# EVENTS

## 2017 Events

Plan your year early to include all your favourite events

### The London Bike Show 16 - 19 February 2017

Level-pegging for the award for 'biggest UK bike show', the early season opener in London is something bright and vibrant to enjoy while still in the grip of a damp British winter. More than a trade show, ExCeL, one of London's leading exhibition centres, will be laid-out with many supporting attractions, including indoor tracks, some with races; a handmade bike show running in parallel called The Craft; stunt riding demos; and plenty of space to relax, refuel, and enjoy the atmosphere. thelondonbikeshow.co.uk

### **NAHBS - North American Handmade Bicycle Show**

10 - 12 March 2017

Three days of hands-on exhibitions, show talks, and associated events. The 2017 show will be in Salt Lake City, UT, USA. www.2017.handmadebicycleshow.com

### **British Human Power Club races Dates from April - October**

Usually scratch races run on outdoor cycle circuits. All cycles and cyclists welcome. Mostly oneday events, except for one or two double-race weekends. Information on dates (when decided), venues, and entry fees at www.bhpc.org.uk.

### Bespoked, The UK Handbuilt **Bicycle Show**

07 - 09 April 2017

The UK's premier handmade bicycle show. A showcase for talented builders of all cycles and accessories. The weekend will be punctuated with personable presentations, awards, a party (maybe) - all in Brunel's old railway station, Bristol, UK. www.bespoked.cc

### 'SPEZI' - Spezialradmesse 29 - 30 April 2017

The friendliest European trade fair for lovers of all kinds of alternative cycles - special cycles. Get up close to the machinery you desire, talk to the designers and innovators, home-builders, and other enthusiasts. A test track is the place to try out a wide range of bikes. Held in a small and very amenable town, non-camping accommodation needs to be booked. Germersheim is equidistant to Frankfurt and Stuttgart, Germany. www.spezialradmesse.de



### Spin London - The Cycling Festival 12 - 14 May 2017

Described by Mike Burrows as "quite wonderful", the urban bike show in a basement (or a warehouse as it was this year) is gathering steam for its third and largest show yet. Next year, the London Olympia will be bedecked with everything that represents London cycling, be it fashionable, functional, or perhaps the intangible. Bikes and kit, beer and booze at the show 'quite likely' to be memorable. spinldn.com

## **Edinburgh Festival of Cycling**

08 - 18 June 2017

Taking place in and around the vibrant Scottish city, the festival will run for the eighth time next year. A long programme of events throughout the week features a varied selection of cycling activities, including try-outs and competitions for all ages, plus celebrating cycling through the arts - in film, talks, and readings. A detailed programme will be released when all confirmed. Pick up the "cycling buzz" at what's been described as one of the UK's best cycling festivals. edfoc.org.uk

### **WHPVA World Championships**

09 - 11 June 2017

Coinciding with the 200th birthday of the bicycle, the championships for land vehicles (HPVs) and the world cup for boats and associated aquatic vehicles



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(HPBs) will run concurrently. Cycle races will take place on the indoor velodrome and outdoors. Centred in Mannheim, Germany, www.hpv.org & monnem-bike.de

### **International Cargo Bike Festival** 11 - 13 June 2017

The ICBF will be an associated event prior to the Velo-city Conference to be held in Nijmegen, the Netherlands (13 - 16 June). Running for three days on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, the festival is open to the public and free of charge. Billed as the friendly meeting place for the public and professionals, all will be welcomed, including users, designers, manufacturers, home-builders, and retailers. Expect a 'load' of new experiences to take 'onboard'. www.cargobikefestival.com

### L'Eroica Britannia

16 - 18 June 2017

The fourth year running for this three-day family festival in the Peak District, centred in Bakewell, UK. For many, the main event will be the three-route bike tour held on Sunday, but others will be as enthralled with the style, razzmatazz, and party atmosphere surrounding the resurgence of all things retro, cycling, and otherwise. Be aware of the official or self-imposed rules choosing your cycle, equipment and, importantly, dress code for the rides, eroicabritannia.co.uk



### **York Rally**

#### 24 - 25 June 2017

The major all-embracing cycling event in The North. Held on York's Knavesmire in the centre of the racetrack, where it has been held almost every year since 1945, the weekend of events is busy and varied. Expect trade stands, food and refreshment, camping, grasstrack racing, test rides, presentations, cyclo-cross races, and live music. It's all about taking part – go along, bring the family, and join the fun! www.yorkrally.org

### **Cycle Vision**

#### 24 - 25 June 2017

Annual event of the Dutch recumbent association. NVHPV. To be held once again at Sportpark Sloten, Amsterdam, the festival includes racing and non-racing activities. See the website for further information on events, how to get there, and where to stay. www.cyclevision.nl







### **British Heart Foundation ride at Goodwood Motor Circuit**

### Early July 2017

Ride at the famous Goodwood Motor Circuit in West Sussex. UK on this day of cycling for all abilities. Bring a bike or any sort of cycle and ride as many laps as you like. Fully supervised, the event is run with charitable aims. www.bhf.org.uk

## London Edinburgh London, Audax

### 30 July - 04 August 2017

Take part in one of Britain's greatest cycling challenges. Ride from London to Edinburgh and back in just five days. The route takes in some of Britain's most beautiful scenery. See website to register from January 2017 and for route and logistics information. londonedinburghlondon.com

## **British Cargobike Shindig**

### 26 - 27 August 2017

The inaugural Shindig took place on August 28th this year at the suitably 'massive' Castle Combe motor racing circuit in Wiltshire, UK. Run very much as an inclusive family event, the aim of the first show was to join together like-minded cargobike riders and generate the interest and publicity needed to run a weekend of entertainment and good, honest, human-powered haulin'. The 2017 event is to run concurrently, once again, with the Severn Bridge Sportive – very complementary indeed. castlecombecircuit.co.uk & facebook.com/ **AnnualBritishCargobikeShindig** 

### **Eurobike**

### 02 September 2017

The Big One - the largest trade show, worldwide. Many manufacturers choose Eurobike to launch next year's equipment, so it's the chance to see what's

coming up and start saving the pennies accordingly. Mainly for the mainstream industry, some alternative cycle traders, especially European ones, will be in attendance. Perennial transportation issues means that planning your (non-car) journey to and from the show is important. Friedrichshafen, Germany. www. eurobike-show.com

### **WHPSC Battle Mountain**

### 10 - 16 September 2017 (provisional)

The annual flat-out speed challenge in Battle Mountain, NV, USA. www.ihpva.org & www.whpsc.org

#### Interbike

### 20 - 22 September 2017

The largest mainstream bike show in the USA, held in Las Vegas, Nevada. www.interbike.com

### The Cycle Show

### 22 - 24 September 2017

The UK's largest consumer bike show at the NEC, Birmingham, UK. www.cycleshow.co.uk

### **Velo Birmingham**

### 24 September 2017

A new hundred-mile sportive to take place in the West Midlands, UK. The time from inception to close of registration was very short. Perhaps if the 2017 ride is a success, the 2018 event will be of interest. www.velobirmingham.com

### **Recumbent Cycle-Con**

### 06 - 08 October 2017 (provisional)

The biggest recumbent show and convention, worldwide. Expect a comprehensive representation by the USA's recumbent manufacturers. Held in Cincinnati, Ohio. recumbent cyclecon.com