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Spokes Dunedin Activities: Sept 2008 – May 2009-05-09

Dick Martin has held the position of Spokes Dunedin Chair for several years and had decided to step down. Dick must be thanked for all his work toward improved cycling conditions in Dunedin and Otago.

September 16th 2008

Meeting organised by Fiona Whero of CAN to reinvigorate Spokes Dunedin. A key theme of the meeting was leadership and ownership of the group. We discussed cyclist interests, what needs to happen to make cycling enjoyable in Dunedin and where to go from here.

October 16th 2008

Meeting with a talk by Bruce Conaghan, DCC Senior Traffic Engineer.

Anna, Steve, and Em all attended the CANDO conference in October also.

November 4th 2008

General meeting of Spokes Dunedin. A committee was elected consisting of Nicola Holman (temporary Chairperson), Kath Bond, Adrienne Mulqueen, Phaedra Upton; Charlotte Flaherty; Em Oyston; Anna Star; Simon Kilbane; Stephen Molloy

February 2009

Spokes was involved with a membership stall at the Bike-to-work/Bike breakfast day in the Octagon. We had interest from the general public and list signups, as well as bike tune-ups being offered.

Bike tools and Bicycle Maintenance

Spokes applied for and was awarded a \$1000 grant from NZTA and CAN as part of a microfund scheme. With this we purchased bike tools, a workshop stand, a communal bikes and a bike trailer. These are available for Spokes members and the general public to use and are stored at Clubs and Soxs (University). Spokes has been offering bike maintenance prior to critical mass rides which leave from the Museum grounds.

Meeting with the DCC and NZTA

Last week (Mon 4th) Fiona (from CAN), Phaedra and Adrienne met with Bruce Conaghan, Sarah Weller and Susil Gunathilake at the DCC to discuss various cycling issues with them. We have made a commitment to regular meetings and Adrienne and Susil have made plans to go for weekly bike rides to examine road conditions and hazards for cyclist around Dunedin.

Submissions to DCC, ORC and NZTA

Over the past month we have been busy writing submissions to the Dunedin City Council, the Otago Regional Council and the New Zealand Transit Agency. Last week we spoke to our submission at the DCC hearings and over the next two weeks we will speak to the ORC and to NZTA hearings.