

CLON BIKE FEST presents:

I am not a cyclist

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I am a human on a bicycle

A Zine for (nearly) normal humans

welcome to the zine

what its all about

Cycling isn't just a sport. Its also a joyful and super-efficient way of getting around in the day-to-day for (nearly) normal humans.

I say (nearly) normal as something a bit magical happens when you decide to get on a bike.

Clon Bike Fest have been celebrating this little touch of magic every June for the last 10 years.

In this zine you will find some drawings and some words that delve into the beauty of bike riding and the wonder it can bring to the everyday.



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The Silver Moon

The black wind roams freely
Above the ice
The soft breath of stars
Sighs between the leaves
The snake of the path
Follows the seamless void
Dream is shaken
In a rustling of the trees
The midnight gown is floating
Above the mirror of song
The peddles revolve in silent grace
Slowly as the heavens
Slowly as the earth turns
On its secret arc
Hidden are the world' s myths
In the soundless stream
Curious I disembark
And encounter the silver moon

-James Waller -



go softly



Riding a bike can be a bit mad around this town.
There are no bike lanes anywhere.
It puts a lot of people off cycling. And that means less magic.
There isn't even a safe bike route to any of our schools.

If you'd like to help try to change this and make the sound
of the joyful bike bell more of a regular ring in Clon,

go to:

www.clonakiltybicyclefestival.org/shoutlouder

New Line Racer

As the school bus reversed
down the middle of the road,
I flew past on my six speed.

The air groaned as he hung
behind me the rest of the
way up the New Line. I tucked
in and beat down- not sure
if he had it in him
to get ahead again.

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octopus riding tandem

I made this drawing after reading a short story by Jack Kelleher, head yard dog at The Bike Circus, Clonakilty.

Something about an octopus riding a tandem was very pleasing to me.

8 legs

4 pedals

2 sets of handlebars

A very intelligent animal is the octopus.

To read the story, head to:

www.clonakiltybicyclevestival.org/stories

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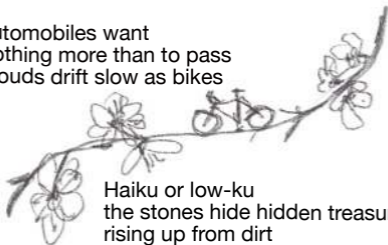
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bike pump: multitool: patch kit: apple: sandwiches



**'My two favourite things in life
are libraries and bicycles.
They both move people forward without
wasting anything.'**
Peter Golkin

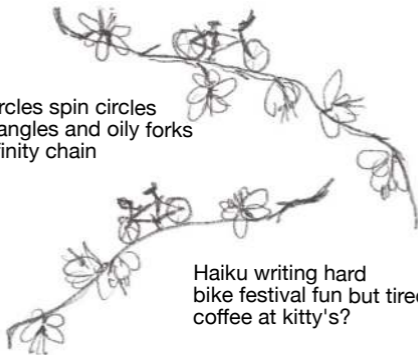
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Automobiles want
Nothing more than to pass
Clouds drift slow as bikes



Haiku or low-ku
the stones hide hidden treasure
rising up from dirt

Circles spin circles
triangles and oily forks
infinity chain



Haiku writing hard
bike festival fun but tired
coffee at kitty's?