

# DE LAUNE CYCLING CLUB

*Founded 1889*

**OUR ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTIETH FIRST YEAR**

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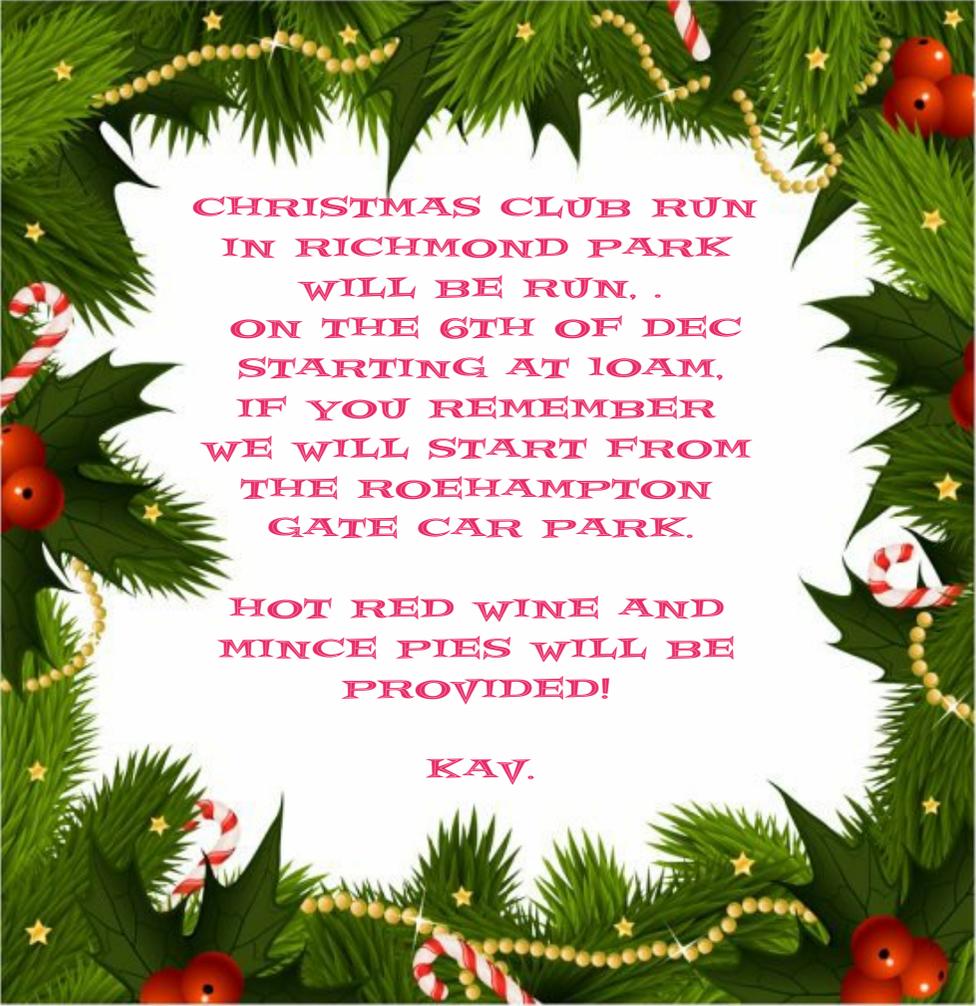


**100 YEARS**

**NOVEMBER**



Dulwich and Streatham



CHRISTMAS CLUB RUN  
IN RICHMOND PARK  
WILL BE RUN. .  
ON THE 6TH OF DEC  
STARTING AT 10AM,  
IF YOU REMEMBER  
WE WILL START FROM  
THE ROEHAMPTON  
GATE CAR PARK.

HOT RED WINE AND  
MINCE PIES WILL BE  
PROVIDED!

KAY.



## Cycling in Tenerife

See details attached

If you are interested then please let Bill Wright know so he can do the paper work for the club to join

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**CLUB NIGHT  
SECOND MONDAY  
OF EACH MONTH  
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## **Presidential Ramblings**



The Peachey's are setting Club records all over again, however this is one that was on the horizon but not expected quite so quickly.

After just 5 months of wallowing in the honour of being the first joint Presidents, Val being the first female President after the reign of Madame Faunce de Laune in the late 40's, we are now the first to step down so quickly and join all the best retirees. We will undertake the ceremony of wreath laying at Newnham on 15 November so that will allow time for the Committee to select a worthy contender into the role in the near future.

This decision has not been an easy one and is made with heavy hearts, but we have to be realistic and recognise that I am finding it increasingly difficult to care for Tony with his declining health, on a day to day basis, hence a family decision has been made for us to relocate to the Isle of Skye to be near to Claire and Ian. We have no close family to call upon,

all our local friends are, like us not getting any younger and we dont like to be a burden on others outside of our household. Our house is sold and a replacement bungalow has been identified, all we are waiting for is the final contracts to be signed off, it is hoped we will be in situ before Christmas. The bungalow is in a village setting with medical facilities 1½ miles away, a local store just 3 miles, an active community centre and a daily bus service which runs 3 times a day to and from Portree the island's main town.

Needless to say life has been extremely busy over past few weeks, but it can only get better. I have always been a 'can do' person so in essence I am trying to keep on top of all tasks that need to be addressed, even though it has felt like a military exercise at times.

I am sure we will miss the warm weather in the south east, the various club friends and local amenities etc but we certainly wont miss the hectic hustle and bustle, endless traffic jams on the M20 and M25, Operation Stack HGV traffic build up that clogs all the local villages when there is any problem at Dover ( especially if there is a 'no deal' Brexit) – all this will be swapped with the odd passing highland cow or red deer – not a bad alternative.

We will keep in touch via these pages though I suspect our 'conversations' will be less cycling orientated, more a case of how many boxes we have managed to unpack this week.

More next month

**Val & Tony**

## NEWNHAM 15. NOVEMBER

As things stand the Newnham service is on plus our remembrance of Tich. When you read the correspondence you will see that the benches the club is paying for will be dedicated to the church. Roy

### **The following is we regards to the donation the club is making to the church to honour our 100 year since when our Memorial plaque was placed on the church wall**

*Dear Roy*

*Regarding your kind offer of a donation in light of your centenary we have decided to spend the money on two benches, one in memory of Charlie Clark and the other Roger Moate, both churchwardens with links with the Club and both with a long history of service to Church and village. Roger died in April 2019. We have already procured the handsome benches in the attached photograph\* at a sale price of £500 for the pair. We will arrange a plaque for each from the remaining funds, the text of which we will agree with you. We will place one in the churchyard, the second we are undecided as to whether this should be in the churchyard or in the active burial ground of the churchyard extension up Seed Road opposite the pub. We have some administrative hoops to jump through as we need a faculty from the Diocese, i.e. ecclesiastical planning consent, before the benches can be permanently installed. Furthermore we think we need to install a concrete hard standing to which each can be anchored to prevent it going walkies too easily. Whether this can be in place before the service remains to be seen but at least the benches can be dedicated then. With the plaques and hard standing I imagine the £1,000 will be pretty much spoken for.*

*I hope this meets with your approval.*

*Regards Bruce*

Hi Bruce

I think that the two benches are a great idea and with the names on the benches they will never be forgotten

Roy

**Dear Roy**

*Glad you are happy with the bench proposal. They are in the church at the moment and David has been oiling them today. They look very fine.*

**\*No photo yet.**

*I have suggested an inscription to Edna, Charlie's widow, and Sophie, Roger's daughter which they are both happy with. Please can you review and approve/comment please so that we can get the engraving under way.*

*"In memory of Charlie Clark, 1923 – 2020, long serving Newnham churchwarden and much loved member of the village*

*Donated by the De Laune Cycling Club to mark their centenary and their long association with Charlie"*

*"In memory of Sir Roger Moate, 1938-2019, long serving Newnham churchwarden and much loved member of the village*

*Donated by the De Laune Cycling Club to mark their centenary and their long association with Sir Roger"*

*The money can wait until you are here.*

*I am assuming the service will be held on Sunday 15 November, Covid permitting. I am sure you are aware of the restrictions in place currently:*

- *Social distancing inside the church – we shall have to manage this carefully and some idea of the number of "bubbles"/couples likely to attend would be helpful*
- *No singing – we can discuss use of recorded hymns/music. This is what we do during normal services at the moment*
- *No voice projection – i.e. you will need to use the PA*
- *No physical contact when sharing the peace*
- *No after service refreshments*

*Although we will not have the benches anchored in final situ by the time of the service, we can dedicate them at least.*

*The George would be pleased to see you all I'm sure, although they have their own hoops to jump through. Have you been in touch with them? David & Claire 01795 890237 [info@georgeinnnewnham.co.uk](mailto:info@georgeinnnewnham.co.uk)*

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*fear it will be a rather odd affair. Hope you are OK in these strange times we are living in.*

*All the best*

**Bruce**

Hi Bruce

That is great. The engraving really makes the bench idea worthwhile.

I will let you know how many are coming and I hope that David and Claire can accommodate us on the 15th.

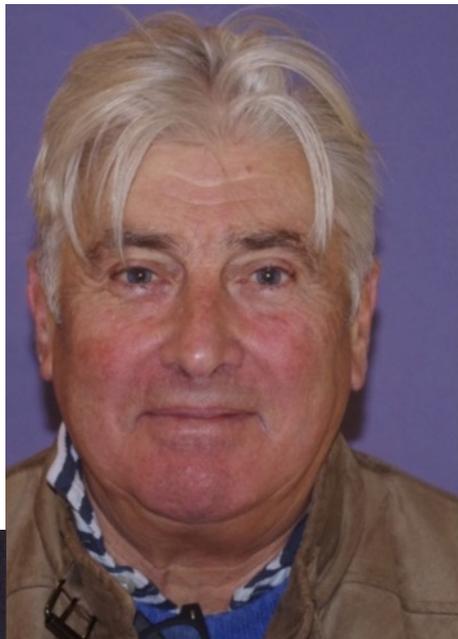
I hope all is well with you, your family and all members of your church.

Roy

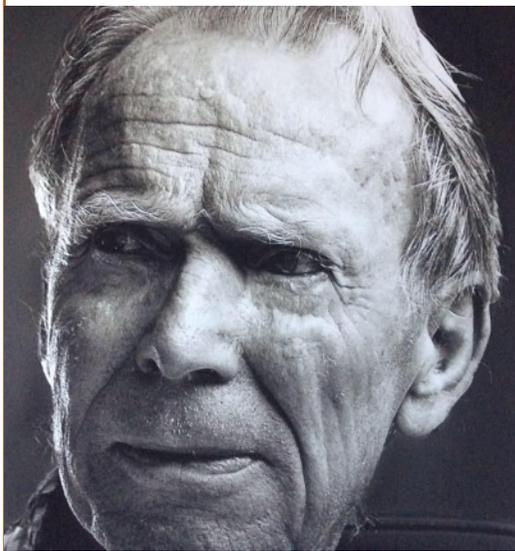
## FOUND ON FACEBOOK



And living in far away places  
Vice President  
DOT FULLER and past member  
Daughter Suzanne  
ADELAIDE AUSTRALIA



PETER JAQUES  
Join the club as a teenager  
and rejoined in 2018  
NEW YORK, USA



ROGER DURBAN  
Past member  
Joined 1955/56  
BRITTANY

# Katie-Jane L'Herpinriere

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BLOGGER

Walking in the mountains is good for us, but walking in the mountains and with a donkey...well that's therapy for your soul!

We have just come back from a couple of days hiking in the stunning Parc National de la Vanoise with the gorgeous four-legged, long-eared, ball of fluff 'Figaro', as a recce for a future trip!



I would highly recommend this to anyone of any age. Having a donkey with you adds a charming new dimension to your hike. Their slow and steady pace forces you to stop more often, take in your surroundings, spot the small things you might have otherwise missed and travel in a manner reminiscent of a simpler time.

Figaro was strong-willed, kind-eyed, funny and like all donkeys... obsessed with eating! Within just a few hours of setting off he had become an unforgettable member of our hiking family, with cuddles and kisses aplenty. We would often walk with our arm over his neck, admiring his magnificent ears, chatting away to him about anything and everything. Donkeys are great listeners!

Most of the time we didn't even need to lead him, he just plodded along happily on a route I'm sure he knew well. We just made sure someone was behind him for the moments that the urge from his stomach to dive headlong into the vegetation became just too frequent. At which point we would give him a little vocal reminder, "allez Figaro, allez!"

“Poor donkey” some may say. Yes, they carry your bags, but Figaro was carrying just 30kg’s, which is less than I have carried myself on many expeditions/adventures, and he is 4-wheel drive! You could be mistaken into thinking that we took a donkey for a walk, but I can assure you that it was more like Figaro took us for a walk... most things were on his terms! We stopped 10 times more than we normally would, allowing him to rest and eat, water was available for him around almost every corner (although they don’t drink much) and he had feed for morning and night as well as some treats.

I absolutely adore the creatures, they could possibly be my favourite animal of all. So loyal and stoic in nature. So focused and surefooted in all types of terrain. Who could want for a better hiking buddy.



As well as sharing the load and making fantastic companions, donkeys can also provide other great benefits when out on the trail. Such as the fact that donkeys have great memories. They are said to be able to recognise areas where they have previously been up to 25 years before. A very useful quality while route-finding in challenging terrain.

They also have an acute sense of self-preservation and are a good judge of whether or not a situation is safe. It’s nigh on impossible to persuade a donkey to go somewhere that they consider to be dangerous.

The hardest bit of hiking with a donkey... handing them back!

<https://katiejaneendurance.com/>



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A Kentish compendium

Old Bunyard's Kent Pride is a tribute to the county of Kent. It started life in March 2020 as an effort to provide some morale-boosting distraction to Kent people as the lockdown got underway. It took on a life of its own as research into Kent's history and culture made it clear quite how much there is to be said about this unique county. Although it cannot be said to be comprehensive, the project completed six months later has something off an encyclopaedic feel to it. Running to over 1,000 entries, it can at least be called substantial and, like all encyclopaedias, it can always be updated and added to.

As the scale of the project has expanded, so too has its list of uses:

Light reading.

Private study.

Fact checking.

Local studies.

Tourism guide.

Quiz questions.

Home education

Teaching resource.

Newcomers' primer.

Ideas for private projects.

The guiding principle in OBKP's creation has been scholarly rigour, albeit not at the expense of occasional humour. Every effort has been made to avoid the sort of unverifiable assertion that has become normal on the internet. That is not to say that all its content is incontrovertible. If any errors have crept in during its intensive creation, readers are more than welcome to point them out through the Contact page.

Do spend some time soaking up Kent's many stories, and prepare to be amazed at how much the county and its people have to be proud of.

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## **WELCOME TO TWO NEW MEMBERS THIS MONTH**

- Matt Kirk, mattkirk4@btinternet.com of 35 Burns Road, Aberdeen, AB15 4NT - joined 27-Oct-2020, DoB 25-Jul-1973
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- John Eldredge, jeld@btinternet.com of 14 The Spinney, Castelnau, Barnes, SW13 9EN - joined 7-Oct-2020, DoB 12-Aug-1951
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John is a friend of Gary Boon and also works in Dubai. Not sure where Matt Kirk has come from... I've asked him to tell me a bit about himself.

Bill, Membership Secretary

## 1948 OLYMPICS

### HERNE HILL & WINDSOR PARK

[https://www.facebook.com/angelBerenguerBosch/videos/1697776807053430/UzpfSTeWMDAwMjc2NDExNDI4MzpWSzo3MjQ4NTM4OTE3MTEzOTk/?multi\\_permalinks=725500144980107&notif\\_id=1603642325106469&notif\\_t=group\\_highlights](https://www.facebook.com/angelBerenguerBosch/videos/1697776807053430/UzpfSTeWMDAwMjc2NDExNDI4MzpWSzo3MjQ4NTM4OTE3MTEzOTk/?multi_permalinks=725500144980107&notif_id=1603642325106469&notif_t=group_highlights)

## ***Social Club Events for 2020***

Nov 15		<b>NEWNHAM MEMORIAL SERVICE</b>
Dec 6		<b>RICHMOND PARK 10 AM</b>

## ***Club & Inter Club Events for 2021***

Apr 17			CLUB OPEN "10"	

**Members may like to know that it is now possible to join, or to renew your Club membership online.**

**Simply follow this link**

**<https://www.riderhq.com/groups/delaunec/join>**

**or click on the button on the membership page of the website.**

**SEE MESSAGE BOARD to keep UP TO DATE**

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**CLOSING DATE FOR THE NEXT ISSUE 26<sup>th</sup> Nov 2020**

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