

Cycle Lockers for Hire

Cycle lockers will soon be available for rent in the city centre and at the Wrexham Road Park and Ride. These are a very secure means to store cycle and gear for regular trips where you need to be sure that your bike is safe and away from the elements. You can be sure that the locker will always be available. We expect them to cost £45 for a year or £15 for a quarter plus a key deposit.

Further information should be available soon at the Council's CDT website: www.cyclechester.com

Monthly Meetings
7:30pm on the first
Wednesday of the
month upstairs in
the Custom's House
Watergate Street

Join the Chester Cycling Campaign!

Name	
Address	
Post Code	
Phone	
Email	

If you are happy to receive your Cyclomania Newsletter by e-mail and to be notified of Campaign activities by email, please tick here:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual Membership | £5.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unwaged/Under 16/OAP | £3.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership | £10.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Life Membership | £50.00 |

Membership is valid until end of September during year of joining. Join after April 1st and your membership is valid until the end of September in the following year!

I enclose an additional donation of £ _____

I agree to this information being placed on an electronic database for Campaign purposes only.

Signed _____ Date _____

Please send completed form & cheque (payable to Chester Cycling Campaign) to:

Chester Cycling Campaign Membership Secretary
10 Balmoral Park
Chester
CH1 4BQ

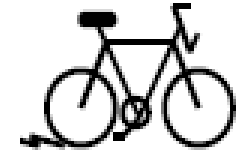
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A540 Safety Improvements Survey

Many of our regular readers will be their preferred options for any safety aware that Chester Cycling improvements that might be made to Campaign and other local cycling the road.

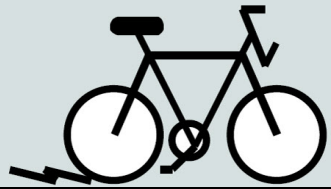
organisations are fighting for Take a few minutes to register your improvements to be made on the views which will be used in our liaison A540 to protect the safety of the work with the relevant Highway many cyclists who use this route for Authorities and Cheshire West and commuting, training, and leisure Chester Council. Please vote only cycling. The road is also the only once in order to maintain the integrity way to access the Eureka Cyclists' of the results. Updated poll results will Cafe, exposing customers to the be posted on the Campaign regularly. risks associated with the heavy and The survey, complete with map to fast moving traffic on this route. orientate yourself is at:

In order to be able to press for improvements, we need to gather <http://www.chestercyclecity.org/?p=6> cyclists' views about what would be 51

Bike Club Officer

Ross Adams is the new Bike Club people (10-20 year olds) into cycling Officer for Southport and Chester. related activities, through the Ross will be engaging with Schools, allocation of grants (up to £2000) and Youth Groups, Voluntary offer support to groups and Organisations, PCT, indeed any individuals working with children and organisations working with children young people.

and young people aged between 10 Bike Clubs isn't just a short term and 20 years young. initiative, it is a commitment on behalf There are currently 8 officers each of CTC, UK Youth and ContinYou to linked to at least 2 cycling towns.empower, raise The aim is to engage more young confidence/aspirations and improve



Bike Club (cont)

the health of young people.

The grants can be spent on any form of cycling related activity, with a strong focus on any activity set up, to become sustainable. Although there is potential for some activities to be short term, if significant positive outcomes can be ensured for those young people involved.

They encourage young people themselves to develop ideas for activities they may want to be involved with, however some examples of what the grants can be spent on include:

- * Bikeability instructor training.
- * Trail leader instructor training.
- * Bike maintenance instructor training.
- * Trail building. Fixed and portable.
- * Bikes/tools/clothing/transport.

Bike Club doesn't have to be just riding bikes, it could be a film or art project, using bikes/cycling as a vehicle (Pardon the pun) to produce a piece of work or deliver part of a project. With our links to UK Youth, Youth Achievement awards are also available, providing young people with an accreditation for the projects they are involved with.

Curzon Park Bridge Progress

The Cycle Demonstration Town project includes plans to build a new cycling and pedestrian bridge from Curzon Park to the Racecourse over the River Dee to replace the current narrow bridge. This matches funding from the Sustrans Connect 2 programme. Proposals are that the new bridge will be built on redundant pillars on the west side of the railway bridge. The bridge will be 3 metres wide and ramped on both ends. A consultation on the plans was held at the end of April. Many thanks to all those who contributed their views. Construction may take place in the financial year April 2010 to March 2011.

Volunteer of the Year

Congratulations to Sue Booth who has been named Volunteer of the Year by the CTC. She single-handedly set up the leisure cycling group Chester's Fabulous Ladies, attracting nearly 60 women for monthly cycle rides. She also start the national 5 miles to Fabulous initiative to get women cycling.

If you are interested in starting a bike club or volunteering to help please contact Ross on

ross.adams@bikeclub.org.uk

The website is bikeclub.org.uk

Cycle Stands for Free

Cheshire West and Chester council is offering free cycle parking stands for organisations in the area. Community groups, small businesses, shops, offices, churches and voluntary sector groups can apply cycle stands free of charge. Up to four stands – that's parking for eight bikes – are available per applicant, each holds the two bikes neatly and securely.

The recipient is responsible for installing them, on their own premises, in a location agreed with the scheme organiser. Installing secure cycle parking will encourage staff and visitors to arrive by bike and shows that the organisation is doing its bit to reduce its carbon footprint.

For more information about the scheme call 01594 564344 or email office@parkthatbike.com or go to <http://www.cyclechester.com/cyclehelp.htm#park>

Cycle Rides Galore

Sunday the 13th June is the day for cycle rides. The local CTC have their Bob Clift Memorial Cheshire Cycleway Rides. 25, 50 and 100 mile routes introduce the wonders Cheshire countryside for cycling. Entry forms available at

<http://www.ctccheshireandnwales.org.uk/events2010.html>

On the same day there is the Wirral

Have you say on Chester Business Quarter

Cheshire West and Chester Council and Chester Renaissance are holding a consultation on a development framework for the area around the station and canal. Plans are to develop the area for office space, green areas and possibly community or cultural buildings.

There are plans for new pedestrian and cycle links to the canal and the city centre. Sadly up to now there has not been any co-ordination with the CDT work or the Campaign however there appears to be a genuine attempt to consult and the Campaign has now established contact.. The displays are at Chester Railway Station and on line: http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/news_and_events/council_consultations/chester_central_business_quarter.spx

Have you say at the railway station or on-line.

Bikeathon in aid of Leukaemia and Lymphoma research. Starting from Arrowe Country Park, Wirral, the routes are 14 miles or 28 miles off-road or on quiet lanes. This is one of 20 events across the country. More information is available at

<http://www.wirralbikeathon.org.uk/New/Site/Welcome.html>

Companies can also sponsor the event.