

# LONDON'S BICYCLE FESTIVAL & COMMUTER CHALLENGE

**MAY 30 - JUNE 8, 2008**

**London's Bicycle Festival & Commuter Challenge 2008 Visit: [www.trea.ca](http://www.trea.ca)**

## **Bicycle Festival**

London's annual Bicycle Festival encourages Londoners to bike for transportation, fitness, and fun. The Festival promotes events to educate people about bicycle safety and maintenance, local trails, tours and commuting options.

## **Commuter Challenge**

The Commuter Challenge is a friendly week-long competition in June between Canadian communities to encourage as many people as possible to use sustainable and active commuting and travel. Londoners are encouraged to walk, jog, cycle, in-line skate, take the bus, carpool or telework and visit [www.commuterchallenge.ca](http://www.commuterchallenge.ca) to register your kilometers traveled.

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

### **Monday - Friday**

*UWO Bike Stop: 7 - 9 am*

Stop by the University Police Emergency Response Trailer (Talbot College corner on the UWO Campus) to log in, snacks, bike check and cycling related information.

### **Day By Day Events**

#### **Friday, May 30, 2008**

Critical Mass Ride. Cyclists, in-line skaters, joggers, meet at the Victoria Park Bandshell, 6:00 p.m.

#### **Saturday, May 31, 2008**

**Thames Valley Trail Association hour walk 9 am**

Meet at Kilally Meadows, Windermere Road east of Adelaide Rd North. Contact TVTA: 641-0442.

#### **Sunday - June 1, 2008**

Great Canadian Bicycle Tour \*: Starts at 10 am Meet at Fergus Arena to register and get map. Park at Centre Wellington Community Sportplex. Tour leader Bob Ullman, 519-843-7319

#### **Helmet Exchange: Noon - 4 pm**

YMCA Children's Safety Village of London Area Birthday Party. As supplies last, children's damaged or 5 year old helmets will be replaced. Contact YMCA: 455-5437 or visit [www.safetyvillage.ca](http://www.safetyvillage.ca). Visit the TREA display featuring bicycle safety for families and children next to the helmet exchange.

#### **Monday - June 2, 2008**

**Ride with Reynolds Cycle: 6:30 - 8 pm** \* Ride with Martin Mann, trainer  
30 - 40 km bike ride starting from Reynolds Cycle at 688 Dundas St.  
Road bikes are mandatory. Contact: 680-5100. [www.reynoldcycle.com](http://www.reynoldcycle.com)

### **Tuesday - June 3, 2008**

Family Fun Ride \*. 6:30. to 8:00 Meet at Centennial Hall. Discover quiet streets, heritage architecture and shady tree lined streets. Helmets required. Tour leader: Gosse Van Oosten. 519-685-2682. Children 10 and over riding their own bikes are welcome.

Maps available. Short instruction on road cycling

### **Wednesday - June 4, CLEAN AIR DAY**

Huff & Puff Morning Ride Meet in Port Dover. Take Hwy 24 south to Hwy 6. Go east into Port Dover, pass IGA, left on Queen St., Parking lot at bottom of the hill. Meet at the Ball Park. The ride starts at 10:00 a.m. and takes the Rail trail to Simcoe and back. Call 519-268-7413 for information or to share rides to Port Dover.

### **Carpool opportunities**

Need to link up with another commuter to carpool?

Go to: [www.london.carpoolzone.ca](http://www.london.carpoolzone.ca) and register to carpool.

### **Leave your car at home, walk, cycle, use transit, carpool or telework**

Be sure to wear your Clean Air day button while riding the bus between June 2 and 6. You could win \$50. gift certificate, courtesy of LTC

### **Thursday - June 5, 2008**

TREA Meeting: 7:30 - 9 pm Andrew Macpherson, parks planning. Multi-use paths, past, present and future. Meet at Grosvenor Lodge, 1017 Western Rd N. of Oxford St  
Contact TREA. 519- 645-2845

### **Friday - June 6, 2008**

Orchestra London presents music with an environmental message: in Harmony with the Earth. 8:00 at Centennial Hall. Contact 519-679-8778, Visit the display by Thames Region Ecological Association.

### **Saturday - June 7, 2008**

Join Thames Valley Trail Association for an hour hike. Meet at the Peace Garden at 9:00 a.m  
Contact TVTA: 641-0442.

### **Gathering on the Green Old South Community. Starts at 10:00 a.m.**

Bicycle Parade. Kids decorate your bike and bring it in for judging and prizes.

See the Thames Region Ecological Association table for cycling information.

Visit the Village Cycle secure bicycle corral and have your bike safety check done.

### **Sunday - June 8, 2008**

Out of town bicycle ride with Great Canadian Bicycle Tours\*. Ride the Halton Hills Register and get route maps at Hornby Park. Exit 401 at Trafalgar Rd., go north to Steeles and west to 6<sup>th</sup> line. Tour leader: Barry Pinsky 416-366-1445

\*All group bicycle rides require helmets be worn.

For more details visit web: [www.trea.ca](http://www.trea.ca) phone: 645-2845 email: [trea@wwdc.com](mailto:trea@wwdc.com)

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