

## **Bcc to Members of SWCC 2024**

Hello fellow Wheelers.

### **AGM**

A reminder that the SWCC AGM will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> November at the Horseshoes in Silk Willoughby, commencing at 19:30. I will be sending a separate email with the agenda and proposed constitution changes.

### **Awards Night**

It is nearly time for the social event of the year AND you don't even have to cycle beforehand. The event is at the Solo Club in Sleaford commencing at 18:00. Please confirm to Kerri that you are coming and please pay by 12 November; please note that the card machine will be available at the AGM.

It is not too late to cast your vote for the following:

Club personality,

Young club personality,

Ride of the year.

Please think of someone that has made a difference to you or the club in a positive way and maybe a stand-out ride that needs celebrating. Write the reason you feel they are worthy and send it in to Rob at [Frisbrough@aol.com](mailto:Frisbrough@aol.com)

### **Night Rides**

The Wednesday evening night rides depart from the Horseshoes at 18:00 these rides will be approximately 30 miles at a speed of 16 – 17 mph. These are a great way to continue group riding throughout the winter months so the more the merrier. Good lights essential!

### **Cyql cycling app**

The Cyql app has been available for use by club members and we would now like your feedback on its use. Please let me have any feedback via email [nigedean525@live.co.uk](mailto:nigedean525@live.co.uk) Many thanks.

### **Monthly Club surveys**

As mentioned last month, members that use Facebook may well remember that there were a series of surveys over the first 6 months of the year which endeavoured to capture some of the expertise of the members. A list of the recommendations for good cycling shoes is included below:

Lake  
Sidi  
Fizic X  
Northwave  
Boardman

However, there was also a recommendation to try Terry Wright Cycles in Peterborough to get yourself measured and fitted correctly at competitive pricing.

Next month we will be looking at recommended reading.

### **Mudguards**

A reminder that mudguards are required on club rides at this time of year. The mudguard needs to extend to or below the level of the wheel axle (as shown in picture). Please ensure that your mudguards are of an appropriate length, ride leaders will be looking and will give a couple of polite reminders after which you may be asked not to join a club ride.



Link to a website for mudguards

<https://rawmudflap.uk/>

### **Water Bottles (Bidons)**

If you are searching for the perfect Christmas stocking filler, the club now has its own water bottles for sale at the cost price of £3.50 each.

They are manufactured by Elite bottles in Italy, they are 550ml and have the SWCC Logo and a QR Code (which takes you to the website route bank) printed on them (see pictures below). Please contact Nige Dean for further details [nigedean525@live.co.uk](mailto:nigedean525@live.co.uk)

I will be bringing some along to the AGM for you to admire and purchase.



### ***Events coming up in November.***

Did I mention:

The Club AGM will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> November at the Horseshoes commencing at 19:30.

The Club Awards night will be held on 30<sup>th</sup> November at the Solo Club in Sleaford commencing at 18:00.

### ***Events coming up in December.***

#### **Mince Pie Ride**

The Mince Pie ride will take place on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. Further details to follow.

#### **Christmas 2-up**

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December.

If you have never tried the SWCC time trial course, then this fun ride is the perfect opportunity to give it a go. You turn up on the day, you get paired with another rider and you go for a 7.8-mile bike race, I mean ride, together. There is even a prize for best decorated bike.

#### **Looking Ahead**

The Club signing on night will be late January at the Horseshoes. I will also be taking kit orders at that time.

### Did you know?

The tubeless / tube debate started in 1845 when Robert Thomson first manufactured a pneumatic tyre although it wasn't until John Dunlop came along in 1888 that they were a commercial success.

### One from the archive

We now have riders out in our new design clothing which includes both Pactimo and Impsport, just a little bit different from the SWCC kit of 1934.



Picture courtesy of Malc Yates

Happy Cycling and see you soon,  
Kind regards  
Nige