

Edmonton Bicycle & Touring Club

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Messages from the EBTC Board

It's Sign-Up Time!

June MacGregor, EBTC President

- 2024 Membership: over 100 new and previous members have already signed up. For our other Newsletter readers, please join soon because a 2024 membership is needed to register for EBTC outings and events. So much fun ahead for the same fees as 2023.
- Pop-Up Ride and Event Notices: sign up to be notified by email about winter activities; notifications include the link to register. By signing up, you don't need to check the website calendar for winter rides and outings.

Click here for a 2024 EBTC Membership Click here to sign up for the EBTC Pop-Up Rider List

Upcoming EBTC Rides and Events



Attention Ride Leaders Audrey Sonnenberg, EBTC Ride Coordinator

We had snow; now we don't have snow. A very strange winter season indeed. On the bright side, perhaps the summer road conditions will give us an earlier start to the season.

As February approaches, it is time for ride leaders to dust off your descriptions from the previous year, and determine what changes need to be made, if any. Remember your deadline for communicating the details to me for your ride is **February 23, 2024** as all your ride coordinators will be busy inputting those details into Karelo, and setting up the calendar for this year.

Also, registration for the Ride Leader's Session on **March 3, 2024** (13:00 - 16:00) in Karelo opens soon, so keep this date free if you are able, as we welcome your attendance for the session hosted by **Scott Keast**, and look forward to seeing and

meeting you all. Your invitations have all been sent, so it's time to renew your membership and sign up. Do remember to check your trash folder for this email as my email may not be initially recognized.

Again, if you are planning to lead a series, pop-up, one day event, and/or agree to sub for either Social or Stamina Builder series, you need to be at this session. It'll be fun! There will be prizes for the first 15 registrants, so register early!

Click here to contact Audrey Sonnenberg

EBTC Annual General Meeting; Volunteer Appreciation Brunch (with Trans Europa Ride Talk), February 25, 2024 June MacGregor, EBTC President



Join us at the Laurier Heights Community Hall (14405 85 Ave NW). These two key annual events are now on the same day. All members are invited to come out for brunch, to celebrate our volunteers and to hear about an epic ride.

You need to register for **these** events separately. Do arrive a little before the 'start times' below for sign in (and for socializing). Here's what we've planned:

11:00 to noon: AGM – How did rides go in 2023? Where's the Club at financially? Who's up for election? Why revise the By-Laws? What's in the works for 2024 rides? And, who made the yummy squares and cookies (hint: he's also making brunch)?

12:45 to 2:30: Volunteer Appreciation – Celebrate and socialize! Can't beat the *buffet brunch menu*, prepared by executive chef and member, **Michael Roloff**! Can't beat hearing about the challenges and pleasures of riding from Estonia to Gibraltar by epic road rider and member, **Wayne Grover**!

EBTC is offering members the Volunteer Appreciation brunch at a 'Club subsidized' cost of \$25, to be paid by credit card when you register. Of course, there is no charge for AGM attendance or for the brunch for EBTC's volunteers in 2023 (who have already been contacted and advised).

If you would like to bring a non-member guest to the Volunteer Appreciation event, they will pay \$30 at the door, a less-subsidized price. However, you need to contact me with the name(s) as Michael needs a count of diners.

Click here to register for the EBTC AGM Click here to register for the Volunteer Appreciation Lunch

Click here if you are bringing a non-member guest to the Volunteer Appreciation Event

Volunteer with EBTC

June MacGregor, EBTC President

Positions on the EBTC Board of Directors

As we approach the AGM, there are retirements and other vacant/new positions to fill. The Board meets monthly, orients and supports new Board members, and is open to having some **positions shared** but two members. If you are interested in team work to shape EBTC's future and success, the Board has excellent opportunities for you.

Social Coordinator

Working with Board members, and backed by other volunteers, the Coordinator plans, organizes and stages events. Social events are valued by our members; the Board will support you in making these events enjoyable for all. This is an excellent role to learn how EBTC operates behind the scenes, and to get to know our friendly members.

Safety and Education Coordinator

The Coordinator helps guide EBTC in conducting our activities in a safe manner, whether through input to policies and programs, orientation of members or raising awareness via Club media such as the Newsletter. In assuming this position, you don't have to be an 'expert' but should be keen to research/learn about safety topics and gain new experience through working with the Board and members.

Volunteer and Member Liaison Coordinator

The word 'liaison' expresses this role well as a 'bridge' among the Board, volunteers and wider membership. This Coordinator identifies and organizes volunteers to support EBTC programs, projects and events by following-up with members who expressed interest in volunteering on their membership registration form. The Coordinator also supports and organizes Board initiatives that require input from members, e.g., a survey of new EBTC members.

Vice-President (VP)

The VP backs-up the President to plan meetings, delegate functions, ensure by-laws and policies are followed and help maintain a co-operative Board environment. Working together, the President and VP will divide up the various functions based on interests, availability and Club needs. If you are interested in the work of a Board of Directors, gaining a window into all facets of EBTC and ensuring the Club serves our members well, this is a great position for you!

Click here if you are interested in volunteering with EBTC!

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