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WELCOME

Welcome to the York Cycle Festival 2024!

We're very pleased to welcome you to the inaugural York Cycle Festival, which brings together three fantastic, 100% volunteer-organised events:

- **The York Cycle Rally**
- **The Retrobike Show**
- **The Summer Meet of the National Clarion Cycling Club**

We hope that together, these three events will make the weekend a true festival of cycling. Whether your cycling interests lie on or off road, in leisure or in racing, or just in chatting to friends old and new about bikes, we hope you'll find like-minded company and good cheer at the Festival.

Pulling together an event of this scale relies on the goodwill and commitment of a small army of volunteers - from car park marshalls to ride leaders, from bin emptiers to the campsite check-in crew, and from our volunteer cleaners to the team who come days early to mark out the campsite pitches, and to the stragglers who stay late to ensure the site is left litter-picked and spotless.

And there are many more besides, not least the organising teams who meet and work throughout the year to put together the events which make up this Festival.

Contact numbers

Festival mobile:
07467 321 443

This number will be manned 24 hours throughout the event. For all non-emergency enquiries.

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On-site emergency number, manned 24 hours. Use for any danger, or to report a lost child.



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Seeing people enjoying the event is its own reward for our all-volunteer team, but if you could consider giving back to the event by volunteering yourself - in any capacity - that would be very much appreciated.

Please see page 30 for more details, or just ask about volunteering at the Info Hub, where you'll also find info, help and assistance throughout the event.

We hope you enjoy the Festival, and we wish you safe and happy cycling before, during and after!

The combined volunteer organising teams of the York Cycle Rally, the Retrobike Show and the National Clarion Cycling Club Summer Meet

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Photo: Marie Cook

WHAT'S ON OVERVIEW

Friday

- 4pm** Gates open
Catering and bar open
- 6:30pm** Quiz in the bar (see page 10)
- 6:30pm** 'Fish and Chips' ride departs (see page 12)
- 11 pm:** Quiet please on the campsite: your neighbour may be rising early to join one of the rides



Photo: Peter Eland

Saturday

Throughout the day:

- Rides for all abilities (see page 12)
- Catering and bar (see page 10)
- Trade show (see page 23)
- Clubs and displays (see pages 24 & 25)

Morning:

- Children's activities (at the Info Hub)
- Live music from the Sonics (sets start at 10:30 and 12 noon, see page 8)

Afternoon:

- **NEW:** Grasstrack racing (see p. 18)
- Cycle auction (see page 22)
- Talks (see schedule on page 20)

Evening:

- Live music from Linda J in the bar
- Food and good company

Quiet please by 11 pm

- Quiet please on the campsite: your neighbour may be rising early to join one of the rides



Sunday

Throughout the day:

- Rides for all abilities (see page 14)
- Catering and bar (see page 10)
- Trade show (see page 23)
- Clubs and displays (see pages 24 & 25)
- **NEW:** Free MTB skills training for U18s with Apex Cycle Coaching (see page 18)
- **NEW:** Retrobike Show & Shine (p. 18)

Morning:

- Church service ride
- Children's activities
- Saddlebag Sale cycle jumble (sellers set up 9am, buyers enter from 10am - see p. 22)

Afternoon:

- **NEW:** Live music from Bargestra, York's community big band (from 1pm, see p. 8)
- Talks (see schedule on page 20)

4:30 pm Close

- Extra hands from volunteers to help pack away and clear the site are most welcome and appreciated!

Monday

10 am Depart and close. All campers to please depart by 10 am sharp so that our volunteer team can clear the last items from the site and head home too!



Photo: Mike Handley



Photo: Peter Eland

SITE PLAN

See page 28 for local info and a larger map

Roadways for motor vehicle traffic. Please keep vehicle movements to a minimum and go **DEAD SLOW** on the site.

IMPORTANT: For safety, this year we must close the main entrance and access road alongside the enclosure fence (where the ride start points are shown) to all motor vehicles while the led rides depart. **So there will be NO ACCESS for motor vehicles at these times:**

Saturday: 8.45 am to 10:35 am
Sunday: 8.45 am to 9.45 am

Tricycle Association display: don't miss the TA's traditional display on 'Barrow Lane', the first row of campsites opposite the Enclosure fence

Motorist pitches 201 to 288

Motorist pitches 401 to 409

Lightweight pitches 1 to 155

- Toilets
- Recycling point
- Grey water and elsan waste disposal points (with vehicle access)

Motorist pitches 410 to 472

Motorist pitches 301 to 384

Cycle displays

Trade Show



Arena

Disabled parking Loading area Marquee 1

Marquee 2

Motorist pitches 501 to 541

Motorist pitches 601 to 641

Parking for grasstrack competitors

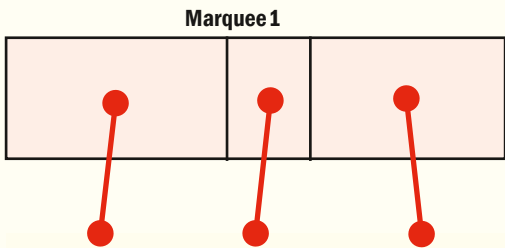
- Main site entrance
- Campsite check-in (Friday pm, Saturday am only)
- Ride start points

- Main toilet block
- Showers
- Washing up basin
- Water point
- Grey water and elsan waste disposal points (no vehicle access)
- Recycling point (just before you enter the enclosure)

• Skips (for non-recycling waste)

- Race track crossing point
- Start point for church service ride (Sunday 8:30am)

Marquee layout



Lounge:
For the Auction (Sat) & cycle jumble (Sunday)

Talks area:
see page 20 for the talks schedule

Bar area:
with the Quiz (Friday) and live music (Saturday)

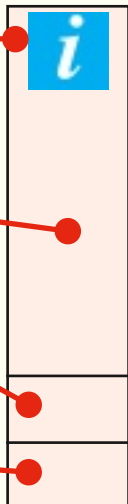
Marquee 2

Info Hub: please ask here for help, to volunteer, to sign on for rides and with any queries or problems.

Club displays and stands: learn more, and maybe join!

Volunteers rest & refreshments area: for signed-up volunteers only please

First Aid



The site plan is not accurately to scale. Base map courtesy of OpenCycleMap.org

SITE FACILITIES, LIVE MUSIC & FAQ

Info Hub (was Rally HQ)

Visit the Info Hub (formerly known as Rally HQ) to volunteer, with any queries or problems, to buy clothing & badges, and to find out about rides, talks and more. Its location is on the site plan, page 6.

There'll also be an area for children to do colouring-in.

Info Hub opening hours:

- Friday: 4 pm to 10 pm
- Saturday: 9 am to 6 pm
- Sunday: 9 am to 4 pm.

Outside of these hours, please use the contact numbers below to get hold of the organising team:

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General info & FAQ

Showers

The showers are inside the enclosure fence (see site plan, page 6). Please report any issues to the Info Hub.

Showers opening hours:

- Friday 4 pm to 10 pm
- Saturday 6 am to 10 pm
- Sunday: 6 am to 10 pm

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Saturday: 8.45 am to 10:35 am

Sunday: 8.45 am to 9.45 am

IMPORTANT: Lock it or lose it!

We have 24 hour professional security patrolling the site but PLEASE be aware that the event has been targeted by thieves before, and our people cannot be everywhere. Lock your bike securely - ideally with two different good quality locks, whenever it is unattended, or you risk losing it. Metal barriers are provided across the site to secure your bikes.

Catering and bar

Please see page 10 for full details.

Lost property

Please hand in anything you find, or ask about lost items, at the Info Hub.

Donating items to support the event

If you have any spare cycling items you would like to donate to help support the Rally we would be most grateful.

- For sellable items please see the info on page 22.
- For items which may not be sellable, there is an area set aside at the corner of the Enclosure where you can leave items - and other Rally-goers are simply invited to make a donation to Rally funds if they pick something up.



Photo: Bargestra

Live music!

Saturday daytime:

The Sonics Rock & Roll band

We're delighted to welcome back **The Sonics Rock and Roll Band** to the Rally and Festival! Three keen cyclists with long links to the event, they will play two sets on Saturday morning, from 10:30am and 12 noon, in the main central area outside the talks tent.

Saturday evening:

Linda J and Nick Jackson

We welcome back 2022 and 2023's star performer **Linda Jennings** – a longtime cyclist and triathlete from Bolton. This year's session also features **Nick Jackson** and is from 7:30 pm in the bar area. It isn't billed as an Open Mic as it was in 2022 but Linda loves to encourage participation so please bring an instrument or come prepared to sing along if you want! Notable in Linda's lifelong musical career was being picked by Sir Tom Jones in "The Voice UK".

Sunday afternoon:

NEW: Bargestra: York's Arts Barge Big Band Community Orchestra

We're delighted to have **Bargestra** making their debut at the 2024 York Cycle Rally & Festival - they're York's community big band orchestra, playing pop, jazz, latin and swing, and part of the York Arts Barge project. Please make them very welcome! They'll start playing from around 1pm on Sunday, outside the talks area (or inside, if rainy).

Private bike sales on the Enclosure fence

"For sale" cycles chained to the enclosure fence is a valued tradition of the York Rally. But to ensure we comply with trading rules and can maintain this facility, we must stress that it is for personal sales only please. All commercial traders must book a trade stand (which is free of charge if you're camping) - please enquire at the Info Hub.

No e-bike charging - sorry!

We regret that despite our very best efforts, our insurers will not allow us to offer e-bike charging on the site, neither at the Info Hub nor informally in the toilet block. This is due to (possibly over-alarmist) concerns about fire risk. We will do our very best to provide this facility in future years.

Riccall refreshments

We're very pleased that after a year off due to refurbishments, the WI team at Riccall's Methodist Hall, a few miles south of York, will again be laying on a fine spread of home made refreshments for any riders passing by, on Saturday morning (22nd June). If you'd like an easy self led ride there from the Festival (9 miles each way, almost all on the former railway path), a map and GPX file are available via the Info Hub.

CATERING, BAR & QUIZ



Photo: Peter Eland

6:30 pm: Friday Quiz

Join us in the bar from 6:30 on Friday and test your cycling general knowledge with the Quiz!

Volunteer quizmaster Ian Prince will put the questions. Entries are £1 (cash) per person, with maximum of six people per team.

A prize awaits the winner, and all funds raised help support the event!

Catering and bar

Please support the caterers on the Festival site with your custom - a percentage of your spend comes back to help the event, and we want them to be busy so they'll be back next year!

Catering opening hours:

- Friday 4 pm to 9 pm
- Saturday: 7 am to 11 pm
- Sunday: 7 am to 4 pm

Bar opening hours:

- Friday 4 pm to 11 pm
- Sat: 10.30 am to 11 pm
- Sunday: 10.30 am to 4 pm

In the caterer list opposite:

V = Vegetarian option confirmed available

Vg = Vegan option confirmed available

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Please do ask if an option is not listed here!

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Coffee: The Drink Stop (V, Vg, GF)
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RIDES: FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

All are welcome on our rides, free of charge, but please do sign up in advance if you possibly can!

All rides are free of charge to join (except Audax), but we do need to collect some basic details from you for safety and insurance purposes.

It would help hugely to speed up ride departures if you could please visit the Info Hub (previously Rally HQ) and provide your details at least 30 minutes before the ride is due to depart.

If this is not possible then you can still just turn up to the start point - you'll just need to provide your details to the ride leader.

Departure points are located along the fencing by the main tarmac road leading

into the Rally: see site plan on page 6. Any changes made since this programme went to press will be displayed the Info Hub and on each of the departure boards.

Riders must satisfy themselves that they and their machines are capable of the pace, distance and type of the organised rides, and that they can make their own way back if for whatever reason they cannot stay with the group. The Rally Committee, organisers and ride leaders can not be held responsible for riders who fail to do so, and we cannot provide any sort of sag wagon or pickup service, sorry.

Finally, please take great care to be courteous and give plenty of space to pedestrians on shared paths near the event.

This really helps us to be seen by local residents as considerate guests on the Knavesmire.

Friday rides

6.30 pm Chips & Pub ride

This year's guided rides programme starts off with the ever-popular Friday evening ride to a fish and chip shop, and will be led by Ken Groom, one of our Committee members. Don't forget that you will need to have lights fitted to your bike, as you will be riding after dusk. **Start Point 5**

Looking for GPX files?

You can download these from our website. Scan the QR code or go to:
www.yorkrally.org/rides



Saturday: Rides

9:00am The George Hudson ride

An informative ride! Learn about the life and times of York's "Railway King", who was never far from controversy. This 35 mile route takes you through countryside to the east of York towards Stamford Bridge. Led by Roger Bilsby of the York Wednesday Wheelers. **Start Point 1**

9:10 am The "Tour de York"

A 68 miles on-road route circumnavigating the City of York. This is a challenging route which is ably led by Eamon Prendergast, of the York Wednesday Wheelers. There is a special commemorative sticker for all finishers, courtesy of Eamon. **Start Point 3**

9:20 am The Aldwark Toll Bridge ride

Led by Gary Knighton, a very experienced member of the Rally committee, who likes a bit of off-road riding. Takes riders along NCN65 to the north west, using bridleways and byways as well as tarmac. 37 miles.

Start Point 5

9:30 am Ride to Pocklington

Organised and led by Barry Raynor, a member of the National Clarion Cycle Club, this 42 miles long ride to the south and west of York and is mainly along minor roads. **Start Point 2**

9:40 am Gravel Ride to Tadcaster

Led by Lynn Bland. We are very pleased that Lynn and Darrell are returning to the Rally this year and offering their popular ride, which covers 35 miles, mainly along byways and bridleways. Lynn emphasises that this ride is not suitable for road bikes with skinny tyres. **Start Point 4**

9:50 am The Rouleurs Go West!

Justin Smith of the York Rouleurs cycling club will lead this ride towards Tadcaster, stopping at the ever-popular Tim's Cafe. Pace will be brisk for this 35 mile ride!
Start Point 5

10:00 am RSF ride to Skipwith, Selby

The Rough Stuff Fellowship return this year with their on/off road ride to Selby. Ideal for riders who enjoy the challenge of bridleways, byways and unsurfaced tracks! This route is 36 miles long and led by Ian Wood. **Start Point 1**

10:00 am The York Rally 100k Audax

Starts 10am after ride briefing at 9:50am. Registration with Audax UK is required either in advance, or, if spaces remain, on a first come first served basis at the Info Hub from 9am. Pre-booked riders should also sign in at the Info Hub from 9am. Full route map etc. on the Audax UK website. **Start Point: Info Hub**

Any time Saturday morning - self guided ride to Riccall for refreshments - see p. 9 or Info Hub!

10:10 am Solar System Greenway

This gentle family-orientated ride takes riders along the lovely traffic-free greenway towards Naburn, taking in the scale model of the Solar System along the route. The route there and back is 18 miles long and is led by Ken Groom of York Greenways. **Start Point 3**

10:20 am The Retro Ride

This year sees the return of the ever-popular ride for those who love to ride older bikes of all marques and ages. Bill Ramage will lead, supported by Andy Cuming. The route takes riders along minor roads and villages to the south west of York, with a lunch stop at Doyly's Tearoom at Bolton Percy. **Start Point 5**

10:30 am Lunch at Linton Lock

Jacqueline Mountford-Green is leading this ride, partly along York's Riverside path towards Skelton (NCN 65) and then along minor roads to Linton Lock Marina for refreshments. The return journey will pass through York's western suburbs and back to the Knavesmire. **Start Point: 4**

11 am 'Summertime Blues' Audax

Registration with Audax UK is required either in advance, or, if spaces remain, on a first come first served basis at the Info Hub from 10:15am. Pre-booked riders should also sign in at the Info Hub from 10:15am. Entry fee includes two overnight controls, a bag drop to the control at Mickleton, and an overnight route around the North Pennines to Cumbria and back. Full details and online entry on the AUK website. **Start Point: Info Hub**

1:30 pm Dunnington and Beyond:

George Nutt of the RSF will lead riders along this 20 mile route to the east of York, taking in bridleways and byways, as well as tarmac! **Start Point 5**

Audax rides: Kindly note that official entry is essential for these rides, either via Audax UK or on the day if spaces remain. If you are not entered, please do not ride the course.

RIDES: SUNDAY

Sunday: Rides

Please sign up in advance if you can - see above - and please do check at the Info Hub for any late additions or changes.

8:30 am Church Service Ride

As in previous years, Paul Reid (one of our committee members) will be leading a ride to Naburn Church, where a service of celebration and worship will be held. This ride will leave the Knavesmire at 08:30 and is 10 miles long, there and back. **Start Point: on cycle route across the racetrack, see map, p.6**

9:00 am Road Ride to Fridaythorpe

A very popular ride, led by Roger Bilsby of the York Wednesday Wheelers, this 62 mile road ride passes through lovely villages and small towns, as well as climbing onto the Wolds for superb views over the Vale of York. **Start Point: 5**

9:20 am The Rouleurs Go West!

This will be a repeat of Saturday's ride, but led by Ruth Harris. This ride heads in the direction of Tadcaster and the ever-popular Tim's Cafe. The pace will be brisk for this 35 mile ride! **Start Point: 4**

9:30 am Southwards to Cawood

A 30+ miles long ride. mainly on-road, led by Stewart Pound. The route will take you through towns and villages to the south west of York. **Start Point: 3**

10:30 am With the RSF to Riccall

Enjoy this lovely ride, led by Allan Henson, along the traffic-free splendour of this former railway line to Riccall and back. **Start Point: 3**

The Church Service ride to Naburn

We again have an easy and almost completely traffic free ride of just five miles to St Matthew's in Naburn, where those who wish can join a church service. The ride will leave at 8:30am sharp from the location shown on the map on page 6, to ensure that everyone can comfortably reach the church in good time.

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ARENA EVENTS



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Arena events: Saturday

The National Clarion Cycling Club presents:

Grasstrack racing

Grasstrack racing makes a very welcome return to the historic Knavesmire arena on the Saturday of the Festival!

There will be racing for Seniors, Juniors and Youth riders, male and female.

The meeting will include rounds of British Cycling's National Grass Track Endurance and Sprinter's Leagues plus other other races for a full afternoon of grass track action!

Racing runs **from 12.30pm** (with warming up from **12.00pm**) until approximately **4.30pm**.

Photo: Taras Melnyk



Arena events: Sunday

The Retrobike Show and Apex Cycle Coaching present:

Retrobike Show and Shine Kids MTB skills coaching

Retro Show and Shine

Over 100 of the UK's finest retro MTB and classic bikes will compete in York at the Show and Shine. Judging will take place all day in category and overall classes, with commentary giving a glimpse into the passion and expertise of those displaying their iconic bikes.

FREE! Kids MTB skills coaching

Mark and Amanda of Apex Cycle Coaching are qualified British Cycling Level 2 coaches for Mountain Bike, Cyclocross and Road/TT. They provide coaching for Sheffield's Steel City Rippers, Crank It Cycling and other clubs in the region.

So we're very grateful that they'll be offering free coaching to under 18s on their custom-built training circuit at the Festival! **Just join in, no need to book!**



THE National Clarion Cycling Club



ABOUT

THE National Cycling Club caters for all types of cycling including club riding, cycle touring, gravel riding, bike packing and racing including time trials, road racing cyclocross, mountain biking, track and more.

The Club consists of over 25 local sections nationwide, the first being formed in 1894 in Birmingham and we currently have over 2000 members



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SECTIONS

Join a section near you or with our help form a new one.

Sections currently include: Barnoldswick, Blackbool, Bolton, Brighton & Hover, Broadland (Norfolk), Bury, Calder, Clitheroe, Coatbridge, Cotswold, Dronfield, Fenland, Gosport, Heanor, Italian, Ironbridge, London, Manchester, North Cheshire, Stockport, Sunderland, Teesside, Tuxford, West Lothian and Yorkshire Coast.

Alternatively you can join as a Private Member (though section membership is encouraged)



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Photo: Peter Eland

Saturday talks

1 pm: Imagine better cycling where you live by the York Cycle Campaign.

If you aren't happy with the cycling where you live and want to see change, then come along and participate in this interactive session. See how some cities have made great improvements, and learn how yours could too.

2 pm: The Clarion by Charles Jepson of the National Clarion CC 1895. The newspaper, the cycle club and the movement.

3 pm: Does health come on a plate? by Ellen-Ann Finnighan.

An interactive session to inspire participants to seek out knowledge and put into practice ways to stay healthy and active longer.

4 pm: Secrets of SteLa Tandeming by Laura & Stevie Massey-Pugh.

Following their talk last year about breaking the world circumnavigation record, SteLa Tandem are back to divulge the secrets to their success. From planning and routing to surviving life on the road they will share their top tips to help you go further on your own adventures!

5 pm: Le Grand Tour on a bike Called Wanda by Andrew Sykes.

Author Andrew Sykes abandons his usual sidekick Reggie and takes a bike called Wanda

on a grand tour of Europe, exploring some of the continent's most iconic cycling routes and locations including the Vélomaritime, the Avenue Verte to Paris, the Véloscénie to Mont-Saint-Michel, the Véloodyssée, the Canal de la Garonne, the Canal du Midi, the ViaRhôna and the Furka Pass.

6 pm: The art and science of bike fit by Russell Gordon of InSync Cycling Coach
How modern methods and equipment are revolutionising the seemingly simple task of getting your bike to fit your physique and riding - and a chance to put your questions to a pro bike fitter!

Sunday talks

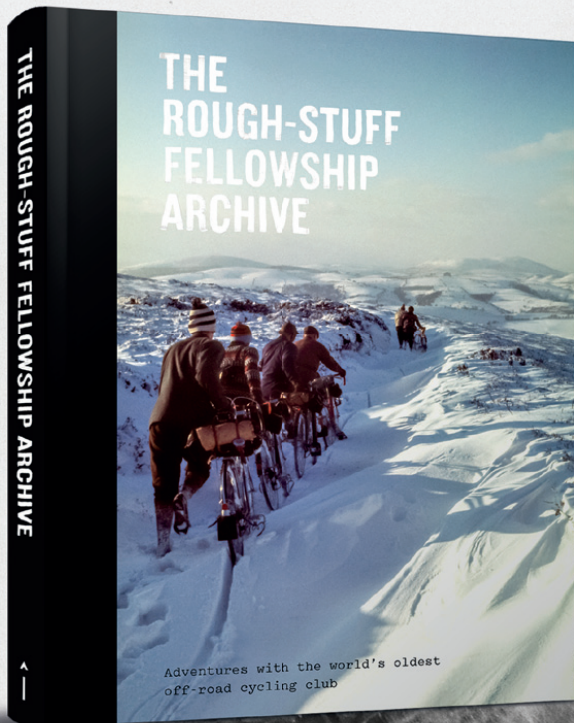
11 am: From 'critical' back to cycling by Elaine Madden.

Elaine Madden shares her experience of recovery after a severe cycling accident left her in critical care - from rehab during lockdown to recovery on a tricycle, to full mobility and hope for the future.

12 noon: The Paris Olympic Road Races: rides through cycling's history by Stuart Stanton.

A personal route map that highlights places and people who have contributed to our sport's culture. (A booklet will be available on the day).

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AUCTION & JUMBLE

Saturday: the Auction Sale

Buy or sell bikes with all the adrenaline of the auction format, under the gavel of experienced auctioneer Tony Stephenson.

The Auction is in the main marquee at **3 pm** on Saturday, with seller registration from **12 noon** and **viewing from 2 pm**.

Any cycling related item is welcome!

- **Please bring cash:** we hope to have card facilities, but cannot guarantee the availability of this. We cannot accept cheques, sorry.

- **Fees:** There is a £2 fee per lot entered, payable by the seller in advance. In addition, 10% sellers and 10% buyer's fees will apply. So if hammer price is £100, buyer pays £110 and seller receives £90.

- **Payments to sellers** will be by PayPal or bank transfer or by cheque posted after the Rally to the address provided by the seller.



Sunday: the Saddlebag Sale cycle jumble

The York Rally's busy cycle jumble is traditionally known as the Saddlebag Sale.

Sellers set up from **9 am** and **buyers can enter from 10 am**.

Entry is free with this show programme, otherwise £1.
Children enter free.



Please donate your unwanted cycle kit!

This year we have once again set aside a table where we will sell donated items to raise funds for the event.

Please leave anything sellable which you can donate at the Info Hub, before 9 am on Sunday.

Complete bikes may be sold in the Auction, so please donate these at HQ by 10 am Saturday please.

Any unsold items will be placed in the "in exchange for a donation" area (see page 8) and if not taken by the end of the event, offered to local cycling organisations or disposed of.

TRADE SHOW

Please support the brands and traders who support the event!

Trade Show opening: Saturday: 10:30 am to 6 pm,
Sunday: 10:30 am to 4:30 pm.

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02476 303228 asbikes.co.uk

Bicycles By Design, Tandems by Design

Bespoke bicycles and tandems
bicycles-by-design.co.uk and tandeming.co.uk OR
01952 459909

Chicken Cyclekit

Zefal luggage & accessories, Schwalbe tyres & inner tubes, Mavic casual clothing
01525 381347 chickencyclekit.co.uk

Cycle Touring Supplies

2nd hand parts, cycling shoes, books and clothing 01332 754633 cycletouringsupplies.co.uk

DW Cycle Spares

Cycle parts 07449 335818 dwcyclespares.co.uk

Greg Saunders (Private Seller)

New and second hand cycles, parts and accessories 07833 470873

Inspired Cycle Engineering

Electric-assist and conventional recumbent trikes for adults. 01326 378848 icetrikes.co

InSync Cycling Coach

Coaching and bike fitting from Russell Gordon 07490 958136 insynccyclingcoach.com

K2 Trading

Cycle parts, tyres & clothes
01522 827349 k2trading.co.uk

Pace Cycles

Yorkshire-based, internationally famous engineering-led MTBs
01751 477737 pacecycles.com

PIM Cycles

Wheel building specialist
07917 698749 pimcycles.co.uk

Restrap

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Spa Cycles

The touring bike specialist
01423 887003 spacycles.co.uk

Vanelli Custom Sportswear

Custom cycling and sports wear
07982 934999 vanellicycling.com

Showers Pass

Waterproof cycle jackets & trousers, gloves, caps & socks. 07535 694480 showerspass.co.uk

Vintage Pavé Cycles

Vintage parts and bikes
07747488033 www.vintagepavecycles.co.uk



CLUB STANDS



Photo: Peter Eland

Clubs stands

This Festival is as much a celebration of the community of cycling as it is of bikes - and of the grassroots organisations who promote the love of cycling in their many ways! So please do stop and chat to the people on these club stands - they'd love to share their enthusiasm!

You will find some of the displays outside but most of the club stands are in the marquee with the Info Hub - see the site plan on page 6.

British Human Power Club

<https://www.bhpc.org.uk/>

National Association of Veteran and Classic Cycle Clubs

<https://navcc.org/>

National Clarion Cycling Club

<https://clarioncc.org/>

National Clarion Cycling Club 1895

<https://www.nationalclarioncc1895.co.uk/>

RSF - The Off Road Cycling Club

(was Rough Stuff Fellowship) <https://www.rsf.org.uk/>



Sustrans

<https://www.sustrans.org.uk/>

Tandem Club

<https://tandem-club.org.uk/>

The Tricycle Association

<https://tricycleassociation.org.uk/>

York Bike Belles

<https://yorkbikebelles.community/>

York Cycle Campaign

<https://yorkcyclecampaign.bike/>

York Greenways

<https://www.yorkgreenways.org.uk/>

York Rouleurs

<https://www.yorkrouleurs.co.uk/>

DISPLAYS



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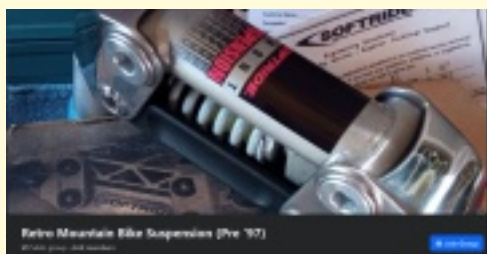
Displays

Retrobike

Retrobike.co.uk is the website and forum for retro, vintage and classic mountain and road bikes, and it's from a team of regulars on the Retrobike forum that the Retrobike Show emerged. They will be showing probably over 100 bikes from mid '80s to 1999: retrobike.co.uk and retrobikeshow.co.uk

Retro Mountain Bike Suspension

The place to go for all pre '97 bikes, mountain bike technologies and components that pushed the envelope, broke the mould or were just down right strange! Find the group on Facebook: [facebook.com/groups/200607467190342](https://www.facebook.com/groups/200607467190342)



Bygone Bykes (Yorkshire) Club

Bygone Bykes will host a display of Veteran and Lightweight Classic cycles on both days of the Rally. If you have a machine to display all bikes are welcome, please just bring a bike stand. bygonebykes.weebly.com



Photo: Keith Perry

Bygone Bykes (Yorkshire) Club



CLARION SUNDAY

A 'Call' to all cyclists to a 'Meet' to be held at
Nelson Independent Labour Party's
Clarion House at Roughlee, Lancashire BL12 9LL on

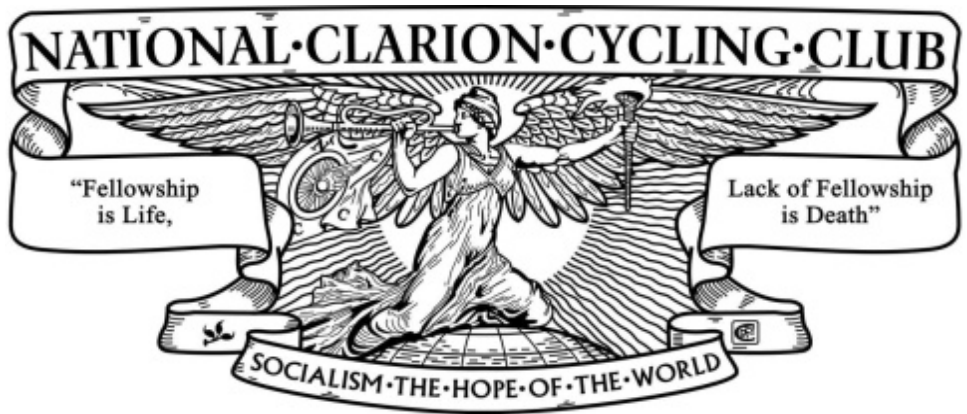
SUNDAY: SEPTEMBER 22nd 10am to 4pm

'Clarion Sunday', is the largest annual gathering of Clarion cyclists and Clarion choirs. A warm welcome awaits all Clarion members past and present. Invite your cycling comrades to come and share a pint pot of Clarion tea. Free sandwiches and cakes will be provided, and a commemorative ribbon will be given to all attendees.



'Clarion Clubs and Socialism: the unbroken link'.

For further details contact: national.clarion1895@gmail.com



Autumn Meet

A 'Clarion Call' to members past and present. Join us in Ipswich for the Club's Autumn Meet and enjoy a weekend of cycling, 'boulderising' and good fellowship

November 1st to 3rd.



All cyclists are welcome, there will be easy led rides on both Saturday and Sunday suitable for all abilities. Rides will depart at 10.30am from Meet HQ each day.

Attendees will receive a commemorative Meet ribbon and there will be **NO MEET LEVY**.

Meet Headquarters will be Ipswich Town Centre (Quayside) Premier Inn Hotel.

For further details contact: national.clarion1895@gmail.com

LOCAL INFO

Follow Tadcaster Road into town and there's a Sainsbury's local supermarket on your left just before the cinema, with a free cash point outside. There's also a pharmacy just across the road from Sainsbury's. The train station is in this direction too.

Foot/cycle access to Knavesmire via Cherry Lane

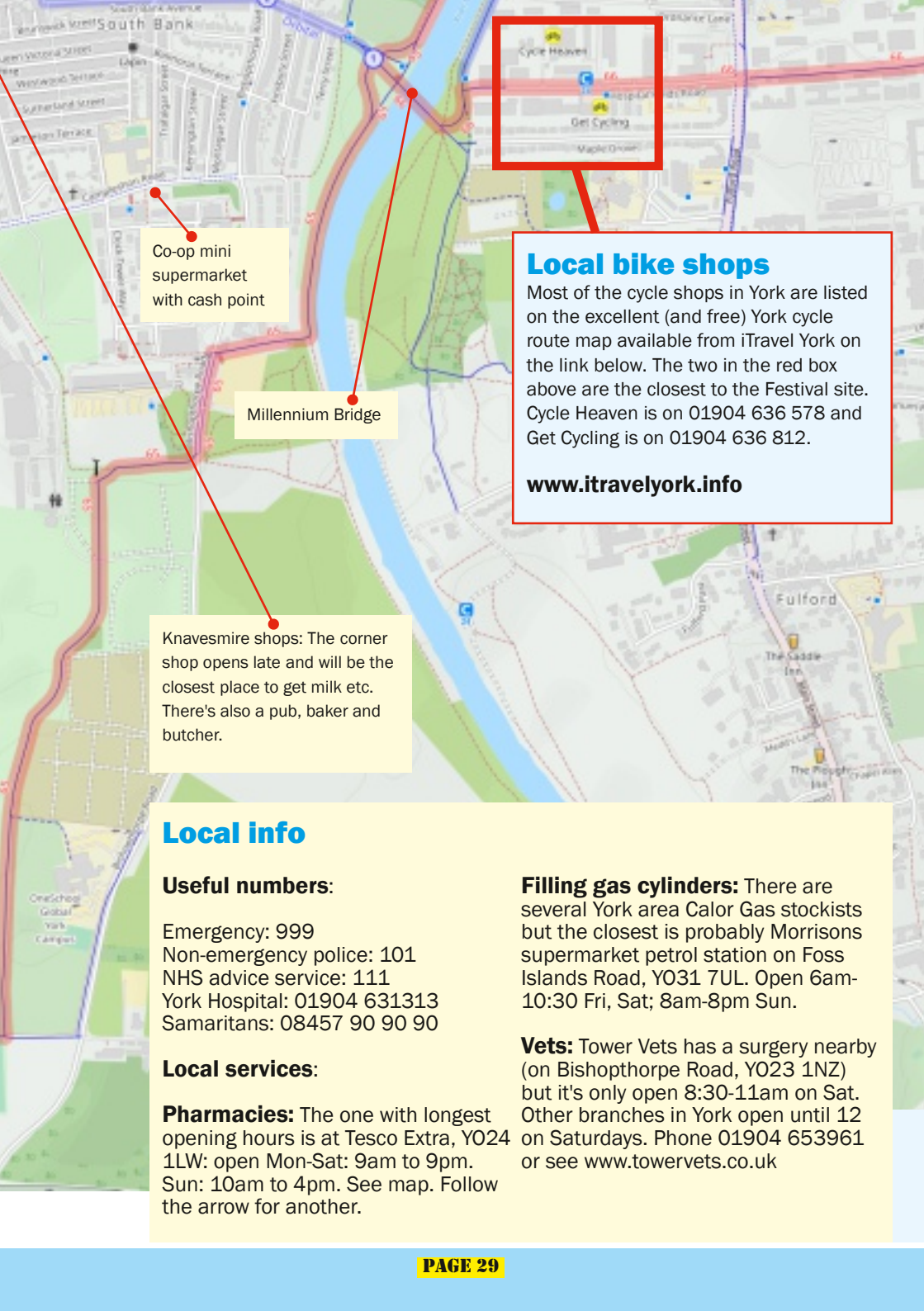
Tadcaster Road shops here include a petrol station, post office and (just to the south) a good fish and chips (and other takeaways).

Tesco Extra supermarket with pharmacy, petrol station and cash points. Can be reached from the Knavesmire (via Route 65) entirely off road.

The red track is National Cycle Network Route 65, and it heads south from here as the York Greenway, towards Naburn, Riccall and Selby.



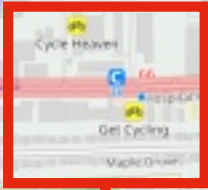
Map courtesy of [OpenCycleMap.org](https://openstreetmap.org)



Co-op mini supermarket with cash point

Millennium Bridge

Knavesmire shops: The corner shop opens late and will be the closest place to get milk etc. There's also a pub, baker and butcher.



Local bike shops
Most of the cycle shops in York are listed on the excellent (and free) York cycle route map available from iTravel York on the link below. The two in the red box above are the closest to the Festival site. Cycle Heaven is on 01904 636 578 and Get Cycling is on 01904 636 812.
www.itravelyork.info

Local info

Useful numbers:

Emergency: 999
Non-emergency police: 101
NHS advice service: 111
York Hospital: 01904 631313
Samaritans: 08457 90 90 90

Local services:

Pharmacies: The one with longest opening hours is at Tesco Extra, YO24 1LW: open Mon-Sat: 9am to 9pm. Sun: 10am to 4pm. See map. Follow the arrow for another.

Filling gas cylinders: There are several York area Calor Gas stockists but the closest is probably Morrisons supermarket petrol station on Foss Islands Road, YO31 7UL. Open 6am-10:30 Fri, Sat; 8am-8pm Sun.

Vets: Tower Vets has a surgery nearby (on Bishopthorpe Road, YO23 1NZ) but it's only open 8:30-11am on Sat. Other branches in York open until 12 on Saturdays. Phone 01904 653961 or see www.towervets.co.uk

ABOUT US, VOLUNTEERING, 2025

Contact numbers

Festival mobile:
07467 321 443

This number will be manned 24 hours throughout the event. For all non-emergency enquiries.

First Aid & Emergency:
07596 831 541

On-site emergency number, manned 24 hours throughout the Rally

York Cycle Festival 2025

The provisional dates for the next York Cycle Festival are:

20-22 June 2025

Unfortunately, until York Racecourse has finalised its calendar later this year, this remains subject to final confirmation. Please watch the website for updates:

www.yorkcyclefestival.org

100% volunteer-organised and not for profit: about the York Cycle Festival

The York Cycle Festival was formed when three volunteer-organised grassroots cycling events came together:

York Cycle Rally: The historic host event, with roots in cycle touring but welcoming every type of cyclist to the Knavesmire since 1945.
www.yorkrally.org

RetroBike Show: The Retrobike forum's northern gathering for owners and fans of retro, vintage & classic mountain and road bikes: www.retrobikeshow.co.uk

NCCC Summer Meet: Founded in 1895, and with 2000 members in 30 sections across the UK, the National Clarion Cycling Club promotes fellowship through cycling: www.clarioncc.org

Other cycling events are very welcome to join the Festival next year - please just contact us or enquire at the Info Hub during the event.

Put something back - volunteer at the event or join the organising team!

Volunteers keep the Festival running - if you're able to help out please do just ask at the Info Hub if any jobs need doing! It's also super helpful when volunteers register in advance, so if you could, ahead of next year's event, please drop a note to: volunteers@yorkrally.org or see: www.yorkrally.org/volunteer

The Festival is co-organised by all three events but we're still in urgent need of more people to

take on organising roles, as current team members move on. We currently need:

- A volunteer organiser for the talks programme
- Volunteers to help with publicity, the website, social media and comms
- A volunteer editor for this show programme

For any of these you'd be joining a friendly team and full support would be given! There's no need to be in York, as there's always a Zoom option for our planning meetings, which take place about six times a year on Saturday mornings. **If you're interested, please just contact us or enquire at the Info Hub during the event.**



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