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## CTC Coventry & CTC Rugby - Weekly Bulletin

**24th March 2021**

It's good news time! Next week we are resuming our rides schedule, although we not only need to obey the rules, but we need to be seen to be obeying the rules. We all know that there is a certain faction of society, like coiled springs waiting to jump on cyclists for infringing regulations - Vicky has already been contacted about "large" groups of cyclists meeting in the War Memorial Park. She was able to reassure the complainant that they were not connected with our activities, but it reinforces the point that we must "behave". Pre-lockdown rules will apply to our rides with a maximum of six pre-booked riders in a group and the different distance rides will meet at different times in different parts of the park. I'm very sorry, but for the time being if you don't book in advance on a ride you cannot ride with us. We will try to stop for a take-away coffee en route, but I can't promise that it will always be available and you should bring any food you might need with you unless the leader says otherwise.

Sorry to rant on...

Thank you, Peter Seamen, for firing the starting gun for a Tuesday Ride from Kenilworth on 30th March. More information follows later in the Bulletin.



Well done to Mike and Ann Thomas and Dave Hearn in order from the left and Jill Seamen on the right, in the left hand picture - they have been volunteering at local Covid vaccination centres to help with the successful vaccination programme. We are hopeful that this picture will feature in Cycle Clips next week. And on the right you can see the beginnings of a flower border on Grey Friars Green to celebrate our Centenary - I will keep you posted as the border progresses throughout the year.

### Rides

Please remember that collections for the Air Ambulance will resume with our rides - there is a voluntary contribution of £1 per ride.

On Tuesday 30th Peter Seamen will lead a ride from Lil Green's in Kenilworth to Berkeswell for a picnic lunch. We will meet at 10.15am and you should email [pj@seamen.plus.com](mailto:pj@seamen.plus.com) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

There will be a full programme of Sunday rides on 4th April starting from the War Memorial Park. Details will be published in the next Bulletin.

### News

I mentioned some time ago that the Transport Museum were preparing a new cycling exhibition to be opened in the spring. More information about "Gearing up: From Saddle to Spoke" [can be seen by clicking here](#). We, in particular Mike Thomas, have worked with the Museum to put on a programme of short rides to run in parallel with the exhibition and to provide them with photographic resources for the exhibition. Unfortunately, Covid has put paid to the rides and I am sorry to report that neither our efforts, nor our Centenary have been acknowledged.

### HS2

Sak Wathanasin tells me that Crackley Lane will be closed from 23rd March for 5 weeks.

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Also, he was at Middleton Hall two Sundays ago and found that it was closed - the gate to the courtyard was locked and there was scaffolding up, which didn't look too promising.

An underground gas pipeline that runs near Leicester Lane, Cubbington is being moved and it is expected to be completed by the end of 2021. [Get more information about this and many other aspects of the HS2 project by clicking this link.](#)

## Cycleways

Consultations have started on other cycle schemes in Coventry:

- Cannon Park Cycleway: <https://letstalk.coventry.gov.uk/cannonparkcycleway>
- Foleshill Road: <https://letstalk.coventry.gov.uk/foleshillroad>

You might enjoy this irrelevant cartoon that was sent to me by a football supporter... my own opinions shall remain unsaid.



And here is the answer to last week's puzzle plus another teaser from Dave Hearn:



Broadway Tower was designed by James Wyatt, was built for George William the 6th Earl of Coventry & Lady Coventry and was completed in 1798.



Cycle frames have long had quirks and unique design features and this week's quiz question features one such manufacturer.

This machine was built by TJ Cycles, originally of Burton-on-Trent, but by what name is it commonly known?

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