

17 August 2019

Eastern Cycling Club

Newsletter

Duty Roster

Saturday 17 August, Thornton

Richard Dobson (R), Ken Saxton (TC), Ray Watts (TC), Tim Crowe, Grant Farr, David Griffin, Chris Hughson, Tim Maffey, Wes Black, Peter Ransome, Geoff Darroch, David Pyne, Sam Bruzzese

Sunday 25 August, Rocco Drive

tbk (R), Craig Stannard (TC), Ian Smith (TC), Laurie Gates, Marietjie de Cock, Dave Worland, Harry Hibgame, Sue Sharples, Ian McGeoch, Peter Ransome

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, tiptop2@optusnet.com.au.

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Last Saturday's scheduled final round of the Tour de Metro against Northern was cancelled in anticipation of the forecast foul weather. The two clubs are working to find a suitable date to reschedule the series decider.

This Saturday's race is the 25 km Rob Graham Individual Time Trial and Club Time Trial Championships, north of the Divide in Thornton. The Rob Graham is a handicapped event, open to all Vets racers; the Club Champs are age-group based and are open to members who have ridden the prerequisite number of races. This is a pre-entry event and registrations have closed. Riders should check in at the desk at the Thornton Recreation Reserve (or across the road), on Taggerty-Thornton Road just south of the highway, by 1.15 pm. Fastest riders start first, departing from 1.30 pm.

The following week's racing is at Rocco Drive, Scoresby, starting at 10 am on Sunday 25 August.

Sunday club ride returns

The monthly Sunday club ride resumes this Sunday 18 August, leaving the Croydon Cycleworks shop at 7.30 am. Same format as previously, with a 'hot' and a 'mild' group, all meeting afterwards in Croydon for a coffee and debrief. All riders are encouraged to wear the new club kit if they have it.

Annual Awards Night

Put Saturday 26 October in your diary. That's the date of our Annual Awards Night, at Maroondah Sports Club, Dublin Road, Ringwood East, with guest speaker, the SBS presenter and former Giro d'Italia stage winner Dave McKenzie. Scroll down for details.



News etc.

John Williams

John is home and recovering after surgery last week to repair/replace an aortic valve and bypass a couple of blocked coronary arteries. He is apparently allowed on the trainer already, but we don't know whether he's taken up the invitation.

Duty roster

Please check your roster dates on the website (<https://easterncycling.com/roster/>). Some changes to earlier notifications were necessary when posting the current version (in late June). Any member who received a notification around mid-June can contact Andrew Buchanan (0472 699 322) if clarification is needed.

Race day trailer update

In great news, the club has been able to secure a permanent place for the race day trailer to be kept at METEC, which will help with our Tuesday night summer crits and is central to all Saturday race venues. We still require some extra drivers to have a roster system in place, so if you were thinking of helping but storage was a problem – it has been solved! Hopefully, we can resolve this soon; if not, we may be faced with only racing at METEC and Casey Fields because we can't get the trailer to other locations. To ensure we don't get that desperate, make some enquires to Pete Gray on 0418 333 342 or Max Michelson on 0438 538 139.

Max Michelson

Mail to: you@easterncycling.com

Have you ever wanted your own @easterncycling.com email address? Scroll down to see what Mark Edwards has done about it.

Mornington Peninsula Ride for Relief, 20 October 2019

Come and join us on a fabulous ride on the Mornington Peninsula that includes lunch and bathing at the Peninsula Hot Springs after the ride. The funds raised from this event will go to Mentis Assist, a not-for-profit mental health support service that provides specialised mental health services for people (and their carers) living with a diagnosed mental illness in and outside of Victoria's Mornington Peninsula. Please ctrl-click on the link to download a brochure for further details.

www.peninsulahotsprings.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Ride-for-Relief-Digital-Brochure-2019.pdf

Juanita Stumbles





Northern CC events

For details, go to <http://northerncycling.com.au>. Please note that Northern has a new start time of 10 am for road races. Start time for criterium races at National Boulevard remains unchanged at 9 am.

VCV events

The VCV Individual Time Trial championships will be held on 8 September at Balliang. Entries close Tuesday 3 September. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more details.

Other events

There is another flyer and an information sheet/media release at the end of this newsletter with details of the inaugural Australasian Masters Cycling Championships (criterium, TT and road race) to be held at Wairarapa, New Zealand, over Easter (11–13 April) 2020. Australian riders are welcome, we are told, though it's not 100% clear whether a Veterans licence will suffice or whether you will need a Masters licence.

Sponsors





Under the possible but not essential business of Google Apps for ECC, photos, videos, mail, storage, archiving, spreadsheets (like the aggregate), calendar and more we now have

@Easterncycling.com email addresses.. free to a good home

Sick of being JoeBlw1B1956@bigpond.com ...that you can't explain to people?

Or JuvenileName-69@hotmail.com you made as an 15 year old spotty faced monster?

Do you want people to be impressed you are an elite cyclist from a great club?

Want to enquire about that new bike without telling the loved one you share your email with?

You could be Something@easterncycling.com



Like JP@easterncycling.com

Or leFrog@easterncycling.com

Or MultiClubChamp@easterncycling.com

Or all three if you like

These are basically google gmail addresses via the ECC Google For Non Profit G Suite Apps with all the back end "support" and "help" of Google..free to us as we are a non profit.

We can do this.. all easy..you must be capable of creating and remembering your own password or at least owning a child or a grandchild with opposing thumbs

If you want one tell me markedwards@easterncycling.com what you want and as long as it's not taken then it's yours. By the way please tell me by email not in a passing conversation!

Also if you want your own group or forum email, for you and a few others, say referees@easterncycling.com and raclemaniamania@easterncycling.com (yeah those are up and about already:-)) or say DGrade@easterncycling.com or TdU2020@easterncycling.com (they aren't things as yet) we can do that too, as long as one or more of you in the group wants to own and manage it (and edit in and out changes of people)

Lastly if anyone is a bit techie (I'm not I just crash about and try stuff) and wants to help administer the apps, or be a backup I am looking for collaborator(s). As much or as little scope and work as you want. It's not ideal for me to be solely in charge, these are collaboration tools, designed to load share



VCV TT CHAMPIONSHIPS

8th September 2019

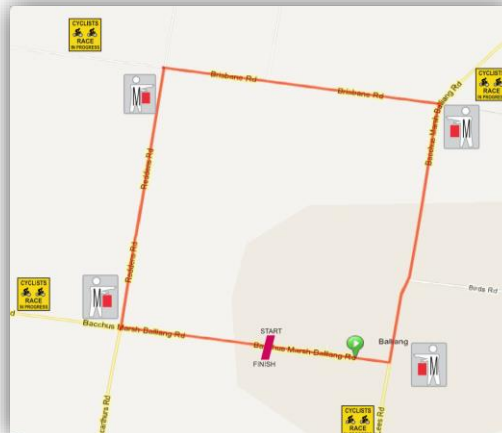
- Contested in 5 years age groups, male and female
- Flat 10km course
- 30-69 years age groups do 3 laps
- 70+ years age groups do 2 laps
- Entries close Tuesday 3rd September
- Entry Fee \$10.00, Transponder hire \$5.00

More information:

<http://www.veterancycling.com.au/events.html#statett>

Enter on line now:

<https://www.registernow.com.au/secure/Register.aspx?E=35113>



Raced in 5 years age groups

**Medals for:
1st, 2nd & 3rd
(all age groups)**

Starting from 10am

**Registration:
Balliang Hall, Bacchus
Marsh/Balliang Road,
Balliang**

**Course:
Flat 10km course
30-69 years 3 laps
70 + years 2 laps**

**Entries Close:
Tuesday 3rd September**

**Entry Fee \$10
Transponder Hire \$5**

Australasian Master's Cycling Championship

11 – 13 April 2020



*Australasian Masters
Cycling Championship*

*Visit NZ's beautiful Wairarapa
region for a spectacular 3 race
cycling series held over Easter
weekend.*

www.masterscycling.co.nz

A NEW INTERNATIONAL CYCLING EVENT FOR WAIRARAPA

The Wairarapa's sought after location as a road cycling destination has been strengthened following today's announcement that another international event will be held there in 2020.

Cycling race director Jorge Sandoval will stage the inaugural international Australasian Masters Cycling Championships over Easter weekend 2020 (April 10-13). The championships will encompass three separate events – one criterium, one-time trial and one road race – and be held on circuits already used in the UCI 2.2 New Zealand Cycle Classic and in the Trust House North Island Team Series. The event has been endorsed by Cycling New Zealand as a recognised event and is expected to attract masters (35years plus) cyclists from around New Zealand and Australia including past national champions

It will be the first time a master's championship of this nature has been held in New Zealand and Jorge believes the timing is perfect.

"Masters riders commonly provide the largest number of participants in fun races and competitive races within in New Zealand. Between the months of September to May each year, club races are held with men and women over the age of 35 years getting out on their bikes and giving it their all," he said.

"The inaugural Australasian Masters Cycling champs will not only fill a gap in the market for riders but I believe will also attract lots more riders and their families to Wairarapa, a region which already hosts the only Union Cycliste Internationale stage race in New Zealand, the NZ Cycle Classic, and the Trust House North Island Team Series for our top male riders."

Destination Wairarapa general manager David Hancock says having Wairarapa chosen as the location for this new event confirms the regions status as a major road cycle racing destination.

"Wairarapa's proximity to Wellington, the diversity of race routes and terrain available (as endorsed by UCI for the NZ Cycle Classic) plus quality accommodation means we're a top cycling choice. Easter sees settled late summer weather and popular events such as the Wairarapa Balloon Festival being held across the region too," says David.

The 2020 Australasian Masters Cycling Championships will consist of three events. A 10km hill climb time trial up the steep Admiral Hill in the Gladstone region; a criterium circuit race held at Masterton Motorplex, a venue traditionally used for drag racing, and a road races held on the outskirts of Carterton.

There will be three age groups available: 35 years to 44; 45 to 54; and 55 to 59 and 60 years plus with both social grades and competitive grades.

"The championships will provide masters of all ages the opportunity to compete against other riders of like abilities – whether that be in a friendly social grades or super competitive", " says Jorge.

Registrations for the 2020 Australasian Masters Cycling Championships open on 12th August via the event Website. For more information on the Wairarapa, a renowned wine, food and cycling destination located only just over an hour's drive or train ride from Wellington city, can be found at www.wairarapanz.com.

For more information please contact;

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