



# **Eastern Cycling Club Newsletter**

Edition 5 Feb 2022

The stillness of Casey Fields, Kit order time, a Roster Reminder, and a correction or two.

Your contributions are a critical part of the newsletter, so please send in your race reports, news, gossip and slander, no matter how brief (or accurate) to newsletter@easterncycling.com

### **ECC Covid Safety Update- Dale Walton**

In undertaking a periodic review of the current ECC vaccination policy, the committee has voted to retain the requirement to be fully vaccinated to attend all ECC events.

### No Vax No Race No Exemptions.

- Positive Covid test reporting Members are requested to advise ECC if they or a family member tests positive to Covid-19. Private & confidential notification to Dale Walton by email at covidsafety@easterncycling.com
- Symptoms DO NOT attend ECC events if feeling unwell or displaying any flu-like symptoms.
- Please respect that some members may or may not be as comfortable around large groups at this time, but still wish to race in a `safe as possible environment`, so please continue to social distance when not racing.



## **ECC Roster Duty**

### Check the roster please!

If you have not put your name down or have missed your duty, please volunteer for the open spots.

Roster Guy, Justin Van Tol roster@easterncycling.com

Date	Venue	Roster
13/02/2022	Bazalgette Drive	DALE WALTON, Dean Tune, Max Kornhofer, Darren Thompson, Stephen Parker, Harry Hibgame, Adam Dymond, Chris Law, Shelly Timson, Glenn Newnham
19/02/2022	The Loop / Teardrop	Susan Williams, Phil Taylor, Franc Tomsic, Paul Anderson, Shelly Timson, NA
26/02/2022	Garfield	Justin van Tol, Rob Lackey, Ken Saxton, Nathan White, Andreas Weber, Michael Lillycrapp, Chris Hughson, Alan ADAMS, Rob BIRCH, Matt Clarke, Haydn Chapman, Garron Buckland, Grant Greenhalgh, Shelly Timson, Andrew Buchanan
05/03/2022	Casey Fields	Nick Tapp, Steve White, Doug Page, Shelly Timson, NA
13/03/2022	Rocco Drive	Susan Williams, Ken Saxton, Ian SMITH, Paul Webster, Perry Peters, Ian MCGEOCH, John Cochrane, John Wilson, Ken Bone, Peter Webb
20/03/2022	Bazalgette Drive	Ray Russo, Darren Woolhouse, Kym Petersen, Marcus Herzog, Ken Allan, Quentin Frayne, Michael Muscat, Glenn Newnham
26/03/2022	Avenel - Seymour	Mark Edwards, David McCormack, Marco Sinopoli, pamela vandersluys, Stuart Bendall, Stephen Duke, Stefan Filonzi, Robert Crowe, Andrew Buchanan
02/04/2022	Casey Fields	Mark Edwards, Daniel Hulbert, Geoffrey Miller, NA
10/04/2022	Bazalgette Drive - Club Crit Championship	Justin van Tol, Craig Stannard, Adam Dymond, Alison Skene, Daniel IVES, Garry WISHART, Kristopher Masters, Meagan Harvey
16/04/2022	Metec	Tony Curulli, Anthony Cox, Neville Williamson, NA
24/04/2022	Rocco Drive	Peter Mackie, Neil Cartledge, Ray Watts, Greg Harvey, Chris Norbury, Peter Norbury, Boyd Williams, Geoff Forbes, Colin Blackley, Greg Harvey
30/04/2022	<u>Dunlop Rd</u>	DALE WALTON, Kevin King, Andrew Buchanan, Murray SPINK, Nicholas HARVEY, Paula McGovern, Richard Abel, Simon BONE, Tayfun Ugrasbul, Tony DALTON, Val Usatoff, Ross CLARK





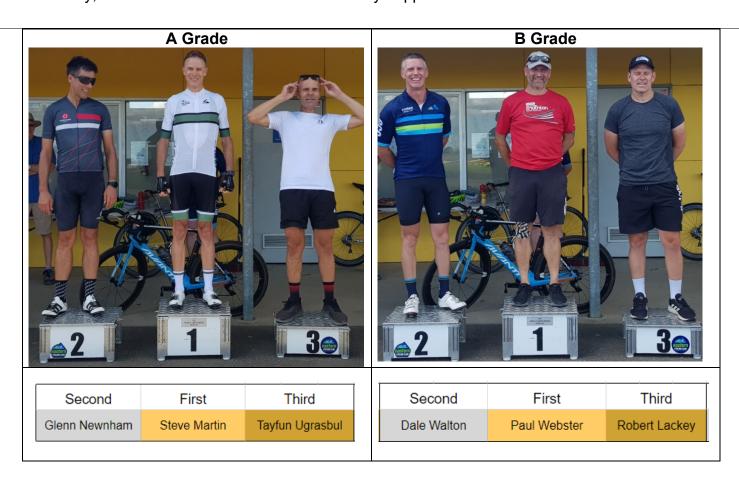




# Graded Scratch Races, Casey Fields, Sat 5th Feb

Perfectly still, windless conditions greeted racers at Casey on Saturday, nobody complained about gradings, nobody cut down on D Grade and Covid was eliminated.

Obviously, none of that is true... Here's what really happened.



A Grade was low on numbers so a few B Grade Bunnies got booted. Glen proved that "warm ups" are for wusses, holding it together nicely for a podium finish.

























Second First Third

Danielle van Tol Nick Hainal Peter Shanahan











## **Tuesday -Croydon Cycle Works Summer Series**

Numbers May have been thin on Saturday, but Tuesday night riders were plentiful. Huge numbers in every grade took advantage of the balmy weather to lay down some laps at METEC.



A Grade from L to R, Rob Amos, Alex Randall, Max Komhofer, Kevin King, Glenn Newnham, Anthony Gullace, Matt Clarke, Steve Martin, Adam Hinds, Nathan White,
Daniel Bishop



B Grade from left to right; Jamie Goddard, Kon Skordilis, Dale Walton, Corey Williams, Dean Tune, Dean Niclasen, Craig Stannard, Kym Petersen, Robert Suter, Ray Russo, Richard Knight, Steve Ross, Leigh Johansen, Perry Peters, Craig Oliver, Paul James, Sam Bruzzese, Mark Edwards (missing), Darren Woolhouse



C Grade from L to R; David McCormack, Haydn Chapman, Shane Templar, Ken Saxton, Hylton Preece, Warren Mumford, Peter Ransome, Robert Pol Bodetto, Michael Muscat, Kieran Lewis, Kirsty Johnson Cox, David Brown, Peter Brann



D Grade L to R: Peter Shanahan. John C Wilson. Nick Mahon. Anthony Cox. Nick Hainal. Keith Wade. Ken Bone















Matt Clarke

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CCW SS 20-21, Round 12 at METEC

Tuesday, February 8, 2022

	С	C GRADE									
	С	Haydn Chapman	1								
	С	Peter Ransome	2								
	C	Kieran Lewis	3								



Craig Oliver

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D D GRADE

D Nick Mahon 1

D Ken Bone 2

D Anthony Cox 3











### McEwan or O'Grady?

We usually report on Saturday racing. The bigger fields have been in the Summer Series. The busier racing on the tight, short, bumpy METEC. Tuesday night fun.

A long time ago, way before the bug, I had a bit of a kick. I was happy, keen even to sit in, cruise and launch. Those pesky roleurs, Ellenby the archetype, always going off the front, and hard. They were like, so annoying. Even more if they stayed away.

Well things have changed. The bell now sees me going backwards. Webster, Peters, Williams, Russo, Woolhouse, more every week...no one even waves as they blow by. Now I proper dislike those young men on their flying machines. But there's nothing you can do is there? You just gotta clap politely as the beam down from the podium. Well done mate. Maaaate.

If only there was a way to get at them. If I could, I might tap a few on the shoulder. I would never of course, but what if, say, a few of the stronger riders, the long-haul truckers, the Rob Amos wannabes, what if I said, "How about we send a few off the front, a series of jabs like, some looseners?" The Mike Tyson thing. Take a bit of sting out of those fast twitch legs, maybe even a couple of you can get away and stay away.

You know, if I did do it, if, I'd say it would be important not to let the fast and furious get in the break. That would be lengthening your odds, wouldn't it? You'd want to shorten them. Maybe slow and go again. Maybe go in waves. You certainly wouldn't want to get the bell with a couple like, just say, Ray Ray and the Ginger Ninja sat in, would you? Coz how would that end? There's no money anymore so losing would be point-less.

Maybe I'll give it go one day, come, and talk to me if you want in. I'll be down the back, sweating, swearing softly, moaning about kid sprinters, and sour faced.

Mark Edwards









# Wednesday at the Loop- All Lined up

A GRADE			\$	В	B GRADE				\$	С	C GRADE		
Mark Seddon	NCI	1			Dale Walton	ECC	1				Tony Renehan	ECC	1
Alan Adams	ECC	2			Sean Connell	CCCC	2				Ivana Cicchelli	ECC	2
Craig Harvey	NCI	3			Michael Hartman	NCI	3				Douglas Reynolds	ECC	3
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Mark Armour	ECC	1			Paul Griffiths	N	CI	1					
Shane Dwyer	ECC	2											











# An unseemly editorial error saw this excellent Race Report excluded from the earlier edition. Apologies to Sam Curry

Kew Teardrop 2nd February 2022 B Grade -Sam Curry

Wednesday race preparation for the tear drop in Kew couldn't have been worse with 2-year-old night terrors keeping Mum and Dad up from 12 to 2am.

My original plan was to do a Vo2 session at a local hill in the morning but come 7am I had abandoned all thoughts of riding before midday given my lack of sleep.

After a coffee and being on my feet for an hour the legs felt 'ok' I played the selfish short notice card to my partner and declared "I might race this morning".

Nic Panou was running repairs on my Argon-18, so I had to dust off my Giant TCR from the garage.

Apart from a few Zwift miles it hadn't been ridden on the road for 18 months. On went the Assimo power meter pedals and it was onto the Eastlink straight to Kew.

The temperature was perfect for racing and inspired by the views over the boathouse I decided to step up to B grade having placed second 2 weeks prior. A failed attempt at trying to persuade Peter Webber to ride B grade meant that I had no 'contemporaries' among a big field of 15 riders.

President Dean gave a moving tribute to life member Keith Bowen regarding his contribution to Eastern cycling over many years.

It was a solid start from the outset with a few early attacks and the inevitable chase from the group. I hung on desperately, determined to last more than the 20 minutes at my last B grade Metec hit out. A group of three gained a 100m gap and stayed away for a good 3-4 laps while the bunch played it smart and bought them back slowly.

Following the catch, reprieve, and acceleration the group had reduced by about a third. Mark Edwards made a couple of attacks up the road with about 10min remaining, but each time couldn't push past the block headwind on the left-hand corner decent. Having done some work at the front earlier in the race then unseen through the middle stages I thought this was a great move and can see why he had won only weeks prior. Chasing down his final attack, last lap was called, and I was in second place. A surprise and not without luck as I was nearly dropped a few times.

Reluctant to pass Mark on the back straight things slowed and it was going to be another sprinters battle up the last hill with a nice 15km/hr tail wind. Ray Russo was ECC best placed finisher in 3<sup>rd</sup>, Michael Hartman from Northern CC 2<sup>nd</sup> and the win to Clark Livingston.









### Correction.

And while we are on apologies. I'm blaming the Handicapper for this one... not because it was his fault specifically, but you know... Handicapper!

In the previous issue, first place in C Grade was attributed to the wrong racer.

The correct result should have stated- Congratulations to Dave Moore from Mansfield for First place in C Grade -The Loop, Sat 29th Jan Congratulations Dave.



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### **Future events**

## ECC Women's Grand Prix - 10 am Sat 5 March, 2022

3 races: hot lap, criterium and elimination. <a href="https://entryboss.cc/races/9505">https://entryboss.cc/races/9505</a>

For the second year running, Eastern Cycling, supported by Croydon Cycleworks and Snooze Nunawading, are bringing to you an event for women in a fun new format.

Grades A to E. Ride marshals will accompany both D and E grade Volunteers needed on the day and for catering. Contact Kym Petersen <a href="kympetersen@icloud.com">kympetersen@icloud.com</a>.

# **Eastern Cycling Club YouTube**

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaBg6iyx 22APIW3tiEG BQ (57 More subscribers needed to reach- 100 to get our own name Youtube///EasternCycling)

Some great videos and Pics from Mark Edwards. album of short clips











The Mansfield Hotel Tour powered by Orcoda is round 2 of the 2022 Victorian Road Series.

Saturday morning-ITT, Saturday afternoon - road stage finishing on the 'Coombesberg' Sunday morning climb to Mt Buller.

A, B & C grades for Women, Men and master's Men with Mansfield Hotel GC and All Terrain Cycles Sprint jerseys for each. Plus, new for 2022, separate grades for Under 19\* Women and Men.

# Spend the weekend in heaven...and ride like hell!



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