

BIKE RALLY IN SUPPORT OF BIKE FUNDING – FRI 19 JUN 12:30pm - CIVIC SQUARE

TBUG has a marvellous opportunity to flex our newborn muscles and enthusiasm, and **help get over \$900 000 of cycling lanes and on-road infrastructure built in Launceston within 12 months!!!**

**We need to get absolutely every available cyclist in Launceston to Civic Square for an Examiner photo shoot, to encourage the federal government to choose Launceston for funding.**

The target is to have at least 100 bicyclists, but preferably 200, in the Civic Square 12:30 till 1pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June.

As you might be aware from media reports, submissions close on June 30 for many competing infrastructure projects around Australia. Those that succeed will be because of numbers, perceived need - and enthusiasm.

Launceston City Council has applied for funding as part of the Federal Government's \$650 million Jobs Fund program to improve the **Launceston Arterial Bike Route Network**, which will provide more on-road bike routes, as well as development of a **Northern suburbs commuter cycling trail** linking the city suburbs of Rocherlea, Mayfield, Mowbray and Newnham to Inveresk and the central city.

Politicians need to see that cyclists will come out in numbers to support bikeways and cycling infrastructure.

If our application is successful then we will see

- \* Over \$900 000 of cycling lanes and on-road infrastructure built within 12 months.
- \* Over 50km of cycling friendly road treatments to encourage safe commuter cycling.
- \* Interconnected commuter cycling routes going to all points of the compass from the CBD.
- \* Phase one of the Nrth Suburbs Commuter Cycling Trail seeing a trail created from Inveresk to Remount Rd in preparation with an eventual connection behind Mowbray and through to the Rocherlea Old Rail Trail.

The rally will be a joint TBUG / LCC Bike Committee event.

The challenge: bring yourself and two friends/kids (or more) to really show that Launceston has the numbers and the passion! It will only take 1/2 hour of your time, but we need as many as we can!

Bring your bike, but if you haven't got it at work come along anyway.

We need to know we'll have the numbers, so please email our president Malcolm to let him know you (and how many friends) will be there: [malcolm.cowan@bigpond.com](mailto:malcolm.cowan@bigpond.com)

Forward this email on to your bike networks and friends. (Apologies for cross-postings.)

Let's make this a "viral" campaign to remember!! See you, and many more, there at 12:30 on Fri 19th.