

The Southwark Cyclist

June / July 2006



BIKE WEEK and LONDON ARCHITECTURE BIENNALE: SATURDAY, 17TH – SUNDAY, 25TH JUNE 2006

Southwark Cyclists working in conjunction with the **London Architecture Biennale: *Reinventing the Bike Shed*** – new solutions to the problem of bike parking in public places, work places and the home www.londonbiennale.org.uk. Also check out our website www.southwarkcyclists.org.uk for regular updates

		<i>Thu 15th</i>	<i>Fri 16th</i>	<i>Sat 17th</i>	<i>Sun 18th</i>	
Visit us or help out at the Southwark Cyclists stall outside Evans London Bridge every weekday evening at 5.30pm, followed by evening rides each weekday leaving from the stall at 6.30pm		All rides start at Southwark Needle, south side of London Bridge	London Architectural Biennale (LAB) evening launch of Reinventing the Bike Shed exhibition at On Your Bike, Tooley Street	Reinventing the Bike Shed exhibition opens	10am: Thames loop ride includes visiting Putney and Woolwich, all day.	LAB Culture Ride LAB Bike Shed workshop – seminar Bike Magic day at Peckham Canal Head – stunt riders, etc.
<i>Mon 19th</i>	<i>Tue 20th</i>	<i>Wed 21st</i>	<i>Thu 22nd</i>	<i>Fri 23rd</i>	<i>Sat 24th</i>	<i>Sun 25th</i>
LAB Housing classics ride	6.30pm: Royal Parks ride with Kit. Gentle ride around the parks – Regents Park, Hyde Park, Green Park, St. James's Park <i>To bed early for the Midsummer Madness Ride ...</i>	2.30am: depart from Southwark Needle 3.30am: coffee in Soho at Bar Italia 4.00am: Primrose Hill 4.43am: Summer Solstice sunrise, followed by a ride to the Globe Theatre for breakfast	LAB Urban Change ride	6.00am: Change and Exchange, London markets ride – from Borough to Billingsgate and beyond, to see how they've endured through the centuries and adapted to the changing needs of Londoners 6.30pm: Evening river ride to Erith and back	LAB water ride, led by John Grimshaw, Sustrans	Ride to see the Olympic sites – all day 7.00pm: Picnic whilst watching the river traffic and the sun setting over Tower Bridge, next to the Angel pub, 101 Bermondsey Wall East, Rotherhithe SE16 4NB
Detailed information unavailable at time of going to press, so please watch the website www.southwarkcyclists.org.uk or call Barry on 07905 889005						

OTHER DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Wed. 14th June and Wed. 12th July: Monthly meetings at 7.00 – 8.30pm at Blackfriars Settlement, 1-5 Rushmore Street, SE1. Park bikes indoors. Pub afterwards at The Crown, 108 Blackfriars Road.

Thursdays throughout the summer months: After-workers leaving at 6.30pm from Southwark Needle, south side of London Bridge. Sometimes riding east, sometimes west, sometimes north, sometimes south... Call Barry or look at the website.

First Friday of the month, 6.45-7pm: departing from National Film Theatre, South Bank. Gentle-paced ride around central London or along the Thames.

Sat. 1st July: Riding the 2007 Tour Stage 1 Meet 8am: Buckingham Palace. 9am: Southwark Needle. 10am: Cutty Sark Gardens, Greenwich. The ride follows stage 1 of the Tour de France 2007 to Gravesend, Medway, Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells, Tenterden, Ashford, Canterbury, about 90 miles. A sociable stay-together ride, not a race, but fast-moving – not for wimps! No support or crowds to cheer you on the way. Get in to training now. Speak to Barry for further info.

Sat. 8th / Sun. 9th July: Dunwich Dynamo. An unsupported, overnight ride to Dunwich Beach in Suffolk. Once out of London, it's mostly deserted country lanes. But it's 120 miles. A long, long way. Tickets for coach back on Sunday at 1.00pm = £13 until 30th June. After that, you pay £20. FAQs on our website: www.southwarkcyclists.org.uk

Sun. 16th July: Rotherhithe Festival, 11am – 9pm. Russia Dock Woodlands and other Rotherhithe sites. Rides will take place at 11am, 1pm and 3pm starting from the festival hub on Russia Dock Woodlands. Music, workshops, children's activities, arts activities, local groups and stalls, food and a chance to visit the many fascinating local attractions. Updates on website.

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Sat. 22nd July: Karen's Kent Knockabout. Fast ride leaving at 10am from Cutty Sark Gardens, on-road to Wilmington for elevenses at Karen's, then cycling on quiet roads with some hills in beautiful Kent countryside. Pub lunch, visit to The Hop Shop at Castle Farm to purchase farm foods and beautiful jewellery. Cycle back to Greenwich/optional train journey from Crayford Station. Approximately 40 miles. Call Karen 07854 017438 or Sue 07977 463638 for further information.

August Bank Holiday weekend: Wild Wales Challenge at Bala. Book your place now for the Bala Backpackers Hostel, the transport and a fun weekend (all for £83), oh, and the 90 mile ride up and down a few hills. Email kservadei@aol.com to book.

BOROUGH NEWS ... BOROUGH NEWS ... BOROUGH NEWS ...

Bermondsey Street – Southwark Council have adopted this space as a project and seem keen on the “shared space” concept the the street/area.

Walworth Road project – construction of phase 1 of 250 to 300 metres from Larcom Street will start in July 2006. The intention is to give even priority (shared space) for cyclists, pedestrians and other road users. There will be extensive planting of semi-mature trees, innovative design and minimum "clutter" (including the removal of all pedestrian guard rails and removal of non-essential road signage), and ample cycle parking (racks) will be provided.

Bricklayers Arms flyover – rumours are that, after plenty of lobbying, Southwark Council and TfL have agreed that the flyover should be demolished due to the huge maintenance costs, and the roundabout reduced. Great news! It's a horrifying experience for even the most experienced cyclist.

Burgess Park Bike Track – fully operational and open every day and at weekends, and will open late some nights during the summer. Plans are afoot to do adult training soon.

ELECTION RESULTS, 4th May 2006

Great news that Jenny Jones was re-elected – Green Party member of the GLA, former Deputy Mayor, member of the Metropolitan Police Authority, the Mayor's Road Safety Ambassador, she campaigns for better facilities for cyclists and pedestrians, for improved access to public transport for those with mobility problems, and is a strong advocate for the congestion charging scheme.

We're also pleased to see that Richard Thomas, Liberal Democrat Executive Member for Environment and Transport, regular cyclist and occasional attendee of Southwark Cyclists' monthly meetings, was also re-elected.



Boring but necessary stuff!

IMMOBILISE BICYCLE CRIME – to protect your bike, register it with www.immobilise.com

Disagreements with buses?

Tel: 0200 7918 4300. Email: customerservices@tfl-buses.co.uk. Give them as much info as you can such as time, date, route no., registration no.

Potholes in the borough? Email: environment@southwark.gov.uk

Faults in TfL roads?

Tel. 0845 305 1234.

<http://streetfaults.tfl.gov.uk/lnewfaults.html>

SOUTHWARK CYCLISTS IS FOR EVERYONE WHO LIKES WHAT WE DO, NO MATTER WHERE YOU LIVE. CHECK OUT [WWW.LCC.ORG.UK](http://www.lcc.org.uk) FOR LINKS TO BOROUGH GROUPS ALL OVER LONDON.

Southwark Cyclists' Management Committee: Borough Co-ordinator – Barry Mason; Secretary – Colin Hartridge-Price; Treasurer – Hugh Bolton; Campaigns Group Leader – Eleanor Purser; Rides Co-ordinator – Ten; Webmaster – Kit Reynolds; Press Officer – Adam Maddison; Sustrans Liaison Officer – Geraldine Mason, and Newsletter Editor – Sue Richards