

January 2024 SWCC Newsletter

A Very Happy New Year to you all,
We hope that you are all well and looking forward to a great year of cycling.

For most of us, **club membership for 2024** is due for renewal on **31st January 2024** (NB. This does not apply if you have only joined the club since October 2023 or if you have life/honorary membership). We hope that you will be re-joining for 2024.

You can either join online by going to the “joining” page of our website: <https://www.sleafordwheelers.co.uk/Joining.html> where you will find links to the membership form, membership prices and details of how to pay.

Or alternatively, you could pop along to our **“Signing on Night”** at the Horseshoes in Silk Willoughby, on **Monday 29th January 2024 from 7.30pm.**

Membership forms will be available to fill in and payment can be made by cash, cheque, bank transfer or by card reader. A great opportunity to meet up with other club members. **Please note we do need all members to fill in a new form so that our records are kept up to date.**

Den’s December Challenge for Maggie’s Centres

Many of you will know that our club President and Head Go-ride coach, Dennis Owen is near to completing his December Challenge raising funds for Maggie’s Centres. Since the beginning of December, Dennis has completed 1381 hip raises, 1115 push-ups, 1115 squats and 3hr 22mins of planks raising £290 so far. If you would like to support Dennis and make a donation please go to the [SWCC JustGiving Fundraiser for Maggie’s Centres here.](#)

SWCC Bike Maintenance Workshop

We will be holding a bike maintenance workshop on the morning of Saturday 24th February in the village Hall at Silk Willoughby. This will be a **free event open to all members of SWCC** organised by Gav Culshaw. So that a suitable programme can be put together for the session we would be grateful if you could let us know what areas of bike maintenance you would like to see covered. Please contact Gav Culshaw directly on gavin.culshaw@btinternet.com with your suggestions. Further details will follow in the next Member’s News Email.

Claiming refunds for National Championship Events from 2023.

We have some sponsorship funds available for members who have competed in National Championship Events during the past year. If you or any of your children have competed in any **National Championship** event during the 12 months to 31st January 2023, please let me know by email before Monday 8th January, stating the member’s name along with the title and date of the event/s.

SWCC Zwift Series 2024 – Tour de Zwift - Coming Soon in January

For all Zwifters there will be a competitive but FUN race series, designed to keep you pedalling through the dreary days of January and February. If you would like further details, please keep an eye on the club Facebook group or contact Kerri on 07789 814255.

Sundown Sportive on Saturday 25th May 2024 – A good number of Wheeler’s have already booked places on this 60mile sportive through the stunning Yorkshire Wolds, starting and finishing at the Wold Top Brewery. Camping is available on site, and there are lots of hotels, cottages etc nearby, but as the sportive starts at 2:00 in the afternoon it would be possible to take part without staying overnight. A beer and fish and chips at the finish are included in the entry price. There are only a few places left. To enter click [here](#).

SWCC Events Coming soon.....

SWCC Ladies Rides on Saturday 6th January starting at 9.00pm from the Horseshoes and calling at the Hut in Swaton. Three groups to choose from, so something for everyone.

SWCC Off Road Ride on Sunday 7th January – Route and details to follow.

SWCC Sunday Club rides (9.15am from the marketplace) and the **Tuesday/Wednesday Night rides** (6.15pm from the Horseshoes), will continue through January, weather permitting.

SWCC Go-ride sessions will be starting up again for our younger members on Tuesday 30th January.

SWCC Committee Meeting on Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.30pm. If you have any comments, questions or suggestions, please contact me or any member of the committee so that these can be raised at the committee meeting.

SWCC Events in February...

SWCC Ladies Rides – Saturday 3rd February, starting at 9.00am from the Horseshoes and calling at the Hut in Swaton. Three groups to choose from, so something for everyone.

SWCC Bike Maintenance Workshop on Saturday 24th February 9.15am to 12.00 midday.

That's all for now,
Hopefully see you out and about soon
Kind regards
Julie Close
Secretary SWCC