

Newsletter



Duty Roster

Sat 18th April Arthurs Creek

Keith Bowen, Charles Lethbridge, Zenon Gawronski, Dale Maizels, Colin Doherty, David Chesney, David McIndoe, Darren Smith, Dean McKeown, Shane Dwyer, Phil Cavalleri, Adam Dymond

Sat 25th April Casey Fields

Andrew Buchanan, Greg Harvey, Graham Cadd

If rostered for duty, you must be at there at least 1 hour prior to start time. It's your responsibility to find a replacement if unable to do your duty, then advise Andrew Buchanan, tjtop2@optusnet.com.au

This week's *image of the week* is of Michael Borowski and Trevor Coulter in the A Grade Teams Race at Dunlop Road. The picture was taken by Barry Ellem. Barry is returning to photography and is keen to set his camera up at Casey and have others take images to be shared with club members – sounds like a great opportunity to learn a bit and for club members to have some good photos. Thanks, Barry.

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Race Reports - Dunlop

A Grade



L: Mark Kinzett R: spectators Image: Barry Ellem

A big field in A grade for the final race of the summer teams race, with a showdown between Giant/Celtic who were missing its two star riders in Ciaran and Tim and the TLC team with the perfect set up of four strong riders with two of the top sprinters.

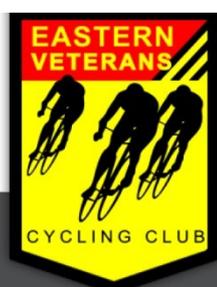
Bike Gear Now welcomed back Frank Nyhuis after his bad fall. The field also included several independents, not in the teams but still racing for the placings. After the usual catch up on the neutral lap TLC brought the race up to race speed for a couple of laps, before Rob Amos (Bike Gear Now) made the first break, he was soon joined by Peter O'Callaghan (Croydon Cycle works) who went pass so fast that Rob could not get the wheel, Chris Ellenby also joined the action after winning his South Pacific Title last week.

After the bunch chased them down, Michael Borowski (TLC) and Sean Wilkinson (Giant/

Celtic) counter attacked as Rob and Peter jumped on. A shout from behind that they had a gap got the turns rolling with Justin Davis (O'Mara), JP Leclerq (Adamic) and independent Trevor Coulter also in the move. With all the teams in the break there was not much incentive for the teams to chase and the gap quickly grew as the break rotated like clockwork apart from a couple of attempts by Justin to test everyones legs.

At the 45 minute mark the break lapped the bunch and continued past to try it again! As the bell was rang, Rob was leading the break through and the rotations stopped despite Rob slowing down the pace. Half way down the back straight Trevor jumped and managed to gap Rob and JP, but gave the other four a good lead out, just as Rob and JP got on the back the sprint started with Michael proving to be the strongest from the fast finishing Peter, Justin holding of Sean followed by JP, Rob and Trevor.

Back in the bunch, three places for points were still up for grabs. Gerald (Giant/ Celtic) had attacked with a few laps to go setting up a counter attack by team mate John Cain, but he was closely marked by a TLC rider who John managed to hold off in the sprint. The whole





bunch was left to sprint for one point.

Stats: 43.1 kph average for 1 hr., Max 56.3 kph
(Rob Amos)

F Grade

Dunlop Rd and the last of the Summer Series races. Weather fine and sunny, not much wind and a great race venue, what more could we ask for?

Eight riders faced the starter and after the starter read the race rules off we went. Barry as usual set a reasonably fast tempo for the neutral lap and then the race was on. Barry seemed reluctant to relinquish the front spot as every time someone tried to relieve him on the front, he upped the pace. This continued for about thirty minutes and I was beginning to wonder if he was going for the hour record, when he decided to let someone else on the front.

This change of tactics brought on some attacks by Tony, Barrie and Laurie but these were all shut down pretty quickly with everyone by this time thinking that the bell was due- Wrong!!!

As another grade passed us before the start-finish line and they got the bell!!! This caused a slowing in our bunch as we knew the bell was likely the next lap and nobody wanted to commit at this stage. Finally the bell and the cat and mouse started with everyone looking at each other to see who was going to make the first move. Finally Tony made the move in Geddes St and opened up a gap to Barry and Rod. Barry chased after Tony with Rod on his wheel, then Rod passed Barry and set off after Tony but was unable to catch him before the line. Final Placeings 1st Tony Lateo 2nd Rod Goodes 3rd Frank Lees

Thanks all for a good race. (Rod Goodes)

News and stuff



Image: The Climbing Cyclist

Tour of Flinders (Day 8)

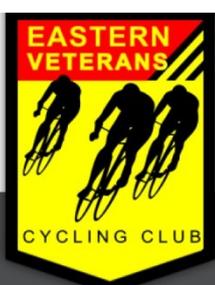
The first instalment (if readers enjoy it) of my solo cycling holiday at Rosebud, Victoria. The "Tour" includes circuits of Flinders, Cape Shank, Red Hill, Main Ridge, Arthur's Seat and Sorrento.

DAY 8 Thursday (14-11-'13)

This morning's ride was initially planned for day 6 however it became postponed due to the lousy weather.

at McCulloch St, then another after the freeway overpass and continued uphill and uphill and uphill, all the way to Arthur's Seat.

The climb was as difficult as always but for some reason, those steep switch-backs didn't seem as dreadful as I remember. No assistance from the South-Easterly but at least I was sheltered from the strong winds.





It began to rain as I arrived at Purves Rd, so I donned the rain jacket and hood for the remainder of the ride. Down Purves then up Main Creek Rd then down Mornington-Flinders Rd to experience the route from the opposite direction. (See Day 3)

Onto Baldrey's Rd for the return leg, knowing that the "Road Closed due to Flooding" sign was active. There is a fairly steep and winding descent to the creek and I found myself wondering if ignoring the sign was a good choice after all. Sure enough, the road was flooded at Main Creek. The depth post indicated only about 30 cm however the water was flowing too rapidly to risk walking, let alone riding across. It's not that I didn't want to get any wetter than I was already, I just didn't fancy white-water rafting all the way into Bass Strait. Oh well! Back up the steep ascent to Shand's Rd to pick up Baldrey's on the other side of the creek.

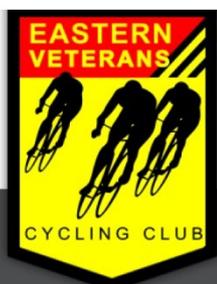
Just past Main Ridge oval, where the previous Sunday I'd seen a cricket match in progress, I observed an abandoned and damaged vehicle which had evidently hit a tree and rolled. There was no one around and the registration plates had been removed. This vehicle was not there an hour ago while I was riding on the outward leg. Scary!

Day 8 wrap-up:

The traffic was much heavier this morning, particularly on Mornington-Flinders Rd. Most drivers gave me a wide clearance but some of the larger trucks were a bit intimidating especially in the wet. The roads of the area are generally fairly narrow for the speed limit and lack adequate side edging for safe cycling. It was a challenging morning and one of the better ones despite the strong wind and rain. *(Peter Gray)*

Results

Sat 11 th April Dunlop	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
A grade (27)	Micahel Borowski	Peter O'Callaghan	Justin Davis	Sean Wilkenson	JC Leclercq
B grade (24)	Stuart Bendall	Ray Russo	Perry Peters	Paul Semmens	Martin Peeters
C grade (19)	Darren Smith	Ian Milner	David Brown	Tim Crowe	
D grade (19)	Graham Cadd	Peter Gray	Rob Castellani	Greg Harvey	
E grade (7)	Neil Wray	Phil Johns	Barry Rodgers		
F grade (8)	Tony Lateo	Rod Goodes	Frank Lees		





Wedn 15 th April The Loop	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Division 1	R Newnham	D Holt	P Cavaleri
Division 2	P Bertelson	R Wheelhouse	P Firth
Division 3	G Darroch	S Bol	D Page
Division 4	I Brown	J Eddy	B Rodgers

Thanks to Keith Bowan for Loop race organising and Neil Cartledge for 'behind the scenes' newsletter support.

Future Events

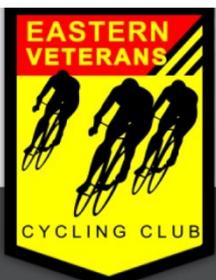
Eastern Vets

Please refer to page 1 of this newsletter, or go to <http://easternvets.com/roster/>

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 – for more details: <http://www.northerncycling.com/>

- 19th April Munro/McDonough Memorial Handicap
- 25th April LADCOM Benghazi Open (Lancefield)



Training Rides

Day/Time/Place	Route	Style	Contact
Tuesdays 9:30 am (9:00 am during DST). Main Yarra Trail (meet under Burke Road overpass).	Under Burke Road on Main Yarra Trail to Southbank via Yarra Boulevard and bike paths along the river and return.	Social, bike paths and roads, coffee @ Southbank.	Keithb33@optusnet.com.au
Sunday Mornings Beach Road Ride. Leave 8.00 am sharp. Meet at Peanut Farm Reserve. Cnr Blessington & Chaucer Sts. St Kilda.	Ride along Beach Rd to Frankston. 10 min stop. Then ride back to St Kilda. (approx. 65 km).	Social Ride - Coffee back at St Kilda.	
Saturday mornings (7.30am) and Sundays/Public Holidays (8.00am) Meet at Ringwood Clock towers, Maroondah Hwy, Ringwood	Maroondah Hwy to Carlton for coffee, then return	Fast social	

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