

LAC Pedallers News:

March 2026

VALE IAN RIDLEY

Sadly Ian passed away quietly at Epworth Hospital last Wednesday after a long illness. Ian was an active member of our Easyriders group.

Ian will be sorely missed. We extend our condolences to his family.

MONTHLY DINNER

The March get together will be on Tuesday 17th March at the Malt Shovel Tap House, Cnr Malik and Bellarine Streets Geelong CBD. Start time is 6:30 pm. Please indicate your intention to attend with Julie Hehir, djhehir@bigpond.net.au no later than midday Sunday 15th March.

TUESDAY RIDES

Tuesday 3rd March: Lara ride. Depart Grey Room at 9:30 am and ride Ring Road bike path via Church St to Bell Post Hill Shopping Centre for coffee. After coffee ride beside Cowies Creek to the wood chip depot and then Hovells Ck track to Lara for lunch. Return via Cowies Creek track and waterfront back to Grey Room. Medium ride of about 60km.

Leader: Peter Rogers

0433 982 840

Shorter ride, North Geelong for coffee and return (approx. 35km)

Tuesday 10th March: Melbourne – Bayside ride. Depart Port Melbourne carpark at 9:30 am.

From the Port Melbourne carpark we will ride a short distance along the beach bike path for coffee, and then continue on to Mordialloc for lunch and return (approx. 50 km, all on flat bike paths). For those riders not wanting to go all the way to Mordialloc they can stop at any point along the ride, as there are any number of good spots to stop and admire the view whilst having lunch. Those who do not ride all the way to Mordialloc will rejoin the main group as they return along the bike path. Contact Tony if you need transport and/or directions to the start.

Leader: Tony Minchin

0417 509 918

Alternate ride: start at the Grey Room at 9.30 am for a spontaneous ride.

Tuesday 17th March: Barwon Heads ride. Depart Grey Room at 9:30 am and ride via Bellarine Rail Trail to Leopold shopping centre for coffee. After coffee ride via Curlewis Rd, Wallington Rd –Ocean Grove Rd to Ocean Grove and onto Barwon Heads for lunch. Return via 13th Beach Rd, Blackrock Rd, Staceys Rd and Lake Rd to Warralily Rd and home. A medium ride of approx 60km.

Leader: David Jolly

0428 838 350

Shorter ride: Leopold for coffee and return.

Tuesday 24th March: Ocean Grove ride. Depart Grey Room at 9:30am and ride bike tracks to Leopold for coffee. After coffee ride bike track to Drysdale and then the ring road to Princes St, Swan Bay Rd, Banks Rd to Ocean Grove Surf Club for lunch. Home via Wallington and Queenscliff Rd. An moderate ride of approx 55 km.

Leader: Jim Carman

0400 844 767

Shorter ride, ride to Leopold for coffee and return.

Tuesday 31st March: A Melbourne ride, incl new Veloway and return across river by Yarra punt.
Depart 9:30 am from 100 Steps of Federation, Andrew Park Drive, Altona.

Ride to Altona shops for coffee. Then to Williamstown, along Yarra riverbank under Westgate bridge past Yarraville. Footscray to Docklands is on the new Dixon Veloway, which separates cyclists from vehicles.

<https://bigbuild.vic.gov.au/use-west-gate-tunnel/for-cyclists/veloway>

Across the Yarra at Webb bridge, then past Convention Centre, Casino, and Southbank shops to Alexandra Gardens (near rowing sheds) for lunch. Return along south bank of Yarra (and beside Lorimer St) to Westgate punt service, for river crossing under the bridge to Spotswood. <https://westgatepunt.com/>

Cost is \$3 per person (PTV subsidized). EFTPOS ONLY, NO CASH, NO MYKI.

Cycle back through Willy and Altona to cars at 100 Steps. Moderate ride of approx 54 kms.

Leader: Ian Keith **0437 852 700**

Alternate ride: Start at Grey Room at 9.30am for a spontaneous ride.

Tuesday 7th April: Moriac ride. **Depart 9.30 am from the Grey Room.** Ride via the railway line from South Geelong station to almost Waurin Ponds station and then Boundary Rd and bike track to The Local for coffee. After coffee ride Whites Rd and Reservoir Rd to Moriac reserve for lunch. Return via old Princes Highway. A moderate ride of about 50km.

Leader: Rob Ballard **0412 308 166**

Shorter ride: The Local for coffee and return.

THURSDAY RIDES

Leave from the Grey Room at 9:30 am.

Leaders:

Date	Leader
5th March	Geoff Van Halen
12th March	Andrew Broadfoot
19th March	Jim Hayes
26th March	Julie Hehir
2nd April	Rob Ballard

SATURDAY RIDES

Leave from the Grey Room at 9:30 am.

Leaders: Peter Spurr & others organized on the day.

Happy Pedalling

Rob Ballard/Andrew Broadfoot
0412 308 166/0429 436 249