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Cycling Society

Incorporating news from the Chickering Cycling Circle



Easter

That's probably all I need to say: you all must know what's coming next. That's right, Southwold on Good Friday and The Race of the Boggmen on Easter Monday.

As always, the Southwold trip is a non-cycling event; we'll meet near the Harbour Inn at 11 o'clockish to do a bit of crabbing and the wander about from there. If I remember correctly, which I probably don't, we decided last year to go to the pier for lunch having discovered that the café there was one of the few eating establishments in Southwold that doesn't close at mealtimes.

For the Bogg Race, just pedal up to Great Finborough Chestnut Horse in the early afternoon.

Drinking

Bury Beer Festival approaches. This is another stalwart of the D&DGCS calendar, so, as the traditional system works, why change it? That means we depart from Unity Road, Stowmarket at 10:00 am on Friday 26th April, cycle across to Bury, try to sneak a look at what's in Bill's shed, then stroll down to the festival.

Bildeston Beer Festival is usually on the Late Spring Bank Holiday Weekend. This year there isn't

a Late Spring Bank Holiday—there's all this Jubilee business instead. Therefore, we've no idea when Bildeston Beer Festival is this year. When we find out, we might organise an impromptu ride... or we might not...

Monthly meetings

The next Meeting at the *Railway Tavern, Haughley* on the third Thursday of March will be the final one of the winter series. In April we'll start wandering around the county, going to Naughton *Wheehwright's Arms* on 18th April, Offton/Willisham/wherever *Limeburners* on 16th May and Earl Soham *Victoria* on 20th June. We usually manage to get there by 8:30pm... well, some of us do...

More Monthly Meetings

The Veteran-Cycle Club 'Flat Section' meets at the *Scole Inn* on the last Monday of each month. So another quick riffle through the diary provides these dates: 25th March, 29th April, 27th May and 24th June. If you need to know more, a 'phone call to Cally on 01986 784664 or an e-mail to Matthew ♦hodder.family@tesco.net♦ could yield the answers.

Officers

President	Keith Farrow
Vice-President	Carl Harper
Foreman	Ken Bond
Treasurer	Richard Hall
Social Secretary	Andrew Pattle
Recorder	Jonathan Walker

Another Meeting

That just leaves the next quarterly meeting to arrange. It will be at Stonham *Ten Bells* on 30th May. This is a week earlier than usual, giving those members who wish to do so time to flee the country before the onset of the Jubilee celebrations. Half past eight is, once more, the time to arrive.

Chickering

You might have noticed that at the top of the newsletter it always says "Incorporating news from the Chickering Cycling Circle" and wondered where that news was. It's here! On 8th June, the Chickering mob will be going to Horham Bygones Jubilee Rally and have invited us along. This is very brave of them considering what happened last time we went to a rally at Horham. If you want more details about the rally, I would suggest accosting David Whatling. All I know is that it starts at 10:00am.

AGM

There were no surprise resignations or take-over bids at the AGM. This means that the list of officers remains almost unchanged. There always has to be one change because we have a new Vice President each year. This year it's Carl Harper, who has the distinction of being the first Vice President for several years to be properly appointed at an AGM.

Trudge

I expect that the usual suspects will be getting a reminder from Cally soon, but here's one from me: the next Suffolk Trudge is on 7th April. It starts from Marlingspike Hall, Walpole.

Carnival

This year's Stowmarket Carnival will, like countless other events around the country, be

having the Jubilee as its theme. I believe that it is also 25 years since the Haughley & District GCS

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Mary's Little Bike

*Mary had a little bike,
Its gear was fixed and high;
And every hill that Mary climbed
Made Mary moan and sigh;
But Mary's boy friend, Archie,
Said, "I'll banish all your fear,
I'll have your cycle fitted
With a Sturmey-Archer Gear!"*



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HUB GEARS AND HUB BRAKES

first took part in Stowmarket Carnival and that between them, the H&D and D&D have been in every carnival ever since. It looks as if we have a jubilee of our own to celebrate.

Programme Summary

March

- Sunday 10th V-CC: Reg's Ride from Coggeshall to the Notleys, 01621 817916
Thursday 21st Monthly Meeting, 8:30pm, Haughley *Railway Tavern*
Monday 25th Veteran-Cycle Club 'Flat Section' meeting at the *Scole Inn*
Friday 29th Wander around Southwold, starting at the harbour at 11:00am

April

- Monday 1st Race of the Bogg Men, Great Finborough *Chestnut Horse*, early afternoon
Sunday 7th Sixth Suffolk Trudge, 10:30am from Marlinspike Hall, Walpole
Thursday 18th Monthly Meeting, 8:30pm, Naughton *Wheelwright's Arms*
Friday 26th Ride to Bury Beer Festival, starting 10:00am, Unity Road, Stowmarket

May

- Thursday 16th Monthly Meeting, 8:30pm, Willisham *Limeburners*
Saturday 25th Vintage Sports Car Club Boulogne Bike Ride (See *Twisted Spoke* no 2)
Thursday 30th Quarterly Meetin, 8:30pm, Stonham *Ten Bells*


June

- Saturday 8th Horham Bygones Jubilee Rally, 10:00am
Thursday 20th Monthly Meeting, 8:30pm, Earl Soham *Victoria*

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