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Message from the President

June MacGregor, EBTC President

It's been a tough winter for all of us so far, including EBTC winter riders, in this wild west of weather ... with viruses. The EBTC Board is busy planning the EBTC 2022 summer cycling season, and getting ready for the 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM), scheduled for the evening of Feb. 27, 2022. There will be more to come on the AGM; 2021 members will also shortly also receive an e-mail about membership renewal for 2022.

We all longed for Covid-19 to be behind us by now but the pandemic continues to unfold in unanticipated ways. For 2022, the EBTC Board has approved an updated Covid-19 policy, recognizing that it may require revision as the situation evolves.

EBTC's COVID-19 Policy for 2022

"EBTC aims to continue to provide a safe and fun environment for our members to enjoy Club activities. EBTC requires members to be fully vaccinated for the safety of other members and our ride/event leaders. Members are expected to carry their proof of vaccination and to also have a mask with them for all Club activities. Members should be aware that they may be asked by ride/event leaders about their vaccination status or, as circumstances require, to don their masks (e.g., when being assisted by a ride leader in close proximity)."

The EBTC Board of Directors encourages all members to obtain a COVI-19 booster dose as soon as possible and certainly prior to the 2022 riding season.

EBTC Ride Updates and Announcements

Tough Winter Riding

Danielle Amerongen, EBTC Ride Coordinator

The extreme cold and icy conditions have made it hard for the EBTC to organise safe rides but when there are breaks in the bad weather, you will see EBTC cyclists making the most of it. Remember that to be able to sign up for rides, you must be an EBTC member.



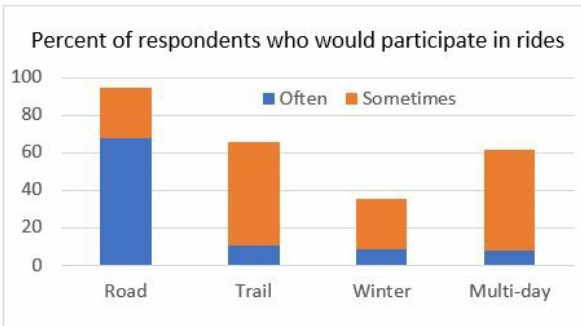
[Click here to renew your EBTC membership for 2022 or to join the EBTC!](#)

[Click here to have your name added to the EBTC Winter Ride Mailing List](#)

More from the 2021 EBTC Member Survey: What, when, how do we want to ride?

Phil Davidson, EBTC Treasurer

The short answer: everything. The **December 7, 2021 newsletter** highlighted three success stories related to the member survey. This story looks at member preferences for rides. COVID-permitting, the Board knows what to work toward and will present the 2022 Summer Ride Program at the upcoming Annual General Meeting.



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From The Saddle

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Cycling and Walking Infrastructure in Edmonton

John Shaw, EBTC Newsletter Coordinator

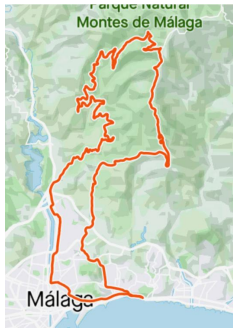
Paths for People advocates for improved people focused infrastructure in Edmonton. They had a number of successes with initiatives during 2021 and are looking for self-propelled citizen input on ideas for 2022 and beyond. Their survey takes 5 minutes to complete - **have your say!**

Mountain Biking in Parque Nacional Montes de

Malaga - well worth a detour!

John Shaw, EBTC Newsletter Coordinator

When we think about Malaga, Spain, we imagine the Mediterranean Sea, warm winter sun, beaches, fiestas, lazy holidays, and not a superb mountain biking destination! **The park** is accessible from the city centre. My Spanish tutor Rocio's husband Pablo (dressed in red) loaned me a mountain bike. He and his brother Herrardo guided me up through some of their favorite dirt tracks (abandoned forestry roads mostly) on a fine December morning. We rode from home and entered the park near the **Historical Botanical Garden**. We returned to the city on the **A7000** - a roller coaster of a ride including two tunnels forming a 180 degree spiral. Naturally the ride was punctuated with a **coffee** near our peak elevation. The key statistics for the morning were: 47 km, 1050 m elevation gain, maximum speed 85.9 km/h. I'm looking forward to exploring the park more next winter on foot and on bike.



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