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**Clarence MTB Park Consultation - Wednesday 6 February at 6pm**

Anyone who is interested in plans for a mountain bike facility on Hobart's eastern shore should come along to a meeting on Wednesday 6 February at the Rosny library. The meeting will be held in meeting room 1 at 6.00pm. A plan of the proposed mtb park at Mornington will be presented and feedback will be sought from everyone who attends.

For more information contact Mathew Stirling at Clarence Council on 6245-8621

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**Greater Hobart Bike Plan**

The five Hobart region councils of Hobart, Clarence, Kingborough, Glenorchy and Brighton, together with CyclingSouth and Sustainable Living Tasmania, will be working on a regional bike plan in early 2008. The purpose of the plan is to identify arterial cycling routes that link the municipalities with the aim of seeing these routes improved and made safer for cycling. The plan aims to complement the local bike strategies of each council and provide a clear focus for state and federal government support and funding. A draft of the plan is expected to be ready for public comment in April 2008.

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**Tasman Bridge Access from Lindisfarne**

Clarence Council has commenced work on a new path to improve access to the Tasman Bridge from Lindisfarne. A rock cliff face has been cut out to create space for a 2.2m wide shared path that links to the bridge and will allow cyclists exiting the bridge to remain on the path and avoid crossing Topham St where sightlines are poor.

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## EVENTS &amp; RIDES

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**Family Bike Ride at Cygnet - Sunday 17 February 2008**

Bicycle Tasmania has organised a family ride at Cygnet doing a loop to Petcheys Bay and Lymington. There's a hill at the start, some gravel and hopefully some leftover organic blueberries on this 25-30km ride. There is a small charge for non-Bicycle Tasmania members. For more information contact Andy Semmler at asemmler@bigpond.com or 6224 6261.

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**Mole Creek Pub Weekend Ride - 23-24 February 2008**

The NW Recreational Cyclists have organised a ride in the Mole Creek area for the weekend of 23 and 24 February. If you are interested in joining them contact Helen Plaister at 64242817 or helen.plaister@hotmail.com

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**Pollie Pedal 2008 - 29 Feb to 2 March**

The aim of Pollie Pedal is to provide funds which will assist Diabetes Australia – Tasmania to carry out its education, awareness and community health promotion activities. Polliepedal 2008 is a ride held in the north east of Tasmania, starting in Evandale and finishing in Launceston using a circuit that will take in Scottsdale, Georgetown, Low Head, Beauty Point, Beaconsfield and the Tamar Valley. You can ride the entire route or just do a section. For more information and entry fees see

[http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=22&Itemid=46](http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=22&Itemid=46)

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**Mt Wellington Challenge - Sunday 9 March**

It's on again. Starting at Longley the Mt Wellington Challenge is a 20km ride to the summit. Stick the date in your diary and start training now. For more see

[http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=26&Itemid=50](http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=26&Itemid=50)

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**Tour de Femme - Monday 10 March**

An exclusive girls day out, especially for women and girls who haven't done much riding before. It's an easy, flat loop course from Cambridge to Seven Mile Beach and back. For more see

[http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=28&Itemid=52](http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=28&Itemid=52)

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**Nyrstar Super Cycling Sunday at the Cenotaph - Sunday 16 March**

The Bike Week grand finale. A choice of four rides to suit all levels. The 100km Century Ride, 50km Half Century Ride, 25km Round the River Ride and 7km Family Ride all start and finish at the Cenotaph where lunch and festival activities await. For more see

[http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=46&Itemid=81](http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=46&Itemid=81)

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**Intermediate Cycling Skills Course - 16-17 February 2008**

Do you feel a bit rusty on the bike or befuddled by gears? Do you feel nervous riding in traffic or don't know how to mend a puncture. Then you may want to do a Cycling Skills Course. CyclingSouth's next course is on the weekend of 16-17 February in Glenorchy. For more information contact info@cyclingsouth.org or see

[http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=49&Itemid=0](http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=49&Itemid=0)

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**Nominations open for Cadence Awards**

CyclingSouth is seeking nominations for the annual Cadence Award to be presented during Bike Week 2008. The successful nominee is considered to have made the most significant contribution to ordinary (non-competitive) cycling in the Southern Metropolitan Region over the past 12 months. To nominate see

[http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=47&Itemid=0](http://www.cyclingsouth.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=47&Itemid=0)

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**Reporting objects thrown at cyclists**

The next time an object is thrown at you from a car when riding your bike, such as drink containers, bottles or other rubbish, you now have a course of action. The State government has introduced a litter reporting hotline. If you record the licence plate and details of the vehicle and the time and location that the incident occurred and report it to the litter hotline, the driver will receive a fine for littering.

See <http://www.environment.tas.gov.au/litter/> for more.

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**Sally's Ride**

Sally's Ride is a charity bike ride created and undertaken by Sally Fletcher. The objectives of the project are to increase community awareness and raise money for the prevention of youth suicide in Tasmania. Sally has ridden solo around Tasmania four times with her fifth ride commencing on the 15th February 2008. For more information see

<http://www.sallysride.org.au/>

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