

CTC NEW FOREST CYCLING RALLY 2014

NEWSLETTER 1

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Dear Fellow Cyclist

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Once again we are making preparation for our 2014 rally. This year it is a very special year being the 40th consecutive year the rally has been held. To help us celebrate this special event we hope as many people as possible will attend the rally. Also we would ask all our friends who have attended previous years to spread the word amongst their friends to see if we can boost the numbers to make this rally really special. Come along for the week or just a few days.

The Rally will take place from the afternoon of Friday 25th July until Saturday morning the 2nd August. As usual the venue will be Avon Tyrrell Youth Activity Centre, nr Bransgore, Hampshire BH23 8EE. Besides looking at our own web site, also look at www.avontyrrell.org.uk which gives good information.

We will have the use of both the East and West Lake camping area. The north part of the camping site, just below the swimming pool will be allocated for cycle campers and light weight campers with small tents. To preserve the tranquillity of the lightweight camping area this will be designated an area **with no cars**. Small tent users as well as cycle campers will be welcome to use this area, but cars will need to be parked on the official Avon Tyrrell car parks.

Avon Tyrrell advised that this year they do expect to have built an additional 6 showers and toilets together with washing up facilities near to the existing boat house. There are 8 electric hooks for use by Caravans and Motorhomes.

The ethos of the week is to be a relaxing cycling week exploring the many tracks and paths in the New Forest, either with a group or individual friends. Various on site activities during the evening will take place. On the Monday evening we plan to hire the large marquee for a special 40th celebration which will include wine and cheese, children's drinks and a special 40th Birthday Cake, followed by a progressive beetle drive which we hope will be a lot of fun. Other evenings will include the children's time trial, swimming, children's activities on the Wednesday. Bar-B-Q on the Friday. A day at the Velodrome, please look at the web site for further information on this.

For the third year running we are pleased to advise the daily camping fee for Adults will remain at £8.50 for children between 5 –17 the rate will be reduced to £3.50 (last year it was £5.50 and only up to 14 years) under 5 will be free. Adult campers travelling by cycle in the lightweight section will be charged £7.00

Booking Form Information

Booking Forms

Please see separate document which we would ask you to complete and forward with your cheque as detailed on the two page booking form. You will find this year's form contains more detail and covers all items which you are able to book and pay for in advance. In order to reduce administration time (we are all volunteers) early booking and checking all documents are enclosed will greatly be appreciated. **Please note closing dates on the booking form.**

Electric Hook ups for Caravans and Motorhomes only

Before sending off your booking forms please email to the Booking Secretary a request for electric hook up. As there is only 8 hook ups available, to obtain maximum use of these, they will be allocated to people who are staying at the rally for a minimum of 5 nights. Please state in your email your intended arrival and departure day. Caravans and Motorhomes allocated with hooks ups will have a reserved area backing on to the electric hook ups. Vans must be pitched 20 feet apart for fire purposes. Please only send booking form including the cost of your hook up once you have received confirmation from the Booking Secretary.

Avon Tyrrell- Site List/Activity Form/ Medical Information Form

For the use of their rally site it is part of our agreement with Avon Tyrrell that we must provide them with a list of people on-site each day. Please complete the form for all adults and children attending the Rally. In addition they require extra information as detailed on their form for Children under 18 (and any Adult) who have signed up to take part in Activities including swimming which involves the use of Avon Tyrrell instructors. **This form should be returned with your booking form**

Wednesday Activity Day

Again all the information is included in the booking form. There are a limited number of instructors and activities which can take place in a day. It is therefore very important we book the sessions and instructors as soon as possible, each session has a maximum of 8 people. 'Chicken and Egg' unless we have the booking early we will not be able to guarantee a particular activity. We have given a choice of activities and we will try to satisfy everybody, but if we do not get enough people for a particular activity then we may have to come back and ask if you would accept an alternative. Choose from the list but most Junior's normally are happy with up to doing 3 sessions during the day. **Hence the deadline of 30 May for these bookings.**

Swimming Sessions

Sessions have been booked for early evening 6 – 7.30pm On Sunday and Wednesday. They are for both Adults and children.

Tee Shirt and Polo Shirts

To celebrate our 40th year special designed Tee Shirts and Polo shirt will be produced. In order to place the order for Manufacturer of these we would ask you to complete the quantity and size chart and complete the payment section. Again your early bookings will help us to gauge the interest and numbers.

Velodrome

We normally book a two hour session, to take part there is a lower age limit of 12. You can decide at the rally if you wish to take part. Each person will need to hire and pay for track bike rental upon arrival.