The Second World Naked Bike Ride! (London, UK) Saturday 11 June 2005 - 3pm at Wellington Arch



Protesting against oil dependency! Celebrating the power & individuality of our bodies!

What is this?

A 50-city worldwide naked protest against the destructive effects of car culture. Rides will take place in Spain, UK (in London and Bath), Netherlands, United States, Canada, Belgium, Germany, France and Italy.

Celebrate the freedom of cycling or skating past London landmarks with the minimum of clothing! In 2004 we had around 70 riders in London and this year we expect 150-200!

Many will be cycling nude, but if you're shy, shorts, swimwear, crop tops, body paint or masks are fine. It's 'bare as you dare'! A perfect body is not required either - we come in all shapes and sizes.

This year the Metropolitan Police have recognised our right to protest, and agreed to both our central London route and our nudity. We don't expect any riders to be arrested this year.

^{*} For this print Five Lady Cyclers and other Maggie LaNoue prints, see www.michiganprints.com

ASSEMBLY POINT:

We are assembling on the grass that is immediately North of the Wellington Arch. This large section of grass has Park Lane to the North and a statue of a man on a horse to the West. It is in the corner of the traffic island which is closest to Piccadilly and Park Lane. If you want to take photos/video or be photographed/videoed before the ride starts, you'll need go to the West of the Wellington Arch (the designated photography area for before and after the ride).

ROUTE:

The route will pass the following location in this order

- 1) Wellington Arch
- 2) Piccadilly Circus
- 3) Trafalgar Square
- 4) Embankment
- 5) Big Ben/Parliament
- 6) Westminster Bridge
- 7) London Eye
- 8) Imax Cinema

- 9) Waterloo Bridge
- 10) Covent Garden
- 11) Leicester Square
- 12) Charing Cross Road
- 13) Oxford Street (and Oxford Circus)
- 14) Selfridges
- 15) US Embassy
- 16) Wellington Arch.

If you aren't sure of the route, just stay away from riding in the very front, there are lots of others who know the way.

SCHEDULE:

3pm - Assemble.

3.30pm - <u>Depart</u> when all riders are ready.

5pm to 6pm - <u>Estimated finish time</u>. Disperse and chat with your new friends (put your clothes back on first, as police many not tolerate nudity after the ride).

8pm to 8am - Reclaim the Future III

They fought car culture with massive street parties that showed us what the future would look like without the automobile. Now, the Reclaim the Streets folks are holding a benefit in a self-organised space in London. Not to be missed, this event promises some of the best performers, dj's, films etc. There is even talk of creating a non-sexual nudity area for cyclists to socialise after the ride. Call 020 7644 5155 or 07951 868 252 for event location on the day. (**rts.gn.apc.org**)

4pm to 9pm - <u>Free Jeffrey 'Free' Luers Benefit</u> (note early evening finish) Pullens Centre, 184 Crampton Street SE17. DIY punk rock, zine stalls, tea, free info. Luers is serving 22 years for burning SUVs at a car showroom in the USA.

19 June 05 - <u>The G8 Bike Ride</u> sets off from London. There are three segments separated by rest days and the ride completes in Lanark on the 30th of June. Daily rides are 18-59 miles. Join us at various points along the route. Return by bike carrying bus available on the 10th of July for £35. www.g8bikeride.org.uk

NOTICE: WE HAVE A PHOTOGRAPHY/VIDEO POLICY!

The London ride photography/video policy -

- a) prohibits close-ups
- b) prohibits photos/videos taken when people aren't on their bikes/ skates
- c) bars photos/video before/after the street ride (except in the designated photo area "just west of the Wellington Arch")

We wish to create a safe and supportive environment for all riders. This policy is intended to curtail any inconsiderate photography which might otherwise take place. All photographers present at the ride must abide by this policy. Those who do not will be asked to leave. This INCLUDES any riders or press who take photos or videos. To ensure that this policy is clear to all present, it appears on these leaflets distributed at the event.

There are various well known landmarks along the route which are very striking, and we hope that people will remember to photograph/film the ride in these places (eg- Piccadilly, Piccadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, Houses of Parliament, Westminster Bridge, Waterloo Bridge, Oxford Street, US Embassy).

OFFICIAL LONDON RIDE PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO POLICY

We welcome photography and video during the ride, but there are some restrictions. (Obviously, this doesn't apply to photographing your consenting friends!)

1. No photos/videos are allowed either BEFORE or AFTER the street ride EXCEPT in a designated photo area.

This designated area is the area immediately to the west of the Wellington Arch. When you stand in this area facing the Wellington Arch, you are also facing Green Park.

We encourage consenting riders to go to this location to be photographed/videoed before the ride starts. This is also the place where the ride can first be photographed (the ride starts by travelling through the Arch in the direction of Hyde Park.).

- 2. No closeup photos or videos of people are allowed (except with the person's written consent).
- 3. No photos or videos of participants when they aren't riding/skating (except with the person's written consent).
- 4. Riders and supporters are actively encouraged to enforce these policies. That meansplease ask someone to leave if they do not abide by the policy. Thank you from all of us in the London ride planning collective!

THE LONDON RIDE IS ENDORSED BY (OR PARTICIPATING IN):

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We would like to thank the Metropolitan Police and Westminster Council for having the courage and insight to stand behind our ride. It would have considerably complicated the ride if either organisation had sought to ban the ride. We sincerely hope that their goodwill will correspondingly extend to next year's ride on Saturday 10 June 2006. We retrospectively thank the Royal Parks Police for their supportive behaviour at the 2004 ride in Hyde Park.

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HELP MAKE 10 JUNE 2006 HAPPEN!

Please get in touch if you want to help. We'll be organising by e-mail, and then holding 3-5 meetings in order to allocate roles and responsibilities in a collective/non-heirarchical manner. It's fun!

Would you like to donate money to next year's ride? Donated money is used to pay for leaflets, bodypaint, and any other small expenses we may incur. This year's ride was done with dozens of hours of volunteer work and about £90 to pay for expenses (leaflets, bodypaint, etc). We raised this money through donations and sales of calendars.

Check out our website for info on buying calendars and t-shirts later in the year.



www.worldnakedbikeride.org/uk Join us Saturday 10 June 2006



