**May 2019**

**OC CycleFest!**

Join Orange County’s bicycling community in celebrating National Bike Month

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Bicycle events in Chapel Hill, Carrboro, Hillsborough, and UNC
CAROLINA SQUARE

Cycle de Mayo!

Friday, May 3, 4-6 pm
133 W Franklin St., Chapel Hill

FOOD • MUSIC • SALSA DANCE LESSONS • GAMES
ELECTRIC BIKE DEMO • STATIONARY BIKE TOURNAMENT
GIVEAWAYS • COMMUNITY BIKE RIDE AT 6PM

OC CycleFest  gochapelhill.org
Carolina Square Receives National BWC Designation April 2109!

Posted in the Best Workplaces for Commuter April 2019 Newsletter:

Welcome to Carolina Square, our newest Best Worksite, located in Chapel Hill, NC. Carolina Square is a development that is providing a robust suite of commuter benefits to their tenants to encourage individual's to consider opting out of driving. In addition to providing amenities like showers and bike parking, Carolina Square provides a bus pass to the residents onsite to encourage transit utilization.
Community is Gearing Up for Spring Cycling Season!

The Towns of Chapel Hill & Carrboro, UNC and Orange County meet annually with bike advocacy groups, businesses and citizens coordinating schedules and events as well as discovering where support is needed for incredible events throughout the community. The area does not lack in plenty to do and the schedule of bicycle events, big sales and workshops are ready to roll! Be sure to get your bicycle inspected and ready for riding and make sure to know the Rules of the Road!

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**RULES OF THE ROAD**

**BICYCLISTS**

In North Carolina bicyclists have the same rights and duties as a motorist & are subject to traffic vehicle laws. Some laws changed. For a complete list of NC bike laws, visit [www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/laws/policies](http://www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/laws/policies).

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**Ride Predictably**

- Follow ALL traffic laws – bicycles are vehicles in NC
- Always ride in the same direction as traffic & as far to the right as practical
- Indicate your turns by pointing left or right
- Scan behind you before changing lanes
- Do not filter up by stopped cars at intersections
- Avoid swerving between parked cars
- Make eye contact with motorists, especially at intersections & driveways
- Give an audible warning to pedestrians when approaching from behind

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**Be Safe, Be Visible**

- Don’t wear headphones while riding
- Wear a properly fitted helmet & replace after any impact or crash
- NC law requires children under 16 wear a helmet
- Wear brightly colored or reflective clothing
- At night, NC law requires bicyclists to have a white front headlight, a rear reflector, AND have a red rear light or reflective clothing visible from 300 feet. Visit www.GoTriangle.org/bike for more info & tips.

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In some municipalities it is illegal to ride on sidewalks, but if you must ride on a sidewalk, go slow, yield to pedestrians, and check every cross street and driveway.

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**MOTORISTS**

In NC bicyclists have the same rights & duties as a motorist & are subject to traffic vehicle laws. Some laws for motorists changed in 2016. For a complete list of NC bike laws visit [www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/laws/policies](http://www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/laws/policies).

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**Yield to Bicyclists**

- Bicycles are vehicles & should be given appropriate right of way
- Bicyclists may use the entire traffic lane & are not required to ride single file

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**Drive Cautiously & Pass with Care**

- Reduce speed when encountering bicyclists
- Give bicyclists extra trailing & passing room in potentially dangerous situations
- Do not tail while driving
- Passing drivers must provide at least 4 feet between their vehicle & bicyclist, or the passing driver must completely enter the left lane of the roadway.
- In NC drivers causing bicyclists to leave their travel lane & causing a crash or injury can be fined up to $750.

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**Be Considerate**

- Do not honk your horn in close proximity to bicyclists
- Scan for bicyclists in traffic, at intersections & driveways
- Look for bicyclists before opening your car door
- Watch for children on bicycles who may be less predictable – expect the unexpected
Starbucks Wooden Nickel Commute Coffee Group

The Town of Chapel Hill is partnering with Starbucks Chapel Hill to encourage alternative transportation use to and from work in order to reduce traffic congestion while keeping the air and water clean! This is considered seed planting by being an example so that others might try to get to and from work without a car making for a better community all around!

How Can I Be Part of Go Commute Coffee Crowd -- Fast?!!

Commit to using alternative transportation 4 times, in the next 12 months and tell us at the Starbucks Commute Group Tab on www.GoChapelHill.org!

Savings & Value: The average drive to work is 20 miles one way. Proven results show that for each mile not driven, one pound of carbon emissions is saved from going into the air! If you use alternative forms of transportation, just 3 times annually, and 30 others also leave their cars at home 4 times annually... this equals 1240 pounds of carbon emissions from entering the air that we breath! Just think of the savings if this occurs monthly?

What Counts: Walking, Bicycling, Skateboarding, Carpooling, Vanpooling, Transit and Telework!

Free Rewards! If you agree to leave your car at home at least 4 times in the next 12 months, there are endless possibilities for you regarding benefits. Immediately you can pick up a Starbucks Wooden Nickel for your efforts! Even bigger, you can earn points to receive gift cards to Triangle restaurants and businesses! Be sure to check out the Go Triangle Go Perks program to receive other great gift cards! OH-- No need to enter carpool information asked for, just general information and then track your trips to shoot for great gift cards!
Never Hesitate to Get Involved!

THE RECYCLERY NC IS A NON-PROFIT
LOCATED IN CARRBORO, NC THAT TEACHES BICYCLE REPAIR & MAINTENANCE AND . . .
ALLOWS COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO EARN THEIR OWN BIKES!

Carrboro Bicycle Coalition
Monthly Meeting
2nd Wednesdays
Starts: 8:00 pm
Open Eye Cafe
101 South Greensboro Street, Carrboro, NC 27510

Bike Alliance Chapel Hill (BACH)
Meet at Vimala’s, 431 West Franklin Street, Chapel Hill
4th Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Join Bike Alliance Chapel Hill
Find them at www.bikechapelhill.com
www.facebook.com/bikechapelhill
Gift Cards - Alternative Miles!

Earn Gift Cards Just by Logging Into Go Perks!

The GoPerks incentive program rewards commuters with chances to win incentives in drawings when they get out of their daily commute mode of driving alone and try a more sustainable commuting option – a smart commute - such as carpool, vanpool, bike, walk or the bus. GoPerks is another program to enhance GoTriangle’s goal of reducing traffic, helping employees save money, and improve the environment and quality of life by introducing prize drawings for smart commuters. The program is free but the rewards are priceless!

Who is Eligible for GoPerks?

GoPerks is only for employee who WORK OR LIVE in Durham, Orange or Wake counties.

Participants must use a smart commute option to travel to work, such as carpooling, taking the bus, biking, walking, or using a vanpool, and track their trips in Commute Calendar in Share the Ride NC at www.stmc.com.

Their employer must be registered in the free Emergency Ride Home (ERH) program. ERH is free for employers and employees. It allows employees to have a free ride home on days they have unscheduled overtime or family emergencies and need to leave work early. Learn about the free ERH program at http://www.gosmartnc.org/ERH.
Chapel Hill Transit Is Fare Free!

If you haven’t tried Chapel Hill Transit yet, the fare will surprise you…

CHAPEL HILL BUSES ARE FREE FOR EVERYONE!

Take Chapel Hill Transit and enjoy quick efficient service to your destination. Beginning And, if Fare Free isn’t already great enough, also discover Chapel Hill Transit’s Real Time Information found at many stops as well as online at http://www.chrtransit.org/. Services are offered, including excellent seating, friendly drivers and quick routes taking you most anywhere you might want to go. For Customer Service and Chapel Hill Transit information, please call (919) 969 – 4933. For EZ Rider service and information please call (919) 969 – 5544.

Note: Lot 54 is no longer available for park & ride services except through the University of North Carolina.

Enjoy Chapel Hill Transit’s Quality Fare-Free Service Today!

Go Triangle is the Place for Information!

Check out the information available at the Go Triangle website http://www.gotriangle.org. At a glance, you will find anything you could ever want to know about alternative commuting in the Triangle Area is available at this newly designed website. Information includes carpool matching, vanpooling, bicycling, telecommuting and information about all the areas transit services. One of the best features of the website is the Trip Planner. Input your starting point and desired destination and in moments the perfect route for your trip is available!

Check out all of the services available at Go Triangle (www.gotriangle.org)!

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