

Llewellyn Family Newsletter #2

Hi everyone, this is number 2 newsletter being typed out on the eve of Tania and my departure for a week's break in Cairns. I will be back on the 12th Oct. Now remember I am a frame builder and not a print pro and life is too short to fiddle everything to perfection, but the message will get across.

If you do not wish to receive these newsletters please let me know and I will ensure you are spared the agony.

I hope everyone has been enjoying their riding? I have been frequenting the quiet roads in the hills around Samford valley and Bunya during the early mornings.

What have I been up to lately?

The Llewellyn cycle clothing is still on its way, taking longer than anticipated to get final things sorted. Should be here early 2006

If any one is interested in seeing where this is going, email me and I will send you a PDF file of the design.

A reminder that there a few training Ergos {should they be called torture machines} left out of the 2005 batch. Shimano and Campagnolo versions. Not sure when the next batch will be built but it will not be until next late year, so if you keen, give me a call and I will hold one for you.



I have been requested to send some frames to the "North American Hand built show" in March but time will not permit me to do so as I have commitments as team mechanic for the Aussie team at Melbourne Commonwealth games. This show is to showcase the skills of hand builders of bespoke bicycles frames. Maybe I will get there in 2007.

I have been working away on the Llewellyn gear boss project further. This included a visit to Taiwan to the investment casting foundry.

I wish I could get these cast in Australia but it seems no one is interested unless I am speaking of quantities of 50,000.

That would give me a supply that would last about 800 to 900 years.



Check these links out, Llewellyn lugged handle bar stems on the bicycle cat walks of Milan!

<http://www.cyclingnews.com/photos/2005/tech/shows/eicma05/?id=eicma055/eicma05-pegno2>
and

<http://www.cyclingnews.com/photos/2005/tech/shows/eicma05/?id=eicma055/eicma05-pegno1>

I was pleasantly surprised to find these pictures on the web last week. Daria Pegerotti purchased these Llewellyn stem kits from my USA agent.

Water bottles with the new graphics have arrived.

Available in 500ml \$10.00 inc gst and 750ml \$12.00 inc gst

100% Australian made product.



A few pics of a few of the latest workshop outputs may be of interest. Mark's new frame is a sweet colour, "Nova Orange" and "Tangerine" over sprays.



All hand carved stainless steel lugs and crown and fittings. All hand filed, sanded and polished.



Leo's Record Equipped fixie is a cool machine. Built with my own designed and produced compact angled "Slant 6 lugs. Leo commutes 40 kms every day on his fixed wheel bike. I have another one very similar for a client in Toowoomba. More pics of Leo's fixie at

<http://www.llewellynbikes.com/thegallery/album16>



Fixed wheel bikes are cool, getting back to the real essence of cycling. I am building quite a few "Fixies" now and this pleases me greatly.

For more pics of the workshop out put go to <http://www.llewellynbikes.com/thegallery/luggedframeworkshop>

Some sizes of "Show us your Lugs" t-shirts are out of stock. Lots of lug lovers want the t-shirt how ever new stocks will arrive in the next few weeks. \$30.00 inc



I also have some cool new stainless front derailleur mounts. It took some doing but they arrived recently and I do not mind saying they caused some nasty damage to the bank balance. But I just had to have them as a standard item on my frames, they look so sweet. The water bottle mount reinforcements with the playing cards cut into them are carved by my hands before silver brazing onto the tube. This bottle boss detail is an additional extra on request. One lady client commented that they the beauty of this detail is covered up by the water bottle cages. I replied, "Yes, that may be so, but it's like lingerie isn't it?" She laughed and ordered this detail for her bike!

The beauty of the derailleur boss shows in this pic of the frame before it was painted.



**PS. Fixie owners cannot have these cool FD mounts on their bikes!
Sorry!**

**That's all for now, thanks for reading.
Keep the fluids up this summer.
Cheers Dazza**

