

CTC Coventry & CTC Rugby - Weekly Bulletin

12th August 2020

Again Sunday and Tuesday rides have all been full. On Tuesday both rides started and finished in the same places, the two routes criss crossed each other and were almost the same length. Surprisingly we didn't meet during the day, but had two excellent rides, even if it was a very hot day. Thanks very much Jill and Peter for preparing the routes.

This Sunday we will again have three different length rides. Enjoy, but please come prepared with enough water in case the hot spell continues..

It would still be useful to have more runs leaders for Sundays and Tuesdays. If you are able to lead the occasional ride just send a quick email to me at rides@coventryCTC.org.uk.



Climbing the Grossglockner, Austria in 2010. It had snowed down to 1000m the previous day.

Rides will have a maximum of 6-riders and must be pre-booked. If there are too many riders the ride may be split into two groups, or another leader will take a separate ride depending on how far the quota is exceeded.

Please book your rides by 10.00hrs on Saturday to give us sufficient time to adjust the rides.

On Sunday 16th August a number of rides will leave the Memorial Park, Park and Ride facility:

0900hrs: Jeff Palethorpe will lead a 70-mile ride on a picnic ride to Burton Dassett. Please email Jeff: j.palethorpe@icloud.com, to reserve your place and get full details of the ride.

0915hrs: Dave Hearn will lead a 40-mile ride to the Lowsonford barrel roofed cottage for a picnic. Please email Dave: Dave@MargaretHearn.plus.com, to reserve your place and get full details of the ride.

0930hrs: Marina Friend will lead a 30-mile ride to Berkswell. Please email Marina: marinafriend@hotmail.co.uk, to reserve your place and get full details of the ride.

On Tuesday 18th August

1015hrs: Bob Tinley will lead a ride from Stoneleigh Park to Willoughby for a picnic. Please email Bob: chairman@coventryctc.org.uk to reserve your place and get full details of the ride.

1015hrs: Paul Whitehead will lead a ride from Kenilworth, Lil Greens to Kingsbury for a picnic. Please email Paul: pw35@hotmail.com to reserve your place and get full details of the ride.

You will have heard that the government is proposing some changes to the Highway Code to favour cyclists and encourage more people to cycle. Read more about it here: <https://www.cyclinguk.org/safer-highway-code-cyclists>



As part of our Centenary celebrations we are planning to raise funds for the Air Ambulance service - a relevant and worthy charity, which has sadly been called in to help us in the past. Starting from the beginning of September we will be asking all our riders to make a contribution, of say £1, everytime they take part in a ride. The aim is to collect £1000 over the year, which will be presented to the Air Ambulance at the celebration dinner in October 2021. Ride leaders will have collecting bags fitted with an AA lapel badge as illustrated - thank you, Pip Milton, for making the bags for us.

There is some excellent news from Sustrans: they are planning to make significant improvements to the National Cycle Network Route 41 by constructing more path on the Leamington to Rugby disused railway line, including the branch down to Long Itchington. The work will be carried out over the next 2 years.

I don't know how many of you heard Vicky giving a very professional interview on CWR on Monday this week. In case you missed it we've put it on the website and you can listen to it here: <http://live.coventryctc.org.uk/vicky-palethorpe-interview-on-cw-radio-on-10th-august-2020>

There is good news that the West Midlands is to gain a 500-mile cycle network. Find out more here:

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2020/aug/11/west-midlands-to-gain-500-miles-of-cycle-routes>

HS2 construction will be affecting the Kenilworth Greenway with a diversion for the duration of the construction period. More information can be seen here:

<https://hs2inwarwicks.commonplace.is/news/2020/08/12/creating-a-temporary-diversion-of-the-kenilworth-greenway>

And finally... two more pictures from Mike's collection of crazy photographs from around the world;



Keep safe

Bob

Links to other local clubs

- Earlsdon Wheelers meet at The City Arms (SP 320 780) at 0930hrs every Saturday. [Get full details of the ride here](#)
- Vista is a Club for visually impaired and sighted cyclists based in Earlsdon. They are always pleased to hear from sighted people who will volunteer to pilot one of their tandems with a blind stoker. [More details](#)

Regards

Bob