


EVENTS LISTINGS NOW ONLINE

Whatever sort of cyclist you are, go to ctc.org.uk/events for a full list of CTC events.

Saver tickets for York

VISITORS TO THE York Cycle Show on the weekend of 22-23 June can save money by booking online. Discounts are available for site entry, weekend camping, and table hire for the Giant Cycle Jumble sale. Adult show entry is £3 online (£4 on the day), while for children aged 5-16 it's £2 (£3 on the day). Under 5s are free, and Saturday entry is also valid on Sunday. For more details or to book, visit yorkcycleshow.co.uk.

Saturday rides from the

show will range from a short one for families, up to the Ron Kitching Challenge, which has 100km and 100-mile route options. Other events will include a trade show and exhibition, the Savage Skills stunt show, and arena events – including, if all goes well, grass-track racing.

The site layout has been revised to maximise use of the York racecourse perimeter tarmac track, by both caravanners and traders. Camping areas have been

sited away from lower lying areas. There will be extensive catering options and a bar.

Sunday will feature the traditional cyclists' service at the Minster, followed by a parade back to the show.

For 2014, the provisional dates are 21-22 June, two weeks before the Tour de France 'Grand Départ' from the same site.

See yorkcycleshow.co.uk, Facebook ([yorkcycleshow](https://www.facebook.com/yorkcycleshow)) or Twitter ([@YorkCycleShow](https://twitter.com/YorkCycleShow))

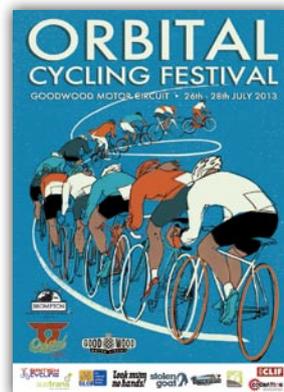
ORBITAL CYCLING FESTIVAL

THE INAUGURAL Orbital Cycling Festival takes place at Goodwood Motor Circuit from 26-28 July, offering three days of closed-road racing, cycling workshops, attractions and a cycle trade expo. The events are aimed at families, beginners, and club-level cyclists, providing everyone with a chance to race in traffic-free conditions. On Saturday and Sunday lunchtimes, the circuit will be open for mass participation family rides supporting CTC and Sustrans.

The race programme ranges from a 20km time trial called '30 Second

Gaps' to a 'Hot Cog' fixed-gear criterium and a 'Dirty Critter' cyclo-cross race on a 4.5km XC loop around the perimeter of the circuit. Orbital will also be hosting the 2013 Brompton World Championships, as well as Brompton Sprint and Eliminator events. For longer distance riders, there's a 200km overnight audax, called 'Look Mum No Sleep!' that will leave Old Street in London at 9pm on Friday 26 July.

There is camping at Goodwood, with toilets and hot showers. CTC members receive a 20% discount on camping, entry passes, and



races (except the Brompton races).

Enter code **ctc1878** when you book online at orbitalfestival.com. Also see Facebook ([OrbitalFestival](https://www.facebook.com/OrbitalFestival)) and Twitter

TEAM CTC NEWS

Team manager Steve Bailey

In October 2012, with the road racing season starting 12 weeks later, I was asked to put together a women's cycling team for CTC. The main reason for the team was 'to encourage more women to cycle through action, not simply words'. Despite a few glitches, the support for Team CTC, from multiple quarters, has been great. This is clearly a cause long overdue in its undertaking.

Time has flown. Plan team, select team, source sponsors, sign contracts, design kit, arrange race calendar, apply for team entries, launch team, conduct media interviews, establish social media outlets, prepare a communications plan, hold a rider training camp... and there you have it: a women's cycle racing team fit for elite-level racing competition. Simple!

Now, six months after the request to form the team was made, with three 'national series' races completed, one major international stage race under our wheels, and a calendar of 32 races to go (!), it is time to reflect. The success on the road is testament to the athleticism and talent of the riders, while the message that Team CTC delivers beyond the race circuit is success of a different kind.

Team CTC riders are all lifestyle cyclists too. They use bikes as their default choice for transport... Moreover, aside from their professional credibility in the elite cycling scene, the riders' participation and presence in numerous events such as the Tweed Run, charity events, prize awards, meetings with CTC members and groups around the UK, has given CTC as a charitable body a 'reach' into arenas beyond traditional CTC circles... even into mainstream, women-focused media.

Team CTC is on a roll!





(Clockwise from left) Lowri Evans won CTC Volunteer of the Year 2012. Stevenage and North Herts were runners up as CTC Voluntary Group of the Year, behind winner Sue Blaylock of Simply Cycling – who was also third overall as Volunteer of the Year

CTC VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

LOWRI EVANS was named CTC Volunteer of the Year for 2012 at the CTC National Dinner on 11 May at Gisborough Hall. CTC Ambassador Christian Wolmar (see page 28) presented her with the Moss Medallion.

Lowri, who was also regional winner for Wales, is the secretary for Chester & North Wales CTC, the liaison officer for CTC Cymru, and is closely involved with the Wrexham Reivers group. She plays a leading role in organising the successful Welsh Festival of Cycling, and is a stalwart of the CTC Touring Competition. She has won the ladies' prize for several years in succession and has helped Chester & North Wales win the team award. She also organised four Touring Competition events in 2012.

There were four regional winners, in addition to Lowri. Second-placed overall and regional winner for Scotland was Chris Oliver, who has revitalised CTC Scotland since taking over as Chair. He has made numerous appearances in the media and has raised the profile of CTC Scotland with politicians and cycling organisations, as well as with the media.

Peter Williams (North West) won his award for his extensive CTC Right to Ride work, primarily addressing safety issues on the Wirral and a right of way problem in the Peckforton Hills.

Alan Priim (Yorkshire and the Humber) won for his efforts leading Huddersfield and District CTC's Tuesday night rides, for his efficient work

as welfare officer, and for helping set out and marshal local charity rides that have enabled the Lions to raise thousands of pounds.

The Emitremmus ride makers (East of England) won for their hugely successful end-of-summertime rides from Stevenage, which have been running for 18 years and which now attract more than 500 cyclists.

There were joint winners for CTC's Young Volunteer of the Year 2012, both from East of England. Daniel Moore and Luke Peters rebuilt the Stevenage and North Herts CTC website, and act as 'mission control' for the group's major events.

Three groups vied for the CTC Voluntary Group of the Year for 2012: Sue Blaylock/Simply Cycling (North West); Stevenage and North Herts CTC (East of England); and Aston Hill MTB Group (South East). The winner was Sue Blaylock. In just eight years, her disability-focused cycling club has assembled a fleet of over 170 adapted bikes, which is regularly used by 450 disabled riders. Sue Blaylock was also third-placed overall as the CTC Volunteer of the Year 2012.

The CTC Campaigning Achievement of the Year for 2012 was decided between Bruce Lynn (London) and John Metcalf (East of England). Bruce Lynn won. Philip Benstead picked up The Gordon Selway Memorial Award on his behalf.

Read more details about all the winners online: ctc.org.uk/volunteerofyear

EVENTS NEWS IN BRIEF

▶ CTC CHALLENGE RIDES

There are three CTC sportives to look forward to this year. The Ron Kitching CTC Challenge Ride takes place on Saturday 22 June, starting and finishing at York Cycle Show. There are two fully-marked and supported courses, and the longer one takes in the steepest tarmac hill in the UK: Rosedale's Chimney Bank. The Phil Liggett CTC Challenge Ride is on Sunday 11 August, with two route options from Sheffield into the Peak District. Stunning scenery means some stiff climbs, including Holme Moss, Winnats Pass and Monsal Head. On Sunday 15 September, a new event is planned: the Dalby CTC Challenge Ride. All events are £25 on the day or £15 in advance. More at ctc.org.uk/events

▶ A CAPITAL IDEA

More than 50,000 cyclists are expected to ride through London on an eight-mile traffic-free loop on Saturday 3 August, when the Prudential RideLondon FreeCycle event takes place. All ages and abilities are welcome on what will be the largest mass-participation cycling event that London has ever hosted. You can ride the loop as many times as you like and there will be a range of bike-based entertainments en route. The FreeCycle ride is free to enter but if you register in advance you get a free tabard and magazine. Visit prudentialridelondon.co.uk.

▶ CTC NEW FOREST WEEK

There's still time to register for CTC's family-friendly New Forest Week, which takes place from 26 July to 2 August. It's based at the Avon Tyrell Manor Outdoor Centre, where there are lots of facilities, plus pitches for camping and caravanning. It costs just £8.50 per night for adults and £5.50 per night for children aged 5-14; under-5s go free. See the website newforestrallycc.org.uk or contact rally secretary John Capell on 01494 715636.

▶ WELSH CYCLING FESTIVAL

The CTC Cymru Welsh Festival of Cycling runs from 25-30 July at Ruthin Rugby Club. This year riders can also enter for a single day ride for just £5, payable on the day. Details and a booking form for the CTC Cymru Welsh Cycling Festival are at www.ctcchesterandnwales.org.uk/news.html while the CTC Cymru webmaster is away.