



AGM and Annual Report

30 September 2010

A timely followup to Jan Gehl's recent, visionary *Mayoral Conversations* presentation

A poster for a panel discussion titled "CYCOTECHTURE". The poster features a silhouette of a city skyline with a prominent tower. Below the skyline, the word "CYCOTECHTURE" is written in large, bold, green letters. In front of the letters, there are silhouettes of several people riding bicycles on a green path. The background is a dark, textured grey.

creating Livable Cities, two wheels at a time
URBAN DESIGN FOR A SUPER CITY / LUDO CAMPBELL-REID
PANEL: CHRISTINA VAN BOHEMEN, BARRY COPELAND, JAMES LUNDAY MC: DAVID SLACK

Thursday 30 September / Pioneer Womens Hall Cnr High St & Freyburg Place CBD 7:45pm drinks / 8:00pm Presentation / RSVP secretary@caa.org.nz for catering **A CYCLE ACTION AUCKLAND EVENT** caa.org.nz

Cycle Action Auckland is an incorporated registered charity with the objective of promoting cycling as a non-congesting, non-polluting, energy-efficient and health-promoting form of transport for the Auckland region. Cycle Action is affiliated to Cycling Advocates' Network (CAN), a national voice for cyclists.



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It has been another busy and productive year for Cycle Action. I invite you to spend some time going through the summary of activities and achievements listed below. I can guarantee that you, a family member or a colleague is already enjoying the benefits of the work undertaken by Cycle Action. The name of the organisation has never been a better fit. There has been a whole lot of action going on.

And this is just the tip of the iceberg. A lot of the projects that Cycle Action has been involved in this year are long term and on-going projects. The benefits of these projects are yet to be realised but will be coming on stream in the near future. The establishment and building of relationships with a wide variety of people and organisations is also starting to pay huge dividends. More and more, we are seeing cycling becoming mainstream. It's what ordinary people do.

There may be an item on the list that particularly catches your eye or maybe you see a glaring omission. Cycle Action is a voluntary group that relies on the skills and efforts of a bunch of enthusiastic individuals. If you think you have something to contribute, we would love to hear from you. And of course, riding your bike is the best advertisement. Who are you going to take for a bike ride this summer?

Mark Bracey, Chair, **Cycle Action Auckland**.

Summary of Activities to September 2010

About CAA

- * Incorporated society with Charitable Status
- * 210 financial members, including 10 supporting organisations.
- * The Cycle Action 'Friends' list gives us contact with over 1200 supporters,(including several large cycle groups/clubs) for information, feedback, consultation and surveys. We have a further 'professional contacts database for the E-news mailout.
- * An energetic and inventive committee of 13, including 4 engineers, a lawyer, 2 IT specialists, a resource management planner, former Community Board member/ chair, 2 accountants, Regional Land Transport Committee member, FAST Chair, Sustainable Business Network manager, ex- police officer and school teachers. We have 6 monthly strategic planning meetings and monthly committee meetings, some with a guest speaker and a relaxed, social flavour.
- * E-News sent to members, friends and colleagues 2-3 monthly..
- * CAA 'discuss group' 40 members (online forum)
- * Established website- new improved version now live– our priority is to keep current and to use it as a vital PR and communication tool.

Key relationships

- * ARTA Regional Walking and Cycling Forum;
- * All Auckland TLAs -shared projects and regular meetings.
- * ARC, ARTA
- * NZTA (regular meetings on cycling and walking planning and projects),
- * Walk Auckland & Living Streets Aotearoa,
- * CAN (CAA regularly submits nominations for the annual CAN Cycle-Friendly Awards)
- * Bike NZ
- * Getacross/ Auckland Harbour Bridge Pathway working group
- * Cycle Action Waiheke
- * Cycle groups – Manukau Vets, North Shore Tri, ACTA, Devonport Xpressos, Pickled Pedallers
- * Bike Central- bike station,

- * Next Bikes – public bike Hire, Devonport Pier Bike Hire
- * Frocks on Bikes
- * Cycling in Auckland website. www.cyclingauckland.co.nz This site provides general cycling information to all Aucklanders and reaches a wider audience than the advocacy site. CAA Chair is a regular blogger on an advocacy/joy of cycling themes.

Submissions, oral presentations and consultation –district, regional and national

- * Waitakere City's Rathgar Road & Pomaria Road & Te Pai Place cycle facilities
- * Elliot Street & Darby Street shared space proposals of Auckland City Council (project now going ahead)
- * Grafton Bridge, bus lane/ car access issue - we opposed daytime access for cars, Council has prohibited daytime car access.
- * Fort Street shared space proposals of Auckland City Council (project proceeding.)
- * Lorne Street shared space proposals of Auckland City Council (project proceeding.)
- * "Safer Journeys" road safety discussion document, to influence for a greater emphasis on cycling in the future New Zealand road safety strategy
- * Tamaki Innovation Precinct Plan of Auckland City, to expand cycle infrastructure in the technology / university precinct
- * Papakura's plans to provide cycle lanes on Great South Road, between Papakura and Drury
- * Auckland Transition Authority on the Auckland Transport CCO's structure
- * Parliamentary Commission regarding the Local Government (Auckland Law Reform) Bill, especially regarding Auckland Transport. The CCO is now a lot more accountable to Council.
- * Auckland City's Plan Modification 39, which proposed to reduce a major thoroughfare in the future Wynyard Quarter
- * Auckland City's Learning Quarter Plan, advocating for more cyclist provisions in Auckland's university areas and addressed Council hearings commissioners.
- * Worked closely with Council staff at Tamaki Drive Working Party and followed through on plans for Tamaki Drive improvements. Improvements now installed.
- * "Land development and subdivision" New Zealand standard draft, giving detailed comment regarding changes for better sustainability and cycling provision
- * Regional Land Transport Strategy. Waitakere City Council on widths of future Northwestern Cycleway along Rosebank Road after motorway widening
- * Auckland City Council on cyclist improvements planned for Ian McKinnon Drive and its integration with the Northwestern Cycleway
- * Member of the Ponsonby Road working party
- * Plans for cycling facilities 1) uphill cycle lane on Onehunga Mall, 2) Onehunga Harbour Rd shared cycle path, 3) Cycling/Pedestrian Bridge over Onehunga Harbour Rd
- * Plan Modification 42, Auckland City, to retain/raise the bonus floor areas for providing bike facilities.
- * New Zealand's Energy Efficiency Strategy to raise the profile of cycling/transport in energy efficiency.
- * NZTA/ACC CMJ North Western Cycleway extension working party.
- * NZTA on cycling provisions around the new Fanshawe Street motorway interchange.
- * Celebrated the opening of Mt Roskill cycleway, a project which has had long involvement from CAA.
- * Produced a commissioned report for ACC on cycling improvements possible for the RWC.
- * Pre-election meetings with mayoral candidates, Len Brown and John Banks to discuss transport policies.
- * NZTA - prioritisation of their cycling budget/projects for the coming years.
- * Liason for Waterview project – the first national roading project fast-tracked under the RMA.

Technical Assistance and advice

- * Assisted Cycle Action Waiheke with technical analysis of (and their response to) the Council's plans documents for cycle lanes and cycle paths on Oceanview Road (project underway for cyclelanes and shared paths at Waiheke's gateway)
- * Worked with MHX Alliance and ACC on various intersection improvements around Onehunga related to the new cycling facilities over SH20 and the Manukau Harbour; several new walking and cycling overbridges at the MHX Project now under construction.
- * Reviewed NZTA's design plans for the Kingsland section of the Northwestern Cycleway
- * Researched standards and responded to Auckland City Council and Ontrack about pedestrian fences constructed close to the Road on Khyber Pass Road (fences have since been moved further away from carriageway)
- * Mentored Julian Hulls / Nextbike on dialogue with Auckland City Council regarding the public bike hire

scheme. Also met Councillors, and lobbied ARTA to promote the scheme.

- * Provided technical and cyclist viewpoint advice on Auckland City plans for new cyclist facilities on Wellesley Street East and Grafton Road (project now going ahead)
- * Provided a letter of support to NZTA in support of Auckland City Council's intention to resolve a deadlock over a new walking / cycling bridge connecting Wellesley Street East and Grafton Road
- * Provided technical advice regarding review of Lake Road Jutland – Esmonde Rd on-off road cycle lane review.
- * Lobbied NSCC to upgrade East Coast Road road safety
- * Provided letter of support of Red Light Campaign to NZ Police for Auckland City Council.

Projects

- * CBD “shared spaces” design
- * Tamaki Drive working party
- * NZTA/ ACC CMJ North Western Cycleway extension working party; liason with Project Director for Waterview project. Submissions of this under preparation.
- * Ian McKinnon Drive
- * Bus Lanes: Mt Eden, Central Connector, Dominion Rd.
- * Cycle Lanes: North Shore; Lake Road, Esmonde Rd, Greenhithe, Constellation Drive, Upper Harbour Drive, East Coast Rd, assisting with resident’s petition to retain the lake Rd cycle lanes.
- * Auckland City; Manukau Road, Onehunga cycle improvements, Merton Rd, Foot/Cycle Path over Winstone Park Mt Roskill, Bike Parking plans for Grey Lynn, T2 evaluation on Bus lanes by Auckland City, Central Connector - Grafton Bridge, Shared Spaces- Fort & Elliot Streets area upgrade: Auckland City Footpath Upgrading, proposed Roundabout SH16, Taupaki Rd, Old North Rd, chip seal cleared from Taniwha St, Glen Innes, CAA commuter & recreational cyclist counts along Tamaki Drive, MHX ‘old Manukau Bridge’ approaches.
- * Red light campaign for cyclists, NZTA SH20 cycling infrastructure including cycle/walk bridges and harbour crossing issues for cyclists, , Maungakiekie Community Board presentation re cycleways.
- * Waitakere City; Scenic Drive Cycle Awareness Campaign, Central Park Drive, new extension of Universal Drive, Manukau City; proposed cycling projects

Media Contacts

Cycle Action has a very effective spokesperson who has successfully managed a number of high profile issues with television, radio and newspaper interviews, comments and media releases. She conveyed the Joy of Cycling as a guest to Jim Mora’s National Radio audience and MP David Shearer’s Planet Radio series on transport.

CAA committee members are active letter writers, and have featured in perspectives articles, photos and articles about projects and issues in local papers. Our approach is to celebrate successes, acknowledge our partners and to respond to issues in a positive and constructive manner.

The Cycle Style Auckland event at the Viaduct on 1 July organised by Frocks on Bikes and Cycle Action attracted very good media coverage giving us the opportunity to extend the appeal of cycling to a whole new audience, via a range of media.

Wins /Successes

Our guiding policies are ‘work with the willing’ and support ‘sure successes’.

- * Submissions work – we influenced council policies and represented the views of the cycling community (see details of submissions above).
- * Close and regular liason as a stakeholder with staff and elected personnel for the Region’s roading and transport bodies, particularly Auckland City, North Shore City, NZTA, ARTA and ARC. We are energised by the results - changes to project plans, gaining support for new projects, expansion of projects to cater better for cyclists needs. A few examples are gaining ACC approval for \$40,000 funding for the Great Urban Rides signage for Central Auckland suburbs, \$450,000 for cycleway, clearway & intersection improvements for cyclists on Tamaki Drive after the Tamaki Drive Forum; and funding for parking study and provision of some bike stands, \$750,000 for a parking and delivery of new bike parking and new cyclelanes connecting Wellesley St to the Domain, improved lane marking for new cyclelane on North Shore’s Lake Rd project, including auto cycle counting equipment.
- * Gained \$40,000 funding from Devonport and Takapuna Community Boards to fund new way finding signs for the Green Route.

- * NZTA has helped boost regional cycling road safety programmes, opened access for cyclists on MHX and SH 20 and Newmarket .
- * Have worked with a new Government focussed on roads for cars and freight. This has been achieved through good working relationships with Auckland Central MP Nikki Kaye, Mt Albert Labour MP David Shearer and Green MP Kevin Hague.
- * Made gains as an 'affected party' before the Environment Court as a result of a restorative justice hearing related to a prosecution for contaminated fill beside the Waikaraka Cycleway. Compensation works achieved at Watercare's off road cycle and walking paths.
- * Working party with NZ Bus for driver education on sharing roads.
- * Work with Fullers Ferries have provided free publicity for cycle events and a new cycle map for Waiheke.

Events

- * 'Veer' the movie - fundraiser and social event
- * Participation in Bikewise month
 - * Cycle Action partnered Bikewise and ACC and NSCC for the Bike to Breakfast and related events. We maximized the networking opportunity, enrolling new members for our group and spreading the cycling message.
 - * Ran Sunday social bike rides through February
 - * Assisted other TLA Bikewise events.
- * Frocks on Bikes parade in Ponsonby Market Day
- * Try my Bike event NSCC supported by Cycle Action.
- * "Cycle Style Auckland" held at Viaduct on 1 July attracted over 450 for an evening of fashion and bicycles
- * Urban Design presentation as part of the AGM celebrations

Current and ongoing campaigns and projects

- * 'Pedal into Summer' bike rides on Sundays –Sept to Nov.
- * Bikes on Buses
- * Bikes on trains –increased capacity and peak hour travel.
- * Pathway project - walking and cycle way over the Auckland harbour Bridge
- * Supporting Bike Wise events
- * Frocks on bikes –more events for this burgeoning cycling movement.
- * Easy Transport Auckland – a joint Supercity web-based campaign with Campaign for Better Transport and Living Streets Aotearoa, including Britomart Transport Centre launch
- * Increasing bike parking,
- * Supporting public bike hire to complement Public transport –particularly in CBD and to increase RWC transport supply. eg. Nextbike
- * Supporting the provision of bike stations for commuter cyclists, tourists and visitors to CBD.
- * Mapping Hotspots and Crashes
- * 1.5m to survive! petition
- * Adult cycle skills training
- * Speed Reduction and Neighbourhood Traffic calming
- * Improving Share with Care culture on our roads.
- * Improved communications via the CAA website and social networking.

Professional Development /meetings

- * ARTA Regional Walking and Cycling Forum
- * Mayoral conversations –Auckland City on transport and urban design topics.
- * ARC Refresh Seminars
- * Fundamentals of Planning and Design for Cycling, Levels 1&2, one day course –most of committee attended.
- * CAN DO National Cycling Advocates 2 day Conference New Plymouth -9 committee members attended
- * NZ Cycling Conference –New Plymouth -4 attended
- * Bike Futures Conference Melbourne October 2009 attended by Barb Cuthbert, Barb Insull and Kirsten Shouler.
- * CAA Waiheke media and cycle champion think tank/hui.

The importance of the role of Cycle Action in Auckland

CAA has impact in the following roles:

- * Regular contact as a transport stakeholder by the local councils , ARC, ARTA, NZTA, ADHB are often

invited to input at planning level.

- × Inputs into policies and strategies at National, Regional and Local levels.
- × Gives technical advice and participates in ongoing consultation on many roading, cycling, and other projects.
- × Conveys the benefits of cycling to transport providers and users.
- × Ensures that cycling is regularly in the media as a viable and vital transport mode.

Financial

- × CAA receives income from membership subscriptions, donations, 'user audits' and mapping projects and funding from Councils for specific events.
- × Our main ongoing costs are running the CAA office (under review); developing the website and communications with members; and hosting events. The priority for Cycle Action policy is to provide seeding funding for proposed projects that have sufficient support and people to lead them such as Frocks on Bikes events; funding attendance at existing events such as Bikewise, Grey Lynn Festival etc and the marketing material to attract support for Cycle Action and increase membership.

Summary

In addition to the financial support of members and all the positive relationships, we have worked to make things happen and to improve the standard of cycle facilities for new projects.

Cycle Action Auckland achieves its successes largely through the many hours of hard work by dedicated volunteers committed to CAA's aim to change Auckland to mainstream everyday cycling for transport. Despite work and family commitments, our Committee members perform a formidable schedule of technical and support functions for CAA. Our team has complementary skills and interests, and a strong ethos of mutual support and appreciation that we all do best, what we most enjoy.

"This is the true joy in life: the being used for a purpose considered by yourself to be a mighty one..."
George Bernard Shaw, Man and Superman

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AGM AGENDA

1. Welcome and apologies.
2. Approval minutes of September 2009 AGM. (below)
3. The Chair, Mark Bracey's, report on Cycle Action activities over the past year.
4. The Treasurer's report on the financial performance and position of Cycle Action for the year ending June 30th 2010.
5. Election of officers and committee members.
Officers: Secretary, Treasurer, Deputy Chairperson, Chairperson,
Plus up to 9 elected committee members (the committee may also co-opt 3 extra committee members as required)
6. General Business

Minutes AGM 2009

Minutes of Cycle Action Auckland Inc. Annual General Meeting
23 September 2009, 6.30 pm, Bike Central, 3 Britomart Place, Auckland

Item	Discussion
1.	<p>Attendance Mark Bracey, Graeme Knowles, John Gregory, Steve Southall, Barbara Cuthbert, Max Robitzsch, Pippa Coom, Barb Insull, Sally McAra, Paul Watkinson, Joel Cayford, Tom Ransom, Ricardo Marques, Goina Thedinga, Barbara Grace, Jenny Marshall, Kirsten Shouler, Shay Launder, Pravin Dayaram, Martin Roberts, Joe Henley, Pieter Watson, Lynette McManerrin, Gay Richards, Leigh Marshall, Stephen Martin, Bruce O'Halloran, Mark Roberts</p> <p>Apologies Dale Johnson, Phil Browne, Gaz Sanvicens, Adrian Croucher, Stephen Mckernon, Bevan Woodward, Kit O'Halloran, Steve Patton, Claire Covacich, Daniel Newcombe, Reg Cuthers</p> <p>Minutes from 2008 AGM accepted (proposed M Bracey, seconded B Cuthbert)</p>
2.	<p>Guest Speaker – Joel Cayford – Auckland Regional Councillor Joel spoke to the meeting about his views of the current transport situation. Joel thanked cycle Action for their advocacy work. This was followed by a Q and A session. The 'Pedaling Revolution' book was presented to Joel to thank him for attending and presenting.</p>
3.	<p>Report from the Co Chairs. Barb Insull & Barb Cuthbert shared their summary of the year's achievements by Cycle Action. (refer 'the Chairs' report for 2009')</p>
4.	<p>Financial Report Treasurer Paul Watkinson explained the Annual Report to June 2009 (refer 'Financial Statements') accepted (proposed M Bracey, seconded B Cuthbert)</p>
5.	<p>Election of Officers – all officers were voted in unanimously</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x Secretary – Barbara Insull x Treasurer – Paul Shortland x Deputy Chair – Barbara Cuthbert x Chair – Mark Bracey
6.	<p>Election of Committee-all committee members were voted in unanimously</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x John Gregory – returning x Steve Southall – returning x Max Robsitzsch – returning x Graeme Knowles - returning x Mark Roberts – returning x Pippa Coom – returning x Pravin Dayaram – new x Leigh Marshall – new x Bevan Woodward – returning
7.	<p>Rule Changes of Cycle Action Auckland Inc. (Refer to agenda for explanation for rule changes).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x <u>Rule 7.1</u> <i>The officers of CAA shall be a chairperson, a deputy chairperson, a treasurer and a secretary</i> <u>Alteration of 7.1 to read</u> <i>The officers of CAA shall be a chairperson or two co-chairs, a deputy chairperson, a treasurer and a secretary</i> <u>accepted</u> (proposed M Bracey, seconded B Cuthbert) x <u>Deletion of Rule 7.4</u> <i>No person, other than the secretary and treasurer, shall remain on the Committee for more than four consecutive years but they may be re-elected after one year.</i> x <u>accepted</u> (proposed M Bracey, seconded B Cuthbert)
8.	<p>Other Business Mark Bracey thanked Barbara Insull and Barbara Cuthbert for their services to Cycle Action during their time as Co-Chairs.</p>