



Road Coordinator

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Comments & Updates	<p>- Cyclocross season started with a bang last night with Dark Cross.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 124 race licences 12 citizen 34 open 43 kids <p>Chris had an interview on CBC radio.</p> <p>We tried an electronic timing system, WebScorer. It has some neat capabilities re: rapid publishing online, but entering large numbers of riders in rapid succession as they zoom by is an issue with a large field. Last year we tried another program which we are also evaluating. It has some advantages over WebScorer in other ways. The idea behind both initiatives is to lessen the burden of results posting.</p> <p>- Republic of Manitobah cross is next up. As cross has exploded there has been a lot of thought about what makes 'cross popular. One thought is that tying races to major urban centres is key. The cross organizers have explored races outside of Winnipeg with mixed results. The energy is super high after DarkCross and we hope people make the short trip. It's too early to contemplate seriously now, but if PLP in the future can get community involvement anything like Altona that would be awesome.</p> <p>- CrossLabs resumed September 4th There was some confusion about their role. These have never been MCA events. They are put on by the cross community. After some misunderstanding about their intent things are moving ahead. Attendance was 49 for the first and 60+ for the second (I lost count)</p> <p>-We held a preseason get-together and number pick up at the Belgian Club that was extremely well attended.</p> <p>-The budget is in trouble because of new numbers. Partly this is because Cross has never taken any money from the MCA; not just as part of the road budget, but no money period so this was overlooked. In effect money from cross racers has gone to other programs year after year. Cross will cover the deficit as a loan of sorts and asks that the money be worked into next years budget and come back to cross.</p>

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