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Overview of CAN activities since April 2013:

- Bringing those new committee members up to speed with systems and procedures.
- Issues of Chainlinks prepared and posted out.
- Planning and preparing for a weekend strategy and face to face committee meeting during June held in Wellington.
- Local group chairs and some committee members met for day of brain storming on future directions for CAN, 22nd June.
- Google group set up for local group leaders to discuss issues.
- Budget setting for the coming financial year.
- Updated some internal policies.
- The next Walking & Cycling Conference preparation work has been underway for the next one in Nelson October 2014.
- [High visibility clothing policy](#) adopted at the July committee meeting.
- Face to face committee meeting held for strategic planning, 24th/25th August in Wellington.
- Updated our Speed Limit Tolerance policy.
- Distribution of the 2013-2016 strategic plan to local groups and planning on how to implement the plan was also addressed.
- Discussions started with NZ Greens re supporting the Parliamentarians for Cycling group.
- Submitted to NZTA on the Safer Journeys for Rural Schools guide in October 2013 and the Funding Assistance Rate paper in March 2014.
- Meeting with Skills Active and other cycle skills training stakeholders in October.
- Met with reps from the NZ College of Public Health Medicine regarding cycling and health.
- Responded to various media requests including a number upon the release of the Coroner's report.
- Meeting held with NZTA's Ernst Zollner regarding the expert panel recommended by the Coroner.
- Attended briefing meeting with NZTA on the One Network Road Classification system.
- Annual fund raising letter sent out to members and supporting organisations.
- Planning for the annual CAN weekend.
- Planning underway for the Cycle Friendly Awards 2014.
- Preparing for the April AGM including getting the accounts audited and filed with DIA Charities.
- Working with a communications consultant on campaigning and messaging.
- Members found for the Addressing Cycling Safety Reference Group and the BikeWise Reference Group.

Local group support:

- Project Manager Patrick keeping in regular contact with our local advocacy groups.

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Projects:

- Continued to work on the Road Safety Trust project in conjunction with BikeNZ, CAN concentrating on the "Road User Workshops and Everyday Cycling Instruction" subproject. A lot of the work has been on networking with trucking companies to spread into that area for road user/cyclist safety workshops of some form.
 - Driver meetings with Toll and Transpower.
 - Meetings with the AA, ACC, Road Transport Forum and the Christchurch Road Safety Forum to disseminate information about the project and to help facilitate working with heavy vehicle road users.
 - Bus/Cyclist workshops in Dunedin during November.
 - Bus/Cyclist workshops in Auckland in January and in Dunedin during February.
 - NZ Trucking association workshop in Christchurch during February.
 - Presented along with BikeNZ to the non-partisan cycling forum for MP's at Parliament during February.
 - Negotiating with Citibus re more bus/cyclist workshops for Auckland in early 2104.
 - Discussing with National Road Carriers regarding truck workshops.
 - Preparing updated plan and work schedule for 2014 and 2015.

Priorities for 2013–2014:

The Committee hopes that the strategy developed during 2013 can be implemented.

There is work that is necessary to meet current commitments; the Road Safety Trust project has targets for each of the three years it runs, so supporting Jena and the people delivering that contract on behalf of CAN is essential.

Policy development in the past year has again been ad hoc rather than proactive due to lack of resources.

Thanks

The other major component of CAN's income is the donations from interested people and our members. There was a very good response to our annual appeal in 2013, those donations and the on-going contribution from a major donor are vital in maintaining a paid presence in Wellington. It is having this that has ensured CAN responds quickly and effectively to media inquiries. So I would like to thank all those who donated money to help CAN in its work.

I would like make a special acknowledgement of CAN's staff for their work during 2013 and 2014; Patrick Morgan and Jena Western have been great to work with and have been patient with a voluntary organisation employer.

Thanks very much to the Committee for their great work throughout the past 12months, juggling this with their busy lives. Three members are not re-standing: Tom Halliburton, Lyneke Onderwater and Ash Holwell.

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There are a number of people who volunteer work for CAN in the national arena, I would like to acknowledge them and they include:

- Adrian Croucher (membership & e.CAN editor)
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- Christine Cheyne (submission writing)
- Lyneke Onderwater (merchandise)
- Glen Koorey (media, website issues; report & submission writing)
- Jane Dawson (meetings coordinator)
- Belinda Sharp (volunteer and strategy meeting facilitator)

We would not be here if it was not for Lyneke for putting her hand up to organise this CAN-Do. As you heard yesterday, she is busy locally and it has been a great venue.

Lastly thanks to CAN members at the front line of cycling advocacy around New Zealand: working with councils, businesses and the community to achieve new cycling infrastructure, safer traffic speeds, improved cycle parking, cycling skills training and education programmes. Your commitment and financial support inspire us all.

Your on-going efforts help make New Zealand a better place. We couldn't do it without you.

Graeme Lindup
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