2026 Amy's Great Ocean Road Gran Fondo

The annual Amy's Great Ocean Road Gran Fondo returns to Lorne, the Surf Coast and Colac Otway Shire on Sunday 13 September 2026.

More than 5,000 cyclists and their families will visit the region to honour Amy Gillett, who tragically lost her life in a training ride in 2005 when hit by a car.

The event honours Amy Gillett's legacy by aiming to reduce fatalities and injuries among cyclists through increased safety awareness and education. It features cycling safety research, advocacy initiatives, educational campaigns and programs.

The event is committed to the local community, with the activities bringing significant economic benefit to the region every year through accommodation, meals and indirect exposure to the area.

This flyer contains the details of the planned road closures for the 2026 event.

2026 EVENT SCHEDULE

Sunday 13 September (Surf Coast Shire & Colac Otway Shire)

- 7.00am - Out-and-Back Medio Fondo (90km)
- 7.30am - Amy's Gran Fondo (122km)
- 9.20am - Family Fondo (3km lapping course)
- 11.00am - Medio Fondo (45km)

CONTACT US

There are many ways to receive event updates, get the latest traffic and transport advice or contact us for further information. We are committed to working with the community to ensure we minimise disruptions to residents and businesses.

A traffic hotline will operate during business hours in the lead-up to the event and the following times over the event weekend:

- Saturday 12 September - 9.00am - 5.00pm
- Sunday 13 September - 5.00am - 4.30pm

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Sunday 13 September
Surf Coast Shire & Colac Otway Shire

Out-and-Back Medio Fondo - 7.00am - 90km

- This new event will see riders cycle from Lorne to Apollo Bay - on open roads - then return to Lorne as part of the Medio Fondo at 11.00am on fully closed roads.

Amy's Gran Fondo - 7.30am - 122km

- The main event on Sunday starts in Lorne > Deans Marsh > Whoorel > Forrest > Skenes Creek > Wye River > and finishes in Lorne.

Amy's Family Fondo - 9.20am - 3km

- The Family Fondo event is a great way to ride with your family on a fully closed Great Ocean Road. Families can ride for free along the 3km Circuit on the Great Ocean Road.

Medio Fondo - 11.00am - 45km

- This event starts in Apollo Bay, travelling along the Great Ocean Road and finishes in Lorne.

EMERGENCY ACCESS

Emergency access will be maintained at all times. In an emergency please call 000.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

There will be changes to public transport services and customers are advised to check the PTV website for further updates:
https://transport.vic.gov.au/journey

VOLUNTEER

Want to be part of the action? SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER!
This is a great fundraising opportunity for local community groups.
Simply visit www.amysgranfondo.org.au/volunteer or send an email to workforce@o2events.com.au to register interest

AMY'S GREAT OCEAN ROAD GRAN FONDO

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY & ROAD CLOSURE INFORMATION

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2026

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INTERACTIVE MAP OF CLOSURES

AMY'S FOUNDATION SAFE TOGETHER

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SURF COAST EVENTS

Colac Otway SHIRE

LOCAL ACCESS / APPROVED MOVEMENTS ON AMY'S GRAN FONDO COURSE

Skenes Creek and Forrest

Residents in Skenes Creek and Forrest will be able to cross the course under the direction of Victoria Police or Traffic Management for the duration of the closure at the following locations:

- Properties accessed along or off Old Coach Rd, Skenes Creek can be accessed by approaching the Great Ocean Road from Apollo Bay prior to 8.30am and after 11.30am
- Residents can cross over (but not turn into) Birregurra-Forrest Rd using Colac-Forrest Rd and Henry St.

Beech Forest

- The section of Forrest-Apollo Bay (Skenes Creek Rd) between the Great Ocean Road and Turtons Track (C159 Beech Forest-Mt Sabine Rd) will only be accessible to local traffic prior to 8.00am.

Pennyroyal Valley Road, Deans Marsh

- Properties on Pennyroyal Valley Rd can gain access via the Deans Marsh General Store when safe to do so under the direction of traffic management.

Murroon & Pennyroyal

- Access can be granted across the Birregurra-Forrest Rd to gain access onto Division Rd / Murroon Rd and Pennyroyal Station Rd

Birregurra / Cape Otway Road

- Access will remain unimpeded along Cape Otway Rd to Birregurra.

Apollo Bay - Medio Fondo Only

- Road closure from 10.45am – 11.30am. Detour around Apollo Bay (avoiding Great Ocean Road between Hardy St and Skenes Creek)

ROAD CLOSURES

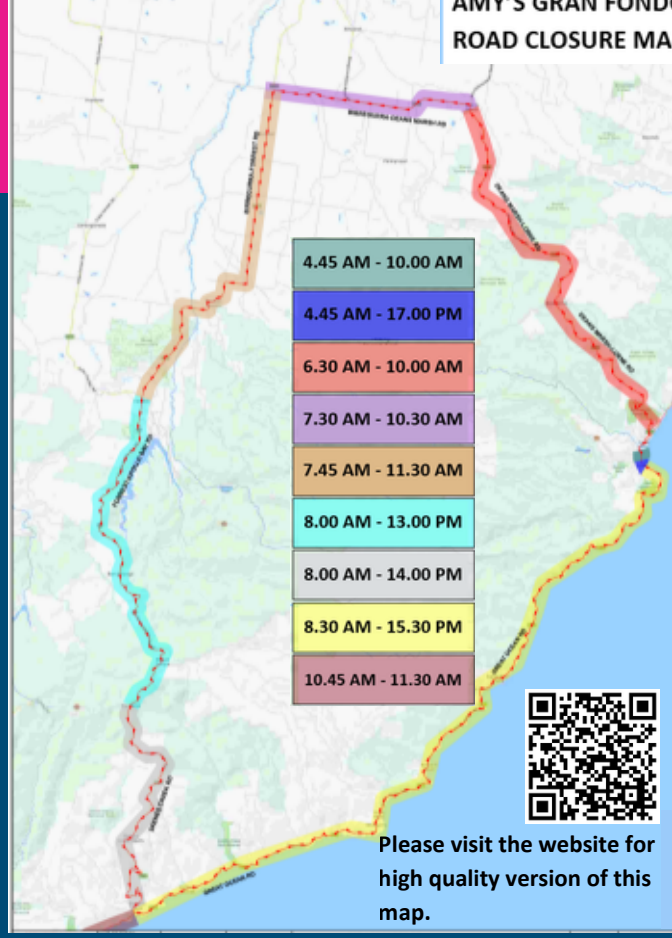
To ensure the safety of all participants and the community, temporary changes to traffic conditions must be implemented.

Appropriate traffic control measures as approved by Victoria Police, Department of Transport and local Councils will be temporarily installed at all intersections and access points to private property that provide vehicle access to the course. Minor roads, residential and business driveways adjoining the course will be closed progressively from dawn.

DIVERSION ROUTE & KEY ACCESS POINTS

The principal detour route avoiding the Great Ocean Road both East and West bound is via the Princes Highway through Winchelsea to Colac, then along the C155 from Colac through Gellibrand to Lavers Hill and vice-versa.

- **Lorne** - Use the Great Ocean Road to/from Anglesea
- **Apollo Bay / Skenes Creek** - Use the Great Ocean Road to/from Lavers Hill
- **Forrest** - Use the Colac - Forrest Road to/from Colac
- **Deans Marsh** - Use the Princes Hwy via Winchelsea



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THE FOLLOWING ROAD CLOSURES APPLY

SUNDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2026

ROAD	LOCATION / CLOSURE	MAP REF	TIMES
Mountjoy Parade, Lorne	Between Otway St & William St		4.45am – 10.00am
Mountjoy Parade, Lorne	Between William St & Albert St		4.45am – 5.00pm
Mountjoy Parade, Lorne	Between Deans Marsh Rd and Otway St		7.00am – 8.00am
Deans Marsh-Lorne Road	Between Birregurra – Deans Marsh Rd & Great Ocean Rd		6.30am – 10.00am
Birregurra–Deans Marsh Rd & Deepdene Rd	Between Cape Otway Rd & Deans Marsh – Lorne Rd		7.30am – 10.30am
Birregurra–Forrest Road	Between Deepdene Rd (Colac-Lorne Rd) & Colac-Forrest Rd		7.45am – 11.30am
Forrest–Apollo Bay Road	Between Beech Forest Rd (Turtons Track) & Colac Forrest Rd		8.00am – 1.00pm
Skenes Creek Road	Between Great Ocean Rd & Beech Forest Rd (Turtons Track)		8.00am – 2.00pm
Great Ocean Road (both directions)	Between Skenes Creek Rd, Skenes Creek & Albert St, Lorne		8.30am – 3.30pm

MEDIO FONDO START STOP & HOLD - APOLLO BAY

Great Ocean Road	Between Hardy St, Apollo Bay & Skenes Creek Rd, Skenes Creek		10.45am – 11.30am

Through Traffic will have immediate access at the conclusion of the closure time.
Local traffic may be impacted longer whilst the treatments to minor roads, residential and business driveways are removed.