

Cycling: Enter to win a free bike at Earth Day

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If you're looking for a used bike, for yourself or for your kid, drop by HUB's Cycle Recycle at the upcoming [Earth Day](#) event at Memorial Peace Park.

The event is on Saturday, April 20 (10 a.m. to 2 p.m.).

You may be able to get one of 10 used bikes for free.

Our volunteers will try to have all the bikes clean and shiny before the give-away, and minor repairs will be done on the bikes beforehand.

Come on by, try out a bike, and fill in your ticket(s) before the draw at 1 p.m. (maximum three tickets per family).

Winners need to be present at the time of the draw.

Even if you're not looking for a bike, we'd love to see you at our HUB booth in front of the Leisure Centre.

On Sunday, April 21, we're planning our first Discovery Bike Ride this year. We'll be leaving from Red Robin restaurant at the corner of Lougheed Highway and 227th Street at 10:30 a.m., to accommodate those who are attending the annual volunteer pancake breakfast (which starts at 9 a.m.), and would like to put the ingested calories to good use.

The destination for our ride will be the Goodbye Chums event at the Bell-Irving Fish Hatchery on 256th Street, where you'll be able to participate with the release of chum salmon fry to the creek (11 a.m. to 3 p.m.).

This year will also be the grand opening of the new fish hatchery. All are welcome for the ride. The more the merrier.

Be aware that this is not an organized ride. You're welcome to follow us on this ride, but you do so at your own risk. Also, there are some hills to conquer, but we'll try to avoid the toughest ones, and we'll wait up for slowpokes.

If you don't mind to drive or bus at least part of the way, another free, and very enjoyable ride, is the annual Bike the Blossoms in Vancouver, put on by Velopalooza – a group that organizes fun bike rides and events in Vancouver – and the Vancouver Cherry Blossom Festival. This year's event is on April 27 – 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and the ride starts at China Creek south (Clark Drive and 10th Avenue).

The Carnival Band will be riding along, while playing some blossomy tunes. And to top off several hours of pure pedal-fun, the bicycle-themed dance group B:C:Clettes will give a performance at Trout Lake, where the ride ends.

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