



SCBC Summer Newsletter

Smart Habits = Safer Rides

Staying safe on our rides is something we all share — whether you're leading, cruising, chatting at the back, or rolling solo to the café. As our club continues to grow, **good riding habits, awareness, and looking out for one another** matter more than ever.

In this edition, we share our Club's practical safety tips and road rules, along with the latest safety campaign update from the **Sunshine Coast Bicycle User Group (SCBUG)**.

Welcome to our new members

A big welcome to our newest members — it's great to have you riding with us and we look forward to seeing you out on a ride soon.

WhatsApp:

New members are **added to our SCBC community** in WhatsApp so if someone joins your WhatsApp Club riding group then you know they are Club members, so please ensure they are supported and welcomed.

Welcome to our new members:

Angela Scotson, Philip Scotson, Matt Brigham, Shane Hilder, Glenn Morris, Kym Raffelt, Stephen Wilson, Craig Jones, John Oxenham, Jason Cook, Duncan McLeod, Sally Thomson, Rex Clarke, William Doble, Claire Briggs, Jeremy McBride, Robin Reeves, John McCabe, Brett Thomson and Nikitta Williams.

Saturday Rides

The Saturday ride program through to August 26 is now setup on our ride calendar. **No rides are listed for ANZAC Day** to show respect for our fallen soldiers. If you are up early, take the opportunity to attend an ANZAC day ceremony.

The Saturday ride calendar includes a limited number of after ride social events. We need volunteers to help run these events. If you can assist, please email our club secretary, Michael Jacobson: secretary@scbclub.net

Did you know the Saturday ride locations are setup by zones?

We aim to spread rides in the north, central and south part of the Sunshine Coast following the coastline from Caloundra to Coolumb. Our Golden Beach chapter also offers regular rides from the Golden Beach Village.

Have you renewed your Club membership?

Thank you to those members who have renewed their Club membership. As of 26 January, we have 195 new and renewing members for 2026.

For those who have not yet renewed, could you please do so at your earliest convenience? The cost of membership remains at \$30 per person per year and payable into the Club's bank account.

Sunshine Coast Bicycle Club

BSB 124-001

Account Number 10345377 Reference: Your name

Contact our Club's Treasurer Paul McGuire if you have any questions:
treasurer@scbclub.net



2026 Esk Camp and Jam

19 to 22 March 2026

Book your place at the 2026 Esk Camp and Jam Rides.

Three rides will coincide with the festival mainly along the BVRT Brisbane Valley Rail Trail.

Contact Noel Wood for more information:
noel.wd@gmail.com [Read](#) [Find out more](#)



Look out for each other: on every ride

Our Club encourages safe riding practices on every ride. This is not a racing club.

Please read our safety guides, even if you are an experienced rider. We depend on each other keep safe in all situations.

[Read: Riding in a Group \(pdf\)](#)

[Read: Latest road rules](#)

Spotlight on Justin Clarke's Alp Adventures



Justin joined a small group of cyclists for a few days of 'hard fun' riding in the Victorian Alps.

[Read](#) [Justin's Spotlight](#)



Date Claimer: Saturday 25 July

Please join us for the 20th Anniversary of the **Cycle of Giving**. We are actively seeking Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsors so if you know of a supportive business or organisation, please email Caitriona. COG@scbclub.net

Featured Post

Sunshine Coast Bicycle User Group Member Update

Safe Road Sharing Campaign

SCBUG is supporting [Amy's Foundation's message](#) on reporting 'close pass' incidents. Despite 99.9% of cyclists experiencing unsafe overtaking, only 21% report to police. Legal passing distances are 1m in zones ≤ 60km/h and 1.5m in higher speed zones.

SCBUG will launch a road safety campaign encouraging cyclists to use front and rear cameras and report incidents, while raising motorist awareness that unsafe behaviour is being monitored. As Amy's Foundation states: "Laws without enforcement fail to change behaviour."

Learning from Noosa's AT Efforts

SCBUG's first 2026 general meeting in January featured Vivien Griffin from ZENTAG sharing Noosa's community-led active transport achievements:

Noosa's Cycling and Walking Strategy 10-Year Capital Works Pathways Plan Innovative e-Bike Library Project (Queensland's only community e-bike lending program) Council-schools partnerships promoting active transport.

Community Coalition Forms

SCBUG recently convened local Active Transport groups including our Sunshine Coast Bicycle Club, the Caloundra Residents Association, Cycling Without Age, and accessibility advocates to strengthen collaboration on active transport planning and infrastructure delivery.

To be known as **ACT NOW – Active Coast Transport NOW** the coalition will commence engagement with all levels of Government on the Coast to improve conditions and options for the riding walking, and wheeling fraternity.

Safe riding,
Craig Humphrey, Chair, SCBUG scbug@scbclub.net |
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Seen, safe and riding in style

It's been fantastic to see so many members out on the road in the new club kit. The high-visibility colours help keep us safer as a group — and it looks great too. Make sure you are extra diligent with road rules when wearing our Club kit.



Saturday morning ride with the 34 and 35km groups.



Thanks Golden Beach crew for rocking the new kit!

Until Our Next Ride

Thank you for being part of what makes our club such a welcoming and supportive community. Whether you're out riding every week, volunteering behind the scenes, or simply enjoying the company at the café, you're helping shape the friendly spirit of our club.

I look forward to seeing you out on the road soon — riding safely, sharing the scenery, and enjoying many more great rides together.

Warm regards,

Phill Price

President

Sunshine Coast Bicycle Club

