

## ARA 2022 Endurance Race: Club Statement

With approximately 30 minutes of the race remaining, an incident occurred requiring the attendance of the emergency medical crew to a rider who had crashed. To put these vehicles safely on track, the pace car was deployed, and the circulating riders formed up behind the pace car.

Correct procedure would have been to allow riders to exit the pits immediately after the pace car passed the pit exit. Due to the significant amount of radio traffic in dealing with the potentially serious incident, and the impact the high winds had on the audibility of messages, a breakdown in communication occurred, such that the riders waiting to leave the pits were held there until the pace car left the circuit.

The club is very aware that this will have impacted the results of some teams, and we offer our sincere apologies that this occurred. We will be reviewing both our radio equipment and radio protocols in light of this and will take the necessary measures to prevent anything like this happening in future.