

Newsletter

14 April 2018



Duty Roster

Saturday 14 April, Garfield

Referee tba, Hylton Preece (TC), Walter Savini (TC), John MacLeod (TC), Rob Amos, Chris Norbury, Chris Beard, Geoff O'Loghlen, Peter Brann, Rob Suter, Ken Mayberry, John Wilson

Saturday 21 April, Dunlop Road

Richard Dobson (R), Kevin King (TC), Steve Short (TC), Rob Giles (TC), Darryl Blanchett, John Eddy, Haydn Chapman, Ron Chapman, Lindsay Bridgeford, Franc Tomsic, Ken Allan, Kevin Mills, Michael Allen, Leon Bishop, Bruce Will

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

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There was no Eastern racing last Saturday, but on Sunday 47 Eastern riders fronted up at National Boulevard for the annual Dave Ryan Memorial match-up between Eastern and Northern Vets. Dave was a popular member of both clubs. This year, for the first time, Eastern's name will be on the trophy. Well done to all who took part, and big thanks to Northern for hosting the event. Results and more details inside. Entry fees were donated to the John Logan Foundation, which supported Dave in his fight with pancreatic cancer.

This Saturday we return to Garfield, just past Pakenham, for a 60 km handicap – three laps of a flat circuit. Entries have now closed. Note the 1.30 pm start time and 1.15 pm deadline for registration. Registration is in Beswick Street, Garfield, at the rear of the pub. And don't forget your tail light.

The Benghazi Handicap is coming up, at 1 pm on Anzac Day, Wednesday 25 April, at Lancefield – see the flyer inside. And if it's nearly time for a new bike, you'll find some cracking deals from Croydon Cycleworks, exclusive to Eastern Veterans members, on our sponsors' page – just keep scrolling ...



Another champion effort! A Grade winner Chris Hughson (left) and F Grade winner and Club Captain Jim Swainston, both looking rightly chuffed to be holding the Dave Ryan Memorial trophy at National Boulevard on Sunday.

Dave Ryan Memorial graded scratch races, National Boulevard, 8 April

Grade	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
A Grade (15)	Chris Hughson	Michael Borowski (N)	Darren Roberts (N)	Tony Giuliano (N)	Lawrence Lee
B Grade (30)	Daniel Tarquinio (N)	Simon Romano (N)	Troy Morgan (N)	David Anderson (N)	Walter Dapcich (N)
C Grade (26)	Steven O'Neill (N)	Walter Savini	Frank Crifo (N)	Peter Gray	Franc Tomsic
D Grade (21)	Rob Castellani	Dean Tune	Terry Duggan (N)	Rob Lackey	Keith Wade
E Grade (12)	Colin Mortley	Harry Hibgame	John Wilson	Ian Bishop (N)	Barry Rodgers
F Grade (9)	Jim Swainston	Allison Watt (N)	Robert Miller (N)	Meredith Kelly (N)	Susan Williams

We did it!

For the first time in five years, Eastern took out the Dave Ryan Memorial races at National Boulevard on Sunday morning.

In warm and rather windy conditions, there was a massive field of 113 riders. Northern outnumbered us with 66 riders to 47 Eastern.

The overall score was a narrow win to Eastern with 85 points over Northern on 77.

Well done to all riders across all grades, in particular B Grade, with the biggest bunch of 30 riders, and C with 26.

It was a great morning of racing. Now that we have our name on the trophy, let's keep the winning theme going when we host NVCC in our backyard at Dunlop Road later this year.

Thanks to Vince, Tony, Bruce, Harry, Allison and of course Chooka for being wonderful hosts, and we look forward to hosting you in the next race. Great gesture in donating the \$1500 in entry fees in memory of Dave to the John Logan Foundation.

To all Eastern members, thanks for coming out and supporting the race. We really are forming a wonderful camaraderie against Northern and it seems that you all love the alternative format and racing as a team.

F Grade

By Jim Swainston

I think it is always extremely beneficial to get out and see how the other half lives. As an amateur and professional cyclist, I always looked forward to going and racing in Open events all over the state, much the same as I have done in Veterans.

My conclusion from Sunday is that Northern Vets do it very well out at the Boulevard. The great deal they have with the cafe man provides a wonderful facility, toilets, coffee and snacks plus presentation area all rolled into one! Their photo finish works but they back it up with people taking numbers just in case. In my race the camera ruled in a close one between 2nd and 3rd. All riders have a transponder, which would be very useful in their handicaps.

The entries were like Dunlop Road at its best. We had nine riders in F, five Eastern and four Northern, six guys and three gals. Doc Waterfield went off the back so it evened slightly, but only just! The conditions were testing with a headwind up the finishing straight and a tricky side wind up the little rise. Meredith Kelly was always keen to get on with things and possibly deserved a higher placing just for sheer effort. Sue Williams also was determined to put her nose in the breeze for long periods.

Our 35 minutes ticked by quite quickly and I was glad I had picked up from the locals that it was shorter than I expected. One hour would have been tough in those





conditions. At two laps to go, Meredith attacked and opened up a useful gap and I realised I would need to bridge across. I got to her by the top of the rise, telling her, 'We are away', but as we got to the flat, wheels appeared and we were reined in – damn!

Still good pace at the bell, and a little attack from Ronnie up the hill, but the girls were all over him like a rash. Meredith took over on the flat and led around the last corner, with me getting good shelter. I had

predetermined that the little side street was the place to go, and so it came to pass. Allison Watt took 2nd narrowly from Robert Miller (not the Scottish climber). Meredith and Sue were 4th and 5th.

My clubmate Ray told me he was a bit tired in the sprint, but I pointed out that he might not have been, had he not pulled Meredith and myself back when we were away. Them's the breaks!

Wednesday criterium, the Loop, Yarra Boulevard, 11 April

Division	1st	2nd	3rd
Division 1 (8)	Fraser Short (N)	Anthony Coxon	Tony Kimpton
Division 1b (10)	Chris Ellenby	Glenn Wright	Ross Clark (N)
Division 2 (10)	Russell Wheelhouse	Nick Gibson	David Watts
Division 3 (5)	Simon Bol (N)	Mick Dewdney	Ken Allan
Division 4 (5)	Barry Ellem	Susan Williams	Shane Dwyer

Thanks to referee Mark Edwards, Keith Bowen and the usual band of helpers. Check out the video at the Eastern Vets Facebook page.

News etc.

Vale Boyd Friis

We were saddened this week to learn of the passing of Boyd Friis, who had been ill with cancer. Boyd rode with Southern Masters and was also an EVCC member, racing in the A Grade teams series for a few seasons as part of the Celtic Decor team. Our sincere condolences go to Boyd's family. A service was held in the Chapel of the Victoria Police Academy on Thursday.

Future events

Eastern Vets

For other events, 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 or Wednesday before the race, as advertised. Riders who enter a handicap *must* pay the entry fee regardless of whether they participate. 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 to the handicapper via email or TeamApp, or on any race day before the event.

Northern Vets

For details, go to www.northerncycling.com.

Sponsors



Eastern Veterans Cycling Club Road Deals

TYPE	BRAND	MODEL	SIZE	Group Set	RRP	SALE PRICE	DISCOUNT	% DISC
ROAD	CERVELO	R2	54	105	\$2,999.00	\$2,399.00	\$600.00	20%
ROAD	CERVELO	R2	56	105	\$2,999.00	\$2,399.00	\$600.00	20%
ROAD	CERVELO	S2	56	105	\$2,600.00	\$2,400.00	\$200.00	8%
ROAD	CERVELO	S2	56	105	\$2,900.00	\$2,500.00	\$400.00	14%
ROAD	CERVELO	S3 DISC	54	Ult Di2	\$9,700.00	\$7,260.00	\$2,440.00	25%
ROAD	FOCUS	CAYO 105	51	105	\$2,499.00	\$2,100.00	\$399.00	16%
TRI/TT	CERVELO	P2	56	105	\$4,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$500.00	13%
TRI/TT	CERVELO	P3	51	Ult	\$7,200.00	\$6,000.00	\$1,200.00	17%

Offer available until April 30 2018



AUTOMOTIVE ENGINE SHOP

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Northern Veterans proudly hosts the

Top Tech Panels Benghazi 77km Open Handicap

Anzac Day, Wednesday 25 April 2018 Race start at 1pm



2017 winner James Knipe from Eureka
with Nick Nomikos from Top Tech
Panels.

Entry fee \$25 Transponder hire \$5

**Entries via the VVCC website until
Thursday 19 April**

**Registration at the Lancefield Park
Recreation Reserve, Woodend-
Lancefield Road, Lancefield, Victoria**

Start in McMasters Lane

This is an aggregate points race

\$3040 prize pool

**Presentations and refreshments at the pavilion after the race –
please join us.**

At a Northern Veterans club meeting in 1979, it was agreed to stage a handicap race on Anzac Day. It was also agreed that the race carry the name 'Benghazi' inspired by the battles for the Libyan city of Benghazi during World War II. The race celebrates the ANZAC spirit and it is in their memory that veteran riders from across the state converge on Lancefield to contest this monumental race.



Information and entries:

www.veterancycling.com.au

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