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Windy Wheels newsletter October 2006



New rules on cycle lanes

Here's the change in road rules as of February 2005. It is no longer a requirement for cyclists to leave a roadway to use a cycle path unless there is a sign saying so. Unfortunately, the road rules as posted on the LTNZ website remain unclear on this point:

<http://www.landtransport.govt.nz/roadcode/other-road-users/cyclists1.html> We've asked them to fix this.

Cycle and other special vehicle lanes

(such as cycle and bus lanes)

- Only cyclists can use cycle lanes.
- Cyclists may use bus lanes (or transit lanes) unless a sign says otherwise. If a motorist needs to cross a cycle or bus lane in order to turn or park clear of the lane, they must give way to any cyclists and other vehicles entitled to use that lane.
- You must not stop or park your cycle in a special vehicle lane unless stopping is permitted by signs or markings.

Cycle paths

- Cyclists are no longer legally required to leave the roadway to use a cycle path, unless a sign says otherwise.
- Cycle paths may also be used by pedestrians.

Stuff we are working on

- putting together a strategy on tackling black spots
- reviewing our membership structure

Bike to Work Day / Go by Bike Day

We are looking for volunteers to help with our annual celebration of the wheel thing. Go By Bike Day is Wednesday 28 February 2007. Join Marilyn, Robert, Illona and Lou in putting together NZ's biggest and best free breakfast for bikers. Contact [Marilyn](#).

CAN-do

CAN's new worker, Simon Kennett, reports that 18/19th November is going to be a get together of cycle advocates around the country. The CAN-do will be held in Wellington. We are looking for suggestions for things to include on the agenda, and a venue. Also looking for billets - contact [Simon](#) if you can help.

5th Wairarapa Spring Green Bike Rally - Sunday 5 November

Wellington cyclists are invited to discover the scenic Wairarapa by joining us on a 28 km ride on quiet, gently undulating country roads west of Carterton, along the foothills of the Tararuas. Picnic at Forest & Bird's beautiful Fensham Reserve. Ride at your own pace, bring the family. Complete the quiz and be in to win a 2006 model Raleigh M200 mountain bike.

Easy rail connection from Wellington/Hutt Valley, group fares available, save heaps, leave the car at home (plenty of room for bikes on extra goods wagons). 9.55am train from Wellington arrives Carterton 11.09am. Return on the 5.16pm from Carterton arriving Wellington 6.30pm. Booking details will be

supplied on receipt of registration. Or bring your car if you must!

Download entry form from

<http://www.greens.org.nz/office/events/sgbr-entryform.pdf> or for more details email sgbr@greens.org.nz or phone Eric Turner on 06 379-6510.

Tour of Waikanae

Cycling event, organised by Sport Kapiti, for individuals, tandems and families on Saturday 5 November starting at 9am, Park Ave, Waikanae. Choice of 25km, 50km, 75km, 100km distances. See www.tourofwaikanae.co.nz

Women's Bunch rides

Women from PNP Cycling Club organise these in day light savings hours, every Monday from Freyberg pool starting at 5:30pm - this ride is around the bays (or there part of). Normally they split into different groups depending on skill levels. Bikes of all flavours are welcome. Keren (from PNP Cycling) is looking for groups leaders for this ride, if you are interested in becoming a group leader please email her on vanderboomk@wellington-girls.school.nz

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Events

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News briefs

How much road space do we need?

This is the most graphic representation we've seen of the incredible space-inefficiency of motor transport. We are told that congestion is due to bus lanes, cyclists, pedestrians and lorries taking up the road. This series of simple pictures shows the real culprit.



http://www.chapmancentral.co.uk/web/public.nsf/Documents/Highway_Robbery?OpenDocument

Discussion forums Go to www.mountainbike.co.nz/forum/ for online discussion on advocacy, events, touring and more.

Next CAW Meeting

When: Tuesday, 7 November, at 6pm

Where: Wellington City Council meeting room, Wakefield St

What: Want better and safer cycling? Come along, meet some bikers and make a difference. Celebrate our achievements! Expand membership and revise communications strategy.

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