

# BIKES FOR AFRICA

Deacons Boatyard is offering itself up as a short term depot for the collection of unwanted Bicycles!

In conjunction with "re-cycle" based in Essex ( [www.re-cycle.org](http://www.re-cycle.org) ) we are hoping to get all our partners in the marine industry to get together and find as many bicycles as possible to send to Africa where they can make a serious difference to peoples lives. Deacons will be transporting the donated bikes up to the warehouse in Essex ready for transportation to Namibia and Ghana during the month of August. The cut off date for accepting donated bicycles will be the end of July 2011.

So get yourself out and about , talk to all and sundry and get as many bicycles together as you can and bring them down to Deacons Boatyard on the Hamble river ([www.deaconsboatyard.co.uk](http://www.deaconsboatyard.co.uk)).

Currently Re-cycle has shipped 36,000 bicycles to Africa , we need to get this figure up to 40,000 before the end of the year!

Please see the re-cycle website for help in deciding whether the bicycle you are donating is worthwhile, as it goes without saying that a scrap bicycle is just that, scrap! The website gives a very good idea of what is acceptable and what is not.

When you turn up at Deacons with all those Bicycles please remember we are also running a very busy boatyard with machinery and boats all over the place , do not just dump bicycles anywhere, we have a place for them to go but you need to come up to reception to find out where that is.

Thank you for supporting this worthwhile charity.