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Making Australia more bicycle friendly requires action, commitment, innovation, vision and persistence

These Awards recognise the invaluable contribution made by individuals and organisations around Australia towards promoting and encouraging cycling

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Foreword



Making Australia more bicycle friendly requires action, commitment, innovation, vision and persistence. Without the work of dedicated individuals and organisations, many of the facilities and initiatives we take for granted today would not be here.

The Cycling Promotion Fund, an initiative of Bicycle Industries Australia Ltd, believes that recognising innovation and commitment is vital in maintaining momentum and sustaining action around Australia. To achieve this we established the Bicycling Achievement Awards in 2002.

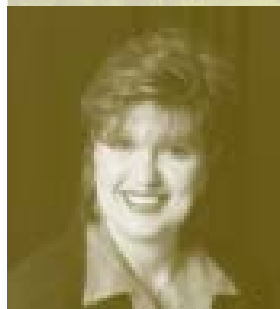
Since their inception the range and quality of nominations has been increasing, illustrating the excellent work happening around Australia in shaping the future of bicycling. The diversity and quality of this year's applications is a testimony to the progress that is being made, and to the dedication and commitment of individuals and organisations.

This booklet provides a summary of the nominations and winners and aims to share information about projects that promote cycling and/or make a contribution towards improving conditions for bicycle riders. Hopefully they will be a catalyst for continuing progress. For more information on specific projects or groups, please contact the individuals concerned.

We fully recognise that many excellent projects and initiatives are happening around Australia that are not included in this booklet and are deserving of recognition. Please, let us know about them and consider nominating projects and individuals for next year's Awards.

The bicycle industry, through the Cycling Promotion Fund, congratulates all nominees and winners and express our appreciation to the nominators for highlighting the great contributions towards making Australia a truly bicycle friendly country.

Rosemarie Speidel
Program Director
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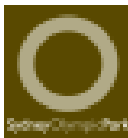
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The Award Categories

Cycling Promotion Award of the Year

Sponsored by the Bicycle Federation of Australia

This award seeks to recognise the special achievement of individuals whose achievements have demonstrated excellence, innovation and commitment to promoting and encouraging cycling.

Special Achievement Award for a Bicycle Organisation

Sponsored by the Cycling Promotion Fund

Bicycle organisations of all kinds have been fundamental in raising awareness of cycling issues, lobbying for improved conditions for bicycle riders, promoting cycling and providing support for bicycle riders.

This award seeks to recognise excellence, innovation and special achievement in promoting and encouraging cycling and in achieving improved conditions for bicycle riders. The relative size and budget of the organisation was taken into consideration when judging this award.

Local Government Award for Special Initiative to Encourage and Promote Cycling

Sponsored by the Department of the Environment and Heritage, Australian Greenhouse Office

Local Government plays a vital role in promoting and encouraging cycling through planning, design, traffic management, investment and other relevant initiatives.

This award seeks to recognise innovative approaches by Local Government in making their communities more bicycle friendly and/or in promoting and encouraging cycling.

Award for an Educational Institution for Innovation in Encouraging Cycling to School

Sponsored by Bicycle Industries Australia Ltd

Cycling to school provides opportunity for increased physical activity, encourages independence, improves self-confidence, reduces congestion around schools and fosters social interaction. Sadly the number of children riding to school has been in decline. This award seeks to recognise commitment and innovation in promoting and encouraging cycling to school.



The Award Categories

Award for Bicycle Friendly Business

Sponsored by Sydney Olympic Park Authority

Businesses can encourage cycling by providing cycle friendly facilities. Those that cater for the needs of bicycle riders by offering services, meals or products specially designed for riders, and/or assisting in the promotion of cycling by providing relevant information not only encourage cycling but also gain loyal customers. This award seeks to recognise a business that caters for bicycle riders by being responsive to their needs.

Award for Contribution Towards Cycling by a Politician

Sponsored by Australian Cyclist

Politicians at Local, State and Federal Government levels can make a vital contribution by acting as a champion for bicycle initiatives and projects in their electorates or during Government policy formation.

This award recognises a special achievement by a politician who has by their own example, or by the implementation of a project or policy, promoted bicycle riding.



Cycling Promotion Award of the Year

OVERALL WINNER

Sergeant Adam Bernhardt

NSW Police Bicycle Patrol Coordinator



Sergeant Bernhardt's vision and commitment as coordinator and chief instructor of the NSW Police Bicycle Patrol Unit has been exceptional. His research into police bicycle patrol training, risk management, training management and standards of equipment and uniform led to changes which improved safety and efficiency and set benchmarks in Australia and internationally. He has played an instrumental role in the establishment of a dedicated Bicycle Patrol Training Facility, the only one in Australia. NSW Police has increased the Bicycle Patrol Unit from 300 to 600 officers and the unit has an impressive record of performance in routine and emergency service. Bike patrols have seen a phenomenal resurgence around the world because of their inherent qualities of speed, stealth and ease of penetration into congested areas.

Adam has successfully lifted the profile of the Bicycle Patrol Unit within the NSW Police and his work within the community is breaking down some of the barriers between police and bicycle riders. He is a member of the Bicycle Advisory Committee in NSW, worked with Bicycle NSW at the Festival of Cycling in October, and on his own time and at his own expense, spoke at the 15th Annual International Police Mountain Bike Association Conference in Los Angeles.

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Cycling Promotion Award of the Year – Professional Category

WINNER

Dr Chris Rissel

Director Health Promotion Unit, Sydney South West Area Health Service

Dr Rissel is a passionate cycling advocate at the professional, community and personal level. He plays an instrumental role within the health sector, raising awareness of the many health benefits increased cycling can provide individuals, communities and governments.

He has undertaken extensive research and development relating to cycling to provide valuable evidence, and has had many articles published. Under his leadership the Sydney South West Area Health Service has developed a travel access map (that receives the most amount of hits to the Health Promotion Unit's website), policies and procedures that promote and encourage staff and visitors to ride, and has run cycling proficiency classes to increase

skills and confidence.

Chris' workplace advocacy has seen the installation of new bike racks and showers, and his professional advocacy saw him provide evidence to the House of Representative Inquiry into Sustainable Cities, that was highly regarded by the Chair. Chris is also an active member of his local Bicycle User Group, ASHBUG.

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Cycling Promotion Award of the Year – Professional Category

HONOURABLE MENTION

Peter Solly

Executive Director, Bicycle SA

For the past nine years, Peter has been an innovative champion of cycling. He created SA's first State Mountain Bike Plan, the first of its kind in Australia, and was involved in the redevelopment of the iconic Mawson Trail. He was integral in the creation of the Mountain Bike Alliance, a state-wide charitable trust, and has been a major driver of a Cyclist and Pedestrian Taskforce.

He created Bicycle SA's 'whole of Government' cycling blueprint that relates

the health, environmental, tourism, transport and recreational benefits of cycling to the strategic goals and requirements of relevant government departments.

Peter is also an executive member of the Cycling Promotion Alliance working at strengthening the voice of bicycle riders at the national level.

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NOMINEES

Bruce Ashley

Director, The Environment Works & Chain Gang Press

Bruce has played an active role in the planning of many cycling facilities including Sydney Olympic Park, comprising 35km of bike paths in the heart of Sydney. He has produced many bike maps and published

Bike-it Sydney! A Back Street Guide for Cyclists. He obtained funding for the Hawthorne Canal Active Transport study to increase cycling trips.

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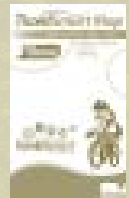
Damon Rao

Project Manager, Department of Infrastructure VIC

Damon has conceived and developed TravelSmart maps that provide integrated cycling and public transport information across multiple Melbourne municipalities. In developing them, Damon met with cyclists, bicycle user groups and bike couriers to

build a complete picture of commonly used bicycle routes. The maps include a set of empowering cycling tips, including riding in traffic and avoiding car doors.

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Cycling Promotion Award of the Year – Professional Category

NOMINEES

Colin Rose

**Manager Community Relations,
Asthma Foundation of WA**

In 2005 Colin undertook to run a cycling event for the first time. The Freeway Bike Hike for Asthma took place on a closed freeway and attracted nearly 7,000 riders, exceeding all expectations. Major partnerships were established and over 40

primary school children acted as ambassadors and promoted the event at their schools. It has become an annual event promoting cycling and raising funds.

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Warren Salomon

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Warren has attained many achievements for cyclists over the last 30 years. He established the annual 'Sydney to Gong' bike ride, developed the NSW Action for Bikes – Bikeplan 2010 and the Queensland

Cycle Strategy. He also developed the NSW Bicycle Guidelines and runs professional development to ensure the guidelines are being adapted.

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Martin Spencer

City of Melville WA

As Melville's former Travel Smart Officer, Martin organised several family-friendly cycling events. He was the prime mover for an annual "Bike to Breakfast", persuading the Mayor and some Councillors to cycle to the event. He was the main catalyst for the

completion of local components of the cycling network and arranged for the installation of superior bike parking in strategic locations.

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Peter Watts

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Peter successfully and almost single-handedly operates at a Senior Executive level within government to maintain the profile of cycling within the Transport and Planning departments and to encourage a vision for cycling development across all

areas of government responsibility. His approach ties cycling into community life by focussing beyond 'road' transport to include health, environmental and community outcomes.

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Cycling Promotion Award of the Year – Honorary Category

WINNER

Dr Rod Katz

President,
Bicycle Federation of Australia

Rod has made a significant contribution to cycling at the national level in his role as president of the Bicycle Federation of Australia (BFA). He is committed, persistent, diplomatic, informed and considered. Under his leadership, the BFA has run two successful national conferences, has managed a number of Government funded projects and has been building stronger linkages with other cycling stakeholders through the Cycling Promotion Alliance.

Rod spearheaded an approach that secured federal funding for developing the

Bikeability Toolkit. The toolkit can be used by local and state government officers, planners and community groups to help identify barriers and opportunities to create physical environments which encourage cycling for children, commuters and recreational riders.

Rod has retired as the President of the BFA but will maintain his involvement in cycling as a trustee of the Amy Gillett Safe Cycling Foundation that he was instrumental in establishing.

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Bicycle Achievement Award of the Year – Honorary Category

HONOURABLE MENTION

Michael Oxer Secretary, East Gippsland Rail Trail

Michael has been a successful cycling advocate for three decades, promoting the benefits of cycling, working to get greater Government investment and encouraging more people to enjoy cycling. Before his retirement, he was a President of Bicycle Victoria, member of numerous bicycle advisory councils, committee member of a range of bicycle user groups, member of the Australian Bicycle Council and President of Railtrails Australia. He also was instrumental in working with the bicycle industry in establishing Bicycle Industries Australia Ltd., Retail Cycle Traders Australia and the Cycling Promotion Fund.

More recently, he has been working hard to lift the profile of the Rail Trail in East Gippsland and helped to attract federal

funding to complete the trail to Orbost. He currently edits the Railtrails Australia newsletter.

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NOMINEES

Chris Bland Trails Advocate & Trails & Access Officer, Mountain Bike Australia Trails and Fat Tyre Flyers VIC

Chris is involved in the development of mountain bike and recreational trails in Victoria. He was involved in the creation of the mountain bike course and other trails at Lysterfield National Park for the

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Luke Chiu President, Glenorchy Mountain Bike Park Association TAS

Luke demonstrated commitment and dedication to mountain biking by developing a mountain bike policy for Mt Wellington in Hobart and in coordinating and promoting a mountain bike facility at Tolosa Park in Glenorchy. Trails were constructed in

accordance with standards to ensure sustainability. Olympic course designer, Glen Jacobs, has described the park as "the best course in Australia".

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Bicycle Achievement Award of the Year – Honorary Category

NOMINEES

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President, Great Southern Rail Trail, VIC

Eric has worked tirelessly on the Great Southern Rail Trail for the last nine years. He helped to kick start the idea and oversaw the development of the trail between

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Jason den Hollander

Webmaster, Boroondara BUG VIC

Jason joined the Boroondara BUG 18 months ago. In that short time, he has enthusiastically revamped the BUG's website, campaigned for road and trail improvements, and was instrumental in the conversion of his daughter's school's annual

walk-a-thon into a bike-a-thon. 190 of the 220 students rode bikes that day! Jason has recently been elected to the Board of Bicycle Victoria.

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Bruce Dickey

President,
Fat Tyre Flyers Mountain Bike Club VIC

The Fat Tyre Flyers are arguably the most active mountain bike club in Australia, hosting many events including the MTBA National Championships in 2004 and 2005. Their activity and success is largely due to

Bruce's innovation and leadership. He's often the instigator of events, motivates others to volunteer and puts in many unpaid hours himself.

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Cycling Promotion Award of the Year – Honorary Category

NOMINEES



Lynn Gunning **Executive Manager – Health Promotion, Peak Health Management VIC**

An avid cyclist, Lynn has been involved in the Revolutions for Women project, is a regular contributor to Bicycle Victoria's Ride On magazine and has published cycling

articles in Australian Mountain Biking, Ultrafit and the recently launched women's cycling website. Lynn was also involved in gaining sponsorship for Ride to Work Day brochures.

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Gemma Kernich **President, SA Cycling Federation**

When appointed, Gemma was the youngest ever President of the SA Cycling Federation and is only the second woman to hold this position. She was successful working with a community sponsor in

gaining a grant for 'J-Cycle', a community program to introduce cycling to disadvantaged young people that raises cycling skills and builds self-esteem.

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Frank Kinnersley **Cycling Advocate, VIC**

Frank has been a tireless cycling advocate for many years, more recently in Moonee Valley and adjacent areas. He sits on local advisory committees and has arranged site meetings at locations that need

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John Myles **Wangaratta BUG, VIC**

John is one of northeast Victoria's strongest cycling advocates. He largely masterminded the inaugural Audax Kelly Classic 2005 and helps to organise Wangaratta BUG's Combined BUGs Long Weekend event. He is actively involved in the Murray to the

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Cycling Promotion Award of the Year – Honorary Category

NOMINEES

Alan Parker

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A founding member of Bicycle Victoria and the Bicycle Federation of Australia, Alan has worked for years to improve active transport access and infrastructure. He has conducted extensive research and written

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Tony Shields

Honorary Advocacy Team Leader,
Pedal Power ACT

Tony is inspirational, pragmatic and focused. He has led the Advocacy Team in achieving many positive outcomes for cyclists, such as: trials of bike racks on buses, a 10 year Cycling and Walking Master Plan and

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Tim Stredwick

President, Bicycle Tasmania

Tim has revitalised Bicycle Tasmania (BT) in his five years as President. He has organised BT representation on all local council bicycle committees and a successful national letter-writing campaign

to reduce Spirit of Tasmania ferry charges to bicycles. His booklet encouraging cycle commuting, *It's Easier than You Think*, is in its second edition.

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Special Achievement Award for a Bicycle Organisation

JOINT WINNER

Bicycle South Australia

Established in 1982, Bicycle SA has become increasingly involved in community development centred on cycling, cycle education for children, environmentally sustainable cycling practices and cyclist advocacy advice. Its mission is 'More South Australian's cycling in Safer, Healthier Communities.'

Bicycle SA recognises that social disadvantage is a persistent barrier to cycling that needs to be overcome if it is to achieve its mission. In 2005 Bicycle SA ran two pilot projects that focused on cycling, community development, self-esteem and responsibility:

Team Bicycle SA uses endurance mountain biking to provide a healthy outlet for physical activity, promote teamwork, build cycling skills, increased fitness and responsibility.

The Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yanunytjatjara Lands Bicycle Programs involves the delivery of a pool of bicycles to three community schools, as well as maintenance sessions, class rides, school races, BMX track building, program planning with teachers and meeting the community.

Activities vary from literacy lessons based around bicycle parts, video production of footage of class rides and advanced mechanics training sessions.

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Special Achievement Award for a Bicycle Organisation

JOINT WINNER

Berwick HPV & Cycling Club Inc. VIC

Berwick HPV (Human Powered Vehicle) & Cycling Club is a motivated group of parents, teachers, past students and interested cyclists, based in South Eastern Melbourne. The fastest-growing Victorian local government areas, Casey & Cardinia, are part of the club's community, and they suffer from a serious lack of cycling infrastructure and the region has the State's lowest percentage participation in cycling. The Club was formed with the express intent to encourage the regular involvement of local people in cycling related activities.

The Club has achieved some fabulous outcomes. It's first 'Cycling Festival', for instance, attracted over 1200 people, plus

over 15 parents attended the Cycle Sport Victoria 'Train-the-Trainer' Coaching clinics which the club sponsored. The Club has held three community 'Introductory Ride' days, to encourage new riders to participate in HPV and cycling activities and it assists schools and community groups to become more actively involved in regular cycling activities, resulting in a documented increase of over 200 students regularly participating in cycling activities this year. The club is also working with local community leaders to introduce cycling and HPV activities to a very economically challenged community as part of a nearby 'Neighbourhood Renewal' Program.

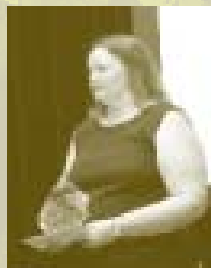
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Special Achievement Award for a Bicycle Organisation

NOMINEES

City of Yarra staff BUG VIC

Yarra staff BUG developed a number of new initiatives to encourage more staff to cycle last year, and its membership increased 100%. Free spinning classes, bike rides, quarterly ride to work breakfasts and bicycle maintenance classes are

available to all staff members and Council provides a subsidy to BUG members who take out Bicycle Victoria and Bike Assist membership.

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Hervey Bay BUG Inc. QLD

Just 18 months old, Hervey Bay BUG has already achieved: publication of its four most popular rides, media coverage of their Maryborough to Hervey Bay "Bus n' Bike" that showed that combining bike and bus

travel is achievable, successful Bike Week events; and a 50+ workshop that involved a session with long distance racing cyclist Simon Boss-Walker.

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MAD CYCOLOGISTS Bundaberg, QLD

The MAD CYCOLOGISTS are a BUG that aims for fitness with a social orientation that revolves around bike advocacy. It is a supportive group and held the first annual

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Monash Student Association – Transport Department VIC

The Transport Department provides advocacy and support for sustainable transport users at Monash University. Its employees include a Bicycle Projects Officer and a Bike Mechanic and Trainer, and it recently established the Biker, a

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Tasmanian Bicycle Council

The Tasmanian Bicycle Council initiated Cycling 25 to get 25 people who were previously car commuters, to ride to work for a year. Participants were given rider training, health checks, and ongoing support. After completing a year of bicycle

commuting, at least two days a week, riders were able to keep their bike free of charge.

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Local Government Award for Special Initiative to Encourage and Promote Cycling

WINNER

Rural City of Wangaratta VIC

The Rural City of Wangaratta has a population of 25,000 and a vision and commitment to become the Cycling Capital of Australia. Wangaratta was one of the first councils to develop a bicycle strategy 14 years ago and today has 99kms of bicycle paths, valued in excess of \$4.5 million dollars. The 2005/06 cycling budget is \$759,000, larger than in many urban areas with bigger populations and rate bases. Wangaratta is also committed to encouraging kids to ride to school and has been able to attract State Government funding to create linkages to local schools.

Australia's premier rail trail "Murray to the Mountains" is located in the region and Wangaratta maintains its largest section. Council's investment and support has resulted in a considerable economic boost to the region, attracting thousands of visitors. To build on the success the Council's economic development unit has established a group called Cycling Unlimited to promote cycling events and attract more visitors.

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Local Government Award for Special Initiative to Encourage and Promote Cycling

HONOURABLE MENTION

Glenorchy City Council

TAS

For the last 10 years, Glenorchy City Council has contributed a minimum of \$200,000 per year to cycling infrastructure. Council also produces cycling maps, supports the Glenorchy Bicycle Committee that promotes cycling and runs family rides, and has a bicycle fleet for its staff.

Council recently allowed the Glenorchy Mountain Bike Park Association to construct an international standard Mountain Bike Park, and provided the land to construct it on and \$26,000 in funding. Prior to the park's construction, mountain bikers had virtually no legal facilities for Downhill, Mountain Cross and Dirt Jumps.

There were problems with illegal trail building and conflicts between walkers and riders on walking tracks. Rather than ignore the problem, Glenorchy was supportive of developing a facility for these styles of riding. The park has been in constant use since it opened, has received lots of media attention, and staged Round one of the 2005 Australian National Mountain Bike Series in October.

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NOMINEES

ACT Government

ACT Forests

Over the last three years, ACT Forests have been improving mountain bike facilities and is planning for the return of mountain biking in the Mt Stromlo area, burnt out in bushfires. This has resulted in a large increase in mountain biking participation.

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Roads ACT (RACT)

RACT staff have worked hard to implement the ACT government's policies and plans for cycling. Despite some opposition and public criticism, on-road bicycle lanes have been constructed on some of Canberra's most popular main roads and a 10 year Master Plan has been introduced as a

planning framework for cycling and walking infrastructure.

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Local Government Award for Special Initiative to Encourage and Promote Cycling

NOMINEES

Adelaide City Council

Adelaide City Bike Scheme, SA

The scheme was launched in May 2005 and is the first of its kind in Australia. The city bikes scheme allows two free hours bike hire for use anywhere within the city limits, making cycling an easy way to travel.

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Active Adelaide

SA

This initiative was an innovative partnership designed to encourage CBD workers to ride to work by targeting the common barriers. Participants received free skills workshops, cycling gear and a heavily discounted new bike. Following the six months project, participants registered a

91% increase in physical activity, and car travel for work almost halved.

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Brisbane City Council

Active Transport Unit, QLD

Brisbane's bicycle network is 500km long and recent annual investment averages over \$5 million. Active Transport installs the infrastructure (recent works include a cycling criterium, solar bike path lighting, and bicycle awareness zones) and encourages its use. A new innovation is

"The Brisbane Bikeways experience" CD featuring popular rides and riding tips including a section on how to change a flat tyre.

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RiverWalk

QLD

New Farm RiverWalk features an 800 metre floating bikeway made to the highest standard to ensure comfort and durability. Cyclists commuting to the city previously had to travel by a hilly road with blind corners. They now have access to a

pleasant path that provides views of Story Bridge and a backdrop of sheer Brisbane tuff cliffs.

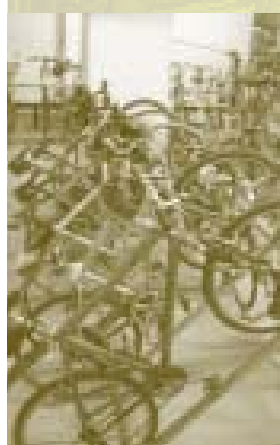
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Local Government Award for Special Initiative to Encourage and Promote Cycling

NOMINEES

City of Darebin VIC

A previous recipient of this Award, Darebin continues to promote cycling. It recently adopted a cycling strategy and has committed \$1 million over the next five years to implement it. Council has also taken a modified version of the TravelSmart

Communities program to the northern part of Darebin that was not included in the original 2004 program.

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Darebin International Sports Centre (DISC)

The DISC is Victoria's first full-time indoor velodrome and is a world class facility, featuring a 250m Siberian pine track and room for up to 1,000 spectators. Darebin Council and the Victorian government jointly

funded the project, estimated at \$12 million.

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City of Unley SA

Unley already had a well-developed bicycle network and 40km/h suburban street limits, but it has gone a step further, producing South Australia's first integrated Bicycle and Pedestrian plan. One of the exciting

new initiatives is 'bicycle boulevards' that use traffic calming devices to give priority to cyclists in shared transport spaces.

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City of Whittlesea VIC

Whittlesea has allocated \$200,000 to put bike lanes on arterial and collector roads and expand and connect their shared path network. A growing outer suburban municipality with a large proportion of

young families, this commitment will ensure a steady development of paths and lanes making it easy and safe to ride a bike.

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Local Government Award for Special Initiative to Encourage and Promote Cycling

NOMINEES

City of Yarra VIC

Yarra has not rested on its laurels since being awarded last year's local government Bicycling Achievement Award. It has improved and upgraded existing bike lanes and is starting to tackle the more difficult parts of the network in need of upgrades,

including the steps on the Main Yarra Trail, contra-flow treatments on local streets and missing links.

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Ride Launceston - Launceston City Council TAS

The inaugural Ride Launceston was a great success, and the first time such an event had taken place in northern Tasmania. The free 7km ride

promoted cycling and the Launceston Trail Network. Council sold helmets at a heavily subsidised price (\$10) and will add the ride to it's annual calendar of events.

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Moonee Valley City Council VIC

Moonee Valley is working hard to improve its cycling and walking networks, evidenced by the \$124,000 upgrade to the Spring Gully Reserve section of the Steele Creek shared path, the establishment of a

community advisory committee, and the prompt removal of inappropriate safety rails on the Moonee Ponds Creek Trail.

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Noosa Shire Council QLD

Noosa is a bicycle-friendly Shire. It has established a bicycle plan, is funding a travel behaviour change program including encouraging cycling, has increased its funding for cycling infrastructure, includes retrospective placement of cycle lanes

in all roadworks on existing roads, actively promotes cycling events, and has established a Bicycle Advisory Committee.

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Award for an Educational Institution for Innovation in Encouraging Cycling to School

WINNER

Chancellor State College QLD

Chancellor State College (Primary Campus) has been working to become a TravelSmart School for over 18 months. The campus is located in a busy cul-de-sac that becomes very congested during peak times. The College decided to foster a safer environment for the children and do its part for the environment.

The school has undertaken a range of activities, including a Family Challenge competition encouraging students to try active transport to commute for two weeks, and during Bike Week, the student's environmental committee members visited each classroom to encourage cycling to school, and rewarded students who cycled with a prize.

Now over 14 per cent of students cycle to school and its two large bike racks are usually full. The College obtained funding to purchase 70 bicycles, enabling students to ride the 1.5km between campuses. As part of the health and physical education curriculum, kids learn safe cycling skills and are given a bicycle licence when they reach a certain level of competence.

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Award for an Educational Institution for Innovation in Encouraging Cycling to School

NOMINEES

Calvary Christian College

QLD

There were no students who cycled to Calvary Christian College's Middle School prior to the College supporting a team of 16 and offering training rides for this year's multi-day Cycle Queensland. There are now

more students who ride to school every day. Plans are underway for other cycling events and to send a bigger team next year.

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Kiana School

NT

Twice a week at Kiana, the teacher runs cycle fitness and skills track activities for all students; they hold bicycle gymkhanas and participate in bicycle maintenance sessions. At the beginning of 2005 there were not

enough helmets to go around. The Road Safety Branch donated nine helmets allowing all students to participate in the cycling activities.

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Sydney Secondary College

NSW

Following letters and encouragement from parents, Sydney Secondary College will be linked to a developing cycleway and Bike-Ed has been introduced as an elective. It

has attracted a range of students including those not generally inclined to participate in organised team sports, and the numbers of students cycling to school is increasing.

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Walloo Mines Primary School

SA

Walloo Mines Primary School recognises that bike riding is a great way to promote physical activity and ecological sustainability. To encourage cycling it has: a covered bike shed and room to store

helmets during the day; a bike pump available; offered bike riding regularly as a lunchtime sports activity; and held a 'National walk/ride to School Day'.

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Award for Bicycle Friendly Business

WINNER

Woodford Folk Festival QLD

Woodford Folk Festival is one of the biggest festivals in Australia, held over six days and nights and drawing tens of thousands of participants. The program is 113 pages long and the organisers, for the first time last year, committed half a page to 'getting there by bicycle' to minimise the environmental impact of the festival.

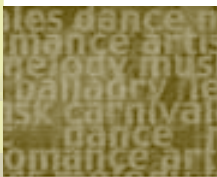
Cyclists now benefit from: a designated camping area for riders, undercover bicycle parking, a communal marquee, mechanical support at the campground, a luggage transport option, route information and signage, and a riding partners service.

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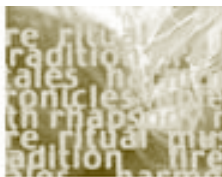
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Folk Festival**
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Award for Bicycle Friendly Business

HONOURABLE MENTION

Australian Department of the Environment and Heritage ACT

The Department of the Environment and Heritage has an enviable staff bicycle fleet for work trips and lunchtime recreation, including a folding bike and electric-assisted bicycles. Bikes are equipped with a range of accessories including a saddlebag, reflective safety vest, disposable rain cape, street directory, and a back-to-base CabCharge voucher.

To encourage and assist other organisations to establish staff bicycle fleets, the Department has developed and published its bike fleet guidelines (see website below)

The Department provides facilities to support staff that cycle to work including secure, (shared) undercover parking for 200 bicycles, over 200 clothing lockers; male and female change rooms each with toilets, 7 showers, towel drying racks, an iron and an ironing board. Visitors are provided with secure outdoor parking for up to 18 bicycles.

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NOMINEES

BlueScope Steel VIC

Encouraging staff to ride to work has multiple benefits for businesses including reducing demand on car parking as well as improving the health and well being of staff. Staff and visitors who ride to BlueScope Steel at Westernport have access to well maintained bike paths adjacent to the road

that enters the site. Bicycle sheds are installed at the car park and and at the entrance BlueScope BUG currently has over 30 members and continues to grow daily.

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Award for Bicycle Friendly Business

NOMINEES

Environment Protection Authority Victoria

For it's staff who cycle, EPA provides amongst other things, hairdryers, flexible working hours and a 'bicycle' toolkit for each office with staff who cycle to work. EPA has been an annual major sponsor of Bicycle Victoria's 'Ride to Work Day' and

provides its own prizes for staff participation. It also supports its workplace BUG.

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Hydro Tasmania

TAS

Hydro Tasmania sponsored seven riders on the Cycling 25 Commuting incentive program, more than the recommended maximum of five participants per workplace. They expanded their commitment to enable all eligible

employees to participate. Five have completed their year of commuting covering over 10,600km and are committed to cycling to work on a regular basis.

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Northcliffe Visitor Centre

WA

Northcliffe is a small town attempting to resurrect itself through tourism. The annual Great Karri Ride was launched in March, run entirely by volunteers. It caters for ordinary riders as well as elite athletes.

Nearly 150 took part and a further 100 locals (mainly children) participated in the short-course competition the previous day.

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Award for Bicycle Friendly Business

NOMINEES

Peak Health Management VIC

To cater for cycling staff, Peak included change facilities and bike storage into its new offices. Peak sponsored Bicycle Victoria's Ride to Work *Everything you wanted to know about riding to work* brochure and further distributed it through

the gymnasiums it manages and the websites of its Victorian clients, including links to register for the event.

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Brisbane City Council QLD

Brisbane City Council provides end of trip facilities for its cycling staff and has a Workplace Travel Program including a Webpage to help staff use sustainable transport modes, including a calculator to discover the derived health benefits

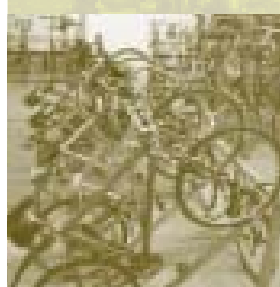
(kilojoules and fun size mars bars burnt), environment benefits (greenhouse gas emissions saved) and economic benefits (dollars saved).

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Award for Contribution Towards Cycling by a Politician

WINNER

Councillor Vivien Griffin

NOOSA SHIRE COUNCIL, QLD

Councillor Vivien Griffin has been championing cycling in Noosa for many years and has provided key support for the implementation of initiatives and activities at the local, and at the State level. Noosa has some excellent cycling facilities which are expanding but Vivien has recognised that infrastructure itself is not enough to get more people cycling and walking. She has

overseen the appointment of the first travel demand officer for the Council who is working with schools, workplaces and community organisations to promote and encourage cycling as a healthy, convenient way to get around.

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Award for Contribution Towards Cycling by a Politician

NOMINEES

Councillor Helen Abrahams

Brisbane City Council, QLD

Councillor Helen Abrahams has shown strong leadership in Brisbane City Council by supporting innovative cycling measures such as bike racks on buses, green bike lanes, intermodal bike parking enclosures, bikes on ferries, a floating walkway, and the

'Green Bridge' currently under construction, designed specifically for buses, walkers and cyclists and filling a major 'missing link' in Brisbane's cycling network.

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Award for Contribution Towards Cycling by a Politician

NOMINEES

Councillor Sarah Davies

Stonnington Council, VIC

Councillor Sarah Davies was instrumental in getting bike lanes on busy Chapel St, Prahran. Bike lanes were not on the agenda until Sarah was elected to Council and their implementation received much public

scrutiny. A bicycle strategy has now been introduced to encourage more cycling and address traffic and parking problems.

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Bernie Ripoll MP

Electoral Division of Oxley, QLD

Mr Ripoll organises the annual Mall-to-Mall ride from Brisbane to Ipswich. Last year around 300 completed the ride and traversed the main streets of Ipswich, exposing cycling to a large crowd of people on the streets and on TV. Mr Ripoll carries a

message from the Lord Mayor of Brisbane to the Mayor of Ipswich joining the two cities together.

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