

Charity bike race disrupted after metal tacks found on roads



A police investigation is underway after a number of bicycles were damaged by metal tacks on roads in Whitecross, Falkirk, and Linlithgow during Scotland's biggest cycling event.

Nobody was injured but several riders were unable to complete Sunday's Pedal for Scotland charity race as a result.

A Police Scotland spokeswoman said: "Police Scotland is investigating following a report of metal tacks on the road in Whitecross during a Pedal for Scotland event.

"A number of bikes were damaged, however no cyclists were injured."

"Inquiries into the circumstances are ongoing,"

A spokeswoman for Cycling Scotland said: "Nearly 8000 people had a fantastic time cycling with Pedal for Scotland

"Friends, families and colleagues were raising money for charities close to their hearts and there was enthusiastic support from spectators in most towns and villages along the route.

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