

DAREBIN BUG – Mid-Week Riders’ Group - Ride Schedule April to June 2023

- 1. All rides start at 9.30 am unless otherwise stated. Please note the start time change**
2. Meet on the **south side of South Crescent at the corner of Plant St.** (70 m south of the Jika Jika Community Centre) unless otherwise stated below
3. The ride leader sets the route and nominates a tail. (The leader needs to maintain a ride speed to suit all the group)

DATE	RIDE NAME & APPROX km	DESCRIPTION	LEADER
Tuesday 4 Apr 2023	MULLUM MULLUM LOOP 55km	Celebrate the end of daylight saving (April 2), and successfully turning your clocks back, with an anti-clockwise ride. We start with the Koonung Creek Trail (MT) to the Park Rd, Donvale, shortcut to Mullum Mullum Creek where we'll have lunch. Then heading home via the Main Yarra and Darebin Creek trails. Afternoon tea Alphington Food store	Wolter Kuiper
Thursday 6 Apr 2023	ROSTOWN TRAIL (anti clockwise) 55km	Still celebrating a successful clock change ride to Elwood Canal and the Elster Creek trail. Through Elsternwick to Oakleigh and the Djerring trail with glimpses of the Rosstown Trail. The ride returns through the Urban Forest to East Malvern & the Gardiners Creek trail and onward to Westgarth. Morning tea and lunch stops along the way.	Sue Hiscock
Tuesday 11 Apr 2023	CAROLINE SPRINGS & KOROROIT CREEK 56km (or 67km return from Sunshine)	Ride to Nth Melbourne station, train to Watergardens. Very scenic with lots of nice lakes and creek paths along Kororoit Creek to Sunshine where we train back to North Melbourne. All pretty flat except to and from Nth Melbourne station An extra 11km for those wanting to ride back from Sunshine. <i>Note: School Holidays</i>	Jopie Bodegraven
Thursday 13 Apr 2023	WILLIAMSTOWN (mystery tour) 50 km	A trip through unexpected suburbs to have lunch at Williamstown beach. A stop for morning tea along the way. <i>Note: School Holidays</i>	George Bailey
Tuesday 18 Apr 2023	BRIMBANK PARK 55km	North along the Moonee Ponds Trail to Boeing Reserve (MT) and across to Brimbank Park (L). Return via the Maribyrnong Trail and back to Westgarth via Kensington <i>Note: School Holidays</i>	Ed Smart
Thursday 20 Apr 2023	HEATHERDALE TO DANDENONG -TARRALLA CREEK AND DANDENONG CREEK TRAILS – Train/Ride/Train 56km	Catch the 8.55am train from Westgarth to Jolimont then ride to Richmond station for the train to Heatherdale station. Ride to Schwerkolt Cottage (MT). Ride on Eastlink trail east to the Mullum Mullum trail east. Continue to Croydon and ride along the Tarralla Creek trail south to meet the Dandenong Creek Trail and on to Jells Park (L). Continue on the Dandenong Creek trail south to the Lower Dandenong Creek trail to Dandenong station. Return by train to Richmond. <i>Note: School Holidays</i>	Ian Hamilton

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Tuesday 25 Apr 2023	ANZAC DAY SHIMMIES 35km	Ride to Darebin Parklands and take the Darebin Creek Trail north to join the Christmas St Shimmy. North on the South Morang Line Shimmy and new LXP shared path to Bell station to inspect the RSL flowers. Reservoir station (MT) then north again to the Northern Shimmy to get to the Great Western Shimmy for lunch at Crispe Park. Home via the Southern Park at Northcote Golf Club <i>Note: Public Holiday</i>	Wolter Kuiper
Thursday 27 Apr 2023	CRAIGIEBURN (via Broadmeadows) 55km	Ride to Kensington station and take the train to Broadmeadows. Ride to Craigieburn via mainly bike paths or quiet roads and returning by the Galada Tamboore Trail/Western Ring Road/Merri Creek Trail.	Andrew Dunstall
Tuesday 2 May 2023	MYSTERY RIDE FRANKSTON AREA	This will be a ‘bikes on cars’ ride with details to follow closer to the date.	Mandy & Graham Hall
Tuesday 2 May 2023	ADHOC RIDE	Any riders that want to meet at South Crescent to decide on the ride and the leader	Group to decide
Thursday 4 May 2023	WESTMEADOWS (with views) 50km	Ride to the Moonee Ponds Creek path (MT). Continue to the Western Ring Road path. Ride up through Gladstone Park to take in the views. Continue to Westmeadows (L). Return via the Upfield path and Brunswick shimmies	Sue Hiscock
Tuesday 9 May 2023	BRIGHTON BEACH 55km	Take the Capital City Trail via the City Link to the Docklands. Then down the Sandridge Rail Trail to Port Melbourne and the Bay Trail south to Brighton Beach Gardens (L). Return to Westgarth via Bay Trail/Albert Park/Moray St. Morning tea along the way.	Nola Moulden
Thursday 11 May 2023	MYSTERY RIDE	Turn up at South Crescent on the day to join a mystery ride	Ian Hamilton
Tuesday 16 May 2023	MARANOA GARDENS, BALWYN 45km	Ride to the Royal Botanic Gardens (MT). Continue east on the Main Yarra trail to Gardiners Creek trail, Ferndale trail then north onto the Anniversary Trail. Turn off to Canterbury and Balwyn to ride to Maranoa Gardens (L). Return to Westgarth via Kew	Ian Singleton
Thursday 18 May 2023	AQUEDUCT TRAIL 45km	Ride along the Main Yarra Trail to Possum Park, Warringal Parklands (MT). Continue on the Main Yarra trail/ Diamond Creek trail to Eltham (L). Research/Aqueduct trail/Diamond Creek. Catch the train back from Diamond Creek to Westgarth station.	David Maunders
Tuesday 23 May 2023	YAN YEAN & LAURIMAR LAKES 48km to Rosanna or 58 km to Jika	Ride to Merri Station, train to Mernda. Morn tea at Yan Yeon overlooking the reservoir. Lunch at Redleap Lake. Afternoon coffee? Good views and lots of lakes and a big red gum. Pull out at Rosanna station at 48km or ride all the way back to Jika via a new direct route with minimum hills	Jopie Bodegraven

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Thursday 25 May 2023	WATTLE PARK 55km	Ride to the Anniversary Trail. Continue south on the Anniversary Trail (MT). Continue past Alamein and turn left onto the Gardiners Creek trail. Continue on the Gardiners Creek trail until just past Burwood Highway. Turn at Cadorna St and cross Elgar Rd to enter Wattle Park. Ride through the park to the picnic area (L). Return back to the Gardiners Creek trail. Return to Westgarth via the Koonung trail.	Ian Singleton
Tuesday 30 May 2023	UPFIELD PATH & DAREBIN CREEK 45km	Take the Capital City trail to the Upfield path and ride north. Turn off to Coburg Lake for MT. Ride to the Western Ring Road then join the Darebin Creek path to Norris Bank for lunch. Return via Darebin Creek Trail to Westgarth	Ralph Moulden
Thursday 1 Jun 2023	RING OF STEELE 55km	North along the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail before turning left onto the Ring Road Trail. After crossing under the Calder Freeway we turn left, crossing over the railway line and Airport West Green Spine to the Steele Creek Path. Down the Steele Creek Path past the old Niddrie Quarry site before joining the Maribyrnong River Trail at the foot of the Afton Street hill. Back to Jika via Kensington or Footscray Road	Wolter Kuiper
Monday 5 Jun 2023	Ride Planning meeting	Rides Planning Meeting at Jopie’s; 7:30 pm (see Summary for details)	
Tuesday 6 Jun 2023	WERRIBEE RIVER AND SKELETON CREEK 65km	Ride to North Melbourne station to take the train to Werribee. Ride to Werribee mansion (MT), then back to join the Federation trail on Duncan’s Rd. Stay on the trail and cross over the freeway at Sneydes rd. to join the Skeleton Creek trail until it joins the Bay Trail at Cheetham Wetlands. Lunch at 100 steps (Truganina Park). Ride to Altona then alongside Maddox Rd to Newport and re-join the Bay trail near Spotswood. Ride to Westgarth or return by train	Ed Smart
Thursday 8 Jun 2023	SUNSHINE AND KOROROIT CREEK 55km	Ride to Footscray Park (MT) then along the Footscray to Sunshine path. At Sunshine station take the Kororoit Creek path south to the Federation Trail. Cross to Altona North via a footbridge over the West Gate Freeway and take the backstreets and the Lower Kororoit Creek Path to Newport Lakes (L). Return via Seddon.	Ian Hamilton
Tuesday 13 Jun 2023	MULLUM MULLUM CREEK (with train) 55km	Ride to Camberwell station, train to Heatherdale, M/T at Scherkerholts Cottage, then all the way down lovely Mullum Mullum Ck to Westerfolds for lunch. Return via loops of Birrarung & Banksia Parks and a shorter way through Ivanhoe to the Boulevard and home.	Jopie Bodegraven
Thursday 15 Jun 2023	CHERRY LAKE 55km	Ride to Footscray, then through Seddon & Yarraville to the Muir st bridge. Morning tea next to Stony Creek. On to Altona with lunch beside Cherry Lake. Return via the Bay Trail West.	Sue Hiscock

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Tuesday 20 Jun 2023	WARBURTON TRAIL (Wandin Nth to Warburton & return) 56 km	Meet at Wandin North - Lilydale/Warburton carpark for 10am ride start. Ride along the Lilydale/Warburton trail towards Warburton. Stop at Carriage Café Seville for morning tea. Continue to Yarra Junction (toilets). Lunch at Warburton. Return to Wandin North carpark. Riders can drive or take the train to Lilydale and meet the group at Wandin North. Contact the leader if you intend to ride NOTE CHANGE FOR MORNING TEA STOP. Afternoon tea is optional.	Ed Smart
Thursday 22 Jun 2023	WESTGATE PARK, PORT MELBOURNE 40km	Take the Capital City Trail via Dights Falls to the Royal Botanic Gardens, Alexandra Ave, Gate A (MT). Continue along the Main Yarra Trail to Southbank, take the Sandridge Trail to Port Melbourne. Then continue to Westgate Park (L). Return via Lorimar st or the Sandridge Trail.	David Maunders
Tuesday 27 Jun 2023	ALTONA AND 100 STEPS 66km	Take the Capital City trail via the City Link to the Docklands, then the Footscray Rd path and continue to Yarraville Gardens (MT). Head south on Hyde st towards Newport and Williamstown and around to the Altona foreshore, to Laverton Creek to the “100 steps” (L). Return via Altona Coastal Park, onto Maddox Rd and Newport Power station. Head north towards Yarraville/Footscray. Return to Westgarth by Footscray Rd/Capital City trail or via Kensington. <i>Note: School Holidays</i>	Andrew Dunstall
Thursday 29 Jun 2023	ADHOC RIDE	Riders to decide on the ride and the leader <i>Note: School Holidays</i>	Group to decide