



BBN Newsletter

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Special Interests:

- Friday morning training ride. Feel like a roll up the 1 in 20? Meet at the Clock-tower/Le tour cycles in Ringwood at 7.30am.

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The pic on the right is from Chicago Stadium sent by Rowan. Lets hope our motor pace races will look like this over 2002/2003!

Trackies, Mount Up!.

As you are probably aware by now Summer is here along with all the fun of a new track season. Track training has now commenced along with weekend track racing. Please look in the special interests column for track training times. It will be interesting to see who has kept themselves in shape over Winter, and who has been auditioning for the role of the new Michellen man!

The club has enjoyed great publicity of late thanks largely to the efforts to the clubs Sprint King series in Croydon and top efforts in the Melbourne Cup on wheels by our riders. The Leader newspaper ran a 1/2 page article on the Sprint King race at Croydon complete with colour pictures! And if you haven't heard by now little Richard England had a great win in the Melbourne Cup on wheels! This was followed by a 1/4 page



article in the Herald Sun on the following Monday. At least they have stopped saying "Richard England from St Kilda!" Lets hope the club benefits from this great coverage.

One final bit of good news is that Tuesday evening Crit racing is continuing at a new location. The fun takes place at the Springvale Necropolis, just off Police rd in Springvale. This means that you don't have far to go if you have a really bad stack! Sorry, enough 'Deadpan' comedy, happy riding.

Tim Clarke (Editor).

Presidents Report

We have had some real highlights on the past couple of months and Richard Englands (club captain) win at Vodafone was a real boost to the club and the presentation night at Sophies was the best Presentation Night for many years at an excellent venue. Many thanks must go to Jamie Goddard, Richard Knight and especially Steve Martin.

Also the new WEB is looking great with plenty of action to be seen and

thanks must go to our secretary Alan Barnes showing his computer prowess, thanks again Alan. (<http://www.blackburncycling.org.au>).

The track season has started with great days of racing and we should be seeing great results as we get to the business end of the track season. Check out the action packed Calendar which you should have received and again with plenty of things happening in the coming summer months. Also mark in

your calendar the Social and Training and Coaching days.

What has been a great inspiration is the new group of junior riders who have been riding and training so well in the first part of the season. Doug Reith has been doing a great job working with the juniors, thanks Doug.

Steve Martin has recovered amazingly well from his accident on the 1 in 20 climb by getting 4th in the Roller Derby night on Friday the 26th at the East Burwood Hall.

Safe riding, John Nicholson



**Stevie!
At the
Croydon
Sprint King
Race.**

Road Aggregate competition

Here are the final standings in the road aggregate competition. The winners were presented with awards at the presentation night. Details of the track aggregate competition will be in the next newsletter.

Juniors (U17 and below): 54 Sean Bourke, 44 Louise Bourke, 40 Luke Petrie, 37 Jeremy Galt, 25 Dale Reith, 14 Lisa Friend, 10 Curtis Yildirim, 5 Daniel Gannon, 4 Ben Shuey, 2 Jesse Gannon, 2 Jonathan Quinn, 2 Daniel Shuey, 2 Iain Treloar.

Elite Men: 39 Andrew Steele, 36 Brian Bourke, 34 Jamie Goddard, 34 Scott Setford, 33 Richard England, 33 Steven Martin, 23 Richard Knight, 21 Stuart Birnie, 17 Stuart Bendall, 16 Marcus Prentice, 15 Michael Jamison, 14 Timothy Clarke, 13 Ryan Wilkins, 12 Craig Everard, 11 Rowan Geddes, 11 Paul Lumsden, 11 Robert Registerward, 11 Glen Tournier, 10 Guy Green, 9 Owen Gerrard, 9 Trevor Key, 7 Carl Brewer, 7 Alastair Douglas, 7 Jason Gay, 7 Carl Jacobson, 6 Cameron Hunter, 6 Daniel May-

bery, 6 Michael Shaw, 5 Alan Barnes, 4 David Allen, 4 Simon Gamble, 4 Gerard Hurley, 4 Evan Lennon, 4 Michael Taffe, 4 Ed Tutty, 4 Justin Vincent, 4 Barry Woods, 3 Stephen Brookes, 3 Anthony Di Battista, 3 Gavin Osborne, 2 Bradley Alcock, 2 Paul Brewer, 2 Andrew Budicin, 2 Leon Burger, 2 Warwick Conway, 2 Sonny Copeland, 2 Brett Curren, 2 Peter Felstead, 2 Steven Andrew Foster, 2 John Madden, 2 John Morgan, 2 Kain Nunn, 2 Simon Prentice, 2 Mark Spataro, 2 Brendan Tilson.

Masters Men: 32 Anthony Kirwan, 28 Andrew Smith, 13 Russell Poole, 8 Jeffrey Shaw, 7 Ian Harper, 6 Patrick Dougherty, 6 Grant McDonough, 4 David Gannon, 4 Brett Morton, 4 Timothy Nuttall, 2 Frank Bertei, 2 David Henshall, 2 Gary Mathieson, 2 Michael Paull, 2 Vince Ruggeri, 2 Jeffrey Williams.

Women: 30 Emily Phillips, 14 Jane Barnes, 13 Elizabeth Laver, 12 Kirsty Bortolin, 9 Audrey Quick, 4 Serena Marriott, 4 Rachel Rademaker, 4 Lisa Talents.

Racing Around

With the road season now finished and the track racing now in full swing some of us are looking forward to a break whilst others are just winding up for the Christmas carnivals over the coming month. Events for the club have some great racing ahead with the Madison on Australia Day the 27th of January 2003 and the Regional Criterium Series over the summer season. Blackburn is hosting the Dunlop Road race on the 16th of February 2002, which should be a great mornings racing as it is fully supported by all the Clubs in the region.

In addition to these events we have the track train-

ing camp for those who would like to compliment their training with an intensive weekend at Leongatha and regular track racing at the Blackburn track just to keep the legs turning over.

I would like to wish all our members and their families the compliments of the festive season and look forward to seeing you all at a race soon in the New Year.

Damien Petrie
Race Director



Tales from the (off-road) Peloton

A chance meeting

Ever wonder what the Tour stars get up to in their down time? Well read on....

One of the advantages of living in Austin, Texas is that you never know who you might bump into out on the road, or the trails. And you never know how silly you'll make yourself look, as Andy Bury discovered.

I swear, I was just riding along, not looking to embarrass myself . . .

My friend (call him Jorge) and I are out riding some nice single track. Started at 8 am and we've gotten about two hours of solid riding in when we decide to turn around and head back. We come to a confluence of trails, and take the one heading downhill. Soon I hear someone ride up behind me. My buddy is ahead, so it's not him. Of course, I give it some stick, since I don't want to hold anyone up. (Actually, this is my 'hood, and I don't want anyone thinking I can't ride faster than my grandma).

I catch Jorge when he doesn't make a ledge. After I pass, he says something to the rider now attached to my behind, but I don't catch it. I slow up a little to save some energy for a steep section I know is just ahead. I give it some gas and clear everything... everything but the last limestone step. Rats. Now this guy's going to pass me on home turf. So, I turn around to see who's coming. It's Lance.

Like many other Austinites, I've seen him from afar, zipping by going the other direction, and I've seen just a "few" pictures in mags and on the net, but here he was in the flesh. My reaction? Start cheering for him like he's just left Jan on the Alpe d'Huez. My crazed-fan-yell pierces the peaceful silence. As he passes, I stick out my hand for a high-five. I'm left doing the "Statue of Liberty" as he rides by. The look on his face says it all.

Then it's really quiet again. Or is it just the stark contrast with my "Crazed Fan" act? The first thought that passes through my mind is "High five? Did you really expect him to give you a high-five?" I felt a little betrayed by whatever that was that just possessed me.

I snap out of it as two of his friends come up the same rise and pass me by. I jump on their wheel and just manage to pass the skinny one before we come to where the trail passes over a new road. As I ride up to Lance and his two friends (the skinny one must have taken a shortcut to the pavement), Lance

is looking the opposite direction, like maybe I won't recognise him. Didn't he hear me back there? Maybe I should have screamed louder. Anyway, I pull up



and keep a respectful distance, not knowing what to say, now. Maybe something like, "I'm not usually a moron." Or

"Hi. I know enough about you to make you slightly nervous." Somehow I kept my mouth shut.

Fortunately for me, my friend Jorge arrives to save the day, as always. Jorge is one of those guys that you can base your life on.

He is comfortable around everyone, and everyone is comfortable around him. Jorge pulls right up to Lance and starts talking to him like they were old friends. No hesitation. "How are the twins?" I wish I had thought of that one. Lance smiles and says they're great. "I have four about the same age," says Jorge. Lance smiles and says, "Four twins?" Everyone laughs and Jorge says that he has four kids.

Jorge asks Lance, "So, what are you doing these days?" "Oh, I've been drinking some beer," Lance says with a smile. From the looks of him, he hasn't been drinking many (as opposed to Beer Boy, who reportedly drank 24 beers in the last 24 hours, or something). Maybe Lance has had one beer since the SFGP, or maybe he thought about drinking one beer, one light beer. Or, maybe he's just been watching Beer Boy drink. Whatever, if he's been knocking back many cold ones, he's also been riding them off, because he still looks extremely lean.

After a bit of "you're getting in better shape" and "I drank so many beers" talk amongst the group, one of Lance's friends, the skinny guy, says that he's feeling a bit whipped. Lance jokes with him that maybe if he didn't start the ride like he'd been shot out of a cannon, he'd feel better right now. Lance says, "When you get to be an old man, you can't start out like that anymore." I think, "Old man? What is he, 30? Maybe after winning four Tours, you feel old at 30. Wait 'til you tie on ten more years. Then we'll talk!"

We start off down the other side of the road and Jorge tells me that if I want to hang with them, go ahead. I don't want to leave Jorge behind, but I do want to ride with Lance and Co. for a while. Lance is

riding fast, then stopping to wait for his buddies. The skinny one gets dropped first, then Beer Boy. Lance stops, I pass him. He passes me then stops. I pass him. We do this back and forth for a while. After passing him one time, I just keep doing my diesel thing, grinding up a little rise. He jumps on my wheel and says, in a voice just loud enough for me to hear, "Whoa! World Cup pace." Do I detect a bit of sarcasm? Grind, grind, grind. I lead him into a section of limestone ledges that is moderately challenging. Since I'd picked up the grind after that last little comment, however, I'm feeling close to the edge. In fact, I'm trying not to suck my lips down my windpipe.

Then what do I hear?

Brrrrng! "Hi. Yeah. He was screaming? What did you do? Uh-huh. Just a sec... (he scales a ledge) OK. Uh-huh. Yeah. Just a sec... (he scales another ledge). I'm out mountain biking. Just a sec... (he scales the third ledge right behind me.) Okay, bye."

He's calmly taking a cell phone call while I'm at redline. He sounded like he was being toted along in a Laz-y-Boy. Okay, time for me to stop and "wait for Jorge." I watch Lance go by, then Beer Boy, then the skinny one. And that's it. I turn around and ride back to Jorge, then we ride home together, talking about how cool that was and how it could only happen here in Austin.

(story from www.cyclingnews.com)

Junior Corner



Juniors going flat out at last years Metros.

The racing at Blackburn since the last junior information sheet has been interspersed with a combine at Chelsea and the Future Stars events at Coburg. Results of the Sprint King series have already been notified via the interim junior news sheet which was sent out because of the last Newsletter's cancellation.

The combine at Chelsea on 23rd November saw great performances by Aaron Eynaud, Chris Perkins and Peter Vlahos. Congratulations on your efforts fellas. November 30th at Blackburn was washed out. We need the rain, but why on a Saturday?

There's training most nights, and don't forget you've got oodles of racing. Both track and criteriums that can be enjoyed each week. It's on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings; Saturday mornings and afternoons and Sunday mornings. I'll tell you the venue and type of racing when you contact me. The club likes to see all juniors having a good time at their chosen sport, but make sure you attend to your school work first.

We are hopeful of plenty of juniors entering each club race day. It's fantastic when we can run a handicap and graded scratch races which give everybody a fair chance of winning. Blackburn is in recess from 22nd December to 4th January, but for those who aren't going to the Christmas carnivals and want to race, our combine clubs can accommodate you with criteriums on 24th and 31st December and track racing 2nd January.

DOESN'T ANYBODY KNOW WHAT A "RECOGNISED MISHAP" ON THE TRACK IS? I'M STILL WAITING TO GIVE AWAY A MARS BAR.

Flash - Congratulations to Richard England on his excellent win in the Melbourne Cup on Wheels.

Finally, have a great Christmas break no matter how you spend it. Just make sure you all come back in the New Year after a safe and happy time.

Doug Reith.

South East Regional Criterium Series 2003

Sundays 9:00 am

15th December at Delamore Drive, Scoresby.
2nd February at Glenvale Cres, Mulgrave.
16th February at Dunlop Road, Mulgrave.
9th March at Glenvale Cres, Mulgrave
20th April at Studley Park Boulevard, Kew

Plus:

**Women's Criterium Series
Grades A,B,C,D & E
Minimum \$1,000.00
Series Prizemoney**

Want to go to Tassie?

One of our track riders, Duanne Gilmore, is heading over to Tasmania for the Christmas track carnivals. These races are some of the best races in the country, and the riders are usually well looked after. The prizemoney on offer is also usually quite substantial. If anyone would like to join Duanne and head over to Tassie for this great series, you can email him at:

<gilmore_duanne@mailcity.com>

or catch up with him at track training/racing. Just look for a powerfully built rider with the most explosive starts going around! The race series runs from Boxing day to New years day.

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Summer Track and Crit Racing

All club racing for both Seniors and Juniors to start at 2:00pm Saturdays.

Crit racing: Sunday 9pm Glenvale Crescent*

Tuesday 6.30pm Springvale Necropolis.

*Please consult the club summer fixture for details of what's on when.

Training session at Vodafone Arena

Open to all riders, including Juniors

Saturday December 21st

10am to 1pm

Recent Results.

2002 BAW BAW CLASSIC SATURDAY 16th NOVEMBER 2002 RESULTS

"A" GRADE - 97km

- 1st Christopher CARR Swim Bike Run 3hrs 32.46mins
- 2nd Nick KIRALY Fitzroy Cycles 3hrs 34.50mins
- 3rd Christopher BRADFORD Carnegie-Caulfield C.C. 3hrs 37.07mins

"B" GRADE - 97km

- 1st Murray SPINK Jones Cycles 3hrs 31.32mins
- 2nd Julian PAYNTER Ashburton Cycles 3hrs 35.48mins
- 3rd William WALKER Look Pro Team 3hrs 41.19mins
- 11th Richard KNIGHT Le Tour Cycles 4hrs 19.14mins
- 14th Cameron HUNTER Blackburn C.C. 4hrs 45.44mins

WOMEN - 87km

- 1st Karen HOPKINSON Dirt Riders C.C. 3hrs 53.38mins

"C" GRADE - 87km

- 1st Steve MORROW Carnegie-Caulfield C.C. 3hrs 28.02mins
- 2nd Robert CURTIS Carnegie-Caulfield C.C. 3hrs 33.16mins
- 3rd Carl MARONEY Bike Now 3hrs 35.39mins
- 7th Scott SETFORD Blackburn C.C. 3hrs

- 45.28mins
- 9th Benjamin SERPELL Le Tour Cycles 3hrs 56.05mins
- 11th Timothy CLARKE Le Tour Cycles 3hrs 58.20mins

MASTERS - 87km

- 1st Ken FORD Carnegie-Caulfield 3hrs 31.15mins
- 2nd Thomas SANDNER Warragul C.C. 3hrs 32.44mins
- 3rd Gary CLIVELY Coburg C.C. 3hrs 36.26mins
- 4th Douglas REYNOLDS Blackburn C.C. 3hrs 37.40mins
- 5th Andrew SMITH Blackburn C.C. 3hrs 39.02mins
- 6th David MORELAND Bendigo & District C.C. 3hrs 44.28mins
- 16th Andrew SUTHERLAND Blackburn C.C. 4hrs 50.28mins

MELBOURNE CUP ON WHEELS SATURDAY 30th NOVEMBER 2002 RESULTS

"C" GRADE 20 lap SCRATCH RACE

- 1st Damien KEIRL Ballarat/Sebastopol C.C. 6.20.151
- 2nd Rohan McLELLAN Carnegie-Caulfield C.C.
- 3rd Andrew BOLE Brunswick C.C.
- SPRINTS Steve MARTIN Le Tour Cycles
- Simon CAMROUX ACT, Glen HUTCHINSON Footscray C.C.

WOMEN'S 20 lap SCRATCH RACE

- 1st Catherine ALLEN Blackburn C.C. 7.02.762
- 2nd Jenny MacPHERSON Carnegie-Caulfield C.C.
- 3rd Kylie HOWLETT Fortress/Banana Flooring
- 4th Brigid FARRELL Melbourne Elite Sport
- SPRINTS Rebecca ELLIS ACT Rebecca ELLIS ACT

MELBOURNE CUP ON WHEELS (FINAL)

- 1st Richard ENGLAND Ashburton Cycles 110mts
- 2.10.672 2nd Michael FORD Grand Prix Cycles 100mts
- 3rd Todd WILKSCH Fitzroy Cycles 25mts
- 4th Marcus KANNERMANN SUI 70mts

"C" GRADE ELIMINATION

- 1st Glen HUTCHINSON Footscray C.C. 5.19.221
- 2nd Simon CAMROUX ACT
- 3rd Steve MARTIN Le Tour Cycles
- 4th Jeremy McLAY Chelsea & Peninsula C.C.

"B" GRADE POINTS SCORE (20 laps)

- 1st Ben RIX Bendigo & District C.C. 10pts NTR
- 2nd Tommy NANKERVIS Grand Prix Cycles 8pts
- 3rd Jamie GODDARD Le Tour Cycles 6pts
- 4th Hayden MEAD Chelsea & Peninsula C.C. 5pts

Cycling on SBS!

SBS & Cycling Australia form media partnership.

CYCLING AUSTRALIA and SBS TELEVISION in October announced a media partnership that will make the network the sport's official broadcaster.

In an important and historic television rights deal, SBS will air highlights of the premier events on the Cycling Australia domestic calendar, including the Australian Championships and major track and road events.

In a first for Australian television, SBS has also confirmed the production of a weekly cycling program to be hosted by the network's cycling reporter MICHAEL TOMALARIS.

The LIVE program will present viewers with features, news and interviews of the two-wheel kind and will air LIVE every Sunday @ 5.30 pm from December 22.

"With its recognised commitment to the top international cycling events, SBS has long been the sport's premier Australian broadcaster." said SBS' Head of Sport, LES MURRAY.

"The prestigious Tour de France has been covered by SBS annually since 1991 and the network is the rights-holder of both the track and road world championships. In that 11-year span the Tour's audience reach has grown from a few hundred thousand to three and a half million.

This partnership with Cycling Australia allows that commitment to extend to the Australian domestic calendar and the coverage of an additional 11 events per year. We are delighted to have been

invited to be part of this partnership and look forward to broadcasting and promoting Australian cycling."

"SBS has always been supportive of our sport and has given us an avenue to promote the outstanding achievements and success of our cyclists both in Australia and around the world," said Cycling Australia CEO, GRAHAM FREDERICKS. *"We are very pleased to formalise our association and look forward to a long term successful partnership."*

"2002 has seen Australian cyclists on the podium in all disciplines and across all age groups which demonstrates the depth of talent we have in this country," said Mr FREDERICKS. *"Our coaches, cyclists and development programs have delivered fabulous results and we are now ranked in the top echelon of world cycling."*

The first event to be broadcast under the new arrangement will be the prestigious SYDNEY CUP from the Dunc Gray Velodrome, Bass Hill, Sydney. The meeting will feature the local stars of track cycling who recently took Australia to the number-one nation ranking at the Denmark World Championships. Australia's road, MTB, Paralympic and BMX stars will also be in attendance for the presentation of the 2002 AUSTRALIAN CYCLIST OF THE YEAR AWARDS.

Highlights from these events will be broadcast on SBS on Sunday December 15 @ 11.00am.

SBS Television is a veteran of eleven Tour De France coverages and many other significant world and domestic cycling events. This broadcasting partnership with Cycling Australia is further confirmation of its position as Australia's cycling network.

Australia Day Madison Combine & Kieran Series



**Monday 27th January 2003
10am East Burwood Velodrome**

Track Racing for all ages and abilities.
Be there for all the action!

Rider Profiles (The BBN-Files)

Name: Duanne Gilmore

Age: 24

Occupation: Civil Engineer

Current Coach: Barry Gilmore

Why did you choose cycling as your sport?

I didn't. My dad forced me to become the champion that he was not (joke). I just love riding bikes (on the track).

Goals for this year?

To win the Christmas hamper at Blackburn

Any long term goals? (Dream Big!)

To win the Christmas hamper at Blackburn

What are your favourite events & why? (i.e. time trials? Criteriums?)

Other than the Christmas hamper race, the Olympic Sprint, Keiren and Match Sprint.

What are your best results to date?

Winning the Christmas hamper when I was about 14 against BJ Shearsby when he was world champion. I have other championship highlights but the above is the best moment so far to me.

What does a typical training week for you involve?

I don't ride very much. I get bored easy. I probably do about 50k a fortnight. I go to the gym a lot and do pump classes and tai-bo. I like doing spin classes too. A lot of riders think they are too sophisticated to do some off beat training but it manages to keep my attitude and my body well conditioned.

Do you have anyone you really admire in cycling, and if so who & why?

Gary Neiwand. Gary is an absolute legend. Growing up I never saw him finish a scratch race or make it to the final of a Wheelrace, but could he sprint! I remember seeing him in Adelaide moving around a group of the worlds best riders in a keiren and throwing his arms in the air before he had fully passed them! Gary is a dude! I also "admire" Rhana Demarte (you will have to ask me in person why).

Favourite training music/Bands?

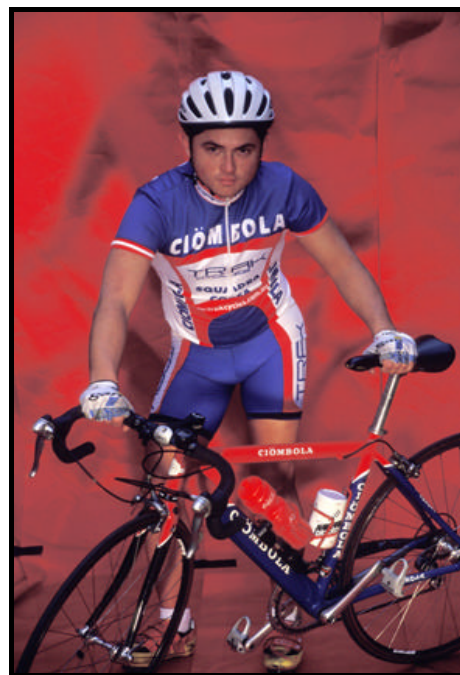
I get into a lot of different stuff; The Strokes, Jeff Buckley, Fiona Apple. I generally fire up with some R&B or some dance stuff. I like listening to the bagpipes at East Burwood reserve when training on the track too. When I need to get angry before a race I get my mum to sing some Celine Dion.

If you had unlimited cash, what would be your ultimate riding machine? (Bike that is!)

I already have the track bike of my dreams. Have you seen it? I cried when I fell off it last year (I really did!). It is a Ciombola with full Capagnolo record group set.

Last question, what's your favourite pig our meal after a long ride?

Other than the food they give you in the Christmas hamper, I love Chinese food. I can eat it forever.



Thanks to Duanne for his rider profile and the terrific photo!

More rider profiles on the way so watch this space. Ed.