



Cycle Aware Wellington (CAW)

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Windy Wheels newsletter

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Bike To Work Day 2006

Yeah, that is next year, but we're more than half-way there already.

We still need some more people to help with the planning for next year's BTWD. Please contact Robert (972 2552; dawbell@actrix.co.nz) if you can help.

Regional cycling maps – feedback needed, please!

Even though Greater Wellington undertook an extensive consultation when these were produced, there will be roading changes, errors and omissions. If you are aware of any or have other suggestions please send the details now to Ian Kirkman at Greater Wellington who is collecting them to ensure they are considered when the next reprint occurs. Email ian.kirkman@gw.govt.nz or write to him at PO Box 11646, Wellington.

Bike the Bays 2005

Put it in your diary: Sunday, 11 December. And tell your friends!

Bike the Bays will have the road closed from Burnham Wharf to Scorching Bay, and maybe also an option of going on to Moa Point and back for the energetic ones.

Conference – billets needed

The national cycling conference, and our yearly CAN-Do get-together, is coming to our region for the first time ever. It is attended by lots of official people but also by our fellow cycling advocates from other parts of NZ.

We'd like to be able to offer billets to CAN members. The conference is in Hutt City, so billets would preferably be reasonably accessible to the Hutt town centre.

If you have a bed suitable for a visiting cyclist during the period 13-16 October, please contact Robert (972 2552; dawbell@actrix.co.nz).

And don't forget to sign up for the conference yourself!

Airport extension

CAW has asked to be kept informed on this project, and raised the issue of cyclist access along the Evans Bay foreshore. A project summary report will be available in about a month. Our submission was:

That section of road is an important route for cyclists who are either travelling to/from Miramar or riding around the Miramar peninsula. The peninsula ride is a popular one for both recreational and sporting cyclists, and is recommended in the 'Lonely Planet Cycling Guide to NZ'.

Currently, cyclists can either ride on the carriageway on Cobham Drive (suitable for fast, confident cyclists), or on the shared footpath/cyclepath on the seaward side of Cobham Drive (suitable for children and family groups, or less experienced cyclists, or those out for a gentle and pleasant ride).

While the facilities are not ideal at the moment, we would not like conditions to get any worse, so we would like access for cyclists (all sorts) taken into account when the various options are scoped out. Ideally, we would like the project to improve conditions for cyclists.

WCC is currently developing a Cycling Strategy, and we would like to see your project co-ordinate with that. There are guidelines available that detail how best to provide for cyclists in various circumstances, and we can refer you to those if you need them.

Next CAW Meeting

When: Tuesday, 6 September, at 6pm

Where: Wellington City Council Committee Room, Wakefield St. (check the screen in foyer for room no.)

What: Want better and safer cycling? Come along and get stuck in.

Who: All of us!

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