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2014 Gran Fondo Forillon

New amazing routes

Gaspe July 9 2014 – Due to major road works planned for this summer in Forillon National Park, the Bouette & Bitume cycling festival announces course modifications to this year's Gran Fondo Forillon road cycling events, scheduled for next August 31st.

All event departures and arrivals will now take place near the majestic cliffs of Cap-Bon-Ami and literally within walking distance from the campground which shares the same name, campground which was recently voted by theloop.ca as being of the 20 most beautiful in Canada!

Distances announced earlier in 2014 for the Gran, Medio and Petit Fondo remain approximately the same, but event routes will now all take riders along the Gulf of St-Lawrence in the North area of the Town of Gaspé, between Forillon National Park and Grand-Étang.

The Gran Fondo Forillon is bulking up this year, weighing in at just over 2100 metres in positive elevation, making this year's route one of the most "elevated" in the country! The good news of course is all that goes up must eventually come down! It is also worth noting that this year's Medio Fondo will take riders through the village of St-Maurice-de-l'Échouerie, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary this year, and that the Petit Fondo will culminate in Rivière-au-Renard, the fishing capital of Québec.

The Gran Fondo Forillon, already unique with its incomparable maritime routes, is now in a position to become Québec's ultimate road cycling challenge to attempt during the height of the cycling season.

A brand new Pre-Fondo in Percé!

New to our event roster for the 2014 Bouette & Bitume cycling Festival: the Pre-Fondo Forillon! This Pre-Fondo is an untimed road cyclo sportive event accompanied by experienced local cyclists over the entire 90 km! Participants will be invited to board the Amiral scenic train in Gaspé and thus witness first hand our region's newest touristic experience as the train whisks them away to Percé!

On board the Amiral passengers will be able to experience the sights, sounds and tastes of the Gaspé Peninsula, with appetizers made from local "produits du terroir" products served to hungry riders. Exclusive to the 2014 Bouette & Bitume cycling festival, this new rail-and-ride package is a great way to see and experience even more of the Gaspé's unique and majestic scenery.

Registrations

It is still possible to pre-register for this year's events; simply visit the festival's website at www.bouetteetbitume.com for all information concerning road and mountain bike events, as well as for package deals and rebate codes for those wishing to participate in more than one event. Note that the first 100 registrations will receive a magnificent official event cycling jersey..

About the Bouette & Bitume cycling festival

Founded in 2012 by the Club Vélocipeg de Gaspé, the Bouette & Bitume cycling festival (B2) has rapidly made a name for itself among summer cycling events. Known for its unique approach combining road, mountain, cyclo sportive and leisure cycling events, the B2 is the

only festival of its kind in Canada to promote all forms of recreational cycling during the same event.

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