MUCH LIKE CYCLING UK’s ambitions, our Grand Draw has grown. This year’s is the biggest raffle we’ve ever run, with almost £8,500 of prizes to be won, including a wonderful tandem, exotic cycling holidays, a camera, tyres, cycle clothing, and a cash prize of £3,000. The draw is a chance for you to win great prizes but crucially it also raises tens of thousands of pounds to help us get the UK cycling.

In just the last six months, your support has enabled us to train more ride leaders to lead thousands of group rides. We’ve got half a million people cycling: through our National Bike Week; by renovating and providing bikes for communities through the Big Bike Revival; by pushing people to take their cycling even further in our new Challenge Ride Series; and by celebrating and inspiring some of those underrepresented in cycling through the Women’s Festival of Cycling.

We’re making cycling even safer, providing #TooCloseForComfort close-overtaking education mats to every police force in the UK. And we’re making giant strides towards opening huge swathes of the countryside for cyclists through our Rides of Way off-road campaigning (see pages 4-5).

Did we say that our ambitions were huge? Cycling UK is the cyclists’ champion – and, by taking part in this raffle, you are too. The prizes are kindly donated by the cycle trade because they too back our ambitions. Please help us to reach our £100,000 target by taking part in the 2017 Grand Draw.

TICKETS TO RIDE
Buying or selling our Grand Draw tickets helps to make cycling mainstream. The funds enable us to promote and share cycling with others. This will make a lasting difference to peoples’ lives and their communities.

As an independent charity, Cycling UK is heavily reliant on voluntary donations. Last year, we spent over £5million delivering cycling projects, promoting our work to encourage more people to join us, and championing the interests of cycling. Our membership subscriptions raise £1.8m each year but we raise an additional £3m
THE CYCLING UK GRAND DRAW IS BACK, EVEN BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER!

through grants and donations. The funds raised from our Grand Draw mean that everyone is a winner when you buy or sell tickets. It’s easy to enter: just use the separate Grand Draw form that’s included with your magazine.

HOW TO PAY
There’s £20 worth of tickets enclosed with this issue of Cycle (each ticket is £1). You can pay for tickets by cheque or debit/credit card. To pay by cheque, make it payable to ‘Cycling UK’. To pay by debit or credit card, fill in the form on the Grand Draw insert included with this magazine.

You can support our work further by making a donation, whether or not you buy or sell tickets for the Grand Draw. Don’t forget to tick the Gift Aid box if you’re a UK taxpayer – it makes the ticket sales and any donation worth 25% more, at no cost to you.

POSTING YOUR ENTRY
Tear off the entry and payment form (on the separate Grand Draw insert included with this copy of Cycle), put it in an envelope with your ticket stubs and payment, and then attach the Cycling UK return address sticker to the envelope, along with the correct postage.

If you’ve lost the address sticker, the return address for entries is: Cycling UK Grand Draw, Parklands, Railton Road, Guildford, GU2 9JX.

UNWANTED TICKETS
Please accept our apologies if you have requested not to receive tickets. Due to the way the magazine is mailed, it would be very costly and difficult to make sure that some people don’t receive raffle tickets. Please pass on your tickets to friends and colleagues if you don’t want them.

THINGS TO REMEMBER
Make sure that you keep your counterfoils (the tickets) and send only your stubs back to Cycling UK. Ensure your details are on each ticket stub. Payment should match the number of tickets you’ve sold; two books comes to £20. Entries must be returned no later than 27th November 2017. Good luck!