



Cork Cycling Arts Festival

Celebrating Cycling Culture in Cork

20th - 26th July 2009

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Monday 20th July 2009

Cycling Advocacy Meeting with John Franklin

Venue: Downstairs in The Quad, University College Cork | Time: 7:00pm

Event Details: The advocacy meeting has a broad spectrum of guest speakers including Mr. John Franklin, author of 'Cyclecraft-The complete guide to safe and enjoyable cycling for adults and children'. Many of the cycle training courses in the UK are based on his highly regarded book. The speakers will be followed by a general discussion with audience members that should lead to a lively debate on cycling!

Tuesday 21st July 2009

Sense of Cycling – Exhibition Launch (Unitarian Church)

Venue: Unitarian Church, Princes Street and Civic Trust House | Time 5:00pm

Event Details: Artists mastering different art forms including video documentary, sculpture, photography will display their bicycle related artwork for one week in the Unitarian Church. Highlights of the exhibition include Blood, Sweat and Gears a photo/video documentary of legendary Kerry man and 1958 RAS winner Mick Murphy. The Sense of Cycling art exhibition will be open daily from 11am to 6pm until the 25th of July at the Unitarian Church and Civic Trust House.

Cycling Documentary night featuring "Klunkerz" (2006)

Venue: Unitarian Church, Princes Street | Time: 8:00pm

Event Details: Scavenging bicycles from dumpsters and junkyards a group of cycle enthusiasts from Marin County, California cobbled together modified bicycles for bombing down mountain trails. To them these hefty steeds were affectionately known as Klunkerz. These days more commonly known as mountain bikes.

Wednesday 22nd July 2009

Cycle Through the Planets

Venue: Leaving from the Unitarian Church, Princes Street | Time: 7pm to 8:00pm

Event Details: Join us for a leisurely, social cycle visiting all the planets of our solar system. In association with Blackrock Castle Observatory this cycle will take you on a journey through Corks very own scale model of the solar system. Starting with the Sun, where else but at Patrick's bridge, you will be guided, by observatory staff, through our planets finishing at Neptune, otherwise known as Blackrock Castle Observatory.

Cycling Shorts Movie Night

Venue: Blackrock Castle Observatory, Blackrock | Time: 8:00pm

Event Details: Sit back and relax after cycling 4,503,443,661 km through the solar system to watch some bicyclicious short films, video clips and visual experiments by artists from Ireland and abroad. There will be plenty of time before after and between the films to enjoy a relaxing drink and chat in the Castle bar and trattoria or perhaps to check out the some of the observatories exhibits.

Thursday 23rd July 2009

Cork Songs Cycle Tour & An Oige Cycle

Venue: Leaving from Cork Opera House, Emmet Place | Time: 7pm

Event Details: Are you ready to discover the rebel capital as you've never seen it before? Enjoy a fun, friendly bicycle tour of Cork discovering the city's songs and history with Cork Folk Festival director William Hammond. An Oige's weekly cycle will also take off at the same time from the same location.

Cycling Documentary night featuring "The Road to Roubaix" (2008)

Venue: Unitarian Church, Princes Street | Time: 9:00pm

Event Details: This is the story of the riders, the fans, the mechanics, and the unpredictable landscape that is the setting for the Paris-Roubaix road race. A grueling contest over 160 miles of narrow, cobbled farm roads recognized as the most prestigious one-day cycling race in the world.

Friday 24th July 2009

Critical Mass Ride

Venue: Leaving from Daunt Square | Time: 6pm

Event Details: We are traffic!

My Lovely Bike Competition

Venue: Civic Trust House | Time: 8pm

Event Details: It's a beauty pageant for bikes! It time to polish the chrome and wax the paint job as you get the opportunity to put your bicycle tyre to tyre to see who owns the most beautiful bike in Cork.

Saturday 25th July 2009

Bicycle Treasure Hunt

Venue: Leaving from the Unitarian Church, Princes Street | Time: 2pm – 3pm

Event Details: Test your wits in a fun Treasure Hunt by bike through the city centre streets in search of clues revealing the location of the hidden treasure!

Bicycle Spa

Venue: Unitarian Church, Princes Street | Time: 1pm – 5pm

Event Details: Bike mechanics will be on hand from trailriders.ie to help with a quick tune up, after that its time to get polished and pimped followed by your very own bike portrait of you and your bike. Think of it as a bicycle spa!

Bicycle Polo & BBQ

Venue: The Lower Grounds, Western Road, University College Cork | Time: 5pm

Event Details: Bicycle polo is a sport that was invented in Ireland over a century ago. It is now making a comeback as an urban sport practiced in many cities around the world. Join us by playing or watching an exhibition game by visiting players from the Bicycle Polo Association of Ireland. Official competition fixed gear bicycles and gear will be provided by the BPAI for this event.

Sunday 26th July 2009

Bicycle Picnic

Venue: Joe McHugh Park, Mahon | Time: 1pm-4pm

Event Details: In association with Cork Food Web - This will be the perfect opportunity for families to enjoy a pleasant summer afternoon in quiet natural surroundings, to chill-out and to strike up friendships with other cyclists. This quiet, safe and car-free greenway is a safe place for children and at the end of one of the most picturesque cycling routes leading out of any town or city in Ireland. Bring food to share!

All events are free and open to everyone