



SPECIAL EDITION YOUR CHANCE TO SUPPORT THE FUTURE OF THE CLUB & SPECIAL OFFER FROM **CYCLIQ**

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDITOR

You could argue that there's nothing special about another year, a new committee, and the Club soldiers on. But sometimes it's important to consider the future of the Club and the people who need to take a leadership role in one of the several positions that keep the Club functioning. Just as we've come to expect and enjoy.

Over recent times, with the absence of some new committee members, the old guard repeatedly stepped in. All positions are voluntary and it would be satisfying to have a choice of candidates at least for the key roles. You can't have too much democracy!

So this is an appeal for the middle guard to consider roles on the committee when elections take place at the AGM in March. For background information on the positions, please see the work Ride Captain Sandra has done by way of describing the tasks and skills required.

Meanwhile, the Christmas Party has been arranged by that smooth organiser, Shirlene Scanlan! You can book through the website. It gets better every year.

Cycliq supplies the world with combined camera/lights made specifically for cyclists from their base in Subiaco. They are focusing on cycling clubs to

support members' use of these devices. It only takes one incident to convince you that a video record supports any claim you may need to take. The first question that's asked after an incident is 'do you have any evidence of it?' This evidence eliminates the 'they said/I said' arguments. Dashcams are pretty common in cars now, both as original equipment and as after-market purchases. I repeat my prognostication: one day they'll be standard on bicycles. Talk to a member who already uses them and see the Cycliq offer.

Equipment & Car-Watch. In addition to keeping an eye on members' vehicles, it's also to look after Club equipment from the early to late starts. There's a sign-up sheet on the board on Wednesdays, or email Sandra. There are usually only 52 Wednesdays in a year and if every member put their name down, did it in pairs, they'd only score the duty once every three years. Don't miss out!

The Big Bike Film Night is here again, have a look at the story later in the newsletter. It's become a regular night-out for some of our members and the State Library Theatre was pretty full last year. My usual cyclist friend couldn't make it at the last moment last year so my wife came along. You should make

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sure that all attendees have some interest in cycling or can readily sleep in public places. It's screened in Fremantle on 14 September and Perth on 15 September, so book your tickets pronto!

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THE CLUB

FROM THE PRESIDENT

CLUB WEBSITE & EMAIL REDIRECTION

Over the past few months, the Committee has been reviewing all aspects of the Club website and email redirection systems and apps. Some aspects of these have been in the control of individual Club members who have generously given of their time and resources to manage them. We thank them for their work for the benefit of our Club.

With the intention of maintaining a secure and professional approach to these important aspects of the Club, the Committee has resolved that the management of these will now be added to the Secretary's role.

Recognising the expertise required, the day-to-day, or as required, work and maintenance of these systems

have been outsourced to an organisation specialising in maintaining websites.

So, moving forward, any changes required or issues involving the Club website are to be directed to the Club Secretary. The Club Secretary will then take whatever action is required to have the changes made or the issue resolved.

Except for Committee positions that have access to specific areas of the website, no additions, deletions or other changes may be made to the website other than through the Secretary.

This will greatly assist in maintaining the integrity and continuity of these important Club systems.

COMMITTEE POSITIONS

I believe that one of the strengths of our Club is that we run almost entirely on Volunteers.

The most significant weakness of this is that the work can often be left to the same too few volunteers.

As a Member of the Club, we ALL have a responsibility to contribute to the smooth running and longevity of the Club we enjoy being part of.

At the AGM all Committee positions are declared vacant. Nominations are called for all positions no later than 28 days prior to the AGM and close 14 days prior to the AGM.

Included later in this Newsletter are the Over 55 Committee Job Descriptions.

These are positions that YOU CAN DO and the Club needs you to step up!!

Please read these job descriptions and give some serious thought to how you can do your bit for the Club.

If you have questions on any specific role, speak to the current incumbent in the role, I am sure they will be delighted to assist you.

Let us see if we can have more than one nominee for each position at the 2027 AGM!!!

OTHER VOLUNTEER TASKS

In addition to the Committee Roles there are numerous other tasks that require our assistance such as:

Car & Equipment Watch (including those who ride in).

Catering.

Camp organisers.

Assistance at Events.

Etc, etc, etc.

All the above and other tasks require assistance from Club Members.

It's our Club, we all need to be doing something, big or small to ensure it continues to be the great Club that it is.

DON'T LEAVE IT TO THE FEW – BE PART OF THE MANY

Life is Better on a Bike, so keep alert, stay upright and enjoy the rides.

SAFETY IS NO ACCIDENT!!!

Patrick Kelly
President



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MESSAGE FROM THE RIDE CAPTAIN

Looking back at June, July and August, the theme is familiar: winter weather again shaped our riding opportunities and kept a few members off the road.

These three months of June, July and August can be summed up in two words: the weather.

We are also delighted to report that June, July and August were accident-free, so that is good news.

Ride numbers were lower, as they usually are during winter, which is encouraging to see safe riding continue through these months.

Please keep sending in your ride statistics for Saturday and Monday rides, and for any Wednesday rides missed from the form. These statistics are very important to the rides management safety focus.

With spring approaching, we now shift from managing weather-affected rides to encouraging members back into regular club rides and supporting upcoming events, of which there are many.

The Club has two different riding events coming soon: a Saturday with a start at Mundaring, with off-road biking options as well as road options, and a combined North/South rides day (at Burswood) with a BBQ upon return. This is on a Saturday so members who might only ride on Saturdays, at either Deep Water Point or Carine, can meet, ride together and enjoy the social side of the Club.

The Australind Camp from 18-23 October is also coming soon. The ride maps have been updated to include route upgrades made possible by the completion of the Wilman Wadandi Highway project.

The Ride Team greatly appreciates members' willingness to help and support the Club's riding days in so many ways. Thank you.

Sandra Patullo

Ride Captain



MESSAGE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP OFFICER: SEPTEMBER 2026

We currently have 317 paid-up members in the Club. The breakdown of our membership may be of interest and is listed as follows:

Membership category	Numbers at 31 Aug 2026
Ordinary Members	223
Over-80 Members	70
Social Members	17
Over-80 Social Members	7
Total	317

We extend a warm welcome to the following new members of our Club:

JUNE '26

Graham Edmonds

JULY '26

Alan Sherborne

AUGUST '26

Larry Tan

Richard Brooke-Smith

Membership Officer



MESSAGE FROM THE STATISTICIAN

If there are any other statistics you'd like to see here, please ask.

Cameron Blyth
Statistician



Rides Led 2021 - present

Nev Taylor	351
Kay Taylor	339
Don Buchanan	232
Marilyn D'Angelo	230
Lance Deagan	230
Patrick Kelly	214
Peter Komyschan	210
Steve Napier	187
Peter Mayall	186
Jerry Lowe	185

THE CLUB, THE COMMITTEE & THE FUTURE

It's still six months before the next AGM and the appointment of new committee members to take the Club forward in 2027. However, like all organisations, renewal in these fast changing times is important in order for the Club to maintain its membership numbers, keep its finances in good shape and provide the necessary leadership in all aspects. Our Club is run entirely by volunteers and it means that all members are potentially able to serve on the committee. Typically a small cadre of members volunteer, but that could and should be widened.

Hence, the focus at this time is to search for members who might volunteer to take on committee roles next time around. To this end, Sandra has prepared nomination briefs for each of the roles so that you can see just what is involved and hopefully signal your interest in joining the committee.

The best next step, once you've identified the volunteer position that interests you, is to chat with the present incumbent to get a more in-depth view of the role. And signal your interest.



PRESIDENT — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Lead the Club, uphold its values, and ensure smooth, compliant governance.

What the role involves:

- Represent the Club publicly and uphold the Constitution. "Represents and promotes the Club..."
- Chair Committee, AGM and Special Meetings.
- Ensure compliance with the Constitution and By Laws.
- Liaise with other cycling clubs and organisations.
- Assist in resolving disputes and interpreting rules.

Ideal for someone who: Is confident leading meetings, understands Club culture, and communicates well.



VICE PRESIDENT — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Support the President and take the lead when required.

What the role involves:

- Chair meetings when the President is absent.
- Assist the President as Club host.
- Work with the President and Ride Captain on safety and advocacy.
- Represent the Club at external forums.

Ideal for someone who: Is organised, approachable, and comfortable stepping into leadership when needed. Gets to see the President's role before considering it.



RIDE CAPTAIN — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Lead and manage the Club's ride programme.

What the role involves:

- Prepare the annual ride programme.
- Oversee ride leaders, tailenders, and coordinators.
- Promote safe riding practices.
- Maintain ride statistics and accident reports.
- Manage the Equipment & Car Watch roster.
- Approve e bikes and maintain e bike records.
- Organise Achievement Rides and Presentation Day.
- Maintain route maps and support camp ride planning.
- Report monthly to Committee and annually to AGM. "The Ride Captain is responsible for all aspects of the ride programme."

Ideal for someone who: Understands group riding, enjoys organising, and communicates clearly.



DEPUTY RIDE CAPTAIN — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Support the Ride Captain and step in when needed.

What the role involves:

- Work closely with the Ride Captain on all aspects of the ride programme.
- Assist with safety strategies.
- Act as Ride Captain when required. "Act as Ride Captain in the absence of the Ride Captain."
- Ideal for someone who: Is experienced in Club riding and willing to learn the full Ride Captain role.



TREASURER — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Manage the Club's finances responsibly and transparently.

What the role involves:

- Oversee all financial transactions and ensure legal compliance.
- Prepare budgets and monthly financial reports; familiar with Excel.
- Familiar with accounting packages.
- Manage banking, receipts, and payments.
- Prepare regular and Annual Financial Statements and liaise with the Auditor.
- Maintain surplus funds securely.
- Work with Membership Officer to keep records accurate. "Ensure that the Club maintains sufficient funds... as a going concern."

Ideal for someone who: Is financially literate, methodical, and comfortable with accounting software.



SECRETARY — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Manage Club administration, records, communications, and compliance.

What the role involves:

- Prepare agendas, minutes, and meeting documentation.
- Manage AGM notices, nominations, and minutes.
- Maintain Constitution, By Laws, and incorporation records.
- Coordinate correspondence and maintain official files.
- Update website notices and send broadcast emails.
- Ensure venues for rides and BBQs are booked.
- Manage forms, brochures, and emergency contact lists.
- Oversee Certificates of Appreciation process. "Maintain an official record of all minutes together with supporting reports."

Ideal for someone who: Is organised, reliable, and comfortable with admin and communication tasks.



MEMBERSHIP OFFICER — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Manage member applications, records, and onboarding.

What the role involves:

- Process new membership applications.
- Maintain the membership database.
- Send New Member Packages.
- Notify key officers of new members.
- Provide updates to the Committee and Newsletter Editor.
- Conduct annual audits (emergency contacts, over-eighty category).
- Provide membership information to authorised members. "Take ownership of all application forms received from new members".

Ideal for someone who: Is friendly, detail-oriented, and enjoys welcoming new members.



MERCHANDISE OFFICER — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Manage Club apparel and merchandise.

What the role involves:

- Identify apparel and equipment needs.
- Source and purchase stock (with Committee approval).
- Maintain stock levels and verify payments.
- Coordinate fittings and supply for new members.
- Manage donated apparel.
- Promote merchandise via website, Facebook, and Newsletter.
- Provide monthly reports and stock takes. "Maintain sufficient stock levels to supply apparel in a timely manner."

Ideal for someone who: Is organised, enjoys member interaction, and can manage small inventories.



WELFARE OFFICER — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Support members experiencing illness, injury, or bereavement.

What the role involves:

- Identify unwell or bereaved members.
- Contact members to offer support on behalf of the Club.
- Arrange bereavement notices with President/Secretary.
- Recruit assistants and maintain confidentiality.
- Update "Thinking of You" notices.
- Report to Committee and keep a log of contacts. "Make contact... with any Club member who is unwell... and offer the support and good wishes of the Club."

Ideal for someone who: Is compassionate, discreet, and comfortable reaching out to others.



EVENTS COORDINATOR — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Oversee planning for major Club events.

What the role involves:

- Identify events requiring coordination (e.g., camps, Memorial Day, Christmas Lunch).
- Appoint convenors and support them with planning.
- Liaise on venues, catering, volunteers, budgets, and authorities.
- Club Trailer – coordinate maintenance and upkeep
- Report monthly to Committee. "Identify a convenor... and work with that person to make decisions around venue... catering... volunteers..."

Ideal for someone who: Is organised, enjoys event planning, and works well with volunteers.



PROMOTIONS OFFICER — Nomination Brief

Purpose: Promote the Club and enhance its public profile.

What the role involves:

- Promote the Club positively across online and offline channels.
- Implement strategies to raise the Club's profile.

- Develop visual representation methods to attract new members.
- Initiate projects supporting the Club's objectives. "Positively promoting the Over 55 Cycling Club Inc."

Ideal for someone who: Is creative, comfortable with communications, and enjoys outreach.



Why Nominate for the Committee?

Our Club runs as well as it does because members step forward, share their skills, and keep the wheels turning. Every role - big or small - helps create the safe, social, and supportive cycling community we all enjoy.

If you've ever thought, "Someone should do that", there's a good chance you could be that someone.

Here's why nominating matters:

- You shape the future of the Club. Your ideas, experience, and perspective help keep the Club vibrant and relevant.
- You give back to the community that supports you. Many of us have benefited from the rides, friendships, and organisation created by others. Serving on the Committee is a meaningful way to return that goodwill.
- You don't need special qualifications. Just enthusiasm, reliability, and a willingness to contribute. Every role comes with guidance, support, and a clear description of what's involved.
- You won't be doing it alone. The Committee works as a team. New members are supported, mentored, and never left to "figure it out" on their own.
- It's rewarding and fun. You'll meet more members, learn new skills, and feel proud knowing you're helping the Club thrive.

If you enjoy the Club, consider helping to run it.

A small contribution of your time and expertise makes a big difference to everyone's cycling experience.

Sandra Patullo
Ride Captain





Annual Christmas Lunch

WHEN: Wednesday 2 December 2026 from 11.30-15.30.

WHERE: Function Room, Willetton Stadium, Burrendah Boulevard, Willetton.

2-course Carvery Buffet.

Drinks available from the bar at own cost.

ENTERTAINMENT: Guest vocalist, Door prizes & Spot prizes.

TICKETS: \$40 members, \$50 Non-member partners.

Save the date and book a table for your team and friends.

Tickets and Table Chart will be available on the Club website from mid-October.

PS The O55CC committee has generously agreed to subsidise this event by \$30 per person. So, take advantage of the bargain entry price and come along and celebrate being part of the Over 55 Cycling Club.

ENQUIRIES TO SHIRLENE SCANLAN:

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CYCLING

SIX CYCLISTS & A TRUCK

John Bailey was ride leader, the four in-between were Cyril Toman, Ray Scanlan, Steve Dalley, Dom Palumbo and the tail-ender was Graham Baws.

It's all about the evidence, and the form that the evidence is in. Pretty well every time we venture out on our bikes we see or experience poor decisions or errors made by road users, including other cyclists! Fortunately, they don't all end in tears.

Motor vehicles are increasingly equipped with dashcams and video evidence often has a defining influence on disputes. As cyclists, we are among the vulnerable road users and accidents can have a profound effect on us.

These comments are a prelude to the story of an event that took place in June. It was a Wednesday and the ride started from Burswood Park. Our group of six arrived at the Kiosk on City Beach for coffee and spent the requisite amount of time discussing North American politics. Then it was time to leave and we circled though City Beach and along Empire Avenue which is a single lane each way at that point, before turning left into Dumfries Road.

As tail-ender, I could see the ride-leader signal left at the approach to the left turn, and others repeating the signal. We were in rough single file. At that point, a truck pulled out from behind me and began to overtake us on the right-hand side of the road. By the time he drew level with the corner and had signalled left, he turned left around the offside of our members who were all turning left into Dumfries Road. It was downhill, so we were travelling at a comfortable speed but quite able to make the left-hand turn.

It was frightening to see, had one of our group moved a little to the right at the turn they would have collided with the truck. Had any of our group been continuing down Empire Avenue, as they were entitled to do, I hate to imagine the outcome.

Then the truck seemed to chase the ride-leader, menacingly from the rear. A few moments later, the ride-leader saw the opportunity to ride onto the footpath and did so, the rest of the group following. The danger had passed.

Later, I reviewed my front camera video and ride-leader John Bailey reviewed the footage from his rear camera. We both had Cycliq cameras front and rear. He combined the two videos. I found contact details of the truck company from the video, as well as the vehicle's registration. I emailed the company explaining the incident but not then providing the video. When I didn't hear back, I called the company and got a sympathetic response from a Customer Service Representative. She could find no trace of my original email but gave me another email address and promised promptly to pass my message onto the transport manager. Which she did.

The next day I had a call from the transport manager who had by then viewed the video (he told me more than once) and agreed that it was dangerous driving. I asked that he put his response in writing because there were six of us on the ride and the others might have something to add. The following day I received an email from him explaining what he had done. There was the implied threat that if we weren't satisfied with the response, the next stop was a police report. His actions, if they were to be believed, appeared to deal well enough with the incident.

In short, he showed the driver the video, the driver agreed it was unacceptable behaviour and the transport manager said he came close to sacking the driver. I believed, and the reaction from the other riders supported the thought, that the explanations were sufficient.

I want to emphasise that having the video was an irrefutable method of convincing the transport manager details of the incident. There was no way that, given the evidence of the video, we needed to argue the facts. The videos spoke for us. I look for the time, one day soon, when we have cameras front and rear as standard on all our bikes. Perhaps we could be the first cycling club to mandate it?

Graham Baws



CYCLIQ OFFER

You've seen the evidence; here's your opportunity to acquire Cycliq camera lights at a really good price. Cycliq have extended the offer for the month of September, so now's the time to act. If you have any questions, please email Lachlan or talk to one of the Club members who have them.

The direct link is: <https://cycliq.com.au/discount/O55CC> And the code is: O55CC



The dashcam for cyclists



Our story started on a training climb in the Perth Hills, when co-founder Kingsley Fiegert was struck from behind by a ball bearing fired from a slingshot out of a passing car. Shaken but undeterred, he talked it through with his son and a friend, Andrew Hagen, and out of that came a simple idea: a bike light that could also see what happened behind you. A Kickstarter campaign later, the Fly6 was born.

Since 2012, our mission has been to make cycling safer and give you peace of mind when you're on the bike. Over a decade on, we've shipped more than 200,000 units to riders in over 50 countries, and we're still proudly headquartered right here in Perth, Western Australia where it all started.

With roads and shared paths getting busier, and reckless riders and e-scooters becoming more common, protecting yourself with video evidence has never been more important.

For the month of September, Cycliq is proud to offer Over 55 Cycling Club members 30% off sitewide. To redeem the offer, use the discount code or direct link below.

Code: **O55CC**

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Any questions, please reach out to Lachlan McDonald, Marketing and Club Manager by email - lachlan.mcdonald@cycliq.com



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Smart video looping



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CYCLING WITH HEARING AIDS – BEATING THE BLOODY WIND NOISE

For those of us who cycle and wear hearing aids, there is one problem that becomes obvious almost as soon as the wheels start turning: wind noise.

It can range from mildly irritating to an absolute racket. More importantly, it can make it harder to hear the things we actually need to hear — another rider speaking, a warning call from the bunch, a bicycle bell or traffic approaching from behind.

I recently went looking for information on the subject and was surprised to discover that there has been some serious research into both cycling wind noise and the particular problems it creates for hearing aids.

It isn't just ordinary wind noise

One of the interesting things I discovered is that the noise heard through a hearing aid isn't simply the hearing aid amplifying the sound of the wind.

As air flows around the hearing aid, particularly the microphones of behind-the-ear hearing aids, it creates turbulence. Those rapid changes in air pressure act directly on the tiny microphone diaphragm and produce the familiar roaring or buffeting noise.

A review of wind-noise management in hearing aids explains that even a moderate breeze can produce enough turbulence to overwhelm useful sounds such as speech. The problem becomes particularly relevant when we are moving, because even on a perfectly still day a cyclist creates his or her own headwind. ([PubMed Central \(PMC\)](#))

At 20 km/h we are effectively creating a 20 km/h wind before taking the actual weather into account.

Cyclists get quite a lot of wind noise

There is another issue that applies to cyclists whether or not they wear hearing aids.

A 2017 study put microphones near a cyclist's ears in a wind tunnel. At just 10 mph (about 16 km/h), the researchers measured 84.9 dB. The measured noise increased substantially as the simulated cycling speed increased. The researchers concluded that prolonged exposure could potentially contribute to noise-induced hearing loss and suggested investigating ways of deflecting wind without compromising a cyclist's awareness of surrounding sounds. ([PubMed](#))

For those of us who routinely ride at 20–30 km/h, that is worth thinking about.

Why hearing aids make it particularly difficult

Behind-the-ear and receiver-in-canal hearing aids put their microphones in an exposed position above or behind the ear.

Research has found that wind noise can vary considerably depending on hearing-aid design and microphone position. Completely-in-canal aids have sometimes produced lower wind noise because the outer ear provides some natural protection. ([PubMed](#))

A more recent 2025 study examining airflow around hearing devices also confirmed that wind noise is a significant problem during outdoor activities and sport. ([Nature](#))

So what can we do about it?

Don't simply turn the hearing aids off

That certainly eliminates the hearing-aid wind noise, but it rather defeats the purpose of wearing them.

For a cyclist with hearing loss, environmental sound is useful information. We want to hear other riders, warning calls and traffic, and ideally have some idea of which direction those sounds are coming from.

The objective therefore isn't silence.

It is to reduce the wind while retaining as much useful environmental sound as possible.

First line of attack: stop the wind reaching the microphones

This is perhaps the simplest and most interesting solution.

Laboratory research reviewed in the hearing-aid literature has found that putting an appropriate cover over a hearing-aid microphone can reduce physical wind noise by as much as 18 dB. ([PubMed Central \(PMC\)](#))

For a cyclist this suggests experimenting with a thin cycling headband, skull cap or purpose-designed hearing-aid wind protector that covers the hearing aids and smooths the airflow around them.

The important thing is that the material shouldn't flap or rub against the microphones, because that can create another noise problem of its own.

It also shouldn't block the ears so effectively that we lose the environmental sounds we are trying to preserve.

Second line of attack: a cycling program

Modern hearing aids have sophisticated wind-noise detection and reduction systems. Research has shown that specialised wind-noise attenuation can reduce annoyance and improve the ability to understand speech in wind. ([PubMed](#))

For a regular cyclist, it may therefore be worth asking the audiologist to create a dedicated Cycling program.

The request I would make is quite specific:

“I want maximum reduction of wind noise, but I still want to hear riders and traffic around me.”

That distinction matters. Maximum noise reduction isn't necessarily the same thing as maximum wind reduction. Aggressive processing that makes everything beautifully quiet isn't much use if it also makes the rider behind you beautifully quiet.

Two hearing aids are better than one

Taking one hearing aid out may seem tempting, but wearing both has advantages.

Two ears help us determine where sounds are coming from. Some modern hearing aids can also communicate with each other and use information from the side experiencing less wind. The research literature describes systems that can substitute part of the signal from the less wind-affected hearing aid when one side is being badly affected. ([PubMed Central \(PMC\)](#))

For cycling, retaining that left-right information seems particularly desirable.

The experiment I'm going to try

Before contemplating different hearing aids, the inexpensive experiment seems obvious:

Existing hearing aids + a thin wind-deflecting covering over the microphones + the hearing aids' strongest appropriate wind-noise setting.

If that works, we retain the benefits of the hearing aids without having to put up with the bloody wind noise.

And if it doesn't work sufficiently well, the next conversation should probably be with the audiologist — not simply about “noise reduction”, but specifically about **cycling, wind management and maintaining awareness of sounds from all around us.**

For an ageing cycling population, that seems a subject worthy of considerably more attention.

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Lyle A Burgess



BIG BIKE FILM NIGHT

Kiwi Brett Cotter from the Big Bike Film Night contacts us around this time to warn us about the upcoming film festival screenings in Freo at the Luna on SX on Monday 14 September, and in Perth at the State Library Theatre on Tuesday 15 September 2026.

If you haven't come across The Big Bike Film Night before, it's a cycling film festival that began 12 years ago in Taupō, New Zealand. Kiwis are renowned for doing weird stuff, "the niche of the niche", and yes, our film festival fits right in that mould with a bold mission: bringing together the world's best short cycling films.

The dazzling 2026 collection is geared to inspire, with a breathtaking range of short cycling films that celebrate the fun, adventure, and inspiration that cycling enables; showcasing 2.5 hours of moving bike films that have everything a cycle-centric audience could want. Two highlights include a bold and uplifting story of an adventure activist, Annie Ford, attempting to break the 24-hour Guinness World Record in downhill mountain biking- all to raise funds for an environmental project; and a phenomenal underdog story-a road-cycling doco on Eros Poli's famous 1994 Tour de France Mont Ventoux stage win.

Attendee comments (edited, but all breathlessly positive!)

Copy these links to book tickets:

Luna on SX, Fremantle:

https://5oacv.r.sp1-brevo.net/mk/cl/f/sh/1t6Af4OiGsEag4HgKXExBJ5Bz2gyzD/WFalE0pliR_m

State Library 6:30pm 15 September:

<https://5oacv.r.sp1-brevo.net/mk/cl/f/sh/1t6Af4OiGsF30mU6itKslZ91MrfihH/02RHDSggvXg9>

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SOME OTHER NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY

1-30 Sep		Cycliq Offer
12 Sep	8.15 am	Mundaring
14 & 15 Sep	6.30 pm	The Big Bike Film Night – Freo & Perth
19 Sep	8.00 am	Burswood start North & South BBQ @ 11.30 am
30 Sep	8.00 & 8.30 am	Sandy Beach Reserve start Liz Curtis Fundraiser @ Henley Brook
3 Oct	7.30 & 8.00 am	Change to Summer timetable