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NEW COURSES ANNOUNCED

After a big effort by Phil Gallagher, Monique Hanley and Ian de Bruin, the committee of the Warragul Cycling Club is pleased to announce that permits have been granted for 6 circuits. The permits will add variety to our race calendar and are all in accordance with the WCC risk management plan.

The new circuits include a revised Jindivick circuit (suits the climbers!), Old Sale Road, and Buln Buln. These are in addition to the circuits at Shady Creek and Picnic Point (Fishers Road).

Marshals and Trailer Duties

All club members and in particular cyclists who have raced within a season will be expected to volunteer in order for the club to meet the requirements stipulated by the Event Management Plan. Those volunteering for corner marshalling will receive a total of 8 points towards that particular season’s competition (max 13 points per season). Those who are doing trailer duties are still eligible to race however they will be given a reduced race entry fee to cover costs associated with driving around the circuit. Volunteers who are preparing the circuit need to arrange collection of the club trailer from the club secretary in advance. Correct positioning of signage is important and a map of the circuit with locations accompanies the trailer. Volunteers must wear a safety vest at all times when setting up the circuit.

Any other volunteers are always needed. The WCC needs 10 members to negotiate the streets of Warragul for Baw Baw (Sat 23rd, Oct). Marshals are needed to help departing cyclists at the Gold Comes To Warragul following on the heels of previous great club evenings the WCC will host a Sun Tour dinner on Friday the 22nd October. City of La Trobe team headed by Luke Roberts and the Jayco team headed by Brett Lancaster will be present on the evening. This will be the social event of the year and an important one for the club. If you love cycling, put it in your diaries now as this is one night not to be missed. Stay tuned for more information.

Sun Tour Needs You

The WCC needs 10 members to stand on a corner for a couple of hours on the morning of the Sun Tour's departure from Warragul to Baw Baw (Sat 23rd, Oct). Marshals are needed to help departing cyclists negotiate the streets of Warragul and then your job is done. If the club can do its bit, the organising committee will provide the club with two signed jersey's, so please put your hand up and help out.

PRESIDENTS PRATTLE

What a busy few months it has been. I am very proud of the way the committee and the club as a whole have tackled the risk management issues and set up a bright future for the club.

We have submitted comprehensive event plans and the members have supported the transition. Let me assure you it’s no easy task running the WCC so a special thank you goes to the following: Ian de Bruin, Phil Gallagher, Monique Hanley for their work on the race circuits. Karin Jones for her tireless work across all areas of the club and carnival. Glenda de Blauw has had a big impact in securing the signage (thanks to Ian Walk also), and the implementation of a more secure financial management process. Scott Keeble and Brett ROLLINSON have been terrific in tackling the huge task of sorting out the club’s equipment, facilities and trailer. Thomas Sandner has been driving an agenda that should see the re-emergence of a strong junior program. The club-rooms are much more attractive thanks to Phil, Scott and Brett. MARCIA and LISA have been working hard developing a roster system that should see each race run smoothly and safely. Monique’s contribution to the club’s profile and member induction has been sensational and Chris Jones has spent many hours of his own time (and money) fixing up the signage and trailer so it’s easier for everyone to use. Last but not least Trent Brown has put in the hours developing and editing this fantastic newsletter (there are many more people to thank but we will spread that out over time).

So many hours have been put in by these people behind the scenes for everyone’s benefit. I am confident that when the time comes you will all do your turn as well. Get on the bike -Justen

Gold Comes To Warragul
BUDDING DESIGNERS

The WCC is developing a new logo. If you are interested in designing our new club logo, begin drafting your ideas. If your logo is selected as the new WCC logo, a prize will be awarded. For further info checkout the website or contact Karin Jones for details.

CLUB COMMISSAIRE

Continuing the theme of risk management, it is important that the club provides an independent person which acts on the rules of cycling, including the safety of all competitors. Thus WCC is looking for a someone to act as club commissaire for our racing season. If you know anyone who is interested in cycling, and perhaps wants to act on the rules of cycling, including the safety of all competitors, the Warragul Cycling Club will also be on-hand to provide support, general cycling tips and assistance with bike set up. Following registration, the group will commence a weekly Tuesday night training sessions will commence for track purposes. Following the junior program launch, Future stars are encouraged to head down to the Velodrome to test their nerve on special bikes used solely for track purposes. Following the junior program launch, weekly Tuesday night training sessions will commence from 6.00pm. All interested cyclists are encouraged to contact the club via Bike Land at 5623 2398.

Junior Track Program Kicks Off

The summer junior track program will commence with an open day also on Sunday the 3rd October from 10:30am. The day will provide an opportunity for riders to emulate the success of the Australian track team at the Olympics. Future stars are encouraged to head down to the Velodrome to test their nerve on special bikes used solely for track purposes. Following the junior program launch, weekly Tuesday night training sessions will commence from 6.00pm. All interested cyclists are encouraged to contact the club via Bike Land at 5623 2398.

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Warragul Club Carnival

It is getting to that time of year when our Track carnival is on the thoughts of the organisers. The event means a great deal to the club and should prove to be better than ever. Last years racing was AWESOME and on the back of the Olympics this years will be even better. Write this down in your diary as it is an event not to be missed! Anyone who could possibly help out on the days of the carnival are asked to contact Karin Jones.

Points (L-R): Monk looks happily at his prize, Thomas dresses up to receive his award, Monique gives a speech on behalf of brother Luke.

Recreational Group decides to join WCC

A newly formed arm of the club has been set up and will be launched at 10.30am on October 3rd at the Warragul Velodrome. The recreational group intends to host ongoing organised social rides catering to a wide variety of cycling abilities. The group aims to provide an opportunity to enhance social riding networks in the area and to enhance rider skills and confidence. Regular members of the Warragul Cycling Club will also be on-hand to provide support, general cycling tips and assistance with bike set up. Following registration, the group will commence a relaxed ride catering for three different cycling abilities. The day will provide an opportunity for riders to emulate the success of the Australian track team at the Olympics. Future stars are encouraged to head down to the Velodrome to test their nerve on special bikes used solely for track purposes. Following the junior program launch, weekly Tuesday night training sessions will commence from 6.00pm. All interested cyclists are encouraged to contact the club via Bike Land at 5623 2398.

Presentation Night

More than fifty people supported the clubs first presentation night in quite some time. The night was an outstanding success thanks to Karin Jones and the support crew (too many to name). The club was proud to acknowledge the contribution of tireless volunteer workers, Staf Duncan and Karen Atkinson who featured in the celebrations. Thomas took home a couple of nice trophies and Shane Stiles made a welcome return to riding after finally receiving his A-Grade prize. The food was great, the temperature was perfect and the company was terrific.

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