

**MASSBUG MINUTES
DECEMBER 2005**

LAUNCH of the 2006 CALENDAR

Proposals for 13-14 February

Addison Road

Launch at Addison Road

Could include exhibition match of unicycle game. John will follow up.

Stall at Addison road weekend of launch. Could also include a maintenance workshop.

Art Exhibition

Art competition for art submissions based on Tempe House and environment. Those present discussed a preference for the exhibition to be focused on cycling and the Cooks River. Its not clear how this could be funded given current financial situation. Launch of exhibition could include a party for Massbug, out on the lawn.

Marrickville Metro

Suggested as a venue for maximum coverage, the logistics could be daunting, it is also not in a public space.

Calendar

Several versions with different formats were provided. There were no changes to the rides – calendar to be completed and put on web site. LBUG was followed up and asked if they wanted to do any joint rides, their calendar didn't allow it for this year.

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Finance/Banking

Members considered the products provided by banks for not-for-profit organizations. The Commonwealth Bank costs were very high and had a complicated fee structure. It was agreed that the MASSBUG account should be placed with Westpac Bank were there are no fees.

Greenway

The Federal Government provided \$30 000 for greenway development, to be matched by local councils.

Harbour Bridge Cycleway

Road works have made this dangerous. This is an extremely busy and important cycle path, and its safety and ease of use is being compromised by structures reducing safety and amenity. Suggested action, to write to minister to alert them to safety and amenity issues.

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Riders use wheelchair cycles, trikes, with a 'lean-steering' technology have a larger turning circle and need to be accommodated within the cycle path environment. This is a particular problem at Wardel Bridge, and some additional design and construction work is necessary to be useable.

Action: A representation be made to the Council Access committee.