



# Here comes the summer!

## East Newport looks back to the future

You know, its not all about racing around the polo getting wet and tired in this club. The clubs forward thinking committee has been chatting about introducing some activities outside of the sporting side of things with a view to bonding our happy bunch of members. They are hoping that on one of the Premier league Sundays when we are not involved in any racing we could use the minibuses to take everyone to a seaside for the day.

How cool is that I hear you say????

Suggestions so far have been Barry, Porthcawl, Weston and Brean Sands. We will keep you all posted on any developments. Saturdays racing in the Youth and Junior Leagues are long an tiring for everyone involved so this should be a nice change for and a chance to strengthen our bond as the Eastend family.

If you have any ideas why not mention them to one of the committee

members?

Some other ideas that are being considered are to have a club BBQ in the summer down the track with everyone helping out to make it a fun day. Games and activities can be set out but the main rule would be NO BIKES..!! A strictly fun day for all is the menu..

East Newport CSC is more than just a cycle speedway club committed to racing cycle speedway, it's a chance to be part of a club that's enjoys all sorts of activities. The recent car boot sale is a perfect example of this. Organised by Kerry and Rich, they done a great job raising over £140 for the club which can now be used to finish the pits off.



The lads on tour..!!

## The Polo Tuck Shop

When some of us started racing a **LONG** time ago, refreshments at the trackside were considered a huge luxury. The best you could get was a Mars bar and a warm can of coke. Even when our club started all we had was a few cold snacks and a cuppa tea. The East Newport Tuck shop has grown so well now thanks to the efforts of Mandy, Bev and the

others and we now produce some of the best grub at any track in the South West. The club wishes to thank everyone for using this facility which funds many of the clubs projects to make your club



Selling a bike part? Looking for a new jersey? Or if you want to include any features on this club newsletter just let Rob Absalom know and it can be added to next months edition.



Action from a recent ENCSC junior challenge

### Forthcoming events:

#### **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

British Youth & Junior League 3 – East Newport (12pm)

#### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Poole v East Newport - Div1/Comb/Conf (2pm)

#### **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

U13's Club Championship – Poole

#### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Swindon v East Newport - Div1 (2pm)

#### **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

Rose Bowl – Hellingly

## Travel Fund

Some of you may not know but the club has set up a travel fund to help finance the away trips for the riders and officials. With today's continually rising costs it was thought that it would be better to help everyone go away with the club. On the home days any profit made from the raffles will go into the fund. We need someone to organise these important raffles so if you want to help the club out by offering your services please let us know?



Another idea being considered is a thrift club where everyone can pay a pound a week and when it comes to the next away trip you may have already either paid your fare or at least have a good amount towards it.

More details on this new scheme will be released in next months newsletter after the clubs committee have had a chance to discuss it with Ian Sizer, the clubs Travel Manager.

## Meet the rider—Mike Rice

This months rider we are gonna hail is none other than Mike Rice or more commonly known, Mouse. Mouse started racing in the early 80's when he used to come on his little blue bike with the gang over Llanwern Village and down to the track at Spytty



when we all raced for the Stars. One of Mike first matches was away at Weymouth when he was reserve in the third team, Spytty Stars, in the then Western League Combination Division. The guy was brilliant and passed everyone on the track and was soon a regular in the first team beating riders twice his size. Even now after all these years, Mouse is a formidable rider capable of beating

anyone on his day. Having raced for Wales on many occasions has been a true testament to his racing career and if he had wanted to race in individuals we are pretty sure some major trophies would be weighing down his mantelpiece. Mike celebrates his 40th this month and we wish him a huge HAPPY BIRTHDAY from his club and look forward to cheering him on for many years to come.



**Don't forget to visit [www.eastnewportcsc.co.uk](http://www.eastnewportcsc.co.uk)**

## Another Coach needed



Feel like you want to have a go at learning how to coach kids and adults in cycling?

East Newport CSC are looking for people to apply for the role as a club coach to assist Tony in training sessions through the year.

The rewards are great, a recognised coaching badge and all the kids you can eat...!!!

Please let Rob know ASAP so that we can arrange funding and course dates with Welsh Cycling.

## And finally.....

### Track development

Yes the club track team are hard at work getting the pits area finished off ready for the BY&JGP round on May 16th. The floor is to be concreted and the container organised so all bikes and track equipment can be stored securely and the small blue hut will become a changing room.



Above: Beryl & Oz, two of our biggest supporters enjoying a quiet moment during the recent Exeter junior match.

### Man of the match

	Div1	Comb	Conf
Vs Exeter			
Vs Newport			
Vs Swindon			