



## News from the Board – October 2008

### NSW Bike Plan

We are delighted with the rapid progress that has been made in plans to involve local BUGs in the development of the NSW BikePlan. Workshops are already being set up for locations throughout metropolitan and regional NSW. This has come about with the organizational support of our Advocacy Volunteer Werner Steyer and funding support from the Bicycle NSW Environmental Trust. The Board is confident that the engagement of BUGs in the crucial early stages of planning will be a great assistance to the creation of a plan that will make a significant contribution to our purpose of more people cycling more often.

### Bicycle NSW Annual General Meeting - 1 November 2008

Details of this year's AGM appear on the [AGM page](#) of the Bicycle NSW website. We are looking forward to briefing members on the significant developments in the external environment and range of changes in the operations of Bicycle NSW over the last 12 months and anticipate a full agenda! The Constitutional Review is a key agenda item and for the latest on that front please check out the Constitutional Review section below.

While we do not have another Board meeting prior the AGM we welcome any questions on notice from members that they would like to be put to the Board at the AGM. Please drop us an email on [president@bicyclensw.org.au](mailto:president@bicyclensw.org.au)

### Board Nominations – ride with the Board!

As we said last month - with the AGM coming up it's time for all members to consider if they want to stand for election to the Board of Bicycle NSW. There are 3 Board positions up for election this year and details of the process and nomination forms are available for download from the [AGM page](#) of the website. If this is something you are thinking about and want to know more, please have a look at the [Board page](#) on the website and if you have any further questions you are very welcome to drop us an email at [president@bicyclensw.org.au](mailto:president@bicyclensw.org.au) .

Alternatively you may want to join us for a ride on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October at the City of Sydney Spring Cycle. There will be board members starting from all 3 start sites and we'll be convening for a post ride celebration. If you want to use this opportunity to ask any questions or just have a chat please let us know on [president@bicyclensw.org.au](mailto:president@bicyclensw.org.au) and we'll arrange appropriate meeting places for the day.

### Board Nominations from Regional NSW encouraged

One of the key changes being proposed in the Constitutional Review this year is to facilitate the use of phone and video conferencing at Board and Annual General Meetings. These changes will make the involvement of members from Regional NSW more practicable and we hope that this will encourage nominations from members based outside of the Sydney Metropolitan area.



## **Bicycle NSW Constitutional Review**

The external lawyers have now completed the complex task of drafting the proposed changes into the appropriate constitutional form together with the required special resolutions and accompanying explanatory statements. The Board has reviewed all of this documentation and approved it for presentation to members for consideration at the AGM. All of this material is available now for download from the [AGM page](#) of the website.

We take this opportunity to thank Allens Arthur Robinson, our pro bono legal advisors in this matter, for the extensive advice and guidance they have provided to Bicycle NSW in respect of this review.

### **.....and finally.....**

As always we welcome the opportunity for input and discussion with our members. We will endeavour to address your concerns, comments and feedback through [president@bicyclensw.org.au](mailto:president@bicyclensw.org.au)

Please remember, the board exists to ensure that Bicycle NSW is well managed – we are not directly involved in day-to-day operations. You can find more information about the role we play published on the [Board page](#) of the Bicycle NSW website