



CWA: Hamilton and Burlington Chapter



Spring Training has Returned

On 18 April “new pilot” and refresher training has returned! Indoor training is almost completed, and outdoor training starts on 30 April.

We are excited to welcome many new pilots and all those returning this year.

Please go to the sign-up.com site and check out availability if you have not signed up yet. We anticipate having everybody trained by the third week of May. So far, it has been very exciting and people are doing very well piloting the bike.

If you have any questions or concerns about the training, please do not hesitate to contact us. We would be happy to speak with you.



Burlington Community Foundation Grant

A ceremony was held in Burlington on the 10th of April where more than 75 people learned about the work BCF does to secure grant funding for organizations. The BCF grants more than \$1 million in funding every year to the Burlington community, thanks to the vision and generosity of its fundholders and donors.

The grant will enable New Hope Community Bikes (NHCB) and our CWA chapter to provide 450 accessible bike rides to seniors who reside in Burlington, promoting connection, well-being and activity in the community. As burlingtontoday.com notes, “Belonging is in the connection people have with friends and family and in the neighbourhoods where people rely on each other.”

Individual Rides for Residents

Individual rides for residents of the communities of Hamilton and/or Burlington are available.

While most days of the week our trishaws are out giving residents and clients of local agencies rides, we do have some availability to give rides to residents who live in their own homes, if they can be transported to our starting locations.

In Burlington, we have openings for rides at Spencer Smith on Thursdays between 11 and 130 pm, and Tuesday afternoons.

At the waterfront in Hamilton, some Mondays throughout the summer are available. These rides would start at the Leander Boat Club, 50 Leander Drive. Other times are possible, if volunteer pilots and bike buddies are available.

Please email cwahbpassenger@gmail.com and someone will get back to you to set up a time.



Denmark CWA Conference

Our Co-founder Nancy Gray and 3 organizing committee members are attending the CWA conference in Copenhagen in June. We are looking forward to networking with other organizations from around the world and reporting back to you on all we learn.

Advisory committee

The advisory committee continues to work on training, safety procedures, issues of transportation and maintenance, funding, and community events.

Events

Our first event of the season is “Bike for Mike” on Sunday June 2. NHCB and CWA will volunteer their time and tunes as the riders raise funds for community bikes for children in memory of Michael Chamberlain, who sadly passed away in May 2010.

Bike for Mike aspires to have 100% of Hamilton students walking or biking to school on a daily basis

Find out more at Bikeformike.org