

What's Parag On



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I hope all of you had a good festive break and wish you a good and successful New Year.

The sad events over last 2 weeks where 5 racing cyclists have been killed in two separate incidents is a stark reminder to everybody about the need to be vigilant when out riding, particularly at this time of year. I feel sure our thoughts go out to everybody concerned.

What's Gone in Brief

AGM: The impressive turnout for the 2004 meeting was not maintained this year and the meeting was started in anticipation of a quorum which never happened.

Main points from the meeting:

- Les Black was unanimously elected President
- the accounts still need to be finalised and audited, these will be distributed when complete.
- Terry Slattery was elected Chairman with Peter Ansell taking over as Gen Sec. Dave Adams is now the Time Trial Sec and the posts of Road & Track Secretaries have been merged with Stephen Roach the new Sec. A new post of Webmaster was agreed and Geoff Duck continues in that role.

Club Darts Championship: This was won by Peter Ansell in a tight final match against Keith Butler.

Club Downhill Competition and Christmas Lunch : The fine weather brought out a good field of 15 riders for the Downhill Championship which resulted in a fine first time win for Mike Hawkins, who managed to make it to the main road. Keith Butler was a distant second!

The Christmas lunch was the usual lively affair at the Inn on the Pond, South Nutfield and was attended by 50 members, partners and friends. John Cleeve was thanked for his work in connection with the Club and was presented with a voucher for golf lessons.

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Every Weekend: Club runs are held every Saturday and Sunday, most are on the road although there are plans to have some off road runs if the roads are icy. Saturday runs meet 9.00 am at Tesco Purley. There is a second "rolling" pickup at 9.30 am at the junction of Hilltop Lane and Spring Bottom Lane near Merstham, runs normally last about 2 hours. Sunday rides start from the Feathers, Merstham at 9.30 am. A second rolling pickup is at Reigate Clocktower. These rides are longer 4 – 5 hours and at a faster tempo.

Contact Marcus Brueton,



26 January - Darts: Away to the Addiscombe
Contact John Cleeve,



27 January - Pub Night: The popular club evening at the pub continues, meet from 8.00 pm at the Sportsman, Mogador.
Contact Marcus Brueton,



28 January - BC SE Region Assistant Commissaire Course: The Region is keen to attract new race officials who have race experience and a mature attitude. The course has been arranged for those who are interested in becoming a BC Commissaire and is being held in Leigh Village Hall and will last for approx. 7 hours. Further training is given during the year.
Contact Peter Ansell,



2 & 14 February - Darts: Home to the ESRC and away to the ESRC.
Contact John Cleeve,



17 February - Pub Night: Club evening at the pub continues, meet from 8.00 pm at the Sportsman, Mogador.
Contact Marcus Brueton,



20 February - Committee Meeting: To be held at St Andrews Church Hall, Coulsdon.
Contact Peter Ansell,



25 - 26 February Training Weekend: For the second year running the club is having a training weekend in the Hungerford area. This proved very beneficial last year with Justin Lomas getting off to a winning start.
Contact Marcus Brueton,



2 March - Darts: Home to the Belle Vue
Contact John Cleeve,



18 - 25 March Mallorcan Training Camp: This is an excellent way to get your season off to a flying start and so far 11 riders have signed up for the trip. The plan is to stay in a hotel near the airport in Arenal which is cycling specific on half board basis for about £150 per week sharing a room or about £210 per week for single occupants. Flights are currently £110 return, including £30 bike surcharge. There will also be a £25 transfer charge.
Contact either Mike Hawkins

Latest News

January - Turbo Training: There hasn't been a great deal of interest in the turbo sessions so the idea has been dropped for the time being.
Contact Simon Richardson,

Auditor

Bob Shepperd has agreed to act as auditor for the 2004/5 accounts. However, the post of Auditor was not filled at the AGM and a volunteer is urgently needed. Anybody who feels that they can do the job please contact Peter Ansell
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2005/6 Annual Subscriptions: These are due on the 1st November each year. Could you please make Marcus's job easier by sending your subs to his new address:

Members who have not yet paid 2004/5 subs please send them to Marcus without the need for a reminder.

Final: The Norwood Paragon CC advises that all active members join either British Cycling or the Cyclist Touring Club and take advantage of the insurance cover offered