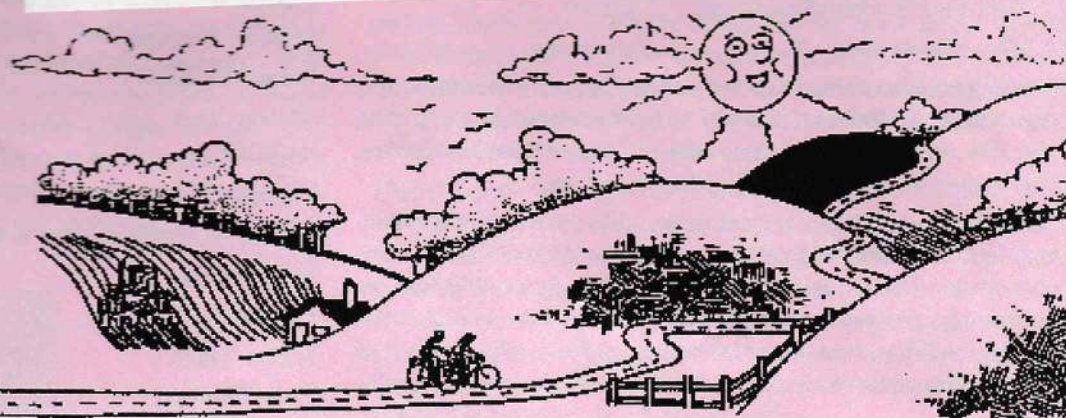


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President On Page One

Greetings CTA members. It has been a very busy time for your president. With my regular job, working on the exciting local area Bicycle User Group development project with BTA and Bikewest and becoming a father. Unfortunately this has left me with little time to join CTA rides, although I still commute to work by bike and sometimes catch up with people on the cycle paths. There are even some newer regular riders who I have not yet met! I would like to thank your committee for jumping in and always being able to fill in the gaps when myself and other committee members, through absences and work pressures, are temporarily unable to fulfil their roles. A true team effort. Thanks to you all.

Our club always has been very welcoming of both new and experienced cyclists wanting to try out our club before joining. It's great to get new members coming along on the rides and this is a gentle reminder that we encourage you to join the club after participating in up to four rides. Contact our Treasurer Ann, for more details.

This is also a reminder to the On Your Bike tourers who have been receiving these newsletters since the Spring On Your Bike Tour that it's time to renew your membership. So please contact the Treasurer to get your reduced membership fee for the remainder of 1998.

While talking of On Your Bike it's interesting to note that it's only June and the OYB is already a sell out! At the time of writing there were some twenty people on the waiting list and more enquiries all the time. With this being the 10th anniversary OYB it's certainly reached a fabulous level of popularity. Those members not able to get on the ride may wish to join the OYBers on the final weekend. Watch your newsletter for more details. I would like to give a big thanks to the OYB organising team for all your efforts over all those years. And of course they could always do with a few more hands to lighten the load in the future.

Now we're into the cooler months, we're into prime touring season for both road and mountain bike trips. Once more I would like to

urge everyone to contact Janet or Desama and volunteer to lead a ride for the next calendar. And don't miss the next weekend away with Santa and his jolly helpers - Christmas in July at Wellington Mills cottages on the weekend of the 25-26 July.

The cooler and darker months mean extra cycling gear is now needed. There is a new jacket which the CTA anticipates making available to members. It is a lightweight, breathable, rainproof, brightly coloured cycling jacket with reflective tape and a reflective CTA logo. The cost will around \$120 so please let me know if you would be interested in ordering one.

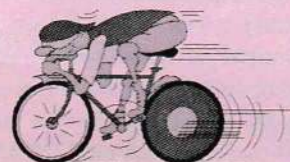
There are new moves for the CTA Social Nights with the venue being changed to Leederville Recreation Centre and for the day to be the second Wednesday of the month - see the calendar for details. We hope that this will encourage more people to come and enjoy a social side of the CTA.

The Achievement and Challenge series of rides are now well under way with the 50km, 100km and 160km rides having been completed. There were eleven people who completed the Century Challenge and it would be great to see some more members receive the rare and well-earned "Challenge" and "Super Achiever" mugs at the AGM in November. If you missed a ride there is still the opportunity to catch up on it by doing it as a Brevet ride or an Audax ride - contact Steve Blackburn for more details.

Finally, a reminder to those new to email. I maintain a list of CTA members on email which is used between newsletter editions to transmit current information. If you wish to be included on this list, send me a message to barnaby@omen.net.au and you too can receive the updates.

Bye for now and safe cycling

Graham



1998 MEMBERSHIP FEES

Membership fees for 1998 have been set as indicated below:

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| 1. Individual membership | \$35.00 |
| 2. New members | \$30.00 |
| 3. Full-time Students/Pensioners | \$18.00 |
| 4. Dependants under 18 | no charge. |

Existing members should note that there is a \$5 discount on fees (resulting in a \$30 fee) if they pay before the end of January. *Note that this does not apply to the student/pensioner membership fees.* Part year memberships are available after June.

The CTA is a non-Government organisation relying on membership fees, donations and volunteer labour to achieve our aims and objectives. These monies help to provide each member with six Newsletters per year, a social evening venue and tea and coffee making facilities, weekend trips and tours "at cost", a library, an indemnity to cover property to name a few of the obvious benefits.

MEMBERSHIP PARTICULARS

All members are asked to confirm their current address and phone numbers with Committee members. If you are lucky enough to move to a bright sparkling new place of abode, please share your good news with us - it makes it so much easier to ensure you are kept up to date with the important things in life!

NEW MEMBERS

A hearty welcome is extended to the new members who have joined since the last Newsletter.

Bruce Conrad	Justine Hutchinson
Neil Douglas	Paul Hutchinson
Ian Fell	Carol Jackson
Gary Gear	Joanne Sharpe

Hope to see you "on your bike" on one of the rides!

CTA LIBRARY

For new members, and those of us who did not know, the CTA has a small library of books and magazines relating to all facets of cycling and cycle touring. These are available for all members to borrow or just read at each of the social evenings. The books may only be borrowed for 4 weeks by contacting a committee member on the night. Contributions to the library would be greatly appreciated, so do not dispose of any cycling literature which you feel may be relevant. We also propose to expand the library from time to time from club funds, and new titles will be critiqued in the Newsletter.

POLICE BICYCLE REPORTS

The Police Bicycle Section would like to hear your reports of harassment, abuse or other serious incidents involving motor vehicles.

In order for the police to investigate an incident, you must be able to provide the registration number of the vehicle involved and the time and place of the incident. A description of the motor vehicle and the age and sex of the driver are also useful. You should always carry a pen and paper on your bike to record important details should you become involved in an incident. If the offense is serious, you should try to obtain the names of other witnesses who can verify your account. You can contact Officer in Charge at the Police Bicycle Section on 9222 1923 during working hours.

ACHIEVEMENT/CHALLENGE RIDES

Congratulations to the following members who successfully completed these Achievement and Challenge rides.

100km

Mark Boulton
Melanie Boulton
Dennis Braddon
Kleber Claux
Mark Elliott
Malcolm Evans

Michael Hook
Tony Humphreys
John Meakin
Wayne Platt
Max Talbot
Ann Wilson

Century Challenge (100 mile/160km)

Mark Boulton
Dennis Braddon
Kleber Claux
Ross Cussons
Mark Elliott
Malcolm Evans

Michael Hook
Carol Jackson
John Meakin
Max Talbot
Ann Wilson

200km

Kleber Claux

Thank you to Leslie Howe and Desama for supporting the 100km and 160km rides respectively. Their efforts were much appreciated by the riders.

SMOKEY CAR SPOTTER

Ever notice how difficult it is to breathe when smokey exhaust fumes are choking up the atmosphere? Well here's your chance to strike back! Report smokey vehicles by giving the registration number, make and colour of a smokey car, together with the time and place that you spotted it, to the Department of Environmental Protection by telephoning 9324 2835.

EQUIPMENT FOR HIRE

The CTA has some panniers (as listed below) which are available for members to hire for \$5 for 2 weeks or \$10 per month plus a bond. This is a great way to try out cycle touring without having to lay out a large amount of money to equip yourself with the right gear.

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Please contact a committee member if you are interested in using this equipment.



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Back To Nature Tour

Brian Gale sent us an interesting write up of his tour including photos, and by all accounts it was one worth attending:

Well, in case you were wondering how the 'Back To Nature Tour' went - I would like to say I was extremely happy with the riders, the back-up, the weather and the atmosphere of all concerned. With meals round the campfire each night, except one when we scored the luxury of an old school at Alexandra Bridge, now the CWA building. After camping near the Boranup lookout the first night, with a good fire, good music and poetry, we continued the next day to Hamelin Bay and tried the water out again and found it as cold as at Redgate the day before.



Brett, Jan, Gabrielle and Graham relaxing at Canebreak Pool

From there to Augusta for our next stop overnight in the Caravan Park with potatoes etc. in alfoil on the fire for tea once again. Down to the lighthouse and waterwheel before breakfast the next day, pack the gear, get enough provisions for two days and it's off to Warner Glen for a Devonshire Tea at a friends farmhouse at 3pm. Camp this night was by the river with other campers who joined us round the fire for another evening of music and poetry.

Here we leave the bikes and take canoes to Alexandra Bridge, about 20km which was fairly hard going with a head wind and the tide



Graham, Jan, Brian and Gabrielle at Cape Leeuwin

coming in, but after five hours of paddling with two meal stops we made it to the hall. Another swim, set up camp and cook on the electric stove. With a meal around the table (candles and all), padded chairs and a double settee-bed for the married couple, Graham and Jan Young, the atmosphere and luxury was complete. Gabrielle Kelly was our other rider and paddler who helped on the return trip the next day back to Warner Glen, with calm waters and a tail wind (and no hills) it took less than three hours.

Then it's on the bike again through Rosa Glen for a short stop at the Berry Farm, at Rosa Brook store for two nights provisions and it's off to Cane Break Pool. This is part of the Margaret River, so it was nice, fairly warm, fresh water for swimming and canoeing (we brought that with us). Here we relaxed for 2 nights and a day with a trip along the heritage trail to another swimming hole. A very hot day so the waterhole was made use of. Campers again joined us around the campfire to be entertained.

Then Friday and the riders head for Cowaramup for lunch and then to Grace Town Caravan Park for the luxury of a hot shower and green grass to put tents on. Campfire meals again which everyone enjoyed even though the camp kitchen was available. Saturday morning and we bid farewell to Jan and Graham while Gabrielle and myself cycled to Prevelly for our last swim and boil the billy on the beach. A game of squash on the way back to Margaret River and then the trip is over for me, and Gabrielle heads back to Perth.

I'm sure everyone enjoyed it and I thank the participants for making it a memorable Tour.

Thanks again.

Brian Gale, Tour Leader



- The lengths to which some dedicated members will go to increase the club's numbers is (in this case) totally conceivable!
- Congratulations to our President Graham and Bridget on the birth of their first child, Louis James Blackwell, born on May 5 1998.
- Louis has already had his first official CTA outing, a BBQ, and is looking forward to the days he can ride with his mum and dad.

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Easter At Denmark

This year we decided to make use of the CTA trailer to transport the bikes down to Denmark and reduce the number of cars having to drive down. This proved to be a worth while decision since it was also put to full use while we were in Denmark. Thanks Desama for the initial suggestion and collecting it from "it's home".

The Easter weekend for me started "bright" and early on the Thursday morning for my cycle down to Bunbury. I had had a mad flash of inspiration to do so during the week! Kleber, Mark and myself had cycled this mad journey last year for Easter and so I guess it was to keep up with some kind of tradition. I ended up having a very pleasant ride down with good fine weather and only a slight easterly blowing. I cycled all the way to the end of the freeway bike path and then onto the back roads via Baldivis. I stopped briefly at a service station about 10km north of Mandurah for a refuel and then luckily seemed to get blown through Mandurah. I then had a quick lunch stop at Clifton Downs service station before the worst bit where there is no shoulder on the road for 10km. This was quite terrifying at times feeling a few close shaves as cars and trucks passed in both directions. I was getting quite weary after that and the hills seemed longer and steeper than I remembered before and so I was glad when I arrived at Tony's workplace at Main Roads and was able to literally collapse in his work chair. That night, Tony very kindly cooked dinner at his farm and then it was time to get some well earned zzzzzzz's.

Good Friday Tony and I drove to Denmark stopping in Pemberton for a scrumptious lunch and for Tony to peruse around the WoodCraft Gallery. Luckily his plastic friend was not battered in the process! We eventually arrived in Denmark (after a few other diversions) late afternoon and the rest of the crew had already arrived at lunchtime and set up camp. Luckily there were a couple of spare flat spots to pitch our tents too. The weather was a little threatening with the wet stuff and quite a chilly wind blowing but it did not stop us from having a BBQ which we had planned to do for the evening. Luckily someone else from the camp site had

already started the fire for the BBQ and so it was just a case of keeping it going and slapping on the culinary delights that we had brought along. During the evening we bumped (not literally) into fellow CTAer's namely Aileen and John Martin who were also staying at the camp site in their super deluxe mobile home.

Saturday morning we cycled around the "Wilson Inlet" into Denmark and then had a wander around the Denmark market. It seemed that half of Perth was there, recognising quite a few familiar faces. Quite a few of us stocked up on a few delights and then it was off for a cycle to Greens Pool for lunch and for those that could brave it, a dip in the ocean - our hero Tony! A big slippery rock was it?



*Desama, Jenny and Mark overlooking Greens Pool
Icecream anyone?*

After lunch it was back up the hill and then a few more VERY STEEP HILLS until we arrived at the Alpaca farm. At the entrance we were given a bag of goodies to feed the animals while wandering around the farm and then it was time to feed us hungry cyclists with a good ole DT - Simon you should have been there! Unfortunately for Terry, Desama had an accident in the souvenir shop and came away with a gorgeous cosy alpaca jumper! The ride home was glorious 20+km all down hill into Denmark. To finish an excellent day we sampled the delights of the local Mexican Restaurant for dinner that night although Stan found the green vegetables on his steak a bit much for his senses.

*"I thought those
were pickles!" -
Not in a Mexican
Restaurant Stan.*



Campsite at breakfast - Trying to keep the rain off

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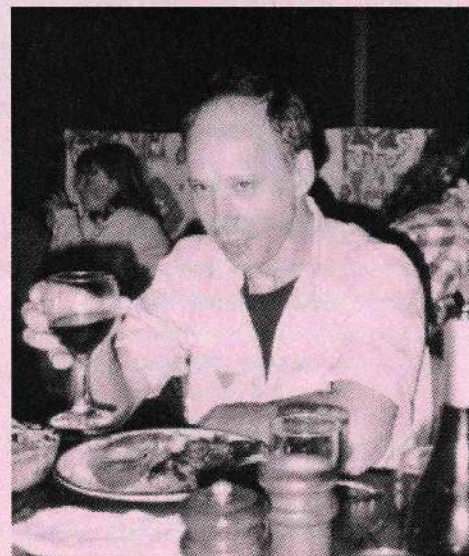
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Cyclists on the Tree-top walk

On Sunday we decided to use the CTA trailer to transport our bikes to Bowe Bridge and then cycle around the Valley of the Giants. This proved a good idea for those (all of us) that didn't want an extremely long ride (~100km). The ride around the Valley of the Giants was quite hilly but very picturesque. We stopped at the information centre and walked along the new high tree top walk that was built last year. Excellent views of the trees, bushland and surrounding countryside but I for one was glad to reach the end. We also wandered

around the "ground" tree walk that was equally as interesting. While we were there we met a couple from Canada who were touring Oz and much to the delights of Tony and Mark had Trek bikes! Just as we were cycling out through the car park we met some squeals coming from Jenny's car. Desama had opted to drive Jenny's car that day and now poor Desama couldn't get the car into reverse and in the end it took about 3 of us CTA mob (the guys!) to get it into reverse for her! Having set Desama on her way we cycled along the rest of the valley and enjoyed another fantastic long down hill stretch back to Bowe Bridge. It was then time for yet another DT (Simon you really should have been there!). After our refuel we loaded the bikes back onto the trailer and drove back to Denmark making a mandatory visit to one of the wineries (where Mark made a big hole in his wallet) before arriving back at camp. We then freshened up before walking down to the local pub for dinner.

Monday morning, for Jenny, Tony, Mark and myself, started with a run (jog?) along the beach. Very refreshing and enjoyable but I wondered what the legs would be saying the next day not having been out running for so long! After brekkie we packed up and set off on our journey back to the "Big Smoke". The roads were quite busy especially just before Williams but all in all not too bad and arrived safely back in Perth mid afternoon.

Thanks to all that came - Desama and Terry, Stan, Jenny, Tony, Mark, Mathew and Andrew - you were excellent company and a good time was had by all. Also special thanks to Jenny, who drove her car, and Stan for driving his car and towing the trailer.

Ann

RIDING IN INDIA

I am planning a trip around India on the bike and I would like to speak to anyone who has ridden over there.

Please contact me, Gordon Jackson on 9272 8266.

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Letter to the Editor

ARE WE A CLUB OF SOFTIES?

"Well may we ask" as John Meakin would say in his usual inimitable way. Let me first introduce myself to all of those CTA Members who have not been in the club longer than 10 years. My name is Dennis Braddon and I am easily recognisable as the old fossil with the grey "George V" beard. I joined the club in 1980 as a fresh-faced 50 year old and was very active for the first 5 years until a back injury started to plague me for a few years, culminating in a complete breakdown which two epidurals finally corrected. In those active years I was fortunate enough to have enjoyed the company of some very wonderful and sincere people of all ages.

We were fortunate enough to have the facilities of the YHA in places like Toodyay, Northam and York, where we would do full pannier tours every long weekend. Likewise, the Club organised the very popular tour to Kalgoorlie for three consecutive years returning on the Prospector, giving the participants time to unwind and enjoy the luxury of the train. Now I know that all three of the youth hostels have since closed and more's the pity, and I don't know what the solution is, but those tours indeed will always remain in my memory as the best time of my cycling life.

So what has this to do with the subject to hand? Well from my perspective, the Club is missing out in not being able to teach and guide new members in the art of pannier touring without the luxury of a support vehicle. Which brings me to the actual subject of this letter. Ten years ago, and indeed up to five years ago, the achievement rides - in particular the 50 and 100km events were very well supported by members. There would be as many as 50 cyclists fronting up for the 50km ride and up to 35 for the 100km ride. Naturally the figures dropped off somewhat for the longer events. This I can understand, as many of the members prefer to do the first two and not tackle the harder ones.

This letter has been written shortly after the 100km achievement ride which only attracted about 12 members and the 50km achievement ride was only marginally better in numbers by having about 14 members. Based on these figures, it would appear that the longer rides will suffer even further from lack of support. It is always a nice feeling to be able to collect the achievement badge at the end of the year at the AGM.

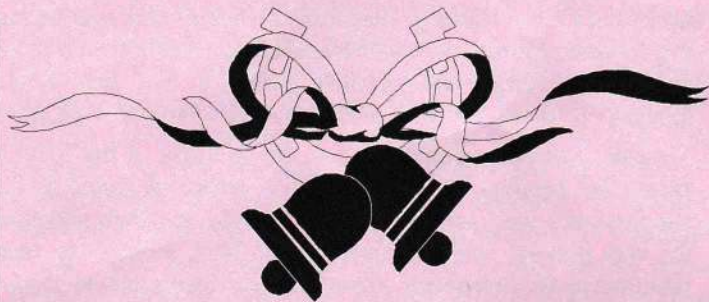
To those members who have not yet attempted to take part in any of the achievement rides - I say to you - give it a go and you will be surprised to discover how easy it is, especially now that the club has adopted the Audax time limits. To be able to say that "I have done it" gives one a great feeling of satisfaction.

Dennis Braddon

SOCIAL EVENINGS

New Day and Venue

We have moved the Social Nights to a new venue which is more central and in the heart of the Cafe Strip in Leederville. Also with the new venue comes a new day with the Social Nights now held on the second Wednesday of each month. You can find the Leederville Recreation Centre on the corner of Loftus Street and Vincent Street, Leederville. Ample parking is available. For further details contact Desama on 9474 2068 (H).



CONGRATULATIONS

The members of the CTA would like to congratulate Margaret Thornton and Nick Van Koningsbrugge on their recent marriage and wish them both all the best for the future. Margaret and Nick were regular participants on the Wednesday evening rides during the warmer months. One evening they mentioned in passing that they got married the week before and now we have two people with really long surnames.

JUSTIFICATION

Being a slack person who has spent a greater part of this year not cycling, I think I'm highly qualified to bring to you "The Terrible Ten"; a list of countries and why not to cycle through them.

- 1) KENYA - It's generally difficult to out cycle a ravenous lioness in the bog-pits of this country! But otherwise very character building.
- 2) ETHIOPIA - Great if you like encounters with mountains, dusty roads and three weeks of eating sketti-bog every night.
- 3) ERITREA - If you cycle into what used to be northern Ethiopia, you won't ever cycle out again! The pastries and coffees are so orgasmic and cheap, that you'll just want to stay and stay and stay, to build up your cycling reserves.
- 4) EGYPT - You must be able to cycle faster than a speeding bullet or pesky hawk.
- 5) JORDAN - Ever tried travelling through the desert with sand mats under your wheels?
- 6) SYRIA - Beautiful countryside with almond blossoms in winter, it's also flat in places. It sounds too good to be true... Something's bound to go wrong...
- 7) TURKEY - A magnificent country but the Turks don't generally ride bicycles. What does that tell you? Basically that the hills are no Turkish delight.
- 8) ITALY - The zippy scooters look like much more fun so you won't need your bike here anyway!
- 9) FRANCE - Learn new skills like cycling through dark tunnels faster than a speeding car.
- 10) BRITAIN - The London cyclists wear little white masks over their nose and mouth - very refreshing.

Janet Deverill

ACHIEVEMENT/CHALLENGE SERIES 1998

All rides for both series must be completed in the set time limit which is notified for every ride. Please note that you can only nominate for **one** of the series awards, not both - but you do not have to nominate which one you are applying for until closer to the AGM. To explain it all in words of one syllable:

Super Achiever - must complete 50km, 100km, 200km, 300km (CTA or Audax rides), and the 10 000 in 8 to be eligible for the award.

Challenge Award - must complete 50km, 100km, 100miles (160km), 200km (CTA or Audax rides), and the 10 000 in 8 to be eligible for the award.

You can use either a CTA ride, an Audax ride or a brevet card for all rides except the 10 000 in 8 which must be done as a CTA ride on the designated day or as a brevet card.

Any person intending to use a brevet card for a ride must contact the Rides Co-ordinator to have their proposed route approved prior to the ride. After completing a brevet, the member must notify the Rides Co-ordinator so that the brevet card can be officially recorded at a committee meeting.

If you are still confused, contact a committee member for further details.

WANTED

Required for On Your Bike Archives.

The Rainbow Coast Tour 1991.

We are looking for the ride route instruction booklet (tour guide) for the 1991 Rainbow Coast On Your Bike Tour. If anybody has a good copy that they are willing to donate to the club, please contact Kleber Claux on 9458 7519 (H).

THANKYOU

AUDAX AUSTRALIA

Audax is an international long distance cycling club. The first club originated in France in 1904. The name is a loose translation from the latin and means "courage". All rides are non-competitive and conducted over specified routes and distances within set time periods.

At the successful completion of each event, the rider is eligible for a certificate and a patch or medallion. Rides range from 50km to 1500km in length and are open to all CTA members, though membership of Audax Australia Club is encouraged if you envisage participating regularly. Very generous personal injury and income protection cover are afforded from such membership.

PLEASE NOTE - Notification of participation is required at least one week prior to the event and there is a cost to enter dependent on the distance to be travelled. Further information and a program of events is available by contacting Nicky Armstrong on 9293 2068 (H) or checking the Rides Calendar.

INFORMAL RIDES

For those who do not wish to join the organised ride of the day but would still like some company, a time and place will sometimes be given for informal rides. This is generally the Causeway car park (number 4, near the bike hire shed). It is up to those who turn up on the day to decide what type of ride. This may mean that several different rides may be available, as people want different rides. Try it out if none of the rostered rides appeal to you - you may like it!

Rides Calendar — June/July 1998

For any cyclist coming on a ride for the first time, it would be wise to start with an 'Easy' ride. If you are unsure of your suitability for a particular ride, please telephone the Ride Leader. You will need to wear a helmet and bring a spare tube, puncture repair kit, tyre levers, pump and a spanner (to fit the axle nuts if your bike is not fitted with quick release hubs). Most importantly, bring water!

RIDE GRADINGS

Easy - anyone

Medium - fit with geared bikes

Medium Hard - fit and experienced. Distances < 100km

Hard - fit, experienced and strong. Distances > 100km over hard terrain

SUNDAY JUNE 7

A JARRAHDAL JAUNT

65km Medium/Hard, 8:30am Start. Meet at the Armadale Railway Station and cycle through Mundijong and then to Jarrahdale, returning home via Nettleton Road back to Armadale.

Leader: Dennis Braddon ☎ 9497 4786 (H)

SUNDAY JUNE 7

FROM THE BEGINNING

20km Easy/Fun, 9:30am Start. Meet at the Causeway Carpark for an introductory ride around the Swan. We will be stopping at a lovely riverside café for a bite to eat, before winding our way back to the start.

Leader: Desama ☎ 9474 2068 (H)

FRIDAY JUNE 12

SOCIAL NIGHT

Paul is organising a special "Meet the CTA" social night. Bring along your partners and friends and introduce them to the social side of the CTA. The venue will be Moorings Café at Barrack Street Jetty and the time is 7:30pm. Everybody is welcome. Confirmation of numbers is essential, so please contact Paul by Sunday June 7.

Organiser: Paul Bonetti ☎ 9472 1527 (H)

SATURDAY JUNE 13

AUDAX 300KM

300km Hard, 6:00am Start. Out North & Back is the second qualifying ride for the Out & Back Series. This is an unsupported ride through Midland, Gingin, Lancelin and return. Please contact the organiser for further details and to register prior to June 6 if possible.

Organiser: Brian Hawes ☎ 9398 4724

SUNDAY JUNE 14

CITY TO SURF

60km Medium, 9:00am Start. Meet at Midland Town Hall for a ONE WAY cycle to Freo. We will ride out to the ocean and then down the coastal cycle way, stopping en route for refreshments. If required, riders may return to Midland by train (or cycle if they're feeling ultra fit).

Leader: Ann ☎ 9444 5160 (H)

SUNDAY JUNE 14

THE INNER CIRCLE

30km Easy, 10:00am Start. Meet at the Causeway car park for a leisurely ride around the inner suburbs before a café stop in Leederville.

Leader: Terry ☎ 9474 2068 (H)

SUNDAY JUNE 21 "GNIRADNUM" IN REVERSE RIDE

60km Medium/Hard, 8:30am Start. Meet at Midland Town Hall for a hilly ride through Gooseberry Hill, Kalamunda, Piesse Brook and on to gniradnuM for some sustenance before returning to Midland via Stoneville.

Leader: Kleber Clauss ☎ 9458 7519 (H)

SUNDAY JUNE 21

SOUTH PERTH BBQ RIDE

30km Easy/Medium, 10:00am Start. Meet near the entrance of Witcomb Place car park, Sir James Mitchell Park in South Perth. This will be a cycle around the Swan River and will go through Burswood and over the Goongoongup, Narrows and Mt Henry Bridges. Twist Janet's arm to take a refreshment break at Deep Water Point. Return to where the ride started from and stay for a bring-your-own everything BBQ on the foreshore. The weather had better be good!

Leader: Janet ☎ 9313 2814 (H)

SATURDAY JUNE 27

AUDAX 100KM

100km Medium/Hard, 8:00am Start. General Jim's Jaunt is an unsupported ride. Please contact the organiser for further details and to register prior to June 20 if possible.

Organiser: Jim Matthews ☎ 9457 5126

SUNDAY JUNE 28

TO MARKET, TO MARKET

50km Medium, 9:00am Start. Meet at the Causeway car park for a circuitous ride to Canning Vale to check out the markets and the cafés, before a tour of the local area and then a return to civilisation. This little piggy may squeal all the way home!

Leader: Steve Blackbourn ☎ 9313 2814 (H)

SUNDAY JUNE 28

INFORMAL RIDE

Meet at the Causeway Carpark at 10:00am for an informal ride. See page 6 for more information.

SATURDAY JULY 4

THE OLD MAN OF THE SEA

70km Medium, 9:00am Start. Meet at the Causeway Car Park for a ride to the seaside to see the lonely sea and the sky. A snack and cappuccino on the ocean front will prepare us for the riverside trip back to the Raffles or Causeway car park.

Leader: Steve Blackbourn ☎ 9313 2814 (H)

SUNDAY JULY 5

SAWYERS VALLEY

45km Medium, 9:30am Start. Meet at the intersection of Great Eastern Highway and Old Sawyers Road. This ride meanders through forest, rural land and towns that were once working places for the pit sawyers.

Leader: Ann ☎ 9444 5160 (H)

WEDNESDAY JULY 8

SOCIAL NIGHT

NOTE NEW VENUE Meet at the Leederville Recreation Centre, corner Loftus and Vincent St Leederville at 7:30pm (Enter from the side, next to the main carpark). Come and enjoy a pictorial re-creation of Janet and Steve's saga of sex, drugs and rock-n-roll around Africa and the Middle East. Wine and Cheese will help you endure the pain.

Organiser: Steve Blackbourn ☎ 9313 2814 (H)

SATURDAY JULY 11

AUDAX 50KM

50km Medium, 8:00am Start. The Hilly 50 is an unsupported ride. Please contact the Organiser for further details and to register prior to July 4 if possible.

Organiser: John Lee ☎ 9310 4789

SUNDAY JULY 12**WHO KNOWS WHERE?**

60km Medium, 9:30am Start. Meet at Deep Water Point to ride on one of Ross' very descriptive and imaginative rides. He is sure to explore unknown territories and always finds a tasty café strip. So don't miss out! (Is this enough description Ross?? - DB)

Leader: Ross Cussons ☎ 9317 2588 (H)

SUNDAY JULY 12**VALLEY AND VALE**

50km Medium/Hard, 9:30am Start. Meet at the Kalamunda Hotel for a ride to Mundaring Weir for coffee, before heading down Helena Valley and winding your way through Maida Vale.

Leader: Liz ☎ 9293 4038 (H)

SATURDAY JULY 18**MUSTERING AT MUNDARING**

65km Medium/Hard, 9:00am Start. Meet at Midland Train Station for a solid ride through Mundaring and a well earned cup-o-tea, before returning via Kalamunda to Midland.

Leader: Mark ☎ 9382 1961 (H)

SUNDAY JULY 19**STOCK ROAD MARKETS RIDE**

50km Medium, 10:30am Start. Meet and finish at the Causeway car park. We'll follow the Freeway cycle path south, skirt around Bibra Lake, take stock of the lunch situation at the Markets and return via the suburbs.

Leader: Janet ☎ 9313 2814 (H)

SAT-SUN JULY 25-26**CHRISTMAS IN JULY
AT WELLINGTON MILLS**

Christmas in July is here again and this year we will be having a scrumptious Christmas dinner at Wellington Mills in the tranquil Ferguson Valley near Bunbury. The cost will be \$35 which includes a fully catered Christmas dinner and bookings are essential before July 11. Hurry, don't miss out! Numbers are limited.

Organisers: Ann ☎ 9444 5160 (H) City

Tony ☎ (08) 9728 3105 (H) Country

SUNDAY JULY 26**REVISIT THE WATERWHEEL**

60km Medium/Hard, 9:00am start. Meet at the Kelmscott Railway Station for a pleasant ride through the country. Go in search of Jan's homemade cooking at the Waterwheel Tearooms, before returning fully satisfied.

Leader: John Meakin ☎ 9332 5550 (H)

SUNDAY AUGUST 2**UP AND DOWN THE RIVER**

9:00am Start Meet at the Raffles Hotel for your choice of two rides that go up and down the river. The rides will connect at a café for some warm liquid refreshment, before we all head back to the start together.

60km Medium Terry ☎ 9474 2068 (H)

30km Easy Desama ☎ 9474 2068 (H)

CHRISTMAS IN JULY**JULY 25-26 1998.**

Christmas in July is here again and this time we have booked accommodation in the tranquil Ferguson Valley. This is a pleasant 2½ hour drive from Perth or a bit longer if you choose to ride!

We have the option to dust of the MTB's, or go for a road ride, or be typical lounge lizards. An option for Saturday is to leave our secluded bush cottages and head for a nearby early century home-stead nestled in the Ferguson Valley for lunch. One can go for a leisurely MTB ride or hoon down the hill on the road, before returning for a hearty traditional Christmas dinner. If all have been good, Father Christmas will pay a visit and deliver some prezzies later in the evening.

Options for Sunday depend on when you roll out of bed.

Accommodation: 2 Cottages each with 8 beds and a kitchen with stove, fridge and fire place.

One cottage is available for Friday night for those that wish to travel down Friday evening.

What you need to bring: Drinks, Breakfast and Bedding

Cost: Approx \$35 which includes accommodation plus a fully catered Christmas dinner.

For further information or car pooling arrangements in Perth contact Ann on 9444 5160 or in the Bunbury area contact Tony on 9725 5631 (W) or 041 798 8815 (M).

Bookings (with a \$10 deposit) are required before July 11.

**TOURING THE TUNNEL**

An impromptu CTA ride was organised for Labour Day for a tour in the Northbridge Tunnel. Well I guess I ought to rephrase that in that we did not cycle tour the tunnel but rode to the tunnel open where we joined a walking tour given by volunteers by Main Roads.

The tour lasted for over an hour and was extremely informative and interesting from all aspects: Tunnel design from a general and engineering point of view; Building (tunnel) construction and problems encountered (and overcome!); Future plans etc. We were able to walk about 1/2 kilometre into the tunnel which is how far the underground work has proceeded so far. There are sure to be more tours in later months that I well recommend to go on. And what's more you are presented with a certificate as a memento!

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