

2023 BikeBrampton Year End

Activity Highlights:

- Worked with Brampton Tourism and Caledon to coordinate a table at the Outdoor Adventure Show February 24-26. Table attendee count was 791!
- The Bike Lawyer, Dave Shellnut approached BikeBrampton to deliver a “Know your Rights” workshop in February. Interesting and well-attended event.
- BikeBrampton members helped ATAC lead, sweep, marshal 14 Community Rides.
- Worked with City of Brampton Parks and Recreation and ATAC to organize Tour the Trees Community Ride in September. City provided a BBQ and book prize. Best attended ride with over 70, City wants to do it again in 2024.
- Kevin Montgomery moved to Mattawa. We miss him!
- Wayne Noble selected as a member of Caledon’s AT task force.
- Several BB members selected for ATAC
- Orangeville Brampton Railway purchased by Peel Region to be converted to recreational trail
- Participated in Earth Day April 22nd – led ride-ins, supported Different Spokes BikeWrx table
- Met with COB Strategic Communications, AT Planning and By-law as a follow-up to meeting with Mayor Brown in December 2022. Discussion included focusing on benefits of bike lanes and celebrating installations. Also discussed use of graduated illegal parking fines, use of penalty notices, redeploying of by-law bike unit and trail branding and wayfinding. Education piece on benefits of bike lanes included in property tax bill.
- CCP contract renewed for Year 5!
- Program results so far: 22 mentors, 706 Bike Hub registered members, 65 What’s App riders, 875 volunteer hours and, 1,135 riders on social and community rides
- Bike the Creek June 10th, 1,500 registered. Helped partners with planning, route planning, promoting, obtaining sponsors, emceeing, leading dignitary rides, stencilling, etc....
- David attended Future Ground Network Building Power Session May 27th – with David Suzuki & Tara Cullis.
- BikeBrampton members participated in Velocity in support of CCS and supported a table display for Caledon Day
- BB members volunteered at Toronto Outdoor Bike Show – Brampton Tourism table Feb 24-26th
- Barry produced a Bike the Creek video
- Participated in Bike to Work Day with presentation & table support
- Participated in Bike to School Week: David and Dayle at St. Rita’s, Polly at Jefferson PS, Sonia and team at Bramalea SS, and Clark Blvd PS
- Participated in RibnRoll May 27th
- BikeBrampton participated in Velo Canada Bikes’ Pedal Poll June 13th and 17th 50 x 2-hr time slots
- Sonia hired Parveen to manage Different Spokes
- BB members led rides
- BB members led workshops
- BB members volunteered for regular bike hub shifts
- Different Spokes one-year anniversary in August

Infrastructure:

- Green paint, right turn signs, 22km new bike lanes and barrier protection along Hanover north side bike lane,
- Noted where paint was worn and where curb – cuts should be located
- Reported lack of consistency of bike head signal timing,
- Recommended different intersection treatments
- Noted deficiencies
- Monitored Caledon Trailway for deficiencies.
- New bike repair stations in Caledon.
- 2 Brampton bike repair station in Brampton at beginning and end of new Claireville Trail.

Advocacy:

- Attended Wards 3,4 Town Hall re Charolais Bike Lanes
- Advocated for and helped organize Regional Council motion to continue supporting AT programs
- BikeBrampton advocacy resulted in the City posting signs at intersections with bike lanes advising motorists how to make right-hand turns
- Barry produced videos for Charolais and North Park
- Lisa produced a rebuttal of the common bike lane and cyclists misconceptions
- David, Dayle met with Mayor Brown and Councillor Santos regarding budgeting for cycling programs
- David, Dayle, Lisa and Steve met with Commissioner Ganesh regarding implications of Councillors requesting removal of bike lane infrastructure from ATMP
- David, Dayle met with Commissioner Boyes to advocate for infrastructure improvements at recreation centres to encourage cycling safety.
- Renewed membership with Velo Canada Bikes to have national advocacy voice

Bike Parking:

- Steve has made progress with property owners at Lakeridge Plaza, Morguard, CAA Centre, Brampton Mall although more work to be done.
- With Steve's advocacy, Brampton staff wrote letter to St. Anne' parish school re bike lane parking infractions,
- New hotel on Rutherford installed 22 bike parking spaces without pressure!

Delegations:

- David and Rahul delegated to Region of Peel Council on Building a Sustainable Transportation System. David followed-up with Regional staff regarding discrepancies in mode share numbers
- Dayle delegated to City Council in March in support of the ATMP update
- David delegated to City Council in May in support of proclamation of June is bike month.