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## Kings Cross



**King Cross August 2008**  
(The side of the Station was being done up)



### King Cross July 2012

After a TfL redesign, there is now space for two vehicles to travel abreast into York Way from Grays Inn Road. They've made room for this by stopping traffic turning from Euston Road into York Way. We're not sure if it really improves things for cyclists. Traffic can travel faster through a gap wide enough for two and there's also a possibility of being pushed into the curb. A route for assertive cyclists!

### Buddhists and cycle maintenance!

This fund raising event for Highbury Roundhouse (ICAG to support) takes place one Saturday in early September. Details to follow on the website.

## Bunhill Row Contra-Flow

Travel as a cyclist from Old Street down Bunhill Row and you feel pleasantly welcomed. There's a segregated cycle lane until you reach the junction with Featherstone Street and if you want to go further, you wonder. There have been some road works - the broad pavement has been reduced, there's nothing forbidding cyclists going further...



The cyclist below wouldn't know whether he's legal or not - even though all the other traffic is going the other way.



There are notices up mainly saying that parking bays are being moved and that double yellow lines are going in. We wait for the next moves before we can say we've achieved the long awaited contra-flow cycling in Bunhill Row.

**Dates for your Dairy Canal Festival**  
**11am-5pm Sunday Sept 2**  
**Gillespie Park Festival**  
**1pm-5pm Sunday Sept 9**

### Drayton Park success?

Many words have been posted on our website about this scheme. We have to give credit to Sustrans who we believe made effective moves to have a rethink of the Drayton Park Width Restriction. The original concept was HGV ban on the road but in constructing a width restriction the Council met with our opposition. A new design has been drawn up which has pleased some, but not all! Maybe the joint campaign we ran with Living Streets, with a petition in Bike Week made some difference. We now wait for the new design to be put into effect. See [www.icag.org.uk/2012/drayton-park-width-revisted/](http://www.icag.org.uk/2012/drayton-park-width-revisted/)



Jono Kenyon discusses the present layout with a regular user of the route. Thanks to John Ackers for all the hard work he has done following this through.

# Bike week 2012

The sun shone on Bike Week!

All these photos taken by Suzy Kenyon.



This cyclist is the Mayor! Some photos from the Cool Down - not on the website.



The Food Glorious Food Ride, led by Chris Ashby

## The Little Green Ride

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  
W: [www.littlegreenride.blogspot.com](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.islington.gov.uk) and click on report a street problem. Or try [www.fixmystreet.com](http://www.fixmystreet.com)  
Rest of London, phone 0845 305 1234 or go to [www.tfl.gov.uk](http://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? If you would like to participate, send an email to:  
E: [icag-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto: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](mailto:icag-eng-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

We have a Facebook page; go to your page and type in Islington Cyclists Action Group.

## Contribute to Islington Cyclist

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## Council Training Courses

Over the summer holidays Islington Council is running free Bikeability cycle training courses. You also need to email David to let him know which COURSE & VENUE you are interested in.  
Dates: 3 August, 10 August,  
E [david.shannon@islington.gov.uk](mailto:david.shannon@islington.gov.uk)  
T 020 7527 4082  
W <http://bit.ly/GL01NL>

## Guest Editor needed

Anyone feel like putting this together next time? If it were me I'd be putting the weekend of Sept.22/23 aside - it doesn't take all weekend, but I find it best to allow plenty of time.  
C Keith Macfarlane  
E [249keith@waitrose.com](mailto:249keith@waitrose.com)

## How we keep in touch...

More people "follow us" on Twitter than there are members of our Yahoo group. Our Facebook page is well visited so is our website. We hope we're covering all the bases!

## From 10 Years Ago

Carl Lomas, boss of Camelot Courier Training and long time supporter of LCC, was awarded an MBE in the Golden Jubilee Queens Birthday List for services to training in the courier industry. Carl has been involved in training all forms of London couriers from pedal bike to motorcycle and van for ten years and his efforts were fundamental in putting together an NVQ qualification for couriers. Carl has printed this newsletter since the second issue and we think that should have been part of the citation! (Ed. At that time newsletters were photocopied by local groups and then put in the magazine by the local groups!)