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TOM BURKE-NOTT

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June 2020

BALFE'S BIKES



DON'T FORGET THE AGM
15TH JUNE 7:30PM
ONLINE.

**CLUB NIGHT
SECOND MONDAY
OF EACH MONTH
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All The President's Pen

Here is my final monthly drivel as President – thank you for reading this far (if you have), and for giving me the honour of serving as President. I've really enjoyed my term of office, even

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though I haven't exercised all my presidential rights – such as 4am tweets; flying on Air Force One; shaking hands with foreign leaders; getting impeached; playing endless golf; insulting all kinds of people: journalists, China and Mexico (to name but two), former Presidents, and women in general.

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I bid a very warm welcome to the new incumbent – or indeed incumbents – since one option on the ballot for this year's AGM is for a joint-presidency. The new President(s) will need to assess how to move the club forward after all this coronavirus madness has started to ease (I'm assuming it will!) – and as we move back into a normality of sorts. Hopefully we'll be able to start restoring some of our regular events in 2021 – I wonder if we could do any of them on Strava or Zwift for now? (Just a thought that I haven't properly thought through yet!)

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I'm very pleased that during the last five years we've been building our ties with Herne Hill Velodrome and

started to hold our committee meetings there following the completion of their new pavilion. Our Memorial Fund was able to donate a very significant £25,000 to help them to get up and running, and new ties with Herne Hill Youth CC has also begun to reap new rewards with a new source of active De Laune members from among HHYCC parents.

I've been hearing that HHV is beginning to make plans to start coming out of lockdown – but nowhere near back to normal yet as they will need to include social distancing in all their activities. I'm waiting to hear details of how this will work, but it will no doubt involve fewer people visiting at once and therefore less income for the site. You can keep checking on www.hernehillvelodrome.com for details, but suffice to say that we won't be able to hold our AGM there on June 15. Instead, we're moving properly into the 2020s by holding this year's AGM online.

Many businesses have very rapidly started using videoconferencing on a daily basis – my employers have now held three large conferences online in the last couple of months, one of which had nearly 300 attendees and went very smoothly. So, please see my guide elsewhere in this DLN, on everything you need to do to attend this year's AGM virtually.

I'm told that it takes about 8 weeks to form a habit, and it's now just over 9 weeks since lockdown began on March 23. I firmly believe that after lockdown our world will revolve significantly less around unnecessary business travel, and a lot more around working from home and video conferencing. And, of course, cycling – many people are planning to take to their bikes and avoid public transport for their daily commute.

When I took on this office my first 'All the President's Pen' suggested that I intended to build up my monthly mileage on a bike and start losing a bit of weight. I'm pleased to report that while there was practically no difference at all for the first 58 months, in the last two months it has risen to about 500km/month. Impressive, huh? This could even continue into my successors' term, who knows!

So, I'd like to sign off with a YUGE thank you to Mark Ballamy for giving me the floor to write all this rubbish for five years, for reminding me a week before each month's copy deadline, and patiently waiting until deadline day (and sometimes later) for me to submit it. We are really lucky to have him! Thanks to you all too for reading, and see you (in virtual form) at the AGM.

Best wishes and stay safe!

Bill Wright



ONLINE AGM – 15th June 2020 – 7.30pm

We'd love as many of you as possible to join us at our AGM, which we are going to try and hold online, using Zoom video-conferencing software. Please don't feel daunted if you haven't used Zoom before. We held our May committee meeting this way, and a few did have some connection issues (which can probably be overcome at another attempt), those who attended agreed it was quite successful on balance.

We held a practice session the evening before, which ironed out most of the difficulties people had connecting. I'll schedule another one of these the day before the AGM so that we can have as many of you as possible present on the day – including members all over the country and even internationally!

Obviously our social distancing rules have brought this about, and it isn't *currently* our plan to make it our usual method of meeting. However it does bring advantages with it: people who live a long way away, or who don't like driving at night, or have childcare needs, WILL now be able to join the meeting.

If it proves a success – then we will consider using this method in the future. On the other hand, if we find it hasn't worked very well, or if we discover that there is something we can't satisfactorily resolve online – then we always have the option of holding an Extraordinary General Meeting in person once lockdown is over. This time, our agenda is fairly short and uncomplicated, so I don't expect it will be too difficult.

How to connect – you will need:

An internet connection, and a device with a camera, microphone and speaker.

This ‘device’ can be either:

A laptop (most laptops made since about 2005 have all of these things built in)

A tablet (such as an iPad – but pretty much any tablet will do)

A smart phone (it should work, but the screen will be very small!)

An ‘ordinary’ desktop computer – but these don’t always come with cameras and speakers, so they will need to be connected using USB plugs.

So, I’ve scheduled two meetings:

DL AGM Practice Zoom Meeting June 14, 7.30pm, and
De Laune AGM June 15, 7.30pm

You join both of these in the same way. You click on the following link – <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3828252871> It’s useful to do this about 5-10 minutes before the start time, as it can take a short time for all the software to fire up, especially the first time you do it. (I’ll email this link to all members email addresses about a week before the meeting – if you think you need to update your email address on my database, please let me know)

After you click on the link, it will ask you if you are a first-time Zoom user, and if so, it will ask you to download the Zoom App to your computer. Otherwise, it will ask you to open your Zoom App.

Then you can click on ‘Join meeting’ – if it doesn’t give you this option, click the link again from above, or from within the email I’ll be sending you.

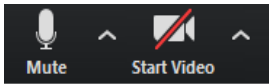
You MAY need the meeting ID, which is 382 825 2871, and the password DeLaune. These aren’t always required.

You should get an option to test your speakers, microphone, and camera, before you Join the meeting. Here you may be able to select whether to use in-built ones, or anything else you’ve connected.

A few top tips here for videoconferencing:

You can click 'Mute' to switch your microphone off, to prevent sounds from your room cutting across other people. Having your video switched off can help speed up the connection sometimes.

In-built microphones are generally adequate, but don't always give great sound quality. Even a cheap plug-in mic can be a help.



Headphones are also quite useful. It's even possible to connect a hearing aid using Bluetooth!

If your face is in shadow, try to have a light in front of you. If it's still daylight and there's a window behind you it may help to draw the curtains.

It's entirely possible to attend the entire meeting trouserless. Just don't stand up without switching off your video. Alternatively, wear trousers.

One of the sectors suffering during lockdown has been charities – I had a phone call and this email (below) from Cystic Fibrosis Care the other day. You can set your own challenge for the month of June, whether that's 100 laps of your garden or 100 laps of the Q10/19. Anyway, they explain it better below:



CHALLENGE YOURSELF FOR CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Looking for your next challenge? Your club is invited to take part in our [CF Care Virtual Cycle Challenge](https://bit.ly/CFCareCycleChallenge) throughout June. [link: <https://bit.ly/CFCareCycleChallenge>]

What is the CF Care Virtual Cycle Challenge?

Set a target distance as a club or individually, make your donation to enter (£5 per cyclist) and set up your JustGiving fundraising [page](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/CFCareCycleChallenge). [link - <http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/CFCareCycleChallenge>]

The distance itself doesn't matter (50km or 5000km!), as long as you challenge yourselves! Complete your challenge in one day, one week or across the month of June, starting and finishing any day and respect social distancing!

Get involved by signing up [here](#), join us on Strava [here](#)

[link - <http://www.strava.com/clubs/CFCareCyclists>]

and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [Instagram](#).

By fundraising you'll be helping to shield and support Cystic Fibrosis patients throughout Covid-19, by providing:

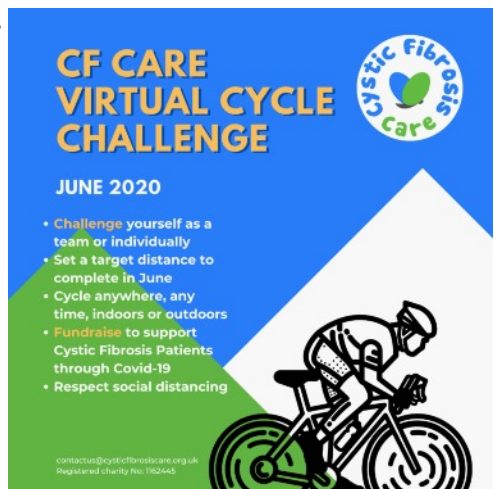
- Reusable specialist AB Face Masks for CF patients, offering 99.9% protection against bacteria
- Emotional support grants
- Emergency Covid-19 hardship grants for CF patients

If you're able to share the challenge with as many friends as possible and on social media using #Cycle4CF, we would be very grateful.

What is Cystic Fibrosis Care?

We're a charity supporting patients with [Cystic Fibrosis](#) throughout England and Wales. We provide essential services and equipment, practical help and support to children and adults, their families and Specialist Care Centres.

From all at Cystic Fibrosis Care





For more than 50 years my wife Lyn, whilst supporting me, has never really taken an interest in cycling. However, for the past 2 weeks or so she has had a cycling fixation. Something I never thought I'd see, for everyday she has sat sitting for several hours staring at pictures of cyclists. I am somewhat puzzled! *Malcolm*

TOM BURKE-NOTT

A chance e mail from Mark asking if I knew a Tom Burke-Nott, as he was having the electronic DLNs returned (which he managed to rectify and Tom duly acknowledged), led me to research Tom.

Until Mark mentioned him I did not recall his name, so it was with much surprise that I discovered he was racing for us in 2018 and had produced some fine times.

Val and I spend a considerable amount of time checking the CTT site for club member's times every year, as they may have qualified for a club trophy or in my case a vets record. Neither of us were aware of Tom racing for the De Laune, so he slipped through the net.

After ascertaining Tom's DOB it became apparent that 2018 was his first year racing as a Vet and he had produced some excellent times. So much so, that a couple of his rides would have been outright club records and thus vets records as well, had he have claimed them.

However, they cannot be ignored and will be recorded as the times to beat in the future.

Here are the times in question:-

10 miles Event A3CRG 18. July 2018 Course. P881R. Time 21.01

Beaten several weeks later.

10 miles Event A3CRG 7. Aug. 2018 Course. P883 Time 20.49

Chris Hubbard's time of 20.28 at the age of 49 was the target, which is also the outright club record.

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Calling All Golfers! - While You Were Away!

Mick Hartley

One of the few entertaining features to emerge from the Novel Coronavirus pandemic has been the intrusion of newly-emboldened furry and feathered friends in unexpected places and unusual circumstances. Hence we have had closer views of squirrels and the more interesting garden birds, although curiously no foxes this year. In Llandudno they had a “novel” influx of white goats in the town centre; presumably now the Welsh “Bush Baptists” can tell “the sheep from the goats” in a more certain way, pending any future “Day-of-Reckoning”!

As regards environments, I’ve always found a well-landscaped golf course a picture of verdant tranquillity, albeit a source of sore frustration for some. All that immaculately tended grass, almost like an oasis with 18 holes. For some reason the “lockdown” led to the complete suspension of golfing activity, and a fine means of open air exercise - including a form of built-in self-isolation - was lost. Surely all they needed to do was close the clubhouses and to provide some distance separation at the respective pro-shops! In spite of the current situation however the golf courses have continued to be well appreciated by both man and beast.

The Sunday Telegraph (17MAY20) featured a picture of a golf green in Minchinhampton, Glos. labelled “Golf Patt”, showing two players holing-out towards a pin surmounted by an NHS flag. A sunny day had obviously attracted a discerning bovine audience of three cows, all hunkered-down respectfully among the buttercups on the adjacent fairway. These three would have done credit as fans of the British Open at Sunningdale or at Scotland’s Royal and Ancient, perhaps substituting some Aberdeen Angus ladies for over the border!

In the absence of sporting golfers, similar “course invasion” has also taken place recently “somewhere in Kent”. Always accompanied by mum and dad, granddaughter Lily (nearly seven) is nowadays quite keen on her bike. She also enjoys the safer golf course scene, primarily on the dirt trails between



holes. She is not however allowed to ride on the fairways, make any green shots or perform sand “wheelies” in the bunkers! Running near the fairways on this occasion did however provide her with an NHS Rainbow photo opportunity, when the sprinklers were turned on. Will back to school be as

much fun?



From - Legends of the RTTC - Facebook Wall

Womens National 10 mile TT Champs 1986

Photos by Phil O'Connor



Suzanne Fuller 27:48



Katei Chown 26:32



Janet Smith 25:43



Sue Lee 28.34



Sue Starsmeare 27:35

Another one from Facebook - Ex member STEVE CASSERLEY 1974



WHO ELSE
CAN WE
FIND
HIDDEN ON
FACEBOOK

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I hope you read this Tom and should you continue to ride for us please keep us in the loop as to your times in all events. For any future plans you may have here are some targets to aim for:-

25 Miles	53.27	Club and Vets Record set at age 49 by Chris Hubbard in 2011
30 Miles	1.05.51	Club Record. set by Tony Miller 1998
30 Miles	1.07.20	Vets Record set at age 49 by Chris Hubbard in 2011
50 Miles	1.50.57	Club Record and Vets standard set age 46 by Tony Peachey in 1983
100 Miles	4.04.31.	Club Record and Vets standard set age 47 by Tony Peachey in 1984
12 Hours	259m 450yds	Club Record set by Tony Peachey in 1973
12 Hours	253.410 miles	Vets standard age 46 by Tony Peachey in 1983

Malcolm Adams

Found this photo on Facebook the other day. so checked out Alan Jackson's achievements

Malcolm.

- 1954** 1° in National Championship, Cyclo-cross, Elite, Great Britain,
1° in South of England Championship, Cyclo-cross,
- 1955** 1° in Balham C.C. Cyclo Cross, (Balham, Cyclo-cross),
2° in Stage 4 Oats Circuit of Britain, Glasgow (Glasgow City),
16° in General Classification Oats Circuit of Britain,
1° in Stage 6 part a Oats Circuit of Britain,
1° in National Championship, Cyclo-cross, Elite,
- 1956** 1° in Broad Oak R.C. Road Race, (Broad Oak), Broad Oak
1st in N.C.U. National Championship, Road, Amateurs,
1° in National Championship, Cyclo-cross, Elite, Great Britain,
2° in Stage 6 part b Omloop der 9 Provincies, Amateurs, Balen
(Antwerpen), Belgium 1956
1° in Stage 6 part a Omloop der 9 Provincies, Amateurs, Haacht
(Brabant), Belgium 1956
2° in General Classification Omloop der 9 Provincies, Amateurs,
Hoboken (Antwerpen), Belgium 1956
4° in Mountains classification Omloop der 9 Provincies, Amateurs,
Hoboken (Antwerpen), Belgium 1956
2° in Tour of the Campsies, (Kilsyth), Kilsyth (North Lanarkshire),
3° in Olympic Games, Road, Amateurs, Broadmeadows (Victoria),
Australia 1956
2° in Olympic Games, Road, Teams classification, Amateurs,
Broadmeadows (Victoria), Australia
- 1957** 2° in Rund um die Hainleite, (Erfurt), Erfurt (Thuringen),
Germany
2° in Sachsenringradrennen, (Hohenstein-Ernstthal (a)), Germany
5° in Stage 3 Vredeskoers / Course de la Paix / Friedensfahrt /
Peace Race, (Závod Míru), Praha (Pardubický Kraj), Czech
Republic
10° in Stage 8 Vredeskoers / Course de la Paix / Friedensfahrt /
Peace Race, (Závod Míru), Görlitz (Sachsen), German Democratic

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2° in National Championship, Cyclo-cross, Elite, Great Britain,
1° in Harrogate French Week International Road Race, (Harrogate
(North Yorkshire), Great Britain 1957 6° in Stage 2 Ronde van

1957 Zweden, (Sex-Dagars), , Sweden 1957

6° in Stage 4 Ronde van Zweden, (Sex-Dagars), , Sweden

2° in Stage 5 Ronde van Zweden, (Sex-Dagars), , Sweden

7° in General Classification Ronde van Zweden, (Sex-Dagars),
Stockholm (Stockholms Lan), Sweden

5° in Stage 6 part b Ronde van Zweden, (Sex-Dagars), Stockholm
Sweden

1° in East Surrey R.C. Cyclo Cross, (Chelsham, Cyclo-cross),
(Surrey), Great Britain

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JOHN POUND. ALAN JACKSON. STAN BRITAIN (No. 12) OWEN BLWER.

I have enclosed a photo of DL member and myself in the Ashdown event Ron Tomkins who was a cop working in Scotland yard on forensics I rode races with him during 67 ,he was in his late 30's his son was a good junior but he would be about 68y now also the other pic was Dave Rudds frame which he traded in I paid the trade in price not a mark on it ,no respray for Dave a new frame in Eddy Merckx colours to go with his weekly white cloth tape

Terry Lack



For those of you that did not check out John Bunyard's website, which was mentioned on page 13 of last months DLN, which I personally found very interesting, here is an extract which mentions our founder.

John, who contacted us last year for information of our founder, also includes a photo (which we supplied) and short write up under the same heading, A CRADLE OF SPORT as the piece reproduced below.

The Band of Brothers

Founded in 1858, the Band of Brothers is a cricket club that unusually does not represent any locality but seems to exist just for the heck of it. Most of the founders were members of the Royal East Kent Mounted Rifles; their suitably military name was taken from a popular song of the era. After the original members left, the club's most illustrious leader, the 4th Lord Harris, reinvigorated it. 'BB', as it is universally known, thereafter maintained its distinctly Kentish and gentlemanly complexion, but always with a sense of humour. In 1879, at its home ground Torry Hill above Harrietsham, BB took on the neighbours from Sharsted Court, whose owner Chapman Faunce-De Laune was actually a BB member; he was henceforth known as 'Traitor'. Several top Kent players have subsequently become 'Brethren', including Lord Cowdrey. BB has commendably preserved its remarkable original records, 'The Books', which now rest securely in the archive of Canterbury Cathedral.

Malcolm

Hi Mark, if looking for a bit of filler, this feelgood story might be handy _ nowt yo do with DL directly but might be able to work it in with a comparison of club holiday exploits of days of yore perhaps.

Bihar girl stuns world by cycling 1200 km to carry injured father home, gets trial offer

Ani23 May 2020

Darbhanga (Bihar), May 23 (ANI): Determined to reach their home, a girl from Bihar, Jyoti Kumari, cycled over 1200 km carrying her



injured father. She cycled carrying her father from Gurugram to Darbhanga. Jyoti Kumari is being applauded all over the world. Jyoti has been offered trial by Cycling Federation of India. She expressed her happiness with an offer from Cycling Federation of India. Jyoti has been applauded by the US President Donald Trump's daughter Ivanka Trump. She took to the twitter

handle and wrote, "15 year old Jyoti Kumari, carried her wounded father to their home village on the back of her bicycle covering +1,200 km over 7 days. This beautiful feat of endurance and love has captured the imagination of the Indian people and the cycling federation!"

<https://in.news.yahoo.com/bihar-girl-stuns-world-cycling-072359623.html>

Nigel

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Open 25 MILE TIME TRIAL

Dave Hughes

April 12. Portsmouth Road.

With 101 riders on the Start Card of which 36 had previously beaten the hour and with 14 De Laurie riders included in the event it promised interesting sport for all who came out

The weather changed drastically from the day before., when I had sweated off rounds at the Wembley Cup Final. It was very cold and it rained. The wind blew hard and it still rained, but the event went on to a successful conclusion, then I arrived at the finish point Bert Collins was there with his car parked conveniently for .me to leave my wife Joan in it to look after the refreshments and await Mark Ballamy, with the urn full of tea, Meanwhile, Bert and I moved off to the start, where, in contrast, there was a whole crowd of people.

Somebody wanted: to know where the 'bloody! numbers were so John Cheshire took charge and handed them out. Tom Bray was there striding out measurements to double check the Start. Charlie Carlton was flogging Derby tickets, and Pete Itter to assist Tom with the timekeeping.

'Anybody seen the insurance men?' "Yes. Reg, went straight through."

No The other two - Ah! here they come!"

Roy .Savory and John Geoghegan had arrived to do the 'pushing' So off we went past Graham Crocombe who was taking up his position at the end of the lane, Morning!

On again down the road and stopping frequently to plant the mileage boards while members pass with gleeful comments -

"Come and dig Our garden later"

At Ripley lights we found John Moss, then on to Burpham lights and Reg Dawkins.

'He's asleep isn't he - Oh no He's waving!"

At the Guildford roundabout we found Ken Fuller, Roy Chittleborozh and Gen, Sec. Brian Waller.

"Cold, isn't it? I hope it stops raining!"

At the Waking roundabout we had Bill Miles (he never fails)

John Double and 'Mick Peel. But look! There's nobody at Mayfor! Ar! Here comes 'Tich' Shambrook to arrive a couple of minutes before the first man off (Mac Cole). Apparently, Mac had passed him in Ripley so 'Tich' cut through the lanes and Mac had the shock of being marshalled by someone he had passed nine miles earlier. Later, another 'Tich' story was told when after seeing the last man through and had been standing in the rain for two hours, he was invited into a cottage for tea and toast. Hows that for an organised Canteen Manager!

Meanwhile, at the 'Turn' Alan Rowe was missing! He had arrived at the start five minutes before the 'Off' having been promised a lift to the 'Turn' by me but I was long gone! Bert was to have turned the rider with him but Val Peachey volunteered to do the job, fully equipped with water proof outfit and broolly! Hubby Tony (Hoppy) Peachey sat in the car taking the times.

On the way back to the finish we met a couple of clenched fists from marshals who were still enduring the foul weather and at Redhill Road we found Jack Young placed nicely for his soaking!

The finish was already organised with Tom in position, having left Peter to start the later riders, Derek Boon had set up his result board and with the help of runner Geoff Valentine was marking up.

Mark Ballamy had arrived with the tea and was now assisting Tom with the timekeeping. Then it happened! I asked for a cup of tea and nearly had the urn thrown at me by Joan, Jean Rowe and Mal Adams' future wife, Lynda. They were very wet and not pleased with me for standing behind me was Alan Rowe who I had left behind - so once again I turn out to be the villain!

However, thank you all for helping me to run an efficient event and I hope you had the satisfaction of reading the article in 'Cycling' the following week. Thank you all very much

WARNING!

When you get back from a bike ride ensure you top up your tan or wear your shoes at all times



34th Nomads CC

25th Anniversary Dinner Dance 1959

This Film could be of interest to some of our members who appear in it plus others that you may have known.

www.facebook.com/groups/34nomads/permalink/10154208937729213/

See how many you can name

I am there with 3 of my sisters, Ed.

Social Club Events for 2020

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Club & Inter Club Events for 2020

15 th Aug		Club 10	Q10/24	
12 th Sept		OM 10	Q10/24	

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

<http://mikepeel.proboards67.com>

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