

Octogenarian Sidney Schuman makes world record cycle run at Lee Valley VeloPark



Sidney Schuman, 84 attempting to break the world record for the furthest distance travelled on a velodrome track in one hour at the Lee Valley Velodrome in Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park

Turning 84 is no reason to get out of the saddle, at least not for one record holder.



Friends and family cheer Hackney-born Sidney on

Hackney-born Sidney Schuman set a new world record for the greatest distance cycled around an Olympic-sized velodrome in one hour for the 80 to 84 age group.

The octogenarian managed 28.388km (17.75miles) at the Lee Valley VeloPark earlier this month. He began cycling aged 11 and has been, in his own words, a "dyed in the wool roadie" ever since with cycling holidays across Europe.

But it was only in May this year that Sidney tried his hand at track cycling for the first time, kickstarting a new love affair that led him to his successful world record attempt.