



Coordinator Bio

Scottish Borders Bikeability Scotland Coordinator

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Gordon has been a Bikeability Scotland Coordinator since 2014. His favourite aspect of the job is seeing a school progress from zero to hero and making Bikeability Scotland part of the fabric of the school, allowing pupils to learn and develop their cycling skills and personal confidence. Gordon is qualified as a Cycle Trainer, Cycle Ride Leader, and Level 3 Mountain Bike Leader.

Earliest memory of cycling?

Losing the stabilisers...that's when it all got real!

What would you say to a school thinking about participating in Bikeability Scotland?

Stop thinking and start doing. Chat to your local coordinator, get advice, seek out parents and volunteers, identify a school champion (staff as well as pupil) and make things happen. It's amazing how quickly Bikeability Scotland can be seen as an essential part of a child's learning, rather than an extra bolt on to their education.

Best Bikeability Scotland moment?

Working with a young lad who had recently lost his father, helping him to learn to ride a bike confidently, as this was something he and his dad had started doing but never got the chance to finish.

Most likely to be heard saying....

"Head up, looking forward!"