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Cover Shot Goes to... rookie to the off-road, Ross Beaton #21, 4th outright

Rnd 1, **Yamaha** VORC Traralgon, and OMCC Vinduro
Three Bridges, 15-16th March 2014

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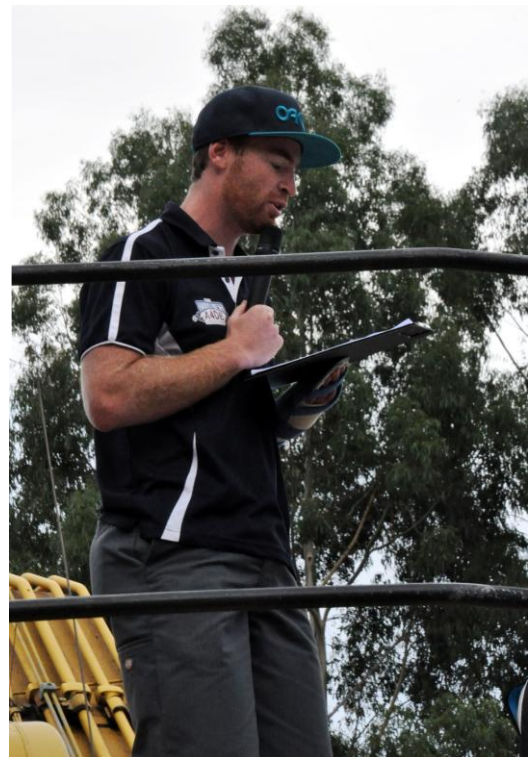
Scooter News headed down to round 1 of the Yamaha VORC at Traralgon on Saturday with the promise of a dry track and a sprint format for the day, on two loops, with countless hours put in by the volunteers of MCRCV to ensure this event would be successful. And from the 220 odd smiling faces throughout Saturday I would say it definitely was. Me and photographer **Jo** had an early start, arriving at the track around 7:30am with scrutineering and sign-in dealt with quickly.



Riders briefing was conducted by our favourite announcer **Cade Vagg** – and what a good job he does. I hear riders' briefings every week by various people with numerous ums, ahs and mumblings, talking too close or not close enough to the microphone or no microphone at all. But Cade has a clear pronounced voice that you can understand, is knowledgeable about the details, and makes you want to listen. Keep up the good work!



Sign in



Cade Vagg

"Could the fast riders make sure they move over for the faster riders"

Now I was on my KTM250 EXC on loop 1, and we had the unstoppable Suzuki mounted sweep rider **Lou Stylianou** #553 take us out on the sighting lap (what an honour that was for us all). The course covered pretty much 95% of the motocross track, complete with jumps, before heading out to the grass section, then back in to the trees above the track for some single trail winding around the hill, then down to the finish line/pit area again, with most riders doing an

average lap time of 9-10 minutes. Being a sprint format the first lap was conducted with 1 minute intervals between each rider giving the dust a chance to settle, and after that we went back to 30 second intervals.



Lou Stylianou – it was an honour Lou (we love him)



Ben Valentine #318, 4th outright, Clubman

I had a good first lap but I did gumby up a bit in one spot which made me lose 10 seconds or so, which saw me back in the back half of the field, and that's where I stayed as they did not redo the position board after each lap (like they do for the Pros). We got through 5 runs in all. I did suggest to the riders in front of me that maybe we shuffle around as I was getting held up with little opportunity to pass but they didn't want that, but I did manage to catch one rider and pass him which was a feat in itself in that black dust. Maybe next time the seedings might be done more than once as riders settle into their rhythm. I know I wasn't the only one with the problem as I heard a few other people complaining about it.

Whilst I waited in line, Jo walked the length of the course to bring you these pics:



Alistar Beveridge #120



*Jack Goodman #394
and Random Image Photography*



Steve Russell #299



Kynan Hanna #380, Clubman C3



*Michael Turnbull #539, TM125 1994
Had 2 flat tyres and clutch problems but did all 5 laps
and planning to ride the 4 Day Enduro on it (it's already done 3)*



Ray Scott #562



Anthony Solar #200 on his Beta 300 2013, his first VORC

There was a strong turn out in the three vets classes. In my Masters Over 50 class we have all been given letters now instead of numbers, so you have the letter V and then your surname letter – so I will be VD. Not sure I like that.. 😞



*Travis Selwyn #502, KTM525 EXC 2007, his first VORC, 5th in O'35s
in training for the Finke*



Wayne Newton #910/N, Over 50s

Over in Loop 2 Jo was in the quarry and the ex-gum tree plantation with the Pros, Experts, Intermediates, Juniors and Women. **Lyndon Snodgrass** #784 was blitzing the juniors but it was **Daniel Milner** #1 leaving everyone for dust in the Pros:



Stu Holt #783, 2nd in juniors for Valley Force



MCRCV's Brady Milton #766 with dad Damo looking on



Noah Milner #631



Darren Bourke #88, Expert Over 35s



Daniel "Chucky" Sanders #2, Pro class, second outright



Tayla Jones, #713, wins Womens by 4 minutes



Andrew Wilksch #32, second in Expert E1



Breanna Simpson, #425, up the quarry wall



Scooter News rider Jaymes Day #63, won Expert E1
Brother Ash #15 was 11th outright, riding in Pros



Doogz #1. Masterful.

A Minute with Ross Beaton, #21

Riding: YZ450F 2014 thanks to *Coops/Christensens* **Job:** works at *RTL Mining & Earthworks*, Longford plant
Usually does - motocross, and his favourite track is Swan Hill. Brother **Jed** is racing at the Vics at Horsham this weekend
Why VORC? "It's my first time racing off-road, I'm doing it for fitness. Not sure if I will do the whole champs yet" .. And then he goes and finishes 4th ... **Thanks to:** *Christensens* and *Monza Imports* – "and my credit card"



Might be time to get that sticker set organized?





Kyle Bernhard and Lachie Harrison in Intermediates – Kyles takes the win



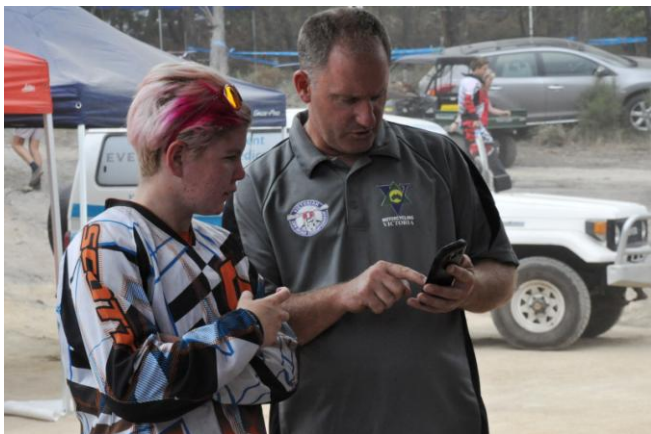
Viper's Chris Richter #213, giving VORC a go



Jake Booth #393, KTM 350

The great thing about a sprint format, not only with the dust issue, is that it gives you plenty of time to recover and rehydrate between each lap, and even socialize, which fellow Master **Marty Orchard** (#M) and I did a bit of in our top spot in our deckchairs near the canteen, under the scrutineering quickshade (saved me putting my own up).

Chris Gray, who heads up the MVORC, is a busy man, especially on race day but he kindly took a minute to chat to Jo:



Chris and Tayla Jones work out live timing



Today's Event: "MCRCV have done a great job – it is hard to put together a track that suits everyone from Juniors to Pros but they have definitely achieved that here. They will also be putting the track together at the AORC/VORC round at Heathcote in September where we now have access to 180 acres."

Off-Road Women: "Fantastic to see 12 women here today, seven of which are new to the series, plus there are 2 more, **Amber Lock** and **Rebecca Lipsett** that couldn't make it. **Alex Long** #487 has even come from SA to ride this weekend."

How It's Looking: "We are definitely seeing that blending of Off-Road, Motocross and Trials now, just look at **Ross Beaton's** success today. And we are really seeing the dividends paying off for clubs like Dandenong MCC and MCRCV who are putting so much effort into their junior off-road riders. We are developing a depth of Victorian junior talent that will flow through to the four day teams."

And You? "I have a KTM350 Freeride which I've owned for about 3 years after **Leisky** set me up. It's as light as a pushbike, real torque with heaps of grunt. This year there are 2 stroke and 4 stroke models. If I had to nominate my favourite round it would be Wedderburn, hosted by my club, Bendigo MCC – I might even get on the bike for that..."

It was all finished up about 3:15pm as the wind started to pick up and grey clouds rolled in. Many riders were coming back for day two when the loops would be swapped over, but I'd done what I'd come to do and we headed home.



Terry O'Brien



"Over near the **Kawasaki**?" "What? The **Kawasaki**?"
"Yeh the **Hands-On Kawasaki**!"

Damo and Bryan Hands (**Hands-On Kawasaki** ph: 03 9735 3171)



Caption contest??

What about... 'no, I am NOT doing the Clubman!!!'

Robert Sharp reported a lot of rain overnight meaning Sharpie got wet in his swag, bahahaha – but told us that conditions were 'primo' for the Sunday round 2. Only one broken collarbone over the whole weekend and a general consensus that the weekend and the event was a success.

Sharpie asks us to thank **Mick** of *Brennan Tree Contracting* who got down there during the week to grind out some stumps in the freshly harvested plantation, *AAA Asphalt's* **Darren Bourke**, **Mark** of *Wathen Excavations* for bobcat work etc, sweep riders too numerous to mention, many of whom would be racing in round 2 the next day. Also we thank MCRCV for their hard work (**Damo, Bryan, Sharpie** and crew), Chris Gray and the MVORC team (**Denise,**

Richard, Dan etc), Dandenong MCC and other local clubs for lending a hand, Traralgon MCC for the use of the track and Yamaha and all the series sponsors for their support.

RESULTS

All on Mylaps (www.mylaps.com), needless to say the top six on both days outright consisted of **Daniel Milner #1, Daniel Sanders #2, Tom Mason #61, Ross Beaton #21, Christopher Davey #14** and **Adam Miller #46**. It's going to be a great championships!

Sunday

THREE BRIDGES VINDURO OAKLEIGH MCC, 16th March



Steve Woodford and his brother on Steve's terrific Can-Ams, 200 and 350, very rare and exotic

Come Sunday, after my big day on Saturday I was half tempted to ride again but I decided not to as I needed to have a sleep in. 17mm of rain had fallen in one big dump over the Yarra Valley on Saturday evening so me and Jo headed out to the **Sanders** apple orchards at Three Bridges for the first vinduro of the year, hosted by Oakleigh MCC where conditions were moist. We arrived to see the riders just setting off and with a short ride to the first obstacle, a slippery gully, to contend with. They then wound round a short 10 minute loop in the bush before coming back to get their time card punched and heading out to do it all again.

A virtual smorgasbord of pre 1985 vintage enduro bikes greeted us; Ossas, Maicos, Bultacos, ITs, XRs, Can-Ams, Montessas, KTMs and a few odd-ball ones. It appeared to be hard work out there for some of them (maybe for the ones that hadn't ridden since the last vinduro) and perhaps the tyres should have been updated rather than using the original ones. Look guys, whilst it's pre85 bikes it doesn't have to be pre85 tyres.

We wandered about, chatting and meeting old and new faces, and taking their photos:



5 AMTRA lads came today



Just lovely



Neil Bayliss on his mail order NEW Maico





Bruce's beaut Montesa



Martin Gratton on something he knocked up in the shed "it's fun to ride when you don't fall off"



Luffy's KTM500



Ossa



Who needs walkie-talkies? Put a 'like' on that Jurgen



Luffy wishing he had electric start



Jo caught up with **Greg Gunn**, who was on his 1976 Bultaco Frontera 360 which won bike of the year back when it was released "I love its torquy lineal motor, it pulls like a tractor and is super reliable". And he'd like to thank **Peter Shoene** in Toongabbie, Gippsland (a previous mechanic for **Bert Flood**) for supplying parts www.bultacoaustralia.com. Greg tells us he was lucky enough to get on a buying trip to the Mid Ohio Swap Meet last July in America where, with a pocket full of dollars you can pickup all sorts of bargains including an Ossa Phantom, fully restored, just like Greg's. The tour organizers arranged all the shipping, and 3 months later it's here in Australia. How good is that?

Being a trials oriented club, there were a few Oakleigh club members on trials bikes going around as sweeps, and **Peter Wines** did a little display in the start area. Or was he practicing for WTC Maldon?



Peter Wines



Tully

We had a quick chat to first aider **Kevin Marks** – what a good idea is this? Kevin can come to your event as a first aider, which might be a godsend if you don't have a trained one on hand – contact him if you need his services, Melbourne metro and surrounding areas: 0411 055 221.



Kevin Marks, First Aid on call



I'm getting one next year

Thank you to the Oakleigh club for all their hard work in putting the event together – **Ryan Nothard** and **Tully Bowman** (Beta Evo 125) for marking out the tracks, **Peter Wines**, **Jeff, Wolf** (Beta) and Jurgen (can someone show this to him as he hasn't got our email), the **Sanders** family for, once again, letting everyone tear around their property, the sweep riders, card markers such as **Steven Brown** and admin people. Those event stickers are very collectable now, and I missed out on getting their smart 'participants' medallion too. Oh well, there's always next year!

Oakleigh MCC are now getting ready for the Glenmaggie trials 19-20th April and of course the FIM World Trails Champs at Maldon 29-30th March with the new non-stop format giving the riders plenty to think about.

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Next Weekend: we will be heading to Gisborne for Diamond Valley MCC's annual sprint through the bush. Great event, great track. Don't miss it.

Caption Contest Winner: Lee Hodges

After sifting through all the emails we chose **Lee Hodges** caption – it was the quickest received (44 minutes after Jo sent out the newsletter) and shows a keen understanding of the frustrating world of vintage decals:



"Hope it lasts longer than their tank stickers!"



Lee wins a Mr Motocross Legends Dinner pack – a Program and collectable stubby holder as well as a highly sought-after *Scooter News* pen

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Photos: just a reminder, if you turn up at the track and see us there and you want some photos, come up and say hello, give us your race number and we will get some shots of you – you may even make into the newsletter. If you are looking for photos, don't forget to contact us – Jo is sure to have some shots of you if you were at one of the events covered by *Scooter News*. Don't forget our YouTube helmet cams too – search with *stevedavisracing* – you'll find us there somewhere.

And I could always do with more friends so why not 'friend' me on Facebook – **Steven Davis**.

Steve
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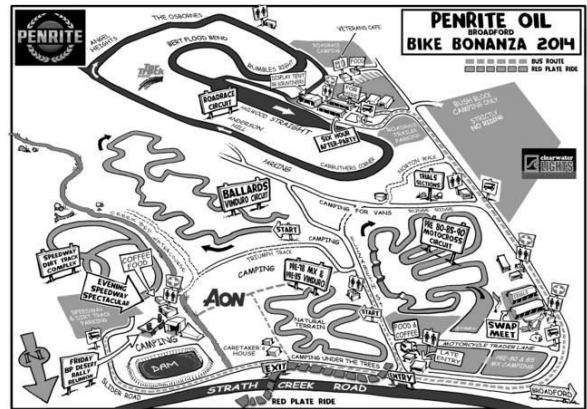
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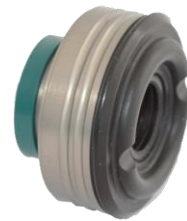
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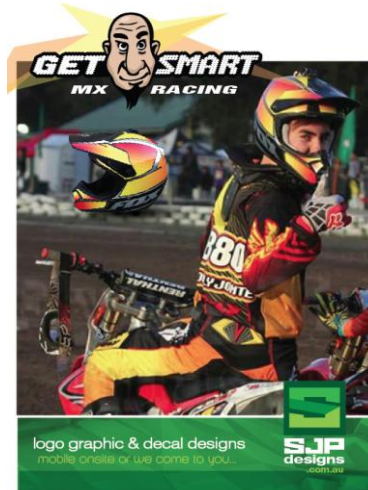


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