

# FRIENDSONBIKES

April 2022 Newsletter

## Friends on Bikes Update

Things have changed but it's not the end...

Over the past 12 years, notwithstanding bad weather, earthquakes and plagues, Frocks/Friends on Bikes has endeavoured to deliver at least one ride or cycling-related event every month

That's well over 120 rides!

Connie and Meg are stepping back from planning and leading regular Friends on Bikes rides. We are proud to have achieved our main goal of more women (and men) riding around Ōtautahi Christchurch in everyday clothes

We'd like to give big shout out to all members who have helped plan and lead rides over the years. You've been amazing! We encourage everyone to do have a go at planning a ride in the future. [Send us your ideas and plans](#) and they will be promoted through this newsletter and on our Facebook page. If you have an idea but are not sure about how to go about turning it into a ride [Connie](#) or [Meg](#) can give you some advice. However, neither Connie nor Meg will lead the ride! That's up to you!

And...

If YOU want to take on the over-all coordination role please [get in touch](#) and we'll have a chat about what's involved. The new coordinator(s) will have carte blanche about how a new Friends on Bikes may look like. Over to you, members!

Friends on Bikes newsletters will continue to come out infrequently to promote community rides (ie those not run exclusively for Friends on Bikes) and also new cycling infrastructure and other cycle-related news and events

## Upcoming Events

### Dutch Week Orange Bike Ride

Join in on a ride on the Uni-Cycle Cycleway. *Dress in Orange!* Great prizes to be won! Dutch treats for all!

Saturday 30 April 2022

Meet: Cnr Ilam Road and University Drive

Starts every 15 minutes from 10am

Finish (until 1pm) Hagley Golf Course

Info: [bikeorangechristchurch@gmail.com](mailto:bikeorangechristchurch@gmail.com)



### Peace Train Ride

Sunday 1 May 2022

1.30pm

Meet at Al Noor Mosque,  
Deans Ave

[More details here](#)

Go to [Frocks on Bikes Christchurch Facebook page](#) for updates

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## Cycling Security Updates

### 529 Garage



Christchurch City Council is partnering with Canterbury Police to launch 529 Garage bike registration database locally. When this was launched in Vancouver there was a 40% reduction in bike thefts over 4 years, and an increase in bikes being recovered and returned to their owners

[Read the Newline story here:](#)

Details and links to download the 529 Garage app [here](#)

### Secure Parking Around Town



Using a Locky Dock is super easy, free and all you need either your Metrocard or the bikekeep app  
Watch this [quick video](#) on how to lock, dock and recharge any bike, e-bike or scooter  
the [cycle map](#) to see where they are

## More Upcoming Events

### Bike Film Night 2022

Christchurch: 19 & 20 May



Details of location, times and bookings [here](#)

### Comments from 2022 attendees:

- *Best selection ever*
- *Wow! If it comes to your town do NOT miss it. Something for everyone*
- *I love your film festival!*
- *A fantastic collection of films*
- *Truly inspirational films and somehow you've managed to top the previous years*
- *That was awesome 🙌*

