

The 6th Annual Tour of Elgin "THE ELGIN 80"

New Brunswick's only Mountain Bike Marathon
Saturday, October 3rd, 2009



The start of the 2007 Tour of Elgin (photo: Stefan Davidson).

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View from mountaintop in Elgin, NB.

The Tour of Elgin is a whole day of bike activities with an 80km Marathon race for the fittest of our riders, in addition to the 40 and 20km options. The course covers all types of surfaces; with limited pavement, lots of fast double track, dirt roads, and some great single track. The course is well marked and there are all-terrain support vehicles, on-site first aid, and neutral feed stations.

Elgin is located 10 km North of Fundy National Park in the heart of the Southern Highlands of New Brunswick. The views along the trail are stunning as the leaves are peaking in fall colour! The climbs are awesome (some as high as 1100 ft) and frequent. The community will be putting on a Pasta dinner at 4:00 for all racers, family and friends. There will also be family bike-related activities throughout the day. Hope to see you there, vying for the New Brunswick 2009 Marathon Championship title.

Purpose of the Tour of Elgin:

This race is being put on as a fundraiser by the **Elgin Eco Association**. The Elgin Eco Association is a group of dedicated volunteers who are working together to promote the natural beauty of the Elgin area through eco-tourism and by organizing local events. Mountain bike racers from all over the Maritime Provinces will be converging in Elgin to race through the beautiful Elgin countryside. This event will be exciting, lots of fun and a celebration of both athletic ability and the beauty of this area's forest landscape!

Categories:

80 km Women's and Men's Category

Open, Masters, Junior, Citizen (women & men)

40 km Women's and Men's Category

Sport, Masters, Junior, Citizen (men & women)

20 km Women's and Men's Category

1 category open to everyone

Schedule:

8:00 – 11:00am: Registration (*breakfast*)

10:00am: 80 km race starts

12:00pm: 40 km race starts (BBQ)

12:10pm: 20km race starts

4:00-6:00pm: Pasta supper

4:30pm: Awards presentation

Sponsors:

Platinum Level



**Country Liquidation
Warehouse**

Gold Level

Elgin Country Market



Silver Level

Corey's Garage
UAP Auto Supplies
GT Enterprise
Armstrong's Funeral Home
Graymont Lime
Arbing Equipment
Constantine's Well Drilling
Birchmount Lodge Ltd.
Sussex Co-op



Costs:

Race fee (all riders with or without Velo license): \$25 (pre-registration), \$35 (race day)

Package Deal (includes race fees, breakfast, pasta dinner, limited edition t-shirt, and tenting): \$50

Limited, pre-arranged accommodations in Elgin (bring own sleeping bag, etc.): call Moranda for details Ph: (506) 756-2518

Pre-register: by fax/credit card by Thursday, October 1st at 5:00 pm

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Fax registration forms with MC or Visa number to the Elgin Country Market (506-756-2274). **NOTE: Pre-registration Deadline is Thursday, Oct. 1st at 5:00 pm**

Important Notes: If you do not have a Velo NB/ CCA license you are only eligible to race in the “citizen” categories. No points will be awarded to riders in the “citizens” category. One-event number plates require a \$5 refundable deposit.

Prizes: Cash prizes for Elite category (1st = \$150, 2nd = \$100, 3rd = \$75 for male and female categories), medals and a chance at draw prizes for all other categories.

Directions:

From Moncton, take Highway #2 then **Exit 423** to Highway #1. Take **Exit # 233** at Petitcodiac. Turn left toward Elgin (rte. 905). Drive approximately 15 min (20km) to the Elgin corner. Bike race headquarters is at the Elgin Firehall/Community Centre at the Elgin corner across from the Elgin Country Market.



Overnight Accommodations:

Camping space is available in Elgin.

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For more information visit www.velo.nb.ca or contact one of the following:

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What to Bring

- 🚲 Warm Clothes (preferably multiple layers)
- 🚲 Second set of clothes if wet weather is forecast (you can change at the mid-way point)
- 🚲 Camelback or multiple water bottles
- 🚲 Energy bars etc. (food will be provided, but only about every 20 km)
- 🚲 Tools (the race is self supported)
- 🚲 Spare tubes & pump
- 🚲 Sense of adventure!