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The thing that most cyclists are afraid of are vehicles that come too close to you when passing. In conversations with friends I have found that many of them are unaware of the 1 metre clearance (or the rural 1.5 m) road rule recently introduced in NSW. There seems to be a culture among many motorists that bicycles should not even be on the road let alone given sufficient clearance. This is quite a different attitude to cycling in other countries but why this is I don't know. I would like to see an expanded education program using the full range of media available to pass on the message of sharing the road and being patient when passing cyclists.