



Edmonton Bicycle & Touring Club

February 12, 2023 - Newsletter

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Don't Forget to Register for the EBTC Annual General Meeting, February 26, 2023

June MacGregor, EBTC President

Whether you're a returning or new member, please register for the AGM to be held by Zoom on Sunday, February 26, 2023 from 19:00 to 20:30. Registrants will receive the Zoom link and agenda package before the AGM. You need to be an EBTC 2023 member to register for the AGM!

[Click here to register for the EBTC AGM](#)

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Berkie Award for Anne-Marie Adachi

Scott Keast, EBTC Education and Safety Coordinator

Anne-Marie Adachi, EBTC Past President, received a special commendation for EBTC's 34 years of fielding a crew of volunteers at the Canadian Birkebeiner. Most of the years have been served at the Roundup Feeding Station, where the crews have provided hydration and food for 700+ eager skiers.



The award, a water colour of a scene from the Birkie route by Brian Lucas (longtime Birkie volunteer and EBTC member), was presented by Chief of Loppet and EBTC member Char World.

Anne-Marie gave a special thank you to the 2023 EBTC Roundup Crew: **Scott Keast, Freeman and Sonja Taylor, Fred Kuipers, Danielle Amerongen, Barbara Hall and Phil Davidson**. Our medical team: Krista and Erin are on the far right.



Upcoming EBTC Rides and Events

Update - EBTC Gulf Islands Tour, April 15-23, 2023

Maureen Lanuke, EBTC Ride Leader

EBTC is returning to the Gulf Islands – those beautiful Canadian islands between Vancouver and Vancouver Island, BC. This is a trip that the Club did for many years from the 80's through to the early 2000's. We are excited to be able to offer it again. The Difficulty Level is Intermediate. The trip cost, based on 12 participants is approximately \$1450. There will be a trip planning meeting for registered participants approximately two weeks before trip departure-date to be determined. On-line registration opens Friday February 10 at 09:00 and closes Friday February 24 at 18:00. A trip deposit of \$725 is due upon registration. The final payment, approximately \$725 is due April 1 2023.

[Click here for the complete description of the EBTC Gulf Island Tour](#)

[Click here to register for the EBTC Gulf Islands Tour](#)

Update - Oregon to San Fransisco Cycling Trip - Fall 2023

Danielle Amerongen, EBTC Ride Coordinator

NEW! Two options to San Francisco!

OPTION #1: Start from Astoria, Oregon for a 12-day trip from September 16 - 28, 2023. We will cycle our way down the scenic Oregon Coast Bike Route, following the Pacific coastline, heading through the Redwoods (Avenue of the Giants). This Challenging level trip will see us finish with cycling across the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco completing approximately 1250 km. Approximate cost for hotels and support is \$2300- \$2600 Canadian dollars.

OPTION #2: Start your adventure at Eureka, California on Sept. 23, 2023, where you will join the group that started in Astoria. You will arrive in San Francisco on Sept 28 after 5 days of challenging riding at an average 102 km per day with a max of 119 km in one day, with one 400 m good climb (510 km total). You will cycle through the

Avenue of Giants, those beautiful Redwoods, on the way to San Francisco. The approximate cost for hotels and support is \$1500 Canadian dollars.

Please note that your bike and cycling equipment will be safely transported down in an enclosed trailer to both places for both options and driven back across the border. No need to pay for carrying your bike on the plane!

E-bikes are welcome, and extra batteries can be placed in one of the two support vehicles. This is a recreational ride so a pace of 18km is all that is expected. You will be riding from hotel to hotel. Please email hans@hfcomputer.ca before Feb 26 if you are interested in either of these rides, with no commitment to register. Registration will begin March 1 2023.

Update on the 8-day 7-night Bike and Barge Trip from Aigues Mortes to Avignon in Southern France Starting on May 25, 2024

Cathy Walsh, Elaine Steedsman and Audrey Sonnenberg

Expect leisurely cycling in mostly flat areas, with only few short climbs and descents. Suitable for most people. A total of 240 km of cycling on 95% paved routes and 620 m of total ascent. The barge for this trip is equipped with 11 cabins (1 single, 2 doubles, 8 twins). Please note that this trip will be available solely to EBTC members for one month (end of February 2023 until to March 31, 2023). It is important that members sign-up and pay their deposits early if they want to join in on the fun! After March 31 2023, registration will open to anyone interested. Participants must book directly with Girolibero, indicating: the boat name (Caprice), the group name (Cathy's Bike and Barge Group), and the state date of the trip (May 25, 2024).

2024 Prices:

- 1.620 euro per person in DBL/TWN cabin; 1.970 euro per person in SGL cabin
- 110 euro regular muscle bike; 270 euro E-Bike
- 50 euro special diets supplement | gluten-free, lactose-free and vegan diets

Cathy Walsh is happy to field questions about the trip!

[Click here for a complete description of the bike and barge tour and to register](#)

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