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Summer Spins

June was a busy and HOT month, with lots going on both at the Hub and further afield. As we spin into the summer months and look forward to more time on two wheels, we're also celebrating our fantastic relay team who took on Chase the Sun last month - more to come on that!



We celebrated the re-opening of the Badminton Road bridge on Friday 19th June with a ride from Yate to the bridge before it was fully re-opened the following day. Volunteers and supporters from the Hub were joined by members of the local tandem club too!

If you're looking to increase your time on two wheels but don't know where to start, our friendly volunteers at the Hub will be more than happy to give advice and share their experiences. You can also talk to them about our [bike library](#).

As always, thank you for being part of our cycling community!

Lexy & the YCBH Core Team

Follow us! All our socials are listed here: [YCBH linktree](#)

Chase the Sun

June saw four determined volunteers race the sun across the country from Minster on Sea to Weston Super Mare to raise funds for Yate Community Bike Hub.

Adrian, George, Nicola and Rebecca cycled over 100 miles each to relay their way across England on the 20th June getting to Weston before sundown.

They were riding to raise money for YCBH, as a non-profit dedicated to helping more people access bikes as an economical, healthy and fun way to get around. The money raised from this event will help our team of awesome volunteers to continue their sterling work refurbishing unwanted bikes and gifting them to those in need. But the Hub is so much more than this and funds raised will also support our community to keep cycling by providing FREE maintenance classes, Rusty Rider Training, Dr Bike sessions, bike and equipment loans, advice, affordable bikes and kit, social rides, youth sessions, work experience and supported placements for young people with learning difficulties and at risk of isolation.

If you are able to spare some change to help the Hub to continue to support our community we'd be so grateful - <https://www.justgiving.com/page/ycbh>

"Well that was epic! Yesterday we chased the sun clocking over 110miles each from Minster-on-Sea to Weston Super Mare, through south London, gorgeous countryside and the spectacular Cheddar Gorge. The event was so well organised, highlights include the teamwork and companionship of all riders on the route, the amazing marshalls making sure we were fed, watered and supported and of course the incredible scenery, including the sunrise and sunset. Thank you to all our supporters - you're the best!" Rebecca.



safe off-road location and progressing through the month to rides all around South Yate and beyond!



Rusty Riders



Do you want to get out and about more on your bike but are feeling a bit rusty? Perhaps you'd like to beat the traffic jams, improve your fitness or save some fuel money by switching out a few car journeys?

Our "Rusty Riders" sessions could be just the thing for you! Yate Community Bike Hub are running sessions with our instructors allowing you to dust off the bike and brush up your skills in a friendly and safe environment. You can come to as many sessions as you like over the month for FREE and we encourage you to come to as many as possible!

In the 90 minute sessions you'll be able to ride in a small and friendly group based in Abbotswood. Our instructors will cover all the skills you need to get around safely by bike, from signaling and road positioning to route planning. Starting in a completely

Maintenance Sessions

As well as our monthly maintenance sessions and Hub Club (sessions for juniors on Wednesdays), we've also been thrilled to host bespoke bike maintenance sessions this month.

We were joined by two groups who are about to undertake a long ride and wanted to ensure they knew what to do to keep their bikes maintained along the way. Susanna, course participant shared these kind words after the session:

"We all learned a lot and will feel much more confident about dealing with punctures, chains etc.

Please pass our thanks on to Stuart and Nick who did a brilliant job at teaching us.!

If you ride as part of a group and want to build your bike maintenance skills and knowledge, please get in contact as we'd love to arrange a bespoke session tailored to your needs

yatecommunitybikehub@gmail.com



Summer of Socks Trail

We're delighted to be part of the Summer of Socks trail this summer, in partnership with South Gloucestershire Council and Can't Sit Still and funded by West of England Combined Authority and the Arts Council.

Summer of Socks is a community arts and sustainability programme, built around the simple idea of using socks as a creative and environmental theme. Through a mix of

lively performances, playful trails and hands-on workshops, the programme invites people of all ages to see their high street, and everyday objects, in a new way.

Stop by while you're completing your trail and say hello!



Festivals galore!

We're excited to be getting festival ready and looking forward to supporting two local festivals over the coming weeks; Yate Ageing Better festival and Yate Youth Fest!



We'll be supporting Yate Ageing Better Festival on Wednesday 15th July 2026, 10am till 2pm. Come along and say hello while you enjoy the showcase of local groups and activities, find support from information services, and join in with our wellbeing and creative performances. If you're thinking of making new friends, learning a new skill or hobby, or maybe rekindling old favorites, at this FREE event you can find out what Yate and the surrounding areas have to offer, for people approaching and already enjoying their retirement.

We'll also be at Yate Youth Fest on Wednesday 5th August 12-4pm outside the Leisure Centre, Yate Shopping Centre.

There'll be food, games, entertainment and more, why not pop by and say hello at this FREE event.



Road safety initiative launches

Led by Bitton and Oldland Cycling Club (BOCC) in partnership with the Bristol Cycling Campaign, Bath's Bicycle Mayor, Walk Ride Bath and the global More than A Cyclist campaign, the 'More Than A Cyclist' (MTAC) West Country Pilot has officially launched a targeted ambient advertising campaign. For the next four weeks, custom-printed 'AdNozzles' will be active across just three strategic regional forecourts: the local Willsbridge garage, one station in Bristol, and one in Bath.

"Over 39% of local motorists surveyed admit they feel unsure or neutral about the safest way to pass a person on a bicycle on winding country roads"

Full details can be read here:

<https://pressat.co.uk/releases/humanising-people-on-bikes-campaign-launched-on-fuel-pumps-at-3-west-country-petrol-stations-6454b0ff77da965a87309e602e69d28e/>

Yate Spur active-travel scheme

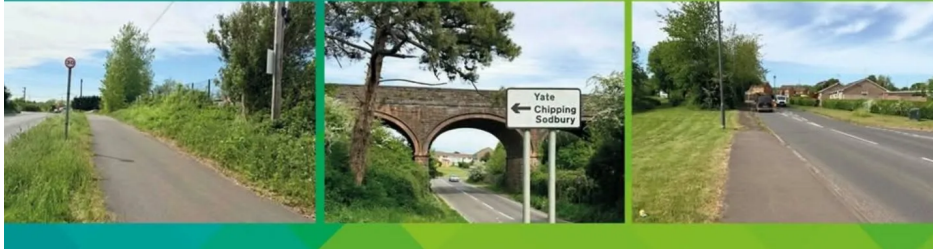
The Yate Spur is a major active-travel scheme led by South Gloucestershire Council, designed to make it safer and easier for people to walk, wheel and cycle between Yate, Westerleigh, and the Bristol and Bath Railway Path.

A drop-in event will take place on Monday 6 July, from 3pm to 7pm at Paul's Place Hub (formerly Shire Way Community Centre), BS37 8YS where you can learn more about the upcoming works, including timelines and temporary traffic changes.

Visit https://orlo.uk/Yate_Spur_XMP5w

YATE SPUR

MAKING WALKING, WHEELING
AND CYCLING SAFER



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The Hub opening hours are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 2-5pm and Saturday 10-3.

TUESDAY
7

11-1230 Rusty Riders Day Skills

Brush up your biking skills in a supportive environment via our **FREE** instructor-led Rusty Riders sessions. Book via Eventbrite.



SATURDAY
18

1030-230 - Saturday Dr Bike

Our experienced Dr Bike mechanic checks over your bike for **FREE**, identifies any issues and makes minor adjustments. No booking needed, just turn up!



TUESDAY
21

7-8.30pm Family Intro to Bike Maintenance

A **FREE** beginners level course looking at key skills you need to keep your family cycling this summer and beyond. Book early via Eventbrite to avoid disappointment!



WEDNESDAY
22

630pm Rusty Riders Evening Skills

Brush up your biking skills in a supportive environment via our **FREE** instructor-led Rusty Riders sessions. Book via Eventbrite.



SATURDAY
25

9am - Bike to ParkRun

We will be supporting **Chipping Sodbury Parkrun**. Ditch the car and start your warm up early, with the added bonus of wave bar, courtesy of Hobbs House!



TUESDAY
28

7-830pm Maintenance Course Practice Session

FREE session for those who have attended one of our courses & would like to practice their new skills in a friendly environment. Please book via Eventbrite.



FRIDAY RIDE-YAY!



Fancy kicking off your weekend with a Friday ride-yay? On Fridays, we meet at 6.30pm at Bolero for an easy 10-12 mile loop. All welcome, beverages at Bolero after

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www.yatecommunitybikehub.co.uk



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