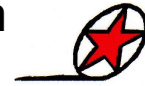


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## WINTER NEWS LETTER - 2010

### Editorial

Winter greetings to you all. We hope you have had an enjoyable Spring and Summer riding your bikes.

Apologies for the 'missing' newsletter. Events and circumstances have conspired to make this newsletter the Summer and Winter newsletter.

You will find a round up of some of the key Star Wheeler events that have taken place including: the Freewheel; the Coast to Coast; HSW Road Race; Road Racing snippets; The 2 up Time Trial; the Summer and Winter Cyclo Cross; the Hill Climb; and the Sunday Runs.

### Club AGM

The AGM was held at the Slubbers Arms on Tuesday 7th Dec . The election of the committee members is as follows .

**President :-** Paul Smith.

**General Sec :-** Graham Charles.

**Treasurer :-** J Corker.

**Club Coach :-** Ivan Boyes.

**Racing Sec :-** Ivan Boyes.

**Mountain Bike Sec :-** Iain Colley

**Social Sec :-** Paul Smith

**Dinner Organiser :-** Paul Smith

**Clothing Sec :-** Mark Newby

**Recruitment & Publicity Sec :-** Ivan Boyes

**Trophy Sec :-** Andy Pearson

**Newsletter Editor :-** S Bunting & Ben Atkinson

**Website Manager :-** Tall Paul Smith & Ivan Boyes

**Club Development Contact Officer :-**

G Piccavey

**CyloCross Sec :-** G Piccavey

**Time Trial Sec :-** Mark Thaxter

### Club Kit Half Price Sale

It was agreed at the AGM recently that we would discount the remaining stock, then future orders would be subsidised by 20% on all items.

And here is what we've got

Road Jerseys (Short Sleeved) were £38 now £19

2 X Large

2 X XL

2 X XXL

1 X Small (Short Zip) was £35 now £17.50

Gilets were £31 now £15.50

2 X Large

2 X XL

1 X XXL

MTB Shirts (Short Sleeved) were £38 now £19

1 X Small

1 X Medium

1 X Large

1 X XXXL

Shorts (U-Panel) were £44 now £22

1 X XL

1 X XXL

Bib-Shorts (Side Panel) were £46 now £23

1 X XL

Items will be sold on a first come first served basis, items can not be reserved unless I have received some cold hard cash or a cheque signed in blood preferably.

### Club Dinner

This year we are looking for a new venue to hold our annual dinner . The Provisional date for the dinner is a the 26th Feb 2011 . The cost will be £10 per head 9 the club is going to subsidise the rest - £5-£6 per head ). Check our web site for the latest update on the dinner.

## Freewheel Competition 30<sup>th</sup> July 2010

Whilst riding up to Farnley Tyas with the rain bouncing up into my face, I thought, hmmm, yes this could be fun. Mr Colley who was stood waiting with rain dripping off his nose said, "All we need is the thunder and lightening." and 10 seconds later it started. The weather held off for just long enough for us to run the event and 11 riders safely completed the course. We then headed down to the Clothiers Arms to dry out and discuss the event in great detail, hiccup!!

This years winners were:

1st Junior Elliott Smith, well done again young man.

1st Women Dawn Hartley, good effort, bit wobbly at the start Dawn!!!!

1st Fella. Yes, you know it, Paul Smith. Nice one, Paul.

Thank you to all who entered the event and also to Ivan and Paul W for marshalling in the rain.

Mark Newby

## Coast to Coast July 2010

What a fantastic day from start to finish. The weather was very kind throughout, if not a little hot for the last hour!

I have to say that the ride group we had worked excellently together with the communication throughout the chain being spot on. Everybody did their share of the work and all seemed comfortable with the pace. All of which resulted in a cracking time of under 7 hours.

Plenty of banter as well, apart from the run into the climb of Sutton Bank when the group went ominously quiet!!!

First and foremost I need to thank our drivers, Dave, Mick and Ashleigh for doing a sterling job and supporting us with their time and effort.

A ride like this is made so much better by the people involved and we had a great bunch of riders this year.

To our sponsors:

Sicame Electrical of Holmfirth for the loan of the van.

Arrow self drive for doing us a good deal on the Minibus.

Paul Smith and Kwikfit for supplying the fuel for both vehicles.

Andy at Try Cycling for donating the SIS drinks and the loan of the containers.

Mark B from Shotz for the gels and bars.

Raymond Carrol butchers from Newsome for the Roast Ham.

My mum for the slightly sweet fudge.

Janet for the flapjack.

Owen for lending me his rear wheel.

All in all a stunning day and I can't wait for next year. The money we raised went to the Starlight Foundation Charity, a charity devoted to making the likes of terminally or seriously ill children's lives better.

Thank you for all you donations.

Mark Newby.

## Sunday Club Runs

The club's Sunday Runs are going from strength to strength. With 2 separate groups going off (8.00 am for the faster group and 9.30 am for the normal group) we have seen rider numbers increase. Both groups regularly taking out 12 - 14 riders each.

Please note that now winter is upon us the faster group leaves at 9.00 am.

## **Eric Biddulph Memorial Road Race 2010 July 4th 2010**

The Eric Biddulph Memorial Road Race for category 3/4 club riders was promoted by Huddersfield Star Wheelers on Sunday with 54 riders lining up for the race. Run over a distance of 53km, the riders had extremely strong winds to contend with but thankfully no rain.

The race was eventful to say the least. The riders hadn't gone far when the race had to be stopped on the first lap as a JCB blocked the course just as Craig Gath (York Cycleworks) broke clear of the main bunch. After a minute or so, the race was on again but there were further incidents which made life challenging for the commissaries and marshals as the bunch encountered horses and also a running race that was using some of the same roads as the cycle race.

Ben Page (VS Cycles) was on the attack early on and took the first prime with five laps to go but a lone break was never going to make any headway with the strong winds keeping the speeds down to 10mph on the long drag up to the finish line. With four laps to go, Karl Denton (Yorkshire Velo) and Karl Downes (Star Bikes) broke clear and worked well together to get a gap of 30 seconds on the chasers.

The two Karls never looked like being caught and it was a great effort, especially from Denton, as he had raced the previous day. On the last lap of the event, five riders jumped clear of what was left of the bunch but never looked like catching the leaders.

Denton and Downes continued to share the work until about 50 yards from the line when Downes kicked for the line but it wasn't enough as Denton came out on top, claiming the victory as well as the Eric Biddulph Memorial Trophy presented at the HQ by Eric's widow, Mary. Robert Blackburn (JE James) completed the podium places, winning the sprint from the second group on the road.

1. Karl Denton Yorkshire Velo
2. Karl Downes Star Bikes
3. Robert Blackburn J E James
4. David Furness Doncaster Wheelers
5. Craig Gath York Cycleworks
6. Ben Page VS Cycles
7. Giles Dumont Moonglu RT
8. Sean Smith Halifax Imperial Wheelers
9. Mike Clark Wheel Guru
10. Tony Grassby Peak RC
11. Alex Wallis Sportscover
12. Richard Siddle Wakefield CC
13. Oliver Pearce Boneshakersbikes.com
14. Jaime Hyde Macclesfield Wheelers
15. Dan Shoreman Yorkshire Velo
16. Michael Tomlinson Wheel Guru
17. Matthew Bulmer Dirtwheels
18. Andrew Pearson Huddersfield Star Wheelers
19. Nicholas Armistead Dirtwheels
20. Adrian Rudd Dirtwheels
21. John Wright Wakefield CC
22. Phil Valentine Wakefield CC
23. Dominic Turner VS Cycles
24. Tom Broadbent Huddersfield Star Wheelers
25. Gareth Owen Team Swift
26. Steve Gibson Peak RC

Many thanks to all those who gave up their Sunday morning to help out, the race could not take place without your assistance.

## SUMMER CROSS

### Over 14's Final League Positions

		Position	Points	Races	
Graham Piccavey	V40	26	500	7	
Giles Bailey	V40	35	444	7	
Andy Pearson	S	89	143	2	
Nigel Dickenson	V40	92		138	2
Paul A. Smith	S	104	101	2	
Michael Collins	S	117		86	1
Ivan Boyes	S	143	68	1	
Dawn Hartley	L	161	48	1	
Jonathan Brook	V40	167		35	1

### Under 14's Final League Positions

		Position	Points	Races	
Alex Bailey	U8	26	295	4	
Ruby Boyes	U10	31	224	3	
Dylan Boyes	U8	32	210	3	
Christopher Bullist	U12	34	172	2	
Tira Waterman	U10	43		91	1
Holly Whitely	U8	92	73	1	
Gabriel McNae		94		71	1
Oscar Waterman	U10	95	70	1	
Florence Whitely	U8	96	69	1	

After ploughing the lonely furrow Graham & I have finally got some company – as you can see from the tables above. In the over 14's the hard fast courses tempted the racing whippets out – some even came back for more. Graham once again highlighted the benefits of winter evening mountain bike rides on Baildon Moor by being the lead Star Wheeler.

With Ivan & Darren running their successful 'Go-Ride' sessions on a Saturday afternoon this has swelled the ranks of Star Wheelers in the Under 14's. Hopefully, we'll see you all at some of the winter events. Once again I'd like to thank everyone who helped at the Star Wheelers summer cross. The riders are very appreciative of your efforts.

### Giles Bailey



## Star Wheelers Summer Cyclo Cross

On a warm but breezy late summer evening, a bumper field of over 100 riders tackled an excellent course at Newsome High School which had just about everything, with long grassy climbs, woody single track and a soft and treacherous sand-pit. Throw in the wonderful backdrop of the Pennines and nearby Castle Hill, and you had a perfect stage upon which to stage the final act of what has been another superb series.

Pedalsport Junior, Jack Clarkson, clinched the Yorkshire Cyclo-Cross Summer league in convincing manner, winning the final round in fine style.

Graham Piccavey was the highest place rider in Star Wheelers colours in 35<sup>th</sup>; Tall Paul Smith in 40<sup>th</sup> place; Jonathan Brook in 66<sup>th</sup> place & Owen Mitton (riding under Huddersfield RC) finished 20<sup>th</sup>.

In the Under 14 race Star Wheelers Tiras Waterman (U10) finished 10<sup>th</sup>; Christopher Bullitt (U12) 17<sup>th</sup>; Ruby Boyes 29<sup>th</sup>; and Dylan Boyes 33<sup>rd</sup>.

Giles Bailey did another excellent job at organising a superb event with plenty of Star Wheelers and their partners giving up their time to set out the course, marshall and provide support and refreshments throughout the day.

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## Star Wheelers Winter Cyclo Cross

A big thanks to everyone who helped out at the cyclo cross on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October. Lots of you gave up most of your Sunday which was greatly appreciated. The event ran very

well with over a 120 riders competing in almost Summer-like conditions.

### The results (Star Wheelers)

Seniors & Vets

Ivan Boyes 20<sup>th</sup>

Giles Bailey 37<sup>th</sup>

Dawn Hartley 62<sup>nd</sup>

### U12's (Star Wheelers)

Elliott Smith 20<sup>th</sup>

Ruby Boyes 23<sup>rd</sup>

### U8's (Star Wheelers)

Louis Smith 8<sup>th</sup>

Alex Bailey 11<sup>th</sup>

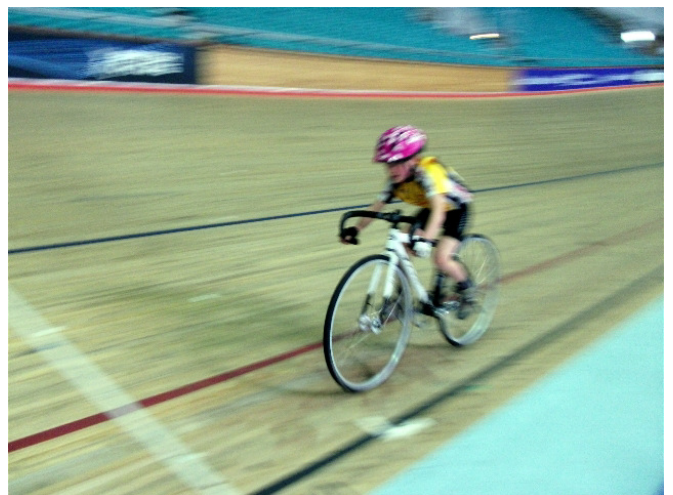
Gabriel McNae 12<sup>th</sup>

Dylan Boyes 13<sup>th</sup>

Heather Green 14<sup>th</sup>

Graham Piccavey

## Ruby Boyes at the Velodrome



In August my Dad, who coaches for Star Wheelers & Kirklees Cycling Academy, took me to the Manchester Velodrome. When we got there he told us that a track bike is special because it has no gears and no brakes so it is called a fixed wheeled bike. First on the track I rode on the concrete, then on the black, then on the red and then on the blue. It is hard going round corners because you have to pedal really hard. At the end of the lesson we had a race and I enjoyed it!

Ruby Boyes Aged 9

## West Riding Grass Track League

I found out about this from chatting to Mandy Parker (East Bradford CC) at Manchester Velodrome at a Friday Night Track League. There is a 500m grass track oval in Roundhay Park, Leeds round the cricket pitch. Every Monday night in the Summer they run races for all age groups. Under 12s can ride freewheel bikes & over 12s ride fixed gear bikes, similar to track bikes but with bigger clearances to fit cross tyres for better grip. The braver riders use slicks which can be pretty tricky if it's damp.



I took Ruby & Dylan along most weeks & they really enjoyed it. The Under 12s do a half lap time trial then a series of handicap races so everyone has a chance of glory. Both Ruby & Dylan won races over the series & overall Ruby finished 2nd Under 10 Girl & Dylan was 6th Under 8 boy. Dawn Hartley & Owen Mitton also rode the Seniors events & I had a go on the last Monday night, when given an extremely generous handicap (after downplaying my bike racing skills) won the 6 lap block handicap .

Ivan

## Star Wheelers Hill Climb Oct 2010

It's that time of the year when sane cyclists nip down to their local hospital for the lobotomy needed in order to partake in the Hill Climbing Season of races.

Tinkers Hill once again formed the test for a field of 42 including National and Ex National Hill Climbing champions. The Star Wheelers were once again well represented

with 7 riders taking part. Paparazzi favourite, Andy Pearson, proved his climbing credentials with a creditable 6<sup>th</sup> place with a time of 5:10. Toby 'The Whippet' Miller made 9<sup>th</sup> place with a time of 5:26. Other Wheelers performed admirably with Ivan Boyes 13<sup>th</sup> with 5.40.9; Tom Broadbent 14<sup>th</sup> (the quickest Doctor up the hill) with 5:41.4; Jason Fossey 15<sup>th</sup> with 5:42.3; Loz Goodall 20<sup>th</sup> with 6:12.1; Graham Piccavey 22<sup>nd</sup> with 6:19.6.

In the Open Event the top placing's were:

1. Mike Cuming Team Raleigh 4:28.8
2. Matt Clinton Mike Vaughan.co.uk 4:29.2
3. Chris Myhill Peak Road Club 4:53.4
4. David Watson Coventry Road Club 4:53.5

A big thank you to Andy Pearson for his first year at running the event (smoothly) and all the marshals that helped out on the day. Andy has taken over from the superb efforts of Kevin Ward who has run this event from the days when men rode up in Penny Farthings. Thank you, Kevin.

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## The Star Wheelers Club 2 up Time Trial 20<sup>th</sup> May

A lovely evening saw an excellent turn out for this event. Unsurprisingly time trial specialists Mark and Tom paired up to take the honours.

Tom Broadbent and Mark Thaxter 24.29  
Loz Goodall and Toby Miller 25.49  
Mark Newby and Paul Smith 27.42  
Daz McDowell and Graham Charles 27.43  
Mick Silversides and Ben Atkinson 29.24  
David Gavin and Neil Sutcliffe 30.41  
Stuart Bunting and Brian Green 34.11  
Andy and Toby 36.14  
Ivan Boyes and Emily Tidmarsh 36.33

Iain Colley and Simon Cutler 37.14

Sally Brook and Sarah 39.35

Thank you to Mark Thaxter for organising the event and to all those that helped with time keeping and marshalling.

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## Road Racing Round Up 2010

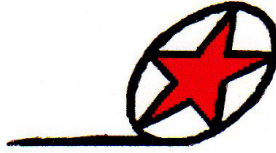
The best result this year so far has to go to Andy Pearson who won the 4th Cat Hog Hill Winter League event on Saturday February 20th. Andy used his hill climbing strengths to leave the rest of the field behind on the finishing climb to win by about 20 metres. Unfortunately in a later event Andy had a bad crash, not too much damage to himself but his frame was a right off. After getting a new bike Andy has done a few more road races but has switched to time trialling & training for the hill climb season.

I've been there or thereabouts in all my races this year but had no great results. I think my best ride was in the Summer Wine Road Race promoted by Holme Valley Wheelers. I rode the 3rd cat event in the afternoon, Graham Charles, Loz Goodall & Tom Broadbent rode the 4th Cat race in the morning. Graham & Loz both lost contact with the bunch in what was a tough race which included the climb from the Bay Horse pub to the top of Hade Edge 10 times during the race. Tom was looking good but went down after being cut up by another rider.

In the afternoon's race it was another tough race, the wind had picked & it was a pretty hot day too. I hung onto the bunch by the skin of my teeth & finished 19th, the race took a sniff under 2 hours for the 40 mile distance which showed how hard the course & conditions were. Andy got dropped with a few laps to go & couldn't get back up to the bunch on the downhill section of the course.

In the last month I've been racing at the Tameside circuit in Ashton Under Lyne. I've picked up a few points in the last couple of race & also a few cuts & scrapes after falling off when my chain snapped in another race. If I can pick up a few more points in the next few weeks I may just catch Andy up & claim the road race cup at the club dinner.

Ivan



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### MEMBERSHIP FORM

Dear Jon,

I would like to become a member of HSW, I enclose  
(Membership runs from 1st January until 31st December)

£12 ( Family )

£8 ( Senior )

£6 ( Under 18 )

Name/s \_\_\_\_\_

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