

# HARLOW CC

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## **Chairmans Chatter**

Well as we head into the autumn/winter season and the roads are getting wetter, its time to dig out the winter bikes with mudguards or get muddy with MTB/Gravel bikes, the decent lights and warm clothing, although it's hard to believe we are in October.

The year has seen some great times with more people trying out TT's. Some having a go at racing. More members

becoming qualified for the track (always an option for those rainy Sundays). But has also recently seen the passing of club member Adam Karsai. He was a familiar face on rides, and it was an exceptional turnout for his memorial ride with his sister and work colleagues.



We have a date set for the next AGM, which all should have had an email on. The positions for the committee are below and if you wish to be put forward for a position to help guide the club's future, please let one of the committee members know so we can ensure that your name is added to the AGM agenda

During the next few weeks, we will issue a roles and responsibilities for each of the roles

Position	Standing
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President	Vin Denson
Chairman	D Wales
Vice Chairman	K Coombes
Treasurer	D Harris
Secretary	(Open)
Runs Captain	R Elven
Webmaster	J Bishop
Membership Secretary	D Harris
Social Secretary	K Coombes
Touring Secretary	(Open)
Kit Co-ordinator	C Harris
Development Officer	(Open)
Welfare Officer(s) (Male/Female)	(Open)
Sponsorship Co-ordinator	(Open)
Racing Secretary	(Open)
Harlow Council Liaison Officer	(Open)

Please contact club committee if you are interested in taking on a committee position or offering support in anyway.

## What's in the Calendar

HCC Social: Diaries are filling up already so this years Christmas get together will be later than normal and is planned for the 19th January, please hold the date and check the HCC Chat group for details.

Events in the planning for 2024:

- 1. Skills training at Redbridge.
- 2. Saturday hot laps
- 3. Calais 2 days of moderate riding.
- 4. Spain 3 to 4 days in the sun
- 5. Wales a day in the Welsh Valleys.

We're just working on final details and will post on the group chats when complete.

## Notice of AGM

The committee would like to inform you of the club's AGM that will take place on the 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 2024.

Please keep this date free and it would be great to see you if you decide to attend. After the AGM we will have some drinks before going off to a meal locally.

The AGM agenda will be sent out closer to the date.

## **Ride Captain's Report**

As the summer draws to a close it's time to dig out the winter bikes or the turbo if you're that way inclined. Despite the weather we intend to still do our usual 3 rides a week, although these may be a more sedate affair than usual with it being dark and the road conditions less favourable. Keep an eye on the socials in case we need to cancel any rides due to weather.

Recently 12 club members had a trip to the hills of Mallorca, it was great to see the club jerseys in good numbers in the beautiful scenery on the local climbs.



Briefly our trip consisted of a first day ride out to the lighthouse, this is one of the most scenic rides in Europe.



The second day was "big Tuesday" this was a bus shuttle to Andratx and then the ride back to Port de Pollensa, I have to say this is one of the hardest days

on a bike I've ever done. The third day was a split day for the group, with some taking a short ride and a beach day, while others took on a flat ride to Petra which is still 90km but with no climbing. The final day was Sa Calobra, via the climb up to the Repsol garage, a few decided to have a go at Sa Calobra for time and some super respectable times were posted.

Looking forward, we are looking into a few trips for next year so keep your eyes open for these once we've sorted out the logistics for them.

As usual if anyone has any suggestions for routes and where to ride drop me a message and I'll try to build a route suitable.

Hopefully we can keep the numbers up for the more chilly rides and hope to see you out on the road soon. Richard

Rides Captain

## **Easy Fundraising**

You can help the club out by signing up for the EasyFundraising app. Like other cash back sites, when you make a purchase, the club receives a % of the sale price and you pay no more! What's more, you get that warm happy feeling inside that you've helped the club carry on while indulging your retail therapy!!

If you need further information, email us on <u>secretary@harlowcc.club</u> and a member of the committee will contact you to answer any questions you may have. <u>https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/</u> <u>harlowcc1/</u>

## The Hardest Ride to Date!

In Early September club members Ray, Toby, Luca, Mass,Paul and Kevin took to the lakes to attempt the gruelling Fred Whitton Route.

Consisting of a 112 mile around the Lake District, starting at Grasmere and taking in climbs of Kirkstone, Honister, Newlands, Whinlatter, Hardknott & Wrynose and Blea Tarn passes a total of 12,000ft of climbing.



60 miles in, Mass suffered a mechanical and had no option but to end his ride and at the 90 mile mark came the infamous Hard Knott Pass, a lung busting 30% climb up.

It was a great day but a long time in the saddle before it was all over and done with. One of the hardest rides for those that took part to date..!!



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40% discount off full price items using our club code H5#HARLOWCC (This code is strictly for use by club members, friends and family only, it must not be posted on any public social media).

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