

THE SPOKESMAN

TEAM CAMBRIDGE



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Editors Notes

The Spokesman during 1998 was sadly missed, only a couple of issues were published at the start and end of the season. The good news is that from now on the Spokesman will be published bi-monthly on the first Monday in the month of Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct and Dec. This will allow me to hand out as many copies at the club meeting as possible and reduce our postage costs to a minimum. I will set the nominal deadline for articles to be included as the Monday proceeding the publication date, this is only a nominal deadline however and I will endeavour to include all I can up to the last minute so please do ask it may not be to late.

I have chosen to publish the news letter in an A5 booklet format, this cuts the number of trees sacrificed to a minimum and makes posting in envelopes easier. If there are any problems with the text size for any individuals then please let me know and I will let you have an A4 size copy.

A new section added to the spokesman is the 'Open Invitation' page. Here you will find a list of local 'Open' events that a number of Team Cambridge members are participating in, this will hopefully encourage other members to come along and have a go at a few open events where you know you will see some familiar faces.

You never know we might win a Team prize. So to all those prolific open event participants in the club, please let me know your schedules for 1999.

Graeme Osler

Spokesman Articles

If you would like to write an article or race report for the Spokesman then please send me a copy of the article or if in electronic format (either Microsoft Word or save in RTF) email the article to graeme@cam-cs.demon.co.uk or let me have a copy on disk which I will return.

Club Activities

The Sunday morning club runs are still on, starting from the scout hut at 9:30am not 10:00am as previously advertised. The runs are usually around the 30-ish mile mark lasting about 2hrs. The pace is not blistering but its all miles in the legs so please come along and join in the fun. There is also a number of specific social events organised, make sure you check the dates for your diary section.

And don't forget the Monday evening circuit training from 7:30pm.

New Team Cambridge Open Sporting Course Event

Team Cambridge will be hosting two open events in 1999, as well as Tony's open on the Landbeach F2/10 course, Andy Darly is organising a sporting course open on Saturday 10th April to be held on the F2Z/18 Comberton course. The race HQ is to be Bourne school, unfortunately Comberton Village College was financially unviable to hire as the event HQ, and therefore some adjustment to our traditional starting/finishing point for the circular course will have to be made. So please keep this date free in your diary for marshalling or competing.

Dates for your Diary

Monday 21st December 1998 - Xmas Party and Club Quiz. From 7:30pm onwards at the scout hut. (no circuit training)

Monday 18th January 1999 - Cycle Jumble at the Scout hut from 8.0pm onwards. Bring along all your unwanted Christmas gifts and clear out your sheds and garages.

February 1999 - Team Cambridge Annual dinner and prize giving ceremony, please see the separate leaflet for full details

Saturday 10th April 1999 - Team Cambridge sporting course open.

SPOCO 99 South East - The Sporting courses points competition

If drag strip dual carriageway courses are not a particular favourite of yours then perhaps the SPOCO 99 competition may be for you. The SPOCO competition aims to link a variety of sporting course events into one series. The rider must complete a minimum number of entries from a set list of events for inclusion in the overall competition. Entrants must have registered before competing in eligible events so if this series sound of interest get your application in now as the first local qualifying event is the Ely Hardriders on 14th February 1999 (See Open invitation for more details). Entry to the series costs 5 pounds, applications are handled by Bill Noris, 1 Tollgate, Thundersly, Essex, SS7 3UX Tel. 01268 775728. Please see Steve Laurie or myself for more details of the competition.

For Sale

There are no small ads for this issue but please let me know of any kit that's gathering dust that you would like to shift.

Membership Renewal

It's that time of year again you will find enclosed with your spokesman a membership renewal form for 1999. Can I please urge everyone to hand back their completed forms as soon as possible with their appropriate fees. Cheques should be made payable to 'Team Cambridge' as usual.

Open Invitation

Our new spot to list local 'Open' events being supported by a number of Team Cambridge Members. Hopefully this section will expand over the next few editions of the spokesman as we get the 1999 season underway. If any members are unsure of how to enter Open events then please ask at the club for help. Tony will be writing an article on how to fill out the open event application forms correctly in the next issue.

Sunday 14th February 25Mile Ely Hardriders on the BS19 course, starting at 10am. Our very own Steve Laurie is the organiser of this event and I'm sure would be pleased to see us all there.