

735 Members, 243 on e-group

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Coffee, maps and recruitment

Breakfast at the 'Goswell Road Triangle'



Chris Kenyon is recruiting



Coffee and Councillor West



Festival at Wray Crescent



Collecting signatures at Bunhill Row Cool Down



Lunch at the Bike Week Little Green Ride

Bike Week winners!

We recruited about 20 cyclists to join LCC, with the offer of a free bike computer to anyone joining in Bike Week. This was more than any other local group! We will be able to use this 'recruitment inducement' in future events this year.

From Islington Cyclist 10 years ago...

An ICAG first? Was this the first time that details of an ICAG event were posted on line? Text and pictures of ICAG's Festival of Cycling that year were posted on the Islington section of the LCC web site.

Owen Street "We will be putting the case for a straight run across City Road and Goswell Road without having to wait for the red lights" by Gavin Killip.

[Ed: 10 years later, although 'improvements' were implemented last year, there is still no straight run without waiting for a red light.]

Where do we go from here?

Thanks to Stephen Taylor who brought a detailed plan about future ICAG priorities to the last ICAG meeting. He was using the following recent ICAG campaigns.

1. Permeability
2. 20 mph on all roads
3. Cycle Parking
4. Road Danger Reduction
5. Madras Place
6. Bunhill Row
7. Connect 2
8. Cycle Superhighways
9. Gyratories
- 10.

Following discussion, we had an indicative vote for the most important which were 20mph and cycle parking.

Full details and an online survey to find out your views on our future priorities will be available on our website.

W www.icag.org.uk

Dates for your diary

ICAG will have a stalls at the Gillespie Park Festival, which is on 11 Sept 1pm-5pm. And also at the Angel Canal Festival on Sept 4 from 11am until 5pm

Angel Canal Festival

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skyride

Skyride [formerly known as Freewheel] will be on Sept 4. See our website for details of led rides from Highbury Fields to Central London.

First Capital Connect

We understand the railway company First Capital Connect may have money to put cycling parking outside its stations. We'll be pursuing this!

4 thefts from these sheds in one night! Lock them well!



If you are using a Trimetal Protectacycle Bike Store bicycle shed make sure you use the main hasps! The shed is advertised as one of the safest but there have been a recent spate of thefts. In Highbury one night, thieves broke into 4 different sheds. The lid was secured only by the handle. The handle locking point for the padlocks was cut off allowing the thieves to lift the door.

The Protectacycle comes with two hasps on the front skirt that should be used with the padlocks supplied, to secure the bottom of the door. Make sure you use them! **JA** More at - www.icag.org.uk/posts/protectacycle

New bike shop on Old Street

The Bicycle Man bike shop has opened its doors, next door to "Look mum, no hands." 61 - 67 Old Street, EC1V 9HW Small discount to ICAG members. **W** www.thebicycleman.co.uk

This newsletter to go?

The expense of inserting newsletters into the London Cyclist may mean the ending of this black and white edition, inserted into London Cyclist. We are being urged to send borough news by email. An alternative would be producing a newsletter, but 'publishing' it only on our website.

Islington's Cycling officer

The Borough have a new cycle training officer, working in Road Safety & Special Projects. We hope to meet him soon. **C** David Shannon **T** 020 7527 4082 **E** David.Shannon@islington.gov.uk

Competition Winner

Well done to Andrew Ross who won the Bicycle mug, courtesy of the Big Tomato Company, from our June/July newsletter.

Bunhill Row Campaign



Photo credit: Jon Parker
From left to right Adrian Williams with placard, Suzy Kenyon and her children, Stephen Taylor, Bridget Peacock, Councillor Claudia Webbe, John Ackers, and Alison Dines. Two others were collecting signatures

We've been campaigning for 2-way cycling on Bunhill Row for some time. There's a site visit planned (ICAG members invited) and, according to the Islington Gazette, there is £176,000 allocated. Council Leader Catherine West referred to 'an excellent campaign by ICAG' in the same article. This was very pleasing

"But we got this far last year, plans drawn up, money allocated, but no implementation." said John Ackers, ICAG activist. With the backing of Leader Catherine West and Claudia Webb, maybe this time?

Have you voted for LCC?



If LCC have your current email address, you should have received an email inviting you to rank 4 key issues. LCC will use the most popular for a major, single issue campaign for the Mayoral and London Assembly Elections. If you haven't voted, it only takes a few minutes! The email comes from 'DemoChoice', and the subject reads 'You have been invited to take part in a DemoChoice poll.' If you haven't received an email, the membership team will be happy to put this right! **E** membership@lcc.org.uk **T** 020 7234 9310

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
W www.littlegreenride.blogspot.com

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.

Three 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? 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

To join the Veloteers e-group, email **E** icag_veloteers-subscribe@yahoogroups.com There is a Face book page; www.facebook.com and type in ICAG veloteers.

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