



2009 Melbourne Bicycle Film Festival
November 12 - 29
A community event for the cyclists of Melbourne

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WHAT A WAY TO GO OUT – B.F.F STREET PARTY AND BIKES ROCK!

The final day of the Bicycle Film Festival promises to make bike fun for every kind of cyclist. With the **B.est F.riends F.orever Street Party** followed by closing night party, **Bikes Rock!** Two of the most popular events in the BFF calendar have this year happily found themselves same day and a short stroll (or shorter roll) apart.

The **B.est F.riends F.orever Street Party** is a **family-friendly day** that encourages people from every corner of the cycling scene to come out with their bikes and celebrate the joy that a bicycle can bring. A community gathering, the Street Party will feature free bicycle fix, a bunny hop competition run by **Anchor BMX**, A bicycle collection for **Bicycles For Humanity**, spoke card making, a bicycle colouring-in competition, foot-down competition, bicycle displays and the **Third Annual Bicycle Beauty Pageant**. Catering will be provided by the planet-friendly Tiffins; Indian Food delivered on bikes and Global Café Direct, fair-trade organic coffee suppliers. The Street Party is also the destination of the **Inaugural BFF Tweed Ride** (more info in Satellite Events).

The Street Party action will have barely wrapped up when the doors are opened just down the road at Melbourne's iconic rock music institution The Tote for BFF Closing Night Party – **Bikes Rock!** Nothing sums up the DIY spirit of resistance embodied in the BFF quite like a night of rock'n'roll. **Presented by Triple R**, Bikes Rock! Will feature **4 bands, DJs, a BBQ** and some very good times. Curated by Singhala Music (bookers for the Birmingham, Ding Dong Lounge, Royal Derby and Streetparty events) Bikes Rock! Will take over the whole of The Tote (front bar, band room and cobra bar) to create a sprawling celebration befitting the two weeks of revelry it is closing.

The Bikes Rock! Line up will be announced on Thursday 29 October.

Details:

B.est F.riends F.orever Street Party

Sunday 29 October, **12 – 5pm**

Cnr Cambridge and Peel Sts

Hosted by PS Bikes

Bunny hop competition at 2pm

Third Annual Bicycle Beauty Pageant 4pm

www.bicyclefilmfestival.com

FREE

Bikes Rock!

Sunday 29 October, **5 – 11pm**

The Tote

71 Johnston St Collingwood

Presented by Triple R

Bands at 6,7,8 & 9pm

www.thetote.com.au

\$15 on the door

“Hi, I'm Orla. I'm a bikerider, an eco-warrior and a vegetarian. When I was 6 I got sent out onto the soggy Senior School oval to practice with only two wheels. Two years later I'm an expert rider of Melbourne's busy bike paths. I want to start a 'beep before you back out' project so children don't get run over on their bikes or trailers when they're riding on the footpath. I call it 'BBYBO' (or Bye-Bo). Since the last BFF, I've stepped up to a new trusty bike that I can peddle backwards with. I'm very proud of it, and plan to use it in the next film I make. It's so fantastic to be part of the BFF in 2009 and I'm really looking forward to seeing the bicycle beauty pageant again this year.”

Orla Mundy, 8 years old - 2008 BFF Filmmaker and BFF Patron

Bands and performers available for interview

Hi res images available upon request

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