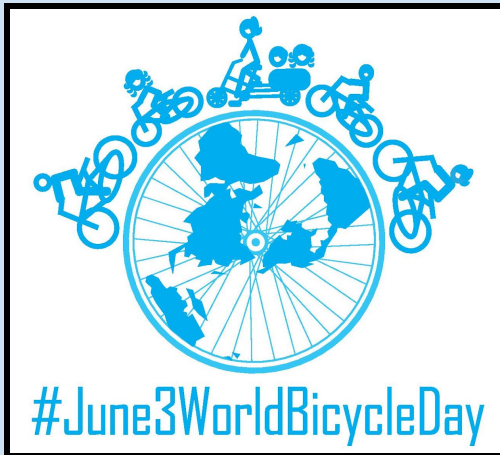


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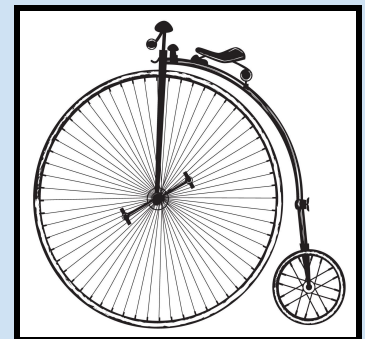
EVERY DAY'S A HOLIDAY WORLD BICYCLE DAY: JUNE 3

Interesting facts about bicycles

- In 1817, Karl von Drais invented a horseless carriage: a two-wheeled, pedal-less device that moved by pushing your feet against the ground. It became known as the "draisine," and led to the creation of the modern-day bicycle.
- Fred A. Birchmore circled the globe by bicycle in 1935. The trip covered 40,000 miles. He pedaled about 25,000 miles. The rest was traveled by boat. He wore out seven sets of tires.
- About 100 million bicycles are manufactured worldwide each year.
- Bicycle Moto Cross (BMX), an extreme style of bicycle track racing, became a sport in the 2008 Summer Olympic Games in Beijing, China.
- In 2018, the United Nations declared June 3 World Bicycle Day.

Great things about riding a bicycle

- Riding a bicycle is free (once you have a bike)
- Riding a bicycle is great exercise
- Bicycles are good for the environment
- Riding a bicycle is fun!



How to celebrate

- Watch this video of the [Backward Bike Challenge](#)
- Ride a bike! Don't forget your helmet!
- Meet a friend and ride together, race, or ride on a bike trail. Make sure to follow social distancing rules.
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