



THE WHEELER
Winter 2017



Junior Award Winners

Christmas Turbo 10 2017



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Front cover photo: Christie Jones receiving Evening 10 Award from Mick Bennett

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President's Introduction

Hello Cyclists

New season, so time to **renew your membership** – again this year the annual fee is fixed at £10 for January to December 2018. Please can you organise a direct debit (download form from website) if possible through our new Club Treasurer Andy Hurrell. This is the easiest option for the club; otherwise please ensure you pass your £10.00 cash to Andy by the end of January. Don't forget that by joining the club you are then insured third party for riding with The Hereford Wheelers. Our insurance is through Cycling UK, previously called the CTC.

The club AGM was held at Hereford Rowing Club where the new committee was voted in for the 2018 year. This year Club member Maurice Tudor has decided to step down. He has been a long-standing active member of the committee collating and writing the Hereford Wheelers Cycling Club history which can now be found on the Website. I would like to personally thank Maurice for all his hard work to achieve such an impressive record from the Clubs now 90 year history. Maurice has also put his skills to collating/printing the quarterly 'Wheeler' magazine. If you wish to be a member of this committee please let me know. Throughout the year sub-committees are formed and additional members are co-opted on for their informed knowledge/additional guidance to that particular subject. New ideas are always welcome to keep the club moving forward. At this year's AGM the result of Club kit vote was released with a majority vote for version 2. Welcome to new committee members this year Andy Hurrell, Dean Prosser and Mark Montez.

Recently the Turbo training sessions at Sutton St Nicholas School Hall are where members have been enjoying training as a group but in the warm. The Christmas 10 mile Turbo Time Trial was this year won by Mark Montez in an actual time of 17.51 mins – *Well done Mark – a huge improvement!* These Turbo sessions are organised by Stuart McFarlane and will continue through to March – *please come and join in!* I understand the sports massage group will be attending on a regular basis so get your muscles pummelled after a great workout.

It has also been good to see so many groups out cycling: choose the speed or the length of the ride you prefer and join in one of the Sunday groups from Steels Westgate. Mick Cumbes has now taken over the Training Group Sunday rides so if you have any routes you would like to explore please let him know.

This year's Prize-Presentation organised by Valerie Hurrell was held at an in-town location, namely upstairs in the De-Koffee Pot which is behind the Left Bank. There was also a change in menu, which this year was a choice of Chicken Curry or a vegetable option. Please let Valerie know your thoughts of the food and venue so we can go forward again next year. Club member Dave Whitby's long-term friend Mick Bennett was asked if he would be Guest of Honour. Mick is presently organising the Tour of Britain and has great interest in promoting female and young riders for the future. He was very well received by all and he made the evening very entertaining during the Q & A session. Mick brought with him numerous prizes and was proud to give out individual

prizes to the four junior riders in the Club. The Club would like to thank Mick for his interest in the Hereford Wheelers Club. Photos of the event can be viewed on the Wheelers website under 'Gallery'.

The Race Committee met recently to agree the 2018 Race Programme and after confirmation from the Police and the WCA will soon be found on the Hereford Wheelers website so keep that winter training going ready for the start of the season in March.

All the latest information is on the club website www.herefordwheelers.com or on the Club's Facebook page – Hereford Wheelers Cycling Club. Please note the Facebook page is for general items of interest, Club ride information and social events but if you would like Club information please email one of the Club members from the contacts link under 'Resources' on the Website. Any of the members will answer your questions as soon as possible. Otherwise give me a call on 01432 271829 or my mobile 07970 865 434.

Enjoy your cycling... and stay safe!

Chris Hughes,

President

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HEREFORD & DISTRICT WHEELERS CC
WEDNESDAY 6th DECEMBER 2017**

Present : C.Hughes President, S.Edinborough Vice President, B Berry Chairman, C. Walker General Secretary. Plus;
V.Hurrell, A.Hurrell, M.Cumbes, J.Tetley, E.Hadley, S.Hughes, D.Unsworth, R.Shallcross, B.Alsford, J.Dicken, S.Bissell, D.Prosser, C.Holt, R.Morris, M.Montez, J.Montez, D.Cross.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the AGM and thanked them for attending. He also reminded everyone that subscriptions were due from 1 January.

1. Apologies had been received from Graham and Billy Thomas.
2. The Minutes of last AGM on 4th January 2017 were accepted as a correct record.
Proposed by M.Montez and seconded by V.Hurrell
3. There were no matters arising from the last minutes.
4. The General Secretary read his report:

Membership for the year rose steadily through the year and has again topped 200. A number of new members have joined the club as a result of the Easy Ride Group which the Club offered this summer. Starting on 3rd June the rides were led by various established club members and because there was a good take up the rides will continue to be offered through the winter months.

Winter Turbo continues to be well attended at Sutton St Nicholas, this year a total of 36 individual riders attended (4 juniors), 25 was the most riders at a session but strangely the average turnout was 18.5 riders!

The Club Social Ride was held Saturday 17th June. By pure chance it coincided with National Cycle Week and the Club were thanked for taking part by Cycling UK. 41 riders including a group from Luctonians CC took part and feedback was very positive. Our annual Come & Try It TT took place on 15th June. It was more successful than last year with 28 riders racing (it received extra publicity as again it fell in National Cycle Week but mostly the weather was much better than 2016!). Positive feedback was received from participants and attendees.

October saw the ever popular Quiz & Chips evening here at the rowing club – a record number attended this year – 55 made up 9 teams.

The club awards dinner was held on 24th November attended by 55 members, spouses and friends with guest of honour Mick Bennett presenting the awards. One sad loss during the year was one of our Club Vice Presidents, Brian Nicholas, who had served the club in many capacities over the years.

An addition to the club records during the year was a very detailed and informative Club History added to the website written by Maurice Tudor and well worth a read.

None of our races or these events just happen and my year as Secretary has shown me that a few people do an awful lot of work organising, arranging and officiating for Club events, be they races, rides or social events. I won't name them (for fear of missing someone!) but YOU know who you are and on behalf of the committee and the club membership we thank you all very much. **Proposed by S.Hughes and seconded by C.Holt**

5. The Treasurer presented the audited accounts which showed a loss for the year of £73.86. The Club was still in a very health state of credit with over £10,000 in the bank. Essentially the fact that we had been forced to cancel a number of Time Trials due to road works had caused a loss of income. S.Edinburgh thanked The Treasurer for his work during the year and commented that the figures confirmed that membership and race fees were at an appropriate level and there seemed no case to increase them. He went on to urge members to pay their membership fees promptly, not waiting until the 1st race! The accounts were **proposed by S.Hughes and seconded by V.Hurrell**.

6. All the current committee position holders had agreed to stand for re-election with the exception that A. Hurrell had been willing to take on the role of Treasurer relieving some of the workload from B. Berry. This was unanimously agreed by all present. Following the sad loss of Mr Brian Nicholas and in light of long serving committee member Maurice Tudor announcing his intention to step down, **B.Berry proposed** that M.Tudor be made a Vice President. The meeting agreed that a vote of thanks be recorded for the many years' service that Maurice had given to the club. This was proposed by C. Holt and **seconded by V. Hurrell**. M.Tudor's departure created at least one vacancy on the Committee and Mark Montez was **proposed by V.Hurrell** and Dean Prosser was

proposed by S.Hughes.

The meeting then accepted the following nominations.

President C. Hughes, Vice Presidents V. Hadley, S.Edinburgh, M.Tudor Chairman B. Berry, General Secretary C.Walker, Treasurer A.Hurrell, Racing Secretary C. Hughes, Committee Members ; J. Dicken, J. Tetley, R. Morris, V. Hurrell, S. Hughes, M. Montez and D. Prosser.

7. Our current Auditor J.P.Davies was moving away from the area and therefore would be stepping down. A.Hurrell will find a replacement in due course.

8. S. Alderton, previously selected as the Club Welfare officer, will remain in post. He is currently seeking a place on a suitable training course.

9. Finally S. Edinburgh felt the title of CTC Delegate was a redundant title and this will therefore be deleted.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 7.50pm.

ACCOUNTS

Income and expenditure account for the year ending 30 September 2017

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
Subscriptions	1715.00	Purchase of club kit	1381.20
Sale club kit/mugs	1142.40	Affiliation fees	475.00
Club dinner/social	639.90	Club Magazine	158.28
		Club dinner /social	1730.21
Club races 2016	2932.60	Turbo training	663.83
Turbo training	765.00	Engraving/Trophies	705.75
CTT Handbooks	38.00	CTT Handbooks	70.00
Donations	45.10	Club Races	1854.99
		Auditor	25.00
		Website	155.18
Bank interest	6.70	Misc / Postage	54.12
		Donation	50.00
		Training Course	35.00
Loss	73.56		
	7358.56		7358.56

BALANCE SHEET as at 30 September 2017

Statement of balance at			
30 September 2016.	16201.99	Cash at Bank	10783.94
Loss on Year	(73.86)	Value of Assets	5344.19
	16128.13		16128.13

To members of Hereford & District Cycling Club:

Certified to be correct and in accordance with the books and vouchers presented to me.

J.P.Davies

Auditor

W.Berry

Treasurer

REPORTS

Quiz & Chips Evening 2017

Fifty-five members, friends and guests of Hereford Wheelers squeezed themselves into the function room at Hereford Rowing Club on 18th October for the annual Quiz & Chips organised by Valerie and Andy Hurrell. The room was at full capacity as 2017 saw a record attendance. Food; chips and Chinese, was provided by the Mermaid and they couldn't have been more helpful. Everything was hot and everyone got what they had ordered (I think!).



Nine teams took part and the winning team was 'Peter, Paul and No Mary' comprised of Chris and Sue Hughes with a couple of their friends (including Peter!), Linda Green and Barbara and Paul Alsford with sixty-four points. They were challenged all the way by 'Tour de Farce', coming in with sixty-one points. The winning team chose bottles of wine and the runners up took the sparkling fruit drinks. Energy bars were awarded to the 'Lanterne Rouge' team to help them maintain their energy levels.

Thanks to all who took part and helped to make the event a success.

Valerie Hurrell

Awards Dinner

The Wheelers annual awards Dinner was held on 24 November at De Koffie Pot and was attended by 55 Wheelers, spouses and friends. Our Guest of Honour was Mick Bennett, Olympic Medallist and former professional cyclist. Mick is better known now for his running of SweetSpot Ltd a sports marketing company behind major UK cycling events such as the Tour of Britain and the Women's Cycling Tour.

Mick was introduced by club President Chris Hughes who asked him a series of questions about cycling submitted by club members and took questions from the floor. After this very entertaining spell Mick briefly outlined his humble beginning as a cyclist and outlined his cycling philosophy of encouraging youngsters – who would be the life



blood of our sport.

In order to encourage Wheeler youngsters Mick donated some sports bags and sun glasses which he presented to Daniel North, Jack Prosser, Billy Thomas and Robert Wright.

Mick also donated many other items which were used as prizes in a raffle which raised £118 to be donated to our chosen charity of St Michaels Hospice. Mick was then asked to present the Wheelers annual awards trophies to all the winners as per list below.

No.	Trophies			Winner
21	Club Run Attendance Trophy	Senior		Andy Hurrell
22		Lady		Barbara Alsford
23		Junior		Robert Wright
	Club Evening 10 Points			
	Best 10 events	Senior	1st	Darron Pratt
			2nd	Christie Jones
			3rd	Dean Prosser
	Club Evening 10 Points			
	Best 10 events	Lady	1st	Christie Jones
			2nd	Gaby McDermott
			3rd	Not awarded
24	Veteran Competition (on Standard)		1st	Paul Jones
	Best 10 events		2nd	Sarah Jones
			3rd	Guy Evans
24	Veteran on Standard			Paul Jones
25	Keith Hayward Trophy (Club Person of the Year)			Mark Montez
26	Road Race Trophy			Not awarded
19	Tony White Memorial 10 Trophy (fastest Club 10)			Henry Lort
11	Start of Season 25 Scratch Cup (Club Event)			Bryn North
12	April 25 Cup			Paul Jones
13	End of Season 25 Cup			Paul Jones
15	Hill Climb Championship Trophy			Simon Geary
17	Handicap 25 Cup			Gaby McDermott
14	Middlemarkers 25 Cup			David Campbell
18	Phil Jones Memorial Trophy (fastest Junior Club 10)			Jack Prosser
10	30 mile Trophy			Paul Jones
6	Shrewsbury and Back Trophy			Not awarded
9	Alf Evans Middlemarkers 50			Paul Jones
7	Arthur Steel 50 Cup			Paul Jones
8	August 50 Scratch Cup			Paul Jones
16	Handicap 50 Cup			Not awarded
5	100 mile Scratch Trophy			Guy Evans
4	12 hour Trophy			David Steel
2	Junior BAR Cup			Not awarded
20	Womens BAR			Christie Jones
3	Veteran BAR Trophy			Paul Jones
1	Senior BAR Trophy			Guy Evans

trophy having been voted by the committee as the member who had done the most to support the club throughout the year. Mark has been a very active rider throughout the year participating in the Sunday, Wednesday, Friday rides and leading Easy Rides, attending Turbo training and racing in Time Trials.

The busiest member of the night was Paul Jones who collected 8 trophies for his season long efforts and probably the most surprised member of the night was Sue Bissell. First she was the unexpected recipient of the of the newcomer of the year award voted by the Sunday riders and then when Mick Bennett heard that although she had ridden Ride London in her first year but had missed out for 2018 he guaranteed her entry for 2018.

The final part of the evening was a raffle and the presentation of a bouquet of flowers to Valerie Hurrell for her organisation of the event.

Bill Berry

Club Kit

In the summer several members asked if we could update the design of the club kit and this was discussed by the Committee. In order that all members would have a say in the matter a notice was issued to all members inviting them to submit new designs. In total 22 new designs were submitted and a subcommittee was appointed to look at these and recommend a smaller number to the committee. The main committee looked at the recommendations and voted for what they considered the best 3. Again in order that the final decision was arrived at democratically it was decided that a vote be offered to all members to decide either to keep the existing design or to choose a new design from the 3 new ones.



Voting was offered both online and by hard copy to all existing members and as a result Design number 2 won by a large majority. The main committee will now look to find a suitable supplier of the new design.

ARTICLES

Picos de Europa

On a clear day you can see the Picos de Europa from the ferry coming into Santander, but at the end of August this year there was nothing to see but clouds. The 'Peaks of Europe', is a range of mountains, covering an area of about 400 square km, with many peaks over 2,600m, and some 20km inland from the coast of northern Spain. A widely accepted origin for the name is that they were the first sight of Europe for ships arriving from the Americas. I had come prepared for all seasons but obviously hoped it would be fine and warm. Apparently the previous week it had been in the high 30s and riders in this group had needed vast quantities of water to sustain them in the mountains. For the next 7 days the forecast was cool but mainly dry which it proved to be.

Our group of 21 riders and 2 organisers/guides/drivers/mechanics/medics formed up at a grand hotel near Potes which is located some 30km from the coast at an altitude of 300m. The town is built on the confluence of two rivers and has many quaint bridges making it popular with tourists. From a cyclists point of view this means from here there are 3 reasonably good climbs, 4 if you count the road from the coast, but this has a lot of traffic on it. I arrived a day earlier than the start of the tour so amused myself by taking on the easiest of these climbs. Although I was assured it wouldn't it rained – and I fell off – which wasn't the best start. That evening, wearing a long sleeved shirt to hide the gravel rash, I was gradually introduced to a very diverse group of cyclists over a few beers and dinner.



The first day was a warm-up to the Piedrasluengas (only 60km there and back with 1,100m of ascent). There was an optional extra 55km and 1,300m but I decided to have

a look around Potes instead. Long ago I had decided to just take what is called the 'Classic (shortest) Route' with Marmot Tours in order to have the best chance of completing the six days of climbing at a 'senior' pace. I stopped for lunch where two faster riders had finished eating and preparing to set off up the next climb. 'Hey just ask for the menu and they keep bringing out the food and wine. And all for €9!' Newcomers to Spain are amazed that you can still get a cheap 3 course meal, including wine, at lunch time.

The next day involved a long descent to Llanes near the coast before turning west for an easy ride to our next hotel at Soto de Cangas. From here there was a climb, often featured as a mountain top finish in the Vuelta, to Largos de Cavadonga. It's steep in parts with a one km section of 13-15%, which unfortunately my old legs couldn't manage so I came back about halfway up the climb.

The following morning we looked forward to a 90km ride over two climbs (1,900m of ascent) to Riano in the heart of the Picos. On reaching the lunch stop and tucking into another well-earned 'menu del dia' several of the other riders were caught in one of those storms I experienced last year in Corsica. Fortunately this time I was able to shelter until it was over. Riano is located on an enormous reservoir which covered the old village when it was built. A very dry period has meant the old place was again visible with cattle grazing in long forgotten fields. At over 1,000m it was also a lot colder than I would have liked. A nature watching group at the hotel said that that evening they had seen several wolves and two brown bears.

With the temperature at about 4 degrees it was a chilly start the next day over a high



plateau to a place called Santa Cristina de Lena (132km, 1,400m ascent) to the far west of the Picos. From here several riders chasing the 'challenging route' climbed the Cobertoria and Gamoniteiro (referred to as the Ventoux of Spain and both with 5km sections of over 10%) to bring their day to 171km with 3,100m of climbing. The hotel

(Santa Christina) appeared popular with cyclists and had many profiles of the tough climbs in the area on the walls. They also had small pumps to aerate the scrumpy as it was poured from bottle to glass. On the coast this aeration is achieved more dramatically by waiters who hold the bottle somewhere near the ear with the glass held at the knee as they pour.

Most of the conversation that evening was about the next day's climb of the Alto de l'Angleru. The main climb is only 7km but has an average gradient of 14% with an extended section of 24%. It was the final mountain finish of this year's Vuelta and you may have watched Contador as he broke away to claim victory. Most of the group completed this feat while 4 of us took a more direct route back to Riano. Two keen, serving matelots missed the turn to the climb on their GPS and after realising their mistake tried to get back, ended up on the motorway and were stopped by the police who, after hearing the story, forgave them the trespass but issued a fine for not having lights in a motorway tunnel.

From Riano the route led back to the start at Potes through the heart of the Picos de Europa National Park and over the Puertos Panderruedas, Pandetrave and San Glorio (91km, 1,380m ascent). An Irishman, whose bike did not arrive on his outward flight found it waiting for him to take back home still packed! He had borrowed one of Marmot Tours' bikes during the 6 days of cycling. That night there was a wedding reception at the hotel which was a noisy affair, even by Spanish standards, but thankfully wedding guests had gone home by the time we had finished our celebration dinner.

There is no doubt that this was a well thought-out and executed tour to fit most road cyclist's needs among the most dramatic of mountain scenery. All of those I spoke to said what a fantastic experience it had been and were looking forward to a similar trip next year. However, age is taking its toll. I thought the climbs harder than last year and was secretly thinking that this was probably the last one for me. I will still be drawn towards the mountains but in future plan to be less ambitious and take in more gentle climbs. I will undoubtedly very much miss the comradery and security of back-up enjoyed with these superbly organised tours.

Maurice Tudor

NOTICES

Time Trial Alert

The Clubs resource of Timekeepers has very recently dwindled down to 4 people who, even with their dedicated commitment, will find it extremely difficult to run the whole Time Trial race programme next year, unless we can enlist at least two or three more members to help them out.

You do not need to pass any examination to be a club Timekeeper and the club can provide watches and training. All you need is to be accurate, have quick wits and be able to do simple time calculations and to be reliable in turning up at the races you have committed to.



If you are willing to volunteer please contact me or Chris Hughes. We would be happy for any Members from any section of the club or their friends or family to support the club by helping out with time keeping.

If we do not get any volunteers we will have to ask riders to help out on a rota basis or cut back on the race programme.

Bill Berry

The National Cycle Museum

The National Cycle Museum at Llandrindod Wells was the venue recently for TV filming of one of the new Bargain Hunt series

Mr Scotford Lawrence, the museum's historian was interviewed about several unusual cycles in the collection. Look out for the programme series shown next spring. The main filming was done at the Antique Fair at the Royal Welsh Showground.

Have you viewed the website for the museum lately? <http://www.cyclemuseum.org.uk/> A new section under Support the Museum heading on the front page, is the chance to help with funding through the BT MYDONATE scheme. Please take a look and try out – all funds for the museum will be much appreciated – it's a charity and all those who help run it are volunteers. It normally costs £15,000.00 a year to run and grants have become very difficult to get.

To help raise funds to run the museum, there will be a sale of surplus parts and cycles from its stores on Saturday morning 3rd March 2018. Please make a note in your diary. The cycle jumble/mini auction will be based at the British Legion building, Tremont Road, Llandrindod Wells. There will be room for other stallholders at £7 a table or if you would like to donate good cycle parts to sell for the museum charity, please contact Steve Griffith on griffith531@hotmail.com or 07740 923 630

Cycles in the 11am auction will be listed on the museum website in due course

Note for the Diary

It is the Wheelers 90th birthday next year and the following rides are being organised by Graeme Thomas to start the celebrations. Please note the dates and support these rides.

MTB Ride – Sunday 11th February. Following on from the success of last year's ride we will again be running a HW mountain bike ride round the Forest of Dean. Ride is 52k and mainly on the gravel fire roads with some single track mixed in along the way. There is nothing too technical and the ride could easily be done on a CX bike. The ride starts from Goodrich Village Hall 0900; we ride to Lydbrook on the road and then head up into the forest eventually descending down to Symonds Yat and then back to GVH for tea and cake. Ride length approx 3hrs. There is an option for us to stop for refs at PABA. For those of you who did it last year this is a reverse of what we did previously with a bit of the Verderers Trail thrown in. Helmets advised.

Reliability Trial – Sunday 18th February. Reliability trials used to be very much part of the early season calendar with local clubs organising different rides on different dates. The idea being that all the clubs did one another's rides. Traditionally the rides would be 90-100miles and would be out and back routes. HW will be running a RT based on the same tradition of inviting riders from local clubs however, in the spirit of inclusivity the ride will be shorter (55miles) to encourage those who might not have longer miles in their legs. There is a possibility of extending the ride to 88miles for those who wish to see the delights of Llandrindod Wells however, this is TBC. The ride will start from Pateshall Village Hall (Allensmore TT HQ) 0900 and will be an out and back route to Bronllys with refs at the Honey Café for those who need to refuel before the return leg to Allensmore for tea & cake.

ALL OUR YESTERDAYS

Wheelers Badge

The question, 'why a lion?' was raised when one of the designs, with a lion on the front, was chosen for the recent vote on new kit. It was, of course, because we have a lion on our badge; but why? Well it may be because our founders incorporated the lion in our badge in recognition of the coat of arms of the City of Hereford.

The centre red shield (see below) is the personal arms of Richard I. The king awarded the city its first royal charter in 1189. Apparently only London and Hereford cities have

this distinction. The remainder of the design dates from 1645 when the city stood for Charles I and held out against Cromwell's mercenaries.

As the full title of the club has always been Hereford and District Wheelers Cycling Club it is difficult to understand why they did not instead take ideas from the Herefordshire Coat of arms (see below). We may well have then had the more anticipated bull on our badge.



CITY OF HEREFORD



HEREFORDSHIRE

Emily Ann Walker

Recently photographs and newspaper cuttings belonging to Emily Ann Walker, who preferred to be called Ann, were donated to the club by her nephew Roger Pickard. She was one of the early female members and took part in the first ladies time trial organised by the Wheelers. It is assumed that G Walker, who joined at the same time in 1936, was her older brother George. Born in October 1905 Ann would have been 31 when she joined and stayed a member for 5 years or so. She remained single until in her 50s and lived to be over 100 years old. From the *Hereford Times* cutting it is clear that she attributed her long life to cycling.

The photograph shows Ann on the right standing by what appears to be a shopping bike. Apparently she was, like so many people in the 1930s, not well off and unlikely to have more than



one bicycle. Was this the machine on which she rode the time trial?

Historical note

A proposal to allow women membership of the Wheelers was voiced at the first AGM in 1929 along with an acceptance to include racing for the first time. But it was not until the



1936 AGM at the Black Swan that a ladies 15-mile time trial was proposed. Presumably it had taken some time to recruit sufficient female members. At the meeting 2 cups were donated, one by E Davies for the women's race and another, presented by ES Newman, for a 'Club Championship', based on the collective performances of

the season.

The promised 'Ladies' time trial was in fact a '10', not the 15 miles announced at the AGM. The event was held on the same day as the club '50'. Interest in both races was high as members were keen to see how the females fared and times for the '50' were now to be included in the new Club Championship. Conditions at the start were 'excellent', though a strong cross-wind was experienced later – 'a much greater handicap than a pure headwind.' The outstanding characteristic of the 'Ladies 10' was that 5 minutes covered the finishing times of all competitors. Results were; Miss D Hancox (32.45), Miss D Jones (32.57), Miss J Sanders (33.47), Mrs M Meredith (33.50), Miss E Walker (35.52) and Miss W Hiles (37.06).



Herefordian, Harry Price, mounting his bike in 1893



Wednesday Wheelers, Wormsley

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A person wearing a blue jacket is riding a bicycle away from the camera on a snow-covered path. The path is flanked by trees and bushes heavily laden with snow. A tall, thin lamppost stands on the right side of the path. The scene is a winter forest with a soft, overcast sky.

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