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SAVE THE VELODROME

Here is some good news on the campaign to save Herne Hill Stadium with Olympic velodrome architect Mike Taylor coming on board with plans for its resurrection. You can read about progress of the campaign at their [site](#).



A trip to the Olympic velodrome and interview with Mike Taylor features on the latest [Bike Show](#) from Resonance FM. And [here](#) the lowdown on the future of the velodrome post-2012. Fantastic.

PRIZE PRESENTATION LUNCHEON

The Prize Presentation Luncheon will take place on Saturday, 29th January at Shoreham Golf Club. Tickets for this event are available from [Jean Tobin](#) (01689 852871) and cost £18.50 for a 3-course meal, coffee and mints.



WK CLOTHING

Some half-price stock of WK clothing is still available - ladies' gamex jackets, a few T-shirts and polo shirts, caps and badges. They will be available to buy at the Luncheon.

BROMPTON GEAR UPGRADE

Bob Tomlinson is currently upgrading his Bromptons from 3 speed to 6. He will be bringing one along to the Lunch if you would like to see.



THE LONDON CYCLING BOOK CLUB

A cycling book club was [launched](#) this month in London for anyone who likes reading and riding. It will meet every four to six weeks to chat about good cycling literature and any other aspects of cycling that arise. You can read about the books [here](#) and the club [here](#).

CYCLING CINEMA

The Riverside Studios in Hammersmith will be holding an afternoon of cycling films on Sunday, 30th January dedicated to Brian Robinson. Films shown will be: *Brian Robinson: A Gentleman Cyclist* (Ray Pascoe, UK, 2010, 40m); *A Wheel in Britain: 1953 Tour of Britain* (UK, 26m) and *Keep Going Lapébie!* (Nicolas Philbert, UK, 1988, 30m). Plus Graeme Fife will be reading extracts from his biography, *Brian Robinson: Pioneer*. Kicking off at 1.45, book tickets [here](#).

BREAKING AWAY

Peter Yates, film director of the 1979 coming-of-age wry comedy, *Breaking Away*, died this month. Known better for films such as *Bullitt* and his first film, *Summer Holiday*, *Breaking Away* remains a classic cycling movie.

OLD CTC MAGAZINES

Brian Barrett has an almost complete set of CTC magazines from 1935 which were given to him about 25 years ago by a life member. They contain plenty of interesting reading, particularly the members' letters, and some are with the year binders. If anyone is interested in having them, then let

The Orpingtons invite you to our SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE EVENING on 8th March
Venue: The Bull Head, Pratts Bottom at 8.30 pm
There will be a selection of savoury and sweet pancakes.
Booking is not essential if you will not know until the evening whether you can come, but so that I can advise reasonably accurate numbers coming please email [Peter Woods](#) or phone 01689 821475 / 0787 515 3918
As usual, as it is a social evening, arriving by motorised transport is very acceptable!

Brian know (tel. 01892 862276). The two large boxes will need collecting from his home in Tunbridge Wells.

BOOK SWAP

Don't forget to look through your books and see which you could take along to the Book Swap evening at the Clubroom on 17th February. Chances are you'll find some great new reading material.



KENT JOURNEY SHARE

Kent Highway Services Sustainable Transport Team has contacted the Club in connection with Kent County Council's [online journey matching and journey sharing scheme](#). The main focus of the scheme has been car-sharing, providing a web-based tool to enable those seeking or offering a lift to get in touch with each other. Over 3600 people have registered across the county and an estimated 4 million car miles and 1300 tonnes of CO2 emissions have been saved each year. An enhancement to the scheme has been the creation of a 'Bikebudi', targeted at cyclists wishing to team up to share their journey to work or other regular or one-off trips. The intention is to create a pool of relatively experienced cyclists who might be prepared to buddy up with novice cyclists to share some cycling tips, good routes and generally help to build confidence on an informal basis. The organisers are asking West Kent CTC members to consider registering with the scheme in order to expand its potential. The [registration process](#) is straightforward and users simply need to indicate that they are offering their services as a Bikebudi rather than a car sharer in the relevant sections. If you have any further queries about

<i>For the Diary</i>	<i>See Runs List for WK rides</i>
Friday, 28 th Jan.	London Critical Mass 6.30pm National Theatre, South Bank
Saturday, 29 th Jan.	Prize Presentation Luncheon Shoreham Golf Club 1pm
Sunday, 30 th Jan.	Fun Reliability Ride Gravesend CTC Shorne Country Park 9.30am
Friday, 4 th - 7 th Feb.	Winter Weekend Burley YH, New Forest
Saturday, 5 th Feb.	Winter 1066 Audax Hailsham 8.30am
Saturday, 12 th Feb.	Redhill Beach Trip 200 Audax Redhill 8.30am
Thursday, 17 th Feb.	Book Swap Clubroom 8.45pm
Saturday, 19 th Feb.	Mad Jack's - John Saviour Memorial Audax Hailsham 9.00am
Sunday, 20 th Feb.	Kentish Killer Sportive Brands Hatch 47/73m
Wednesday, 23 rd Feb.	Wye Wednesday 200km Audax Meopham Scout Hut 7.30am
Saturday, 27 th Feb.	The Hell of the Ashdown Sportive Biggin Hill 53/106k

SUNDAY, 30TH JANUARY CHARITY RELIABILITY TRIAL
Starting from Shorne Country Park at 9.30am.
Organised by Ian Stone, (01634-220281)
46, 32 or 24 miles. In aid of Kent Air Ambulance.

the scheme, you can contact Travel Planning Team Leader, Graham Tanner on 01622 696 819.

THE BIG PEDAL 2011

Sustrans are organising a nationwide racing event to promote cycling to school. From 7th to 25th March pupils will be encouraged to make the journey by bike in a race for their school to win a stunt display by M.A.D. You can read about the scheme and sign up [here](#). BikeBiz [reports](#) on the success of Sustrans' Bike It scheme in Surrey. For a county in which car travel to school is far higher than average, the impact of the Bike It Officer is impressive. Sustrans is also asking for [suggestions](#) of people to represent in life-size steel figures to mark the new cycle path between Bexhill and Hastings.

FINE!

A friend was caught out in London recently, cycling on the pavement (he HAD only just mounted it). An unforgiving policewoman issued a Fixed Notice Penalty fine of £30. As these £30-penalties become more and more frequent for seemingly harmless transgressions, it's interesting to read the full details. [Bike For All](#) gives a good summary of the issues involved. [This Telegraph article](#) reports on a landmark fine of £75 for riding a segway on a pavement. It appears you cannot ride them on the road either so a lot of ambiguity there. The official [Highway Code](#) gives far higher potential fines for cycling infringements - £500 for cycling on the pavement, £1000 for cycling 'carelessly' and £2500 for cycling 'dangerously'. So perhaps keep £30 in your pocket, just in case.

KEMSING YOUTH HOSTEL



Some local history here with pictures of the former Kemsing YH which is now being converted into several residences. It'll cost you a little more to stay there now but you can probably have your own room and check in when you want.

STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN Don't watch this if you suffer from vertigo!! Following the nimble feats of Danny MacAskill, [here's](#) some fearless vertical work.

JUST AS YOU WERE ENJOYING A SUNDAY RIDE...

French antics in [this](#) clever skit.

You might have seen that before - I can't remember. So if you have, here's a joke instead
JOKE



'The Cleves'
development, Kemsing;
Bottom as a YH in
1960

TV *Tour of Qatar*

British Eurosport
February 7,8,9,11 lunchtime

Tour of Oman

February 15, 16, 19 lunchtime

Sex at 82!

*I just took a leaflet out of my mailbox,
informing me that I can have sex at 82!*

I'm soooooo happy, because I live at 73

... so it's not far to walk home afterwards!

Winged Words



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- ✚ Your winter ride reports
- ✚ Chat With a cycling commuter
- ✚ Cycling New England
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