## Your Mogo Trails 2024-25 Summer Ride Guide



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While the Mogo Trails aren't officially open you can ride them this summer, thanks to 70km being made available to the public, with temporary signage and just the bare essentials in place – better to open and get riding than wait for every last thing, right?

Since mid-August hundreds of riders have had their sneak peak, so the trails are running great.

So think of a trip to Mogo Trails this summer as getting early access to a special edition version still in test mode before its official launch in Autumn 2025, when another 60km of trails will open including the jaw dropping jump lines and the iconic Mt Wandera to Mogo wilderness trail.

## No shuttles yet, so maybe hire an e-bike?

There are no commercial shuttles this summer, so book ebikes early. Even though the descents are fast and long the climbs are kept to a pretty easy pitch, and are doable without shuttles or e-bikes. Of course e-bikes make it easier and you'll get more riding in, so if you plan to hire an e-bike make sure you book early, particularly around the Christmas to early January period. There are several options for e-bike hire including:

Batemans Bay Cycles	4472 1777
Ride Mogo	0407 409 240
Ride The Bay	4472 2698
Moruya Cycles	4474 3978

# Access to the trails

There are three main trail heads - Mogo, Eurobodalla Botanic Gardens and Curtis Road (Batehaven). All three give you access to green and blue trails, and are interconnected with the rest of the trail network.

#### Mogo

Mogo trail head is great for accessing the southern zone and the Trig gravity area.

Parking at Mogo gets very tight in the peak of summer, so best to park in Charles St (ie behind the main road) where you can easy access to toilets just across Tomakin Road, the Ride Mogo bike shop and Brew Crew coffee van (every day from early to 1-1.30). There's plenty to see and do in Mogo, with lots of eating\* (Grumpy's carrot cake) and shopping options.

The footpaths get busy and are narrow so please don't ride on them and make sure parked bikes aren't obstructing others. Local tip - there's great little access point to the trails from an old section of the Tomakin Road, between Fox Dog gin distillery and Mogo Wildlife Park. This is a good option for riders staying in Tomakin, Barlings Beach, Mossy Point and Broulee, or those with family spending time at Foxdog Distillery or the zoo. Take care as you're turning across Tomakin Road.

## Access to the trails Cont'd

#### **Eurobodalla Botanic Gardens**

There's a large MTB dedicated carpark 50m past the entrance to the Gardens car park, and those locked gates are gone, so access is 24/7. There are public toilets and maps right at the trail head, and café open 9-3 Wed-Sun. If you take your bike into the gardens, please walk them (plenty of elderly with walkers and littlies etc about) and use the bike racks provided. The Gardens trail head is great for accessing the northern part of the park and the Trig gravity area.

#### **Curtis Road**

This trailhead is designed to be a ride-to trail head for people in Batehaven and Batemans Bay

## Out on the trails

Not all the trails are open, and the park is still under construction so PLEASE, PLEASE stay off closed trails and away from any of the Next Level MTB trail building crews. The orange bunting and/or construction fencing means CLOSED. But don't worry – there's plenty open to ride for all levels and tastes.

'Self shuttling' on the Forestry roads is limited by single

vehicle width tracks and tight turn around areas. If you do, please take extra care on narrow roads and leave plenty of space for others including emergency vehicle access. If it gets busy self shuttling is probably not going to work. Have a Plan B.

The old **Dam Loop** is not a part of Mogo Trails, but is still there and is a useful way to short cut around the Mogo Trails. Please note that many sections of these trails will have riders in travelling on both directions, so take care. Navigation is easy if you use Trailforks, trickier if you use just the signage (it's a big park, spread all over the place). You can download the Trailforks app, or scan the QR code on the poster maps at the trail heads to go to the web browser version. Trailforks lets you follow your own position on the trails and plan ahead.

There's good phone reception around the trails.

Several areas have trails going in close proximity in opposite directions so its not uncommon to find riders going in the wrong direction. Please take care to make sure about directions and be prepared to come across lost riders.

accommodation and there is

very limited space for parking.

There is a map and signage,

Please note that none of the

trail heads have drinking water

or rubbish bins so plan ahead

and bring plenty of water and

take home whatever you bring

but no toilets.

along.

Wet weather? No problem. Just wait for the rain to stop and you're good to go. These trails drain like a colander...100% waterproof. Like Gore-tex.

If you come across any damage to the trails or fallen trees please contact us on Messenger, Facebook or email **ridebatemansbaymtb@ gmail.com** 

## **Emergencies**

Emergencies Plus is a fantastic app for all outdoor activities with touch of the button emergency calling and location function on the cover screen. Mad if you don't get it.

There are plenty of snakes about so great idea to carry a snake bandage (\$10 at the pharmacy) and learn how to use it on Youtube. Could save a life.

### What's nearby?

Bike shops at Batemans Bay, Mogo, Batehaven, and Narooma.

Food and drink at the Foxdog Distillery during the day and Friday and Saturday evenings Broulee Brewhouse for beer, food and good vibes

Mogo shops and the Zoo for the non-riders.

Hospital at Moruya has a 24/7 emergency department

...and Narooma MTB and Gravity Eden just down the coast!

#### Platinum

Broulee Brewhouse Batemans Bay Soldiers Club

**Optimal Health and** 

Performance

**Guerrilla Roasters** 

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