

in Islington

# **ISLINGTON CYCLIST**

The newsletter of the Islington Cyclists' Action Group



723 Members, 219 on the e-group







ICAG at the N1 Centre



Sign up for Freewheel
This years Freewheel has
been rebranded Skyride
and registration is through
British Cycling. Keep
Sunday 20 Sept free! We'll
be leading a feeder ride –
watch our website for
details. Volunteers
welcome! Register at
http://new.britishcycling.or
g.uk/skyride/register?event

=london

www.icag.org.uk

## Bike Week 2009







ICAG's bike breakfast

## Angel Canal Festival

The canal festival will be taking place 11.00am to 5.00 pm on Saturday 6 September and we'll be running a stall – volunteers welcome!

http://www.angelcanalfestival.org/

Volunteers please contact C Alison Dines E alisondines@clara.co.uk T 020 7226 7012 Issue 77 August Sept 2009





The new Thursday Evening Cool down



The Little Green Ride

21st Annual Gillespie Park Community Festival – Sunday 13 September, 1.00-5.00pm. This is probably the best

This is probably the best community festival in Islington. Come along and maybe help out at our stall. Doctor bike to be confirmed.

## All on the website...

What you read here is on the website and there is more! Hackney has abandoned its newsletter, relying on its website. Should we do the same?

## Henshall Street

The Council has changed access to this road Street, a noted local rat run and allowed cyclists to use the road as usual at our request. Although there were complaints (from motorists) about signage, ICAG understands that the "No Entry" sign with a smaller plate saying "Except cycles" is not legal. Similar signs are in use in Europe and ICAG believe that this sign should be permitted by the Department for Transport.

## **Annual General Meeting**

We had another successful AGM. Many thanks to our guest speaker Andrew Gilligan whose talk generated plenty of discussion.

## Secure Parking Pilot

The council is consulting local residents near to the following sites, listed by

Canonbury – Northchurch Rd. Halliford Rd. Finsbury Park – Windsor Rd, Highbury West – Gillespie Rd, Monsell Rd, Elwood Rd, Highbury East - Calabria Rd, Balfour Rd, Highbury Quadrant, Holloway -Biddestone Rd, Junction -Huddleston Rd, Mildmay -Beresford Rd, Balfour Rd, Mildmay Rd, St.George's -Archibald Rd, St.George's Avenue, Cardwell Terrace, St. Mary's -Fowler Road, St.Peter's - Arlington Avenue.

If you've been consulted, do make your views known!

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As part of a programme of Bike Week activities, **British Waterways** commissioned this painting of a deep hole from 3D artists Joe Hill and Max Lowry to trigger discussion on good behaviour by all using the canal towpath.

## **Pedal Power cycling** club for adults with learning disabilities

Meeting at the basket ball court in Finsbury Park every other Saturday afternoon from 2-4pm, this club is open to all - no booking needed. They have a range of specialised bikes to suit a range of disabilities.

The next dates are 8th Aug. 22nd Aug, 5th Sept, 19th Sept, 3rd Oct, 17th Oct. If you're interested attending a session or helping out, contact C Jo Roach T 020 8809 7718 E jo4cakes@hotmail.com

## The elist gets this in colour!

Subscribers to the ICAG elist will in future be sent copies of this as a pdf – and will probably be posted before the black and white version that arrives with the London Cyclist.

### Ten years ago...

The council agreed a target to double cycle use by 2002 and again by 2012. How're we doing?

#### Little Green Ride Dates

Description: Easy-paced rides of

around 30 miles

Date: 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 problem. 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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