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FROM THE PRESIDENT

I wish to thank members for expressing their confidence in me and re-electing me for 1981. I hope that I can live up to your expectations.

The CTA has three main tasks for 1981. First and foremost, the continuation of well-organised rides that cater for a wide range of interests. Secondly, the continuation and possible extension of the long tours programme - a South-West tour in May, a Farmland tour in August and hopefully a tour of Tasmania in December 1981 or January 1982. The third is concerned with cycle safety and public awareness. The CTA will be taking a more active role in alerting relevant authorities and the public to the safety needs of cyclists in our state.

Happy cycling.

Dale Neill.

1981 FEES NOW DUE

This is your last newsletter under your current membership. Fees are due by January 30, 1981 and only financial members will receive the next newsletter.

You are urged to complete the enclosed form and forward your subscription promptly. (If you allow your membership to lapse and later re-join you will have to pay an extra \$5.00 joining fee)

## 1980 Cycle Tourist of the Year.

Neil Porteous was named as the CTA's 1980 Cycle Tourist of the Year and was presented with the Association's most coveted trophy. He follows Nicole Harrison and Wayne Lally to be the third recipient of the award.

Neil, often called the "gentleman cyclist", has participated in most of the CTA's rides throughout 1980, including the 700 km Kalgoorlie Tour. He sets a splendid example to younger riders for his safety- consciousness and consideration for his fellow rider. He has also given three years of service on the CTA committee.

Most important of all is that Neil is one of the best companions one could ever have for a ride in the country.

## MADISON SADDLES

Two new top quality saddles have recently come onto the market - the Madison G11 for men and L22 for women. At \$25 to \$30 they are not cheap but if you are looking for excellent comfort from the first kilometre and a saddle that is the result of scientific research then these are worth investigating.



## SINGLE FILE OR TWO ABREAST ?

"You are not permitted to ride two abreast", stated the RTA patrolman, after pulling six CTA cyclists to a halt. The CTA ride leader queried the statement and the RTA officer to check his regulations. After ten minutes of searching a somewhat embarrassed officer agreed that the law did allow for two cyclists to ride side by side.

This scene happened on three separate occasions during 1980 and reflects the apparent misunderstanding the public, the RTA and even some cyclists have regarding riding single file.

The RTA and NSC have generally promoted the idea that riding single (Indian) file is safer and preferable. Accident records indicate the opposite! If we look at the cases of cyclists that are hit from behind, for example, the vast majority of these happen when cyclists ride single file. Poor rider visibility has been found to be one of the key factors in cycle accidents and a driver is more likely to see two cyclists beside each other than one in front of the other.

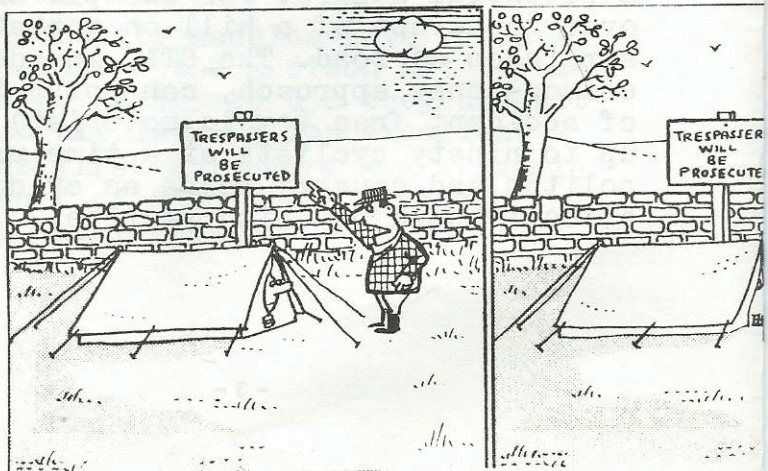
CTA policy and practice is to ride two abreast, except in situations where this causes a potential hazard. For example on curves or over the crest of a hill on certain narrow stretches of road. The CTA, in adopting this common-sense approach, can point to five years of accident free (cycle-motorist) cycling with up to ninety cyclists at a time using metropolitan and country roads as evidence of the effectiveness of this practice.

## AU REVOIR NICOLE !

When a Qantas Jumbo flew out of Perth airport on December 19, the CTA lost its most colourful cycling personality in Nicole Harrison who has gone to live in West Berlin.

Nicole had been the CTA's secretary for the past three years and had performed the onerous task with enthusiasm and efficiency. Nicole loved cycling and despite her petite size participated in more CTA long tours and achievement rides than any other cyclist, male or female. In 1978 she she was awarded the inaugural Cycle Tourist of the Year award.

Nicole devoted a major part of her life over the last three years to cycling and the CTA and her contribution has left an indelible stamp on the character of the CTA. All her friends in the CTA wish her well for the future and I know that cycle touring in Western Australia is richer because of her efforts.



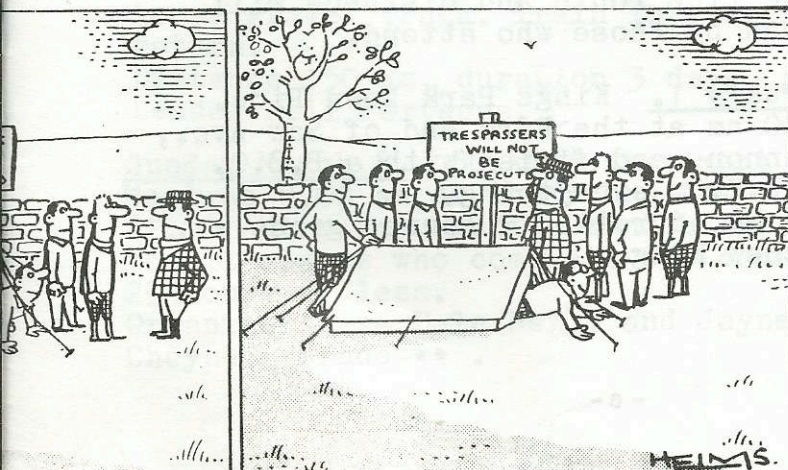


## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 32 members who attended the AGM on November 24 voted to increase fees by 20-40% for 1981 and to include a \$5.00 joining fee for new members.

Three new committee members were elected - John Cheyne (treasurer), Jayne Milloy-Cheyne and Tony Pettit. Dale Neill and Walter King were re-elected unopposed to the positions of President and Vice-President respectively and Bob Stockman was voted in as the new Secretary. Matthew King and Dave Millward were re-elected to the committee.

Nicole Harrison, who is off to Germany to live, did not stand for re-election. Geoff Dwyer, who was Treasurer and Acting President during 1980, although not standing for re-election, is to be the editor of the CTA newsletter in 1981 and Neil Porteous will continue to act as ride leader from time to time.



## COMING EVENTS

Sunday January 4. Beach Ride. Grade \*\*  
Meet at Perry Lakes near the change rooms  
at 7.30 am and don't forget your bathers.  
Duration 3 hours, leader Mike Brant.

Sunday January 11. "Peppy Grove-Canoe Ride".  
Meet at the Grove Shopping Centre at 3.00 pm  
and finish at the Mosman Park canoe club  
where you can try your hand at canoeing.  
Grade \* Distance 15 km, duration 3 hours.  
Leader Matthew King.

Sunday January 18. Moonlight Ride.  
Meet at 3.30 am at Myer's Karrinyup store.  
Note that this is an early morning start for  
an enjoyable ride by the light of the moon.  
Your cycle MUST be equipped with front and  
rear lights, breakfast at the Neill's (\$2).  
Grade \*\* ,Distance 40 km, duration 5 hours.  
Leader Dale Neill.

Sunday January 25. Informal Ride.  
Meet at 9.00 am at the Fremantle Railway  
Station. The ride route and distance will  
be determined by those who attend.

Sunday February 1. Kings Park Dawn Ride.  
Meet at 7.00 am at the Park end of Saw Ave.,  
near the cannon, and finish with a B.B.Q.  
breakfast. B.Y.O. everything.  
Distance 15 km, duration 2 hours, grade \* .  
Leader Matthew King.



Sunday February 8. John Forrest  
Meet at 8.30 am at the Park kiosk.  
Distance 50 km, duration 4 hours, grade H.  
Leader Bob Stockman.

Sunday February 15. Speed Consistency Trial.  
Meet at 9.30 am near the B.B.Q.'s at Perry  
Lakes. This is a test for all types and ages  
of rider to see if you can maintain a constant  
speed.  
Distance 15 km, duration 2 hrs, grade \* .  
Organisers are Walter King and Jayne Milloy-  
Cheyne.

Sunday February 22. Informal Ride.  
Meet at 2.00 pm at the Kings Park Log.  
Route and distance to be decided by those  
who attend.

February 28, March 1&2. Nanga Long Weekend.  
Meet at 8.30 am at the Perth Railway Station.  
Train to Pinjarra, cycle to Nanga via  
Dwellingup and camp 2 nights at Nanga. Bring  
tents, sleeping bags, food etc. 40 km of  
loose gravel track. Train fare approx. \$8  
return.  
Distance 150 km, duration 3 days, grade \*\*\* .  
Leader Neil Porteous.

Sunday March 8. 50 km Achievement Ride.  
Meet at 9.00 am at the Bibra Lake carpark.  
\$2.00 entry fee. Achievement badges awarded  
to all riders who complete the course in  
2½ hours or less.  
Organisers are Dale Neill and Jayne Milloy-  
Cheyne. Grade \*\* .



Sunday March 15. Progressive Dinner.

Maximum 20 people at \$5.00 per head. Book by March 8. Meet at 5.00 pm at 22 Saunders St., North Beach.

Distance 40 km, duration 5 hrs, grade \*\* .  
Organiser Tony Pettit. (See cover)

Sunday March 22. Lake Leschanaultia.

Meet at 8.15 am at the Guildford Post Office. Bring your bathers, lunch and a drink bottle. Distance 90 km, duration 7 hrs, grade XH. Leader Dave Millward.

Sunday March 29. Technical and information session.

Meet at 10.30 am near the B.B.Q.'s at Perry Lakes for a demonstration of basic bicycle repair and adjustment.  
Duration 2 hrs.



σδ σδ σδ YOUR CTA COMMITTEE σδ σδ σδ

Please contact any of the following for assistance or suggestions:

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σδ σδ σδ RIDE CLASSIFICATION σδ σδ σδ

- \* **EASY.** For any healthy person. Distance less than 25 km. Speeds average 10 - 15 kph with frequent stops.
- \*\* **MEDIUM.** For riders who have some cycling experience and 5 or 10 speed bicycles. Distances from 25 to 60 km with as few difficult hills as possible. Speeds average 15 - 20 kph with stops as needed.
- \*\*\* **MEDIUM-HARD.** For cyclists with experience in group riding. Distances from 60 - 100 km. Speeds average 15 - 25 kph through moderately difficult terrain.
- H **HARD.** For experienced riders of above average ability. Distances are in excess of 100 km and/or speeds averaging 20 - 30 kph. Terrain may be very difficult.
- XH **DIFFICULT.** Denotes rides with speeds averaging 25 - 35 kph and/or considerable distances and/or extremely rough or mountainous roads.

PLEASE GAUGE YOUR OWN RIDING ABILITY AND CHOOSE RIDES WHICH ARE SUITED TO YOU.

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