headwind over the crest.

Also working hard were John Thompson, Peter Webb, Wal Savini and Tony Curulli. John especially looked pretty sharp and was one that was reasonably closely watched for many laps.

The conditions took their toll early on, with Pete Ransome finding the windy going tough after 3 laps and deciding it wasn't going to be his day. The other Pete – Webb also pulled the pin after a couple of very nervous moments as the strong crosswinds caught his deep dish Zipp's and sent him dangerously close to the wrong side of the road. Several others also withdrew or dropped back to ride with lower grades during the early to mid laps. Apologies if you've been missed but Adam Dymond, Hylton Preece, Dave McCormack and Peter Shanahan all weren't there deep into the race.

As the field was beginning to be pulled apart by the combined toll of the pace and conditions, Daniel Oldfield made a fairly brave move off the front and gapped the bunch very quickly. The collective mood was to let him go – too early, too windy and too many strong legs ready to close the gap when it mattered.

A couple of laps later on, he came back to the bunch, just as the pace was beginning to go up in anticipation of the bell lap.

On the bell, Ian Milner continued his by now trademark move and was away. This time though, when the bunch caught him at the base of the hill, Mal Jones, Tim Crowe, Craig Oliver and others went straight past, making Ian work a lot harder to stay with the leading group.

Down the crosswind section the speed was high with Craig Oliver slipping by Mal Jones at the right hand turn. With the finish in sight the expected flurry of sprinting activity sort of didn't happen, so Mal Jones opened it and went past Craig, only to have him kick and repass into the lead. That was how it went to the line, with Craig a length ahead of Mal in

second, Phil Taylor third, Tim Crowe fourth and Ian Milner in one of the best rides on the day in fifth. A good and very hard day had by all!

D Grade: (John Neil)

You could have been forgiven for thinking Cranbourne had been blown north as you negotiated the wind-driven legs of the testing Yarra Glen parcours. The conditions quickly put paid to any thoughts of early aggression but there was some testing of legs on the first couple of circuits up the Glenview Road climb and a bit of helter skelter on King St as riders broke the wind's leash on the downhill. Col Mortley had blown last week's winnings on a slick new Cervelo and was prominent early on along with Zubovic, Neil, Coull, Darroch, McIndoe and Mackie.

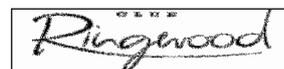
Towards the midpoint Andrien Zubovic made a move and dragged a companion out (Col?) but it was closed down within a lap. On lap 5 Peter Mackie appeared to be making a trademark attack up Glenview Rd but it sputtered out and he did not feature further. David Coull who had won here previously was a surprise casualty.

As the laps wound down it became clear that most, if not all, were playing for a bunch sprint. Zubovic, Darroch, McIndoe, Wade and Neil were staying at the pointy end without showing their respective hands. Coming into Yarraview Road on lap 8 John Neil found himself in the less than desirable front position. The passage of B grade just past the start/finish line reduced the possibility of attacks last time up Glenview Road. John led the procession up Glenview and King feeling like he had a target on his back. Heading for the line John ceded the lead to Andrien and David McIndoe but held their wheels until they successively jumped for the final sprint. Andrien finished strongest to win the race (bye bye and best wishes in C Grade) from David and John.

Thanks to all involved for a safe and competitive race and, especially to officials/marshals for their traffic management and clear instructions at turns.



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Yarra Glen Kermesse: 15/3/14

	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth
A Grade (9)	Roy Clark	Dave DePedro	Guy Green		
B Grade (23)	Callum Gough	E Ramano (N)	Ross Clark (N)	Glen Newnham	Doug Reynolds
C Grade (21)	Craig Oliver	Mal Jones	Phil Taylor	Tim Crowe	Ian Milner
D Grade (14)	Adrien Dubovic	D McEndoe	John Neil		
E Grade (7)	Greg Harvey	Ron Stranks	Michael Paull		
F Grade (3)	Alex Watts	Tony Lateo	Mark Granland		

Thanks to the officials Last Week: Yarra Glen 8/3/2014.

Peter Mackie and Ron Stranks for taking entries, Dave Hyde(referee), Keith Bowen, Thorkild Muurholm, James McArdle, Colin Tozer, Craig Turton, Brian McCann, Chris Norbury, Rob Amos, Lance Wearne and Stewart Jenkins for marshalling duties. Also thanks to Andrew Buchanan for managing the duty roster, JC Wilson for bringing the trailer and Nigel Kimber for bringing the drink refreshments.

The Loop: 19/3/14.

	First	Second	Third
Division 1	D Roberts (N)	T Perry (N)	A Giramondo (N)
Division 2	Rob DeBernardi	Andrea Weber	Mal Jones
Division 3	B Robertson (N)	Rob Faigen	Alan Cunneen
Division 4	Richard Maggs	Barry Rodgers	Laurie Bohn

Results Metec crit 18/3/14.

Grade	First	Second	Third	Fourth
A Grade (17)	Peter Howard	Dave Depedro	G Green	David Holt
B Grade (24)	Richard Abel	Ramon Cardosi	Leo Webb	Ken Mayberry
C Grade (16)	John Thomson	Tony Curulli	Ken Bone	C Oliver
D Grade (14)	Adrien Dubovic	Peter Brann	Nathen Dewar	
E Grade (7)	Terry Murdock	G Harvey	JC Wilson	

Croydon Cycleworks Tuesday Racing Aggregate as of 11/3/14. Marshal duty

	Marshall	Grd	Pts		Marshall	Grd	Pts		
1	Abel	Richard	B	68	14	Curulli	Tony	C	48
2	Kirsch	Stefan	A	66	15	Dewar	Nathan	D	48
3	Thomson	John	C	62	16	McKeon	Dean	C	48
4	Edwards	Mark	A	58	17	De Pedro	David	A	46
5	Norbury	Chris	C	58	18	Zubovic	Andrian	D	46
6	Pyne	David	B	58	19	Green	Guy	A	42
7	Howard	Peter	A	56	20	Hyde	David	B	42
8	Black	Wes	C	54	21	Tinkler	Ross	B	42
9	Clark	Roy	A	54	22	Brann	Peter	D	40
10	Mapstone	Andrew	A	54	23	Lethbridge	Charles	D	40
11	Nyhuis	Frank	A	54	24	Aarons	hillip	C	38
12	Herzog	Marcus	B	52	25	Amos	Rob	A	38
13	Hughson	Chris	A	52					



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October 8th Tuesday Nights racing commences at Metec – **6pm sharp!** This series survives because of volunteers; please pass on your preferred marshalling dates to Peter Mackie at :- peter.mackie@pamalat.com.au

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THE 2013/14 SUMMER SERIES IS GOING TO BE HOT!

Thanks to Mick Jamison & Croydon Cycleworks, the 2013/14 Croydon Cycleworks Series is paying prizes down to 10th place. There's never been a better reason to race on Tuesday nights!
Note: Croydon Cycleworks reserves the right to substitute prizes for another of equivalent value should the need arise.

CROYDON CYCLEWORKS

- 2nd \$300** Croydon Cycleworks Clothing Pack
- 3rd \$250** Bontrager RL Road Shoes
- 1st \$700** Lemond Revolution Trainer
- 4th \$200** Bontrager Helmet
- 5th \$160** SH+ Italian Sunglasses
- 6th \$130** Bontrager Tyre Pack
- 7th \$120** Cygolite Light Pack
- 8th \$100** ENDURA PACK
- 9th \$100** Tool pack
- 10th \$60** Track Pump

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Remember, it's 10 points for doing a Tuesday night marshal duty - and that's worth a race win! Limited dates still available.

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Future events:-

Eastern Vets Program: www.easternvets.com/

	Date	Time	Location	Melway Ref	Event
Sat. March	22	1:30pm	Dunlop Rd.	70 K10	Graded Scratch Races
Saturday	29	2:00pm	Arthurs Creek	510 N12	Graded Scratch Races
Monday	31	7:30pm	Ringwood Club	50 C3	Annual general meeting
Sat. April	5	2:00pm	Casey Fields	134 E10	Club Championships
Saturday.	12	1:30pm	Dunlop Rd.	70 K10	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/>

February 2014	Race	Dist.	Venue	Time	Event
23/3/2014	GSR	1 hr.	National Boulevard	9:00am	Graded scratch race
30/3/2014	Time Trial	TBD	Balliang Hall, Balliang	9:30am	Bike Force TT
6/4/2014	GSR	1 hr.	National Boulevard	9:00am	Graded scratch race
13/4/2014	Chooka's race	42/55km	Pyalong Rd, Seymour	10:00am	Chooka's Race

Vail: Jeff Pretto.

Jeff Pretto, an Eastern Vets member for considerable time, passed away recently. He was a good friend and riding companion to many members of Eastern Vets and will be sadly missed. The club, on behalf of the members, acknowledged Jeff and his wife Sue, in the press. Below is a copy of the death notice for those who were unaware of his passing.

PRETTO. — Jeff.
The Eastern Veterans Cycling Club President, Committee and Members deeply regret the sudden passing of our esteemed former member Jeff. Heartfelt sympathy to Sue and family.



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