



WARWICKSHIRE AND COVENTRY
HISTORIC CHURCHES
TRUST



Ride and Stride 2010

Saturday 11 September 2010
10.00 am - 6.00 pm

Dear Parish Ride organiser,

June 2010

I am enclosing the pack of documents for this year's Ride and Stride. I am grateful to you for being the named point of contact for the Ride and for the encouragement you give your church in taking part and being open for the event.

The two Posters are for you to put up in advance (remember to fill in your name at the bottom); the pink Register sheet should be put out on the day in a prominent place for cyclists/ walkers to fill in and returned to us afterwards. Please try to identify potential participants early on. We have found that the system of having even a single Parish Champion for a church, who is then sponsored by the whole congregation and the community, can be highly effective.

The documents for you to hand to the individual Riders/ Striders before the day are the blue Sponsorship Form and the Rider's Sticker. Four sets of these are enclosed.

All these forms and further information are available for down-loading on our new website at www.warwickshirechurches.org.uk. You will also find diy Stickers there for putting up at the church; and a list of the churches that are expected to be joining in. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any queries or need more sets by post for the riders/ walkers.

Once again the Ride coincides with the national Heritage Open Weekend and many churches are taking advantage of this to arrange something extra to attract their visitors, by putting on special displays, exhibitions, refreshments and other activities.

This day will, as usual, be a wonderful opportunity for everyone to share. It allows much needed funds to be raised to keep our church heritage in good repair into the future. All monies raised are divided equally between a named church (chosen by the participant) and the County Trust, who are then able to make grants to other needy churches.

We have now set up 12 suggested Local Rides, spread across the Diocese. Full details of these routes are also available on our website. You should find a leaflet enclosed, if your church is on a Local Ride.

We hope you all have an excellent day!

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