



Presidents Prattle

As the year draws rapidly to a close we can reflect on a fairly successful year at the club. Two new large sponsors (Bikeland and Barry Bourke Holden) join CTC, our biggest sponsor for the last five years. Large events such as the Baw Baw Classic and the Metropolitan and Country road titles continue to keep cycling's profile high locally and race numbers are up in the last few weeks with new members joining.

Our next big challenge is of course the running of the Track Carnival early next year which is "on track" thanks to the new sponsorships and the recent working bee. A big thanks to those that put in two hours of time to achieve a huge improvement. Another short working bee will be required before the carnival to accommodate those that missed the first one! It is now looking good for our presentation night Saturday 20th Dec 6pm at the Velodrome.

This year's presentation will feature a spit of meat to sate the appetite after the afternoon's crit. This and of course Christmas dinner should be your last big meal prior to a strict four months of controlled calorie intake leading up to the Baw Baw Classic which next year has moved to April 24th. This year we are aiming for a much higher club participation in the race with training much easier at this time of the year. I am even seriously contemplating entering myself, which could be a sight to behold!

In closing I would like to give a big thanks to the committee members and the other "behind the scenes" people such as Staf, Jake, Karen, Wayne and the rest who appear frequently to save the day whenever asked.

Don't forget to renew your membership before the end of the year, as you know: no receipt, no race. New members are always welcome so any potentials amongst friends may be swayed by the new \$100 dollar voucher at Bikeland which almost pays for the membership. The only down side is it's new members only!

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Steve Hall, President

Club presentation Night

6pm Saturday 20th December 2003 at the Clubrooms. Spit of meat is on the menu. Family and friends invited. BYO drinks and a good disposition. Be there!

License and Club Subscription Renewal

Please note that 2003 licenses and subscriptions expire at the end of the year. It is required of the Club to ensure that riders have to be licensed to race. No license means no racing!

Renew your license at Bikeland. Murray Fenwick (0356232398) will help you out.

Junior Track Training and Racing

Track racing every Tuesday 6:30pm start. Includes seniors. Entry \$2.

Track Training every Thursday 6:00pm start. No cost. Contact: Ross Henry 0356 253460.

Road Racing Calendar

The road-racing calendar to mid January 2004 has been drafted and e-mailed. Check it out on our very new website <http://www-personal.monash.edu.au/~joconnor/>. Queries to Murray, 56232398

20-Dec	Sat	Bourke St	Criterium
20-Dec	Sat	Velodrome	Presentation Night 6.30pm
CHRISTMAS BREAK			
3-Jan	Sat	Bourke St	CRITERIUM SERIES round 1
10-Jan	Sat	Bourke st	CRITERIUM SERIES round 2
17-Jan	Sat	Bourke St	CRITERIUM SERIES round 3

Junior racing starts 1pm, Seniors at 2pm. Riders are requested to register 1/2 hour before race starts. Cost seniors \$4, juniors \$1.

Murray Fenwick (0356232398) is in the process of drafting the remainder of our Summer Road racing program.

Diary Dates

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| 1. License renewal (Bikeland) | before the New Year |
| 2. Presentation night | 20 th Dec 2003 |
| 3. Road racing resumes – Bourke St | 3 rd Jan 2004 |
| 4. Cycling Carnival | 31 st Jan 2004 |
| 5. Junior Cycling Carnival | 1 st Feb 2004 |
| 6. Baw Baw Classic | 24th Apr 2004 |

Bikeland Sponsorship

Our Major sponsor Bikeland will be commencing their three-year \$16,000 sponsorship of our Club as from the 1st of January 2004. The Club and Bikeland look forward to the partnership in promoting cycling and the Club.

New Club uniforms (in royal blue and shades of yellow) and will be available for purchase directly from Bikeland sometime in the middle of January 2004. The existing however will be retained for junior riders (up to J15). Here is a sneak preview of the new design:





The uniforms are of a high quality and are sold to members (only) at below whole sale prices viz:

- Nicks \$59.95
- Bib-shorts \$72
- Short sleeve jersey \$77
- Long sleeve thermal jersey \$91
- Short sleeve skin suit \$97
- Long sleeve skin suit \$125
- Wind vest \$72
- Wind stopper vest \$93
- Arm warmers \$32

Joel Pearson – off to France to Join the U23 Credit Agricole Team



Joel Pearson presently with Team MGZT has had a very successful year and has been selected to join the U23 Credit Agricole Team. Joel flies off to France in February 2004. , Read more at [cycling news](#) Congratulation Joel!

Club Racing - Season Points

The first five placing's up to the 21st Nov 2003 are:

A-Grade

Keeble Scott	98
Sandner Thomas	95
Thomson Geoff	76
Salton John	68
Stiles Shane	35
Finlayson Peter	10

B Grade

Beales Chris	67
Lee Tim	52
Henry Ross	46
O'Connor Justen	39
Bailey Peter	35

C Grade

Pridmore Michael	90
Rob Monk	71
Hanley Monique	63
Henry James	54
Walk Ian	47

D Grade

Fisher Kym	109
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Atkinson Rod	71
Pridmore Brendan	57
Pridmore Glenda	42
Spinner Vic	31

Justen O'Connor on 56221681 or the website for further details.

The Stork has Landed

Peter and Maryn announce the early but safe arrival of Isabella Rose. All doing well especially Peter. Sister for Emma, Allanis and James.

Wanted: your e-mail address

There still are many members who have not confirmed their e-mail address by e-mailing warragulcyclingclub@hotmail.com Please attend to this as soon as possible

Wanted

Vic Spinner (0351342442) is looking for a pair of early model Time shoes – in good order. Size 43 or 44. Will pay a reasonable price.

Bunch Ride

The Committee has deferred the recommencement of the Bunch after the carnival. The format of the Bunch Ride is being reviewed by Justen O'Connor (56221681).

License Renewal

The year is almost nigh. Time to renew our license. Please attend to it well before Christmas. See Phil or Murray 0356232398 @ Bikeland Warragul for your license renewal. Remember no license no race!

Warragul Cycling Club Website

<http://www-personal.monash.edu.au/~joconnor/>
It contains amongst other interesting articles reprints of our weekly newspaper race reports and our monthly Club Newsletters. Check it out!

*Have a Safe and Merry
Christmas and a Happy New
year!*

