



Road Coordinator

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Comments & Updates	<p>-The 2012 summer road season is completed.</p> <p>Positives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greater number of events Variety of clubs involved Commissaire Development Return of criterium series to Assiniboine Park New web schedule (despite some growing pains) Awesome national and international results <p>Challenges/opportunities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Turnout. Did conflict between two criterium series and misinformation that was spread harm both? Were there too many events or just the right number? Did we continue crits too long into the year? Commissaire development <p>-Plans for cyclocross season are well under way.</p> <p>Latest details are always available on the cyclocross blog cxmb.blogspot.ca</p> <p>There will be seven fall races and an 'End of the World Race.' There are 4 cup races (Dark Cross, CMU, St. Malo, and Altona) . Provincials will be Sunday Oct 21st.</p> <p>This is the first year of JYD involvement in cross. They have moved their race from Birch to Republic of Manitobah Park in PLP. Ian Hall and I travelled there last night to help with course planning. As a first year event they are not a cup race. They will be included in the season's pass which is a huge financial and promotional benefit to them.</p> <p>CrossLabs will resume Tuesday September 4th These are geared toward beginners and those looking to hone their skills and have always been open to all ages. Cross has been more successful than any discipline at bringing new riders in over the last few years. A big part of that is the cross attitude and vibe. The committee is always</p>

	<p>exploring new ways to help new riders gain exposure to. Jason C had some good ideas about a kids program. Some of these will be rolled into the CrossLabs. The MTB version of 'Dirt Skirt' attracted 45 riders. There was some interest about a cross version. I'm looking at how that can be accomplished.</p> <p>Seasons Pass program has been very successful and will be continued this year. Rural races tend to benefit disproportionately from this.</p> <p>Cross has been exploring numerous timing options. The ultimate goal is an electronic timing system. In the meantime we are testing computer based scoring systems to help with results posting, etc.</p> <p>Cross made the decision last year to go with exclusive (almost) pre-registration. This will be integrated with scoring systems.</p>
<p>Issues & Concerns</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Commissaires training. We need to continue working - Birds Hill Park? - Cross numbers/plates were a huge expense. I'm not happy with the quality of the numbers we've been receiving, but maybe that's what our budget allows. Doesn't seem to be room in the budget for numbers when all other things are taken care of. Free numbers can be obtained from Road I D etc. 	