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



**Incorporating news from the Chickering Cycling Circle**

## **What are we going to do now...?**

This newsletter is a little bit late because there's been a slight problem with the autumn programme ... no one knows what it is.

It should have all been decided at the September quarterly meeting. Richard was the only one who turned up. While this gave him the ideal opportunity to concoct a bizarre programme of his own devising and thus make the rest of us suffer for our failure to attend, he decided to forego this pleasure.

The monthly meeting a fortnight later was better attended but didn't produce any definite programme of events – more a general agreement that we should carry on as normal for the time of year. So, here goes...

## **Back to Base**

From October onwards, our Monthly meetings return to HQ: Rattlesden *Five Bells*. They are on the third Thursday of each month, so that's 15<sup>th</sup> October, 19<sup>th</sup> November and 17<sup>th</sup> December. There's still a chance for a ride elsewhere, because the next quarterly meeting will be at Naughton *Wheelhouse* on

3<sup>rd</sup> December. 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*. Make a 'phone call to Cally on 01986 784664 if you want to know more. There will not be a meeting in December because there's going to be a Flat Section ride the day before the meeting isn't.

## **What are we going to do next...?**

This is the 97<sup>th</sup> society newsletter ... well, no it's not really, because there have been one or two extra ones over the years ... but it is the 97<sup>th</sup> quarterly newsletter. Therefore, it won't be a very

long time before we get to newsletter number 100. Using the cunning ploy of dividing that number by four, I deduce that 2010 will be the D&DGCS's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year. What are we going to do about that then? When you come to the next quarterly meeting, you will be brimming with ideas about

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special events we can stage next year – and that’s an order.

I predict that the first event in our Silver Jubilee Year will be a ride to Offton *Limeburners* on New Year’s day ... some traditions have to carry on unchanged even if it is a special anniversary.

## A Trudge

On Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup>, the Flat Section of the V-CC will be trudging for the 21<sup>st</sup> time. To celebrate this ‘coming of age’, please ride a bike that’s at least 21 years old – but preferably much, much older. Meet at Marlinspike Hall, Walpole. There’s a cycle rummage sale before the ride sets off at 11:00, heading for Laxfield’s *Low House* for 1:30. Lunch should be pre-booked by calling the pub on 01986 798395.

## Snow

Here’s the usual warning that, in the unlikely event of there being a suitable quantity of snow on the ground one weekend, we’ll have a cycle ride through it. This is the plan: If you get up on a Sunday to find the ground outside covered in a deep coating of snow, telephone Andrew on Stowmarket 673943 to find out where and when the ride will be. Alternatively, you could ’phone him now and ask to be added to the list of people he will call up when the ride takes place

## Christmas...

...is coming and that means two things: the D&DGCS Christmas lunch and the V-CC Flat



Section Boxing Day Ride. The first of these leads its own independent existence; I can hazard a guess that it will be on a Sunday in December at Stowupland *Crown*...

The Boxing Day Ride won’t be the Boxing Day Ride because it’s not on Boxing Day. It has moved to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December, but everything else will be the same as before. Meet at Mick Madgett’s shop in Diss from 10:00am.

## Jumble

Whittlesey (or Whittlesea) Cycle Jumble is at Whittlesea (or Whittlesey) on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October. It’s at St Andrews Hall from 1:00pm until 4:00pm and the entry fee is a mere half sovereign. If you buy something really lovely, you could ride it on the Trudge the following day. We usually go by train as this allows us to combine the jumble with some visits to Whittlesey’s (or Whittlesea’s) fine selection of pubs.

## Extra wheel

The East Region of the Tricycle Association has a programme of social events throughout the winter. The first of these is on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October and is a meeting for elevenses at Thornham walks, followed by a ride to the pub at Billingford. I’ve forgotten its name but it’s the only one there, it’s next to a windmill, it’s on the main road and it’ll have a lot of trikes outside. That ought to make it difficult to miss.



# Programme Summary

## October

- Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Trip to Whittlesey for the Cycle Jumble  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> V-CC Flat Section 21<sup>st</sup> Suffolk Trudge: 10:00am at Marlinspike Hall, Walpole  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting at Rattlesden *Five Bells*  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> TA East ride from Thornham to Billingford  
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> V-CC Flat Section monthly meeting: 7:30pm at *The Scole Inn*

## November

- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting at Rattlesden *Five Bells*  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> V-CC Flat Section monthly meeting: 7:30pm at *The Scole Inn*

## December

- Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly meeting at Naughton *Wheelhouse*  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Monthly meeting at Rattlesden *Five Bells*  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Mick Madgett's Xmas Run.

## January

- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> New Years Day Ride to Offton *Limeburners*

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