

Lockdown: June 16 2021

Eastern Cycling Club

# Newsletter

## Duty Roster

**Saturday 19 June**

**Toughen Up Series, Race 4,  
Gruyere, 2:00 pm**

Tony Curulli (R), Nick Hainal (TC),  
Craig Stannard (TC), Dave  
McCormack (TC), Adam Hinds,  
Kym Petersen, Rob Amos, Daniel  
Bolton, Peter Brann, Greg Harvey

**Saturday 26 June**

**GSR, Casey Fields, 2:00 pm**

Nick Tapp (R), Ken Saxton (TC),  
Stephen Barnard, Grant  
Greenalgh, Sam Bruzzese,  
Neville Williamson, Nick Panou,  
Anthony Cox, Harry Hibgame

*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.*

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## Resumption of Racing

According to the latest easing of Greater Melbourne Covid19 restrictions (announced Wednesday 16 June), ECC club racing will resume this weekend at Gruyere. This race will also count as the final race of the Toy Bricks Toughen Up series.

It is imperative that we all keep Covid-Safe with the resumption of racing. Be sure you are symptom-free before presenting on race days and please read and adhere to the Covid update from Dale Walton our Covid Officer:

## Covid Update

Please note that spectators are not permitted to attend until restrictions are further reduced.

Further to recent information regarding the use of QR Codes (Spectators & Visitors etc), ECC will now be encouraging **all attendees including riders** to check-in via the QR Code system available at the race registration area.

Regards,  
Dale Walton

## Sad News

It is with a heavy heart I bring to you the news of the sudden passing of ex Eastern member, Tony Balint.

Nick Tapp and Tony were good friends and Nick has penned an obituary below. Rest in Peace Tony and condolences to your family and friends..

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Vale Tony Balint

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*Tony Balint, who was a member of Eastern Vets in the 2000s, suffered a heart attack and collapsed while out running on Tuesday 1 June. Passers-by went to his aid and an ambulance was not long in coming, but Tony was already gone. Tony came out of one of many retirements to join Eastern, having raced in earlier days alongside Stephan Jusypiw, who was also an Eastern member for a while. Tony and Quentin Frayne were brothers-in-law, and for a long time the two of them did a weekly early-morning training ride around 'Tony's Loop', which shared a lot of ground with the Tour of the 'Burbs. Other regular 'Loopers' included Quentin's late brother Nigel, who also raced with Eastern, and Nick Tapp. Nobody was quicker than Tony with a quirky and encouraging comment on Strava after a solid ride. He still rode, often joined by his partner Francesca and their son Roland. More recently, Tony also became an avid indoor cyclist on Rouvy and reinvented himself as a runner. He often ran with Francesca. His family and friends will miss him greatly.*



Tony Balint

Photo: Francesca Coles



## Future events

### Eastern CC events

Please refer to page 1 of this newsletter, or go to <https://easterncycling.com/event-calendar/>

Note: Graded scratch race entries are accepted ahead of time on Entry Boss <https://entryboss.cc/calendar/ecc>. 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. 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.

Wednesday racing at the Teardrop/Loop is still cash on the day with registration closing at 10:00 am and a start time of 10:15 am. Cost is \$4 in coins or a \$5 note. No change is offered due to ECC Covid-Safe procedures.

### Northern CC events

For details, go to [northerncycling.com.au](http://northerncycling.com.au). Please note that Northern road races start at 10 am on Sunday; start time for criterium races at National Boulevard is 9 am.





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