

RIDE IT



YOUANDI-RIDE on Safer Roads

Barloworld Mercedes-Benz and Melbourne-based cycling organisation YOUANDI-RIDE have formed an alliance to enhance road-user safety within schools in Melbourne's bayside area using a stimulating, hands-on approach. Leading the initiative is YOUANDI-RIDE's chief ambassador, Scott

McGrory (above left), who won gold in cycling at the Sydney 2000. The move was noticed by luxury car dealership Barloworld which approached YOUANDI-RIDE with the aim of forming an alliance to promote road-user safety. "We are very excited to be working together with industry leaders such as Barloworld Mercedes-

Benz, to lead the way in educating and supporting not only the current group of road-users but the next generation through our after-school care program," McGrory said.

Dealer principal of Barloworld Mercedes-Benz Andrew Harlock (above right) is thrilled with the program that will see key road-user

safety information imparted in bayside classrooms. "We were first involved in cycling when Barloworld sponsored a team in the Tour de France, in 2006," he said. "This year Barloworld is a top-flight team and are serious contenders in France so we are glad to be strengthening our alliance with the cycling community."

Gazelle bikes

The first time a cyclist wanders the streets of Amsterdam they can get a little light-headed: the place is filled with gently paced cyclists going about their business on two wheels. It's quiet and pollution-free but it's also very industrious and as a result the Dutch value reliability and utility much more than carbon fibre and titanium.

The bike that has been providing the flat-landers

with this for 115 years is to be available in Australia. Gazelle has been the premier bicycle in Holland for decades and is famous for its quality and comfort. It's a different approach taken by some local suppliers who view commuter bikes as something rather argicultural. If you're wondering how reliable, comfortable and safe a commuter bike can be, check out the low-maintenance



three-speed Chamonix. Able to carry heavy loads over rough roads thanks to its special 9 x 4 spoke pattern, it also features fully adjustable handlebars and a low-maintenance hub

dynamo integrated into the front hub so you'll never be caught without a light. A seven-speed version more suited to Sydney conditions will be available next year. RRP: \$1549