

Lange transforms team

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MALCOLM Lange will be celebrating his 400th victory in cycling next week, but it is the changes he has brought to the Medscheme cycle team that he needs to celebrate.

After moving from the MTN team, Lange has done wonders with what some thought would be a rag tag team of riders.

Nic White, Waylon Woolcock, Hanco Kachelhoffer, Neil McDonald and Arran Brown make up Lange's team.

But it is not just a group of riders as all of them pull their weight to make this team work.

"I know many critics thought it would take us a year to get into things as a team, but we have had an awesome year and the results speak for themselves," said Lange.

Some of their main victories include winning the Cape Argus in March and Durban's main race, the Amamshovashova.

All that remains is for them to win the 94.7 Cycle race in Johannesburg for the "triple crown" of races in South Africa.

Lange expressed his desire for a bigger and better team next year.

"I want to increase the team to seven riders next year but until the contract has been signed, I want to withhold the name of the new rider," said Lange, who owns the sponsored team.

One of Lange's dreams is to see an increase of distance for races.

"It would be great to have races over 150km which will be a great test," said Lange, whose team travels to Stellenbosch this weekend for the Medscheme Tour de Vino.

