

Banyule Bug Special edition Newsletter



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A TRIBUTE TO FRUIT CAKE CHRIS

Sunday 22nd of July saw a small group consisting of bug members and family gathering together to plant trees and dedicate a stone to honor the memory of Chris Lavery. Chris was an original and much respected member of our club. While many newer members would not have had the experience of knowing Chris



he passed away in January 2006.

Many of the paths we ride today are attributed to Chris' skill as a negotiator with the Banyule Council and other cycling bodies.

The stone is placed in a quiet part of the track under a giant gum tree on the edge of the bridge over the Plenty river which was one of Chris' many achievements.

The Site was dedicated by the Mayor of Heidelberg Tom Melican



Pictured below Chris' family consisting of his wife, children and grandchildren



"FRUIT CAKE CHRIS"

This nickname comes from the variety of versions of fruitcake he would bring on the ride. This was back in the days when boiling the billy for morning tea was also part of the ride.

STEPPING IT UP FOR BIKES

A.G.M



The A G M went smoothly with most people re standing Thanks to Leigh Maurie and Allen for being kind enough to take on another year

We were also fortunate to have a talk by the Mayor Tom Melican . The topic “bicycle tracks” was very informative especially concerning the extension of the Darebin trail which is on the Agenda for completion.

The star of the night was Jim Hutton. Jim received a complimentary “Bug Jersey” for his contributions to the club .Jim has a collection of stunt bikes which he brings and demonstrates at club functions ie the bike parking and others. Jim is also a very valued member of the Latte group always on hand to help with a repair or in any other way he can. There is nothing that is too much trouble.



The bicycle rally held at the Gipps St steps was well attended by Bug members as well as a reasonable crowd of enthusiastic cyclists



A mock bicycle path was unfurled down the steps and everyone was issued with a blue ribbon to place in strategic places as a reminder of the lack of bicycle funding from the State Government .An interesting array of bikes attended including the peddle your own juice maker pictured below.



United in a common goal to bring the bicycle budget back and hopefully get rid of the hazard that has necessitated pushing a bike up the narrow gutter alongside these two flights of steps.



Did you know?

That we nearly have enough Allens in the group to make up a set of Allen Keys