



You have no idea how hard Debbie and Richard have been working to secure this booking, so please join me in celebrating their efforts on 8<sup>th</sup> April.

### New Club Kit

Below are the images of the front and back of the new club strip. For those with aspirations of entering high-level road and track racing, the kit will be ratified with British Cycling shortly; otherwise, you will be perfectly OK to race in this strip, or indeed the old kit, at any event, race or time trial this year.

### Newsletter of the Cycle Club Bexley

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Greetings, and welcome to the latest club communication, the first in a little while; last time we tried using a system called Mailchimp, which emailed a snazzy newsletter, however, the reader uptake, which Mailchimp reports back to us, was really quite low, so here we are with an emailed PDF, plus the plain text in the email if you don't have access to, or the wish to open, a pdf reader.

It's time for us all to move up and away from the Covid Spectre that has been spoiling everything for far too long, so below we have details of a year full of sport and social gatherings, so get your diaries and calendars ready to start booking in the dates.

### Club Nights

The first club night will be on the **last Wednesday in March, 29<sup>th</sup>**, at **The Moat, London Road, Wrotham, Kent TN15 7RJ**. Meet in bar for around 7.30 pm. They serve their extensive restaurant menu in the Bar. During the Evening 9 TT Season we will meet on the last Wednesday in month, after conclusion of the event, at The Pied Bull in Farningham Village. They only serve food until 8.30 and close at 10pm, but that should work out just fine. If you want food you will need to order directly with the pub, preferably as soon as you arrive. They have a pub garden too, so we can sit outside if the evening is pleasant enough.

### CCB Annual Dinner and Prizegiving

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April from 6:30pm to 10:30pm**

**Pedham Place Golf Centre**

**London Road, Swanley BR8 8PP**

£32.00 per head (generously subsidised by the club)

Please book by 25<sup>th</sup> March in order that we may firm up the numbers and menu choices. The menu will be published on the website soon and emailed out to everyone that has booked a place.

Please call Debbie Boxall on 07425 152445

Black tie or smart/business attire is encouraged.



Front



Rear

Visit the 'Club Shop' online at: [Yourclubshop.co.uk](http://Yourclubshop.co.uk) then, in the top righthand corner of the landing page enter **CCBEX990** and that will take you straight to the ordering pages. Marc has kindly recorded an

informative video which you can view on the club website on the club kit page.

Please get your order in as soon as possible, bearing in mind that there is an eight-week lead time, so summer kit will be the best choice. We will open the shop again later in the summer in order for you to order some winter wear.

You will also be pleased to hear that the club will refund £10 for the first order of this new kit for each rider, provided his or her order is over £10.

### **Summer Barbecue**

This will be on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July** at the **Farningham Village Hall and Meadow**, the venue that proved so successful last year. Cooking and socialising will commence at 7pm, the hall is unlicensed, so you will need to bring your own favourite refreshments, plus, if the weather is nice and we can eat and sit outside, bring along a deckchair or a picnic blanket.

### **CCB Evening 9 Mile Time Trials**

The first event will be on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April and run on every Wednesday evening right through to Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August. The race times vary, depending on the available light, so check the club website for start times. The entry fee is £5 on the night, payable by cash or card, or in advance at £5.50 using Paypal.

### **C C Bexley Hill Climb**

The Hill Climb will be on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> August. The entry fee is £5 on the night, payable by cash or card, or in advance at £5.50 using PayPal.

**This event also decides the C C Bexley Hill Climb Championship.**

### **C C Bexley Open 10 Time Trial**

We are promoting this event on 3<sup>rd</sup> June, with the first rider away at 15:00. Race HQ is our usual spot at the Lower Stoke Village Hall.

The course is Q10/24 Isle of Grain.

Besides solos on TT bikes, there will be a separate event for solo road bikes too.

Enter online via the CTT website, entry fee is £12.00.

Entries need to be submitted by midnight on 26<sup>th</sup> May.

**This event is also the C C Bexley 10 Mile TT Championship, so make sure you get your entry in.**

### **C C Bexley Reliability 2023**

Our event will be held on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November. We have the Horton Kirby and South Darent Village Hall booked for the Headquarters, which will open for registration from 08:00. The Long Route riders will be required to depart by 09:00.

Entry Fee will be £5.00 which can be paid by cash or card.

### **Club Subscriptions are Due**

Still just £12.00 for a full riding member

And an amazing £8.00 for social members

Renew online at [ccbexley.com](http://ccbexley.com)

Members who joined after the date of the 2022 Hill Climb are deemed to be Full Members for 2023, and therefore have nothing to pay this year.

I know that most of you have already done so, but anyone not renewing by 31<sup>st</sup> March will be deemed to have resigned from the club.

Look at all that lot above, all from one small club, it makes you proud to be CCB doesn't it?

**UP THE BEXLEY!**

### **Club Championships**

I will confirm the events that will decide the club championships for 2023 in the next newsletter, in the meantime.....

10 Mile TT – CCB Open 10 on 3<sup>rd</sup> June

25, 50 & 100 TTs to be confirmed.

Hill Climb – CCB Hill Climb on 23<sup>rd</sup> August

Triathlon – Dartford & Whiteoak Tri on 11<sup>th</sup> June

Mountain Bike – Pedalhounds at Canada Heights, TBA

### **Sunday Club Runs**

We ride out from Farningham at 09:00 every Sunday, unless the weather is particularly unfavourable or there is an event on somewhere that we have all agreed to attend. The route will generally include a coffee/lunch stop. We have a WhatsApp group to share club run and event information, if you would like to be included in the chat, purely for ride discussions, then message Murray on 07751 899921 to be added to the group.

We meet at the post box, right beside the River Darent.



See you at the post box in Farningham at 09:00 on Sunday