

VTTA West Group website has had a web presence for over a decade.

Earlier last year (2018) the national VTTA organised a workshop where a new on-line membership system was presented, allowing new and existing members to make on-line payments for their subs and standards claim fees. New member applications can also be made on-line.

The West was one of the first groups to go live with this system, and the new services are already proving popular and there is clear evidence of how valuable they can be attracting new members, whilst helping reduce our treasurer's and secretary's workloads by monitoring non-payment and keeping track of our members.

At the same time, the VTTA made significant improvements to the Group pages available on the national site, including: News, Secretary's Newsletter, Diary of Events, Details of Our Officials, How to Contact Us, Links to most local, national and international cycling organisations, Racing Results, VTTA Standards Tables, VTTA Claims Forms, West Vet journal/archive and most importantly *How to Join us*.

During 2018, we piloted these pages in parallel with our old site at WestVet.org.uk without any obvious snags.

At last year's AGM, we resolved that: *At the end of 2018, (or whenever the hosting charge¹ is up for renewal), close the Cosmic hosted site and continue maintaining our web presence using the West Group pages on the VTTA national site.*

Westvet.org.uk was closed at the beginning of January 2019. At the time we sent members the attached notes to help them access our group pages at VTTA.org.uk.

¹ The annual charge was £114/year

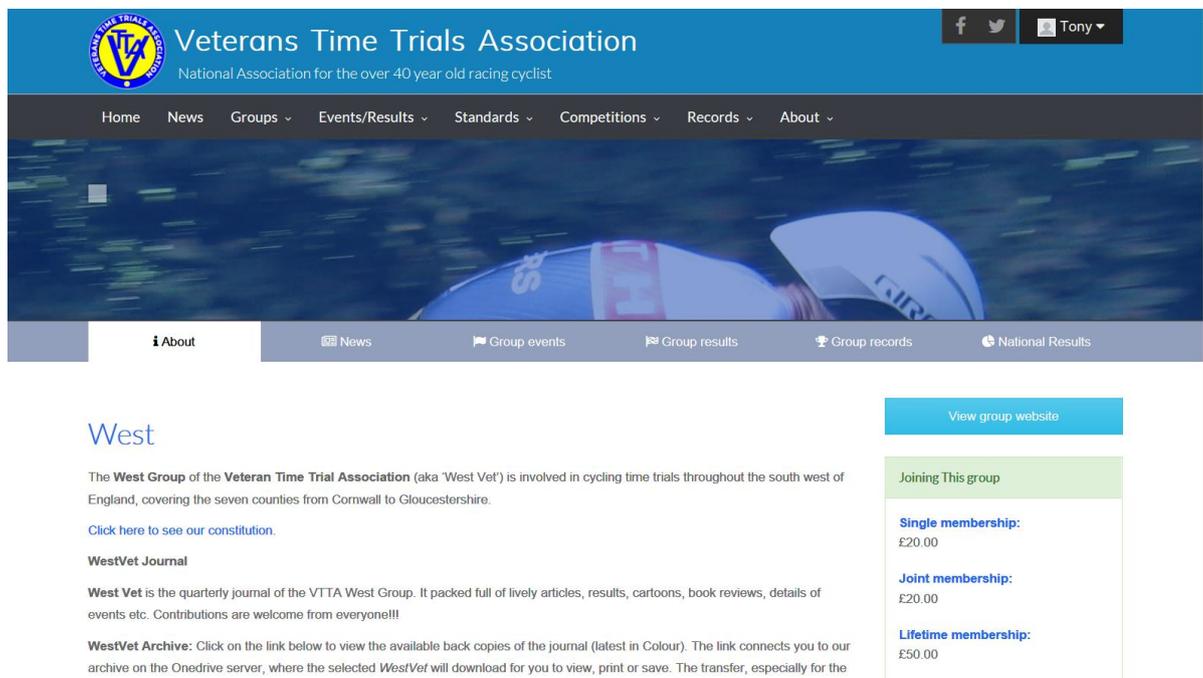
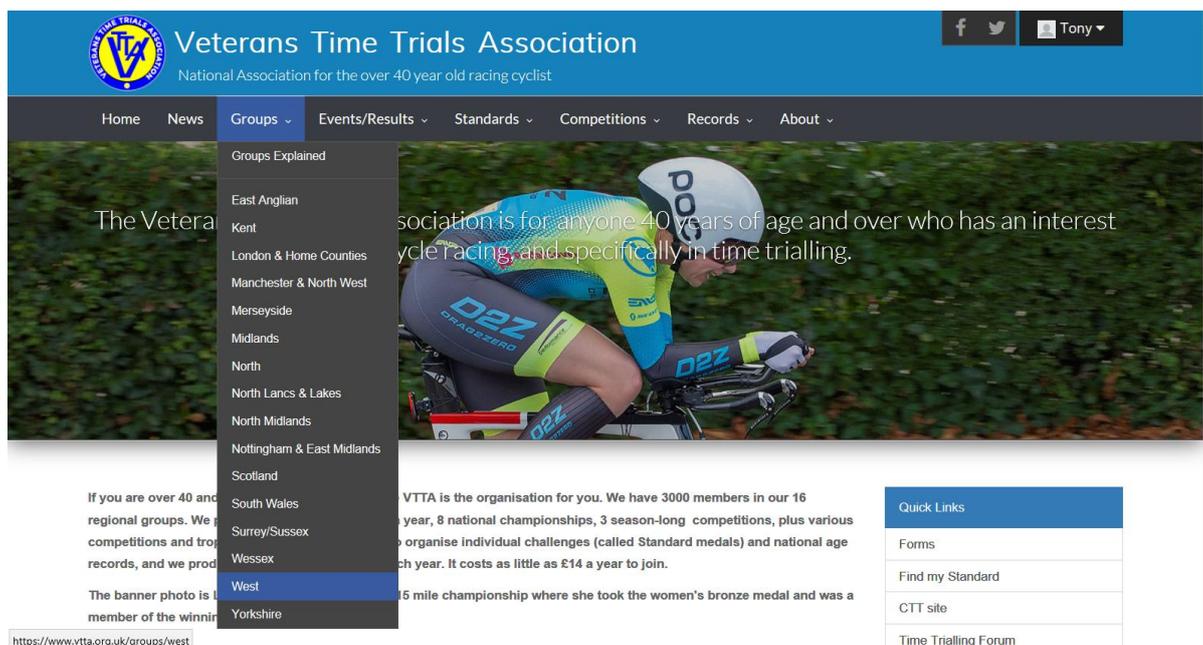
Adieu www.westvet.org.uk welcome www.vtta.org.uk/groups/west

At our 2018 AGM we agreed that we would not renew the website service and instead we would concentrate our efforts on the VTTA national website group pages <https://www.vtta.org.uk/groups/west>

From 1st January 2019 (or thereabouts), the WestVet website (www.westvet.org.uk) will no longer be accessible. Instead, please keep in touch with our group news and activities through the VTTA West Group pages as follows:

Access the VTTA home page <https://www.vtta.org.uk/groups/west>

Find the selection menus on the home page and select Groups from the drop-down menu choices: Then select West from the drop-down menu:



You will find links to the on-line archive of the WestVet journal (our magazine) and our constitution on the About page. As before, there are separate pages for WestVet News, Events, Results and Records. Note that our Group results are yet to be populated but will be updated automatically during the 2019 season.

Please let me know if you find any problems or need further help with the new website.