

„Bei uns ist immer etwas los!“

## DEUTSCHE FEIERTAGE, FESTE, UND MESSEN

### DER ERSTE TAG SOMMERS / FIRST DAY OF SUMMER (occurs between 20th and 23rd Juni)

#### 8 SIGNS SUMMER HAS ARRIVED IN GERMANY

##### More bikes get stolen

This is a depressing but a true fact of life in Germany: as soon as the good weather is back in force, the risk of your bike getting nicked increases dramatically. Of course, thieves are on the hunt for *Fahrräder* all year round, but as demand goes up in the hot weather, more bicycles are swiped from the street - or even the *Hinterhof* (courtyard).

It's important to have a good lock or two for your bike to keep it secure. But short of keeping it locked away in your room and never using it, there's not much you can do.

The silver lining is that buying a fairly decent bike in Germany is usually not very expensive due to there being so many around. However, we wish the police did a bit more to crack down on these thefts, which are often organized by gangs in urban areas.

