



BikeWeek

9th - 17th May 2026



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Kilkenny County Council

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FRIDAY
8TH MAY

Critical Mass School Cycle, Kilkenny City, 11am



SUNDAY
10TH MAY

Bike Fest at juniorparkrun, Kilkenny Countryside Park, 9.45am

SUNDAY
10TH MAY

Brompton Meet Up, The Parade, 12 noon



SUNDAY
10TH MAY

Intro to Mountain Biking, Castlecomer Discovery Park, from 12.30

MONDAY
11TH MAY

River Barrow Cycle with Brandon Belles, 11am



12TH - 14TH
MAY

Pop-up Mountain Biking and Grass Track Racing for Schools

FRIDAY
15TH MAY

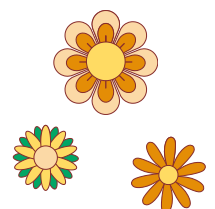
Kilkenny Cycling Campaign, Shorts & Shades City Cycle, 7pm

SATURDAY
16TH MAY

Bike Fest for Kids, Ferrybank Neighbourhood Park, 12-3pm

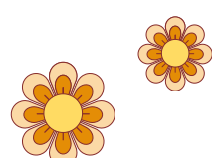
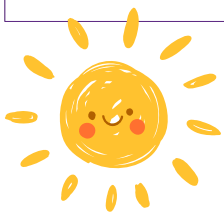
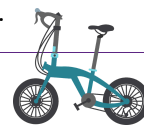
SUNDAY
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Slow Roll and Bike Fest, Kilkenny City, from 11am

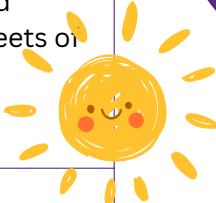



Schedule of Events 2026

<p>Throughout BikeWeek Community Bike Rides</p>	<p>Take part in a social and safe group ride with a trained, volunteer Ride Leader. Community Bike Rides are free, easy to join and open to adults 18yrs+. Whether you're new to cycling or an experienced cyclist, if you are looking to connect with others in your area, this community has something for you. There are a maximum of 10 places per ride. Join the Community Bike Ride Club on Cyql using this link: Join Here. or the Cyql App. These rides are supported by Cycling Ireland.</p>
<p>Friday 8th May 11am</p>	<p>Critical Mass School Cycle in Kilkenny City Cyclists from primary schools across Kilkenny City are invited to join a Critical Mass ride through Kilkenny City to launch Bike Week on Friday 8th May. Meeting point is The Parade at 11a.m. and students will return to Canal Square for 12p.m.</p>
<p>Sunday 10th May 9.45 - 11.45am</p>	<p>Bike Fest with Junior Parkrun at Kilkenny Countryside Park Kilkenny Countryside Park hosts a Bike Fest for all ages, immediately after the Junior Parkrun on Sunday, the 10th of May, to celebrate Bike Week. Try some grass track racing and some fun challenges for all ages. Bikes provided.</p>
<p>Sunday 10th May 12 - 2pm</p>	<p>Brompton Meet Up Kilkenny City Calling all Brompton Enthusiasts to join the fold! Discover Kilkenny's streets, laneway and river paths with local guide, Charlie. Meet at 12 on The Parade and finish with refreshments at Sullivan's Brewery. Contact Charlie to book: 087 6321007. This ride is supported by Cycling Ireland.</p>
<p>Sunday 10th May From 12.30pm</p>	<p>Intro to Mountain Biking at Castlecomer Discovery Park Come and try mountain biking for free! Discover the joy of trail riding. Adults: 12.30-1.30pm, bikes and helmets included Teens age 12-17: 1.30-2.30pm, bikes and helmets included Kids age 7-11: 2.30-3.30pm own bikes required.</p>
<p>Monday 11th May 11am</p>	<p>River Barrow Cycle with the Brandon Belles Join the Brandon Belle's for a leisurely river cycle on Monday 11th May at 11 a.m. with local guide Brian Roberts. Bikes available on request. Women of all ages welcome. Meet at the Waterside, Graiguenamangh. Refreshments Provided. Contact Details: Graigwomensshed@gmail.com F:grauguenamaghwomensshed</p>
<p>Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday 12th - 14th</p>	<p>Pop Up Mountain Biking and Grasstrack Racing for Schools County Hall is transformed into a mountain bike track for the week. Local schools are invited for mountain bike coaching and grass track racing session. These sessions are supported by Cycling Ireland.</p>



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<p>Friday 15th May 7pm</p>	<p>Shorts & Shades Cycle - Kilkenny City Kilkenny Cycling Campaign invite you to join them for a fun and lively summer spin through the streets of Kilkenny. Dress for sunshine vibes – think shorts, shades, dresses, summer hats, Hawaiian shirts and anything bright, fun, and summery! We'll have music, good vibes, and a relaxed cycle around the streets of Kilkenny before finishing up with refreshments afterwards. Bring your bike, bring your friends, and bring the summer energy!</p> 
<p>Saturday 16th May 12-3pm</p>	<p>Bike Fest Ferrybank Neighbourhood Park Call down to Ferrybank Neighbourhood Park to join in some fun FREE cycling events for children of all ages. Grass track course and fun challenges will be set up in the park from 12 until 3pm. Bikes provided for all ages.</p>
<p>Sunday 17th May 11am to 3pm</p>	<p>SLOW ROLL and Bike Fest, Kilkenny City Meet at The Parade at 11am to join a Slow Roll through Kilkenny City. People of all ages welcome, children must be accompanied by an adult. Finish in County Hall for pop-up Mountain Biking, Grass Track Racing, Obstacle Course and Learn to Cycle, activities from 12 to 3pm. Mountain bikes available on the day.</p>
	<p>Spin For Your Bling - a FREE virtual cycling event! Whether you're a seasoned cyclist or just enjoy a casual spin, this challenge is for everyone. Complete 40km before May 17th— all in one go or over multiple rides. Track your progress using any cycling app, Claim your special medal when you're done! Get active, enjoy the fresh air, and make it a family adventure this spring. Register now: https://krsp.ie/krsp-events/</p>
<p>Throughout Bike Week in schools</p>	<p>In Schools Bike Maintenance Clinics and Bike Hubs in local secondary schools Escorted Cycles and cycling events in primary schools Bike Week in a Box, Teacher's Toolkit available for all schools to lead their own events over Bikeweek.</p>
<p>Throughout Bike Week in workplaces</p>	<p>In Workplaces Host a workplace cycle and try out some new routes, host a bike repairs day, invite local shops to showcase their products. Join the Smarter Travel programme for ongoing support! www.nationaltransport.ie/tfi-smarter-travel/</p>

