



Unogwaja challenge hits the road.

Community Chest and Unogwaja celebrated their merger in 2019, with Community Chest taking over the management of both Red Sock Friday and the Unogwaja Challenge.

The epic Unogwaja journey follows in the footsteps of Comrades legend Phil Masterton-Smith who, as defending champion in 1933, was unable to afford train fare. Instead he cycled the over 1700km from Cape Town to Pietermaritzburg to defend his title in 10 days and ran Comrades on the 11<sup>th</sup> day, finishing 10<sup>th</sup>.

This story of overcoming adversity is the inspiration for a team of 25 carefully selected, passionate cyclists and humanitarians from across the world who will take up this year's challenge, departing Cape Town in June and ending with running the Comrades Marathon on June 14.

Unogwaja Challenge project manager, Tamar Houlston, says that the 2020 edition will be a very special one as it marks the 10th anniversary of the Challenge. "With the support of Community Chest, the project aims to reach new heights and raise even more money for the beneficiaries that we support," says Houlston.

Community Chest CEO, Lorenzo Davids, recommitted the organisation to the goals of Unogwaja. "This event is so much more than a cycling event or running the Comrades", declares Davids. "It is about a celebration of strength, resilience, friendship, camaraderie, and giving back to the communities through which the Challenge passes."

"The Community Chest merger with Unogwaja allows us to expand the influence and reach of the Challenge to beneficiaries who traditionally benefit from the event as well as introducing additional beneficiaries", continues Davids. "We truly are better together."

For more information on the Community Chest Unogwaja Challenge please visit [www.unogwaja.com](http://www.unogwaja.com)