

ISLINGTON CYCLIST

The newsletter of the Islington Cyclists' Action Group



723 Members, 217 on the e-group



Further details on the website, go to www.icag.org.uk then events.

Saturday 13 June 12-5pm

Dr Bike at N1 Centre, Upper St/Parkfield St N1 0PS C Alison Dines T 020 7226 7012 E alisondines@clara.co.uk

Saturday 13 June 12-4pm

Biodiversity Bike Ride, starts at the Islington Ecology Centre, 191 Drayton Park N5 1PH T 020 7354 5162 E Peter.Howarth@islington.gov.uk

Tuesday 16 June 7.30-9.30am

Cyclists' Breakfast at City/Goswell Road junction with Colebrook Row N1 C Alison Dines T 020 7226 7012 E alisondines@clara.co.uk

Wednesday 17 June 4-7pm

Dr Bike at City/Goswell Roads junction with Colebrook Row N1 Jonathan Edwards T 07946 261165 E j.edwards530@btinternet.com www.icag.org.uk

Thursday 18 June 5.30-7pm

Commuters Cool Down at Highbury Corner, N1 1RE C Alison Dines T 020 7226 7012 E alisondines@clara.co.uk

Friday 19 June 6-8pm

Cyclists' Picnic on Highbury Fields, N5 C Alison Dines T 020 7226 7012 E alisondines@clara.co.uk

Saturday 20 June 12-6pm

ProActive Islington: Sports and Cycling Festival on the podium of Emirates Stadium, 75 Drayton Park N7 1BU C Lucy Rees T 020 7527 8329 E lucy.rees@islington.gov.uk

Sunday 21 June 9.45am

Little Green Ride - meet at Finsbury Park Station (overland), Station Place, Seven Sisters Road N4 2DH C Stephen Taylor T 07977 235735 E sltaylor001@yahoo.co.uk

Saturday 4 July 11am -5pm

Fourth of July picnic ride meet at Islington Town Hall, Upper Street N1 2UD C Clive Attenborough on T 020 7263 8165 M 0793 211 9980 Eclive.attenborough@btinternet.com Issue 76 June July 2009



Annual General Meeting Andrew Gilligan Town Hall 7.30 Wednesday June 10

Some time ago he wrote

TfL spent £11.5 million on LCN+ in 2005/6, more than was spent on cycle routes in the rest of the country. But for that money it got just 10 miles of real new cycle route across the whole of Greater London. (*This pattern continued – Ed.*)

Ten years ago

We launched a Manifesto for the Next Century, with ten points to make cycling safer, more convenient and enjoyable -full text on the website. And we launched the ICAG elist – there were 12 members then – 217 now!

Security on the towpath

Desperate – a 50 year old local resident paused for a rest near Danbury Street, was pushed into the canal and had his bike stolen. It was 6pm on Weds 08.04.09. Be careful out there!



Council Consults

With a completion date of April 2010, the council is consulting the small remaining part of the North area that still has 30mph restriction and, presumably will be doing so in the other areas. Roll on April 2010! Register your interest at W www.islington.gov.uk/consultations Click on Current and past consultations, then current consultations – both on the left hand side of the page. You are encouraged to write in the free text box that as many principal roads should be included as possible.

From Department of Transport...

If a cyclist or pedestrian is hit by a vehicle travelling at 20 mph there is a 95% chance that they will survive. At 30 mph this reduces to 80% and at 40 mph it is only 10%.

Engineering issues?

If you wish to contact the Council, try E Cycling&Walking@islington.gov.uk

Cycle Hoops Advance

At a recent ICAG/council meeting, we were told that cycle loop parking was felt to be successful & money was available for estate parking. Please let us know your suggestions for possible sites. C Alison Dines T 020 7226 7012 E alisondines@clara.co.uk

More details about cycle hoops W www.cyclehoop.com

Trees – what trees?

To our consternation two fine plane trees were felled at the Goswell Road Triangle to make way for the work there. There is no trace there now – not even a stump that this photo shows.



LBI/ICAG consultation

Any offers from members to get involved are most welcome. The meetings are convivial, irregular but vitally important.

Cycle Buddies?

We now have a bunch of cycle trainers. We will shortly be asking for volunteers for new trainers to practise on!

Postcode stamps work

Police located a bike stolen in Finsbury Park from a cyclist and she was able to collect it shortly afterwards. It was traced from the postcode stamped on the frame. Include your house number, and cover the postcode with clear nail varnish or something similar to prevent rust.

Mobile petition

There is a petition for those who want to see less people using mobile phones (illegally) while driving. http://petitions.number10.gov. uk/mobilemenaceban/C4seu4 Dcp9HKEqYS0EAGXrs sorry about the long URL!

Little Green Ride Dates

Description: Easy-paced rides of around 30 miles Date: 3rd Sunday in the month Start: 10.10 a.m. Finish: 5-6 p.m. Place: Finsbury Park overland station **C** Stephen Taylor **T** 07977 235 735

Cycle Workshop Dates

Place: Sunnyside Ecology Gardens corner of Sunnyside Rd and Hazelville Rd, N19 (off Hornsey Rise)
Date: 4th Wednesday of each month (except August and December)
Time: 7 - 9.30 p.m.
Cost: £1 (50p unwaged) per session towards costs
C Adrian Williams
T 07810 211 902

ICAG monthly meeting

If you've something to say about cycling in Islington, or just want to listen, come along to the ICAG monthly meeting. **Place:** Islington Town Hall **Date:** 2nd Wednesday of every month **Time:** 7.30-9.30 pm **C** Alison Dines **T** 020 7226 7012 **E** alisondines@clara.co.uk Agenda items for meetings should reach Alison Dines by the Saturday before the meeting.

Reporting Potholes

In Islington, phone 020 7527 2000 or go to www.islington.gov.uk and click on report a street fault. Rest of London, phone 0845 305 1234 or go to www.tfl.gov.uk, click on road users, then on report a street fault.

Two ICAG Email Groups

If you wish to discuss any of the topics covered in Islington Cyclist in more detail then why not subscribe to the ICAG email list? The list enables subscribers to receive news promptly and the opportunity to give and receive feedback. If you would like to participate, send an email to:

E: icag-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

We have another yahoo group concerned mainly with the engineering projects that we are being consulted about. If you want to join this one send an email to:

E: icag-engsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

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