

Next generation of Santander Cycles

Cyclists can look forward to riding more comfortable Santander bikes in 2018 which will be lighter and easier to manoeuvre.

THE new bikes will retain the popular features of the existing model, but will be lighter and easier to ride, have smaller wheels, a lower frame, new gear hub and a more comfortable seat.

TfL has signed a contract for the new cycles which will be made by Pashley Cycles of Stratford-upon-Avon. They will be introduced to the streets in 2018 and around 500 will be supplied annually to replace older models.

Mayor Sadiq Khan said: 'I'm delighted to be able to announce the next generation of bikes for our popular cycle hire scheme. It's already known across the world as a convenient way to get around our city, so it's great news that these lighter British-made bikes will make it even easier for everyone.'

'Cycling is good for our health, air quality and congestion, and that's exactly why I'm working so hard to make it safer and easier for all Londoners.'



Since the launch of London's cycle hire scheme in July 2010, more than 54 million journeys have been made on the bikes. There are now more than 785 docking stations with about 22,000 docking points across central London. The fleet consists of 11,500 Santander Cycles.

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Get on your bike

SANTANDER Cycles can be hired from as little as £2 a day for an unlimited number of 30 minute journeys.

Regular users can register for annual membership, which equates to 25p a day, and get the same number of unlimited 30 minute journeys for free.



Traffic information for the capital

Gunter Grove and Finborough Rd.
Nightly, 8pm to 6am, today until October 19

Various overnight closures between King's Road and Old Brompton Road for resurfacing works.

Rotherhithe Tunnel
Tonight, 10pm until tomorrow, 5am

Closed for overnight maintenance.

Wembley Stadium
Saturday, 2pm to 11pm

Large crowds and heavy traffic expected in the area for the World Cup 2018 qualifier, England v Malta. Kick-off is 5pm.

Twickenham Rugby Stadium
Saturday, 4.30pm to 11.30pm

Large crowds and heavy traffic expected in the area for the Argentina v Australia rugby championship match. Kick-off is 7.30pm.

Westminster area
Sunday, 12am to 3pm

Roads closed within Hyde Park and St James's Park, and restrictions around Whitehall and Trafalgar Square for the Royal Parks Foundation Half Marathon. All non-park roads should re-open by 12.30pm.

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Mr Dizzy had a funny turn on his way to work, so he got off the train at the next station.

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MAYOR OF LONDON



Running in the Royal Parks

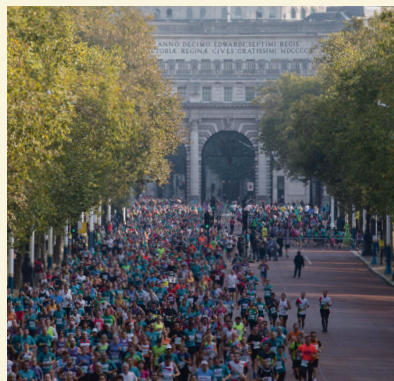
THOUSANDS of runners and spectators will head to London's parks on Sunday for the annual Royal Parks Foundation Half Marathon.

This year's runners will make their way through four of the capital's eight Royal Parks, with Hyde Park, Green Park, St James's Park and Kensington Gardens all on the 13.1 mile route.

Those taking part will also be able to take in some of London's historic landmarks, including Buckingham Palace, which offers a great vantage point to cheer on the runners, Horse Guards Parade and the Royal Albert Hall.

Last year saw 16,000 runners taking part, raising more than £25million for various charities, and this year looks set to be just as popular.

Spectators will be able to enjoy live music, food and a range of activities to keep everyone entertained during the day.



Routes throughout Westminster will be affected during the event, including all roads closed within St James's Park, and restrictions around Whitehall, Hyde Park Corner, The Strand, Northumberland Road and Waterloo Bridge.

Buses in and around Waterloo will be diverted or stop early until 1pm on Sunday and coach travel will also be affected.

Cyclists are advised that all cycle paths in Hyde Park will be closed until 3pm, except South Carriage Drive, which will remain closed as usual on Sunday.

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