

### **Duty Roster**

Sunday 14 November Rocco Drive GSR 10:00 am

Peter Mackie (R), Greg Harvey (F), Dale Walton (TC), Ian Smith (TC), Danielle van Tol, Chris Norbury, Nick Panou, Andrew Wedderburn, Tim Maffey, Veronica Vandenbroeck.

Saturday 20 November
ECC Dave Ryan Memorial
Graded Scratch Race
Dunlop Rd. 1:30 pm
Mark Edwards (R), Glenn
Newnham (F), Glenn Newnham
(TC) Walter Savini (TC), Emma
Smith, Anthony Cox, Philip Curtis,
Juanita Stumbles, Graham Cadd,
Keith Wade, Kirsty Johnson Cox,
Ken Allan, Alan Cunneen.

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 Justin van Tol:

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Warm and windy conditions met the 39 riders who fronted up to Casey on Saturday. Some good racing was had with everyone just glad to be back in the saddle.

Meanwhile, METEC greeted 49 riders for heat 2 of Tuesday evening's CCW Summer Series, and Wednesday's racing at the Loop was cancelled due to rain.

This Sunday we are at Rocco Drive for graded scratch races. The previously promoted presentation of Club Criterium Championship medallions after the event has been **postponed**.



Casey Bin Chickens checking out the (May) 2021 Women's Grand Prix action at Casey Fields Photo: P Morris

### Casey Fields, GSR, 06 November

Grade	1st	2nd	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
A Grade (4)	JP Leclercq	S Ross	G Newnham	-
B Grade (12)	P Webster	S White	P Peters	D Walton
C Grade (15)	R Suter	P James	J van Tol	T Renehan
D Grade (4)	G Miller	P Shanahan	B McGowan	-
E Grade (4)	P Johns	J Wilson	N Cartledge	-

#### A-Grade

#### By Glenn Newnham

Man, that was painful. Only three of us entered in A grade, JP, Steve Ross and myself. Thank goodness the president (Dean Niclasen) said he'd race up. He looked all of an A grader to me too. He was pulling great turns for the 45 minutes that we stayed together. I think JP was being kind to us. He said later he could see I was struggling. Steve Ross looked like he was riding well within himself though. When JP jumped, I was on the front, but had nothing. Steve took the front and kept the gap to JP small. The Pres decided he had one last big turn in him and pulled us up the hill into the wind, cutting back JPs advantage with

every pedal stroke. Steve then took over and the Pres slowed to catch his breath. I thought I was half a chance to stay with Steve, but it wasn't to be. He was too strong and I was really hurting. We swapped turns for a couple of laps and he was on his own. He looked like he might have been narrowing the gap to JP. Meanwhile Dean was narrowing the gap to me. But that was the order we finished, JP, Steve, me, then Deano. There seems to be a huge disparity in the fitness we've come out of lockdown with, and that was pretty obvious with the four of us almost equidistant around the track on the last lap. My first race was a huge shock to the system, but it's so good to be back hanging out with great people. I've missed that more than anything.



# **METEC, CCW Summer Series, 09 November**

Grade	1st	2nd	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
A Grade (9)	V Bowman	JP Leclercq	D Bishop	S Ross
B Grade (17)	M Clarke	C Stannard	C Oliver	C Blackely
C Grade (15)	D Brown	F Tomsic	J Van Tol	B Wain
D Grade (7)	R Gillies	L Johansen	C Norbury	-
E Grade (1)	-	-	-	-

Wednesday criterium at the Loop, Yarra Boulevard, 10 November - Cancelled (Rain)

#### News etc.

### Wanted. Newsletter Editor

The editorship of this newsletter is up for grabs. Anyone with an inkling of MS Word and ability to copy, paste and type a little – this could be for you (*If I can do it, anyone can*). So if you're interested in carrying on this age-old ECC tradition, which puts our club above and beyond the others, please contact me and I will give you some more detail on the role and its requirements.

Pete Morris pmoz@ozemail.com.au

# Eastern Cycling – Communication to members regarding vaccination policy

Dear Members.

The ECC Executive Committee met today (31-10-2021) to consider the vaccination policy for club events in light of the state governments recent announcement allowing the recommencement of community sporting competition.

The executive committee unanimously agreed that under our duty of care to provide a safe environment to our members, the appropriate policy at this point in time is to require that all participants at club events are double vaccinated. This policy is effective immediately including our



first race back at METEC at 10:30am this Tuesday (Melbourne Cup Day).

We understand that this is a highly contentious issue and feedback was sought from a significant number of members as part of the process at arriving at the policy. There were many other considerations which included:

- The state governments policy is a minimum standard, and as such does not account for the different risk profiles of various sporting activities and differing participant demographics. What may be sufficient for a group of teenagers playing netball outdoors is not necessarily sufficient for a much older demographic engaging in an activity that generates significant clouds of sweat and exhaled particles.
- The club's membership is a high risk demographic in terms of age and in many cases other underlying health conditions including being immunocompromised, and as such exposure of our members to covid-19 brings a significantly higher risk than it would to other demographics.
- The presentations of a number of our events are held in hospitality venues which by law require vaccination as a condition of entry. In addition we anticipate that a number of venues including Casey Fields and METEC may adopt compulsory vaccination as a condition of use of the facilities.
- Multiple other cycling clubs are adopting a similar position requiring full vaccination, including Northern Cycling Club.

This policy will be reviewed regularly as more information is provided by various facilities and the state government, with the next review to occur no later than when Victoria reaches 90% double vaccination of the eligible population (expected around 26th November).

We understand that this is a divisive issue unlikely to satisfy all members, however member safety is at the forefront of this decision. Anybody that has particularly strong views against this decision is welcome to speak to a member of the executive committee to discuss further.

Yours sincerely,

Dean Niclasen - President

Rob Lackey - Vice President

Susan Williams - Secretary

Dean Tune - Treasurer

Peter Mackie - Handicapper

Glenn Newnham - Club Captain



# **EntryBoss – Reminder for Members**

This is a reminder for clubs using EntryBoss – please make sure members are changing their Membership details from any previous legacy membership number (that is not in use). To their AusCycling (AC) membership number. If a member is having trouble changing their details in EntryBoss they can contact <a href="mailto:support@entryboss.cc">support@entryboss.cc</a>

Members can find their membership number:

- In their confirmation email on the top right hand side.
- Once a member downloads their digital membership cards.

## **Croydon Cycleworks Summer Series**

Here's the prize list. Thanks Dave and CCW for your generous support!





# Blackburn Cycling Club: 'Come and Try' Track Cycling Sessions



More details with clickable links on the BBNCC webpage: Here



300 Burwood Hwy, Burwood East VIC 3151, Australia



#### **ECC YouTube Channel**

Thanks to Mark Edwards, your club has just grown another social media wing with a YouTube channel. We are looking for usable footage from members to upload, on or off the bike, old or new.

- \* Please subscribe, we need 100 subscribers to get our own channel name
- \* Channel link is: youtube.com/channel/UCaBg6iyx 22APIW3tiEG BQ
- \* Looking for volunteers to help Mark Edwards, to create some member videos for keepsake

### **Future events**

### **Eastern CC events**

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

Note: Graded scratch race entries are accepted ahead of time on Entry Boss <a href="https://entryboss.cc/calendar/ecc">https://entryboss.cc/calendar/ecc</a>. 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 <u>northerncycling.com.au</u>. 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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