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# YOUR 101KM 101KM RIDE GUIDE 26.10.2025

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#### **Acknowledgement of Country**

Bicycle Network acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of Australia. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands on which we travel through and pay our respects to ancestors and elders, past and present. Bicycle Network is committed to honouring Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' unique cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and seas, and their rich contribution to society.

#### **50 YEARS ON TWO WHEELS**

This year we celebrate a very special milestone - 50 years of Bicycle Network, alongside the tradition of United Energy Around the Bay, one of Australia's most iconic bike riding events.

Since 1975, Bicycle Network has worked tirelessly to make it easier and safer for people to ride. Over that time, millions of Australians have discovered the joy, freedom, and health benefits of getting on a bike. Around the Bay has been central to that story. For more than three decades, it has inspired riders of every age and ability to set a challenge, roll out with thousands of others, and experience a day on the bike like no other.

Whether this is your very first ride with us, a return to a favourite distance, or your 20th time circling the Bay, you are part of something truly special. ATB has always been more than just a ride, it is a shared moment of achievement, community, and pride. It's the climb over the West Gate Bridge, the cheers at rest stops, the ferry crossing, the roll back into Albert Park and above all, the sense of doing it together.

We are proud to offer experiences for everyone this year, from families lapping the Albert Park Grand Prix Circuit to those taking on the epic 220km challenge. And every pedal stroke helps Bicycle Network continue its mission: to create healthier, happier, more connected communities through cycling.

Thank you to everyone who has been part of this journey—our dedicated volunteers, United Energy for their unwavering support, and our very worthy charity partner Maddie Riewoldt's Vision. Lastly, a special thanks to all of our riders, because without you, this remarkable event and our 50 years of progress simply wouldn't be possible.

Here's to another unforgettable Around the Bay.

**Alison McCormack**Bicycle Network CEO

#### Essential as



#### At United Energy, we're all about powering what matters most - our community.

Just like the cyclists who bring energy to United Energy Around the Bay, we work tirelessly behind the scenes to distribute power to over 700,000 customers across Melbourne's south-eastern suburbs and the Mornington Peninsula.

Our lineys, like cyclists, get up at the crack of dawn to guarantee that every power pole is maintained to light your way on those early morning and late afternoon rides.

We're proud to sponsor United Energy Around the Bay, because powering your ride is as essential to us as cyclists are to this iconic event.

Now, see you at the finish line.

For more information, head to unitedenergy.com.au











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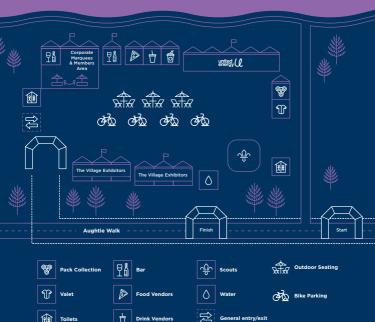


Maddie Riewoldt's Vision is the only organisation in Australia dedicated to creating change for those living with Bone Marrow Failure Syndromes. In the last 10 years we have committed \$9.7M to research and provided vital education and support to over 160 patients and their families.

But, there is still so much more to do.
#FightLikeMaddie

DONATE NOW at mrv.org.au/aroundthebay

#### **EVENT VILLAGE**



#### What's on in the Village

#### Saturday 25 October 2025

Pack Collection	10am - 4pm
CBCo Bar	12pm - 4pm

#### Sunday 26 October 2025

Event Village	9am - 7pm
Bar	12pm - 6.30pm
All Day Entertainment	
Exhibitors and Vendors	

Our partners and exhibitors will be onsite throughout the Event Village, offering services, products, and activities across the weekend to make your experience even more enjoyable.



#### **GETTING THERE**



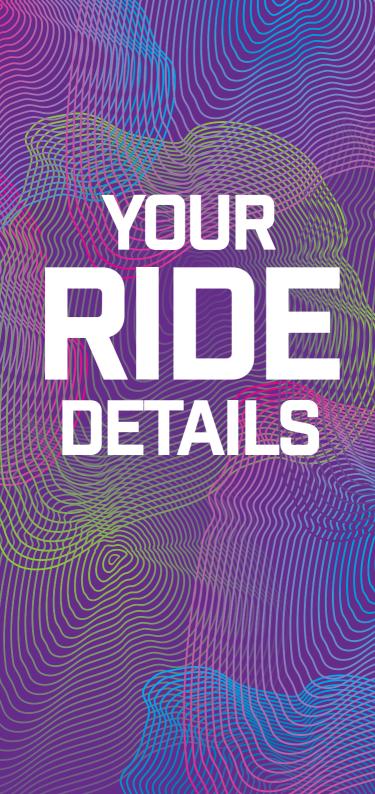
The main event site for United Energy Around the Bay is Albert Park. With thousands of riders, family, friends, and supporters expected, it will be a hive of activity.

When entering Albert Park, we ask you to be mindful of other riders, keep left when using the internal roads and where possible use the bike paths to avoid the rider route, as this may confuse our traffic and marshalling teams.

Please take a moment to plan your travel arrangements. There is no car parking available in Albert Park. We recommend using Melbourne's 24-hour public transport system to nearby railway stations, or parking in nearby areas and warming up your legs with a short ride to Albert Park.

#### 24-hour car parking facilities nearby

Ace Parking	150 Albert Rd, South Melbourne
Wilson Parking	517 St Kilda Road, Melbourne
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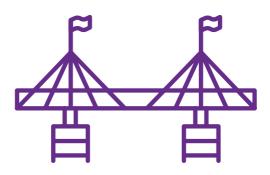
#### UNITED ENERGY AROUND THE BAY **100KM**

Aughtie Walk, Albert Park
6:45am (All riders must have started and be cleared of the start line by 7:25am)
3:45h (riding at 26km/h) - 8:15h (riding at 12km/h)
751m
Listen for announcements over the PA at the start line and event village.

#### **Key Notes:**

- Follow the directions of our traffic controllers and route marshals, especially whilst on Kerferd Rd and Beaconsfield Pde as there is a large amount of traffic management in these areas.
- The two left lanes of the West Gate Bridge will be closed to other traffic for your safety. Please keep left and do not stop whilst on the bridge.
- You will visit the Williamstown rest area before continuing (left) towards Altona and circling back past Commonwealth Reserve. Upon your return, the site will not be in use and your next rest area is at Elwood.

#### **WEST GATE BRIDGE**



#### **Access Times**

#### 5:40am - 9:45am outbound.

If you are unable to ride over the bridge within these times, we will give you a lift in a SAG (support and gear) wagon.

We will take you to either the next rest area, drop you off at a suitable location or return to the event village.

#### Please remember that:

- Normal road rules apply on the West Gate Bridge.
- Stopping is not allowed on the West Gate Bridge at any time unless it's for an emergency.
- It is illegal to ride on the West Gate Bridge outside of the specified access times.



Rest Area	Times	Km completed	Nutrition & Hydration
Williamstown	7:30am - 9:15am	19km	Water & snakes
Elwood	8:30am - 12:00am	50km	Water & bananas
Mordialloc	9:20am - 1:30pm	70km	Water, Winners bar, snack pack & electrolyte
Event Village	10:30am - 4:00pm	100km	Water

#### WOMEN'S COMMUNITY

Bicycle Network's Womens Community is here to help encourage, empower and inspire more women and gender diverse people to unlock the many benefits of bike riding in a welcoming and supportive environment. You can ride United Energy Around the Bay with the support and encouragement of our Women's Community Ride ambassadors. They'll be committed to riding at a steady and comfortable pace throughout the event and will be identified by a women's community bib on the back of their event jersey. Meet up before your ride and roll out together. Make your way to the Bicycle Network marquee and meet the ride leaders at the Women's Community flag 30 minutes prior before your ride start time:

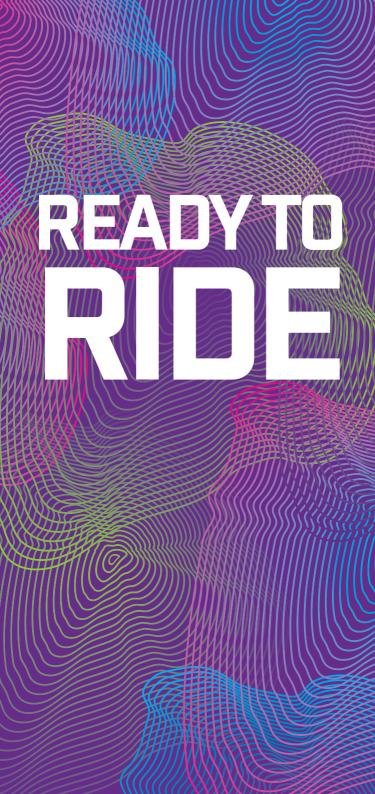
Route Distance	Meeting Time	Women's Community Ride Ambassadors
50km	7:15am	Carol Cooke Alison Raaymakers
100km	6:15am	Kath Simpson Kay Doidge Robin Gilchrist
135km	6:00am	Jen Sandri Jasmine Vincent
The Classic (220km)	5:00am	Juliet Cooper Bharathy Shanmugam

Get involved today by joining the Bicycle Network Women's Community Facebook group.



Stay up to date with the latest Women's Community news at United Energy Around the Bay.





#### **PACK COLLECTION**

If you have not paid for postage, you will need to collect your rider pack from the Bicycle Network Office or the Event Village. Pack collection will be available on Wednesday 22 October and Thursday 23 October from the Bicycle Network Office and on Saturday 25 October at the Event Village.

#### **Bicycle Network Office:**

Level 4, 246 Bourke Street, Melbourne VIC 3000

#### **Event Village, Albert Park:**

22 Aughtie Dr, Albert Park VIC 3205

If you have paid for postage, your rider pack will arrive from mid-September.

Date	Time	Location
Wed 22 Oct	10am - 4pm	Bicycle Network Office
Thu 23 Oct	10am - 7pm	Bicycle Network Office
Sat 25 Oct	10am - 4pm	Event Village

#### **Bag drop**

You are welcome to store a bag with us at the Event Village while you ride. The drop-off and pick-up point will be at the Bicycle Network Hub at the Event Village and will be open 5am – 7pm on Sunday.

#### **Route Map**



A GPX file of the route can be downloaded via this link.



#### **Participant ID**

To help identify all participants during the event you are required to:

Wear a United Energy Around the Bay 2025 wristband.

**100KM** 

12345



Display your bike number plate on the front of your bike.



#### **Ride Smart**

Please remember the following while you ride:

Road rules apply at all times. This includes all traffic signals, stop signs, give way signs and pedestrian crossings, including on roads closed to other traffic.

You must obey all instructions from on-route marshals, traffic controllers and the Bicycle Network event team.

Signage will be placed on the route. Please follow these to make sure you remain on the official route.

Please communicate appropriately with other riders and call out 'passing' or 'stopping' to give warning.

Do not take any risks that could put yourself or other riders in a life-threatening situation.

Be aware that you are riding on the road with other riders and traffic.

Ride in the Green Zone.

Overtake in the Orange Zone.

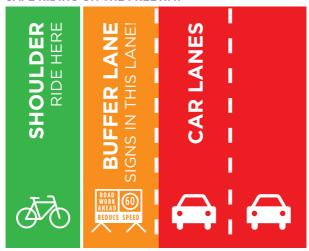
Stay out of the Red Zone.

#### **Princess Freeway Lane closure**

We have partnered with the Department of Transport and Planning to ensure you have the best ride towards the ferry. We have a partial road closure to create a buffer lane between you and motor vehicles.

It is important to **NOT** ride in the buffer lane as there is signage and other infrastructure there to keep you safe. This is particularly relevant near on ramps and off ramps – particular care needs to be taken in those areas

#### SAFE RIDING ON THE FREEWAY



It is also important that you always give way to motorists that are exiting or entering the freeway



#### **EMERGENCY PROCEDURE**

#### IS IT AN EMERGENCY? Does it require Ambulance. Fire or Police? NO YES STEP 1: CALL **EVENT** Call **ASSISTANCE EMERGENCY SERVICE** 0425 381 816 000 or STEP 2: 0425 777 484 Call EVENT **ASSISTANCE** 0425 381 816 or 0425 777 484

In case of an emergency, it is always recommended to call **000** first.

Calling event assistance **after** calling 000 is essential, so that, where possible, Bicycle Network can work with the Emergency Services to facilitate the appropriate response.



#### **ROUTE SUPPORT**

#### **First Aid**

First Aid will be available as a mobile response. Please use the event assistance phone number on your rider plate and they will arrange assistance.

There will be first aid at the event village at all times.

#### **Mechanical Support**

Mechanical support will be available at the following rest areas:

- Event Village
- Mordialloc
- Williamstown
- Elwood

Basic tools for self-servicing will be available at other rest areas.

#### **Route and Motorcycle Marshals**

Volunteer route marshals and motorcycle marshals provide directions and assistance along the ride. If required, they can also communicate with event assistance. Motorcycle marshals are also qualified to administer first aid.

#### **SAG Wagons**

SAG (support and gear) wagons are our on-road support vehicles and can help if you are unable to continue riding. Please follow these instructions if you require assistance:

- Turn your bike upside down on the side of the road at a safe distance from the road and other road users.
- · Call event assistance.
- Let the team on the phone know where you are, and the next available SAG wagon will head your way.
- Be patient as you may have to wait for the SAG wagon to reach you.
- The SAG wagon will transport you to either a local railway station, the next rest area or Albert Park. Don't forget to pack your Myki card just in case!
- Remember our SAG wagons support all riders, it is not a taxi service, so please use only if necessary.
- Private support vehicles are not permitted on the route.
- Once on board, please be aware that SAG wagons follow the riding route at a slow pace, assisting other riders and are not an express shuttle to the Event Village.

#### YOU'VE MADE IT!

#### WHAT DO I DO WHEN I GET TO THE FINISH?



#### **Medals**

Once you cross the finish line, you will receive a medal to celebrate your achievement on the bike! Snap your @bicycle\_network medal moment & show it off via socials.#aroundthebay2025



#### **Photos**

Race Atlas will be out on course snapping photos all day long! Photos will be available to view and purchase via the Race Atlas website after the event. You will also be able to download your Finishers Certificate – Make sure your numberplate is clearly visible so that you can find your photos.



#### **Event Village**

Head into the Event Village and check out the exhibitors or food vendors. Say hello to the Bicycle Network team or get a birds eye view on one of the United Energy lifts!

#### BICYCLE NETWORK MEMBER'S CELEBRATION

Our Members are the lifeblood of our organisation. Their support is vital to the ongoing success of our advocacy and behaviour change initiatives that help us make bike riding easier and more accessible for everyone, every day.

We're excited to provide our Members with the following VIP experiences at the United Energy Around the Bay Event Village.

#### **Members Show & Save**

Visit the Event Village on Saturday 25 October and Sunday 26 October and visit participating vendors for exclusive member deals.

Look out for vendors displaying our Members Show & Save signs, show your digital Bicycle Network membership card and score a great deal.

#### Not a Member, yet?

As a Member, not only do you get the best price to our world-class events including United Energy Around the Bay and access to special offers at the Event Village – you'll also be covered by Australia's best bike riding insurance every time you ride.

Come and roll with us from just \$13.58 a month.



Protect Yourself. Huge Savings. Create Change.

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#### **VOLUNTEERS**

For 31 years, the ongoing success of United Energy Around the Bay relies heavily on the dedication of over 350 volunteers from across Victoria.

Please take the opportunity to wave and say thank you to the team on the day - your ride would not be possible without their phenomenal support!

Know someone who would like to get involved?

#### Contact us at:







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