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This week

A group of eight rode the route of the 100-km Challenge Event scheduled for 12th September. We enjoyed good views of the Warwickshire Feldon from Priors Marston and negotiated the narrow lanes to the east of Daventry. It promises to be a great day of cycling on the 12th and we're all looking forward to it.

What next?

The annual **Meriden Service** to commemorate cycling servicemen who gave their lives in the two wars is celebrating its centenary this year on **5th September**. This is a National Cycling UK event which we will be fully supporting and will have rides from the War Memorial Park to the service. More details about the service can be found at <https://www.cyclinguk.org/event/meriden-cyclists-memorial-service-2021>

Dave Hearn is organising the event - a mammoth undertaking and I think it is important that we give the event our full support. Not only is it important to remember the important role that cyclists played in the two wars, but it is also the centenary of the Meriden service. We are organising a couple of rides from our War Memorial Park to the service - more details in the rides section below.

The **100-km Centenary Challenge Ride** will take place on 12th September and we are now fine tuning the arrangements. A big thank you to everyone helping to stage the event.

The last big Centenary Event is the **Centenary Dinner** to be held at Hearsall Golf Course on Friday 1st October. This will be a celebration of the Club weathering the ups and downs of the last 100-years and perhaps, more importantly, a celebration of how the Club has

gone from strength to strength in the last couple of difficult years and is looking forward to a thriving future.

In addition to enjoying a high quality meal, we have two special guests - Sarah Mitchell the new Chief Executive of Cycling UK and Adam Tranter, Coventry's "cycling mayor". There will also be the auction of a painting of Hatton Locks by Martin Lee to add to our Air Ambulance fund, which will be formally presented to the Air Ambulance Service.

It would be a shame to let an excellent and relaxing evening slip by, so please make sure you have booked your places (partners are very welcome) by emailing Keith

Jeacock: k.jeacock@btinternet.com, he will book you in and send you an email with details of how to pay - it's pretty good value at £25. Full details can be read on the website: <https://coventryctc.org.uk/club-centenary-dinner>.

In case you have any worries, the usual and full covid precautions will be in place and table service only will be in force.



A couple of pictures from the 100-km pre-view ride last Sunday.

Rides this week

Booking rides: for the time being we are continuing to ask riders to contact the leader by the preceding Friday to reserve a place on their chosen ride. Please check on the **meeting point**, which may be different from what you have become used to. If you have any concerns about the suitability of the ride for you, please check with the leader before starting out on the ride.

Sunday 5th September

09.00hrs Alan Jelley will lead a 20-mile ride from the WMP, Kenilworth Road / Beechwood Avenue junction to the Meriden Memorial Service via Corley. After the Service the ride will go an additional 20-miles, taking in Lavender Hall Fishery for lunch and returning via Leek Wotton. Anyone wanting a Longer / Faster Ride can split off at Balsall Common and take

their own route home. Refreshments are unlikely to be available at Meriden. Please email Alan: alan_jelley@outlook.com to book your place and get full details of the ride.

09.15hrs Marina Friend will lead a 12-mile ride from WMP to the Meriden Memorial Service and 8-miles on the return journey. Refreshments are unlikely to be available at Meriden. Please email Marina: marinafriend@hotmail.co.uk to book your place and get full details of the ride.

Tuesday 7th August

10.15hrs Bob Tinley will lead a 24-mile ride from Lavender Hall Fishery to Wedges Bakery, Illshaw Heath and returning to Burton Green. Please email Bob: Chairman@CoventryCTC.org.uk to book your place and get full details of the ride.

Tours Next Year

We are hoping that the **Mallorca Holiday**, planned for this year will be able to proceed next year. Preliminary information can be found at: <http://coventryctc.org.uk/mallorca-2022-prospectus>

News

HS2

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

Reminders

1. Attend the Meriden Memorial Service 5th September. <https://www.cyclinguk.org/event/meriden-cyclists-memorial-service-2021>
2. Attend the 100-km Centenary Challenge Ride, 12th september Ride.
3. Make a booking for the Centenary Dinner, 1st October. k.jeacock@btinternet.com

Where are we?

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

This butter cross can be seen in the Leicestershire village of Hallaton.



Please don't assume I am some kind of cider press 'anorak', or chairman of the cider press appreciation society, but where does this restored cider press stand?