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Welcome to Cycle Toronto's Ring & Post newsletter, your guide to Toronto cycling news.

At right: Planters installed on Simcoe St to increase cyclist safety & beautify the street

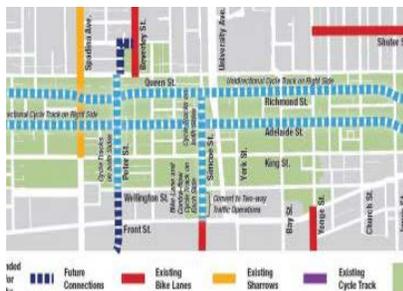


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About Us

We are Toronto's largest member-based cycling advocacy organization working toward creating safer streets. The more people we represent, the more power we have in creating a safe cycling city. Please [join Cycle Toronto](#) to make Toronto a better place to ride, and save money with [member discounts](#) around the city.



Council approves extension of Richmond Adelaide cycle tracks to Parliament & request to Province of Ontario to develop Vulnerable Road User laws

Good news! Last week, Toronto City Council unanimously approved the extension of the Richmond Adelaide pilot

cycle tracks to Parliament. Council also directed staff to report back on upgrading Lower Simcoe, Shuter and River to protected bike lanes. Special

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Platinum Business

thanks to Councillor Jaye Robinson for her leadership.

We've worked hard over the last 4 years to build broad support for protected bike lanes on Richmond & Adelaide and are thrilled that the extension will be installed in late summer. Thank you to the nearly 200 people that responded to our [Action Alert](#).

We're also pleased to report that Council approved Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon's request of the Province to implement strong Vulnerable Road User laws. We've worked as part of a broad coalition of partners to see these changes. Learn more about Vulnerable Road User laws [here](#).



Sign the Bloor Loves Bikes & Danforth Loves Bikes campaign pledges!

Our [Bloor Loves Bikes](#) and [Danforth Loves Bikes](#) campaign pledges are now

live! Help us get to 5,000 signatures on each pledge by the end of July and show your support for bike lanes on Bloor & Danforth! Click [here](#) to support bike lanes on Bloor St and click [here](#) to support bike lanes on Danforth. Want to get involved in the campaigns? Write info@cycleto.ca for more!



Fill out the Toronto Bikeway Network Implementation Plan Survey

Toronto Bikeway Network Implementation Plan

Do you want to see bike lanes on Bloor? Danforth? Yonge? Jane? Midland? The City has launched its Phase 2 of the 10-year cycling network plan and now's your chance to have your say. Spend some time and respond to the survey [here!](#)



Ryan Day (right), winner of the Join in June contest with Taylor Cook (left) from Sweet Pete's

Congratulations to our 'Join in June' Winner

The winner of this year's bike is Ryan Day! Ryan's last bike was getting worse for wear, so he was excited to throw a leg over some new wheels. During our member drive, we soared to over 3000 members, an all-time first for our organization! A big thanks goes out to [Sweet Pete's Bike Shop](#) for donating the beautiful Kona Dew

bicycle. Thanks to all the members that renewed or joined for the first time - our work is thanks to your support!

Toronto on Two Wheels: Volunteer and RIDE with us!

New to cycling in Toronto? Want to learn more about our city's bike infrastructure from the seat of your own bike? Come join

Members





Exploring the West Toronto Rail Path

us for a special edition of our Bikewatch Volunteer Training: Toronto on Two Wheels! We're taking to the streets to

explore our city in a fun and informative group ride, led by Executive Director, Jared Kolb.

Applications for our next training session in the evening of Thursday Aug 6 are due Monday Aug 3 at noon and can be emailed to rebecca.thorpe@cycleto.ca. For more information about what to expect, check out the event on our [website](#).

Accessible Connection coming to the Lower Don Rec Trail

Earlier this year, we were thrilled to read the staff report indicating that an accessible ramp at the Riverdale Pedestrian Bridge had been included in 2015-2024 Council-approved Capital Plan for Parks, Forestry and Recreation. The project has \$100k set aside for design and \$1 million set aside for construction in 2016. This project wouldn't have happened without the persistence of our Trails Working Group, and local advocacy groups in Ward 28, Ward 29, and Ward 30, as well as pedestrian advocates at Walk Toronto. You can read more about the decision [here](#).

Cycling in the news

Check out these recent news stories on cycling:

- [It's time bike lanes were installed everywhere](#) (Toronto Star)
- [The Quick, the Safe and the Cyclist](#) (NOW Toronto)
- [Ontario unveils \\$4.9-million plan to expand Bike Share Toronto](#) (CBC News)
- [Take a tour of the best bike paths in Toronto](#) (Toronto Star)
- [Biking in Toronto *VIDEO*](#) (FLICKROBOT)

Upcoming Events

Thurs July 23 - [Danforth Loves Bikes Pub Crawl](#)

Sat July 25 - [Bike Valet at Pan Am Road Cycling Races](#) - High Park Ave at Bloor St. 12pm-9pm

Fri July 31 - [Bike Valet & Premiere Screening of 'Bikes vs Cars' Documentary](#) - Bloor Hot Docs Cinema. 5:30pm-8:30pm

Sat Aug 1 - [Bike Valet & Premiere Screening of 'Bikes vs Cars' Documentary](#) - Bloor Hot Docs Cinema. 8:30pm-11:30pm

Sat Aug 8 - [Bike Valet at Vegan Food Fest](#) - Fort York Garrison. 11am-7pm

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