



CHESTER AND NORTH WALES CTC CTC CAER A GOGLEDD CYMRU

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Dear members

Some information and some reminders...

CTC National AGM & Dinner - The Queen Hotel 25th April 2009

The Annual General Meeting of CTC is taking place at The Queen Hotel in Chester commencing at 1.30pm. We hope that as many CTC members as possible will attend the AGM in the afternoon as well as the Dinner in the evening. Don't forget your membership card to gain entry to the meeting. The AGM Agenda and Annual Report are published in the April-May edition of Cycle.

Chester and North Wales rides - Sunday 26th April 2009

Three rides are planned on Sunday starting at The Queen Hotel in Chester. The first ride will be to the famous Eureka cyclists' café at Two Mills; the second ride is to the Cheshire Ice Cream Farm near Tattenhall; and the third will be a harder ride up to the Halkyns in Wales. For further information about these rides contact Sue Cherry at www.CTC.org.uk. All rides are free.

Chester Cycling Demonstration Town Launch - Help Wanted – see below

Saturday April 25th 2009- Cycle Fest To launch Chester's Cycling Demonstration Town status to the residents and visitors of Chester, a full cycle market is planned for Saturday 25th April. The cycle market will comprise 20 market stalls featuring the main Cycling Demonstration Town partners located around Chester. The market stalls will not be selling products but will be providing information regarding, where to buy bikes, what to buy and what offers are available. Some stalls will also be offering security marking, demonstrations, have-a-go activities and information about upcoming projects. Chester Cycle Campaign and Chester and North Wales CTC will be sharing a stall at the market.

We are looking for volunteer CTC members to give up an hour of their time during the day to help 'man' the stall.

If you can help, please contact Sue Booth, our Cycling Development Officer, who is co-ordinating a rota of volunteers (development@ctchesterandnwales.org.uk).

Sunday April 26th 2009 - Programme of cycle activities

On Sunday 26th April there will be an opportunity for residents to get on their bikes by joining a number of cycle activities around the area. The rides are for people of all abilities and interests. Follow this link to see the rides programme www.chester.gov.uk/PDF/20080930rideprogramme. All rides are free.

CTC Cymru Treasure Hunt and Map-reading Competitions Saturday 2nd May 2009 – starting at Bodfari

These two events – one in the morning and one in the afternoon - are taking place on the Saturday of the CH&NW CTC 70th Anniversary Camping Weekend at Bodfari in the Vale of Clwyd. They can be ridden for fun but are also eligible for points as 'E' events in the CTC Tourist Competition. You can enter one or both of these rides. Details are on our website www.ctchesterandnwales.org.uk under 'Events'. You don't need to come for the whole weekend – you could just come for single days if you're within travelling distance. Rides have also been planned for Sunday and Monday to suit all abilities. Details of the Camping Weekend are on our website.

Just to remind you...

Change of Website address. Please note that access to the Chester and North Wales website in the future will be www.ctcchesterandnwales.org.uk. Many of you already use this but if you currently have www.ChesterAndNorthWalesCTC.org.uk as a favourite, please change it. A notice has been published in the latest edition of The Link and changes to email contact details of key CH&NW CTC officers are on the back cover of The Link and on the Contacts page of our website. If you have any queries please contact secretary@ctcchesterandnwales.org.uk.

Changes in status of Chester and North Wales CTC and its riding groups

Chester and North Wales CTC is no longer a DA (District Association) but is now a Parent Member Group (PMG). We have a number of riding groups, now known as Informal Groups (IGs, formerly Sections) for which we are wholly responsible. CTC Two Mills (formerly a section) is a Subsidiary Member Group (SMG) which is integral to CH&NW CTC but is partially autonomous with its own elected officers. In future correspondence and News Sheets I will be using these new terms.

Membership CTC members can now choose their 'main' Member Group (formerly DA). Members (and new members) are currently allocated a 'main' Member Group by default according to their postcodes. If you reside within postcodes CH1-CH40, CH65-CH99, LL0-LL99 or WA6, and are happy to remain with Chester and North Wales CTC, you need do nothing.

If you have chosen CTC Two Mills as your 'main' Member Group contact Janet Gregory at twomills@ctcchesterandnwales.org.uk if you haven't already done so.

If your postcode is not included in the above list and you want to remain with Chester and North Wales CTC, then you need to write individually to inform National Office. Include your name, address and membership number and state that you wish your 'main' Member Group to be Chester and North Wales CTC. You can do this after April 3rd via email to: Adrian Lawson (Cycling Development Officer) at adrian.lawson@CTC.org.uk or write to Adrian Lawson, Cycling Development Officer, CTC, Parklands, Railton Road, Guildford, GU2 9JX, Tel: 01483 238331 (direct line).

Remember that your voting rights at AGMs may be affected according to the Member Group you have chosen.

If you are unsure about any of the above or would like more details, please email me at secretary@ctcchesterandnwales.org.uk

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