

Stevenage Cycling Festival

June - July 2018



What's on

Stevenage Cycling Festival is here and there are a range of fun and friendly cycling activities for you and your family to get involved in and the best part is, many of them are free!

From led rides, to beginner cycling courses to family events; there really is something for everyone to enjoy.

The festival is brought to you by a dedicated team of volunteers and professionals from Herts Cycling, [Cycling UK \(Stevenage branch\)](#), [British Cycling Breeze and Ride Social Champions](#), [Decathlon](#), [Stevenage Cycle Hub](#), [Outspoken Cycles](#) and [Stevenage Borough Council](#).

The Tour Series

Day	Date	Item	Venue	Time	Booking
Monday	28 th May	Local people are invited to come and celebrate Stevenage's unique cycling heritage when the town hosts round 6 of the 2018 Tour Series on Bank Holiday Monday, 28 May. As well as the chance to see world class professional cyclists in racing action – free of charge, the day will include a host of free family entertainment including come-and-try bike sessions, health and wellbeing advice, promotional zone, free giveaways, stalls, live	The High Street, Old Town, Stevenage	12pm-9pm	Just turn up, watch the racing and enjoy the atmosphere You can follow The Tour Series on Twitter

		<p>music, free fast karts, mascots, and photo opportunities. The Community Zone will be based next to Holy Trinity Church at the bottom of the High Street.</p> <p>There will also be secure bike parking and free parking in the town centre.</p> <p>Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10am - 2pm Community rides and racing • 5.45 - 6pm Women's Matrix Grand Prix Podium presentations • 6.30 - 7.30pm Men's Tour Series warm up • 7.45pm Men's Tour Series Sprint lap 1 • 8pm Men's Tour Series Sprint lap 2 • 8.15pm Men's Tour Series Sprint lap 3 • 8.30pm 5 Laps to Go Bell • 8.45pm Men's Tour Series Finish • 9pm Men's Tour Series Podium presentations 			<p>#tourseries or Facebook or via the official website at www.tourseries.co.uk</p> <p>For further information contact 01438 242206 or email the.tour@stevenage.gov.uk</p>
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Stevenage Cycle Hub

Day	Date	Item	Venue	Time	Booking
Saturday	2 nd June	<p>LAUNCH: Stevenage Cycle Hub</p> <p>Pop down to find out more about what's on offer at Stevenage Cycle Hub. There will be a range of come and try it activities for</p>	The Boat House, Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way,	10am-12pm	Joe Capon Tel: 01438 242 248

	the whole family.	SG2 OBL		Email: joe.capon@stevenage.gov.uk
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Bike Week (www.bikeweek.org.uk)

9th - 17th June 2018

Day	Date	Item	Venue	Time	Booking
Saturday	9 th June	Led ride: Cycling UK Teddybears Picnic Ride (Bring a picnic and bear) Child friendly easy cycle track based ride. Led by Tina.	Costellos Café Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, SG2 OBL	2pm	Open access - Just turn up www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
		Led ride: Women's Breeze Starter Ride (Approx 5-10 miles)	Hampson Park Community Centre, Hampson Park Webb Rise, Stevenage, SG1 5QU	10.30am	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events
Sunday	10 th June	Led ride: Cycling UK Morning Meander – a couple of hours gentle ride with Jackie (Approx 15-20miles).	Bowling Green, War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	10am	Open access - Just turn up www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
Monday	11 th	Led ride: Cycling UK	Bowling Green,	7:15pm (Back	Open access - Just turn up

	June	Easy Evening Ride to The Horns, Bulls Green (lights essential). Led by Tina (Approx 15 miles).	War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	by 10pm)	www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
Tuesday	12 th June	Led ride: Cycling UK Easy Evening Ride to The Bird in Hand, Gosmore, (lights essential). Led by Jackie (Approx. 15 miles)	Bowling Green, War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	7:15pm (Back by 10pm)	Open access - Just turn up www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
		Led Ride: Women's Breeze Steady Ride (Approx. 25-30 miles with refreshment stop part way through)	Stevenage Railway Station	10.15am	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events
Wednesday	13 th June	Led ride: Cycling UK Easy Evening Ride to The Strathmore Arms, St Pauls Walden (lights essential). Led by Alan. (Approx. 15 miles)	Bowling Green, War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	7:15pm(Back by 10pm)	Open access - Just turn up www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
		Led ride: Ride Social Starter Ride (Women only, 6-8miles)	Decathlon. Asda Superstore, Monkwood Way, Stevenage, SG1	6.30pm	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events

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Thursday	14 th June	Led ride : Cycling UK Easy Evening Ride to The Three Horseshoes, Norton (lights essential). Led by Penny (Approx 15 miles)	Bowling Green, War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	7:15pm(Back by 10pm)	Open access - Just turn up www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
		Led Ride: Women's Breeze Steady Ride stop for a drink at the end at the Crooked Billet (Approx 25-30 miles)	Stevenage Railway Station	6.15pm	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events
Friday	15 th June	Led ride: Cycling UK Friday Fling; A Ride to Buntingford (lights essential). Led by Robert (Approx. 20 miles)	Bowling Green, War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	7:15pm	Open access - Just turn up www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
		Led Ride: Women's Breeze Starter Ride (Approx. 4-6miles)	Costellos Café Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, SG2 0BL	4.15pm	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events
Saturday	16 th June	Led ride : Cycling UK Saturday Starter Ride to Country Bumpkin café, Tewin, led by Paul or Alan (Approx 15 miles)	Costellos Café Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, SG2 0BL	2pm	Open access - Just turn up www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
Sunday	17 th June	Event: Cycling UK Stevenage Circular Cycle – Challenge yourself to a 50 mile ride (local equivalent to London to Brighton ride but without the crowds)	Costellos Café Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage,	10am	£8 to enter in advance (£10 on the day) http://www.stevenagectc.org.uk/circular.php

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Schools Cycling Festival

28th and 29th June 2018

Day	Date	Item	Venue	Time	Booking
Thursday	28 th June	<p>Event: School Cycling Festival</p> <p>Year 3 pupils from local schools will get the chance to try a range of cycling activities and fun games provided by Outspoken Events.</p>	Bedwell Primary School, Bedwell Crescent, Stevenage, SG1 1NJ	9.30-3pm	<p>Closed event.</p> <p>By invite only</p>

Stevenage Cycling Festival

30th June - 8th July 2018

Day	Date	Item	Venue	Time	Booking
Saturday	30 th June	Fun Skills Course (Children aged 5-14) and Pedal Power Smoothie Making	St Nicholas Play Centre, St Nicholas Park, Pilgrims Way	10am – 12.30pm And 1.30pm – 4.00pm	Open access - Just turn up with your bike Children 5-14yrs
		Led ride : Cycling UK Saturday Starters ride with cake stop (Approx 15miles)	Costellos Café Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, SG2 0BL	2pm	www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
Sunday	1 st July	Led ride: Cycling UK Stevenage Cycleway meander – Child friendly and about 1 hour	Costellos Café Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, SG2 0BL	2pm	www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
Monday	2 nd July	Course: Adult Improvers Cycle Training – A short course aimed at those wanting to improve their basic cycling skills with a trained Cycling Instructor	Shephalbury Park, Broadhall Way, Stevenage, SG2 8NP	6.30-8.30pm	Tina Walker Tel: 01438 235881 Email: tina@stevenagectc.org.uk (Meet at tennis courts)
Tuesday	3 rd July	Led ride: Cycling UK Easy ride to Emily's Café, Whitwell(2 hours long)	Costellos Café Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, SG2 0BL	10am	Open access – Just turn up

Wednesday	4 th July	Led Ride: Women's Breeze Starter Ride (Approx. 4-6miles)	Decathlon. Asda Superstore, Monkswood Way, Stevenage, SG1 1LA	6.30-7.30pm	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events
		Led Ride: Cycling UK evening pub ride (Approx. 15-20 miles)	Bowling Green, War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	7.15pm	www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
Thursday	5 th July	Led Ride: Women's Breeze Steady Ride (Approx. 20-25miles)	Stevenage Train Station	6.30pm start	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events
Friday	6 th July	Led Ride: Women's Breeze Starter Ride (Approx. 4-6 miles)	TBC	4pm-5pm	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events
		Led Ride: Cycling UK Evening Friday fling (Approx. 22 miles)	Bowling Green, War Memorial, Old Town, Stevenage, SG1 3EJ	7.15pm	www.stevenagectc.org.uk/contact.php
Saturday	7 th July	Fun Skills Course (Children aged 5-14) and Pedal Power Smoothie Making	Pin Green Play Centre, Hampson Park, Webb Rise, Stevenage, SG1 5QU	10am- 12.30pm and 1.30pm- 4.00pm	Open access - Just turn up with your bike Children 5-14yrs
		Led ride: Women's Breeze Starter Ride (Approx. 5-10miles)	Hampson Park Community Centre, Hampson Park Webb Rise, Stevenage, SG1 5QU	10.30am	Book at: www.letsride.co.uk/events

		<p>Led ride: Cycling UK - 15miles cake stop</p> <p>Saturday Starter</p>	<p>Costellos Café, Fairlands Valley Park, Six Hills Way, Stevenage, SG2 0BL</p>	<p>2pm</p>	<p>Tina Walker Tel: 01438 235881 Email: tina@stevenagectc.org.uk</p>
Sunday	8 th July	<p>Stevenage Cycling Festival Finale Family Fun Day</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kids Learn to Ride course - Herts Cycling 2. Balance Bike training for toddlers –Herts Cycling 3. Outspoken Cycles will be providing the following activities: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Balance Bike Try Out Zone b. Bike Try out show – come and try and range of interesting and unique bikes c. Static Cycle Sprints Challenge d. Pedal Power Scalextrics e. Brompton Bike Challenge f. Pedal Power Micro Cinema g. Pedal Power Smoothie Making 4. Bike Safety Awareness training / info 5. Free bike marking by British Transport Police 6. BMX skills coaching / tricks demonstration 7. Bouncy Castle 8. Face Painting 9. Information and advice from Stevenage Cycle Hub 10. Food stalls 11. Bike clothing and accessories 12. Free Dr Bike Mechanic – Rich Harle 	<p>Hampson Park Community Centre, Hampson Park Webb Rise, Stevenage, SG1 5QU</p>	<p>11.30- 5.30pm</p>	<p>Open access – just turn up.</p>
Sunday	8 th July	<p>Tour de Stevenage – 5 mile Family Sportive</p> <p>This 5 mile traffic free family ride will take you along a 5 mile loop of dedicate cycle ways under the supervision of qualified ride leaders. The route will be led, fully signposted and with</p>	<p>Hampson Park Community Centre, Hampson Park Webb Rise, Stevenage, SG1 5QU</p>	<p>Ride set off at the following times: 1pm</p>	<p>Book at: (Decathlon to set up booking link ASAP)</p>

	<p>mechanical support available on-route.</p> <p>The route is suitable for children who are aged 7yrs plus. However, younger children can still take part but with the supervision of a responsible adult. Trailers tag along and child seats are also welcome.</p> <p>Please note, the route has a number of hills and shared use paths with pedestrians and dog walkers.</p> <p>Every participants will receive a finishers medal and goodie bag courtesy of our event sponsors Decathlon.</p>		<p>2pm 3pm 4pm</p>	
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