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On Sunday Mike took a group to Earlswood Lakes, which are featured in the main picture. Jeff took a ride to Hanbury in Worcestershire, with views of the Malverns along the way and a wooden bear carving a bit closer to home - it could be a candidate for Dave's "Where is it?" feature, but I'll tell you where it is below the photo.

Centenary Reminders

I've talked about the **Centenary Barbecue** a few times - doors open at 12.00hrs at Fillongley Village Hall on **18th July**. Bookings are going well, but I would just like to mention two details:

1. We would like to thank John Crighton for suggesting we hold a cycling book sale at the barbecue - you can donate any cycling books on the day and all proceeds will be added to our Air Ambulance collection.
2. The Village Hall does not have an alcohol license, so free tea, coffee and squash will be available. Canned soft drinks will be available at £1.00 each, but you are welcome to bring your own alcohol with you which, of course, is not for sale.

Please email Keith Jeacock: k.jeacock@btinternet.com to book your place. Cycling and non-cycling partners are welcome and there is ample parking at the Village Hall, so you don't even have to drive there, although there will be some rides from the War Memorial Park to the event. Full details can also be seen on the website: <https://coventryctc.org.uk/special-celebratory-bbq-at-fillongley>

Meriden - 5th September - There is good news about the Meriden Cyclists' Service: we are being allowed to have use of the sports pavilion by the roundabout for the first time.

It will be used for catering and toilets and the outside area will be used for two displays of vintage cycles, one provided by the Veteran Cycle Club and the other display will be brought by the Army possibly including some paratroopers folding bikes from World War II.

A couple of marshalls are needed on the day: if you can help please email David Hearn, Dave@MargaretHearn.plus.com

100-km Challenge Ride - this is a fully catered ride and is the big cycling event of the year on **12th September**. Full details, including a route map are on the website: coventryctc.org.uk/100-km-centenary-challenge-ride, but I would like to add a few details. 100-km is 64-miles, which doesn't sound quite so far. The pace of a ride is more critical than the distance and because we have a morning coffee stop, a lunch stop and an afternoon tea stop you will never have to ride more than 16-miles between refuelling stops. You will be provided with drinks and snacks at the morning and afternoon stops and a light 2-course meal at lunchtime. This is a formula we have used successfully on the National Tri-ennial 100-mile Veterans ride that we have been running since 2001, so the emphasis is on an enjoyable, sociable ride.

Now is the time to start increasing your ride mileages in preparation for the event, which will take you to some of the best riding we can offer in the area. There will be a maximum of 10-riders in each led group and so there no need to worry about navigation - just turn up and enjoy. with a maximum of 10-riders per group.

We are hoping for 100-riders to make the event a real success, so get your registration in by emailing Bob Tinley: Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk and make it your goal for the year.

Bike Week runs from 30th May to 6th June and there are lots of activities planned: including women's rides and rides to encourage new cyclists.

There will be a **100-mile Bike Week Challenge** for fun - we are asking everyone to cycle 100-miles during the week, which can be spread over any number of days from one day to the whole week. Please register your interest with Peter Seamen, 100-miles@coventryctc.org.uk,

Also, on 6th June we are running a **100-mile Century Ride** starting from the War Memorial Park in Coventry. This is a replacement to the fully catered 100-mile ride that had to be cancelled and riders are asked to carry their own refreshments - it promises to be a good day out. Entrants must email Bob Tinley in order to take part:

Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk. More details can be viewed on the website: <https://coventryctc.org.uk/100-mile-centenary-ride> .

Vicky has prepared an excellent short video about our Bike Week activities - find out what's happening and **enjoy the video** here: <https://vimeo.com/548021666>.



The bear on Mill Hill, Baginton and Mike's group at Earlswood Reservoirs.

Rides

1. Please remember that we are collecting voluntary contributions of £1 per person per ride for the Air Ambulance as part of our Centenary effort. **So far we have raised nearly £600.**
2. Please book for all rides by Friday evening following this Bulletin to allow leaders to arrange refreshments, or extra group leaders as necessary.
3. Sunday rides will start at a various points around the Coventry War Memorial Park. When you book with the leader you will receive full details of the ride including that crucial meeting point.
4. Refreshments will not necessarily be available during the ride, but the leader will tell you the situation in advance.

Sunday 16th May

09.00hrs Sak Wathanasin will lead a 78-mile ride from the War Memorial Park, Coat of Arms Bridge Road Car Park to The Dog Lane Fishery, Napton for coffee, Cropredy for a café or picnic lunch and Wellesbourne for tea. Please email

Sak: sak@wathanasin.me.uk to book your place and get full details of the ride.

09.15hrs Dave Hearn will lead a 25-mile ride from the Park & Ride Bus Stop, WMP to Meriden where refreshments can be purchased, or bring your own. Please email

Dave: Dave@MargaretHearn.plus.com to book your place and get full details of the ride.

09.30hrs Marina Friend will lead a 34-mile ride from WMP, Tennis Court Café to Whitacre Hall Tea Room. Please email Marina: marinafriend@hotmail.co.uk to book your place and get full details of the ride.

Tuesday 18th May

10.15hrs Bob Tinley will lead a 24-mile ride from Badgers Café, Brandon Marsh to Draycot Water. Please email Bob: Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk to book your place and get full details of the ride.

Thursday 20th May

10.00hrs Nigel Hickman will lead a 40-mile ride from The Baginton Oak to Long Itchington, Grandborough, Barby and Newbold-on-Avon. Please email Nigel: 22tandn@gmail.com to book your place and get full details of the ride.

News

HS2

The latest news can be viewed here: <https://hs2inwarwicks.commonplace.is/news>

Adam Tranter's video

Adam Tranter - Coventry's cycling mayor has produced an interesting video about his vision for cycling in Coventry: <http://coventryctc.org.uk/coventry-where-the-bicycle-was-invented-but-nearly-forgotten>

Where are we?

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



1. The number 3 theme represents The Holy Trinity (Father, Son & Holy Ghost)
2. The building was designed by Sir Thomas Tresham.
3. It was built between 1593 and 1597



This week's question is about a Yorkshire town, which has reputedly the smallest art gallery in England. It also has The Olde Naked Man Café and has been a regular feature on the Tour de Yorkshire & Tour of Britain cycle races.

Question 1 Which town am I in?

Question 2 Which district of Yorkshire am I in?

Reminders

1. Book your ticket for the barbeque. k.jeacock@btinternet.com
2. Sign up for the Bike Week 100-mile Challenge. 100-miles@coventryctc.org.uk
3. Reserve a place on the 100-mile Centenary Ride. Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk
4. Prepare for and reserve a place on the 100-km Centenary Challenge Ride. Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk