

around

brunner

C Y C L E R I D E



Around Brunner is a **real good** 130kms on sealed roads that go through the most **wicked scenery** the West Coast has to offer.

It all starts where the mighty Grey River heads out to sea in Greymouth after its journey through the Southern Alps.

Anyway, people wearing flash, tight fitting bike gear that's all shiny, and a few wearing gear that's maybe not quite so tight and not so shiny, head south to Kumara Junction where heaps of gold was found about 100 years ago – and I reckon there's still heaps of gold in those hills. From here you turn inland on a road that gently goes up through a real nice bit of rain forest, although it **doesn't rain that much** round here in April.

After heading towards the mountains for a bit the road comes to Jacksons Historic Tavern, which is a shame, because the road that everyone needs to follow turns left over the Taramakau River. Some folks might be inclined to **stop for a pint of the brown stuff**.

The road heads north to Inchbonnie the half way point, where those folks doing half of the ride meet up.

The road goes along the flat for a bit - a nice warm up for those just doing the second half. This goes through some more real nice scenery, which has a **couple of fantastic lakes**. The first isn't actually Brunner, so try not to get too excited - just so you know, its called Lake Poerua. The road keeps going between the mighty Southern Alps and Lake Brunner.

The road climbs a bit coming into and going out of Moana, then it winds around as you head through the Arnold Valley to Stillwater. Then it's best you turn left. **It's pretty flat** beside the banks of the mighty Grey River, with even a downhill section, as the road takes you back to where it all started, in Greymouth.

Around Brunner is a **cycle ride for everyone** - from the folks who are new to riding bikes and are still getting used to all the tight fitting clothing, to those who are way too comfortable wearing tight clothing and even to those that I hear shave their legs.

So, whether you shave your legs, or you've just bought a bike and are thinking about it – riding that is, not shaving your legs - come and ride with us. I look forward to seeing you on the start line in April, where the mighty Grey River meets the sea.

"I reckon it really is a good honest West Coast workout that anyone can do." Trev

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Entry form

Please complete all stuff required clearly because the blokes in suits have told us it's really important and we agree.

Here are some great reasons to enter early!

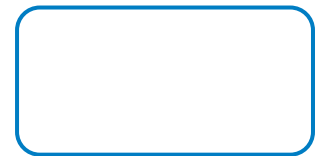
Enter by the end of December and go in the draw to win \$250 of Ground Effect clothing.

Enter by the end of January and go in the draw to win \$575 of Bluebridge travel.

Enter by the end of February and go in the draw to win another \$250 of Ground Effect clothing.



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Events

(Choose one event only)

- Elite (competing for cash, men and women)
- Individual (recreational, competing for age group prizes)
- Stage Teams (you do half each)
- Tandem (open)

Sections *Individuals, Stage Teams and Tandems*

(Choose one section only, Elite do not need to choose a section)

Individual Sections:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> School Boy (under 18) | <input type="checkbox"/> School Girl (under 18) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Men (under 20) | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Women (under 20) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Men (under 40) | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Women (under 40) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Men (40-49) | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Women (40-49) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classic Men (50-59) | <input type="checkbox"/> Classic Women (50-59) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vintage Men (60-69) | <input type="checkbox"/> Vintage Women (60-69) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seasoned Men (70+) | <input type="checkbox"/> Seasoned Women (70+) |

Stage Team Sections: (two people per team)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> School Boy (under 18) | <input type="checkbox"/> School Girl (under 18) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Men (under 20) | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior Women (under 20) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Men (under 40) | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Women (under 40) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Men (40+) | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran Women (40+) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family (same generation, two generations or married couple e.g. husband/wife) | |

Bike NZ license No: (If applicable)

Cycling Club: (If applicable)

Payment of Entry Fees *(including GST)*

- \$95 / Elite and Individuals
- \$160 / Stage team (two people)
- \$160 / Tandem team (two people)

Standard entry fee (before 21st March 2010) \$

Late fee after 20th March 2010 \$

(additional \$25, Elite, individual, stage team or tandem)

Total Fee \$

(Standard entry fee plus late fee if applicable)

- Cheque - made payable to Around Brunner Cycle Ride. Please no cash payments.
- Credit card (VISA and MasterCard only. Complete details below)
- VISA MasterCard

Card # _____

Expiry Date _____ / _____

Please debit my credit card with the total amount of \$ _____

Name on Credit Card: _____

Signature of credit card holder _____

If paying by credit card your statement will show Challenge Events as the merchant.

Confirmation of Entry

Confirmation of entry, GST receipt, course map and checklist will be sent to each participant. Allow five working days for delivery.

Elite, Individual, Stage Team member One or Tandem One *Stage Greymouth to Inchbonnie (69kms)*

First Name:

Last Name:

Gender: M F Date of Birth: / /

Address:

City:

Email:

Preferred Phone:

Emergency phone and contact:

Existing medical condition that may affect you in the race:

10 words about yourself for the cycle bib and finish line

e.g. Who's for another lap?

Estimated total time for 130km (Hrs, Mins) Determines your start wave

Stage Team member Two or Tandem Two *Stage Inchbonnie to Greymouth (61kms)*

First Name:

Last Name:

Gender: M F Date of Birth: / /

Address:

City:

Email:

Preferred Phone:

Emergency phone and contact:

Existing medical condition that may affect you in the race:

10 words about yourself for the cycle bib and finish line

e.g. Where's the lake?

Where did you hear about the event. Eg: Radio, Expo, Street Signs, Word of mouth, Previous Event, Flyer

I have read, understood and accept the event rules and conditions of entry.

Participants under 18 years of age on race day must have a parent or guardian sign for them.

.....
Signed (Elite, Individual, Stage Team member One or Tandem One)

.....
Signed (Stage Team member Two or Tandem Two)



Rules and conditions

Ages

- Age is on race day.
- A mixed team will include a member of the opposite gender.
- All participants must be at least 13 years of age by race day.
- A 45 year old teaming with an 18 year old would compete in the Open Teams section.
- A 65 year old teaming with a 45 year old would compete in the Veteran Teams Section.

Late Entry

Standard entries close on 20th March 2010. Entries after 20th March 2010 will incur an additional late fee of \$25 / Elite, Individual, Stage Team or Tandem. Posted entries will be accepted up until Wednesday 7th April 2010. On-line entries will be accepted up until midnight on Sunday 11th April 2010. Get your accommodation booked and entry in early!

Refunds, transfers and team replacements

We will be enforcing our withdrawal refund policy as listed below. Withdrawals made in writing before 20th March 2010 will receive a full refund less a \$25 processing fee. Withdrawals made in writing after 20th March and before 12th April 2010 will receive 25% transfer of the standard entry fee to the next event. There are no refunds or transfers after 11th April 2010. Should the event have to be cancelled due to force majeure, there will be no refund of entry fee.

Stage Teams may replace a team member provided the organisers are given sufficient and written notification prior to race day. They need to provide a completed entry form signed by the replacement team member. Individual entries are not transferable to other people.

Conditions of Entry

- I agree to abide by the Event Rules and with the directions of the officials and their personnel. I will comply with all the directions given on the entry form, confirmation letter, emails, newsletters, race pack information, pre-race briefing and course signage.
- I agree to display the supplied sticker on the front of my cycle helmet and to wear the supplied cycle bib on my back.
- I agree to allow the organisers and sponsors to use photographs, video and film taken during the event to advertise their products or to promote the event at no cost to the organisers and sponsors.
- I understand that participation in this event is at my own risk and I accept full responsibility for obtaining adequate skills to negotiate and avoid the hazards on the course.
- I understand the cycle route travels on public roads. Participants are required to obey New Zealand traffic law at all times while on public roads.
- I understand that the Race Organisers may alter the advertised course, race briefing or start times for safety or other reasons.
- I am fully responsible for my personal belongings at the event.
- I am in sound physical condition and health, capable of safely competing in the event, and am not aware of any medical condition to the contrary.
- By participating, I accept all risks flowing from my participation that could result in loss of life or permanent injury or damage to property. Accordingly I release all persons or corporations associated directly or indirectly with the conduct of the event from all claims, demands and proceedings arising out of my participation and I hereby indemnify them against all liability for all injury, loss or damage arising out of or connected with any act or omission by me in the course of my participation in this event.
- This release shall extend to and include promoters, sponsors, the organisers of the event and their respective directors, partners, managers, officers, agents, contractors, employees and volunteers including medical and paramedical personnel appointed for the event, the owners, licensees and occupiers of land upon which the event or any part of it is conducted, any statutory body or local authority having control over any land upon which the event is conducted or which is directly or indirectly associated with the event in any manner whatsoever. This release and indemnity continues



Event Rules

- These are important points. Further rules will be described in the entry form, confirmation letter, emails, newsletters, race pack information, pre-race briefing and course signage. Such rules form part of the event rules.
- All road rules, event signage, directions of event personnel and police must be obeyed at all times. In the absence of police control all road rules must be obeyed. You will be cycling on public roads and must share the road with other users. No crossing the white centreline.
- Cycles must have either standard drop style or flat mountain bike style handlebars. No aero bars or handle bar fittings that could cause injury to other riders are permitted.
- All Elite, individuals and stage team members cycling the first stage from Greymouth to Inchbonnie must attend the safety briefing prior to their wave start.
- Each stage team member must complete one stage. The team member cycling from Inchbonnie to Greymouth may not leave until their team member arrives at Inchbonnie.
- Where marked on roadways, cyclists must use cycle lanes. Cycle helmets must be of a standard recognised by Land Transport NZ and must remain on your head, securely fastened at all times while the cycle is in motion.
- If for any reason you are unable to finish the cycle ride please notify a course marshal and hand in your timing transponder and cycle bib. This is very important for safety reasons.
- There are pedestrian crossings on the cycle ride where you must give way to pedestrians.
- There are railway lines on the cycle ride. Please obey the road rules and stop for trains.
- There are one-lane bridges on the cycle ride. Please obey the road rules and give way to traffic.
- While cycle support will be provided, repair of punctures and mechanical issues are the competitor's responsibility.
- Riders will be requested to advise their estimated total time for 130kms. Many entrants over-estimate their ability on time and skill. If groups of friends wish to ride together, they must choose the time based on the slowest performing rider, not on the fastest.
- The race organisers reserve the right to disqualify any competitor for cheating or breaking the event rules. The decision of the Race Organisers or his/her representative is final.

Timing transponders, helmet stickers and cycle bibs.

- Timing transponders, helmet stickers and cycle bibs must not be removed until competitors have passed through the stage team changeover area or finish timing chute.
- Stickers and cycle bibs must be worn with the number clearly visible at all times by the competitor actually taking part in each stage.

Stickers and cycle bibs must not be altered in any way. Failure to return a timing transponder on race day will result in a charge of \$50.

Support crews - Assistants

- Support crew vehicles must not follow or lead their participant during the cycle ride.
- Unauthorised support vehicles cause an unacceptable and significant hazard to cyclists. Police will strictly enforce all event and road rules. Support crews must be at the finish line to take their competitors cycle away from the area immediately – we have limited space.

Medical

- In the event that you sustain an injury or illness whilst participating in the cycle ride, you authorise the appointed medical personnel to perform and administer such emergency medical attention as they think is necessary. They have the right to remove competitors from the course based on medical grounds. We appreciate the assistance that riders may give to injured participants. See us at the finish line and we'll adjust your time.

Equipment

- Competitors are responsible for the equipment they use in the cycle ride and for arranging any insurance to cover loss or damage to equipment. They must ensure that equipment is in good condition, safe and serviceable. It is strongly recommended that all entrants have their bike serviced and helmet checked out by a bicycle retailer prior to the cycle ride.

Withdrawals during the event

- Anyone picking up a race pack that chooses not to participate on race day must inform the race organisers before the race start and return the timing transponder, helmet stickers and cycle bib. This is very important for safety reasons.

Cut off times

- Cut off time Inchbonnie 12:25pm (4 hours after the last start time)
- Last finishing time Greymouth 4:25pm (8 hours after the last start time)
- The Race Organisers reserve the right to alter cut-off times for safety or other reasons.

Timetable

Friday 16th April 2010

- Race pack pick up: Regent Theatre, cnr Herbert and MacKay Streets, Greymouth. 4pm to 10pm.
- Collect your competitors race pack. The race packs include detailed race instructions, timing transponder, cycle helmet sticker, cycle bib and sponsors products/information.

Saturday 17th April 2010

- All support crews and the team member cycling from Inchbonnie to Greymouth must have departed Greymouth before 7:30am. Absolutely no exceptions.
- **Start and Pre-race briefing:** Mawhera Quay, Greymouth
8.00am Elite (competing for cash) Bike NZ registered riders
8.05am Recreational (competing for age group prizes) Released in bunches of 50 at two minutes intervals. Individuals with a Bike NZ number or Club membership will be given priority in the first waves. You must provide this when you entre.

Followed by Individual, Team and tandem riders ordered on estimated time for 130kms, but again released in bunches of 50 at two minute intervals.

- **Pre-race briefing, Greymouth:** Before each wave start.
- **Finish line:** Mawhera Quay, Greymouth
11:15am First finisher
Encourage your family and friends to come to the finish line in Greymouth with music, catering, West Coast hospitality, give-aways and commentaries to entertain you and your supporters. Swapping yarns and race results.
- **Prize Giving:** Regent Theatre, cnr Herbert and MacKay Streets, Greymouth
5:00 – 6:30pm Spot and performance prizes – you must be there to collect spot prizes.

Prizes, trophies and certificates

- While acknowledging performance, an emphasis is placed on excellence of effort.
- All entrants who start the race will be eligible for spot prizes. Spot prizes will be drawn by competitor name. You must be present at the prize giving to win. If you are still competing you are deemed to be present.
- Should a stage team member not finish a stage, the other member of the team will be allowed to complete the course but will be ineligible for performance prizes.

About the ride

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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- Generous performance prizes will be awarded down to 3rd place in most individual and team sections (depending on entry numbers).
- All finishers will be eligible for spot prizes.
- Certificates will be available to download from the results page of the website.
- Trophies will be awarded to the first place getter in each section. They must be returned to the organisers for engraving before the next event.
- Elite compete for cash and are not eligible for age group prizes.

Sponsors

- Around Brunner Cycle Ride has a group of fantastic sponsors who help make the event special. Please show your support to our sponsors at every opportunity.

Trev had some great comments last year

"Thanks for the wicked event and weekend on the Coast"

"Great ride, spectacular views ... only in New Zealand"

"Trev, a memorable weekend, we will be back"

"Awesome prizes thank you"

"It was a fantastic event. Planning for next year with friends already"

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