



**Pedal power:** Rising petrol prices are of little concern to Corey Wilson, who travels each work day from Brighton-Le-Sands to Pyrmont for about 10 cents. He uses a Wisper 905e electric bike.

Picture: Jane Dyson

## Bike trip is the light fantastic

By Nicholas Baker

COREY Wilson of Brighton-Le-Sands travels to and from work each day for about 10 cents.

He avoids the problems of rising petrol prices and peak hour traffic by riding an electric bike.

"I can travel the whole year for less than the cost of a tank of petrol," Mr Wilson said.

The daily ride from his home at Brighton-Le-Sands to his work at Pyrmont takes about 30 minutes.

Mr Wilson is the owner of the

electric bike sales company PowerCorPushies and is trying to convince St George and Sutherland Shire residents about the benefits of using transportation other than a car.

"This electric option provides a fun, environmentally friendly and cost effective transport alternative for people who want to spend less time in city traffic and zero money at the petrol pump," he said.

Mr Corey recently imported a number of Wisper 905e bikes,

which weigh 24 kilograms, compared to previous electric bikes that weighed more than 40kg.

"You just jump on, hit the throttle and off you go, or it can be peddled like an ordinary push bike."

Mr Wilson said he used to drive a motorbike to and from work but found the electric bike a much better ride.

"Motorists seem to respect push bikers much more than motorcyclists, plus there's a lot less gear," he said.

Mr Wilson said he hoped the electric bike would catch on as more and more people became environmentally conscious.

According to [truegreen.org.au](http://truegreen.org.au), greenhouse emissions from transportation are Australia's third largest contributor to climate change.

A 20-kilometre bike trip once a week saves about half a tonne of greenhouse gas emissions a year.

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