

HASTINGS & ST LEONARDS CYCLING CLUB

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Dear Members,

The last three months have been very busy for many of you within the Club and I hope to mention most of the events which have gone ahead. Firstly, due to Keith Evans taking on the organisation of the ESCA 50 the Club 10 on June 3rd at Broad Oak has been cancelled.

I would like to thank all the people who made the effort to sell Milk Race Raffle Tickets for the Club, nearly £50 was made for the Club. Tony Jevons sold over 20 of the 100 books that we had, well done Tony.

The Easter Holiday provided us with warm sunny weather and the party who went off to Germany also had good weather. The trip was a huge success although the standard of racing was far greater than in this country, Robert Allen did us all proud by finishing all three races strongly. The hospitality everyone was given was first class and an invitation for other members to go next Easter is there. As last year, some members of the German Club would like to come to stay in Hastings for the weekend, this being September 14th 15th and 16th, and it will be necessary for anyone wishing to go next year to accomodate someone in September, please let me know straight away if you are interested.

The weekend after Easter saw the visit of the Cyclists from Dordrecht in Holland, my thanks to the members of the Club who did us proud in looking after the lads so very well. They all enjoyed their stay very much and are very anxious to have us stay with them this year. It is hoped that a trip can be arranged either late September or early October. Once again I need to know straight away all those who are interested in going.

The racing season has already had success for the Club. Mark Markowski has already gained his second category licence after winning a circuit race series at Lydden with a win and a second place and a second place in our own promotion at Ninfield. Robert Allen has been riding top class field events proving his quality of riding although yet to have a win this season has finished third on two occasions as well as just out of the first six many times. The road racing interest is high with John Willis, Alan Brooks, Russell Walsh, Peter Baker, Robert Sier and young Jeff Smith all riding regularly.

The Club Events have been reasonably well supported with the new Castleham 10 course proving tough, John Willis holds the course record of 28 05. Peter Baker won the revived Hastings-Rye-Hastings with 45 48 and the evening events have got off to a good start. Alan Brooks and John Willis have ridden numerous team time trials having some success with two 5th places. They were joined by Robert Allen and Russell Walsh in the Brighton Mitre 4 up, they clocked 1 17 01 to finish 12th for the 50km. Alan along with Vic Butler and Robert Sier rode the 34th Nomads 25 Alan recording 1 0 42, Vic 1 3 15 and Robert 1 3 30. Vic also rode the Redmon 73 mile hilly clocking 3 23 48 as did Peter Baker who finished in 15th place with a fine 3 10 35.

Vic, our Press Secretary is still not getting reports from everyone who races and the report for the paper is suffering, so please give Vic a ring on Sunday evening if you have raced over the weekend.

It is also necessary to inform Keith Evans, the Time Trial Secretary, if you ride any Open or Association Time Trial so that he can keep the record book up to date.

At a recent committee meeting it was suggested that certain members felt it was about time we had a Club Room again, it has been asked that for a cost of £4 per year each member could use the Zodiac Centre in Ore. Please complete the form below as soon as possible and return it to me.

Sandie Brooks has offered to put on a Barbeque for Club members, family and friends on Saturday 4th of August at 7pm. Tickets only, at 75p.

One important forthcoming event is the Sussex Divisional Road Race Championships at Cowbeech on Sunday 10th of June at 1.00pm, several of our lads are riding and would appreciate some support and encouragement on the day.

It has been decided to have a silk screen made to have the Club name on the jerseys, below are a few ideas of what the design could be. Please return to me your choice and the majority choice will be the one.

Yours in sport.

Alan Brooks.

I would / would not be prepared to pay £4 per year to use the Zodiac Centre as a Club Room .

Name.

My choice for the design for the silk screen is example,

Please complete either one both or neither, but do return the slip to me within one week from receiving the newsletter.

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