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

Incorporating news from the Chickering Cycling Circle

AGM

All the usual things happened at the AGM: the officers were re-elected, the treasurer told us how much money we have, etc. At the 2004 AGM we decided to adopt Elmswell *Railway Tavern* as our HQ for a trial period of a year. You may have noticed that most of our recent meetings have been at Rattlesden *Five Bells*, so it's fairly easy to deduce that the *Railway Tavern* has failed the trial. The AGM confirmed the *Five Bells* as the society's new HQ.

This year's AGM was like most others in that when we came to appoint a new Vice-President, no one there was eligible. Before, when this has happened, we've decided to wait until the next event where someone turns up who can be Vice-President. Then, when it happens, no one remembers to do anything about it until a couple of months later and then we have to work back through the attendance book to work out who came and who should get the job. This year we've shortened the process by just going backwards through the attendance book to find the last eligible person who came to an event before the AGM. And the answer is: Fergus Muir.

Monthly meetings

Monthly meetings stay at attlesden Five Bells until the clocks go forward - then we'll start

wandering about again. April's meeting will be at Hessett *Five Bells*, May's at Thorpe Morieux *Bull* and June's at Earl Soham *Victoria*. The next quarterly meeting is on June 2nd and that will be back at HQ. At all evening meetings, we try to get to the pub by 8:30pm.

Carnival

No one has come up with any better ideas (yet) for our Carnival theme so it still looks as if we'll be doing something about the railways to fit in with the Carnival's overall theme of "Transport through the ages".

More Monthly Meetings

The Veteran-Cycle Club 'Flat Section' meets at *The Scole Inn* on the last Monday of each month. Make a 'phone call to Cally on 01986 784664 if you want to know more.

Trudge

The Flat Section's next Trudge is on April 3rd from the usual place: Marlinspike Hall, Walpole. Again, Cally is the man to contact if you need to know more.

Snow

After all these years of not having a ride in the snow, at last the weather conditions were right

Officers

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|------------------|-----------------|
| President | Keith Farrow |
| Vice-President | Fergus Muir |
| Foreman | Ken Bond |
| Treasurer | Richard Hall |
| Social Secretary | Andrew Pattle |
| Recorder | Jonathan Walker |

on February 27th. And how many people 'phoned to see if the ride was on? None at all ... so I went on my own.

Easter

In a horrifying break from tradition, we've decided not to go to Southwold on Good Friday. Why? Well there are several reasons. We're obviously trendsetters since, in recent years, Southwold has been drawing more and more people on this day and is getting a bit crowded. Since the Suffolk Trudge is billed at the "Seaside Special" it's quite likely we'll be going to Southwold anyway the weekend after Easter. Finally, the new destination we've chosen is easier to get to by train, or bike, or a combination of the two. We're going to Woodbridge. Meet somewhere around the Riverside Café at around 11-ish.

The other thing that always happens at Easter is the Race of the Boggmen at Great Finborough on Easter Monday. I presume that this year will be no exception. D&DGCS members will probably be in the Chestnut Horse from lunchtime onwards.

V-CC

The V-CC's Cambridge Section holds rides nearly every month. They're all listed in News & Views but we've chosen one for a special mention because it's being organised by none other than D&DGCS member Ian Maddams. It's on April 10th and starts from Elsenham Railway Station car park at 10:30. Call Ian on 01799 525084 to find out more.

Beer Festival

The Bury St Edmunds Beer Festival is at the end of April. The plan is to ride there on Friday April 29th. Leave from Unity Road, Stowmarket at about 10:00am.

Another Beer Festival

On Sunday may 29th we'll have another ride to a beer festival... but which one? You'll have to wait and see. Leave from Unity Road, Stowmarket at 10:30am.

Trial

Mick Madgett is running a time trial for "Pre-1980 specification machines" on 13th March. If you'd like to enter... you're probably too late. The TA¹ East 25 is on the same day. This event starts at Bressingham at the very civilised time of 9am; the course follows the A1066 to the outskirts of Thetford and back. HQ is a cosy Bressingham Village Hall. Our Vice-President says that "After admiring the machines in the Classic Bike 25 which starts just after the trike event, and eating the Diss & District CC's tea and buns, we [the TA] will proceed to the *Cross Keys* at Redgrave for a lunchtime meet. Good meals, good beer".

Bygones

The Chickering Cycling Circle is expected to be out in force over the weekend of 11th and 12th June for Horham Bygones Rally.

¹ Tricycle Association



Dagworth

<http://come.to/dagworth>

Programme Summary

March

- Sunday 13th **Tricycle Association East 25 and Diss & District CC Classic 25**, Bressingham Village Hall
- Sunday 13th **Tricycle Association East** lunchtime meeting at Redgrave *Cross Keys*
- Thursday 17th **Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Rattlesden *Five Bells***
- Friday 25th **Wander around Woodbridge**
- Sunday 28th **Rusty Nuts**, cycle/auto/other stuff boot sale, Woolpit.
- Monday 28th **Race of the Boggmen**, Great Finborough *Chestnut Horse*.
- Monday 28th **V-CC 'Flat Section' meeting**, 7:30pm at the *Scole Inn*, Scole, near Diss. Cally Calloman on 01986 784664.

April

- Sunday 3rd **Suffolk Trudge - The Seaside Special.** V-CC Flat Section. Cally Calloman on 01986 784664.
- Sunday 10th **Gin & Toffee Ride - Second Helpings.** V-CC Cambridge Section. Ian Maddams on 01799 525084
- Thursday 21st **Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Hessel *Five Bells***
- Monday 25th **V-CC 'Flat Section' meeting**, 7:30pm at the *Scole Inn*, Scole, near Diss. Cally Calloman on 01986 784664.
- Friday 29th **Ride to Bury St Edmunds Beer Festival.** Leave Unity Road, Stowmarket at 10:00am.

May

- Thursday 21st **Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Thorpe Morieux *Bull***
- Sunday 29th **Mystery Ride to a beer festival.** Leave Unity Road, Stowmarket at 10:30am.
- Monday 23rd **V-CC 'Flat Section' meeting**, 7:30pm at the *Scole Inn*, Scole, near Diss. Cally Calloman on 01986 784664.
- Monday 30th **Woolpit Street Fair**
- Monday 30th **V-CC 'Flat Section' meeting**, 7:30pm at the *Scole Inn*, Scole, near Diss. Cally Calloman on 01986 784664.

June

- Thursday 2nd **Quarterly meeting: 8:30pm, Rattlesden *Five Bells***
- Saturday 11th &
Sunday 12th **Horham Bygones Rally**
- Thursday 16th **Monthly meeting: 8:30pm, Earl Soham *Victoria***
- Monday 27th **V-CC 'Flat Section' meeting**, 7:30pm at the *Scole Inn*, Scole, near Diss. Cally Calloman on 01986 784664.

DAGWORTH AND DISTRICT
GENTLEMEN'S CYCLING SOCIETY
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
YEAR ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2005

| 2004 | | | 2005 | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| £ | £ | | £ | £ |
| BALANCE AT 1 MARCH 2004 | | | | |
| | 417.98 | Bank accounts | 443.22 | |
| 446.96 | <u>28.98</u> | Cash | <u>22.59</u> | 465.81 |
| INCOME | | | | |
| | 25.00 | Carnival prize | 25.00 | |
| | 17.60 | Raffle | 17.00 | |
| | 0.00 | Donations | 7.90 | |
| | <u>0.24</u> | Interest | <u>0.28</u> | |
| | <u>42.84</u> | | <u>50.18</u> | |
| LESS EXPENDITURE | | | | |
| | <u>23.99</u> | Gazebo | <u>0.00</u> | |
| | <u>23.99</u> | | <u>0.00</u> | |
| 18.85 | | NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR | | 50.18 |
| <u>465.81</u> | | | | <u>515.99</u> |
| REPRESENTED BY: | | | | |
| BALANCE AT 28 FEBRUARY 2005 | | | | |
| 443.22 | | Bank accounts | | 503.50 |
| <u>22.59</u> | | Cash | | <u>12.49</u> |
| <u>465.81</u> | | | | <u>515.99</u> |