

POLICE MOUNTAIN BIKE CLUB

Hello,

In August 2008, Steve Manning and I (both Cheshire) started the 'Dirty Cops' (Police Mountain Bike Club) as a way of getting Police and Support staff together to enjoy the sport of mountain biking. Since it began we have hosted various events across the UK and abroad and we cater for all mountain bike disciplines. We have recently returned from a trip to the Alps and next week we are hosting our first Skills Development Day.

Currently we have over 50 members from a number of police constabularies/services including Cheshire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside, West Yorkshire, and the Metropolitan Police. Owing to the success of the club we have now created a website to help us attract new members and we are working towards the creation of regular mountain bike events for our members.

www.dirtycopsmtb.org.uk

Phil Crombie (GMP and also a member of the 'Dirty Cops') is already hard at work organising the UK's first Police downhill mountain bike race, to be held in September this year. Early indications show that there is a lot of interest in this new event and I know that Cheshire is looking at entering at least five riders.

As you will all be aware cycling is currently going through another growth period and we are keen to engage with as many police and police staff who wish to get involved in the sport and those who already have an interest in it. We would be very grateful if you could help us promote what we are trying to achieve, whether its a link on your sports and social websites, a posting on the bulletin boards, or just sending an email to someone who might be interested in joining us.

Thank you in anticipation of your help and I look forward to your reply,

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