

# The Crooked Wheel

*The occasional newsletter of The Fenland Clarion Cycling Club*

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## Ghent Six Day Event

This year the Ghent Six Day Race is 23 – 28<sup>th</sup> November.

A few people are already planning on going – leaving Friday afternoon and returning on the Sunday and staying at the Ibis Opera Hotel.

Travel Arrangements are down to the individual but, if you want to cycle there Richard has kindly offered to take luggage (space allowing)

Tickets are 25 Euros for the Friday and 30 Euros for the Saturday

If you'd like tickets please contact Richard Newcombe ASAP.

## Club Dinner

The Club Dinner is booked for Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November at the Chequered Skipper in Ashton.

For more information and to check ticket availability contact Shirley Frost

## CHASING CYCLING

Coming for one night only to the Showcase Cinema on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010

A documentary following the Columbia Bike Team during the 2009 Tour de France

## Wales Bunkhouse Week End

October 22<sup>nd</sup> – October 24<sup>th</sup>

Still not too late to join for a few days cycling around Bethesda in Wales this weekend

If you're interested please contact John Royle

## Yuletide Lunch

Plans are afoot for a Yuletide Lunch ... nothing confirmed yet but, watch this space.

## Celidh

After the success of the last one another is being pencilled in for Spring next year

## AGM

This years AGM will be held on:

24<sup>th</sup> January 2010

## Club Runs

This season's club runs have drawn to an end and the final points positions are:

### Ladies

1. Birgit
2. Ann
3. Emma

### Men

1. Ian T
2. Ivan
3. Ian W

The details of the next set of club runs are at the end of the newsletter.

Over the last few weeks we've had quite a few new faces and it would be great to see even more people out.

## Go Ride

Although the warm cycling weather may have disappeared there's still lots of youth cycling to be had.

There will be Go-Ride racing on the following Saturdays at Ferry Meadows from 2- 4pm:

23 October – Half-term (must book)  
30 October – Half-term (must book)  
6 November  
13 November  
20 November

Riders will compete in 3 races each week. Medals & prizes will be awarded each week the children as will be any flyers provided by the clubs.

And over half term there'll be cycling at Werrington Sports field on the Thursday and Friday. For more details see

<http://kingscliffeflyers.wordpress.com/go-ride-racing/>

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## Fenland Clarion Cycling Club Runs: October – December 2010.

Date	To (approx mileage)	Indicative Route	Start Time	Start From	Leader
3 Oct	<b>Edith Weston</b> – Rutland Water Cafe – after Hill Climb at Ketton (35)	Ride out to hill climb at Ketton / Collyweston; through the lanes to cafe at Rutland Water near <b>Edith Weston</b> , return via Empingham and lanes North of Stamford	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd 07548 885 748
10 Oct	<b>Navigation Rally - Local Lanes</b> (Between 27 and 33 miles)	A treasure hunt on bikes! Map and clues provided, just bring a pencil. No navigation or distance measurement devices allowed! Convene at Exeter Arms, Helpston afterwards for scoring (and a drink!)	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
16/17 Oct	<b>Youth Hostelling Weekend, Ilam, Peak District</b> (42 mile ride Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> at 10 am from Ilam Hall Youth Hostel)	Route on website; steady but quite hilly ride on minor roads and peak cycleways with regular stops at great cafes!  Sunday Hill Climb Beeley Moor or local ride from Hostel	<b>10 am</b>	Ilam Hall Youth Hostel	Ian Todd
17 Oct	<b>Alternative to YHA Weekend (TBA)</b>	Normal Sunday run if anyone willing to lead; leader to choose route	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	<b>TBA</b>
24 Oct	<b>Spalding</b> – Bookmark Cafe (40)	Mkt Deeping, Baston Fen, Tongue End, Pode Hole, <b>Spalding</b> , Welland Bank, Crowland, Deeping St James, Maxey	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
31 Oct	<b>Somersham</b> – Cafe <b>Somersham</b> (65)	Farcet, Ramsey, Warboys, Pidley, <b>Somersham</b> , Broughton, Upwood, Ramsey St Mary's, Yaxley (Andy to advise closer to date)	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Andy Pitchford

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Nov	<b>Oundle</b> – Beans Cafe (40)	Marholm, Castor, Ferry Meadows, Chesterton, Lutton, Polebrook, <b>Oundle</b> , Fotheringhay, Wansford, Southorpe.	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
14 Nov	<b>Wymondham</b> – Windmill Cafe (50)	Stamford, Tickencote, Burley, Ashwell, Teigh, <b>Wymondham</b> , Sewstern, Colsterworth, Birkholme, Swayfield, C Bytham, Creton, L Bytham, Witham on the Hill, Manthorpe, Wilsthorpe, W Deeping.	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
21 Nov	<b>Stockerston</b> – Sweet Hedges Farm Cafe (60)	West Deeping, Barholm, Belmesthorpe, Little Casterton, Tickencote, Burley, Oakham, Braunston, Loddington, Belton, Allextan, <b>Stockerston</b> , Uppingham, Wing, N Luffenham, Ketton, Stamford, Helpston	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
28 Nov	<b>Ashwell</b> – The Potting Shed Cafe (45)	Stamford, Tickencote, Cottesmore, <b>Ashwell</b> , Burley, Empingham, Ketton, Stamford	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
5 Dec	<b>Green Wheel</b> – Pub stops en-route (35)	Pick up the Green Wheel at Etton for a clockwise circuit. Touring or mountain bike recommended, some track sections	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
12 Dec	<b>Bulwick</b> – New Lodge Farm Cafe (35)	Wansford, Nassington, Woodnewton, Southwick, <b>Bulwick</b> , Blatherwycke, Kings Cliffe, Collyweston, Stamford, Barnack, Bainton.	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
19 Dec	<b>Cold Overton</b> – Gates Nursery Cafe <b>Cold Overton</b> (60 miles)	Witham on the Hill, Castle Bytham, Stretton, Cottesmore, Ashwell, Langham, <b>Cold Overton</b> , Braunston, Preston, Edith Weston, Collyweston, Stamford, Helpston.	<b>9 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd

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26 Dec	<b>Local Lanes</b> <b>Local Lanes (30)</b>	Easy ride Helpston, Caster, Ailsworth, Sutton, Upton, Southorpe, Barnack, Bainton, Ashton, Maxey. Pub stop!	<b>10 am</b>	Helpston Village centre	Ian Todd
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Key -

Hard (Long, Hilly or Both)
Medium (Middle Distance and/or Flatter)
Easier (Shorter/Flatter, Newcomers should manage)

All are welcome but please, always:

- Observe the rules of the road
- Ride sensibly and show courtesy to other road users and pedestrians
- Ensure your bike is properly maintained in good working order and carry at least a spare inner tube

Rides will be at a steady pace and we will always wait for slower riders

Let Ian Todd, Runs Captain, know of any suggestions for future rides or if you know of any good new café stops ([ian.todd800@o2.co.uk](mailto:ian.todd800@o2.co.uk)) Mobile 07548 885 748, Field View, 2A Rectory Lane, Etton, Peterborough, PE6 7DB

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## Fenland Clarion 2010 Race Calendar (Provisional)

<b>January 2011!</b>						
Saturday 1	Club	Frostbite 10		Helpston Heath	NCC2	10m 11.00am

Time Trial events will be held under CTT Rules and while Road Races & Track Meetings are organised under BC Rules.

**Entry Fees: Helpston 10's £2.00, Other Club Events £3.00. Youth Riders £1.00 in all club events. Payment is on the day for club events.**

**Club Championship Series (CCS)** – Points Series on Scratch. Best 8 events to count.

**Bluebell Series (BBS)** – Points Series on Handicap. Best 10 events to count.

Open Events – See relevant handbooks for full details or contact organiser. These events will require entry forms by standard closing dates.

For Club Events Non Fenland Clarion Members pay double. New riders must fill in temporary membership forms. Riders under 18 must supply a parental consent form.

**To enter club events email or call Racing Secretary at least one week before event. After that point you may not get a handicap.**

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*For updates also see: [www.fenlandclarion.co.uk](http://www.fenlandclarion.co.uk)*