Spokes mailout - update, apology and kids offer 31.10.19

To: all emailable Spokes members

You should have received - or should soon receive - your autumn Spokes mailing, containing Spokes Bulletin 135.

1. Edinburgh Bike Coop - Christmas kids

The Bike Coop had booked a paid-for Christmas flyer insert in our mailing, but due to a mistake on our part this did not get included in the mailing. We therefore offered to email an advert to all members, and it is **below**. It should be of interest if you are thinking about kids bikes for Christmas (or if you want to see videos on elf bike-building and/or how to present-wrap a bike!)

Note 1 - we normally never email commercial adverts to members but are doing so on this occasion because of our above mistake.

Note 2 - if you use gmail (and possibly some other email systems), and if the advert doesn't have pictures, you may see a blue message at the top of the email, asking you to click to see images - you may need to click if so.

2. Spokes public meeting - Friday Nov 15

Our public meeting promises to be really interesting, with speakers from the organisations providing Edinburgh's imminent tenement cycle storage scheme and Just Eat cycle hire, plus a European expert on cargo bikes and cycle logistics, and if that wasn't enough, also Edinburgh's Transport Convener, Cllr Lesley Macinnes. Full details and downloadable poster pdf on the Spokes website.

http://www.spokes.org.uk/2019/09/new-cycling-solutions-for-edinburgh-nov-15-spokesmtg/Help advertise our meeting by retweeting our tweet! https://twitter.com/SpokesLothian/status/1176420083343745025

3. Bus Lanes 7-7-7 consultation - Ends Nov 22

You may remember that in 2015 and 2016 Spokes (along with Living Streets) ran major but unsuccessful campaigns to halt Council plans to scrap Saturday bus lanes and to cut back weekday times to peak-period only, plans which had not been given a proper public consultation. We argued instead that the council should first consult the public, with 7-7-7 operation as an option (7am-7pm, 7 days a week). The history is here...

2015 http://www.spokes.org.uk/2015/06/bus-lanes-150-objections-rejected/

2016 http://www.spokes.org.uk/2016/10/transport-cttee-1-11-16-bike-storage-

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With buses now suffering increasing congestion and delays, the current Council is doing just what we asked for back then - consulting on 7-7-7 operation!! *Please respond to the consultation* which is here...

https://consultationhub.edinburgh.gov.uk/sfc/bus-lane-operational-hours/

4. Spokes Bulletin 135 - soon!

Apologies that the new bulletin is not yet on our website. The format needed for the website copy is different to the format needed for the printer. It should be on the website in the next few days to check, click the Bulletin tab on the website or go direct to www.spokes.org.uk/bulletin. However the new *Cycling Inspiration* factsheet which forms the centre page of the Bulletin is now on the website at the above address.

As always, please get in touch if you can use extra copies of the printed bulletin to leaflet bikes or at a relevant event or other opportunity.

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