

## Co Chair's Update

The executive met in Wellington in April and welcomed new members from Auckland Transport, Melissa Napier and Michelle Stanbury, Tasman/ Nelson, Robyn Blackburn, Christchurch City Council Joy Kingsbury and accepted apologies from Glenda Leitao from Horizons Manawatu.

For the following roles the executive elected;  
Co-Chairs- Ngaire Atmore and Michelle Stanbury  
Treasurer- Jenny Mack  
Secretary - Robyn Blackburn

Thank you for your contributions to this newsletter. As you will see, this issue reflects the huge range of SASTA members' day to day work.

Ngaire and Michelle

## CAS data for Urban KiwiRap

The 2017 update of CAS data for Urban KiwiRAP is completed and the new information will be live on [www.roadsafetyrisk.co.nz](http://www.roadsafetyrisk.co.nz) by the end of May. If you haven't been on the website before, click on the link and register as a Transport Professional to access the detailed data.

[New Data Sets on www.roadsafetyrisk.co.nz](http://www.roadsafetyrisk.co.nz)

As part of the work by ACC in conjunction with NZTA, there is now also:

- high risk motorcycle data available for all of NZ using Urban KiwiRAP risk mapping
- out-of-context curves available for all NZ (upload complete by the end of the month).

Also note, a series of information sessions for the three datasets is planned for local authorities in June. An email will follow with more information and dates as they become available.

## Call for presentations at Trafinz Nelson 8- 10 November

SASTA members are urged to seize the opportunity to "show and shine" their excellent work at Trafinz.

The call for presenters is open now with a deadline of Monday 12 June 2017.  
Full details on the Trafinz website-

<http://trafinz.org.nz/conferences/2017/>



## Child restraint technician recertification

The NZ Transport Agency leads the sector for child restraints; overseeing the management of child restraint technician training, producing educational material and promoting best practice.

Since February 2017, the child restraint technician training has been managed by NQF Solutions Ltd on behalf of the Transport Agency.

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If you are ready for recertification, check the [interactive map on the NZTA website and find an assessor in their region.](#)

Make contact with your chosen assessor to arrange a time and date for the re-certification to take place. Most of the assessors will travel where required.

## Scooter Mechanical Check success

Two “Free Scooter Mechanic Checks” days were held in April at Karanga Plaza in the Wynyard Quarter, to teach motor-scooter riders (and motorcycle riders) a weekly routine of five essential safety checks. The aim was to make the scooter safer to ride and better equipped to stop quickly in emergency situations.

As scooter riders are a hard-to-reach group in most public situations, the event was conducted near a popular scooter parking area.

Over two days AT, with assistance from Passmasters rider trainers and Motomax mobile mechanics, engaged with 70 scooter riders.

Riders were taught the weekly scooter check, using a tyre gauge provided, and fitted with a high visibility vest of the correct size. They were directed to the Scooter Sense campaign web page with new videos on how to avoid crashes, and encouraged to register for the Scooter Survival training course.

An additional 39 motorcycle riders were engaged with in the same way, and 16 cyclists provided with hi visibility vests.



The two hour events were publicised via :

- AT Scooter Sense campaign webpage
- Eventfinda
- AT Facebook
- email to Wynyard Quarter businesses
- temporary signs at the location.

Scooter riders (the main target group) reported seeing the email and having looked at the Scooter Sense videos.

All of the scooters checked needed adjustments and two riders were strongly recommended to have safety repairs made immediately. Feedback about the event and the Scooter Sense videos was universally positive.

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## ShareHub giving a hand

Good news for members involved with behaviour change around getting Kiwis cycling - NZTA is rolling up its sleeves to support practitioners - in both sustainable transport and road safety.

A programme of practitioner-directed capability-building is underway - a community of practice (CoP) supported by NZTA via CicloCivica.

First off the rank is an online service where practitioners can find practical, concise, useful information on behaviour-change activities which work (and what doesn't).

Called Sharehub.bike, it's designed to enable people who seek inspiration or practical advice to pick up the phone and get "the real oil" by talking with other practitioners.

The online element is in beta testing right now, and NZTA aims to have Sharehub.bike live this winter.

Contact [info@ciclocivica.co.nz](mailto:info@ciclocivica.co.nz) for more information.

## Lock up your bikes

Wellington City Council has been encouraging people to lock their bikes properly and register them on the [Police SNAP system](#).

The problem was identified through a number of discussions with local advocates, Police and media. The partners developed handy cards to give riders at Police pit stops, decals to install at bike parking corrals and posters for retailers and community facilities.

All retailers in the CBD also offered 10-15% off recommended locks.

WCC had good support from all local bicycle groups as well as free local community newspaper, The Wellingtonian, with a front page feature.

Contact Hugh Wilson [hugh.wilson@wcc.govt.nz](mailto:hugh.wilson@wcc.govt.nz)  
021 716 648 for more information.



## Māngere community speak up about speed.



Community group members and Auckland Transport are working together to raise awareness about the dangers to the community created by speeding on local roads in the wider Māngere area. Local community members are fronting the campaign, encouraging drivers to slow down and to look out for pedestrians and cyclists. Everyone is encouraged to have a household conversation about what speed is safe in different parts of town.

We all know how to slow down, and it is about being aware of everyone using the road space. It's great for adults as well as children to be out and about on bikes or walking; getting exercise, seeing new things and enjoying our community at a slower pace.

In the last five years, 34 local people had to have emergency medical care because of crashes where people were driving too fast for the conditions. It is not only traumatising for them, but upsets their contribution to family, work and community – sometimes for a long time.

Nga Iwi and Māngere Bridge school pupils are shown with their bikes in the campaign.

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## Greater Wellington families Movin' in March

Greater Wellington Regional Council ran their sixth annual Movin' March promotion this year. Movin' March is designed to encourage families to walk or wheel (WOW) to school as often as possible and to celebrate those families who already do.

70 schools took part in Movin' March this year which was an increase on the 60 from 2016. The WOW Passport Competition attracted over 4500 entries from across the Wellington region with six winners (one in each TA) winning a brand new bike and helmet.

The passport competition entries reflect 45,000 active trips to school. Schools took part in a colouring competition, parent photo competition and a WOW Family Day which encouraged parents to try walking or wheeling to school to see if it could work for them.

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Holly Hullena WRSC, with one happy winner from St Teresa's School in Featherston.

## Matariki-themed book aims to improve safety of kids

Ruben the Road Safety Bear stars in a Matariki-themed new book just launched by Waikato Regional Council.



*Ruben's Matariki Adventure* incorporates the Māori new year into a story aimed at making children safer on Waikato roads.

The English version of the book was specially written by Jenny Davis, the council's transport projects administrator. The te Reo Māori version was penned by notable author Tom Roa.

*Ruben's Matariki Adventure* was launched in Ngāruawāhia on 28 April. Ruben is the mascot for the council's young road user safety programme and teaches children aged up to about seven years old how to be safe on and around our roads.

The programme, supported by NZ Police and the NZ Transport Agency, saw Ruben deliver 383 road safety lessons to almost 20,000 pupils throughout the Waikato last year.

During the launch Ruben covered the following messages:

- **Be bright, dress bright:** When out and about, wear bright clothing so other road users can easily see you.

- **Seat yourself right, buckle in tight:** Buckle into a correctly sized car seat on every trip in a vehicle.
- **Stop, look, listen and link:** Before crossing the road stop back from the curb, look and listen for vehicles and bikes, link hands with a safe person and walk quickly across the road, still looking as you go.
- **Look out for sneaky driveways:** When you are walking on the footpath, remember to 'stop, look, listen and link' at each driveway, just like when you are crossing the road.
- **Helmet on right and tight:** Wear a correctly fitting helmet every time you ride your bike or scooter.

Ruben's website ([www.ruben.govt.nz](http://www.ruben.govt.nz)) features his key safety messages, activities for children, as well as helpful links and information for teachers, parents and caregivers.

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## Mobility Scooter use – dissertation

A Dunedin University student has completed a dissertation relating to Low Vision and Mobility Scooters which supports the view that, *"those with low vision can competently use a mobility scooter"*.

While we can share the dissertation findings amongst SASTA members, the author advises they are not yet finished or published, so can only be used as a guide for people to consider the evidence collected so far.

None of this work can be used in official reports or for media articles. If you would like to read the full dissertation please contact Robyn Blackburn.

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Winning design 2016

## Project Glow Wear all go in 2017!

Project Glow Wear – the reflective fashion design competition to illuminate people on foot and bikes – has hit 138 registrations!

Entries are due by 6 July.

The competition is open to all New Zealanders aged 15 and over and challenges entrants to design or upcycle a garment or accessory with reflective detailing.

Finalists will be showcased and winners announced at an awards night runway show in Wellington and Auckland in August.

Please feel free to spread the word to creatives/sewers/innovators in your neck of the woods! Posters available by emailing [vanessa.rushton@gw.govt.nz](mailto:vanessa.rushton@gw.govt.nz)

Full competition info at [www.projectglowwear.com](http://www.projectglowwear.com)

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