

RIDES & EVENTS

all rides meet on top of the Green Bridge in Mile End Park over Mile End Road A11 unless otherwise stated. Please check with the rides calendar on the website before you set off.

Sunday, 17th Sept.

RIDE: Century Ride

Fast paced 100 mile ride.

Contact [Steve](#) call/text 07870 365533.

Wednesday, 20th Sept.

Easy RIDE: Afterworker - last of the summer

Don't forget lights.

Contact [Owen](#) call/text 07903 018970.

Saturday, 23rd September

Wheeler's Bicycle Maintenance

Workshop

CORRECTION Advertised on wrong date - will actually be held on 30th September, see below.

Sunday, 24th September

RIDE: Afternoon Tea at Abridge Ride

An afternoon ride in Hertfordshire to include the last home-made church tea for the year at Abridge. Train to Ware then short ride from there to tea at Abridge then flat roads back into town. Expect about 50-60km all of which will be on road.

Meet Liverpool Street at 13:20 for 13:43 to Ware, arrives 14:25 where I will be waiting.

NOTE: I will be riding out to meet the train and am happy to have company for the morning session. If you want to ride out with me you must let me know so we can make arrangements.

Contact: [Ken Peters](#) call/text 07968

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Saturday, 30th Sept East London 'Get Cycling' Day

Victoria Park, 12-4pm.

Full details to follow but there's this lot for starters: cycle training, cycle try-outs, cycle rides, Dr Bike and mini maintenance workshops, fun stuff, obstacle courses, cycling information and advice stall, cycle parking.

Saturday, 30th September Wheelers Bicycle Maintenance Workshop

NOTE LOCATION! We will be in Victoria Park, come and join in all the activities...

October 2006

Wednesday, 11th October

Monthly Wheelers Meeting

Meet at (venue tba) 7.30-9.00pm - everyone welcome. Followed by a visit to a local pub from 9.15pm. Contact [Owen](#).

13th-15th October Wheelers Autumn

Norfolk Weekend Away

A long weekend cycling around Norfolk.

Saturday, 28th October Wheelers

Bicycle Maintenance Workshop

Limehouse Town Hall 11.00- 3.00pm

November 2006

Wednesday 8th Nov.

Monthly Wheelers Meeting

Venue TBA 7.30- 9.00pm everyone welcome. Followed by a visit to a local pub from 9.15

Saturday, 25th November

Wheelers Bicycle Maintenance

Workshop 11.00am-3.00pm at

Limehouse Town Hall [\[map\]](#). Full details on our [workshop page](#).

December 2006

Wednesday, 13th December

Monthly Wheelers Meeting

Meet at (venue tba) 7.30-9.00pm

- everyone welcome. Followed by a visit to a local pub from 9.15pm. Contact [Owen](#).

Wheelers Bicycle Maintenance

Workshop -No workshop in

December.

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Please refer to the website for full details and dates of Rides



We have a large range of bikes in stock by all you're favourite makers with lots of space for you to take you're time choosing the right bike in the right size.

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East London Cyclist

The newsletter of Tower Hamlets Wheelers/ London Cycling Campaign OCT-NOV 2006

Cyclists Battle .in

London Borough of Tower Hamlets - Notice

The work has begun on cable Street last week between Glamis Road and Brodlove Lane. The work will consist of implementing segregated contra-flow cycle route on the north side of Cable Street and re-paving footway including improvements to the junction of Davenport St. with CableStreet.

The works are expected to finish within 6 weeks and the Council would like to apologies for the inconvenience caused during this period whilst the works are going on. For further information on this scheme or any other cycle projects in the Borough pleasecontact; Tom Rawling - Pool Engineer
Tel: 0207 364 6704

Ashraf Ali - Project Manager Tel: 0207 364 6793



Cable Street riding east towards the No Entry now effective for cyclists

Commuting or liesure cyclists making use of the cycle lanes along Cable Street can tell a years worth of stories about the inconvenience caused by the never ending road works. Tower Hamlets Wheelers have witnessed accidents and many cyclists taking chances attempting to negotiate various hazards caused by



the continuing works.

Tower Hamlets Project Manager,

Ashraf Ali, has kindly informed us of the current disruption between Glamis Road and Brodlove Lane. We had a ride along there today to find the work is well under way and the result should be an improved facility. **In the mean time there is no eastbound cycle provision whatsoever in this one-way section.** Parking has not been suspended and the road is narrow. Walking on the footpath is the only option! A passing cyclist said, "In the mornings you can't even use the footpath there's so many pedestrians going to work or school, I've already seen some near accidents, the sooner its all finished the better." *Tower Hamlets Wheelers urge you to be very careful using this stretch of Cable Street or try and use alternative routes.*

CYCLE TRAILER AUCTION SUPPORTS CYCLISTS DEFENCE FUND

- Tower Hamlets cyclists raise £325 towards court appeal -



Gary's Trailer in use

To help raise the profile of the issue, Tower Hamlets Wheelers member Gary Cummins decided to auction his bicycle trailer and donate the sum raised to the Cyclists Defence Fund.

Gary explained "Wheelers were in need of a trailer for our local cycle promotion work, for ferrying parts to our free bicycle workshop, and even for collection large items of shopping for members of the group. The auction has enabled

Wheelers to improve its services and has assisted the Cyclists Defence Fund with an important court appeal."

Owen Pearson, co-ordinator of Tower Hamlets Wheelers said "This prosecution has questioned the rights of cyclists as road users. The existence of a cycle facility doesn't mean using it is the safest and easiest option for a cyclist to take. With countless examples of sub-standard cycle facilities nationwide we reject any steps taken that limit the choice of where to ride." He continued "Wheelers are extremely grateful for Gary's generosity as well as all

those in the Tower Hamlets cycling community who made a donation and support this cause."

TOUR DE FRANCE - in London

We are looking for an early indication from cyclists, returners to cycling and special groups in the LB of Tower Hamlets who would like "front row seats" in Hyde Park for the 2007 Tour de France race. The London Cycling Campaign are hoping to have space allocated for affiliated groups who are promoting cycling initiatives across the diverse communities of the London Boroughs. Call or email if you or your group would like to be considered for some of these seats.

Chas and Dave give local charity a good East End finale at the St Barnabus Fete

Tower Hamlets Wheelers actively work towards making cycling a safer and enjoyable form of transport. Part of that work involves campaigning behind the scenes on road plans and routes with agencies such as Transport for London and The London Borough of Tower Hamlets. To support this campaigning we can be seen at most public events in the Borough. This photo shows some Wheelers giving advice to visitors to our stand at the St Barnabus Fete which took place in Mile End on Saturday 2nd September. Sadly, the windy grey weather kept the crowds that attended the hot 2005 event small but it was good to see and hear Chas and Dave close the event with a real East End knees up. BE THERE NEXT YEAR.



East London bicycle campaign group Tower Hamlets Wheelers has raised £325 to donate to the Cyclists Defence Fund following the recent publicity of the Daniel Cadden court case.

Mr Cadden was prosecuted for inconsiderate cycling after being stopped by police when riding on the highway when there was an adjacent cycle track. This judgement has sent alarm bells ringing amongst the cycling community regarding the rights of cyclists to use the road.

The 'Get Cycling' event is on Saturday 30th September from 12 - 4pm in Victoria Park.

New Bike Shop Opens

Brick Lane Bikes have opened a new shop at 118 Bethnal Green Road, London. E2 6DG 0207 033 9053 On the corner of Brick Lane and Bethnal Green Road

OLYMPICS

Routes are being studied along East London's waterways pending the planning for the 2012 Olympic Games and Paralympic Games

Last week on September 8th a recent consultation on Olympic waterways closed and we're hoping as many of those who read our group emails were able to send in some feedback.

Consultees were asked to identify the key advantages and disadvantages and who would benefit from improvements to waterside paths.

Potential for high medium or low quality use by walkers and cyclists was also requested in respect of the use of the paths after the Olympic Games have finished.

From the survey, we can see that the flagship routes are the Regents Canal, the River Lea, Limehouse Cut, the Thames Embankment (North side)

Old River Lea-City Mill River/Waterworks River.(that pass through the middle of the Olympic site).

Overall the advantage for cyclists could be the ease of riding between the River Leyton Stratford and Hackney. Three London Boroughs border the Olympic site and the development of the International railway station could even make Continental cycling a short ride away.

Columbia Road Flower Market Sunday 24th September 11-2pm Free advice and info on Bike Security



<http://www.towerhamletswheelers.org.uk/>

Tower Hamlets Wheelers Bicycle maintenance workshops

Usually held on the last Saturday of each month (next one on 30th Sept Victoria Park), we hold a cycle maintenance workshop in the Borough.

These well attended sessions last from around 11am through till 3.00p.m.

We have a good selection of tools and a few willing pairs of hands ready to help you with maintaining your bike in peak condition for safe riding.

If you have some work to do on your bike and have any parts required to fix it, bring the bike and the parts along and tap into our experts skills to help with the work.

Owen, our coordinator says " I find this [workshop] one of the best events of the Wheelers month, its a positive way to help and it goes a long way to improve cycling fellowship."

"Now is the time to take a careful look at your bike and get it ready for your autumn and winter riding. You should concentrate on brakes, steering gears and ensure that all the running gear, cogs, axles and chain are cleaned and oiled ready to help repel the wetter months weather."

Wheelers can also give advice on bicycle security

**We hold the workshops in Limehouse Town Hall, press the "Boxing Club" bell. 30 Sept in Victoria Park!!

Due to the imminent refurbishing works on Limehouse Town Hall we urgently need to establish a new venue for the workshops. If you know of a suitable place where we can erect three Bike stands in a warm and dry location with reasonable lighting on one Saturday each month please contact Owen (contacts page 4) or email owen@towerhamletswheelers.org.uk