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Getting ready for the 'off'



Leaving Highbury Fields



Our marshals at the end



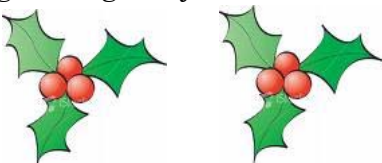
On September 23, ICAG marshals led a feeder ride of about 70 cyclists of all ages to join the Freewheel. It was a tremendous celebration of cycling in London. An estimated 38,000 cyclists turned out – Transport for London is planning another [bigger] event next year. It is rumoured that it cost £1.5m. There was a huge amount of work done at LCC office, not recognised by many!

Sadly Familiar Notice

An appeal for witnesses to a crash on September 19 on Holloway Road went up recently. The crash involved a cyclist, but we understand that there was no fatality. See "Seeds have been sown."

Season's greetings

We hope all our members enjoy the holiday. Festive greetings to you all.



Were you there?

By the time this reaches you, the Climate Change Bike Ride will probably have happened – December 8. There's only one planet. There'll be a report in the next edition. The website is <http://www.campaigncc.org/cycle.shtml>

Critical Mass

Critical Mass continues to leave Waterloo at 7.00pm on the last Friday of every month - December 28 and January 25 are the next dates. There is a feeder ride led by Chris Ashby which departs at 6.15pm prompt from outside Islington Town Hall.
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Christmas Ride...

Meet outside Islington Town Hall 4.00pm, December 22 for a ride to the Christmas Lights. There may even be a stop for mince pies and refreshments. The final stop will be in a 'hostelry' in Islington.

Seeds have been sown

The Road Danger Reduction Campaign (tentative name) is a consequence of the latest cycle 'incident' in Holloway Road. We are at the start of an initiative to "raise the awareness of the need for motorists in Islington to take more responsibility for their driving especially around more vulnerable road users."

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Colebrooke Row News

Transport for London is looking at the route across the triangle of land between Goswell and City Roads and a better alignment into Owen Street, as well as an improved crossing of City Road. Designs of all these proposals will be circulated to ICAG and other stakeholders for comment in January 2008. Construction work is scheduled for spring 2008.

Cycle Stands in Holloway Road

Four ICAG members spent an afternoon noting places to put cycle stands in Holloway Road. The list is now with Transport for London; they hope to have some stands in position by April 2008.

Cycling Walking Project

Islington has a scheme in the Connect2 project and could win £600,000 to facilitate walking and cycling improvements in the borough. Register your support for Islington online at

www.islington.gov.uk/connect2 More info at www.sustransconnect2.org.uk

Cycle Show at Earl's Court



ICAG volunteers were at the LCC stand and 116 new members joined up. Chris Ashby, from ICAG, is shown above with the bike that one of the new members won.

Website News

After a meeting, a list of subjects has been drawn up to go on the site. Those present at the November ICAG meeting were asked to send relevant information to the volunteer web builder. If you have any thoughts, please send them to Keith and he'll forward them. E 249keith@waitrose.com

Someone should tell Transport for London!



The nearest poster in this photo, taken on November 10, says "Summer is here." There are others on display in other venues too.

Penton Rise

At a site meeting in Penton Rise, a cyclist was knocked off his bike, proving the dangers of this junction to the officials there – see Islington Gazette November 7. ICAG was not represented. According to Transport for London, some of the "minor" sign and line works have been completed with some remaining sign and anti skid work due weekend of November 17/18 - weather permitting. We understand that Transport for London is looking at a number of design changes to the junction.

Little Green Ride Dates

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

Contact: Stephen Taylor

Telephone: 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

Contact: Adrian Williams

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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 p.m.

Contact: Alison Dines

Telephone: 020 7226 7012

Agenda items for meetings should reach Alison Dines by the Saturday before the meeting.

ICAG Email Group

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

Reporting Potholes

In Islington, phone 020 7527 2000 or go to

<http://www.islington.gov.uk/Doit/Onlineforms/reportproblem.asp> Rest of London 0845 305 1234 or go to <http://www.TransportforLondon.gov.uk/roadusers/reportastreetfault/934.aspx>

Contribute to Islington Cyclist

Please send any articles or images to:

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