



Moreland BUG Achievements for 07-08



Advocacy

Anstey Station

- Petition
- Objections
- Presentation at Council planning meeting
- Media
- Public land inquiry

Bike Roads

- Submissions to Council
- MP engagement
- Media
- MITS



Advocacy cont'd

Clearway Extensions

- Letter to Minister Pallas
- Invitation to attend stakeholder sessions
- Submission to Keeping Melbourne Moving
- Media
- Letter to BV

Video Ezy site

- Council meeting attendance & questions
- Worked with other groups incl. YarraBUG
- Emails



Advocacy cont'd

Council Budget campaign

- Huge email and letter writing campaign
- Meetings with Mayor and Councillors
- Submission
- Media
- Presentation to hearing
- Partnership with BV



Consultation

City of Moreland

- O'Hea St Path
- Merri Creek Trail
- Upfield Path
- Pearson/Grantham St
- Coburg Initiative
- Brunswick Structure Plan
- Video Ezy site realignment

Other organisations

- VicTrack – Moreland Station development
- Local MPs
- State Government departments
- Solar One



BUG now a "go-to" group for media

Fairfax Community Network

Road less travelled

So, you want to ditch the car – because petrol is too expensive, or you want to reduce your impact on the environment. That's great, just don't expect it to be easy. A 1998 Moreland Council report painted a dismal picture of alternatives to the car. Many argue nothing has changed in the past decade.

Riders see double on Sydney Road

WITH Moreland's cycling boom making bike paths too cramped for comfort, the Moreland Bicycle Users Group has its sights on Sydney Road as a new, two-wheel friendly zone.

The Moreland BUG's vision for Sydney Road is to reduce speed limits to 40 kilometres per hour, abolish clearways and create a separate lane for cyclists.

Moreland BUG convener Anna Steppell said Sydney Road was the major north-south roadway for Moreland cyclists, but it was a dangerous and unpleasant route during clearway times.

"With the Upfield shared path at

MORELAND'S TOP TRAVEL METHODS

Car: 33,597 (drivers/passengers)
Train: 4872
Bike: 2153
Walk: 1638
Truck: 449
Motorbike/scooter: 367
Bus: 340
Other: 259

THE CYCLIST

capacity during peak times, Moreland's growing number of cyclists need better options. The cycling boom in Moreland has placed significant pressure on the Upfield shared path as one of Moreland's major north-south bike routes. As a result, the number of cyclists taking their chances on Sydney Road is rapidly increasing.

The 2006 Census indicates Moreland residents made about 18,000 bicycle journeys to work each day, up from 12,000 in 2001.

In response to the State Government's plan to extend clearway operating hours, the BUG is petitioning for clearway operating hours to be removed all together.

"Extending clearway times will create an even more hazardous environment for cyclists on Sydney Road by exposing them to more cars."

"We have a vision for Sydney Road as Moreland's key transport corridor and activity centre that balances the needs of all users, including cyclists, pedestrians, traders, tram users and drivers."

"Moreland Council needs to invest in transport infrastructure that encourages people to choose sustainable modes such as cycling."



Bike future: Moreland Bicycle Users Group has a two-wheeled vision for Sydney Road.

Picture: Darren Howe

News

Budget leaves cyclists on outer

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Partnerships

Commuter Cycles

Local politicians

Human Powered

Other BUGs

Bicycle Victoria

Cycling Promotion Fund



Community Engagement

Movie nights

Sydney Rd St Party

Cyclovia

Glenroy Festival



Community Engagement

Return of BUG rides

Super Tuesday

VeloRock 08

Ride to Work Day



Community Engagement

Email list

- ~175 members

Alternating meeting
venues

Website

- www.morelandbug.org



Special Thanks To...

Committee members

- Anna Strempel, Convenor
- Ross Millward, Deputy Convenor
- Graeme Cross, Secretary
- Geoff Lewis, Treasurer
- Veena, Rod & Dave – (Extra)ordinary Members

Campaigns Crew

Rides Committee

Everybody who's helped with stalls, emails, letters, events, meetings & so on and on and on....

