## PENINSULA PEDALLERS' PERIODICAI

July

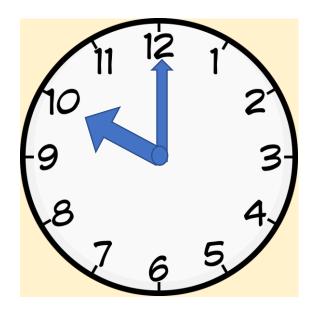


2018

Welcome Peninsula Pedallers to the July 2018 Periodical edition.

#### RIDERS,

Don't forget that rides for the July to September Ride Calendar commence at 10.00 am, (meeting at 9.45am.)



#### Ride to Williamstown.

On Wednesday 27th June the Leisurely Group headed off to for a much- anticipated ride to Williamstown. Although the temperature was

way down, the day was ideal for riding with no wind at all.

Unfortunately, very early on there was a mishap due in part to the bike path undergoing works around the Elwood area. One of our regular riders, Mike Neil had a fall. Fortunately, after what could have been a nasty accident, he was able to overcome the initial shock and escaped with a few minor cuts that were treated by the paramedics who responded after a urgent call from Garry Naismith.

Apparently, on the same morning, there was another bike incident on the same track...

Mike retired hurt for the day, but all ok, we continued on a shorter ride due to lost time. We did a tour of the Albert Park lake (something different), where we took this snap.



Brendan Mc Cormack

#### Tour de France 2018.



Starts 7th July 2018.

#### Health & Safety Report- Ian Stevenson

The Club has had some success with the relevant authorities in reducing risks to cyclists. Please email me with details of any safety issue.

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#### A Weekend in Wangaratta

Brendan Mc Cormack

On my first weekend away with the Peninsula Pedallers, I wasn't sure of what to expect, but I can assure you that I will be attending many others. It was most enjoyable, the weather was superb and the group was lively and welcoming. In all there were 16 of us, a mixture from both the leisurely and faster groups. We stayed at the Painter's Island Caravan park which catered for all modes of accommodation, a great location close to the main centre, set amongst trees and the river. Friday night we popped a few corks and enjoyed a barbeque tea under the stars, getting to know each

other a bit better as we discussed the next day's ride to Glenrowan.

Saturday morning saw us head off to Glenrowan under blue skies and calm winds, only a relatively short ride of 40 km to Glenrowan and back. Morning tea was at the local bakery in Glenrowan.

Arriving back at Wangaratta by lunch time, we enjoyed a free afternoon to relax by the pool or whatever. Again, in the evening we enjoyed a few wines and laughs: it was a great atmosphere.

Sunday, again under blue skies and calm winds, saw us venture out to Eldorado, once a famous gold mining town, visiting the huge, now abandoned, dredge that remains there today.

Then we called into the smallest pub in Australia for a well- earned drink (water), then onto, Milawa, to have a light lunch at their superb bakery, returning to Wangaratta for a free afternoon. The ride was about 60 km's. Sunday night saw us gather at a local restaurant for tea, followed by an evening stroll through the township: very relaxing.

Both rides were very easy going, quite flat and the pace allowed us all to enjoy the scenery. Spending a week end together is a great way to make a stronger bond with each other, as often, after our weekly rides, we disperse fairly quickly.

I thoroughly enjoyed myself. I felt at ease to make my own decisions, had plenty of time to relax and the rides were made adaptable to cater for all. The break to the country was just what I needed. Make sure you think about getting away with the group sometime. We are a good easy- going group of people, pretty precious these days......

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Gary having a senior moment ....





### Sunday night on the town. Can you see Felix ?





What's so funny?



The smallest pub in Victoria

If any of our members would like to submit anything towards the Periodical please let us know. Secretary@peninsulapedallars.org.au

Many thanks to our contribuors, in particular, Brendan Mc Cormack.