

2006 Jayco Herald Sun Tour Route



In 2006 the Jayco Herald Sun Tour will commence in Shepparton with a 1.7km street-circuit criterium. The opening stage will be preceded by the Victorian Regional Criterium Championships, inline skating and straight line sprint exhibitions and a local community festival.

The first open road stage commences on day two, with a 179km journey from Shepparton to Bendigo, concluding with three laps around Lake Weeroona.

Day Three begins in Bendigo for the 158km stage to Nagambie.

Following the success of the Mitchelton Winery business breakfast in 2005, the Tour will once again commence at Mitchelton on day four. The business breakfast will further extend the benefits to regional communities and will precede the 178km stage to Benalla as the pace and hills begin to build towards the Tour's finish.

Day five is the longest and most arduous stage of the Tour and may well determine the winner. The 183km road stage will take the riders from Benalla via Alexandra, Thornton and Marysville before a climb to the Lake Mountain ski resort to complete the stage.

The penultimate stage will return the peloton to Melbourne for a 12km individual time trial through Studley Park and along the Yarra Boulevard in Kew.

The 2006 Jayco Herald Sun Tour will conclude with a 1.7km street-circuit criterium around Melbourne's famous Lygon St to be broadcast live around Australia on Network Ten. The final stage will feature support races for grass roots cyclists and the VicHealth 'Go for your Life' community festival.

VicHealth will also present the 'Go for your Life' Tour Village on each day of the Tour, providing the chance to meet the riders before each stage start of the 2006 Jayco Herald Sun Tour.

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