MURWILLUMBAH CYCLE CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Meeting Notice

Wednesday 21 September 2005 Murwillumbah Services Club 7:30 p.m.

<u>Agenda</u> Apologies Minutes – Previous Meeting Correspondence Treasurer's Report General Business;

- 1. Festival Criterium
- 2. Ipswich Invitation Race illegally advertised.

Cycling Queensland State Championships

Any member who wishes to enter any state championship must take along a volunteer or volunteers to help run the event. The rule is one (1) volunteer per club, so ask around and see who else is entering as you can pool your resources to provide the volunteer(s). Remember it is your responsibility, not the club's, to provide that person as entry will be refused.

Editor's Note: I am returning to the U.S. this Sunday and would like to say goodbye to the people I didn't get a chance to talk to in person. I've had a wonderful time participating in the club this year. With Rod's encouragement, I raced for the first time and I hope to continue in the States. Please keep in touch via email at <u>oneblui@yahoo.com</u>. Cheers, Karen

Club Clothing.

Jersey \$75 Knicks \$70 Bib & Brace Nicks \$85

There is still a small amount of old style clothing available at approximately \$50 per item. It is still legal to wear at Opens and is cheap!

Clothing is available at the Saturday race or at the Kingscliff Cycle Centre.

Please remember you must wear your club gear at all open race events (i.e. not our Saturday races) unless you have a special dispensation letter from our secretary. If you don't you can be fined and refused a start. Contact Dennis Burger (02) 66726090 (a/h) (02) 66743166 (b/h)

Corner Marshals

Our police permit requires us to patrol corners with a "give way" sign. It is vitally important that you turn up on your allotted day or racing cannot commence. If you cannot make it that particular day swap or arrange for someone else. It is **your responsibility** to arrange your replacement.

President's Report

This weekend we will say farewell to Karen Dressel, who is returning to the U.S.A. Karen had been our newsletter, website, weekly results, membership list maintenance person this year. She has done a great job and I personally thank her for her efforts for the club. I am sure everyone wishes her well in the future, and, come back and see us someday.

Banana Festival Criterium

A very poor turnout for this which is our biggest prize money purse for the event so far. Only 64 riders over the four grades. A-grade was a good field but the rest fell away badly. Where were they all? Ipswich held an illegally advertised Category 3 event, sanctioned by CQ that drew regular Brisbane riders, there was a Broncos Club junior event that would have drawn some parents away that normally would have rode. With \$2440 paid out, the absentees missed out, the participants did very well. We paid down to six places, plus unplaced for some categories. Disappointing turnout, to say the least.

Club Championships

Don't forget that these are on 15 Saturday October. I would love to see a huge turnout for that day. Only club members can participate. Entry is FREE. Trophies are handed out at presentation night. Come on guys and girls! Please make an extra effort to attend!! Auto One in Murwillumbah have approached us and will sponsor the trophies this year.

1 October 2005 - Handicap

Kevin Thompson (Maxxis Tyres) is supporting an 80 km (max) event with a slight difference – it will be a group handicap and the first 4-5 over the line will receive cash, plus the first two from each bunch will receive prize money. The idea is that you should keep going no matter whether or not your bunch can win overall or not. Each bunch will represent A, B, C, D grades. Cost to enter is \$10.00

Maxxis Tyre Competition

This competition has four races to go. Kevin announced last Saturday that if you win your race and you are riding on two Maxxis tyres you will receive another tyre. Overall, Kevin's sponsorship currently totals \$3500 so please support this competition and Maxxis Tyres.

Annual General Meeting

See main notice attached. Remember that a new president is to be elected at this meeting so please support your club. Also, remember that if you don't attend meetings then you have automatically forfeited your right to criticize decisions made on the clubs behalf by the elected committee and any interested members whoa attend these meetings.

Portable Toilet

It's here and in use. Many thanks to Peter and Jacquie McMahon for their efforts.

Dennis Burger, President

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<u>Note</u> – In case of bad weather, please check your email and/or website before the race for possible cancellations. Club Info Postal Address P O Box 673 Murwillumbah N S W 2484 Website: www.murwillumbahcycleclub.net.tc Email: murwillumbahcycleclub@mail.com

Entry forms to our club held event and recent newsletters are now available on our website. Also, don't forget that you can enter for all open events through the online entry system provided by CQ. Just go the following <u>www.qld.cycling.org.au</u> and then just click on the "race entry" button.