



Granya Grind

Distance: 127 km (1,233m elevation)
Start Time: 7.00 am
Ride Date: Saturday 23th February 2019
Price: \$85 (\$10 discount until Nov 30th, \$10 late fee after Feb 21st)

Strava route:



Map Downloads: To export GPX and TCX files, click Strava Hyperlink on map above, and Log in to Strava

Start Location: Wodonga Racecourse.
Hamilton Smith Drive, Wodonga. Brockley Street entrance

BIB Collection: Bib's can be collected either:

- Thurs 21st February 4.30 pm to 7.00 pm, Drummond Real Estate, 588 Stanley St , ALBURY,
- Fri 22nd February 4.30 pm to 7.00 pm at Wodonga Racecourse , or
- Ride Day, **30 minutes before the START of YOUR ride**

Ride Description:

This ride is for the more advanced fit cyclist, a challenging ride not for the faint hearted! It is a beautiful ride following both the Mitta and Murray arms of Lake Hume and cuts through the Granya State Park.

Leaving town cyclists cross the Kiewa River and roll along the Lake Hume foreshore on the Murray Valley Highway past Tallangatta to Bullioh. Soon after the left turn riders hit the 6km /300m elevation climb, parts at 8% grade. The good riders discover the natural beauty of the Granya State Park, but many only feel the pain. Over the Gap, riders glide down to the picturesque hamlet of Granya overlooking the Murray River arm of Lake Hume, for the **Rider Reviver Station** (No. 1 at 72 km mark).

Refuelled riders turn left and follow the undulating Murray River road. With a series of long roller coaster climbs this return stretch is the "Grind", with some riders struggling and dropping off packs. A **water stop** is located at the Talgarno School for the weary (92 km mark).

Not far to go now. Riders are relieved to see the impressive multiple steel arches of the historic Bethanga Bridge. After crossing it, impressive water views from the upgraded Riverina Highway and on to Lake Hume Village but probably too tired to check out the coffee or "much talked about" ice-creams at the Cafe.

Enjoy the wind in your face as you descend the "Village Hill" to the **Rider Reviver station** (No 2 - 108 km mark) for refreshments and panoramic water views with mountain backgrounds. Visitors soak it up, take some "selfies".

A peaceful glide across the Hume Dam wall, back to Bonegilla, then follow your out bound route again crossing the Kiewa Rr, through Killara to Thomas Mitchell Drive, back to the Racecourse and under the Finish arch.

And for the greatest of causes the ALBURY WODONGA REGIONAL CANCER CENTRE and the Border Trust.