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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 24<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday May 29<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Wednesday August 7<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday September 11<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday October 16<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday November 20<sup>th</sup>

### **Race Night Expectations:**

Although riders get to choose their grade, it will be at the discretion of the registration volunteer and dependent on rider numbers. This is to ensure the riders are pushing themselves to the best of their ability.

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 advised otherwise, we ask parents and guardians to please support coaches by keeping a respectful distance. This is from the time the riders enter the velodrome until the time the riders have completed racing. The Grassroots Trust Velodrome is not asking you to stop supporting your children during racing. Instead, we ask you to give them some space so they can learn to become mature, self-managing, independent individuals. Therefore, unless you are directly contacted by Mya or Craig, please take a seat in the stands to enjoy the experience.

### **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:**

<b>Position</b>	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> +
<b>Points</b>	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

*Any team events such as Italian pursuit, riders will not receive any 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. In the event there is a tie, the rider with the most first places will be the winner. This will be used for weekly winners and overall series winners.

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

### **Gearing:**

Riders in A grade will be allowed to race unrestricted gearing.

All riders in grades B, C and D will be expected to be within the 7 meter (90") rollout. Any riders suspected to be over the 7m rollout will be checked by one of the velodrome coaches and if rolling over will; a) be expected to change their gear, b) will be moved into A grade, or c) not receive any points during that race night.

## **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 a race number. (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 25 riders allowed on the track at a time. When a whistle is blown, please exit the track immediately off the front straight. Allowing the next group of riders to warm up on track.

### **Racing**

At the conclusion of warmup, racing will begin immediately, with D/C grade being up first. Please note there may not be D grade, therefore C grade will be the starting grade. Please check the whiteboard for this information.

### **Prizegiving**

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

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