# LIVEBUG NEWS Summer 2017



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# **Social rides**

Our friendly social rides cater for riders of all levels. We ride at a leisurely pace. No one is left behind. If you are concerned about the distance talk to the ride leader and ask about shorter options within the ride. Essentials: helmet and water. If you're joining our evening rides you must have front and rear lights.

#### Sunday Jan 8 Liverpool-M7-Western Sydney Parklands Loop

**Grade:** Easy-Medium **Start:** 8:00 am from Liverpool Station. Unlimited car parking in Railway street on Sundays. An easy-medium **32 km** ride from Liverpool Station following SUPs along Hoxton Park Rd, M7 to Elizabeth Hills & then through southern Western Sydney Parklands. On road along 27th Ave, then following SUPs & on road routes to Carnes Hill for coffee. Then taking back roads to Cabramatta Creek path, Kurrajong Rd, Foveaux Ave to Brickmakers Creek paths, Hoxton Park Rd & return to Liverpool. Some short hills.

**Contact:** Phillip Jackson 9720 8297 or 0434633490. Call to confirm.

# Friday Jan 13 Dinner Ride : A Taste of Asia

#### Grade: Easy

**Start:** 6:00pm from Liverpool Railway Station. (Bigge Street entry). A short ride along the rail trail to Canley Vale for dinner at a Vietnamese restaurant. Perhaps ending with Cà phê sữa đá (Vietnamese iced coffee). Bicycle lights required. Call to confirm essential for bookings.

**Contact:** Maree 96025293 / 0419203379.

# Saturday Jan 21 Meroogal and the Shoalhaven River

**Grade:** Easy-Medium **Start:** 6:45am Holsworthy Train Station or 10:30am Bomaderry Train Station There's a lot of train travel on this ride to take us down the south coast. We'll take a short ride to Meroogal, a charming historic house in Nowra (\$12 entry) to see the Meroogal Womens Art Prize. After lunch we'll take a wander along country roads towards Comerong Island and return the same way back to Bomaderry. The ride is flat and picturesque.

**Contact:** Elaena 0402 253 915 to confirm.

#### Sunday Jan 22 Liverpool Loop Grade: Easy

Start: 08:00 am Liverpool Railway Station, Main entrance Bigge St. Unlimited car parking in Railway street on Sundays. An easy **25km** ride along the T-way cycleway, Orphan School Creek cycleway and the Rail Trail. Stop at Canley Vale for morning tea and then back to Liverpool.

**Contact:** Phillip Jackson 9720 8297 or 0434633490. Call to confirm.

#### Thursday Jan 26 Australia Day Public Holiday Heritage Ride 'Brickmakers & Cowpastures'

#### Grade: Easy

Start: 9:00am from Liverpool Station. Approx **30 km**.This Heritage ride will leave from the station and will take in: the Brickmaker's Creek from Liverpool all the way to the Crossroads (another pub with a story), then Camden Valley Way down to Horningsea Park (which also has a grand but little-known homestead), then up Cowpastures before following Hoxton Park Rd back in. Perhaps finishing at the Colllingwood Hotel ...With interesting and informative commentary along the way. Contact: Matt 0424 093 940 to confirm.

### **LIVEBUG Meeting**

**Tuesday 21 February** Liverpool Hospital All Welcome! Contact Maree 9602 5293.

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#### Sunday Feb 5 Wolli Creek to Cronulla Grade: Easy

Start: 9:00am from Wolli Creek Railway Station (Brodie Spark Drive.)

This **25 km** ride is a mixture of shared cycle ways and back streets. The ride gives excellent views of Sydney Airport, the beaches of Botany Bay and the lower Georges River. The ride follows the Cooks River to Botany Bay near Sydney Airport then continues south along the foreshore past the beaches of Kyeemagh, Brighton-Le-Sands, Ramsgate and on to Sans Souci, Morning coffee break at Dolls Point Café, then proceed across Captain Cook bridge and follow Shared User Paths and local streets through Taren Point, Woolooware and on to Cronulla for Lunch. After lunch riders may choose to catch train from Cronulla back to Wolli Creek or cycle back depending on weather or fitness.

**Contact:** Phillip Jackson 9720 8297. Call to confirm.

# Friday Feb 10 Dinner Ride CBD to East Hills

Grade: Easy-Medium Start: 6:00pm at Central Station A scenic 35 km ride using the city's separated cycle lanes, the Glebe Foreshore and Hawthorn Canal paths, and quieter back streets to reach Summer Hill where we'll have dinner. Then cycling the Cooks River cycle path, the M5 linear park, the Salt Pan board walk and quiet streets to make our way back to East Hills. There are a couple of hills and short stretch on a busier road. Contact: Elaena 0402 253 915 to confirm.

# Sunday Feb 19 Rail Trail and T/Way Loop

#### Grade: Easy

Start: 8:00am Liverpool Railway Station. 35 km Unlimited car parking in Railway street on Sundays. Uses low traffic roads, cycle paths and Rail Trail through Cabramatta, Fairfield, Wetherill Park, Prairiewood and following the T-way path back to Liverpool. Coffee stop at Prairiewood.

**Contact:** Phillip Jackson 9720 8297. Call to confirm.

#### Sunday Feb 26 Liverpool-Carnes Hill-Casula Loop

#### Grade: Easy

Start: 08:00 am from Liverpool Railway Station. (Bigge Street entry). Unlimited car parking in Railway street on Sundays. This **22 km** ride is a great beginner's ride exploring the shared user pathways (SUP) of Hoxton Park Rd, Cowpasture Rd, Camden Valley Way & Hume Hwy. Then following SUP from Throsby Park to Casula Powerhouse Arts Centre & return to Liverpool via the new SUP along Speed St. Stopping at Carnes Hill & Casula Powerhouse. Contact: Maree 96025293 / 0419203379 to confirm.

#### Friday Mar 10 Dinner Ride Fri Mar 18 Dinner Ride: Indian Restaurant Grade: Easy

Start: 6:00 pm Liverpool Station, Main entrance Bigge St. Unlimited car parking in Railway street after 6:00pm. An easy 26 km ride along Rail Trail to Canley Vale then Orphan School Creek path and connecting up to the T/Way path to Green Valley for Indian delights at My Tandoori, Indian Restaurant. Then return via T/Way and Hoxton Pk. Rd. cycleways to Liverpool. (These are well illuminated paths on return leg to Liverpool.) Bicycle parking within view of the restaurant, bring lock. Working lights for bike- front and rear essential. Call to confirm, essential for booking. Contact: Phillip Jackson 97208297 | 0434 633 490 to confirm.

#### Sunday Mar 12 Liverpool to Panania Loop

#### Grade: Easy

**Start:** 8:00am from Liverpool Station. Unlimited car parking in Railway street on Sundays. An easy **35 km** ride from Liverpool Station following bike paths through Lansvale, along Lake Gillawanna, Milperra & Kelso Park to Panania. Coffee stop before returning through Chipping Norton to Liverpool. Uses some roads.

**Contact:** Maree 96025293 or 0419203379 to confirm.

### **Keep in touch**

If you haven't droped by our website do pop by. You'll find all out latest rides and news easy to lay your hands on. Drop us a comment and say hello! bikeliverpool.org.au

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### Photo captions

Top: Tenth Anniversary LiveBUG ride, on a less travelled path behind Chipping Norton Lakes.

Centre left: Enjoying the scenery at Wanda Beach Park, Oct 30. On way to Cronulla for lunch.

Centre right: Suffragettes and Suicide Alley (A History Ride) May 22.

Bottom: Having a chat and a coffee at George Gregans, Sydney Olympic park-Nov13.

Photos by Phillip Jackson.









### **Proposed Planning Changes in Liverpool** The long view on cycle advocacy

#### **By Alison Pryor**

There were a number of planning instruments with proposed changes out for public comment recently, (they closed earlier in Dec) particularly covering the CBD and river precinct of Liverpool. Liverpool BUG responded to a number of them – via online surveys or submitted letters.

Planning documents that are prepared by Local Councils and the State Government are usually revised to adapt land use and development to the changing needs the area around housing, businesses and other activities. Bicycle NSW refer to these plans as 'having a material impact on the cycling environment and should therefore be reviewed by a bicycle advocates .... to provide useful information to Government on the good and bad aspects of the plan to reinforce and commend good planning and to correct bad planning". https://bicyclensw.org.au/advocacy/ knowledgebase/documents/

There is are still formal council processes to place eg reviewing submissions, formal voting at council meeting etc for most of these planning documents

### Shepherd St Amendments to Liverpool LEP

The industrial riverfront area just north of Casula Parklands). Proposed High Density Residential in this area has been approved through NSW Planning Gateway Assessment (State Govt) –the council formalising the rules for the site in this LEP change

• Impact on cycling:

While individuals who live near may not be excited about the impact on traffic / local amenity of this type of development that includes high-rise. The main impact on cycling is the contribution to cycling infrastructure is detailed in the Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) ie things the developers will complete or pay for. A riverfront boardwalk along the precinct following bank stabilisation;

A new pedestrian/cycle access to boardwalk that will connect boardwalk to path.

New bike share pods – three in total at the precinct in Casula and Liverpool

Contribution towards the Woodbrook Road underpass (into Casula parklands) reopening where access for pedestrians and cyclists may be possible.

#### Master Plan for Georges River / Moorebank

This is a long term plan for the development of the riverfront and adjoining areas in Moorebank.

• Impact on cycling:

Has the cycle routes (shared paths/ on road lanes) recommended in the hierarchy of streets.

Continuation of the recreational shared user path in Haig Park around the river bend.

Replacement of the pedestrian / cycling bridge and consideration of other river crossing points.

Our submission included the request for implementation of best practice protected intersections design on those streets with cycling infrastructure. We have also asked for a better indication of the solution access to the CBD / railway area form the riverfront given the difference in heights and the rail line as a barrier.

#### Liverpool Development Control Plan, City Centre Controls and changes to the General Controls

These documents control the heights of buildings, building use etc for all of Liverpool and a particular section on Liverpool CBD.

• Impact on cycling:

Onsite parking in the CBD will include Provide 1 bicycle space per 200m2 of gross floor area. 15% of this requirement is to be accessible to visitors.

A new requirement for new commercial and retail development buildings with 20 employees or more to include end of trip facilities – biocycle lockers and change and shower facilities - located facilities conveniently close to bike storage areas.

Bicycle parking is to be designed as per the Australian Design Guidelines.

Our submission included the request inclusion of a map showing bicycle route map similar to the pedestrian map that is included eg highlighting those streets nominated with a nominated shared user path on the footpath and the impact on street frontage.

#### Liverpool Civic Place Development of triangular block - Scott, Macquarie and Terminus streets

New council chambers/ new public library / some ground level civic space, high-rise above university activities (WSU; UoW). Issues for cycling: Bike parking, as it will be a trip generator, and the provision of end of trip facilities.

