



## Introduction

Thank you for your support of the 2025 Perth Hills Gran Fondo and for those who were present in the inaugural 2024 event, thank you for your continued support.

In 2025, the Gran Fondo will be held as a much smaller event, with less than 300 people involved and engaged in total. This document does not cover the external variables leading to this outcome noting that there will be registrations open till the end of the week.

That said, our aim to host and run safe and contained Community Events continues as part of our 25-year mission to raise funds and awareness for the NPSs and Charity Groups, many of whom do not get any form of government funding.

We are grateful for the support of the Mayor of the City of Kalamunda, the Honourable Margaret Thomas who is our Event Patron. Mayor Thomas will be present at 1100 am at the Event Village for the formal proceedings.

We are also grateful to the following individuals and organisations for this event

- Event, Marketing and Road Operations Team from the City of Armadale.
- Sue Lanba from Happy Healthy Care
- Dean Cook from Grange Insurance
- Nick Parella from Heavy Rigid Auto Electrics
- Martin Simek and Barbagallo Maserati
- The team from Tanks for Hire
- Maserati Car Club of WA
- Fellow Cyclists from the Perth Cycling Group

## The Mission This Year

For 2025 we have chosen **Alzheimer's Research Australia (ARA)** as our main charity partner because their molecular research into Alzheimer's is at the cutting edge and the cusp of finally resolving this disease that plaques our society and which affects the livelihood of millions, their families, workplaces and friends.

Your ride for the 2025 Perth Hills Gran Fondo has a Grand Mission and direct donations have already been made very early in the mission to ensure that the good work done by ARA can continue.

As we have an overarching theme of supporting Local in the Perth Hills, we have also decided to raise funds through the provision of the Event Village food and drink to **Mary's Mount Primary School** for their good work in the teachings and education of young lives in the region. Again, ahead of this event we have advanced funds to them in preparation of the yummy rolls and cold drinks that you will have at the end of the event.

### Supporting Local

While it appears that this event is multi-faceted, which it is – we have channelled every resource and funds that have been generated to supporting the local businesses in the Perth Hills.

This includes and not limited to hosting eight Training Rides in the locale to support local cafes and restaurants, sourcing fruits for the event from the local orchard, hosting the major food / water stop at Bean 2 Brook as our 2025 chosen partner, water tanks from the hills etc.

It has always been our mission to support local industry as events that originate from elsewhere must contribute back to the region rather than take away from them.

We sincerely hope that you will encourage your family and friends to come and support you this coming Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025 and to adjourn after the event is over to support the local Kalamunda Markets, the many Cafes and Restaurants, refuel at the local Vibe and Caltex in the hills, shop for local produce as well as visit the vineyards and orchards and make a wonderful weekend with your loved ones.

### In Memory

*in loving*  
**MEMORY**



THE 2025 PERTH HILLS GRAN FONDO  
IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF  
GUY BRANDON  
BELOVED AND CHERISHED MEMBER OF  
THE PERTH INTEGRATED EVENTS TEAM

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March 2025 the lives of the Perth Integrated Events Team that bring you the Perth Hills Gran Fondo and many other events over the years, changed forever with the loss of one of our key Event Leaders who has been together with us at the helm for the past 6 years.

Guy Brandon is that man, husband, father, son, friend and work colleague whose life was taken from us suddenly while on the bike doing what he has loved to do – helping others.

While the Team processes and works behind the scenes to cope with his passing and to fill the void that his contributions provide, we will have decided to dedicate the 2025 Perth Hills Gran Fondo to his memory.

Please bear with us over the coming days and on the Event Day itself as emotions and sentiments will be no doubt raw.....

Members of the Events Team will wear a black arm band in memory of Guy Brandon and we will be calling for your respect and participation of a minute of silence at the start of the Final Safety Briefing at 645 am.

The Event Must Go On

The 2025 Perth Hills Gran Fondo in Memory of Guy Brandon will go on which is the way he would have wanted it and these are the operational indices for the event.

Event Village

**GOOSEBERRY HILL HALL**  
42 Ledger Rd, Gooseberry Hill

**PERTH HILLS GRAND FONDO**

**LEGEND :**

: EVENT START POINT	: WATER TANK	: PARKING AVAILABLE AT
: EVENT FINISH POINT	: EVENT VILLAGE	SCHOOL CAR PARK
: TOILET	: BROLLIE BRIGADE SHOWER	OR ALONG HUNTLEY ST

Event Village Location: Gooseberry Hill Community Hall.

Address: 42 Ledger Rd, Gooseberry Hill

Location Geo Tag: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/FjnBEg8rNE9AEwBC7>

Website Information: <https://www.kalamunda.wa.gov.au/facility-details/gooseberry-hill-hall>

Opening Time: 600 am and no earlier please.

### **Parking Procedures:**

- a. Parking will take place under the guidance of Parking Marshals and we will fill up car parks in closer proximity to the Hall.
- b. Please note the parking locations via the Map key above.
- c. Once the closer car parks are filled, the next one will be opened and so forth with the last being along Huntley Rd.
- d. All vehicles must be parked in designated car parks clearly in clearly marked car lots.
- e. Vehicles parking illegally and obstructing local residences will be towed away and costs to be borne by the offending driver / owner of the vehicle.
- f. Parking within the immediate vicinity of Gooseberry Hill Community Hall will be controlled by Parking Marshals and only select volunteers, VIPs and Event Crew including emergency services will be allowed to park within the area.
- g. We encourage carpooling as part of the focus towards energy conservation and for many who are interested in having their families in the Kalamunda City after the event, parking within the City's ample free parking spaces and riding to the start of the Event Village is also highly encouraged.



### **Opening Times:**

- The Gooseberry Hill Community Hall which is the centre of the Event Village will be opened to participants from 6am onwards.
- External Coffee Van will be in situ at the time of the opening.
- Late Registrations and Collection of Bib / Novelty / Food Vouchers only limited from 6am to 630 am. Participants who choose to arrive later than 630 am will not be permitted to participate in the event without their event bib since there are two other designated times / dates / locations provided (see below).

### **Event Village Logistics**

- There is an external Male / Female toilet block adjacent to the Event Village which will be open from 6 am onwards till the end of the event.
- The internal toilets within the Hall will only be accessible to Participants from 9 am onwards to the end of the event.

- All participants are to come in and sign in their attendance within the Hall and please observe the lines / queue that is formed.
- No food / drink other than what is available from the external coffee van is available until after 9 am as the external volunteers will be turning up later after the participants have left the village.



### **Safety Briefing**

- The Final Safety Briefing will be hosted immediately outside of the door of the Event Hall at 645 am. All participants are to attend this safety briefing that will be hosted by the Event Director and his crew with the observable 1 minute silence in memory of Guy Brandon.
- The Safety Briefing will cover aspects of the route observed or modified by the Event Crew during their final deliberations while doing signage on the Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> March.
- We encourage participants to potentially drive through their designated routes or undertake aspect of a recce ride and those who have already invested in our 8 training rides will have benefitted from this effort of investment in time and safety over the past three months.
- The Event is a **community charity ride** and not a race and therefore in accordance with procedures, will not be timed nor results posted. We encourage participants to therefore record their own ride for the own records or achievements.

## The Start Line



- The Start Line at 42 Ledger Road, Gooseberry Hill will form a natural chute from which the three distances will leave at their designated time.
- To reduce impact on the road and to spread out the participants, we will be releasing riders from this location at in groups of 4 at 20 second intervals.
- All three distances will head down the hill and turn RIGHT towards the direction of the Zig Zag to commence the event.
- Only designated participants are to be at the start point for their assigned times and this will be monitored and controlled by the Event Crew.
- Designated Starts
  - a. Happy Health Care GRAN Distance: 700 am
  - b. Grange Risk Insurance MEDIO: 715 am
  - c. Heavy Rigid Auto Electrical PICCOLO: 730 am
- We will only commence using the PA system from 700 am along the chute for obvious community reasons which is also why all have to be present within the Hall setting for the 645 am Final Safety Briefing.

### **Event Bib / Novelty / Food Voucher Collections Dates and Times**

There are TWO designated times and dates for this collection this week.

**Thursday 27th March 2025.**

Time: 4pm to 530pm

Location: [Perth Integrated Health - Southern Clinic](#)

Address: Level 1, 48 Kishorn Rd, Applecross

Geo Tag: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/kzNsbPbjKkqug1oc8>

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### **Saturday 29th March 2025**

Time: 1pm to 230 pm

Location: [Kalamunda Cycles](#)

Address: 14 Mead St, Kalamunda

Geo Tag: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/ZM3qPmJnryH2weKG6>

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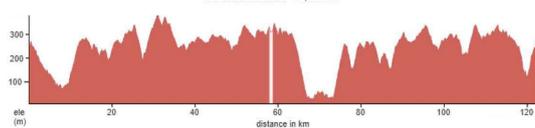
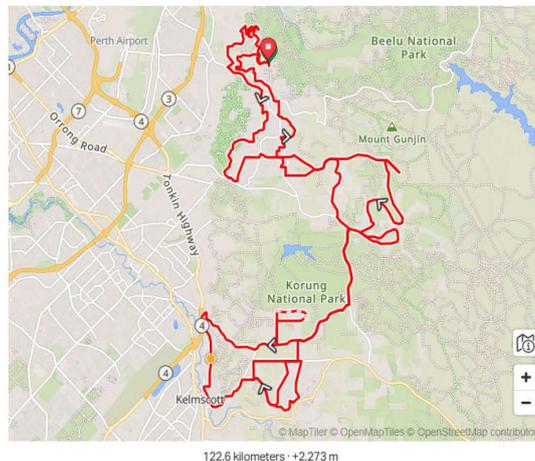
### **Fall Back Collection 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025**

- We will provide for only a very limited time for this collection on Event Day at the Event Hall from 600 am to 630 am (last in the queue).
- We will not permit riders to start the event if they turn up late despite advisory on this after 630 am.
- We will prefer the two designated times and dates above, therefore.

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**GRAND FONDO**

Perth Integrated Events Team

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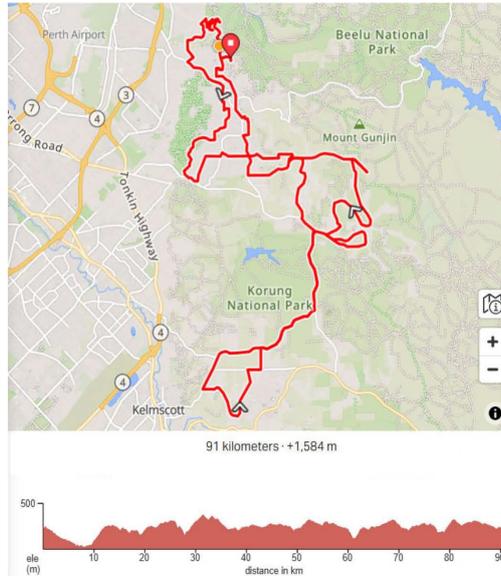
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- Ride with GPS file: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/50093045>
- Note that this is the 6<sup>th</sup> Revision following on advisory restrictions provided by Main Roads WA that centre around limitation of access of Brookton Hwy.
- Gran Distance Riders will still achieve
- Start Time: 700 am.
- Two Water/ Food Stops; both at Bean 2 Brook:  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/zUrpE4DxZLTxR9zs8>
- Bean 2 Brook Stop: 1 Pickering Brook Rd. Pickering Brook. Perfect location for family and friends to meet up.
- Wrist Band Colour: Reddish Orange (wear on RIGHT wrist)
- Signage Colour: Orange
- Signage from Pickering Brook through City of Armadale will be minimal due to restrictions imposed on the event organisers. We highly recommend therefore you navigate with your electronic maps and the cue sheets /maps provided to you in a separate email.

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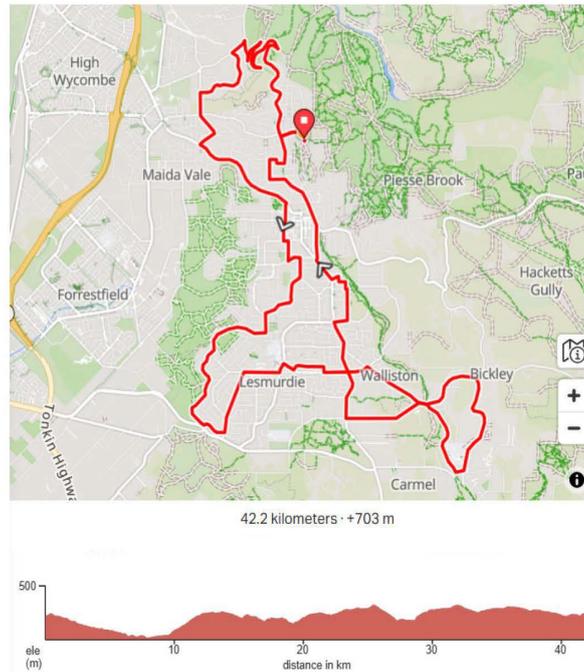


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- Ride with GPS file: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/50026637>
- Start Time: 715 am
- One Water/ Food Stops; both at Bean 2 Brook:  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/zUrpE4DxZLTxR9zs8>
- Bean 2 Brook Stop: 1 Pickering Brook Rd. Pickering Brook. Perfect location for family and friends to meet up.
- Wrist Band Colour: Green (wear on RIGHT wrist)
- Signage Colour: Green
- Signage from Pickering Brook through City of Armadale will be minimal due to restrictions imposed on the event organisers. We highly recommend therefore you navigate with your electronic maps and the cue sheets /maps provided to you in a separate email.

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Sponsored By :



- Ride with GPS file: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/50026630>
- Start Time: 730 am
- One Water/ Food Stop: IGA Lesmurdie Car Park
- Geo Tag: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/bnFor9xpHXoGThFr5>
- Perfect location for family and friends to meet up.
- Wrist Band Colour: Blue (wear on RIGHT wrist)
- Signage Colour: Blue

## Water Stations

### PERTH HILLS GRAND FONDO 2025 - MEDIO & GRAN WATER & FOOD STOP



- Medio and Gran Distance Riders will have their Food / Water Station hosted at Bean 2 Brook.
- This is located at 1 Pickering Brook Rd, Pickering Brook.
- One of Two Wrist Bands will be removed by staff from Bean 2 Brook in lieu of a Coffee / Muffin
- The volunteer team from Happy Health Care will also be present adjacent to Bean 2 Brook with further hydration options, nibbles and fruits.
- They will be located in the area shown below.
- Medio Distance Riders are to resource this location ONCE.
- Gran Distance Riders will be sourcing this location TWICE with their second time being their return from the City of Armadale to the City of Kalamunda.



Site Location for Happy Health Care Team at Bean 2 Brook

## PERTH HILLS GRAND FONDO 2025 - PICCOLO HYDRATION STOP



- The Piccolo Riders will have their water / nibbles station at the verge of the car park at IGA Lesmurdie
- Located at approximately 22km into the ride distance on Rooth Rd near to the intersection of Lesmurdie Road.
- Geo Tag location: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/DpNnoDLbP7NQqvyz9>
- This will be manned by Cyclists from the PCG Social Group who have giving up their time in support of this Memorial Ride / Event.
- Opportunity to not only fill up your water bottles and hydration powder but also source nibbles and fruits for the ride back to Gooseberry Hill Hall

### **Rider Safety**

- The Event have provided for GPX /TCX files, Directional Cue Sheets and Maps which we strongly encourage all participants read and familiarise themselves with.
- While we have designated signage along the route, there is no guarantee that they will be in situ overnight as signage has traditionally been open to vandalism and even mischief with relocations.
- There will be Safety Vehicles on strategic points and also roving Safety Vehicles with First Aiders on board but it will be impossible to cover all intersections nor are volunteers also allowed to point riders in the directions.

- The safety of this event therefore depends on your personally and adhering to the WA Road Rules is paramount at all times, per your sign off on the indemnity clause at the time of your registration.
- Riders who turn up and fail to use Australian compliance helmets will be removed from the event as these also form a crucial part of the WA Road Rules.
- Front and Rear Lights are also compulsory as the Rider footprint on the road is far less than that of other vehicles and having them on Strobe mode will assist with your placement.
- Event Bibs to be worn at the REAR of the Jersey / Wind Vests and to help identify your distance, continue to wear your assigned coloured Wrist bands on your Right wrist.
- Riders are reminded not to block or reduce the speed of other vehicle users during the course and therefore single file riding throughout the course is advocated and will be enforced by the Safety Vehicle crews.
- We recommend that all Riders further increase their visibility on the road by wearing Bright coloured clothing and apparel and or Hi Vis vests as appropriate.
- Common courtesy to other participants and other cyclists on the route also play an important part in rider etiquette. Please allow faster riders to pass you safely as we all need to look out for each other on the route.

### **Safety Vehicles**



We are grateful for the ongoing provision of Maserati vehicles from Barbagallo Maserati & the Maserati Car Club of WA for this event. These Safety Vehicles which will rove through the three routes will be driven by Perth Integrated Events Team members who are themselves Cyclists who have donated their time and effort for your well-being and safety.

### **Completion of Event and Proceedings**

- Your Event Finisher Medal will be handed to you by the volunteers from ARA when you enter into the chute and near to the Event Village Hall.
- Please return back to the Event Hall to report back in at the completion of the event.
- Your assigned coloured wrist band will identify you as a participant and your provided Roll and Cold Drink prepared by the volunteers and staff from Mary's Mount Primary School (MMPS) will be handed to you by PIET / ARA volunteers.
- Additional Food / Drink can also be purchased on site from the Hall kitchen
- MMPS will also be hosting a local Cake Stall and produce from the Perth Hills so bring in your EFTPOS card and support their fund raising enterprise at the end of the event.

### **Emergency Procedures**

In the event of a medical emergency, the following personnel are to be contacted as they will then deploy the First Aiders to the specific location.

Area East (City of Kalamunda): Vasant Thuraisamy on 0410149904

Area West (City of Armadale): Graham Harmsworth on 0403545351

Event Director (Third option): Ian Wee on 0418928326

If the medical emergency is life threatening, do NOT wait for the First Aiders to arrive. Instead dial 000 for Emergency Services and provide location including your Mobile Phone number so they can track and track you.

Please also stay with the person and ensure that the surroundings are safe for the person as well as yourself and ask for local help if possible.

### **Not For Profit Event**

- This event is run as a not-for-profit event which is the general theme for most events by the Perth Integrated Events Team (PIET)
- The operational costs to run such events have skyrocketed over the past few years with insurance coverage, staff and operational costs, food and supplies crucial to the event increasing with the cost of living.
- PIET has directly donated all of its current funds to our nominated charities and non-for-profit entities, advanced paid all of its suppliers and providers of service to ensure that this event continues as planned.
- There are therefore no options for refunds or carry over of funds to other events as each event is compartmentalised as a singularity to others.
- The Event Crew and Leadership Team are all themselves volunteers and therefore not paid in any form of measure for this event.
- Any proceeds that emanate from this event in the coming days leading to the event will be donated as our final sum to Alzheimer's Research Australia

### **Social Media Handles**

- PLEASE REFER in the coming days to the following social media handles for emerging information, last minute diversions, changes of route, schedules and operational matters that will be beyond our control.

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/perthhillsgf>
- Instagram: @pichg
- Website: <https://piet.com.au/perth-hills-gran-fondo>

### **Brollie Brigade Portable Showers**

Freshen up after your ride with Brollie Brigade's mobile shower service. Just bring a change of clothes. Towels, shampoos, soaps and hot water are provided with the service. Donations are accepted via <https://www.givenow.com.au/brolliebrigademobileshowers> or through scanning the QR code on the day.

Your support will ensure the Brollie Brigade team of volunteers continue to provide those without access to thousands of free hot showers, haircuts, takeaway hygiene packs and much needed community connection. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/BrollieBrigade/> for more information.

Perfect after a ride with the anticipated warm weather ahead!

