

# Townsville BUG

June 2014 - July 2015 Annual Report

# About Townsville BUG

**The Townsville Bicycle User Group** inc. main objective is to create better conditions for cycling in Townsville. 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 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

# 2014-15 highlights

**Submission for Priority Development Area along Ross River** [our Submission](#)

**Ride for Road Safety in memory of Sue Bell** Our Sue Bell ride was held in June 2015 for the third year in a row. The continued support of AECOM in the provision of the Traffic Management Plans and of Transport Main roads with logistics and our green wave of lights has been wonderful. The QLD government showed their support through QLD Heath's donation of hundreds of red Operating Theatre caps. These caps were worn over the helmets of our 200 riders creating a powerful symbolic image for the desire to improve road safety. We hope to continue into the future with this unique display. We were also delighted to have the support of Premier Anastacia Palaszczuk's office and 3 MPs speak to the crowd after the ride. Aaron Harper MP rode with us and read the speech that was prepared by the Premier's office after discussion with our President.

**Style Over Speed Black Tie Bike Ride** - Again a huge success and lots of fun. Great media coverage with a spread in Duo Magazine and The Bulletin. The spectators took a little encouraging but on our return we had them cheering us on. That's the message we want to get out there - cheer on the cyclists and smile when you see one because riding a bike is fabulous.

**Super Tuesday** - BUG members continue to generously volunteer to count bikes for the worthy cause of greater statistical understanding.. 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.'

# 2013-14 highlights cont.

**Eco Fiesta** - BUG again took advantage of the City Council Event to engage with the broader public  
**Sponsored attendance at CAARS-Q Road Safety Awards ceremony and Workshops in Mackay** was an excellent opportunity to meet others committed to improving road safety and to meet the Minister for Main Roads and Road Safety Mark Bailey.

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

**Connections established and maintained:**

**AECOM** provided free Traffic Management Plans and promotion through their office,  
meeting with **councillors**

**TMR** provided green wave for Ride for Road Safety in memory of Sue Bell and Style Over Speed (SOS) bike rides

# Key players

## Executive management 2014- 2015 financial year

President: Rebecca Ryan

Secretary: Shannon Wall

Treasurer: Leonie Jones

General Executive Members: Jenny Harris, Ian Hammond

# President's Report

I have found immense satisfaction in my work as President since 2012. As reported in the last President's report, this year was my last in this position. It has taken a while to get the organisation running smoothly in a way that encourages participation and keeps members in the loop but I believe we are nearly there. Michael Barber's new website and Tye's newsletter should help.

It's very encouraging to have others offer their help to shape this group. I have tried very hard this past year to put processes in place to enable others to take on various aspect of the role that I have played. The establishment of an Event's Coordinator position and Grants Officer will distribute the load and should lead to even better outcomes.

The importance of a strong local group advocating for better conditions for cycling can't be underestimated. It's essential that this is and is seen to be more than just the actions of one person.

Thank you to everyone who has joined the BUG. I look forward to being part of the team that helps grow our membership and with your help we will keep delivering great results.

# Financial Statements for year ended 30/6/2015

prepared by Treasurer

Townsville Bicycle User Group Inc.			Organisational Number: IA36554
Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2015			
	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
<b>Current Assets</b>	\$	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	5,330.56	9,057.56	3,972.22
Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00
Trade and other receivables	0.00	0.00	0.00
Inventories	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other current assets	0.00	0.00	0
<b>Non Current Assets</b>			
Property plant and equipment	812.25	812.25	0.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>6,142.81</b>	<b>9,869.81</b>	<b>3,972.22</b>
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<b>Cash Flow from Operating Activities</b>			
Receipts from grants, fundrasing and membership	5,330.56	8,053.45	1826
Payments to Suppliers	(1,733.78)	(1,780.42)	-6911.34
<b>Net cash from operating activities</b>	<b>3,596.78</b>	<b>6,273.03</b>	<b>-5085.34</b>
<b>Cash flow from Investing Activities</b>			
Purchase of plant and equipment	(812.25)	0.00	0.00
<b>Net cash from investing activities</b>	<b>(812.25)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Increase in cash held</b>	<b>2,784.53</b>	<b>6,273.03</b>	
Cash at the beginning of the financial year	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,784.53</b>	<b>9062.56</b>
<b>Cash at end of financial year</b>	<b>2,784.53</b>	<b>9,057.56</b>	<b>3972.22</b>
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