

**Hi! Welcome to the May 2011 Active Transportation E-Newsletter!**

### **Proposed Bike Lanes 2011**

On June 6th, Engineering will be presenting a Corporate Report to City Council. This report will evaluate the success of the 2010 Bike Lanes, and propose new bike lanes 2011.

Highlights include:

- 40% increase in cycling on bike lanes
- 23% increase in lawful riding
- 29% decrease in sidewalk riding
- 9.5 Km's of new proposed bike lanes

Be at that City Council meeting for the full report. If you're a fan of bike lanes, let your Ward and At-Large Councillors know! Public support is what drives this initiative!

### **Thunder Bay Travel Options Questionnaire!**

Please take 5 minutes for the [Thunder Bay Travel Options Questionnaire!](#)

Help the City of Thunder Bay learn about transportation needs and how we get around our community.

The [Thunder Bay Travel Options Questionnaire](#) results will help us understand what needs to be done in Thunder Bay to improve transportation options for all citizens, whether you walk, cycle, use a wheelchair, drive, or take the bus. Survey results will be presented to City Council as part of a larger plan to develop new transportation programs for the citizens of Thunder Bay.

We want to encourage the broadest possible participation in the [Travel Options Questionnaire](#). Please feel free to post, tweet, and forward this message. Thank you, in advance, for your participation!

### **Safe Cycling Thunder Bay**

The purpose of Safe Cycling Thunder Bay is to provide courses that help people ride their bikes safely. Our courses teach essential skills and knowledge. We offer courses for riders of all ages and abilities. No matter where you are in your cycling career, we can help you out!

We are training 8 people to become certified cycling instructors. It takes about 42 hours of training, 2 exams, and 4 skill-based tests to become an instructor. This weekend, May 14 and 15, our instructor candidates will have their final training session. We hope to offer courses within the next month.

Please check our website for updates: <http://www.safecyclingthunderbay.com/>

### **Bike Rodeo!**

Safe Cycling Thunder Bay has begun planning this year's Bike Rodeo! We have set the date for June 12th, 2011, from 10 am - 2 PM at the Lakehead University Fieldhouse.

A Bike Rodeo is an opportunity for youth ages 7-13 to learn fundamental safe cycling skills such as helmet fitting, identifying mechanical problems, bicycle handling skills, and the Ontario Highway Traffic Act. Bike Rodeos are free and tons a fun.

We are looking for volunteers! If you are interested in helping out, please send me an email.

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