

# Newsletter

9 June 2018



## Duty Roster

### Saturday 9 June, Yarra Glen

Richard Dobson (R), Peter Webb (TC), Matt White (TC), Shane Dwyer, Kym Petersen, Alison Skene, Keith Wade, Tim Maffey, Troy Jordan, Richard Abel

### Saturday 16 June, Gruyere

Mark Edwards (R), David Brown (TC), Mark Granland (TC), David McCormack (TC), Chris Hughson, Barry Rodgers, Peter Bertelsen, Peter Ransome, Rob Truscott, Tim Crowe, Victor Karafilis

*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, [tip2@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tip2@optusnet.com.au)*

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A round of graded scratch races at Casey Fields last Saturday. Good conditions, good numbers – a good day's racing. Saturday report writers took a break this week – maybe race 3 of the Toughen Up series at Yarra Glen this Saturday will inspire you afresh. Racing starts at 2 pm and the registration desk (on Glenview Road, opposite the cemetery) closes at 1.45 pm. The following week is race 4, the last in the series, at Gruyere. Then it's the Open Handicap at Seymour on 23 June. See the flier at the end of this newsletter for details. Online entry only, closing midnight Tuesday 19 June at the VCV website: <http://www.veterancycling.com.au/>.

Tuesday night ergo sessions continue at Croydon Cycleworks, 182 Mount Dandenong Road, Croydon. 45–60 minutes, starting at 6.30 pm. Come any time after 6 to set up. Just bring your bike, your indoor trainer, a water bottle and a towel. \$10 per person includes post-training nutrition and recovery. Please let David Richards know via the [Eastern Vets Facebook page](#) if you're coming.



The scene at Studley Park Boathouse after Wednesday racing at the Loop (reports inside). Photo: Susan Williams



## Graded scratch races, Casey Fields, 2 June

Grade	1st	2nd	3rd
A Grade (12)	Chris Hughson	Jean-Philippe Leclercq	Perry Peters
B Grade (12)	Matt Clarke	Craig Oliver	Walter Savini
C Grade* (15)	Paul James	Rob Truscott	Tony Curulli
D Grade (7)	Greg Harvey	Neil Cartledge	Ken Allan
E Grade (9)	Harry Hibgame	Colin Mortley	John Eddy
F Grade (3)	Rod Goodes	Clive Wright	Michael Waterfield

\* Incorporating 'missing out' race and scratch race

## Wednesday criterium at the Loop, Yarra Boulevard, 6 June

Division	1st	2nd	3rd
Division 1 (6)	Iain Clark (N)	Fraser Short (N)	Anthony Coxon
Division 1b (15)	Gavin Plummer	Ross Clark (N)	Craig Tucker
Division 2 (6)	Richard Dobson	Tony Curulli	Emma Andrews
Division 3 (10)	Ian Smith	Ken Allan	Shane Dwyer
Division 4 (3)	Michael Waterfield	Petra Niclasen	Barry Ellem

Thanks to referee Stephen Barnard and his band of helpers.

### Record lady rider attendance at the Loop!

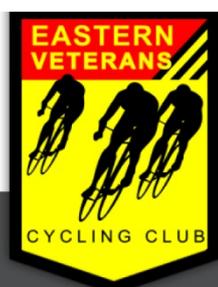
By Susan Williams

On Wednesday this week we had six lady riders for the 10 o'clock spin. Do you have a spare couple of hours, and have you thought about midweek racing?

The Teardrop (or the Loop) at Kew Boulevard is the perfect venue to hone your skills and ramp up your fitness.

For a bargain \$4 race entry fee you can race for around an hour and then, if you have enough time afterwards, lounge about at the Studley Park Tearooms for a social post-ride coffee.

Welcome this week to our newest lady member, Emma Andrews, who celebrated with a podium place in Division 2.





## Division 1b

By Nick Tapp

Division 1b is a relatively new thing at the Loop. Until recently there were four divisions or grades on Wednesday morning: 1, 2, 3 and 4. Simple. But Division 1 has attracted an increasing number of very strong riders, including some from other clubs, who value a friendly (usually) but hard (always) midweek workout under race conditions – if that's not a contradiction in terms. A growing number of riders were finding Division 1 just too fast and Division 2 not quite fast enough. Enter Division 1b.

This week was fairly typical. There was a hard bunch of six who clearly belonged in Div.1 – hard enough that Phil Cavaleri, who has been a regular winner in this grade, was dropped about 25 minutes in. Tough luck, Phil! The same number identified as Div. 2 riders. And the biggest bunch of the morning, with 15, was Div. 1b.

The group included a couple of A Graders on sabbatical in Russell Newnham and Chris Ellenby. There were one or two recent arrivals who, you suspect, might be on the way up – such as Craig Tucker. A couple of strong regulars from Northern in Ross Clark and David Rooke. And the rest of us, none strong enough to go up but all looking for a harder race than Div. 2 might offer. In short, a good, strong group.

The pace was on from the end of the neutral first lap, with Russell, Craig Tucker, Gavin Plummer and Craig Blowfield going to the front most often. There were attacks pretty much throughout the race, but too many willing legs in the bunch to let anything get away. A handful found the pace too hot and were dropped. Chris Ellenby did what he does, and tried repeatedly to give us the flick as the race wore on. A dangerous-looking group of three threatened to escape until Dean Niclasen, breathing hard with a cold and previously unsighted, used his momentum and power down the back straight to tow the remaining chasers back into contact. Thanks, Dean!

It was Gavin Plummer who finally timed it just right, escaped on his own with a couple of laps to go and held on for a strong win. Ross Clark and Craig Tucker took the minor placings and your correspondent kept them honest, sprinting to 4th. For comparison, Div. 1 lapped us for the second time in the closing stages of the race.

Not everyone is yet convinced the circuit can accommodate five races at the same time, but so far, so good. Division 1b is looking like an experiment whose time may have come.



*A sparkling winter's morning at the Loop. Division 1 (minus Phil Cav) completes another lap. Photo: Susan Williams*



## News etc.

### Dispatches (III)

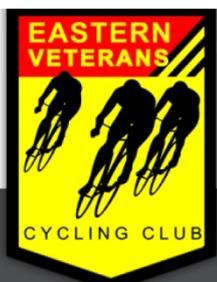
We seem to have started something. Thanks this week to Madam Secretary, Susan Willams, for this photo of her and Ed at – well, you can see where they were.



## Future events

### Eastern Vets

For other events, please refer to page 1 of this newsletter, or go to <http://eastervets.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

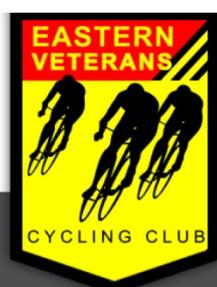
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# 60km OPEN HANDICAP at Seymour

## Saturday 23rd June

Online entry: [www.veterancycling.com.au](http://www.veterancycling.com.au)

Entries close at midnight on Tuesday 19th June

**\$2000 in Prize Money + Trophies  
Prizes from 1st to 10th**

1st - \$500

2nd - \$250

3rd - \$200

4th - \$180

5th - \$150

6th - \$120

7th - \$100

8th - \$80

9th - \$70

10th - \$50

Fastest overall - \$250

First unplaced female - \$50

### Registration

Crn Manners St and Alice St, Seymour  
(Opposite the Royal Hotel)

Race Start Time **1.35pm**

Rider Briefing **1.30pm** (3.5km along Seymour-Avenel Rd)

Race Circuit is Straight up Seymour-Avenel Rd, through Avenel on Mitchel St, out of Avenel on Spencers Rd, u-turn before the bitumen runs out and back to the start. Repeat.

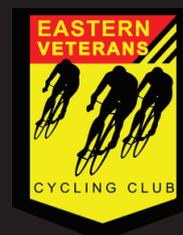
### Note

Registration is nearly 6 KM from the race start, you will need to allow sufficient time to get from one to the other.

Post-Race Presentations Royal Hotel



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