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### **NAKED MAN ON A RALEIGH BURNER RACES OVER FROZEN EARTH**

Brighton Animator Reece Millidge of 'Damp Gnat' premieres his first on-line game 'Icycle'.

Icycle is a bike platform game challenging your skill and memory. The character you play is a naked middle aged business man, the last survivor of the next ice age with only a child's BMX to ride on. Created in Adobe Flash this beautifully illustrated and highly addictive game is FREE to the public. Check it out here: <http://www.dampgnat.com/icycle>

The game had its official launch on-line on 16th September 2009. In its first week it is attracting over 7 thousand hits per day.

The Sound Design was created by Brighton based Stilton Studios and Bournemouth based Studio 42. The game comprises of eight levels set in various locations around the world featuring various cultural references and unsettling reminders of global extinction. The aim is to collect as many bubbles as possible from a trail left by another potential human survivor.

Icycle is a development from a re-make of an earlier unreleased version Reece wrote in AMOS for the Commodore Amiga in the late 80s. This was inspired by very early motorbike games such as Daredevil Denis (1984) for the BBC Micro. Reece explains "I wanted to bring an old type of game up-to-date with a contemporary look, sound and feel to evoke a strong sense of immersion and atmosphere."

Following the growing success of 'Icycle' Reece is already working on his next on-line project for release before the end of the year.

More information about Icycle and Damp Gnat Games can be found here:

<http://www.dampgnat.com/games>

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**Notes to Editor about Damp Gnat:**

- Reece was Head of Animation & Compositing for Nexus Productions on many successful TV commercials such as the multi award winning 'Honda Hate' and feature films such as 'Thunderbirds' & 'Lemony Snicket' and the recent Oscar nominated short 'This Way Up' <http://www.thiswayupmovie.com/>
- Damp Gnat is a creative hub for showcasing Film, Animation, Novel and Game related articles, links and original material. Established in 2007 [www.dampgnat.com](http://www.dampgnat.com)
- Stilton Studios are specialists in digital media [www.stiltonstudios.com](http://www.stiltonstudios.com)
- Reece's first co-creation was the popular Commodore Amiga game 'Odyssey' for Audiogenic 1995 <http://hol.abime.net/2278>
- Graduated with an MA in Animation at the Royal College of Art in 1998.
- Portfolio: [www.dampgnat.com/reece](http://www.dampgnat.com/reece)
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