



Going Underground: The Champions League trophies took a trip on the Tube last week en route to the finals taking place at Wembley this summer

Cycle safety boost with new sat nav technology

THE first sat nav-based cyclist alert system has been launched by Navevo in association with Transport for London (TfL).

Designed for drivers of Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGVs), the system gives audio and visual warnings to let them know when they are approaching junctions where there are high numbers of both HGVs and cyclists.

As drivers approach, a warning symbol and message is displayed on the sat nav map, a 50metre radius of the junction is highlighted and an audible warning is played. This safety feature gives drivers plenty of time to check for cyclists.

The software has been developed using TfL and Department for Transport data



which identifies junctions which are used by a large number of HGVs and cyclists on a regular basis. A total of 100 areas across London have been included in the software so far. Working with other local authorities, Navevo plans to increase the level of coverage and provide free updates when new data is available.

Ian Wainwright, head of Freight

and Fleet at TfL, said: 'For many years, London has worked to lead the way in pushing for the adoption of safer lorries and safer lorry driving. The creation of a specific cyclist alert for HGV drivers is another positive step forward and will help to further raise awareness and improve cycle safety across the capital.'

Find out more at www.navevo.com

What is TfL doing to make cycling safer?

Cycling in London is becoming increasingly popular in the past few years. Although it is getting safer, the majority of all fatal accidents occur in collisions with an HGV. TfL is working to cut these numbers by:

- Distributing fresnel lenses which improve blind spot visibility for drivers – more than 25,000 have been given away so far. They are currently also available at a significant discount
- Installing 'trixi' mirrors at junctions so HGV drivers have a clear view of the left hand side of their vehicle

- Giving out stickers which go on the rear of HGVs, warning cyclists of the dangers of undertaking on the left
- Funding cycling training in all London boroughs
- Producing a training film to help cyclists and lorry drivers navigate London's busy roads safely
- Designing a safer driving course which includes practical, on-road cycle training

Find out more at tfl.gov.uk/cycling

New posters celebrate Tube anniversary

FIFTEEN leading international artists have been commissioned to create a series of posters to celebrate the Tube's 150th anniversary.

The 15 for 150 project will see artworks go up in June on prominent sites at four central London stations: Gloucester Road, Southwark, St. James's Park and London Bridge.

As part of the commission, each artist will create a signed and numbered edition of prints, which will go on sale in June. As well as marking the anniversary of the Underground, revenue from the sales of the prints will

help support Art on the Underground's programme in the future.

Look out for posters by: Pablo Bronstein, Melissa Gordon, Runa Islam, Idris Khan, Sarah Lucas, Goshka Macuga, Robert Orchardson, Martha Rosler, Nedko Solakov, Frances Stark, Corin Sworn, Wolfgang Tillmans, Gillian Wearing, Lawrence Weiner and Haegue Yang.

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