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# AGM

#### Friday November 25<sup>th.</sup> 19.30 Newport C of E Primary, Hazel Close, Newport. PO30 5GD

It is here again, the AGM. As usual we hope that as many of you as possible can attend. This year we have invited as our guest speaker Ian Warby, who is the Senior Offroad Development Officer for the CTC. Ian, because of his national remit will be able to highlight successful initiatives elsewhere in the country well as give us an insight into ways we can develop cycling on the Island for residents and visitors.

The fact that each year we have a large turn out is always impressive and a great support to the committee. This year will be the first time that we do have a constitution and so the elections will be slightly more formal



than other years! It would not be an AGM if there were not a raffle so if you wish to donate a prize that would be brilliant. Most importantly of all though, is to be there.

# LSTF

The LSTF bid deadline is now approaching. The finer details for the bid and costings are being worked on this month. If you have any suggestions on this bid please forward them to CycleWight. Just to remind people the basis of this bid is to encourage tourists to use the Island in a more sustainable way. The four parts of the bid are: Public Transport hubs, National Cycling Network – improvements, Rights of Way network, and Promotion of the Network

### **Mince Pie Ride**

This year's ride is to be from Bembridge Parish Hall, which is called the Cloisters and is on the High Street. Starts at 11.00 on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> December. It will be the usual format of a ride of approximately an hour and then back to the hall for mince pies and mulled wine. We do hope you will come and join us. Many thanks to support from the Bembridge Wheelers.

Use the reverse of this newsletter as a poster to advertise the ride

# Cowes to Newport.

There is concern by some that at the northern end of the track that it is becoming increasingly damaged. It is important that as many of you as possible contact the 'Rights of Way' department at County Hall to alert them of damage. Please make sure you let your Councillor know at the same time. The more people who show concern the more likely work to mend the damage will occur. (**Update**: In the last 24 hours we have been informed that work on parts of the track is to be done in the near future)

## Lights, Camera Action

The proprietor of Wight Cycle Hire and Wight Outdoors, John Allen, has become an agent for the GoPro Outdoor Video Camera range. It is becoming increasingly common to see helmet cameras being used. Wight Cycle Hire has a GoPro Hero so they can create a series video clips of the best rides from their cycle hire centre in Yarmouth for prospective customers to view on You Tube, via their website. John says, "We would be happy to lend the camera to anybody who wants to cycle and video a favourite route. We can then edit it and put it up with a map. Perhaps people could rate them, and give ideas to visitors places to see and things to do while cycling the route. We would like to build a video database of all the Island's best rides. We are particularly keen for Central and East Wight routes." The camera will also be available to rent should anybody want to video any of their own or off Island cycling activities.

Wight Mountain has already posted some videos on their web site and they know that people have come to the Island purely on the strength of the video clips. Sounds good.

### Tandem for Sale

Cannondale MT3000 Tandem (red) Much loved and in excellent condition, SPD pedals, rear carrier, hydraulic suspension. Serviced in August with new tyres, new cassette, and only ridden 10 miles since Size 18 x 16. Reason for selling ill health. £1000.

John and Margaret Steggles 759576

#### Membership

In the square by this item there is a box, which if ticked highlights that your membership is now due. £5.00 Per. Household. £3.00 Unwaged. Please make all cheques payable to "CycleWight" and sent to: Mr D Jackson, Toad Hall, Church Rd, Havenstreet, PO33 4DW.