

# DE LAUNE CYCLING CLUB

*Founded 1889*  
**THE NEWS**



**NATHAN PALMER**

**February 2022**



## Membership renewals

Many thanks to all those of you who have renewed your membership so far.

I've had some nice

letters from people and I'll try and get back to you all soon.

If you saw my reminder in the DLN last month, you may also have noticed that the web links didn't work! I'll try again here.....

The most convenient way from our end is to use RiderHQ – If you haven't used this before for your

membership, please type in this link: <https://tinyurl.com/2p976j82>.

If you've previously used RiderHQ, you should have had reminder emails already. Or you can use this

link: <https://www.riderhq.com/renew?o=de-laune-cycling-club>

The traditional methods can also be used:

Either send a bank transfer to our account –

De Laune Cycling Club - 20-66-51 - 60324329

Or post me a cheque to –

Bill Wright, 61a Burns House, Doddington Grove, London SE17 3SX

If you have any questions please email me at [wxwright@msn.com](mailto:wxwright@msn.com)

Our subscription rates are as follows:

Life members - Nuffin

Ordinary/Standard membership - £20

2nd Claim membership - £15

Full time student - £15

Associate membership - £10

Juniors / Youths - Free

Life members don't need to do any of this, we'll automatically roll your membership over.

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SECOND MONDAY  
OF EACH MONTH  
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If you read last months DLN you will recall that I had been contacted by David Le Grys, who him self won many races including world Championships. He asked me if I knew that there had been LeGrys past members of the De Laune, and yes I did know in fact

George LeGrys was our club President from 1958 to 1967 and they had also been members of the Silverdale Cycling Club, and we inherited the Silverdale How Shied from from that club and it is still presented by our club.

I have been going through the collection of the De Laune memorabilia that I have to see what I could find out about Davids great uncles George and Will who were members of the club from before the First World

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Also last month I included details of a past member well I thought he was and I have had to apologise to Adam as he tells me he still is very much a member, but he did not show on the membership list I have. Membership Secretary please note.

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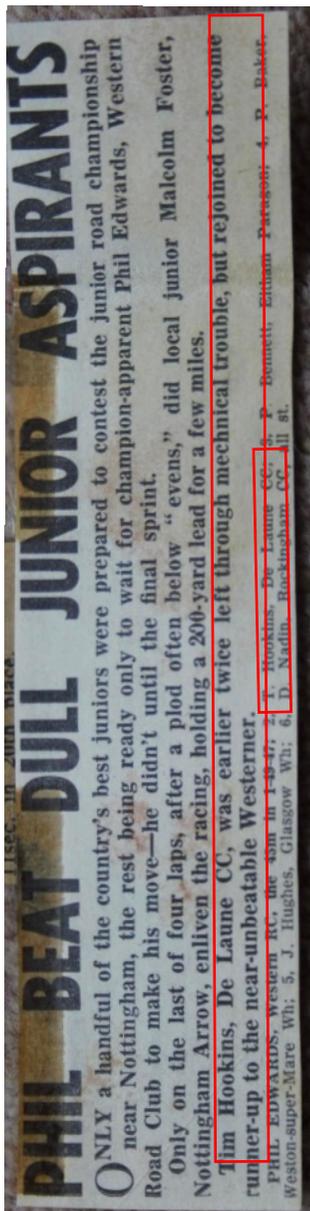
Another past member that I mentioned Jeremy Biggs ex London Police Officer I have had mail from him, and he said that he had given a shout to on of our lady members that was riding in an event that he was at I think this must have been Jean Bergin.

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**FILM**

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## Adam Glasser is not an ex member

I was amazed to see myself described as an ex-member in the January issue of the magazine. but grateful of course for the publicity of my day job :-)!

Although I am often to be seen out on Friday mornings with the Rapha Gents in Regents Park ( see my Strava), you will be pleased to know that I still wear proudly and unashamedly my De Laune centenary bib shorts and in my cyclists heart I have never left the Club - as of a few moments ago paid my 2022 subs!

If ever turn a pedal in a race again it will not be for any other club except De Laune, unless of course I receive an offer to ride as a domestique for Deceuninck Quickstep ( since the world champion Julian Alaphilippe is the nearest thing we have in modern times to my hero Bernard Hinault - I live in hope as I am a year younger than the Badger).

Be assured of my undying allegiance to this great club especially since the universe directed me by chance while cycling round the Viking Trail in Thanet ( April 2017) to a meeting in the lanes randomly with...Malc Adams no less

in a company of very hardy vets Forçats de La Route... The story of what they told me will be for another time.



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Cheers

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London Cyclo Cross  
League

23<sup>rd</sup> January

At

HERNE HILL



JEAN finished 4<sup>th</sup>  
in her age group



ELAINE finished 6th

NATHAN PALMER

Came in 27<sup>th</sup> from a field of 72

Photos <https://mattbristow.photo>

You should take a look at the results and details of the races at  
[www.londonxleaguresult.co.uk](http://www.londonxleaguresult.co.uk)

Hi Mark

I had not expected to see my quick post to you on Strava in the DLN

Pleased to see it as I am

Yes of course I meant Bill Wright although I had been talking with other ex De Laune CC riders and had talked of Bill Miles who I remember seeing in his late 70's powering up Dog Kennel Hill on his way to the club AGM at Choumert Rd. A great man who made me feel guilty as I drove and I was only coming from Sydenham!

If anyone is interested I do cycle but mainly with my youngest son Jacob who has severe learning disability. We have a few different tandem trikes that we get out on. Jake's is 12yrs old and last year we cycled 2080 miles together. I managed over 4000 miles including a few TT's. I even managed to get under 30 minutes which being 20 stone plus I was quite pleased with

I am put to shame by the likes of Chris Gordon Coker who is similar age to myself and still flying. I noted his OMA 10 victory on the Isle of Grain. 24 minutes! I'd struggle to do that on my moto!

I was helping on the jet wash at the UCI Veterans world cyclocross championships in Ipswich when I bumped into ex De Laune clubmate and cycling journalist Ian Cleverley. Great to see him

I also noted a female De Laune CC rider in one of the races ,didn't know the good lady but I did shout for her

Two of De Laune CC Garry Birch's friends from a Sacramento Club in SoCal , USA were very successful with wins and a runner up in the World Champs. Chapeau to them

I hope to catch up with Malc and Alan again at Stratford at the Olympic velodrome if the Good Friday Full Gas meeting happens, not happened for 2yrs or the 6 day in October. God willing they may



Here's a pic from a few years ago with the Jakes on our Hase Pino recumbent tandem and Sophie on her MTB. Must be a few years as Jake's is now 12 and Sophie soon 16 yrs

My elder son Sam attends Eton College having won a scholarship there and is at present studying for A levels but rides on occasion for the Great Yarmouth CC. He won the juveniles hill climb this year off the

back of no training and was 2nd in the overall club event.

My very best wishes to all who still know me at the club. And to any I was unnecessarily rude or obtuse to in my long forgotten youth, my apologies. I hope to see you all again god willing preferably on the banking of Herne Hill on a warm summer afternoon

Best regards

Jez Briggs

## MEMBERS RIDES WEEK ENDING 2<sup>nd</sup> January

	Distance	Rides	Longest	Avg.Speed	Elev. Gai
1 Eddie B.	214.1 km	4	133.6 km	27.4 km/h	1,502 m
2 Garry B.	180.2 km	7	54.7 km	27.2 km/h	2,357 m
3 Tom B.	175.0 km	3	80.0 km	26.4 km/h	2,459 m
4 Matt k.	143.1 km	5	64.4 km	25.8 km/h	1,291 m
5 Nathan P	124.9 km	5	52.3 km	26.0 km/h	1,521 m
6 Simon L.	124.5 km	4	92.8 km	19.2 km/h	1,479 m
7 Jamie B.	112.1 km	2	87.8 km	28.9 km/h	1,078 m
8 Debra V.	101.8 km	4	29.0 km	22.8 km/h	618 m
9 Bill W.	90.6 km	2	53.3 km	21.1 km/h	920 m
10 David H.	76.0 km	3	38.8 km	25.9 km/h	--
11 Michael V.	73.3 km	3	29.5 km	21.4 km/h	700 m
12 Ade B	71.8 km	1	71.8 km	15.9 km/h	420 m
13 Jean B.	55.4 km	2	50.0 km	19.0 km/h	545 m
14 Ed P.	49.5 km	3	22.5 km	32.1 km/h	306 m
15 Laurent S.	43.7 km	1	43.7 km	13.7 km/h	511 m

## MEMBERS RIDES WEEK ENDING 9<sup>th</sup> January

1 Jamie B.	234.8 km	4	113.5 km	26.8 km/h	2,306 m
2 Chris G.	201.3 km	4	105.7 km	25.1 km/h	1,440 m
3 Simon L.	192.7 km	5	100.0 km	25.2 km/h	983 m
4 Nathan P.	187.8 km	5	60.4 km	29.0 km/h	1,743 m
5 Tom B.	160.5 km	4	76.4 km	26.5 km/h	2,014 m
6 Michael V.	152.7 km	4	58.6 km	22.6 km/h	1,739 m
7 Jean B.	109.3 km	2	54.8 km	19.8 km/h	1,338 m
8 Debra V.	108.6 km	3	54.0 km	20.9 km/h	1,131 m
9 Matt k.	105.8 km	3	40.8 km	26.2 km/h	1,493 m
10 David H.	88.1 km	3	38.2 km	25.2 km/h	--
11 Eddie B.	79.5 km	3	32.5 km	26.8 km/h	--
12 Ade B.	68.7 km	1	68.7 km	16.6 km/h	387 m
13 Bill W.	61.9 km	1	61.9 km	18.9 km/h	695 m
14 Ed P.	54.7 km	2	50.0 km	18.6 km/h	668 m
15 Garry B.	25.0 km	1	25.0 km	32.3 km/h	224 m
16 Gary B.	20.9 km	1	20.9 km	28.8 km/h	40 m

## MEMBERS RIDES WEEK ENDING 16th January

1	Nathan P.	186.0 km	7	71.6 km	24.8 km/h	1,563 m
2	Tom B.	171.4 km	4	75.9 km	27.1 km/h	1,773 m
3	Matt k.	141.8 km	4	56.3 km	7.2 km/h	1,849 m
4	Garry B.	129.3 km	4	53.5 km	29.3 km/h	582 m
5	Simon L.	124.9 km	3	100.0 km	25.4 km/h	567 m
6	Debra V.	113.0 km	4	35.5 km	21.1 km/h	1,264 m
7	Michael V.	112.1 km	4	35.1 km	21.3 km/h	1,075 m
8	David H.	103.6 km	3	39.5 km	25.9 km/h	--
9	Jamie B.	102.0 km	2	70.6 km	28.5 km/h	1,199 m
10	Eddie B.	101.6 km	3	36.0 km	34.3 km/h	--
11	Bill W.	62.1 km	1	62.1 km	19.4 km/h	685 m
12	Jean B.	53.7 km	1	53.7 km	14.5 km/h	192 m
13	Ade B.	42.5 km	2	28.3 km	20.3 km/h	419 m
14	Chris G.	22.0 km	3	17.8 km	33.9 km/h	--
15	Ed P.	15.6 km	1	15.6 km	26.0 km/h	208 m
16	Gary B.	10.8 km	1	10.8 km	16.6 km/h	19 m

## MEMBERS RIDES WEEK ENDING 23rd January

1	Nathan P.	325.8 km	10	86.2 km	20.8 km/h	2,048 m
2	Jamie B.	248.5 km	4	99.6 km	25.2 km/h	2,515 m
3	Simon L.	193.2 km	4	100.1 km	30.2 km/h	1,092 m
4	Debra V.	186.8 km	4	61.4 km	20.2 km/h	2,076 m
5	Michael V.	159.1 km	4	58.3 km	21.0 km/h	1,579 m
6	Garry B.	141.8 km	4	101.0 km	24.2 km/h	1,295 m
7	Chris G.	113.3 km	4	91.6 km	27.7 km/h	627 m
8	David H.	91.6 km	3	40.6 km	26.2 km/h	--
9	Eddie B.	91.4 km	2	52.7 km	36.6 km/h	--
10	Matt k.	68.8 km	2	48.4 km	25.5 km/h	549 m
11	Tom B.	60.0 km	3	37.1 km	20.6 km/h	945 m
12	Laurent S.	49.5 km	1	49.5 km	22.7 km/h	340 m
13	Bill W.	44.7 km	1	44.7 km	13.9 km/h	525 m
14	Ade B.	27.6 km	1	27.6 km	16.5 km/h	304 m
15	Ed P.	26.1 km	1	26.1 km	31.9 km/h	276 m
16	Jean B.	12.0 km	1	12.0 km	15.7 km/h	72 m

## **Life on Skye**

Hi everyone,

Well, I cannot believe that it is a year since our relocation to Skye, following a tortuous journey north last January. Although we didn't actually move into the bungalow until mid April when all renovations had been completed, we can now say we are officially residents. Much has changed in our lives over that time, especially the health of Tony but we have survived, despite the winds, rain and occasional sunshine. Having been an avid watcher of the BBC weather every day it has been interesting to see that the temperatures in west Scotland have persistently 4-5 degrees higher each day than the south east. Also on the west of the country we have had negligible amounts of frosty mornings or snow. In contrast the eastern side of Scotland have had large amounts of snow and damaging winds, we have been more fortunate.

I had ambitious hopes that we could branch out into walks to enjoy the surrounding countryside but Tony's immobility has scuppered that idea. It is possible, when the weather permits, to drive 4 miles and encounter a walk along the loch side with Tony in his wheel chair. A good opportunity to enjoy the bird life, the activity on the numerous small boats and of course the wild primroses and bluebells along the way, all to the chorus of the sheep calling to each other. I cannot resist to baa back to them, just what the locals think of me I hate to think.

All our redecoration has now been finished thanks to the hard work of Claire and Ian, all there is left now is the garden. I clearly had ambitious hopes that this issue would also be nearing completion by now – perhaps the end of 2022 might be more appropriate.

The results of my mammoth bulb planting efforts are beginning to bear fruit with shoots popping up everywhere including various troughs and large pots which will be strategically placed so that they will cheer us up in the latter days of winter and into spring.

The cows at the end of our garden have returned after a long absence, they have obviously been feeding in another field for a while. Glad to report that they have no appetite for our hedge of *escalonias* as the earlier ones did. The hedge was almost non-existent by the time they went to pastures new in the late summer months. Now that the hedge has recovered we should start to see the pretty pink flowers bursting out once again.

## **Val the Peach**

# CLUB EVENTS

If you haven't seen or joined the De Laune Cycling Club's FACEBOOK site then you should.

And what about those of you that are using STRAVA but are not on the clubs STRAVA page, let us all see what you are doing WALKING - RUNNING - CYCLING

**SEE MESSAGE BOARD to keep UP TO DATE**

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