

Keeping you posted

Following Channel 4's coverage of all your letters being delivered to Royal Mail's new Chief Executive Moya Greene, CTC continues to press Royal Mail to 'Keep Posties Cycling'. We met their deliveries director Geoff Braden, who told us that Royal Mail now proposes to keep bikes for up to 3,000 delivery rounds - their previous plans were for just 500.

CTC's Vice President Lord Berkeley then met Ms Greene, who agreed to attend a meeting of the All Party Parliamentary Cycling Group, of which Lord Berkeley is Secretary. This provided an opportunity to persuade Ms Greene to look into cycle awareness training for their van and lorry drivers.

We also want the Government to relax the weight limit for electrically assisted freight cycles, making them a more viable option for Royal Mail. We will be raising this point shortly in a meeting with Road Safety Minister Mike Penning, and hope to persuade him that boosting the carrying capacity of freight cycles could drastically reduce the number of delivery vans on our streets - not just red vans but white vans too!

More on this story at ctc.org.uk/royalmail.

CTC AGM: call for motions

Notice is given that the AGM of Cyclists' Touring Club is to take place at 1.30pm at Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy, Osprey Quay, Portland, Dorset, DT5 1SA on Saturday 14th May. Members wishing to propose motions to the AGM should do so by writing to the Company Secretary at CTC National Office by 1st February 2011, accompanied by the signature of a seconder who must also

be a current CTC member.

It is strongly recommended that anyone wishing to propose a motion should contact CTC's Chief Executive Kevin Mayne or a member of Council for advice on the format of motions.

NEWS IN BRIEF

SUMMER DRAW WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners of CTC's Grand Summer Draw: £2,000, P Michelmore; £1,000, T Barber; £500, R Lambert: and winners of £100 runner-up prizes, Anne Ogston, MJ Jones, C Rock, J Heron, and KR Critten.

CTC LIFE MEMBERSHIP

New CTC life member cards were sent to over 1.500 people in October. The latest life membership rates are based on your age and the number of years you've been a member. The basic rate is £925, equivalent to 25 yearly subscriptions. But this is discounted by your age multiplied by £9.25 and the number of subscriptions you've paid multiplied by £4.62. So a 50-yearold who had been a member for 10 years would pay £416.30. For more details or to take up life membership. call 0844 736 8451.

BIKE CLUB NEWSLETTER

Bike Club, which helps to get more young people riding, now has a newsletter, available by email or post. Sign up by emailing info@ bikeclub.org.uk, or by calling 0844 736 8464, making clear which method you prefer - if by post, please also send your address.

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