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The Last Wheeler

This really is the last Dagworth Wheeler.

What's happens next is that we are going to stop issuing newsletters on a regularly quarterly basis; instead, we'll just produce them when we feel like it. It also means we've stopped the quarterly planning meetings and will be free to drop events into the schedule as the fancy takes us.

Because we don't know how many newsletters there will be each year, we'll have a different distribution system instead of the annual subscription. If you get the newsletter by e-mail—you still will. If you're Cally (with whom we have a reciprocal arrangement to our mutual advantage), nothing changes. Everybody else: either switch to e-mail or send us a quantity of SAEs. We'll use these to send you the newsletter and, when we get to the last one, we'll put in a note saying 'this is the last one'.

Officers

President Keith Farrow
Foreman David Whatling
Treasurer Richard Hall
Social Secretary Andrew Pattle
Recorder Jonathan Walker

Ex-Officio thingies

Vice-President Bill Ives

Meetings

Our new system of having monthly meetings on the nearest Thursday to the full moon seems to be working … so far. The next meetings will be on 17th April at Rattlesden *Five Bells*, 15th May at Naughton *Wheelhouse*, 12th June at Earl Soham *Victoria*, and 10th July at Cockfield *Plough & Fleece*.

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AGM

At the AGM, which lasted all of five minutes, we elected David Whatling to the post of Foreman. (He wasn't there so was unable to object.) Bill Ives is this year's Vice-President and all the other officers were re-elected unopposed. The annual accounts showed the same profit as last year: 38p.

More Monthly Meetings

The Veteran-Cycle Club 'Flat Section' meets on the last Monday of each month. The meeting place is different each month. Regular attendees and subscribers to *The Twisted Spoke* will know which meetings are where. Otherwise, making a 'phone call to Cally on 01986 784664 is a good idea to check that you're heading for the right pub.

Beer

As summer approaches, a rash of beer festivals and breaks out we'll go to some of them. Bury St Edmunds beer festival runs from 23rd to 26th April and, as usual, we'll ride there on the Friday, leaving from Unity Road, Stowmarket at 10:00 am.

There's a new festival in Stowmarket, in the John Peel Centre, on 28th & 29th March. We'll make this another Friday visit, but in the evening this time (well, it doesn't open until 4pm).

We've been going to a beer festival on the Late Spring Bank Holiday weekend for the last *(mumble)* years. There's usually a choice and this year we've plumped for the Henley Cross Keys. If we start from Unity Road Stowmarket at 10:30, we can pick up at Reeds Way, Stowupland at 11:00, then wander through various Creetings to Hemingstone and Henley. This'll be on Sunday, leaving Monday to go back again, go somewhere else, or sleep it off … or even go on the V-CC airfields ride.



Two wheels good, three wheels better

The Programme Summary includes events from the Tricycle Association East to help you plan your outings next year. Also included are some useful V-CC dates.

Grey Imports

There will be a V-CC Flat Section 'Grey Import' Ride in June; this will start from the village hall in Great Ashfield.

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Programme Summary

March 2014

Sunday 2nd	V-CC North Road Section: The Boot and Back
Thursday 6th	**AGM at Woolpit *Swan***
Thursday 13th	**Monthly meeting at Rattlesden *Five Bells***
Weekend 14th to 16th	TA East weekend at Lea Valley CC Comet Hut
Friday 28th	**Meet at the John Peel Centre beer festival.**
Sunday 30th	TA East meet at Redgrave *Cross Keys* (after Mick Madgett's '25')
Monday 31st	V-CC Flat Section Trend Bucking Ride: Meet at *Scole Inn* at 7:00pm for a ride to *The Buck* in Rumburgh, arriving at 8:30pm.

April 2014

Thursday 17th	**Monthly meeting at Rattlesden *Five Bells***
Sunday 20th	V-CC Flat Section Spring Trudge. 30 mile seaside jaunt to Walberswick and Southwold via Dunwich. Assemble at 10.00am at Marlinspike Hall, Walpole
Friday 25th	**Ride to Bury St Edmunds Beer Festival**
Saturday 26th	TA East meet at Peasenhall and Great Glemham
Monday 28th	V-CC Flat Section Painting and Panting Ride. Meet at *Scole Inn* at 7:00pm for a ride to the *Sir Alfred Munnings* pub in Mendham, arriving there at 8:00pm

May 2014

Thursday 15th	**Monthly meeting at Naughton *Wheelhouse***
Sunday 25th	**Ride to Henley *Cross Keys***
Monday 26th	V-CC Suffolk Airfields Ride. Details to be advised. A new daytime fixture: a tour of east Suffolk WWII airfields
Monday 26th	V-CC Flat Section Lloyds' Names Ride: meet at the *Black Horse* in Thorndon, for 8:00pm

June 2014

Thursday 12th	**Monthly meeting at Earl Soham *Victoria***
Sunday 22nd	V-CC Grey Import Ride from Long Thurlow Village Hall, Great Ashfield
Monday 30th	V-CC Flat Section Victoria's Sponge ride: meet at the *Victoria* in Earl Soham for 8.00pm

July 2014

Thursday 10th	**Monthly meeting at Cockfield *Plough and Fleece***
Monday 28th	V-CC Flat Section Four Legs Good Ride: meet at the *Four Horseshoes* in Thornham for 8:00pm