

Townsville BUG

June 2013 - July 2014 Annual Report

About Townsville BUG

The Townsville Bicycle User Group inc. aims to get more people cycling more often on safe, direct and connected routes. We provide feedback to Council, State and Federal members and engage the media whenever possible to keep the topic fresh in everyone's minds. We support Bicycle Network initiatives such as Super Tuesday visual bike count which provide statistical data to help plan proper networks. We host a number of events to help highlight and encourage community support for safe, convenient cycling infrastructure development.

2014-2015 strategic priorities are to:

Develop our relationships with the business, political and media communities of Townsville.

Grow participation and promotion of our Events

Develop our technical understanding of Urban and Traffic design in order to present workable advice to TMR and Council

Stimulate increased feedback from Townsville Residents about improving amenity for Active Transport based on their own experience and expertise

2013-14 highlights

NQ Principle Cycle Network Plan: stakeholder inception plan meeting at TMR 21/1/14

Inquiry into Cycling: BUG encouraged Inquiry, provided a [submission \(no.32\)](#) and encouraged others to do so, president spoke at hearing and to media. The submission is quoted on pg 5 of the resulting report [Inquiry into cycling parliamentary report](#)

Sue Bell Memorial The BUG was involved in the inaugural ride in July 2013 and principal organizer and host for June 2014. We commissioned a video of the [Sue Bell Memorial Ride](#) that outlines the ride objectives and importance of engaging political leaders.

Ride2Work Day - Collaboration with City Council saw the event hosted in the Council Foyer - an important step towards increased participation by council workplace

Super Tuesday - BUG promotion of this event and member participation resulted in 46 of 47 sites across the city being filled, a significant increase on the year previously. In the words of the **Strategic Planning Department at Townsville City Council** 'This data will assist council in identifying key bicycle networks throughout the city, assist in strategic planning of future bike networks and development of maintenance plans.'

Ride The River 27/4/14 BUG stall-holder at this council event

Event Management Course hosted by Volunteering NQ, attended by BUG President

2013-14 highlights cont.

Eco Fiesta BUG stall at this City Council Event exposed us to new members

Media exposure - articles and quotes provided by the BUG to The Bulletin, Seven Network and WIN television

Connections established and maintained:

Meeting with **Mayor** 21/8/14,

BUG feedback sought by **David Donahue** in relation to Bayswater rd and Hugh st intersection upgrade,

AECOM provided free Traffic Management Plans and promotion through their office,

meeting with **councillors** 27/8/13,

Wingate Properties offered \$2000 donation and PR assistance - (requires follow-up),

mauriceblackburn initiated collaboration with the BUG in their focus on Road Safety this year.

Tri Club and **Cycle Club** loaned materials and supported events

TMR provided green wave for Sue Bell and Style Over Speed (SOS) bike rides and sought feedback from the BUG on network priorities

Key players

Executive management 2013- 2014 financial year

President: Rebecca Ryan

Secretary: Shannon Wall

Treasurer: Naomi Barton

Assistant Treasurer: Aaron Young

President's Report

Our efforts to promote and improve cycling in Townsville has resulted in an increasing number of companies and management organisations approaching us for stakeholder feedback and offers of financial assistance. Our network continues to expand as we reach out to companies such as AECOM for assistance. We value all engagement and are confident of building on these relationships.

Although I am very pleased with all the BUG activities this last year, we have, I believe, reached a point where we need to work more effectively to deliver on the expectations and opportunities that present themselves.

TMR have been very supportive and I'd like to see us bring more fully-developed ideas and projects to the table.

Membership rationalisation with on-line forms have allowed individuals to opt into focus groups. What I would like to see is focus group leaders who then report to the BUG Management.

I have found a great deal of satisfaction in my role as BUG president and am happy to serve another term to help the transition. I will always contribute towards efforts to improve our community through increased participation but I would like to suggest that this be my last year as president. It is important that the BUG be recognised as a dynamic and resilient group with the backing of many dedicated individuals.

When we set up our bank account it was not possible to make online transactions but this will now be possible. This will decrease the burden on individual members who have on occasion waited a very long time for repayment.

Financial Statements for year ended 30/6/2014

prepared by Treasurer

Townsville Bicycle User Group Inc.			Organisational Number: IA36554
Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2014			
	2012-2013	2013-2014	
Current Assets	\$	\$	
Cash and cash equivalents	5,330.56	9,057.56	
Investments	0.00	0.00	
Trade and other receivables	0.00	0.00	
Inventories	0.00	0.00	
Other current assets	0.00	0.00	
Non Current Assets			
Property plant and equipment	812.25	812.25	
Total Current Assets	6,142.81	9,869.81	
	0.00	0.00	
Total Assets	0.00	0.00	
Total Liabilities	1,479.30	3,735.89	
Net Assets	4,663.51	6,133.92	
Signed Treasurer (Naomi BARTON):			
5th August 2014			

Townsville Bicycle User Group Inc.			Organisational Number: IA36554
Statement of comprehensive income as at 30th June 2014			
	2012-2013	2013-2014	
Income	\$	\$	
Fundraising & Donations	2,801.30	7,276.45	
Grants	2,500.53	500.00	
Memberships		277.00	
Other	28.73		
Total Income	5,330.56	8,053.45	
Expenses			
Legal		233.00	
Depreciation			
Insurance		785.00	
Online			
Merchandise			
Hire Costs	25.12	298.00	
Minor Equipment Purchases	812.25		
Printing and Promotion	266.00	275.00	
Supply and Service	1,097.16	188.65	
Other	345.50	0.77	
Total Expenses	2,546.03	1,780.42	
PROFIT/(LOSS)	2,784.53	6,273.03	
Signed Treasurer (Naomi BARTON):			

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Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 30 June 2014		
	2012-2013	2013-2014
Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
Receipts from grants,fundraising and membership	5,330.56	8,053.45
Payments to Suppliers	(1,733.78)	(1,780.42)
Net cash from operating activities	3,596.78	6,273.03
Cash flow from Investing Activities		
Purchase of plant and equipment	(812.25)	0.00
Net cash from investing activities	(812.25)	0.00
Net Increase in cash held	2,784.53	6,273.03
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	0.00	2,784.53
Cash at end of financial year	2,784.53	9,057.56
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