



# RIDER GUIDE

2-3 MAY 2026

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# WELCOME FROM THE CLASSICS FOUNDER

On behalf of the entire Mudgee Classic team, I'm thrilled to welcome you to this year's event in one of Australia's most spectacular cycling regions.

Each year, the Mudgee Classic continues to grow, and 2026 marks an exciting evolution of the event with the introduction of our new gravel courses as part of the Dirty Mudgee. Whether you're here to test yourself on the road, explore the backroads on gravel, or take on both across the weekend, we're proud to bring you an experience that showcases the very best of this region.

This event wouldn't be possible without the incredible support of our riders, the local community, and our valued partners. It's their passion and commitment that help us deliver something truly special year after year.

As you roll out, I encourage you to take it all in. The landscapes, the atmosphere, and the camaraderie that makes events like this so unique. Ride your ride, enjoy the journey, and don't forget to look up every now and then, Mudgee has a way of rewarding those who do.

Whether it's your first time on a Classics start line or your tenth, we're grateful to have you with us and can't wait to see you out on course.

See you at the start line.

**James Yaffa,**  
The Classics Founder



## MEET THE TEAM

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# MESSAGE FROM THE RIDE DIRECTOR



We're thrilled to return to the beautiful MidWestern Region of New South Wales for the **2026 Mudjee Classic!** This event continues to thrive thanks to the incredible dedication of our volunteers, partners, and the entire community. Your time, energy, and passion are what make the Mudjee Classic truly special—thank you.

A big thankyou also goes to the **MidWestern Regional Council**, whose support allows us to ride through their stunning roads, towns, and countryside. As we celebrate the **6th edition** of the Mudjee Classic, we're once again proud to showcase everything that makes this region such a remarkable cycling destination.

Safety remains our highest priority. Please remember that all roads are **open to traffic**, so adhere to road rules at all times and follow instructions from **NSW Police** and our dedicated **Course Marshals**. Look out for one another on course—announce your approach with a friendly **“rider right!”** and help ensure a positive experience for everyone. And as always, the Mudjee Classic is **a ride, not a race**.

We'll be ready to welcome you across the Finish Line. Be sure to invite your family and friends to celebrate with you at the **Event Village** afterwards. Enjoy live music, great local food, and a well-earned cold drink—riders receive their first one free!

This guide includes everything you need to know: course details, preparation tips, equipment suggestions, and eventday essentials. If you have any questions leading up to the ride, feel free to reach us at [info@cyclingclassics.com.au](mailto:info@cyclingclassics.com.au).

Get ready for an unforgettable cycling experience in one of Australia's most scenic regions. I look forward to seeing you at the Start Line in Mudjee!

Cheers,

**David Kemp,**  
Ride Director

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# WELCOME FROM THE NSW GOVERNMENT

Welcome to the beautiful NSW Central West for the Mudgee Classic, supported proudly by the NSW Government's tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW.

Now in its fifth year, the Mudgee Classic has fast become a staple fixture on the cycling calendar, catering for all riding abilities with five unique courses that will challenge riders while showcasing the region's spectacular wine country.

With stunning landscapes, incredible cycling routes, a welcoming community and a variety of off-bike attractions, Mudgee is an ideal location for a major cycling event, which enhances the region's reputation as a premier cycling destination.

The Mudgee Classic also makes a vital social and economic contribution to the region, attracting thousands of competitors, supporters and officials who stay in our hotels and spend locally, supporting local businesses and jobs throughout the Central West visitor economy.

With world-class vineyards, artisan shops, award-winning gourmet experiences and 19th-century charm nestled by the beautiful Cudgegong River, Mudgee is a jewel of regional NSW.

Best of luck to all participants. Enjoy the ride, along with the warm local hospitality of Mudgee and take some time to explore the stunning scenery of one of Australia's finest food and wine regions waiting to be discovered at [visitnsw.com](https://www.visitnsw.com).

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# PREPARING FOR COUNTRY ROADS

Riding rough country roads requires a vastly different approach to a regular bunchride and proper bike preparation! Prior to the 2026 Mudgee Classic we strongly suggest you check the following:

- **Bar Tape** – take a close look at the bar tape on your bike, the Mugee Classic could be the perfect time to renew it! Look for slightly thicker and more shock absorbing tape that will allow for better comfort and control.
- **Gloves** – we would suggest quality gloves that grip well and have a properly padded palm.
- **Bidons and Cages** – bidons often bounce out of cages on rough roads and can lead to a crash. Ensure your bottles and cages are compatible – and correctly matched with the bottle fitting snugly in the cage. As for the two-bottle cage mounting screws, be sure to check and tension them before the event!
- **GPS/Computer bracket** – again, ensure this is tight on the bars! There's nothing worse than a slipping GPS mount.
- **Gear & Helmet** – Like preparing for any cycling trip, we'd suggest making a checklist and laying out the gear and equipment you are taking to the event. Kit, jersey, gloves, spare tubes, sunglasses, shoes, socks and of course your helmet.
- **Regarding your helmet** – has it been crashed, dropped, or sustained any significant impact in its lifetime? It's worth noting helmets should be regularly inspected and replaced if necessary. And always ensure you are riding a quality lid with the Australian Standard label and manufacture date decal inside.

If riding with a group, we'd suggest you slow down and leave more of a gap between yourself and the rider in front. You need to be able to see bumps, imperfections, and potholes – if you're too close to the rider in front you'll have less response time.



# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## SATURDAY, 2 MAY 2026

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**8:00AM-9:30AM** Cooyal Hall, 1363 Wollar Rd, Cooyal

Dirty Mudgee registration, mechanics, coffee

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**Arrival Times** Start Line, Cooyal Hall, 1363 Wollar Rd, Cooyal

- **9:15am** 90km Grit Classic (9:30am start)
  - **9:30am** 55km Dash Classic (9:45am start)
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**11:00am - 4:00PM** Glen Willow Regional Sports Complex, Ulan Rd & Pitts Lane, Mudgee

Event Village open: Grand Fondo rider registration, merchandise, exhibitor stalls, mechanics, coffee.

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## SUNDAY, 3 MAY 2026

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**6:00AM - 7:30AM** Church St

Registration queries at Kelly's Irish Pub

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**6:30AM - 8:30AM** Start Line - Church St, Mudgee

Mechanical assistance available, bag drop open.

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**Arrival Times** Start Line, Church St Mudgee

- **6:45am** 170km Maxi Classic (7:00am start)
  - **7:00am** 120km Challenge Classic (7:15am start)
  - **7:45am** 65km Rouleurs Classic (8:00am start)
  - **8:00am** 35km Social Classic (8:20am start)
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**10:00AM - 4:00PM** Glen Willow Regional Sports Complex

Event Village open: gourmet food trucks, Kelly's Irish Pub Bar, live music, exhibitor stalls and more!

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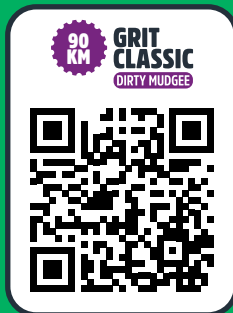
# TRACK YOUR PERFORMANCE

The 2026 Mudgee Classic is a Strava based event. To track your ride, **download Strava pre-event** and follow the 2026 Mudgee Classic course.

Due to restrictions enforced by police to ensure the event does not foster a race environment, no official times will be provided by Mudgee Classic organisers.



## STRAVA COURSE LINKS



# REGISTRATION KIT

All riders will be allocated a registration kit which contains your Rider Identification Assets, key event information, event jersey if ordered, and a token for a free beer, wine or soft drink which can be redeemed in the Event Village on the event weekend.

Riders who paid for postage will have their registration kits and any merchandise ordered mailed. No further action is required if you receive your kit in the mail. Just come to the Start Line with your registration assets secured on your bike and body.

All other riders are required to collect their kit and purchased jersey from the Event Village, at either time below:

## SATURDAY, 2 MAY 2026

**8:00AM-9:30AM** Cooyal Hall

Dirty Mudgee Registration

**11:00-AM - 4:00PM** Glen Willow Regional Sports Complex, Ulan Rd and Pitts Lane, Mudgee

Gran Fondo Rider Registration

If there are any issues with your registration, or if you have event related questions, please visit the Registration Tent within the above times.



## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Please make sure the following numbers are saved in your mobile phone. They are also listed on your seat post sticker.

**EVENT EMERGENCY NUMBER:**  
**0447 182 425**

Police & medical emergencies only

**EVENT HOTLINE:**  
**0447 463 614**

General enquiries & mechanical assistance



Download the EMERGENCY+ app to assist with sharing your location in the event of an incident.

# REGISTRATION ASSETS

## WRISTBAND

All riders will receive a wristband with their Rider Identification Number. Please wear this on the event day.

## FRONT PLATE & CABLE TIES

The Front Plate is colour specific to the course you have registered for. It will be used for marshalling identification and tracking on course. Attach securely to your bike's front plates with the cable ties provided.

## MERCHANDISE ORDERED

If ordered, your Mudgee Classic event jersey will be included in your registration kit.

To exchange for another size, please visit the Merchandise Tent at the Event Village on **Saturday, 2 May 2026** between 11:00am – 4:00pm. Jersey must be unworn, with tags attached and in the original packaging.

# REGISTRATION FAQs

## CAN I CHANGE MY COURSE?

Riders can change their course distance at the registration tent. If you elected postage and have already received your assets, please bring them along to be swapped.

## I'VE LEFT MY REGO ASSETS AT HOME. WHAT CAN I DO?

Please visit the registration tent to be reissued registration assets. Dirty Mudgee Registration is located at the Cooyal Hall Start line. Gran Fondo riders, please head to the Registration tent at the Event Village.

## I CAN NO LONGER ATTEND THE EVENT?

Riders that purchase Enhanced Refund Protection at the time of registration will be eligible for a refund. Enhanced Refund Protection is offered through a third-party, PROTECHT. All refund requests must be submitted via the PROTECHT portal. For more information, [click here](#).



**It is compulsory that your front plate is securely attached to your bike during the event. Please do not alter, cut, or fold your front plate.**

If driving, please do not put the front plate on your bike before arriving to the event. Going along the freeway at 110kph is not advised as it will deteriorate and become ineffective.

If you received your registration kit in the mail and are missing any of the listed assets, please visit the Registration Tent on the event weekend.



# THE ULTIMATE GRAN FONDO

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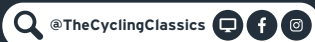
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# BIKE RULES

TT (time trial) bars and Aero bars are not permitted in the Mudgee Classic.

eBikes must be standard, industry compliant pedal assist eBikes. An eBike is a bike operated with two energy sources, human pedal power and an electric engine, which only provides assistance when the rider is pedalling. eBikes must adhere to these standards:

- Engine of maximum 250 watts
- Engine assistance up to 25km/h
- Pedalling assistance only, although a start-up assistance not exceeding 6km/h without pedalling is allowed.
- Bikes must be commercially available and of mid (crank) motor format only.

Any eBikes that are deemed by event organisers or police to not adhere to these standards will result in immediate rider expulsion from event and/or reported to police who may issue an infringement notice for the operation of an illegal eBike.

Please see the NSW Government [eBike site](#).

# PACKING LIST

Please be aware phone reception is limited throughout the course.

## ○ BIKE

## ○ HELMET

## ○ PHOTO ID

## ○ GLASSES

## ○ NUTRITION

## ○ PUMP

One on the bike and a track pump in the car for the pre-ride top up. There will be pumps available at the start but there may be a line-up.

## ○ CYCLE SHOES

## ○ CYCLING KIT

Suitable for the days condition – socks, knicks, jersey, gloves, under shirt.

## ○ FRONT AND REAR BIKE LIGHTS

## ○ WEATHER APPROPRIATE CYCLING GEAR

## ○ 2× INNER TUBES

Riders should be able to change tubes by themselves, it would be a good idea to practice before the event.

## ○ CO<sub>2</sub> CANISTER AND CARTRIDGES

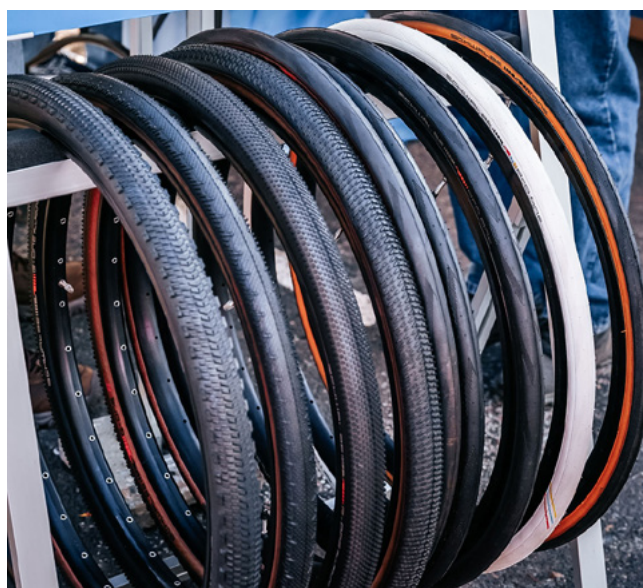
## ○ TYRE LEVERS

## ○ CHAMOIS CREAM

## ○ SUN CREAM

## ○ MULTI-TOOL

## ○ 2× WATER BOTTLES – FILLED



# EVENT VILLAGE

The finish line for Sunday's Gran Fondo riders is at Glen Willow Sports Complex.

The Event Village will be the hub of the weekend with live music, gourmet food trucks, local beer and wine and cycling exhibitor stalls.

## OPENING HOURS

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Saturday, 2 May 2026 11:00AM- 4:00PM

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Sunday 3, May 2026 10:00AM - 4:00PM

## MERCHANDISE

Visit the Merchandise Tent to shop a range of Mudgee Classic and *Bicycling Australia* kit.





# SATURDAY, 2 MAY

# DIRTY MUDGEES EVENT



**GRIT  
CLASSIC**  
DIRTY MUDGEES



**DASH  
CLASSIC**  
DIRTY MUDGEES

**Start Line / Finish Line** Cooyal Hall, 1363 Wollar Rd, Cooyal

Cooyal Hall parking will strictly close at 8:30am and overflow to the pub with limited spaces. The pub is a 15min return ride to the start line at Cooyal Hall.

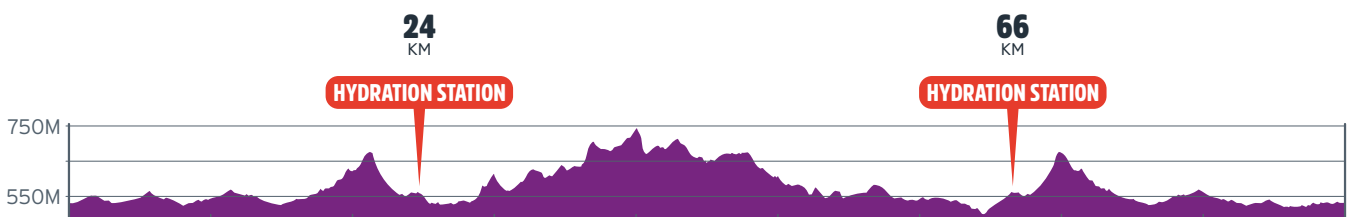
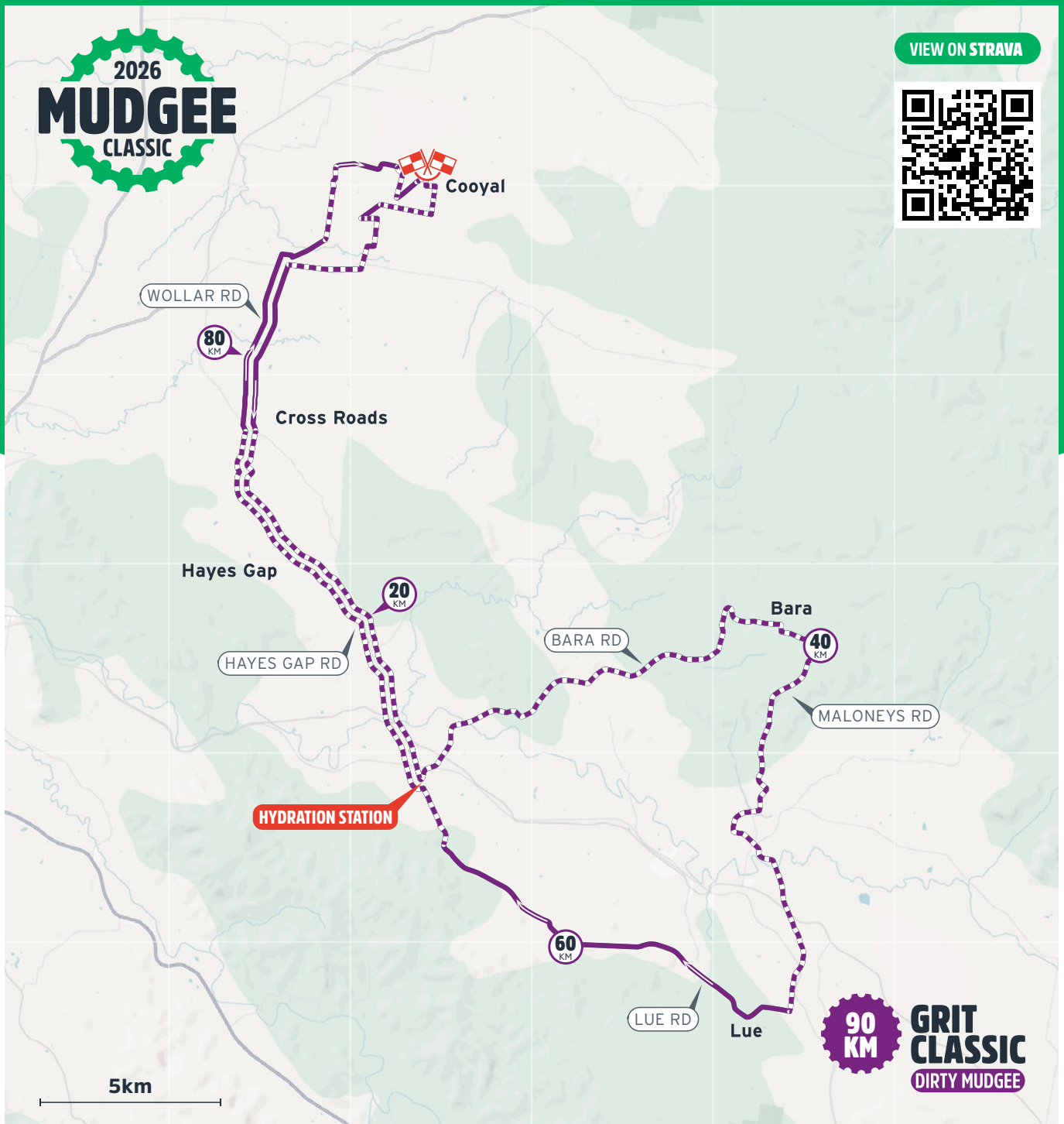
### Arrival times

- **9:15AM** 90km Grit Classic
- **9:30AM** 55km Dash Classic

### Important information

The 2026 Dirty Mudgee courses are challenging, but rewarding. Riders, please ensure you come prepared and self sufficient, noting courses are remote and have limited cell reception.

# 90KM GRIT CLASSIC COURSE MAP



# 90KM GRIT CLASSIC COURSE WARNINGS

The kilometres listed below are approximate and may vary slightly due to GPS devices. ALL RIDERS are to abide by all road rules AT ALL TIMES.

## 0KM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Riders will be overtaking other riders, including those from different events within the Mudgee Classic at different points on course

**CAUTION** other riders on course who will be faster or slower

RISK RATING: 3/5

## 3KM

Slow down and keep left, you may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn onto Wollar Rd

RISK RATING 5/5

## 8KM

Slow down and keep left, you may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn onto Wollar Rd

RISK RATING 5/5

## 12KM - 25KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** gravel road with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 21.2KM - 23.2KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** steep descent with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 25KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic and other cyclists entering and exiting the area. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn and Rest Stop location

RISK RATING 4/5

## 30KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions

**CAUTION** course split

RISK RATING 3/5

## 38KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 3/5

## 33.9KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** steep descent with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 42.9KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** steep descent with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 47.8KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** steep descent with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 52.8KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer/traffic Management directions

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 4/5

### 64.3KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer/traffic Management directions

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

### 66.4KM

Look out for oncoming traffic and other. Cyclists entering and exiting the area. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** Rest Stop location on right

RISK RATING 4/5

### 79.3KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer/traffic Management directions

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

### 86.4KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

### 88.6KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

### 88.6KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn

RISK RATING 5/5

### 90KM

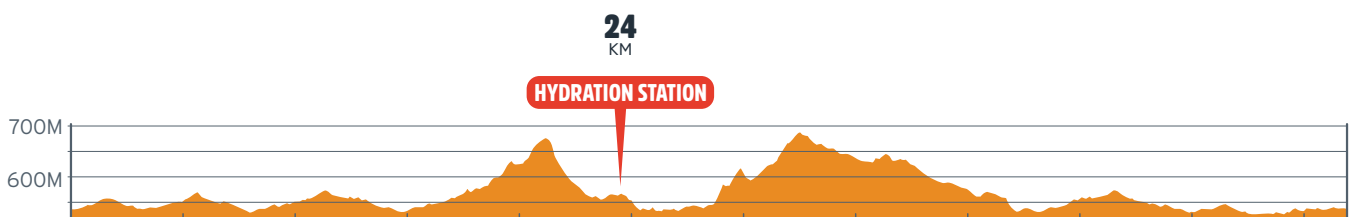
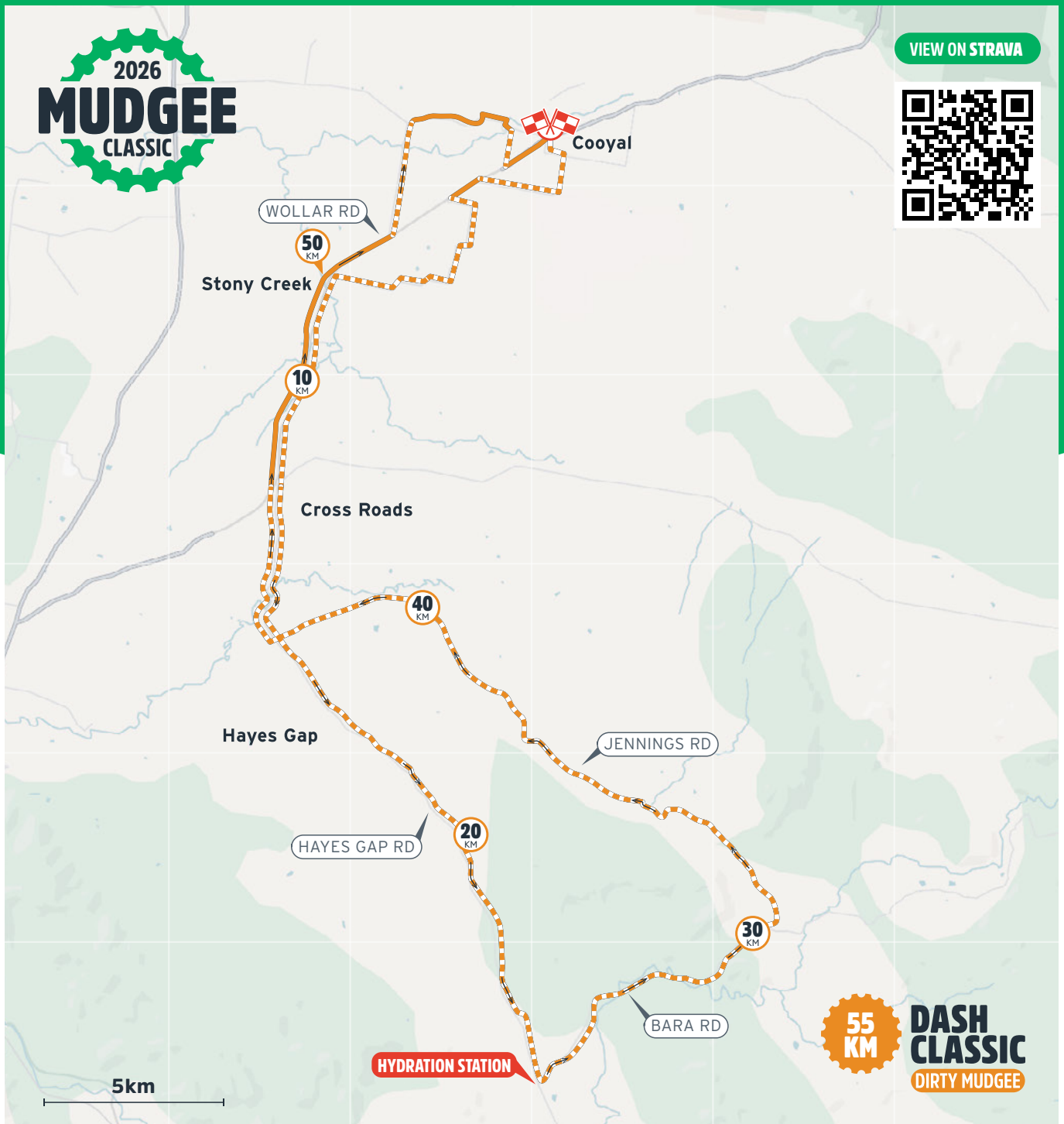
Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. Look out for pedestrians around the finish area

**CAUTION** left turn into Finish Line

RISK RATING 3/5



# 55KM DASH CLASSIC COURSE MAP



# 55KM DASH CLASSIC COURSE WARNINGS

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## 0KM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Riders will be overtaking other riders, including those from different events within the Mudgee Classic at different points on course

**CAUTION** other riders on course who will be faster or slower

RISK RATING: 3/5

## 3KM

Slow down and keep left, you may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn onto Wollar Rd

RISK RATING 5/5

## 8KM

Slow down and keep left, you may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn onto Wollar Rd

RISK RATING 5/5

## 12KM - 25KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** gravel road with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 21.2KM - 23.2KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** steep decent with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 25KM

Slow down and keep left, look out for oncoming traffic and other cyclists entering and exiting the area. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn and Rest Stop location

RISK RATING 4/5

## 30KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions

**CAUTION** course split

RISK RATING 3/5

## 33.4KM

Slow down and keep Left, look out for oncoming traffic. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** steep decent with narrow sections

RISK RATING 5/5

## 42.3KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

## 45.1 KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer/traffic. Management directions

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

## 52.5KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

## 53.9KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** right turn

RISK RATING 5/5

## 53.9KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. You may have to give way to traffic.

**CAUTION** left turn

RISK RATING 5/5

## 56.4KM

Slow down and follow the correct course signs and volunteer directions. Look out for pedestrians around the finish area

**CAUTION** left turn into finish line

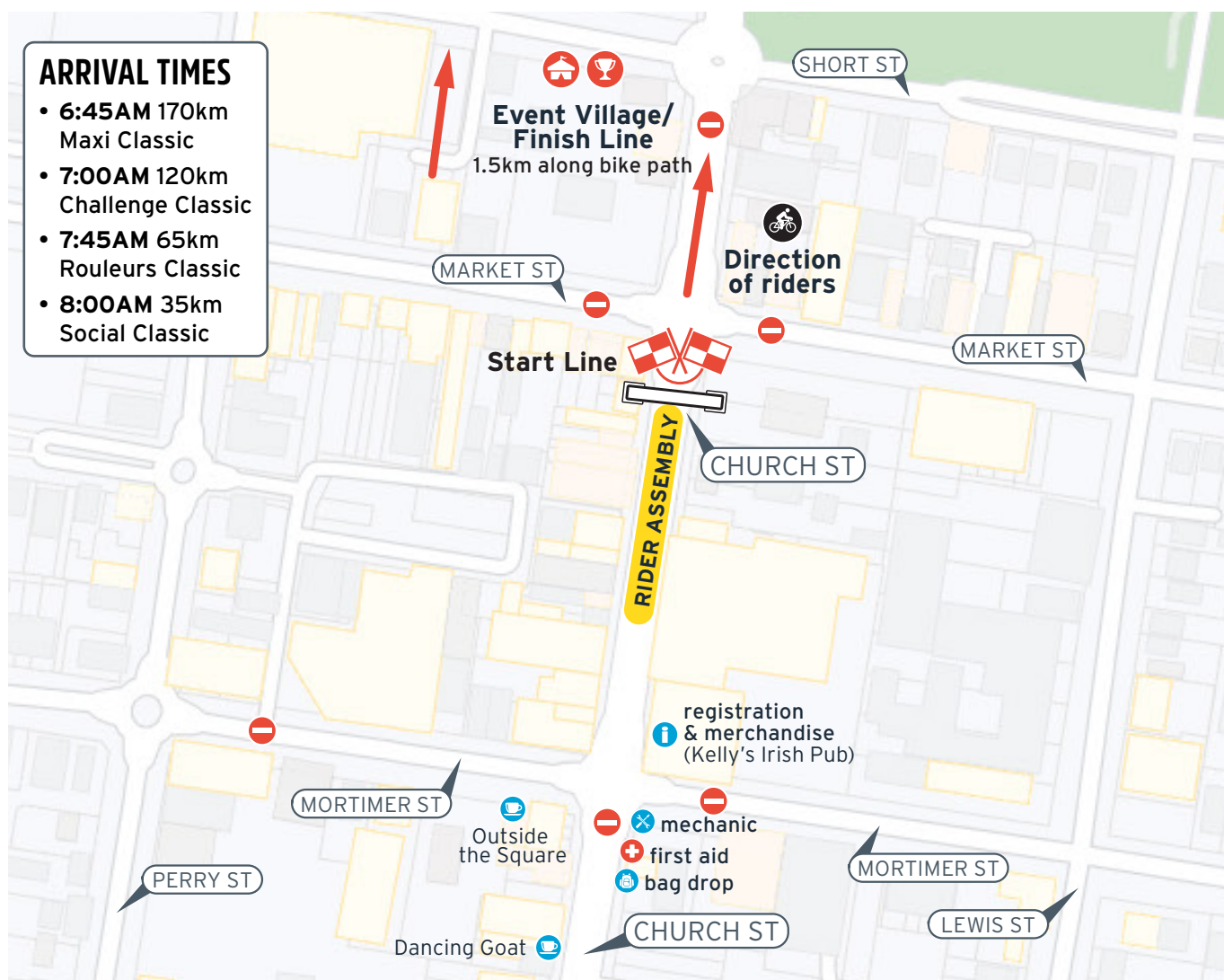
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# SUNDAY, 3 MAY GRAN FONDO EVENT

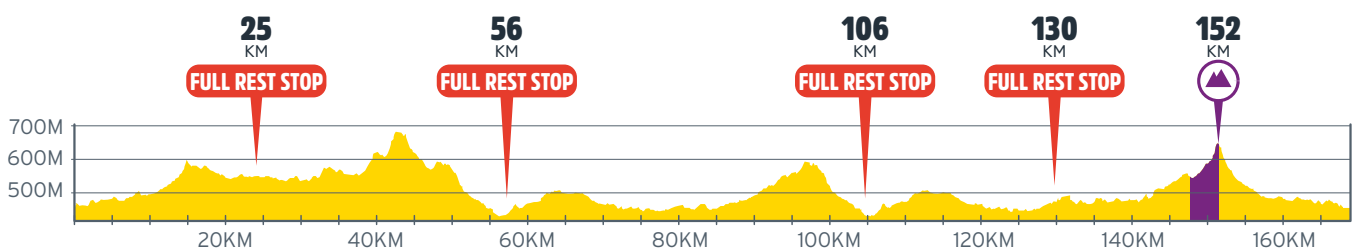
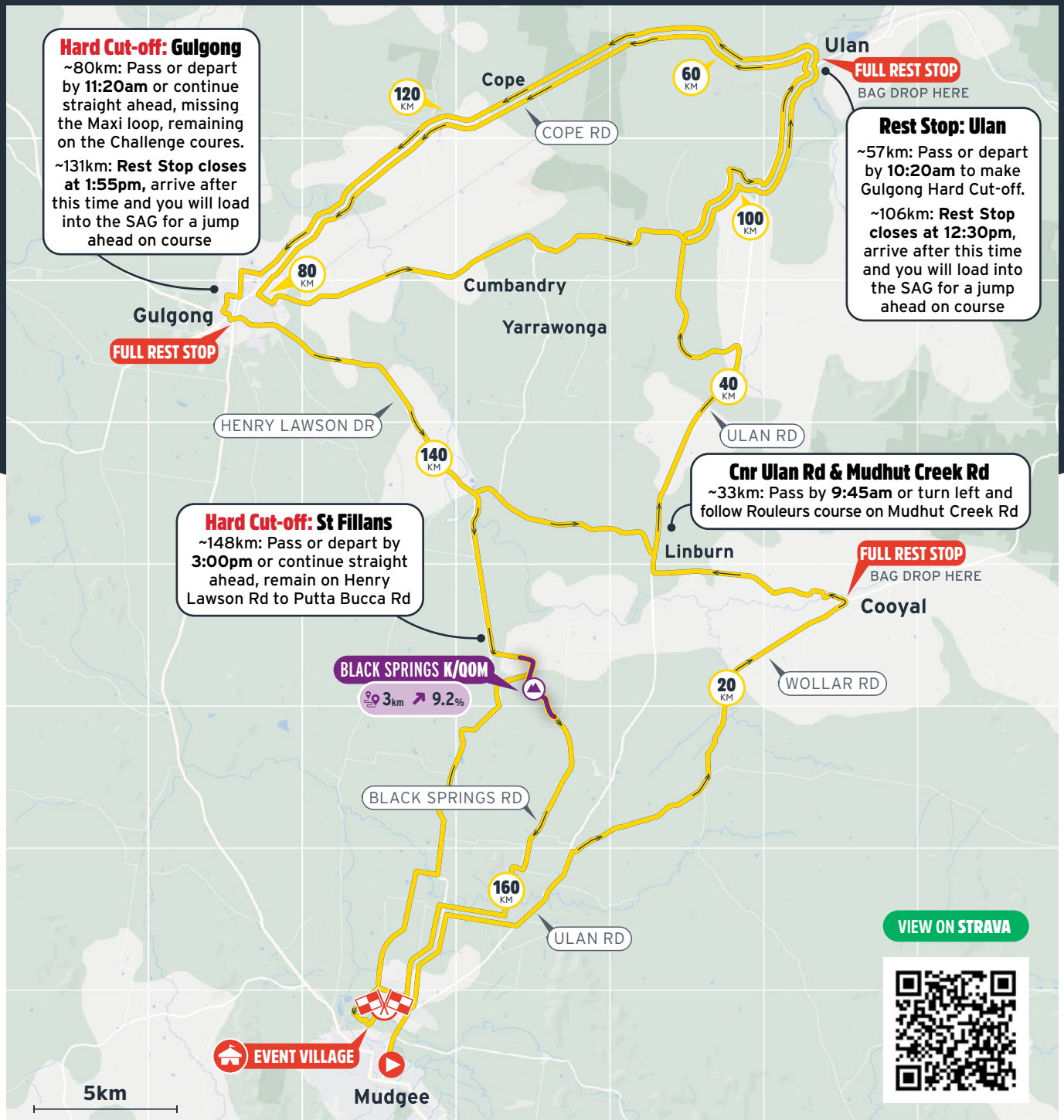


The following roads will be closed on Sunday, 5 May between 5am - 9am.

- **Church St** between Short St & Mortimer St
- **Mortimer St** between Perry St & Lewis St Detours in place, please follow Lack Group directions.



# 170KM MAXI CLASSIC COURSE MAP



# 170KM MAXI CLASSIC COURSE WARNINGS

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## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Riders will be overtaking other riders, including those from different events within the Mudgee Classic at different points on course.

**CAUTION** other riders on course who will be faster or slower

RISK RATING: 3/5

## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Very high risk of roadkill being on the road for the Mudgee Classic on all courses.

**CAUTION** roadkill - look out for it and point it out for all riders

RISK RATING: 4/5

## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Look out for any emergency services vehicles that may have lights and sirens on and keep left to allow them to pass safely.

RISK RATING: 3/5

## 11.2KM

The intersection of Ulan and Wollar Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection

RISK RATING 4/5

## 11.2KM-25KM

**CAUTION** rough road on Wollar Rd - look out for potholes and rough sections

RISK RATING 4/5

## 25.9KM

**CAUTION** causeway - take care when crossing the causeway as there may be a little water still flowing and there is a sharp turn out of this section

RISK RATING 3/5

## 29.8KM

**CAUTION** single lane bridge - slow down and look out for oncoming cars as this bridge is a single lane and the roads are not closed to traffic

RISK RATING 5/5

## 32.3KM

The intersection of Ulan and Linburn Ln.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care turning through corner

RISK RATING 4/5

## 33KM

The intersection of Ulan and Mudhut Creek Rd. Course split - Maxi and Challenge course continue straight, Rouleurs turns left. Time cut location.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care at corner look out for any green numbered riders that are turning left, make sure you continue straight

RISK RATING 4/5

## 41.1KM

Intersection of Ulan Rd and Ridge Rd.

**CAUTION** left turn into Ridge Rd

RISK RATING 3/5

## 47.6KM

Intersection of Ridge Rd and Spring Creek Rd. Please slow down and take care.

**CAUTION** riders may be merging into Ridge Rd from Spring Creek Rd

RISK RATING 4/5

## 50KM

**CAUTION** descent with sharp turn and rough road - please slow down and take care through corners

RISK RATING 4/5

## 51.9KM

Intersection of Ridge Rd and Ulan Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care turning through corner

RISK RATING 3/5

### 56.2KM

**CAUTION** left-hand turn and railway crossing - slow down through corner and look out for trains

RISK RATING 3/5

### 56.8KM

Rest Stop – Ulan School.

**CAUTION** riders slowing and entering and exiting the course

RISK RATING 4/5

### 79.8KM

Course split – Challenge continue straight and Maxi course turns left into Saleyard Ln. Time cut location.

**CAUTION** Maxi riders - slow down and take care of riders continuing straight, make sure you turn

RISK RATING 4/5

### 85KM

**CAUTION** causeway - take care when crossing the causeway as there may be a little water still flowing

RISK RATING 3/5

### 96.7KM

**CAUTION** riders merging - take care and look out for riders coming from right on Ridge Rd

RISK RATING 5/5

### 99.3KM

**CAUTION** descent with sharp turn and rough road - please slow down and take care through corners

RISK RATING 4/5

### 101KM

Intersection of Ridge Rd and Ulan Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care turning through corner

RISK RATING 3/5

### 104.3KM

**CAUTION** left-hand turn and railway crossing - slow down through corner and look out for trains

RISK RATING 3/5

### 105.8KM

Rest Stop – Ulan School.

**CAUTION** riders slowing and entering and exiting the course

RISK RATING 4/5

### 128.9KM

**CAUTION** railway crossing - look out for trains and give way

RISK RATING 3/5

### 130.6KM

**CAUTION** sharp left-hand turn into Queen St

Slow down and take care getting through corner.

RISK RATING 5/5

### 130.9KM

Rest Stop – Gulgong Bowls Club.

**CAUTION** riders slowing and entering and exiting the course

RISK RATING 4/5

### 131KM TO 132.5KM

**CAUTION** riding through Mayne St, Gulgong - look out for cars and pedestrians while riding through town this section is a narrow road

RISK RATING 5/5

### 141.9KM

**CAUTION** cattle grid - keep pedalling over grid do not stop

RISK RATING 4/5

### 149.1KM TO 152.1KM

Please keep left on climb, course is not closed to traffic.

RISK RATING 5/5

### 152.2KM

**CAUTION** on descent - sharp right-hand turn keep left!

RISK RATING 5/5

### 168.3KM

LEFT-HAND TURN into Glen Willow Sports Complex for Event Village and Finish Line.

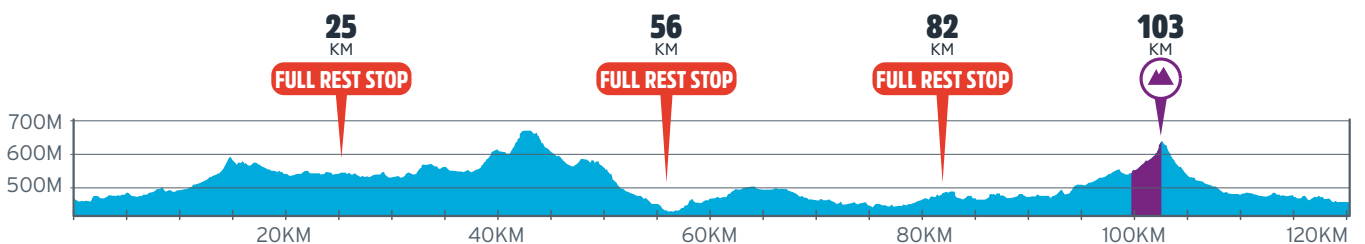
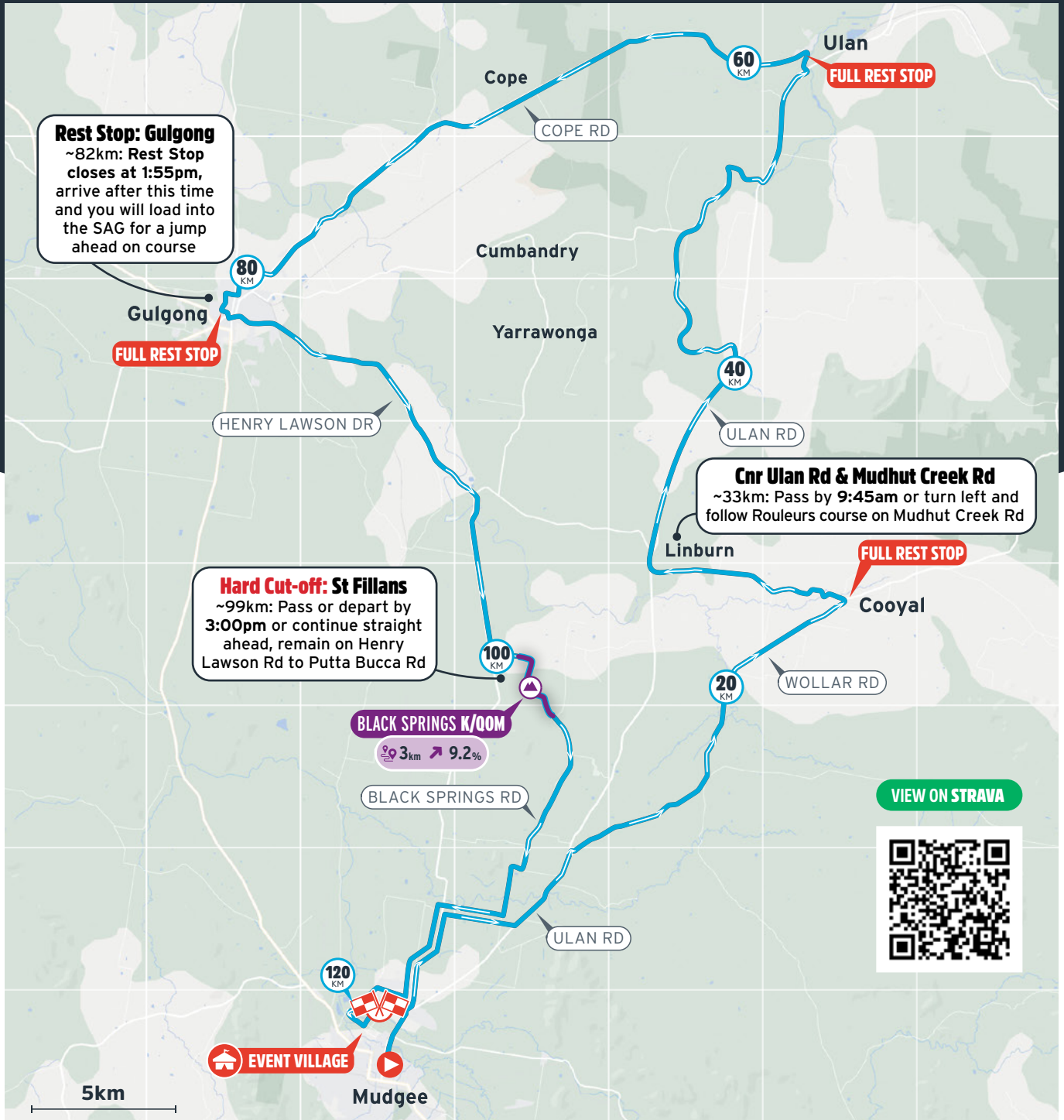
RISK RATING 3/5

### 169.8KM

**CAUTION** Finish Line - look out for pedestrians

RISK RATING 5/5

# 120KM CHALLENGE CLASSIC COURSE MAP



# 120KM CHALLENGE CLASSIC COURSE WARNINGS

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## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Riders will be overtaking other riders, including those from different events within the Mudgee Classic at different points on course.

**CAUTION** other riders on course who will be faster or slower

RISK RATING: 3/5

## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Very high risk of roadkill being on the road for the Mudgee Classic on all courses.

**CAUTION** roadkill - look out for it and point it out for all riders

RISK RATING: 4/5

## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Look out for any emergency services vehicles that may have lights and sirens on and keep left to allow them to pass safely.

RISK RATING: 3/5

## 11.2KM

The intersection of Ulan and Wollar Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection

RISK RATING 4/5

## 11.2KM-25KM

**CAUTION** rough road on Wollar Rd - look out for potholes and rough sections

RISK RATING 4/5

## 25.9KM

**CAUTION** causeway - take care when crossing the causeway as there may be a little water still flowing and there is a sharp turn out of this section

RISK RATING 3/5

## 29.8KM

**CAUTION** single lane bridge - slow down and look out for oncoming cars as this bridge is a single lane and the roads are not closed to traffic

RISK RATING 5/5

## 32.3KM

The intersection of Ulan and Linburn Ln.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care turning through corner

RISK RATING 4/5

## 33KM

The intersection of Ulan and Mudhut Creek Rd. Course split - Maxi and Challenge course continue straight, Rouleurs turns left. Time cut location.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care at corner look out for any green numbered riders that are turning left, make sure you continue straight

RISK RATING 4/5

## 41.1KM

Intersection of Ulan Rd and Ridge Rd.

**CAUTION** left turn into Ridge Rd

RISK RATING 3/5

## 47.6KM

Intersection of Ridge Rd and Spring Creek Rd. Please slow down and take care.

**CAUTION** riders may be merging into Ridge Rd from Spring Creek Rd

RISK RATING 4/5

## 50KM

**CAUTION** descent with sharp turn and rough road - please slow down and take care through corners

RISK RATING 4/5

## 51.9KM

Intersection of Ridge Rd and Ulan Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care turning through corner

RISK RATING 3/5

### 56.2KM

**CAUTION** left-hand turn and railway crossing - slow down through corner and look out for trains

RISK RATING 3/5

### 56.8KM

Rest Stop – Ulan School.

**CAUTION** riders slowing and entering and exiting the course

RISK RATING 4/5

### 79.8KM

Course split – Challenge continue straight and Maxi course turns left into Saleyard Ln. Time cut location.

**CAUTION** Challenge riders - slow down and take care of riders turning, make sure you continue straight

RISK RATING 4/5

### 79.9KM

**CAUTION** railway crossing - look out for trains and give way

RISK RATING 3/5

### 81.5KM

**CAUTION** sharp left-hand turn into Queen St

Slow down and take care getting through corner.

RISK RATING 5/5

### 81.8KM

Rest Stop – Gulgong Bowls Club.

**CAUTION** riders slowing and entering and exiting the course

RISK RATING 4/5

### 81.9 TO 82.4KM

**CAUTION** riding through Mayne St, Gulgong - look out for cars and pedestrians while riding through town this section is a narrow road

RISK RATING 5/5

### 91.8KM

**CAUTION** cattle grid - keep pedalling over grid do not stop

RISK RATING 4/5

### 100.1KM TO 103.1KM

Please keep left on climb, course is not closed to traffic.

RISK RATING 5/5

### 103.2KM

**CAUTION** on descent - sharp right-hand turn keep left!

RISK RATING 5/5

### 119.2KM

LEFT-HAND TURN into Glen Willow Sports Complex for Event Village and Finish Line.

RISK RATING 3/5

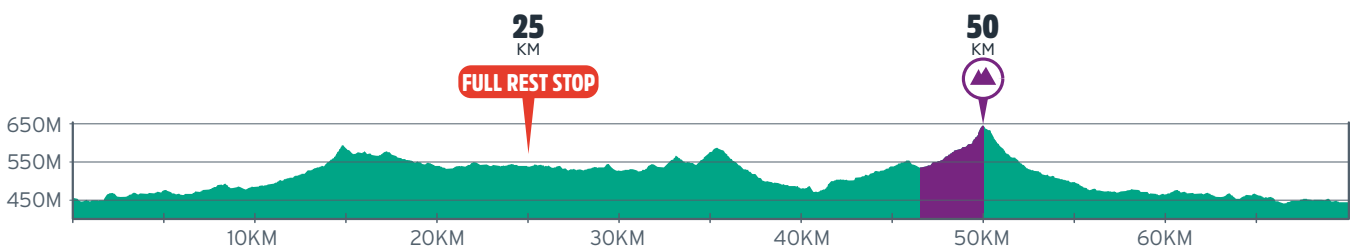
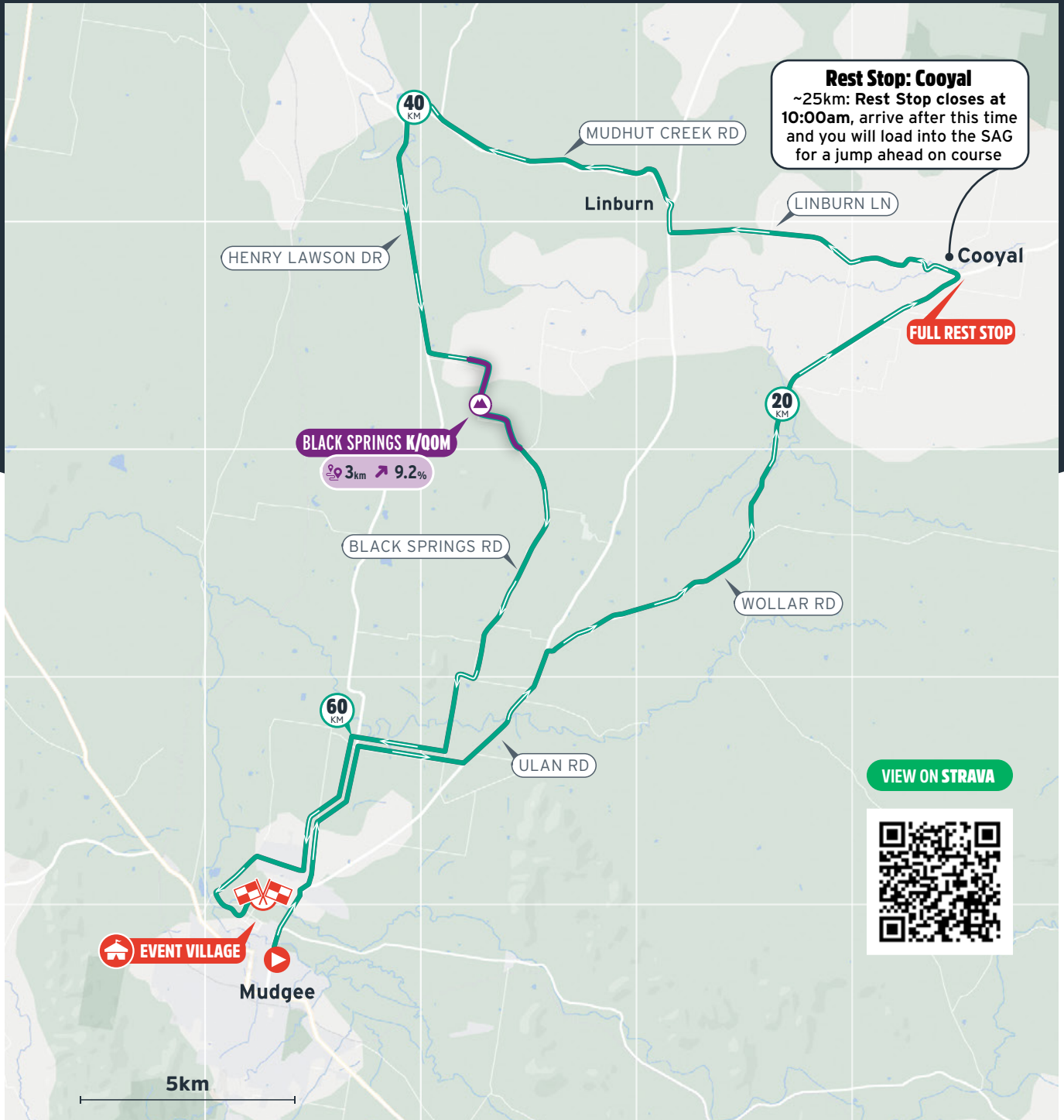
### 120.8KM

**CAUTION** Finish Line - look out for pedestrians

RISK RATING 5/5



# 65KM ROULEURS CLASSIC COURSE MAP



# 65KM ROULEURS CLASSIC COURSE WARNINGS

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## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Riders will be overtaking other riders, including those from different events within the Mudgee Classic at different points on course.

**CAUTION** other riders on course who will be faster or slower

RISK RATING: 3/5

## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Very high risk of roadkill being on the road for the Mudgee Classic on all courses.

**CAUTION** roadkill - look out for it and point it out for all riders

RISK RATING: 4/5

## OKM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Look out for any emergency services vehicles that may have lights and sirens on and keep left to allow them to pass safely.

RISK RATING: 3/5

## 11.2KM

The intersection of Ulan and Wollar Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection

RISK RATING 4/5

## 11.2KM-25KM

**CAUTION** rough road on Wollar Rd - look out for potholes and rough sections

RISK RATING 4/5

## 25.9KM

**CAUTION** causeway - take care when crossing the causeway as there may be a little water still flowing and there is a sharp turn out of this section

RISK RATING 3/5

## 29.8KM

**CAUTION** single lane bridge - slow down and look out for oncoming cars as this bridge is a single lane and the roads are not closed to traffic

RISK RATING 5/5

## 32.3KM

The intersection of Ulan and Linburn Ln.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care turning through corner

RISK RATING 4/5

## 33KM

The intersection of Ulan and Mudhut Creek Rd. Course split - Maxi and Challenge course continue straight, Rouleurs turns left. Time cut location.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection - slow down and take care at corner look out for any green numbered riders that are turning left, make sure you continue straight

RISK RATING 4/5

## 40.1KM

Rest Stop - Henry Lawson Dr and Mudhut Creek Rd.

**CAUTION** riders slowing and entering and exiting the course

RISK RATING 4/5

## 40.2KM

The intersection of Henry Lawson dr and Mudhut Creek Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection - caution dangerous intersection slow down and take care turning through corner

RISK RATING 3/5

## 46.8KM TO 49.8KM

Please keep left on climb, course is not closed to traffic.

RISK RATING 5/5

## 49.9KM

**CAUTION** on descent - sharp right-hand turn keep left!

RISK RATING 5/5

## 65.9KM

LEFT-HAND TURN into Glen Willow Sports Complex for Event Village and Finish Line.

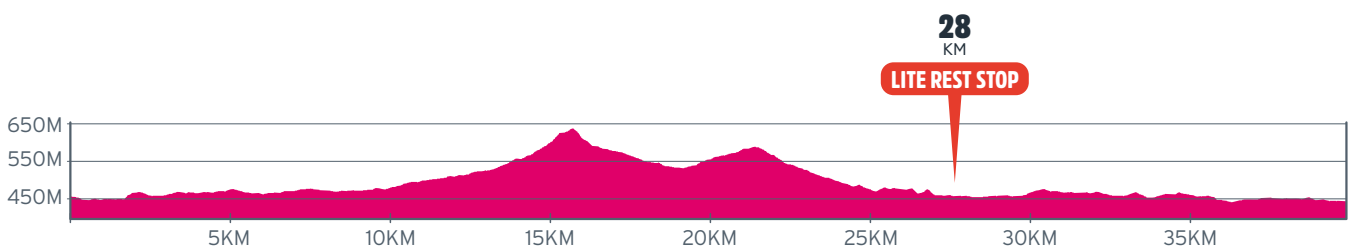
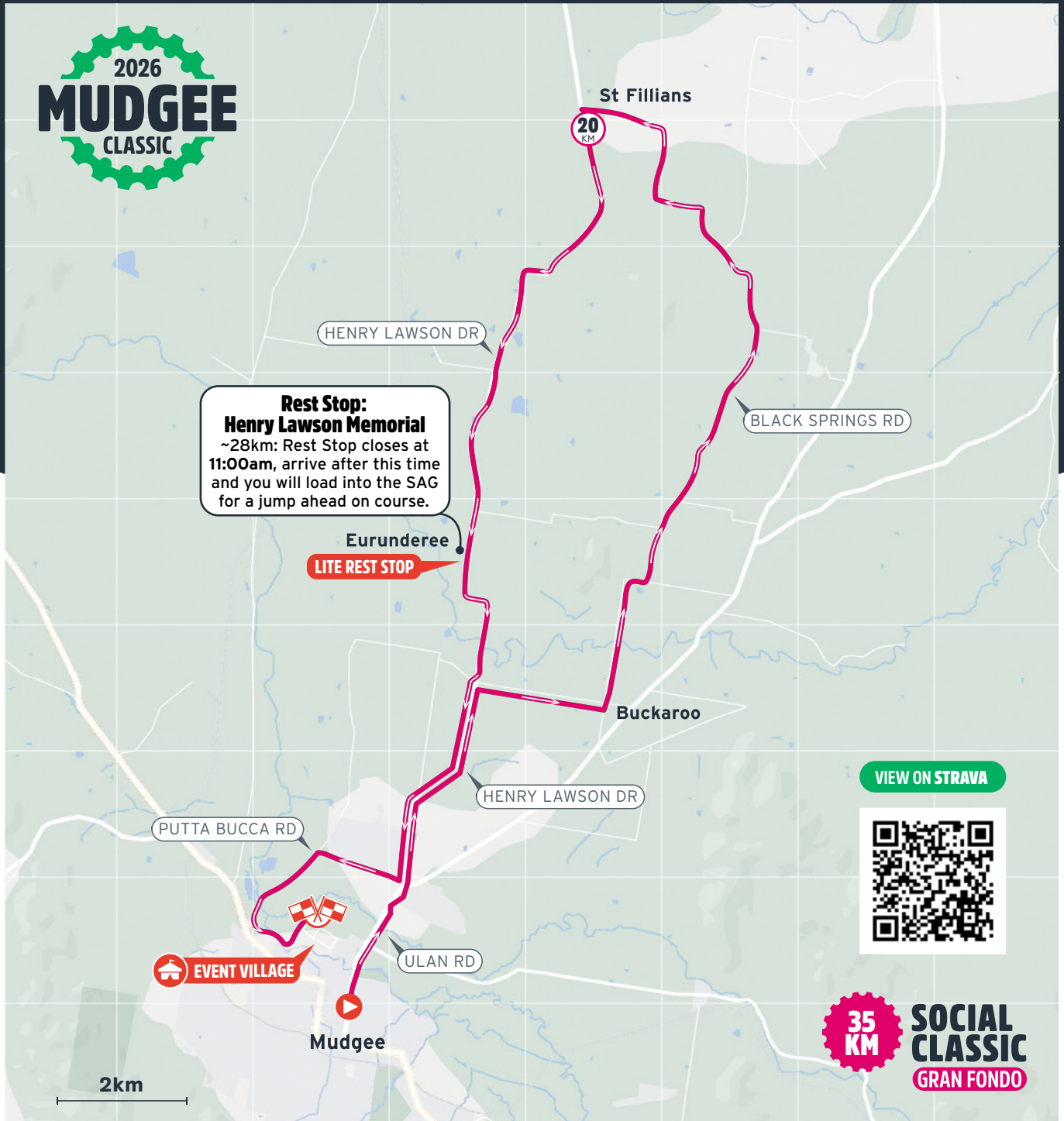
RISK RATING 3/5

## 67.5KM

**CAUTION** Finish Line - look out for pedestrians

RISK RATING 5/5

# 35KM SOCIAL CLASSIC COURSE MAP



# 35KM SOCIAL CLASSIC COURSE WARNINGS

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## 0KM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Riders will be overtaking other riders, including those from different events within the Mudgee Classic at different points on course.

**CAUTION** other riders on course who will be faster or slower

RISK RATING: 3/5

## 0KM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Very high risk of roadkill being on the road for the Mudgee Classic on all courses.

**CAUTION** roadkill - look out for it and point it out for all riders

RISK RATING: 4/5

## 0KM TO FINISH LINE/EVENT VILLAGE

Look out for any emergency services vehicles that may have lights and sirens on and keep left to allow them to pass safely.

RISK RATING: 3/5

## 9.8KM

LEFT-HAND TURN.

**CAUTION** other courses continue straight

## 15.7KM

**CAUTION** fast descent slow down through sharp turns

RISK RATING 4/5

## 19.7KM

LEFT-HAND TURN into Henry Lawson Dr.

**CAUTION** busy intersection – caution dangerous intersection

RISK RATING 4/5

## 27.5KM

Rest Stop – Henry Lawson Memorial.

**CAUTION** riders slowing down and entering and exiting the rest stop

Time cut: rest stop closes at 10:30am

RISK RATING 4/5

## 33.3KM

RIGHT-HAND TURN into Putta Bucca Rd.

**CAUTION** busy intersection – caution dangerous intersection

RISK RATING 4/5

## 35.9KM

LEFT-HAND TURN into Glen Willow Sports Complex for Event Village and Finish Line.

RISK RATING 3/5

## 37.5KM

**CAUTION** Finish Line - look out for pedestrians

RISK RATING 5/5





# REST STOPS

There will be four rest stops available on-course for Maxi Classic riders, three rest stops for Challenge Classic riders, one rest stop for Rouleurs Classic riders and one rest stop for Social Classic riders. In addition to toilets and water, each rest stop will provide:

	REST STOP: Cooyal	REST STOP: Ulan Public School	REST STOP: Ulan Public School	REST STOP: Gulgong	LITE REST STOP: Henry Lawson Memorial
<b>170km Maxi Classic</b>	~25km	~56km	~106km	~130km	-
<b>120km Challenge Classic</b>	~25km	~56km	-	~82km	-
<b>65km Rouleurs Classic</b>	~25km	-	-	-	-
<b>35km Social Classic</b>	-	-	-	-	~28km
Water	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Electrolytes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gels	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bars	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Fruit Cake	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bananas	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Snakes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chips		✓	✓	✓	
Vegemite Sandwiches		✓	✓	✓	
Coke				✓	
Mechanic	✓			✓	

# ON-COURSE SUPPORT

## MECHANICS

If riders have a mechanical issue which they cannot fix themselves, they should call the Event Hotline on 0447 463 614 to report their location and await the service of a mobile mechanic to arrive. Remain safely on the side of the road in a location where the mechanics can safely assist you.

Mechanics will also be stationed at Cooyal (170km, 120km & 65km riders) and Gulgong (170km & 120km riders) Rest Stops.

## BAG DROP

A Bag Drop service will be available at these locations:

- Start Line (Church St, Mudgee)
- Registration Tent (Glen Willow Regional Sports Complex)
- Cooyal Rest Stop (170km, 120km & 65km riders)
- Ulan Rest Stop (170km & 120km riders)

**All locations are a one-way service to the Event Village.** Use this service if you have any extra clothes at the start due to keeping warm. Pack some flat shoes to walk around the Event Village, a towel, change of clothes, nutrition etc. Either supply your own bag, clearly labelled with your name and rider number, or use one of the bags available at the Bag Drop points.

Your wristband with unique rider number will need to be shown at the Bag Drop Collection tent upon collection. **Please note that the Event Management takes no responsibility for any valuables being transported.**

## FIRST AID

There will be designated First Aid vehicles on-course. If medical assistance is required at a rest stop, call the Emergency Hotline on 0447 182 425 or make yourself known to a staff member for assistance.

**If there is a major medical emergency CALL 000.**

## SAG WAGON

There will be SAG wagons at the event following the tail ends of the courses. Please be aware that there may be a delayed wait time, we will endeavor to collect you as quickly as possible. Should you require a pickup call the Event Hotline. Remain safely on the side of the road in a location where the bus can safely pick you up.

## DROPOUTS

Riders who drop out during the event must communicate to the organisers, in person or by phone: **EVENT HOTLINE: 0447 463 614.** Please store this number in your phone prior to the event day. In case of a rider's disappearance, rescue services will be advised. Any person who did not announce his or her withdrawal may pay the costs for the search and rescue.



## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Please make sure the following numbers are saved in your mobile phone.

**EVENT EMERGENCY NUMBER:  
0447 182 425**

Police & medical emergencies only

**EVENT HOTLINE:  
0447 463 614**

General enquiries & mechanical assistance



Download the EMERGENCY+ app to assist with sharing your location in the event of an incident.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## WEATHER

The morning will be cold, with an average minimum temp of 5°C and high of 18.8°C in May for Mudgee. However, there is always a chance of showers, so riders should be prepared.

Please ensure we have your correct contact phone number as any weather updates will be sent to all riders by text.

## NUTRITION AND HYDRATION

This is a Sunday ride, but not like your usual hit out. Two factors cannot be underestimated:

- Even at 30km/h riders will be out for 5-plus hours on the bike.
- Riders should consume 1g of carbohydrate per kilogram of body weight per hour.

Every rider should carry some nutrition to start the ride e.g. gels, bananas, muesli bars. Also riders are encouraged to carry two 750 ml water biddons. Plan to drink all your fluids by the time you get to the next station. Do not wait to feel thirsty before you drink, by then it will be too late.

## RUBBISH

The Mudgee Classic is an environmentally friendly event. Please retain all rubbish (such as tubes, canisters, gel and food wrappers, etc) and discard in bins at the Rest Stops. Anyone caught littering will be removed from the event.

## PHOTO RIGHTS

Upon registering for the event, the rider acknowledges the event organisers can freely use their images and footage for publicity and promotion of the event in all media (television, radio, press, internet, posters, cards, flyers, pictures and videos), without the right to receive any financial compensation from the event organisers.



## EBIKES & SPECIAL EXEMPTIONS

eBikes must be unmodified and comply with Australian safety standards.

Time Trial (TT) bars and Aero Bars are not permitted in the Mudgee Classic. Riders need to confirm with the event organisers to use special bikes such as Tandem/Hand Bikes, etc. Please also communicate with event organisers if you require assistance due to a disability. Please email

# RULES & REGULATIONS FROM NSW POLICE

Any person participating in the event, must obey directions given by a member of the NSW Police Force or Ride Referee.

NSW Police have the authority to inspect, oversight, delay, halt or cancel the event at any stage in the interests of road safety or the safety of the community.

NSW Police mandate that participants are not permitted on a road during periods of poor visibility due to inclement weather or fog, or where there is insufficient daylight to render a person dressed in dark clothing to be discernible at a distance of 100 metres.

- **Ride on the left-hand side of the road, no more than 2 abreast.**

- Wear an Australian approved helmet at all times – no helmet = no ride.
- Riders suffering a puncture or mechanical failure should use the left-hand side of the road. There are mechanics roaming on-course
- Respect the signs which have been put in place by the event organisers.
- Respect all road rules.
- Respect all road users, bikes, pedestrians and vehicles.
- Each rider is required to respect the environment and the natural areas visited. There is a zero tolerance on littering including paper, plastic packaging etc on the event course. Any rider caught throwing waste on the event course will be disqualified.

- All bikes are to have a bell.
- It is NOT permissible for any rider to use a personal music device this includes ear-phones &/or speakers.
- At the Ride Referees discretion, riders may be withdrawn from the event if they are outside the designated cut-off times and their safety cannot be reasonably ensured.
- While every effort has been made to mark out and officiate the course route, it remains the rider's responsibility to be conversant with the ride route.
- Cyclists are reminded that road cycling can be considered a dangerous sport and whilst all reasonable care is taken by organisers and officials when organising an event, all participants have an equal responsibility to ensure they take all reasonable care by adhering to the road rules and other conditions imposed by ride officials, ensuring a safe ride environment for all concerned.





# RIDER BEHAVIOUR

For this event to be run to a high standard, particularly for safety, there will be Mudgee Classic staff involved in the event. These supervisors will act as necessary to apply penalties for any rider who does not comply within the event rules.

The Mudgee Classic is **not a race**. Safety is our first priority.

There is a high possibility that at some point during the event, riders will overtake other riders from other courses who are doing shorter courses. Riders **MUST** do this in a safe and orderly fashion.

**Keep left, ride no more than 2 abreast on all roads at all time.**

## SAFETY BRIEFINGS

A comprehensive Safety Briefing Video will be emailed out to all riders. Please ensure you have reviewed this prior to the event day. It is also available to view online: [www.mudgeeclassic.com.au/rider-information](http://www.mudgeeclassic.com.au/rider-information).

## EVENT TIMING

**The 2026 Mudgee Classic is a Strava based event.** To track your ride, download Strava pre-event and hit record as you cross over the Start Line.

Due to restrictions enforced by police to ensure the event does not foster a race environment, no official times will be provided by Mudgee Classic organisers.



# STAY CONNECTED

Follow us on social media for the latest event updates, and don't forget to share your event day pics using the hashtag #MudgeeClassic

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## FREE FINISH LINE PHOTOS

All Mudgee Classic riders will receive a on-course photo for free. Additional on-course and finish line photos can be purchased via North South.





# VISITING THE MUDGEEE REGION

## WINERIES TO VISIT

### **LOWE WINERY** 327 Tinja Lane Mudgee, NSW

Lowe Wines is a certified organic and biodynamic vineyard, winery and farm in Mudgee NSW. Visit their cellar door or explore the best of Mudgee's regional dining at The Zin House.

### **ROSBY WINES** 122 Strikes Ln, Eurunderee NSW 2850

A working vineyard property, where two passions for art and wine have entwined to create a sanctuary for those seeking a unique cellar door experience.

## PUB

### **Kelly's Irish Pub** 49 Church St, Mudgee

Sitting in the heart of Mudgee, Kelly's offers family fun, hand-crafted cocktails, cold draught beer, two massive screens and the best pub fare in town. Happy Hour cocktails, carb loading menu and live music.

## BIKE SHOP

### **Giant Mudgee** 9B Sydney Rd, Mudgee

Giant Mudgee has your last-minute cycling needs covered! They offer a comprehensive range of bikes, broad range of bicycle parts and accessories, and they service all makes and models of bikes.

## FOR MORE VISITOR INFORMATION

Head to [visitmudgeeregion.com.au](http://visitmudgeeregion.com.au) or speak with the friendly Mudgee Tourism Team at 02 6372 1020.

# THANK YOU

Event organisers would like to acknowledge and thank the support from local community groups including:

- Cooyal and surrounding area community groups
- Gulgong Bowling & Sporting Club
- Mudgee Bushwalking & Bike Riding Club Inc
- Rotary Club of Mudgee
- Mudgee High School
- Mudgee CWA
- Lions Club of Mudgee
- Hargraves Progress Association
- Lue Public School

A further thank you to the following who have made the event possible:

- Destination NSW
- Mid-Western Regional Council
- Mudgee Region Tourism
- NSW Police
- Lack Group

## FUNDRAISING

This event offers a refreshing approach to event fundraising. Our mission is to provide both individual riders and teams the opportunity to fundraise for whichever charity they wish to support.

## Guide Dogs.

Our Charity Partner

Since the inaugural Bowral Classic event in 2016, The Classics events have raised over \$550,000 for charities across Australia.

Visit [mudgeeclassic.com.au/charity](http://mudgeeclassic.com.au/charity) to start fundraising.



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