



Edmonton Bicycle & Touring Club

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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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EBTC Volunteer Opportunities Update

June MacGregor, EBTC President

Social Event Coordinator (Board Position): A Club member has volunteered to lead the planning, organizing and staging EBTC's social events. The existing Board of Directors is pleased that the slate of candidates for election at the Feb. 26 AGM will include a volunteer for this important role.

Other Board Positions: All EBTC Board positions have a one-year term as per the EBTC by-laws. Existing 2022 Board members are standing for re-election at the AGM for the 2023 Executive positions (President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary) and 2023 Director positions (Past President, Membership, Ride Program, Newsletter, Website, Social Media). Although EBTC has a full slate of candidates, any member who wishes to put their name forward/contest a position is welcome to do so.

Equipment Manager (Special Volunteer non-Board Position): EBTC Ride Leader, **Michel Lamontagne**, has volunteered for this role. As the summer ride launches, he will be supporting the Social Event Coordinator and ride leaders with access to stored water carboys, coolers, etc. for EBTC events. Throughout winter, you'll see him out having fun with EBTC's keen group of winter riders.

More 2023 EBTC Summer Season Ride Leaders Needed!

Danielle Amerongen, EBTC Ride Coordinator

Planning for the coming EBTC summer season cycling calendar is in full swing. If you are interested in leading one of your favourite routes please contact me. We are especially looking for EBTC members to lead easier paced and shorter rides (20 km - 40 km).

[Click here if you are interested in becoming a ride leader.](#)

EBTC Volunteer Appreciation Social

June MacGregor, EBTC President

Members who volunteered in 2022 reconnected and chatted with EBTC friends at brunch on January 22, 2023. Getting together in person again was a real treat. Last year, the event was virtual due to the pandemic.

Knowing that our volunteers may not be comfortable with a pre-pandemic buffet-style brunch, **Deb Kershaw**, EBTC Social Coordinator (also Social Media) organized a 'plated' meal in the private area of a restaurant (downtown Earls). Attendees selected their food prior to the event date and the brunches were served within a short period. Food and service were excellent. EBTC volunteers would not doubt share my 'Big Thank You' to Deb and to the restaurant staff.

Upcoming EBTC Rides and Events

EBTC Pop-Up: Full Moon Ride, February 6, 18:00

Michel Lamontagne, EBTC Ride Leader

There will be a full moon that evening! Join me for a Full Moon Darkness Ride starting at Fort Edmonton! You will need a front beam (or at least a headlight) and a rear light is highly recommended. Sometimes, to see the ground, I hang a hiking headlight above my top tube and it shines onto the ground so I can see what's happening (or about to happen) to my front wheel.

[Click here to register for the Full Moon Ride on February 6, 2023](#)

[Click here to register for the EBTC Pop-Up Winter Rider mailing list](#)

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, and 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](#)

Oregon to San Fransisco Cycling Trip - Fall 2023

Danielle Amerongen, EBTC Ride Coordinator

Finish your road bike cycling season with a 12-day trip at the end of September that makes its way down the scenic Oregon Coast Bike Route. This tour is an advanced ride as we will average 104 km per day with a maximum of 130 km with two 400m climbs. A moving pace of 20 km/hr is a requirement. Ebikes are welcome.

The trip has a 10-rider minimum with a maximum capacity of 18 riders. Please email hans@hfcomputer.ca before February 1, 2023, if you are interested in this ride with no commitment to register. If there is enough interest in this ride, registration for the trip with a \$500 deposit will open on March 1, 2023.

Join EBTC Members on an 8-day Bike and Barge Trip in the South of 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). Accommodation, and touring and E-bike prices for 2024 will be available soon on the Girolibero web site. **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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