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Junior Racing Series Guide 2024

The Grassroots Trust Velodrome is excited to be running a series of Junior track racing for 2024.

This race series is proudly sponsored by Plus Mortgage Trust.

The race series is an important development tool for our junior riders. The concept being to provide racing opportunities to future champions to develop their talents through participating in the series.

We know that everyone plays a key role in ensuring the success of the series, from coaches to riders, volunteers and parents. For all your help and support, from the Grassroots Trust Velodrome, we thank you.

2024 Dates:

- Wednesday April 24th
- Wednesday May 29th
- Wednesday July 3rd
- Wednesday August 7th
- Wednesday September 11th
- Wednesday October 16th
- Wednesday November 20th

Race Night Expectations:

Although riders get to choose their grade, it will be dependent on rider numbers and registration volunteer. This is to ensure the riders are pushing themselves to the best of their ability. We would advise riders to stay in the same grade throughout the series.

It is up to the riders to get to the start line in a timely manner. If a rider misses their race start, the race will begin without them.

The full race program and start lists will be posted on the whiteboard in the infield. The race with an asterixis* will indicate the race with spot prizes available. Spot prizes will be decided by the race organiser. The spot prizes may be for the most combative or the most improved etc.

We expect all riders to follow The Grassroots Trust Velodrome's and Cycling New Zealand's Road & Track Regulations. Riders will be held accountable for any misconduct or breakage of rules with a verbal warning from the race organiser.

There will be a short presentation at the end of the race night. It will be expected that all riders stay until the end of racing to support their fellow athletes in these presentations.

No Parents/Guardians in the infield:

Unless you are on the volunteer list (you will have been contacted by Mya or Craig) please do not enter the infield. Parents are only allowed access to the infield for prize giving at the conclusion of racing, this will be announced by the commentator.

The two main reasons why we limit infield access during certain sessions:

- Health & Safety; additional people in the infield can create congestion, potentially impacting coaches' ability to supervise and ensure a safe environment. Infield access must also be monitored in case of emergency situations, hence all visitors entering the infield must sign in at reception.
- Junior Development; For our junior program specifically, limited infield access allows young riders to develop self-managing and problem-solving skills. This translates to independence, confidence and better decision making on the track, ultimately making them safer riders.

Support Staff available:

We understand the importance of support, hence we have experienced coaches and support volunteers consistently present in the infield to assist riders during sessions. Please encourage your children to make contact with one of our coaches/support volunteers if they require help with any task.

Entry Information:

Entry is via the Grassroots Trust Velodrome Website under *Track; Programmes; Junior Racing*. Entry is \$15 per rider, per race night. Please enter for racing before the event night so we can prepare for the number of entries.

<https://www.velodrome.nz/schools-racing/>

Ranking Points:

Position	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th +
Points	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

**Any events marked with an axis, spot prizes will be given instead of points.*

Riders will accumulate points over each round. Using the points system above, the top three riders for each grade will be awarded a placing.

Overall series prizes will consist of top three place getters and top three females for each grade.

On the Night:

Check in/Pay

Riders will be required to present to reception with their full name and payment.

Registration

Please line up at the registration desk in the infield of the velodrome. The registration volunteer will enter you into your grade where you will be given your race number. Each rider will keep the same number throughout all race nights. (Please ensure you return your race number to the same desk at the conclusion of racing).

Warm up

Warm up is from 6-6:30pm on the track. Please wait on the backstraight ramp to enter the track. There will be 24 riders allowed on the track at a time. Please exit the track off the front straight.

Racing

At the conclusion of warmup, racing will begin immediately, A grade being up first, then B, then C. Please check the whiteboard for all race information. Race programmes and heats will be posted on infield whiteboard.

Prizegiving

At the conclusion of racing, we will hold a short prizegiving. The top three riders from each race will receive a ribbon and spot prize winners will be announced. The final prize giving of the year will be held at the conclusion of racing on November 20th.

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Race Programmes - 2024

24th April

- Scratch
- Kiwi Keirin
- Gladiator *

29th May

- Elimination
- TASC 500
- Cambridge Pursuits*

3rd July

- Scratch
- Australian Pursuit *
- Tempo Points

7th August

- Win & Out
- Derby
- Italian Pursuits *

11th September

- Danish Points
- Keirin
- Mystery Distance*

16th October

- Tempo Points
- Gladiator
- Team Sprints *

20th November

- Lemond Start Race
- Italian Pursuits *
- Track Stand Competition