

Newsletter

18 August 2018



Duty Roster

Saturday 18 August, Garfield
Richard Dobson (R), Rob Lackey (TC), Steve Short (TC), Ray Russo (TC), Geoff Darroch, Adam Hinds, Stuart Bendall, Lawrence Lee, Brett McInnes, Dale Maizels, Mark Reynolds, Sam Bruzzese, Craig Guilfoyle, David Mann

Saturday 25 August, Thornton
Nick Tapp (R), Nick Hainal (TC), Ian M. Smith (TC), David Chesney, Ian Milner, Dean Tune, Andrew Wedderburn, Davina Calhaem, Anthony Gullace, Phil Smith, David De Pedro

If rostered for duty, you must be there at least 1 hour prior to start time. If unable to do your duty, it's your responsibility to find a replacement, then advise Andrew Buchanan, tip2@optusnet.com.au.

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Racing last Saturday at Jindivick was cancelled on the strength of a bleak weather forecast. That means no race reports this week, but we can report that it was not a nice afternoon at Jindivick. A heavy cold shower swept across the course around 2.30 pm, by which time everyone would have been out on the road, and by 4.30 pm it was 7°C and sleeting. Parts of the course stayed damp all afternoon, especially on the (very fast) descent of Jacksons Track. In any event, the early call gave us the option of doing something else with our Saturday afternoon. We hope you enjoyed yours.

Fingers crossed for better weather this Saturday, when we travel to Garfield for graded scratch races (note: not the handicap originally advertised). Racing starts at 2 pm and the registration desk, just off Thirteen Mile Road, behind the pub, will close at 1.45 pm. Don't forget your tail light.

The following Saturday 25 August is a big one. It's the combined Rob Graham Memorial TT Handicap and Club Individual Time Trial Championships at Thornton. Note the 1.30 pm start. Entries close at 5 pm on Wednesday 22 August via TeamApp or directly to the Handicapper (peter.mackie@spotless.com.au).



*Possibly the best thing about riding at Jindivick last Saturday.
Photo: Nick Tapp*



Graded scratch races, Jindivick, 11 August

Racing was cancelled owing to forecast bad weather.

Wednesday criterium at the Loop, Yarra Boulevard, 15 August

Division	1st	2nd	3rd
Division 1a (8)	Mark Seddon (N)	Russell Newnham	Fraser Short (N)
Division 1b (8)	David Rooke (N)	Troy Jordan (N)	Tom McDonough (N)
Division 2 (5)	Stephen Barnard	Alison Skene	Emma Andrews
Division 3 (4)	Ross Bowlby	Ken Allan	Tony Curulli
Division 4 (2)	Barry Rodgers	Laurie Bohn	--

Thanks to referee Nick Tapp, first-aiders Ross Clark and Mark Seddon, Dean Niclasen and other helpers. Ride of the day belonged to David Rooke, who spent nearly the entire race off the front of Division 1b, increasing his advantage the whole way.

News etc.

Social notes

Mark Edwards

Save the date

Saturday 17 November – Awards Night, with guest speaker Matt Keenan. Don't throw out that old suit and tie, you might need it. More to come.

Sunday 26 August – **The Big Bike Film Night** in the city at 6.30 pm. It's general seating – come along and join the fun. Book and buy your own tix [here](#). Let us know if you are coming, we'll try to organise something around this. So far I know of Pat Ruys, Madam Secretary Susan Williams and Ed, and Helen and me, with the Big Chief a possibility.





It's going to be a long, hot summer on the road ...

Buninyong [Australian Road Nationals](#) Sunday 6 January 2019

We are keen to have a club presence there. Does anyone know how we got access to the tent spot a few years ago? We'd like to know any thoughts about what people want other than food and drink.

And for recovery the following week ...

Tour Down Under, 10–20 January 2019

No doubt a number of us (including Helen and me) will be going again for all or part. Let's all get together one night, I reckon there must have been up to 50 Easterners there last year. A great spot for the Sunday Crit is [Aquinas College](#) at the top of Montefiore Hill. For a token fee you get a seat, a (fight for) an umbrella and a view of the city. They also do accommodation for the Tour.

Social rides

For those of you able, there is a big group that converges from all points (especially under Bourke Road bridge at 8.30 am) Tuesday mornings at Southbank around 9.45 for a coffee or two and a chat. It's not just Eastern riders but you will most likely know someone.

Club sponsor [Croydon Cycle Works](#) hosts [Shop Rides](#) for varying abilities...all welcome

Helen and I are still feeling our way, asking for suggestions, all things considered. We are keen to get anyone else involved who is interested. You can contact Helen at 0408 437 409 or HelenEdwards55@gmail.com, or Mark at 0418 310 092 or MarkEdwardsmac@gmail.com, or look for us after a race.

Track 'n' Treasure, 25 August at DISC

Visit <http://vic.cycling.org.au/News/track-n-treasure-2> for more information.

Please contact Madam Secretary if you have something to sell and we will organise a club table (\$40).

Check-in and set-up are between 10 am and 1 pm on the day of the event. The event will be open for patrons to attend between 4.30 and 7 pm.

Future events

Eastern events

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 events

For details, go to <http://northerncycling.com.au>.





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