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The Newsletter of the Dagworth & District Gentlemen's  
Cycling Society



Incorporating news from the Chickering Cycling Circle

## Meetings

The next monthly meeting, on June 18<sup>th</sup>, sticks with tradition and will be at Earl Soham *Victoria*. For July, we thought we'd see how good the West Suffolk CamRA Pub of the Year is - that's the *Fox & Hounds* at Thurston on 16<sup>th</sup>. On 20<sup>th</sup> August, our destination will be Thorpe Morieux *Bull* and, on September 17<sup>th</sup>, we're going to Richard's 'local': Stowupland *Retreat*. September's quarterly meeting will be at HQ: Rattlesden *Five Bells* on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>. At all evening meetings, we try to get to the pub by 8:30pm.

## More Monthly Meetings

The Veteran-Cycle Club 'Flat Section' meets at *The Scole Inn* on the last Monday of each month. They gather there between 7:00 and 7:30 after which they pedal off for a mere five-mile saunter to a more suitable pub - usually Rushall *Half Moon* or Hoxne *Swan*. However, if the practice of the last couple of years is observed, the meeting on August Bank Holiday Monday will be somewhere completely different. Make a 'phone call to Cally on 01986 784664 if you want to know more.

## Festivities

Stowmarket Beer Festival starts on 18<sup>th</sup> June. We'll be at the Victoria that

evening, so it looks as if it'll have to be the Friday evening when we go to the festival.

## Trundle

There's a V-CC West Suffolk Trundle on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July. It starts from Long Thurlow Village Hall (which, as any fule kno, is in Great Ashfield - TL998672). Gather from 10:00am for signing on and some elevenses before an 11:00am departure. All are welcome whether members of V-CC or not and however old or young you and your cycle are.

Route maps will be provided at the start - there will be a choice of routes varying between 17 and 27 miles. The routes should cause no problems for any age or sort of rider or cycle.

The lunch stop is at the *Flying Fortress* in Mount Road in the eastern reaches of Bury St Edmunds. Pre-book lunch by calling the pub on 01284 787665.

Any queries should be addressed to Ted Ashton on 01284 754993

## Spoke and Steam...

...is on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August. Just like the last two years, groups of riders will assemble at various points in East Anglia and they will head toward the Mid-Suffolk Light Railway

### Officers

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at Brockford for an afternoon of beer drinking and train spotting. The Middy has a Rail'n'Ale Event on this day, and it's a Steam Day too.

There will be a D&DGCS starting point in Stowmarket, picking up at Stowupland *en route*. The Cambridge Section of the V-CC has a starting point in Great Ashfield. The V-CC Flat Section A team will start from Walpole, Chickering Cycling Circle from Horham. Diss is the starting point for the V-CC Flat Section B team, Choppy Warburton Fan Club and Diss & District CC.

More details and suggestions for starting points can be had from Ian Maddams on 01799 525084 or Pete Stanners on 01359 241904.

## Bank Holiday

The August Bank Holiday weekend is also the weekend of Mildenhall Rally and the jumble is on Saturday.

## Bygones

Horham Bygones Rally is on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June and will, of course, be attended by members of the Chickering Cycling Circle.

## Seaside Trip

Rumour has it that a number of Flat Sectioners intend to ride the Dunwich Dynamo this year. It starts at the *Pub on the Park*, Martello Street, London Fields, Hackney, London E8. 8pm for a 9pm start on Saturday evening, 4<sup>th</sup> July. That start time isn't precise; people start to leave when they

feel like it after 8pm. A sort of momentum develops like bats from a cave, and suddenly they've gone.

You'll be offered a route sheet at the start (suggested minimum £1 donation to help cover some costs) but the route is not signed (except, if you see candles along the side of the road, you know you're going the right way).



Around 60 miles from the start, lovely people will open the village hall at Great Waldingfield; you can buy hot drinks and good basic food there. But, note that this is a turn-up-and-go ride and there's no way of knowing how many people will want feeding. They aim to feed 500 people: the big majority of riders. But no more. Make sure you take something to eat with you anyway, in case there's nothing left.

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# Programme Summary

## June

- Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Horham Bygones Rally  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Earl Soham *Victoria*  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Gathering at Stowmarket Beer Festival  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> V-CC Flat Section monthly meeting: 7:30pm at *The Scole Inn*

## July


- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Dunwich Dynamo from the *Pub in the Park*, London Fields  
Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> V-CC Suffolk Trundle from the village hall in Great Ashfield  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Thurston *Fox and Hounds*  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> V-CC Flat Section monthly meeting: 7:30pm at *The Scole Inn*

## August

- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Thorpe Morieux *Bull*  
Sat 29<sup>th</sup> onwards Mildenhall Rally  
Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Spoke and Steam ride to the Mid Suffolk Light Railway  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> V-CC Flat Section monthly meeting: 7:30pm at an, as yet, unknown exotic location

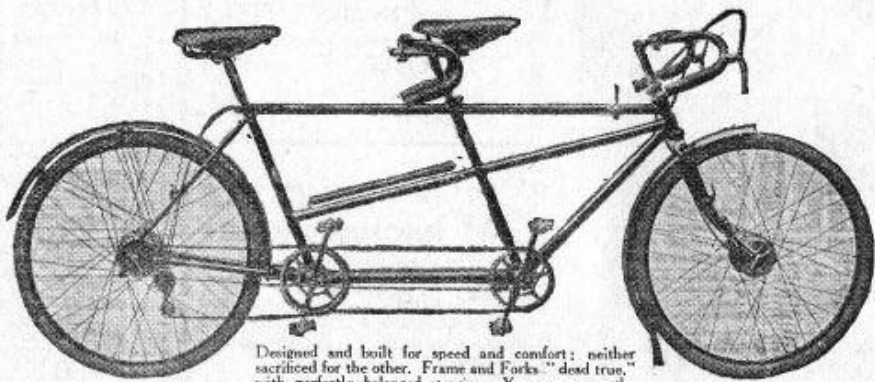
## September

- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly meeting: 8:30pm, Rattlesden *Five Bells*  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Stowupland *Retreat*  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> V-CC Flat Section monthly meeting: 7:30pm at *The Scole Inn*



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