

National Bike Week

14 - 21 June 2009



Galway Programme

All Events are Free



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Launch: National Bicycle Week in Galway

TUESDAY 9 JUNE 11am. FISHERIES FIELD, GALWAY

Official launch of National Bicycle Week will highlight the range of events taking place in Galway City and County. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, 091 894328.**

Organised by: Galway City Council and Galway County Council

Bike Renting in Galway City

FULL DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED DURING NATIONAL BICYCLE WEEK

Galway Transportation Unit will outline locations and commence process underpinning the rollout of Bike Rental Depots. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328.**

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Schools Cycling Championship 2009

FULL DETAILS TO BE ANNOUNCED DURING NATIONAL BICYCLE WEEK

Galway County Council will announce details of the Championship for schools that participated in Galway County Council's Cycle Training Programme in 2008/2009. Further information from: **Galway County Council, Tel 091 509309.**

Organised by: Galway County Council

Cycle Safety Initiative

MONDAY JUNE 15 - SATURDAY JUNE 20. AT JUNCTIONS IN GALWAY CITY

Garda Cycling Division will provide one-to-one advice on safe cycling to cyclists. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Tel 091 894328.**

Organised by: An Garda Síochána

Cycling Fair

TUES 16 JUNE 11am - 3pm. ORBSEN BUILDING (FOYER AND OUTSIDE AREA), NUI, GALWAY CAMPUS

Suppliers of all types of cycling equipment and gear will be on hand to answer queries and help you decide what bike best suits your needs. Directions to Orbsen Building: Turn left at AIB on Newcastle Road onto Distillery Road and continue along by the River until you reach the parking area. Map available at www.nuigalway.ie/campus_map. Further information from: **Sinéad Higgins, NUI, Galway, Tel 091 495944 or email sinead.higgins@nuigalway.ie**

Organised by: NUI, Galway



Cycle to Work Day

WED 17 JUNE ALL DAY. THROUGHOUT GALWAY CITY AND COUNTY

Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council and Galway County Council will actively promote Cycle to Work Day amongst key employers. Organisations already participating include Boston Scientific, Western Regional Fisheries Board, Galway City Council and many more. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328 or Galway County Council, Tel 091 509309.**

Organised by: Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Galway County Council, Galway Chamber and Galway City Business Association.

Cycle on Wednesday (COW) Events and Launch of New Cycling Facilities

WED 17 JUNE. IN THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS: GARRAFRAUNS NATIONAL SCHOOL, DUNMORE, CO. GALWAY

- WED 17 JUNE MORNING; MOUNTBELLEW NATIONAL SCHOOL, CO. GALWAY - WED 17 JUNE AFTERNOON;

NAOMH SHEOSAIMH NATIONAL SCHOOL, BUAILEBEAG, BARNA, CO. GALWAY - FRI 19 JUNE MORNING

Further information from: www.greenschoolsireland.org

Organised by: An Taisce Green Schools Travel Programme

Cycling Skills Workshop/Bicycle Health Check

WED 17 JUNE 3.30pm - 5.30pm. NUI, GALWAY GREEN AREA OPPOSITE THE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING BUILDING/KINGFISHER SPORTS CENTRE

Come and learn some helpful tips for cycling around the City from a qualified instructor and West Coast Wheelers Cycling Club. Bring your bike and helmet and join in – all welcome. Directions: Turn left at AIB on Newcastle Road onto Distillery Road. Turn left and continue past the Kingfisher Sports Centre. Green area is located just under the Quincentenary Bridge. Map available at www.nuigalway.ie/campus_map. Further information from: **Sinéad Higgins, NUI, Galway, Tel 091 495944 or email sinead.higgins@nuigalway.ie**

Organised by: West Coast Wheelers Cycling Club and NUI, Galway in conjunction with Galway City Sports Partnership.

Launch: 24 Hour Bike Race

FRI 19 JUNE 2.30pm. OFFICES OF FÁILTE IRELAND WEST, GALWAY CITY

The first 24 hour event in Ireland. There are two races: **The Mountain Bike Event** will take place in the Nephin Mountains and **The Road Bike Event** takes place in the Delphi Valley, Co. Mayo. Race starts on Sat 19 Sept at 2pm and finishes on Sun 20 Sept at 2pm. Teams or Solo Cyclists can enter the event. Further information from: **Clare Wheatley, Tel 085 1462526 or by email clare@killary.com**

Organised by: Fáilte Ireland - West, K2 and Killary Adventure

Off the Beaten Path

SUN 21 JUNE 11am. STARTING AT CENTRA STORE ON BÓTHAR NA CHOISTE, HEADFORD ROAD

A leisurely cycle through the beautiful rural landscapes of Galway City. Expert guides will accompany participants on a cycle journey through some of the most interesting historical and scenic locations on the East side of Galway City. Duration: 4 hours with a number of stops along the journey. To book a place on the trip, please contact **Therese Carroll, Tel 091 536545, Michael Forde, Tel 091 536582, Galway City Council or Brendan Smith, Galway City Community Forum, Tel 087 2935106.**

Organised by: Galway City Council, Galway City Community Forum and Galway City Partnership



Cycling Treasure Hunt for all the Family

SUN 21 JUNE 12 NOON - 4pm, REGISTRATION FROM 12 NOON - 1pm

NUI, GALWAY SPORTS GROUND PAVILION IN DANGAN, GALWAY

There will be two courses on offer:

The Explorer Course will be based entirely off-road around the NUI, Galway Campus. It will suit small children - parents can even walk with children on their bikes.

The Adventurer Course will run all the way to Mutton Island/South Park via the Canals. Total length is 10k.

This course is better suited to groups entirely on bicycles. Some on-road travel at University Road and Dominick Street/Claddagh will be more suited to families with older children/teenagers. Map of NUI, Galway Campus is available at www.nuigalway.ie/campus_map. Further information from: **Galway Cycling Campaign, Tel 087 9935993.**

Organised by: Galway Cycling Campaign



THROUGHOUT NATIONAL BICYCLE WEEK

Bike Rental Initiative

EYRE SQUARE

West Ireland Cycling will provide 40 green bikes for renting in Eyre Square. First two hours rental will be free. Further information from: **West Ireland Cycling, Tel 091 588830.**

Organised by: West Ireland Cycling

Mobility Management Plans

GALWAY CITY

Galway Transportation Unit will promote uptake of mobility management plans amongst key employers. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328.**

Organised by: Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council

Cycling in Galway County

GALWAY COUNTY HALL

A range of measures will be employed including information kiosk in County Hall and promotion of staff cycle scheme etc. Further information from: **Galway County Council, Tel 091 509309.**

Organised by: Galway County Council

Reallocation of Parking Spaces

GALWAY CITY CENTRE

Galway Transportation Unit will install temporary bicycle racks in existing car parking spaces and monitor progress with a view to permanent installation. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328.**

Organised by: Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council

Promotion of Staff Cycle Schemes Amongst City Centre Employers

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Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council will actively promote this initiative during National Bicycle Week. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328.**

Organised by: Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council

Cycling Awareness

ON LOCAL RADIO

Radio campaign to increase awareness of the benefits of cycling. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328.**

Organised by: Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council

Cycling Information Pack

DISTRIBUTION THROUGHOUT GALWAY CITY

Distribution of Galway Cycling Map and Cycling Skills Leaflets. Further information from: **Galway Cycling Campaign, Tel 087 9935993.**

Organised by: Galway Cycling Campaign and Galway City Council

THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF JUNE

Bike Maintenance and Repair Vouchers

DISTRIBUTION THROUGHOUT GALWAY CITY

Bike maintenance and repair vouchers will be distributed which will entitle bearers to a 10% reduction in the cost of maintenance and repairs at Galway City Bicycle stores. Further information from: **Galway Cycling Campaign, Tel 087 9935993.**

Organised by: Galway Cycling Campaign in conjunction with Galway City Bicycle Stores.



THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Bicycle Purchase Scheme

WILL BE PROMOTED THROUGHOUT NATIONAL BICYCLE WEEK IN GALWAY CITY AND COUNTY

Galway City Council and Galway County Council will collaborate to promote uptake of the bicycle purchase scheme in Galway. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328 or Galway County Council, Tel 091 509309.**

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Galway Cycling Webpage

HOSTED BY GALWAY CITY COUNCIL

Creation of a new Galway City Cycling Webpage. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328.**

Organised by: Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council

Provision of Bilingual Cycling Signage

GALWAY CITY AND COUNTY

New signage promoting cycling will be erected throughout Galway City and County. Further information from: **Galway Cycling Campaign, Tel 087 9935993.**

Organised by: Galway Cycling Campaign, Galway County Council, Galway City Council and HSE West

Provision of Permanent Bicycle Racks

GALWAY CITY

Galway Transportation Unit will rollout new permanent bicycle racks throughout Galway City. Further information from: **Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council, Tel 091 894328.**

Organised by: Galway Transportation Unit, Galway City Council in conjunction with other relevant stakeholders

Traffic Lights Signs Project

THROUGHOUT GALWAY CITY

Renewal of 200 approx. traffic lights signs which promote cycling. Further information from: **Galway Cycling Campaign, Tel 087 9935993.**

Organised by: Galway Cycling Campaign

