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## CTC Coventry & CTC Rugby - Weekly Bulletin

**2nd June 2021**



Well we are in the middle of Bike week and the miles are already stacking up. - we are already heading for 4000 miles.

Please don't forget to record any miles you are cycling on our 100-mile challenge sheet. (email [100-miles@coventryctc.org.uk](mailto:100-miles@coventryctc.org.uk) to register).

If you can't access this please send your miles and dates this week to Vicky: [secretary@coventryctc.org.uk](mailto:secretary@coventryctc.org.uk) who will add them on your behalf. This can be done in anonymous manner of you wish.

We want to record every mile ridden by our members this week: 30th May to 6th June.

As well as some of us riding the the 100-mile Century Ride this coming Sunday, two of our women riders will be riding from Coventry Cathedral to Worcester Cathedral and on to Gloucester Cathedral as part of the <https://www.cyclinguk.org/cathedrals-cycle-route-challenge>. We wish them all the very best.

In the community, there will be a women's only 10-mile ride on Thursday evening and 5- and 10-mile rides on Saturday morning from from Stoke Aldermoor. If you, or anyone you know, would like to dip their toes into community group cycling, please contact [secretary@coventryctc.org.uk](mailto:secretary@coventryctc.org.uk).

## Centenary Reminders

Please make your booking for the **Centenary Barbecue** by emailing Keith Jeacock: [k.jeacock@btinternet.com](mailto: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> Doors open at 12.00hrs at Fillongley Village Hall on **18th July** and remember that we are holding a bring and buy book sale. All the proceeds will be donated to the Air Ambulance Service.

**100-mile Bike Week Challenge** - Don't forget to register for our 100-mile Bike Week Challenge, by emailing Peter Seamen, [100-miles@CoventryCTC.org.uk](mailto:100-miles@CoventryCTC.org.uk). It's a bit of fun to accumulate 100-miles during Bike Week - more information can be seen on the website: <http://coventryctc.org.uk/bike-week-100mile-in-a-week-challenge>.

**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](mailto:Dave@MargaretHearn.plus.com)

**100-km Challenge Ride** - this is a fully catered ride and is the big cycling event of our year on **12th September**. Full details, including a route map are on the website: [coventryctc.org.uk/100-km-centenary-challenge-ride](http://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 20-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 so there no need to worry about navigation - just turn up and enjoy. with a maximum of 10-riders per group.

There is a limit of 60-riders on the event because of catering constraints, so it would be as well to get your registration in quickly by emailing Bob Tinley: [Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk](mailto: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.

As well as the **100-mile Bike Week Challenge** mentioned above we are also running a **100-mile Century Ride** on 6th June 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](mailto:Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk). More details can be viewed on the website: <https://coventryctc.org.uk/100-mile-centenary-ride> .

The full Bike Week programme can be viewed on the website: <http://coventryctc.org.uk/2021-bike-week>, and 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>.

### **Apology**

We have had a problem on the website with it's mail order functions. It has arisen since there was an automatic update of the Wordpress software which we use. We are doing our best to resolve the difficulties, but in the meantime Alan has simplified the system for ordering Jerseys, or booking events by asking you to email the organiser. They will send out the necessary details.

This has meant that, for example, an email notification that someone has ordered a lapel badge, or jersey has not been sent out. I am very sorry if you have been affected and would be glad if you could email [Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk](mailto:Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk) to resolve your order.

I apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.



A ford near Stow-on-the-Wold.

## 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.
2. Although we are now allowed to ride in groups of up to 15 riders we will keep our booking system in place. We will be able to go into cafes but with a maximum of 6 people per table.
3. Please book for all rides by Friday evening following this Bulletin to allow leaders to arrange refreshments, or extra group leaders as necessary.
4. 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.
5. Refreshments will not necessarily be available during the ride, but the leader will tell you the situation in advance.
6. We all understand that cafe proprietors have had a very tough time over the last year - please be sure to respect any directions you may be given.

### **Thursday 3rd June**

**18.30hrs** Helen Tolley and Vicky Palethorpe will lead a 10-mile women's evening ride from Stoke Aldermoor Life Centre. Please email Helen: [surffoxhelen@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:surffoxhelen@yahoo.co.uk) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

### **Saturday 5th June**

**10.00hrs** Peter and Jill Seamen will lead a 5-mile ride for new riders from Stoke Aldermoor Life Centre. Please email Peter and Jill: [pj@seamen.plus.com](mailto:pj@seamen.plus.com) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

**10.30hrs** Vicky Palethorpe and Marina Friend will lead a 10-mile ride for new riders from Stoke Aldermoor Life Centre. Please email Vicky: [Secretary@CoventryCTC.org.uk](mailto:Secretary@CoventryCTC.org.uk) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

### **Sunday 6th June**

**08.00hrs** Sak Wathanasin will lead our 100-mile Centenary Ride from the War Memorial Park, Park & Ride Car Park to Warmington, Cherrington and Warwick M40 services. Please bring your own picnic for all breaks, although refreshments will be available at the Warwick M40 services. Please email Sak: [sak@wathanasin.me.uk](mailto:sak@wathanasin.me.uk) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

**09.00hrs** Libby Foster will lead a 35-mile women's ride from WMP, Park & Ride Bus Stop to Corley Moor, Barston Lakes and Burton Green. Please email Libby: [libbyfoster7@gmail.com](mailto:libbyfoster7@gmail.com) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

**09.15hrs** Vicky Palethorpe will lead a 25-mile ride from the WMP, Park & Ride Bus Stop to Hilltop Farm Café, Hunningham. Please email Vicky: [Secretary@CoventryCTC.org.uk](mailto:Secretary@CoventryCTC.org.uk) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

**09.30hrs** Mike Thomas will lead a 38-mile ride to The Grandborough Café. Please email Mike: [mike999thomas@gmail.com](mailto:mike999thomas@gmail.com) to book your place and get full details of the ride.

### **Tuesday 8th June**

**10.15hrs** Jill Seamen will lead a 25-mile ride from Time for Tea, Kenilworth to Brueton Park, Solihull. Please email Jill: [pj@seamen.plus.com](mailto:pj@seamen.plus.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>

### Kenilworth Naturewatch

For a full listing of the family-friendly events from Sat 29th May to Sunday 6th June and relevant booking links click here: [www.kenilworthweb.co.uk/knw21/](http://www.kenilworthweb.co.uk/knw21/).

### Warwickshire County Council

WCC is inviting local people to suggest improvements to make it easier and safer to travel on foot and by cycle. The council has launched an interactive map and are asking for suggestions, by 9 July 2021, for the best places for improvements:

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/cycling/developing-warwickshires-cycle-network/3>

## Where are we?

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



This is Edith (Eadie) Atkins: a Coventry cycling legend who broke many records including riding from Lands End to John O'Groats in 2 days, 18 hours and 4 minutes (871 miles) in 1953.



Another legend who rode many times on the Butts Track and had a statue erected at Manchester Velodrome.

Question Who is he?

## Reminders

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