Dr Cranky's
a bike for every child

# Community Bike Checks

Getting more children and families riding.

**A registered charity program delivered in partnership with schools, local councils and communities.**

## About Dr Cranky's

Dr Cranky's is a registered charity working with local councils, schools, and communities to ensure everyone has access to a safe, working bike. We check and repair bikes on the spot, teach basic maintenance skills, and provide recycled bikes to those who need them.

## Why Community Bike Checks?

- A free, on-the-spot safety check and minor repair
- Builds the confidence to get back on the bike
- Hands-on learning — participants can try simple repairs themselves
- Delivered at council-run and local settings — leisure, community and youth centres or local parks, libraries and spaces
- Recycled bikes available for those that need them

**8,000+**
children given access to a safe, working bike

**120+**
sites reached

**700,000+**
extra bike rides generated per year

**12,900+**
community connections made

**8 more rides a month.** Follow-up surveys show participants ride an average of eight more times a month — roughly twice a week more — after a Community Bike Check, based on before-and-after surveys.

## How It Works

### Community Bike Check Session

*2–3 hours · weekends or weekday afternoons*

Sessions are usually held at council-run properties — leisure centres, community centres or youth centres — with the council managing bookings. Bikes are checked and minor repairs made where feasible: adjusting brakes and gears, fitting bells, pumping tyres, oiling chains, tightening wheel nuts and skewers, and adjusting and tightening headsets and stems. If any issues remain, the owner is given a report to take to their local bike shop.

**Capacity:** Allowing 20 minutes per bike plus a little leeway, we can usually complete around 24 bikes in a 3-hour session.

**Please note:** we can't check the electronics of electric bikes, or service hydraulic disc brakes.

### Learning by doing

Participants are encouraged to watch the mechanics at work — they'll explain what they're doing and let participants try minor repairs themselves under supervision, using the tools provided. Installing a bell, adjusting gears and pumping tyres are all things people can easily pick up during a session.

## What's Included

- Mechanics, plus parts, tools and workstands
- A marquee, if required for the venue
- Full reporting and monitoring for council records
- Recycled bikes available for those that need them

## Cost & Funding

| Session | Cost (excl. GST) |
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| **Community Bike Check Session**<br>2–3 hours · up to 24 bikes · mechanics, parts, tools, marquee (if required) and reporting included. Travel included up to 30 minutes each way. | $1,000 + GST |

Costs will vary for longer sessions or additional bikes checked — get in touch to discuss dates, venues and your council's needs.

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## Ready to bring Dr Cranky's to your community?

Get in touch — we'll help you plan a Community Bike Check session for your venue.

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