

ISLINGTON CYCLIST

The newsletter of the Islington Cyclists' Action Group



725 Members, 230 on the e-group

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Bike week News

ProActive Islington

Saturday 19 June 12-6pm Sports and Cycling Festival on the podium of Emirates Stadium N7 A festival of sports including bicycle try-outs & cycling stunt shows. Free bike check & information on cycling locally. For more information C Alex Hilton T 020 7527 2262 E alex.hilton@islington.gov.uk

Little Green Ride

Sunday 20 June 9.45am
Meet at Finsbury Park
Station (overland)
Put your bike on the train
& head into Hertfordshire
countryside for an easypaced ride of around 30
miles with a stop for a pub
lunch.
For more details
C Stephen Taylor
T 07977 235735
sltaylor001@yahoo.co.uk

Cyclists' Breakfast & Dr Bike

Tuesday 22 June 7.309.30am, City Road N1
Join us for a free breakfast
and bike check at the
junction with Colebrook
Row N1
For more information
C Alison Dines
T 020 7226 7012
E alisondines@clara.co.uk

Bike Week News



Commuters Cool Down

Thursday 24 June 5.30-7.30pm
Junction of Southgate/
Northchurch Roads N1
Stop for fruit cocktails & snack after work, get some local cycling information.
For more information
C Alison Dines
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Ride to Critical Mass

Friday 25 June 6.15pm
Depart prompt Town Hall,
Upper St.
Ride your bike to the South
Bank with local cyclists to
join Critical Mass, a
celebration of cycling
through central London.
For more information
C Chris Ashby
T 020 7609 5093
www.criticalmasslondon.org.uk

Dr Bike

Saturday 26 June12-5pm N1 Centre, Upper Street Come for a free bike check & information on cycling locally, including free cycle maps.

For more information C Alison Dines T 020 7226 7012 E alisondines@clara.co.uk

Annual General Meeting



Seen above, Christian Wolmar spoke passionately about many facets of cycling in his life. He also suggested that we should recommend that "cycling is fun." He sold many signed copies of his recent books.



There was plenty to eat and drink – Bridget brought bagels and made a cake!



From ten years ago

The second Cycling Forum was reported in Islington Cyclist No 22. These were to take place twice a year, "bringing together different agencies and activists involved in improving conditions for cyclists... There were 4 local politicians present..." There were also references to cycle counts – no longer in our current vocabulary. except when Colebrooke Row is mentioned. Apparently, Transport for London started in 2000.



Thanks, Andrew!

Andrew Cornwell stood down from being a Councillor at this election. We feel that Islington cyclists have benefitted many times from having a well placed pro-cycling Councillor. Not wishing to be party political, we would like to thank him and wish him well in his return to Financial Journalism.

Knowledge

We've heard that an Islington based woman taxi driver is probably the first woman to have completed the 'knowledge' on a bicycle.

[Note: During the World War Two, 'Doing the Knowledge' was often done by bike. These days a moped is the vehicle of choice.]

ICAG Officers for 2010

Alison Dines Coordinator
John Ackers Secretary
Clive Attenborough
Treasurer
Anja Beinroth, out-going
Treasurer was thanked for
her hard work and
dedication.



Thanks, Anja



Thanks, Chris

Chris Ashby has been leading the feeder ride to Critical Mass for more years than he cares to remember. We offer our grateful thanks to him. His swan song will be the feeder to Critical Mass in Bike Week. Why not support him and turn up on your bike?

Adopted Potholes

Veloteers have been reporting potholes, which have been filled within 7 days.

The Little Green Ride

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

This works! 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-eng-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

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