

GRASSROOTS TRUST GRAN FONDO SATURDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2022

- Grassroots Trust Gran Fondo 165km
- GJ Gardners Midi Fondo 87km
- Fosters Corto Fondo 30km



Dear Rider,

Thanks for joining the RIDE, we are excited to bring this race to you. This document includes all the information you need for your ride this Saturday:

- Grassroots Trust Gran Fondo 165km
- GJ Gardner Corto Fondo 87km
- Fosters Midi Fondo 30km

There are two things we would like to emphasise:

- Now that entries are closed there is no changing start groups, times or races
- You need **register before entering the parking/bubble area**

Welcome to the Waipa District and the Ride NZ Cycling Festival

The Ride Festival is all about getting more people active and out riding bikes. We are proud to host an event that caters for first time riders through to New Zealand's best elite road riders, who showcase the highest level of our sport and inspire more people into cycling.

We are very grateful to Grassroots Trust and all our sponsors who make running the festival possible under the challenging COVID protection framework. While it is disappointing not to be able to have the event village and the opportunity to share the premier road races in the country with supporters and spectators, I'm confident the live streaming of both the men's and women's Elite road races will get plenty of viewers.

A special thanks to our partners that help us bring this event to you – Dynamo Events and Cycling New Zealand and their team - the professionalism, knowledge and experience of the combined group is admirable.

Thank you to everyone who is brave enough to pin a number on and take on the Ride, I wish you the very best for your Gran Fondo experience!

Dean Peterken,
Chair, Ride NZ Cycling Festival Inc.

RIDE in Red

As you are aware, we are currently in the Red Traffic light settings of the Covid Protection Framework. The Ride Festival is a controlled-access event and there can be up to 100 people (excluding staff) in a defined space at the venue at any time, based on 1metre physical distancing. We will have defined spaces at our Event Venue – Tom Voyle Park, Taylor Street, Cambridge.

Please note:

- My Vaccine Pass is mandatory for all over 12 years and 3 months of age
- Keep 1m distancing
- This is a spectator and supporter free event
- All roads are open and normal road rules apply. Please ride to your ability and skill level

We are doing our utmost to bring this race to the Riders. We ask for your cooperation in following our rules and guidelines for the race - to ensure we keep everyone safe and well and abide by the Red Traffic light regulations for Events. In particular, we ask that you ensure you **do not bring or encourage** any spectators or supporters. This is a spectator and supporter free event.

General Covid Advice

- Stay home if you are sick or have cold, flu or Covid19 symptoms and make sure you get tested
- Do not enter (registration and bubble) if you are unwell, have a cold, flu or Covid-like symptoms
- Maintain physical distancing from people you do not know
- If you are awaiting a Covid test result, stay at home
- Follow the Ministry of Health's guidelines if you have been at any Covid locations of interest
- If you test positive for Covid-19 following the event, please notify the Event Organiser
- Have a plan if you are required to isolate away from home
- Maintain good hygiene measures – especially washing your hands or using hand sanitiser
- Use the NZ COVID Tracer QR Code wherever you go
- Wear your mask at all times, except when racing, eating or drinking

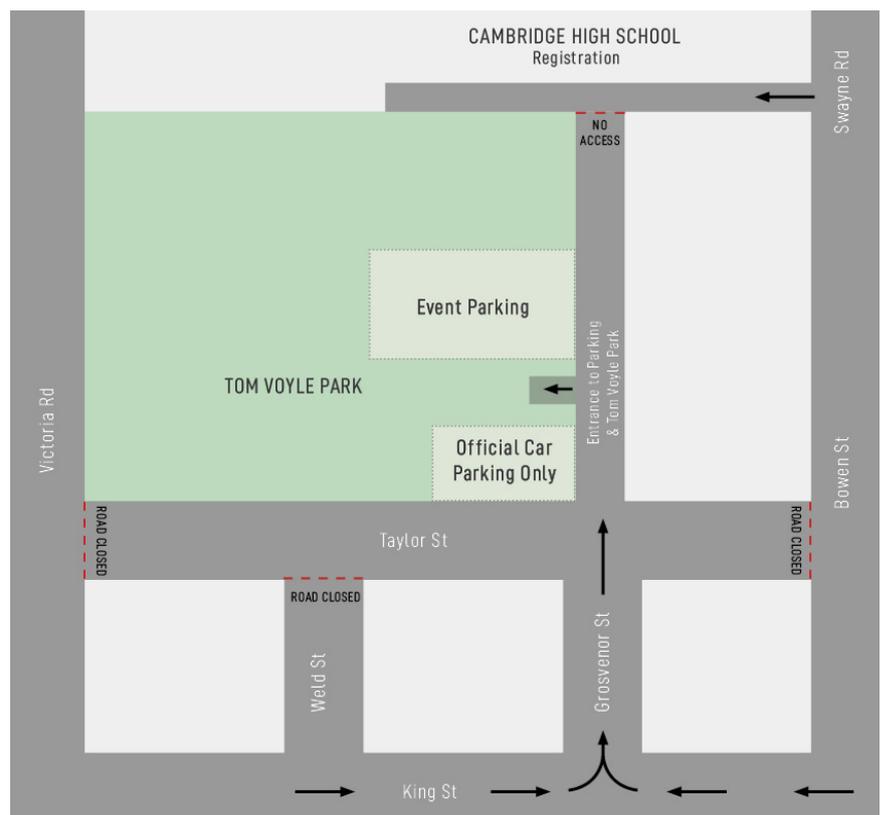
Rider Registration

Sign in using our Event QR Code and wear a mask.

You must have your My Vaccine pass with you to receive your registration pack. At all times stay 1m apart and wear your mask. We encourage as many people as possible to register on the Friday.

You need to register BEFORE you enter your Bubble on Race Day.

Location: Cambridge School Hall, enter from Swayne Road



Time: For the Gran Fondo Races on Saturday the 12th February, there are two registration options, but Saturday registration time is specific to your event

- Friday 11th 5-8pm OR
- Saturday 12th 6.45am-9.30am.

Registration times on Saturday are times are specific to your riding event and riding group:

- Grassroots Gran Fondo 165km: 6:45am – 8:15am
- GJ Gardners Midi Fondo 87km: 8:15am to 9am
- Fosters Corto Fondo 30km: 9am to 9:45am

Schedule

Location: Tom Voyle Park, Taylor Street, Cambridge

Event Times:

165km Grassroots Gran Fondo

- Early group (Group 8) 8.00am
- Main group from 9.00am
- Cut off at 126km – you must reach this point before 1.30pm. If you are starting in the early group this is 23km per hour average. For riders who start at 9am, it is 28km per hour average. Riders who do not make it to this point by 1.30pm, will not be able to complete the course
- Expect the first riders back from 1.22pm

87km GJ Gardners Midi Fondo

- Start time 9.30am
- Expect first riders back from 11.48am

30km Fosters Corto Fondo

- Start time 10.00am
- Expect first riders back from 10.48am

Race Information

- There are **no entries on the day**. To manage this event effectively and safely we cannot accommodate late entries. There are no changes to entries once they have closed off.
- **No Spectators** –To be able to run the event safely and effectively we ask all spectators, family and friends to please stay away from congregating and watching the racing. Do not enter a bubble if you are not riding.
- **No Event Village** – this means no food or drink stalls onsite either
- **My Vaccine Pass** – this will be checked at registration. Your race number is proof that you have been checked and must be worn in to enter your bubble and throughout your race until you leave the premise. All Staff will be vaccine checked and will be wearing a blue wristband to show this.
- You must **wear a mask** (as stipulated by Government) to registration and in your bubble until the start of your race, and, carry a mask with you at all times.
- **Parking** – you can park in your bubble. Bubbles will be set up on Tom Voyle Park.
- **Bag Drop** - there will be a bag drop area in your bubble should you wish to leave anything there while you race – this will not be a weatherproof area, and it is all care no responsibility, but there will be marshals per bubble and only riders allowed in
- **Bubbles** – once you enter your race bubble, you cannot leave. Your bubble will be called to the start line for your race. Bubbles and start time will be advised in advance. You must register before entering your bubble and know your bubble number to be directed to the correct area. You must be on time. There will be space for 1m distancing in your bubble and this will be achieved via bikes as well. There will be toilets provided per bubble.

- **Race start times and groups** will be staggered. Riders have already nominated their start groups through registration, and this information will be used to allocate bubbles and start groups within bubbles If applicable.
- **Race briefing** is 10 minutes before the start of races
- **No Physical prizegiving** – Race Results will be available online here: <https://my.raceresult.com/groups/4846/>
- **Drink stations** – there will be defined spaces for water and electrolyte (no food) refills. Please come prepared to be self-sufficient with your food and drink/bottles. **No supporters or spectators allowed at the drink stations.** There is no drink station for the 30km. There is one drink station for the 87km. There are two drink stations for the 165km (this is a change from three). For details of all drink stations: <https://ridenz.bike/drink-stations/>
- Once you cross the finish line, please **exit the race area as soon as possible** (unless you require medical attention) after your race ends. You will be directed back to your bubble if required – we ask that you collect your car/gather anything left behind and then exit as soon as is convenient. Please remember to wear your mask when not racing, eating or drinking
- **Finishers Medal and minor Spot Prizes** - will be in your “recovery bags” with a light snack, for you to collect, contactless, at the end of your race
- **Major Spot Prizes winners** will be announced online after the Gran Fondo event, Saturday 12th February, once winners have been notified. To be eligible for the \$5,000 spot prize you must have made the start line.
- Do not forget to apply sunscreen
- All races remain same length and courses
- All roads are open and normal road rules apply. Please ride to your ability, skill level, as well as the weather conditions and be aware of other road users.
- **Withdrawals** – please notify us if you do not intend to race to assist us in managing the RIDE in RED settings. If you are withdrawing, please email nathan@dynamoevents.co.nz. There are no refunds for withdrawals, as per our refund policy.
- **Medical support** will be available, please notify an official in case of medical attention being required

Failure to comply with any of the above will unfortunately mean no race for you and there will be no refunds in this instance.

Enquiries

For all **race enquiries** please contact Dynamo events on nathan@dynamoevents.co.nz or 021 063 1777
 For all **other enquiries** please contact Ride Festival on info@ridenz.bike or 0274 306 703

Livestream

Sunday 13th – you can watch the Elite Race via Live Stream. No spectators or supporters at this event.

The Grassroots Trust Elite Road Nationals will still be livestreamed online (thanks to Craigs Investment Partners and our friends in the air - Helicorp), on Sunday 13th– so you can watch the last hour of the men’s and women’s races online – but there will be no public screening.

The Link to the Livestream will be provided on our website and Facebook pages closer to the event. Approximate times to watch are 10am for the women’s race and 12.30pm for the men. Our Guest commentators are Rushlee Buchanan and Tim Gudsell.