

ISLINGTON CYCLIST

The newsletter of the Islington Cyclists' Action Group



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Find your stolen bike on-line!



A web developer, who had his bike stolen, after hours scouring EBay and Gumtree, decided there was a better way to look. He has designed a site that daily amalgamates the bikes for sale in London on those sites. If you have your bike stolen, go to his site where you'll be able to easily search for your bike and see if anyone's selling it, and you'll be able to call the police or confront the person etc.

W www.bikeshd.co.uk

More and more!

LCC Campaigns Manager Tom Bogdanowicz, running a count at the Goswell Road Triangle found that the figures had increased again. This year he measured a peak flow of 1261 per hour. When will it reach meltdown?

Feedback to the council

Islington council are keen to hear of any area in the borough which you think can be improved for cyclists.

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Look out for the interactive map on our website to see what the current suggestions are and add your own.

Bike week News



Our wonderful Bike Doctors -Adrian (top) and Jonathan

Win some Lose Some

Cyclists on the Essex Road in Islington will be pleased to see half a dozen new bike stands next to popular restaurants and shops. But just a hundred yards away in front of the Screen on the Green cinema, the railings are gone losing a half a dozen parking opportunities. TfL is removing approximately 30% of the guard railings on red routes to reduce street clutter and improve the urban realm. LCC has written to TfL asking that any guard railings which are removed, and which serve as bike parking, should be replaced by bike stands. TfL say they are surveying locations where guard railing is removed to assess the need for cycle parking but, in Islington at least, they are not delivering on the stands to replace the railings.

If you find your favourite guard railing or parking spot gone, write –
C The Mayor
E mayor@london.gov.uk.

Bike week News



The little green ride Photo JW



Breakfast at Goswell Road



Cyclists queue to cross



Questions were answered...



Queuing for a bike check

Two New Bike shops



Look Mum No Hands (above) and Jazz cycles have opened, increasing the choice of cycle stores in the borough.

Jazz Cycles 7 George's Road London N78HD T 07961 660 077 W www.jazzcycles.com

Look Mum No Hands 49 Old Street London EC1V 9HX T 020 7253 1025 W www.lookmumnohands.com

Something for children

The Trax Youth Club Summer programme consists of 8 free off road cycling in Lordship Rec running every Saturday morning from the 3rd July to the 21st August. Each session starts at 10am and finishes at 12.

C Daniel Mintz T 7990577206 E daniel.mintz@ibikeride.com



Council training for children

See ICAG.org.uk/events for details or pick up a copy of Heatwaves from your local library.

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Ten Years ago

We wrote to Meg Hillier, Greater London Assembly member, asking her to push for a 20mph speed limit in Islington and the rest of London. We've had *some* success...



Photo Julia Williams

Thank you Talia

Talia Hussein has moved to Leeds and will be sorely missed. She has designed our ICAG publicity for several years and represented us on several schemes, most recently the Cycle Superhighway.

Interested in Super Highways?

If you have comments on them and would like to help with the consultation in Islington C Alison Dines T 020 7226 7012 E alisondines@clara.co.uk



Before in Islay Walk



After

All the bolted down humps were removed from Douglas Road South/Islay Walk recently. At the same time three sets of offset barrier railings have been fitted between St Pauls Rd and Douglas Rd South which will slow down cyclists at those places. There is one offset barrier at the north end, where the humps were, but that still leaves cyclists able to do up to 20mph again past the gates of the properties in Islay Walk. What the residents think of that remains to be seen. A W

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

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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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