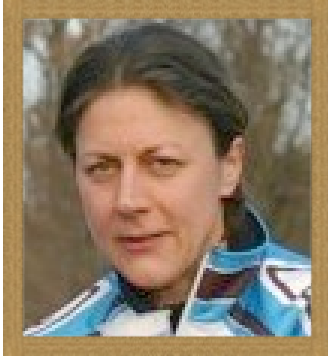


JANUARY 2011

# DE LAUNE NEWS



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# RICHMOND PARK CHRISTMAS MEET & RIDE



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CLUB NIGHT  
SECOND MONDAY  
OF EACH MONTH

Crown & Greyhound  
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**THE PRESIDENTS REPORT**

*A Happy New Year to one and all.*



I trust you all had a great Christmas and if you were travelling that you managed to get to wherever you were going. (I am writing this on the 21st December with snow all around)

What a month! Snow, snow and more snow, not much bike riding, but the turbo's are out in force (mines covered in dust and it's staying that way!) I read on the club website that Kav's Christmas bash at Richmond Park was well supported and I see in the pictures that Tony Purser was in attendance (he lives in Richmond) good to see you Tony, if for me, only on my computer screen.

I won't waffle on, let's hope the snow is gone by the time you read this and the 'racers' can start their training for the reliability trials, sorry! Sportives, that are around in the next couple of months.

Malcolm

We hear that Brian Dacey is in hospital, I am sure we all wish him well and a speedy recovery back to good health.

# From the Treasury

Happy New Year - may it be healthy and successful for you personally and for the Club.

Subscription renewal time is fast approaching, you will be receiving the usual reminder this time from Dave Haggart in the very near future imploring you to part with your money - please don't disappoint. We will soon be attending the AGM where the club finances and the overall organisation of the club may be discussed. As far as money is concerned the coffers are in a healthy state despite a large expenditure on trophy engraving updates and more expenditure on club kit. It was hoped to reduce the costs of distributing the DLN but somehow the postage has not diminished, let us hope that more positive steps can be taken in 2011 to reduce some of our outlay. Don't forget to put the date of the AGM in your diary and to come along to voice your opinions on how we are running the club and to perhaps offer us some advice on doing it better !!

I have just received the last of the paperwork etc that Brian Saxton has been storing for us, amongst which are the last copies of the 'Century Awheel'. We have just 2 books left at £10 each, so if you wish to be a proud owner of one of them please let me know. To my knowledge we have no intention of having a reprint, as these are 1st edition copies they could be worth a mint in years to come. What a sound investment.

As is my custom I am happy to record the following members who have kindly given donations to the club during 2010. Alphabetically they are - Malcolm Adams, Jon Archdeacon, Sam Armour, Steve Carter Smith, Alan Constable, Chris Cowlard, Len Danby, Terry Deeley, Geoff Margetts, Tony & Val Peachey, Cliff Pendleton, Tony Purser, Roy Savery, Brian Shambrook, John Starsmeare, Dave Tweddell, Steve Valentine, Jayne Wadsworth, Don White, Jeremy White, George Wood and Bill Wright. On behalf of the club many thanks.

## Val the Peach



FRONT COVER:- Juliet - Sarah - Jayne

The club recently received a brochure from Baltic Country Holidays (websites: [www.celotajs.lv](http://www.celotajs.lv) or [www.countryholidays.lv](http://www.countryholidays.lv) ) showcasing cycling tours in Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia. The tours appear to be self-guided (route maps provided, so shouldn't present any problem to anyone that can handle the navigational nuances and vagaries of a reliability trial!) and use earth paths and forest trails as well as tarmac (one specifies that it includes 36kms of gravel path. The pricing includes hire of Trek bikes suitable to the terrain (Hybrid 700/Navigator 100/Navigator 200), equipped with panniers, so you wouldn't have to worry about transporting your own bike, though discounts are available if you decide to do so. The photos illustrating the brochure are, naturally, chosen to create a good impression of the countryside and they do. The "sights" range from castles, beaches, little fishing villages, and Europe's biggest meteorite crater to former Soviet military facilities, including the former submarine base at Paldiski. As well as cycling tours, they also have walking, ski-ing, horse-riding, canoeing and self-drive tours, which may interest those who don't fancy a week or so in the (bike) saddle but do like the idea of seeing the countries.

(Note that the prices don't include travel to the country - they typically start in Riga - and train/other transfers but indications of these extras and their cost are usually contained in the trip itinerary. Breakfast is included, but lunch box and evening meals are at your own cost.)

Links:

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Cycling tours: [http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/cycling\\_en.html](http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/cycling_en.html)

Details of (included) bike/pannier arrangements:

[http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/bicycles\\_en.html](http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours/bicycles_en.html)

All Tours main page: [http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours\\_en.html](http://www.celotajs.lv/cont/tour/tours_en.html)

Nigel



## TIME TRIAL NEWS

### Course Details Q15/20 Leeds – Charing

Start at waste bin in layby on north side of A20 at Leeds Castle, west of Broomfield Road. Proceed along A20 to Charing RAB (7.456 miles) turn and retrace along A20 to finish at 23<sup>rd</sup> kerb joint from east end of layby opposite oak tree. 100 yards west of start. .

### Course Details – Q25/12 Old Romney – Brookland – Ham Street – Cloverleaf

Start at western end of layby on A259 near to Oasis diner, adjacent to St. Clements Church sign. (TR 035251). Riders join A259 and proceed to Brenzett RAB junction of A259/A2070/B2080 (Little Chef) left to Brookland RAB. Turn and proceed via Brenzett RAB (Little Chef) (4.71 miles). Take 2<sup>nd</sup> exit onto A.2070 passing straight through Bridgefield RAB (M) to Cloverleaf RAB (13.68 miles). Turn and retrace passing straight through Bridgefield RAB (M) to Brenzett RAB, (Little Chef) (22.65 miles) where left on A.259 to finish 0.35 miles past the start, in line with the drain at the western end of layby on southside of the A259 near to Martingfield Cottage. (TR 039249).



No competitor parking for vehicles at start or finish.

There are ample parking facilities in the layby on the south side of A259 for the finish timekeeper. Chequered board to be placed on the north side of road to enable the riders to be aware of the finish.

Alternatively there is sufficient parking on the verge on the north side of the road.

Start is clearly marked. The finish point is clearly marked, in the layby, on the south side of the A259.

### ENTRY FEES

The entry fees to pure club events on 7th May, 13th August and 15th October is £2 per ride. All the other club trophy events are part of an open promotion and they will carry their own entry fee.

### MARSHALLS

Offers of marshalling to Claire Silvester on 01892 837038.

## MORE BATH & BACK



You will have read last month about the 1954 event being a 210 mile ride, but most of us would have had to have ridden another 10 to 15 miles each way to get to the start and home again, so the days ride would have been 230/240



miles.

Now about the smashed wheel this had to be rebuilt with a new rim and this was done by the guy who lent us the wheel so that we could carry on and finish the event. This person was Harry "Doc" Green so not only did he lend us the wheel but also gained some business. Harry was a frame builder and had a shop in Dawes Road, Fulham, when we went to collect the repaired wheel I ended up ordering one of his Frame which had some very fine lug work and the cost was £15. I later sold this in 1957 to Johnny Moss when I emigrated to Canada.

Harry also later had a shop on Cinema Parade, Morden, and I believe he was a member of the 29th Wheelers, you can find out more about Harry @.

[www.classiclightweights.co.uk/builders/hegreen.html](http://www.classiclightweights.co.uk/builders/hegreen.html)



Arthur How, passed away on November 9<sup>th</sup> aged 83.

He joined the De Laune CC on the 1st March 1949 and had been a member for over 61 years.

The club had a big place in his heart; even when he stopped racing and helping marshal events, he avidly read the club newsletter and was delighted to be made a life member in 2004. He was always proud, when talking to a fellow cyclist, to say he was a member of the De Laune Cycling Club.

He had only recently sold his immaculate burgundy Rensch tandem on which he gained and still retains the club's 50 mile tandem team record set in 1954 (riding with G Starsmeare, with H Carlton and M Ballamy making up the other pair), in a time of 3:56.23.

Regards

Nick How



Mark

The posting and photograph on the website and article in your newsletter would have brought a smile to Dad's face as it has ours during what is a sad time for the family.

Showing my two young boys the photo you used of their granddad, smartly dressed, about to go on a tandem ride was a lovely thing for me to do.

Thank you.

Nick How



**RABBETT,MIKE A Century Awheel 1889-1989: A History of The De Laune Cycling Club**

De Laune Cycling Club. 1989, First Edition. Cloth, 8vo - over 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " - 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ " Tall. This is a Fine Copy of this book in Publisher's red coloured cloth, in a Fine Dust-Jacket, with no chips or tears to outer edges of the wrapper,very light rubbing to the head of the spine. Not clipped and the book has no previous ownership inscriptions present. This is a comprehensive and fascinating Club History of this famous Cycling Club in South London. Illustrated with some 20 b&w photographs. This remains a lovely clean copy of this rare cycling club history, 8vo 220pp First Edition. Fine/Fine.

**Offered for GBP 85.00 = appr. US\$ 131.24 by: Richard Thornton Books**  
- Book number: 15062



**[Save the Velodrome](#)** Red Bull Mini Drome challenge supports Save the Velodrome!

On January 15 2011 Red Bull Mini Drome will be coming to York Hall in London East End. In a UK first, Red Bull will be creating the world's smallest velodrome to challenge fixed gear riders from across the capital. Money raised at the event will go to our charity.

[www.redbull.co.uk/cs/Satellite/en\\_UK/Event/Red-Bull-Mini-Drome-021242923679584?refmod=CP\\_Red\\_Bull\\_Mini\\_Drome](http://www.redbull.co.uk/cs/Satellite/en_UK/Event/Red-Bull-Mini-Drome-021242923679584?refmod=CP_Red_Bull_Mini_Drome)



Sam Fensterheim (past member) started his bike ride from the UK to New Zealand on the 1st June 2010 he got as far as Tehran on the 20th August and has stayed there teaching English and learning Farsi, I have been in touch with Sam and he promised to write something for the DLN.

Hey Mark,

How are you? Its been a long time coming, but here is an entry which I think would be worthy of the Delaune News.

Take Care

Sam

## Tehran, Iran



I wolfed down the obligatory cake and coffee and in the company of Mehdi departed from his house. Left behind, lurked his wounded brother who due to an injured hand has been sitting his life out. Rather than his usual course of action doing dentistry in London he has been meandering between the Ukraine and Iran. Last night was our turn to have him, but due to his early morning arrival his presence did not become apparent until I woke up.

I am still adjusting to the fact that I can jump in a car that passes our house and pay only 20p for a ride. This certainly beats Oyster card crap and paying over a pound just to be surrounded by a load of rowdy teenagers and loud Nigerian men shouting down their phones. Instead, I receive the Oriental option each day. A short 20p journey to the local hub otherwise known as Punak Square and then another journey further East towards one of my many tutoring locations. This is my normality.

Today my routine was out of the ordinary and I accompanied Mehdi in a giant minibus to his office in Valiasr Square. This location was considerably further South than my normal circuit but it was a refreshing change to the better manicured neighbourhoods further North. We made use of the carnage, our first stop was to the local mall. After almost blinding myself with the sheer amount of electronic products in the compact shaded shops I slapped some sense into myself. If I hadn't of made such a quick decision

the health of my ice cream could have been compromised. Thankfully though, Mehdi came to my rescue and his suggestion of a certain pair of Philips headphones was rapidly accepted.

Our ice cream health pending we braved another road crossing and entered into his office. We had to walk up due to a broken lift, but strangely this didn't surprise me. I spent a few hours trying to communicate with his workmate Ibrahim and then topped this off with voicing some Persian rap I had formulated. A nice lunch of Dizzy (animal broth, chick peas, anonymous meat, vegetable goodness and fat) and I boarded the bus to my language institute. I almost fell asleep multiple times, but the presence of my I-Pod in my hand and not wanting to lose all my possessions for a second time insured that my shut eye was short lived.

Gazing at a board blankly and wished that I had studied more grammar followed this. The frequent refills of coffee didn't seem to alleviate my problems with grammar. I advanced to the gym. As usual there was a wealth of men walking round half naked flexing their abs in front of mirrors. I was consumed in my own world of music until a couple of obnoxious guys decided they would grab my attention by shouting English insults at each other. I obtained large amounts of amusement, but the ridiculousness of their comments thwarted my workout efforts. Poker and pizza consumption accounted for my evening.

You can read all about Sam's journey at

[www.travelpod.com/travel-blog-entries/samuelfensterhe/1/1290905666/tpod.html](http://www.travelpod.com/travel-blog-entries/samuelfensterhe/1/1290905666/tpod.html)



Hi Mark Thank you for continuing to send this to me. I ended up looking at the DL website and found the link to the centenary dinner. It was great to see that Dad/Ken was President at the time and so there were lots of photos of him and Mum; and me with booffy hair.

Cheers Suzanne Ridding (nee Fuller)

## DE LAUNE CYCLING CLUB

The first clubrun of 1931 was in the company of Oval CC - prospective riders were advised to be on their oldest machines and wear their oldest clothes as it was planned to take a cross country tour and it could get muddy. It turned out to be a great success, something that could not be said of the first dance of the year when 350 tickets had been sold only to find the venue had double booked and the Purley Charity Ball party goers were also booked. The licensed capacity of the hall was 1200 but the Purley crew had sold 2,000 tickets. A club member Mr. W. Chitty, a solicitor, took the matter forward and no money left the club purse. Feelings were, to say the least, terse. The second dance was held at the Malvern Cricket Club and the Bellingham, Oval, Balham and Old Kent had been invited swelling the party to 280. Plenty of ladies were available for dancing so a good time was had by all.

For the first time training rides were held every night of the week, starting at 7pm in February, using a route from Kennington Theatre and turning at either Burgh Heath or Fetcham, unfortunately this rate of training could not be sustained and runs were soon reduced to Monday/Wednesday/Friday, and of course Saturday & Sunday. A February run in thick snow could not deter the intrepid clubrunners riding to Wrotham where one of the 'lads' machines was tipped down a coal hole, once retrieved, a snow ball battle commenced before riding home against a N.W gale. The Secretary had purchased a typewriter for £3 in order that the DLN could be produced to a better quality. This was questioned at the AGM as to who actually owned said machine - the Secretary responded that it was De Laune property as he had donated it. A slight loss on the DLN was explained by members not paying their shilling with the club subs. The club moved back to the Grosvenor PH at an annual rent of £6.10s.0d, the committee raised concerns at the lack of numbers attending club nights. A warning was given to those arriving on bicycles, not to climb over the wall to get in as there is a ferocious dog in the yard!. The Lucas Lamp for 1931 was awarded to the individual with the lowest number of club handicap points. 13 adverts were placed in 'Cycling' at a cost of £1 pa. Concerns were raised regarding the club 100 TT because all the Motoring Section members were unavailable. A new course was arranged so that riders would remain in easy reach for feeding purposes, time of start to remain at 4.30 am. It was a close finish the club losing the team award of 4 riders by just 1 second to the Oval.

Among the new members during 1931 were Stanley Endean. Ron Hoare, Frank Patterson and Alan Furze. This was the year that 100 members were recorded and to celebrate the occasion a 'tea fight' was arranged at Burgh Heath. Ladies were welcome and a free tea was offered to the member bringing along the most ladies. Price of tea 1/3d. Sixty one sat down arriving by Green Line bus, car, underground and bicycle. It seems a certain amount of food was dispelled around the hall but was soon cleared away. The new game of walking round the walking stick until giddiness took over was the star of the show, more popular when the ladies joined in and needed steadying! Popular addition to Sunday suits - scarves in club colours knitted by lady friends.

1932 saw Frank Holland and Jef Butcher receive Gold badges of honour for services to the club. Now in its 4th year of publication the editor made a plea for articles from newer members to add more interest to club life, members were also encouraged to pay their subs early so that the money could be banked and earn some interest for club coffers. Percy Shrimpton who had been involved in a head on collision with a car at the end of 1931 was released from hospital and well on the road to recovery. A short article on early season training suggested you spend the dark evenings mending punctures, trueing sprints and making changes to improve on the previous year. Never venture out before May without tights on, give up the 'Players' and try to train in company to stop staleness setting in. Wait until the return ride home before having a 'tear up' and when finished don't stand around for a 'jaw' get home, have a glass of beverage except tea or coffee, a rub down with a hard towel then apply some wintergreen before retiring! 12 new feeding bottles were purchased for the club. A new stop watch was purchased at a cost of £12. The OMA was mooted for those who had joined the club before 1925.

Among the new members for 1932 - Ken Hill. Two instances were recorded of monies being lost in the post it was agreed to open a bank account in the name of the club in order that cheques could be issued where appropriate.

**Val the Peach** All information and snippets of club life have been culled from minutes + DLN publications

## THOMAS (7) FAUNCE

Thomas joined the Army and in September 1759 he was serving as Ensign in the 47<sup>th</sup> Regiment commanded by Lieutenant General Lascelles, part of General Wolfe's army. He played his part in the Battle of the Plains of Abraham (13<sup>th</sup> September 1759) and was wounded in the left shoulder.

Also at the Battle was Captain William De Laune. William was one of Wolfe's picked group of staff officers who helped him reconnoitre the route up the bluff. William was also one of the first to make the ascent. ....however, further research tells it differently.

.....Wolfe's intention had apparently been to have a picked detachment of men under Captain DeLaune rush the path leading up the cliff; but the tide carried the boats beyond the point planned for the landing, and Lieutenant-Colonel William Howe, commanding Wolfe's provisional light infantry battalion, led several companies of his unit straight up the cliff. (an action which seems to have been improvised)

I also found further reference to William (obviously before the Battle of the Plains of Abraham

.....Wolfe moreover was apparently allowed to a large extent to choose his own officers, a point he had tried to insist upon in his dealings with Ligonier. From Louisbourg he had written, "If his Majesty had thought proper to let Carleton come with us as engineer and Delaune and 2 or 3 more for the light Foot, it would have cut the matter much shorter. In 1759 George II was prevailed upon to allow Guy Carleton to accompany him as deputy quartermaster-general, and Captain William DeLaune of Wolfe's 67th Foot was also in his army.

Back to Thomas, when the Seven Years' war ended in 1763 there is a possibility Thomas was then stationed in Ireland and it was here he met his future wife, Bridget Nugent of Dublin, where their first son was born, sadly stillborn. The next four children (3 died in infancy) were born in Kent. Their eldest surviving son was Thomas (no. 8 and the last in line of Thomas' father to son) born in Charing (1770) the others in Linton

Thomas returned to Quebec with his family and 3 more children were born there, Alured Dodsworth,, Jane and Granville Carleton. Thomas was to become Town Mayor of Quebec in 1785\* a post he held till his death in 1806  
As I said last month more of this branch of the Faunces much later.

\*Thomas is also shown as a Town Major of Quebec this being his army rank in the Royal Artillery. Alan De Laune Faunce states in his 'A Family that went out to the World', The Story of the Faunces of Kent, that Thomas was paid £88.8s.9d pa for this post, as per his Army records. Marcus de launes' records also concurs Alan's findings.

So Mayor or Major ? my personal feeling is Major is the correct title.

Next month. Sister Mary - the link to the De Launes and Sharstead Court, Newnham



### FROM YOUR EDITOR

I would like to say a big thank you to all those member that have sent me copy over the last year without me having to have to appeal for items to fill the Mag.

We would still like to reduce the cost of producing the DLN & postage. You can read it on the club web site or I can e-mail you a copy in pdf format. Please let Dave Haggart or Mark know if you do not need a printed copy. Did you know that if you are receiving it as a pdf and you wish to look at one of the web sites that are mentioned from time to time, just click on it and it will go straight to your browser.

## SOME PAST & PRESENT MEMBERS YOU CAN FIND ON FACEBOOK

### MEMBERS

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John Randall

## AGM

The 2011 AGM will take place on February 24th at the Crown & Greyhound Public House, Dulwich, (venue to be confirmed) starting at 8pm. More details and the Agenda will be circulated nearer the date. Any members who wish to submit items for the Agenda (propositions for rule changes, or any other items) should ensure they are with the General Secretary, Nigel Scales, by January 18th. Email submissions (to [nigel\\_scales@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:nigel_scales@yahoo.co.uk) ) are preferred and should also be copied to the Chairman, Jon Archdeacon ( [archdeacon.home@virgin.net](mailto:archdeacon.home@virgin.net) ).

Nominations for club officer positions should also be submitted to the General Secretary by January 18th. Any member who would like to stand for a club officer position themselves should make this known to the General Secretary and Chairman by the same date.



## Diary Social/Club for 2011

Thursday ? February	Annual General Meeting at Blackheath Harriers HQ 20:00
Sunday ? June	Mid-Summer Club run & Picnic in Richmond Park - Contact John Kavanagh
Sunday 26? June	OMA Lunch - Brighton 12:45
Sunday ? July	Max Dods Memorial B-B-Q at Herne Bay 9:00
Sunday ? October	Club run to the Down Hill 10:00
Friday ? November	Belgium Night at Blackheath Harriers 19:30 for 20:00
Sunday 20 November	Newnham Remembrance Service 10:30
Sunday 11 December	Richmond Park Christmas Social Ride 09:00

## Club & Inter-Club Events for 2011

Saturday 2 April	15:00	De Laune Open 10	Grain	Q10/24
Sunday ? April		SERRL - Road Race	Brenchley	
Saturday 7 May	08:30	Club Event 15 miles	Harrietsham	Q15/20
Sunday 15 May		Ken Fuller Memorial RR	Crowhurst	
Sunday 12 June	06:30	GS Invicta 25 - Club Championship & Novices		Q25/8
Tuesday 14? July		Circuit Race	Crystal Palaxe	
Sunday 31 July	6:30	De Laune Open 25 and Club Midsummer 25	Chilham	Q25/8
Saturday 13 August	08:30	OMA 10		Q10/22
Sunday 11 September	07:30	Kent VTTA Autumn 25		Q25/12
Saturday 15 October	11:00	Hill Climb	Whites Lane	
Sunday ?? October		KCA Reliability Trial	Details awaited - Phone 01622 726959	

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