



AUSCYCLING

**NATIONAL JUNIOR TRACK SERIES
HANDBOOK**

2020-2021

National Junior Track Series – AusCycling Welcome



AusCycling ('AC') and the Australian Cycling team are delighted to welcome the [National Junior Track Series](#) ('NJTS') for its ninth season. This series has become one of the most important elements in our junior development pathway. The started with humble beginnings but has proved its worth.

We thank everyone who plays a key role in delivering the NJTS from coaches, to riders, parents and our state coordinators we thank you for your support and contribution.

This year we will see a big step forward greater alignment to the Australian Cycling Team focus on Olympic events. This is an important element to ensure that participants can be provided every opportunity to work within a more integrated performance pathway.

All the very best to all involved in the series.

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National Junior Track Series and COVID-19

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in uncertainty in many part of the Australia and certainly for National competitions. In order to provide clarity for participants AC has developed two scenarios for the National Junior Track Series in 2020-2021. The series may be run either as a virtual series, or a combination between the 'Full Resumption format and virtual.

These two options are detailed within the next section.

All participants should review the [Cycling Australia COVID-19 Guidelines](#) for participation at prior to taking part in any event.

2020-21 Round Dates & Sport Information Workshops (Full Resumption of Activities)

Round	City	Date & Racing Session Times	Venue	Entries Open	Entries Close
1	Virtual*	December 5 th or 6 th Times will be confirmed by the State Coordinator	Home Track	November 1	November 25
2	Brisbane	January 16 th & 17 th Sat 2pm – 7pm Sun 10am – 3pm	AMV: Brisbane	December 7	January 6
3	Melbourne	February 20 th & 21 st Sat 2pm – 7pm TBC Sun 10am – 3pm	DISC: Melbourne	January 18	February 10

*in the case of virtual round Under 19 riders will be permitted to participate.

2020-21 Round Dates & Sport Information Workshops (Virtual)

In the case where there is multiple States or Territories who are unable to travel to an event OR the Host Location restrictions prohibit the competition due to COVID-19 restrictions the round will be conducted as a virtual competition in each state.

A decision on this will be determined by **December 5** to conduct round #2 and #3 as virtual rounds or at the allocated Host Location. No change on the competition format will be made even if competition can be conducted at the Host Location post the initial determination.

Round	City	Date & Racing Session Times	Venue	Entries Open	Entries Close
1	Virtual*	December 5 Times confirmed by the state coordinator	ACT: Dunc Gray Velodrome NT: Superdrome (SA) Queensland: Anna Meares Velodrome Victoria: DISC South Australia: Superdrome Western Australia: Speedome Tasmania: Silverdome	November 1	November 25
2	Brisbane	January 16 Start times confirmed by the state coordinator	ACT: Dunc Gray Velodrome NT: Superdrome (SA) Queensland: Anna Meares Velodrome Victoria: DISC South	December 7	January 6

			Australia: Superdrome Western Australia: Speedome Tasmania: Silverdome		
3	Melbourne	February 20 Start times confirmed by the state coordinator	ACT: Dunc Gray Velodrome NT: Superdrome (SA) Queensland: Anna Meares Velodrome Victoria: DISC South Australia: Superdrome Western Australia: Speedome Tasmania: Silverdome	January 18	February 17

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Race Day Expectations

National Junior Track Series

AusCycling ('AC') expects its accredited coaches to deliver effective teaching of the sport of cycling to all athletes.

On race days, coaches will make efforts to place riders where they believe will be best for effective delivery of instruction and racing. Unless advised otherwise, we ask parents to please support coaches by keeping a respectful distance from the team group and athletes. This will be from the time riders arrive for an event preparation until the time riders are dismissed at the end of day's competition.

AC is not asking you to stop enjoying your children on race days. Instead we ask you to give them some space so they can express themselves freely. Unless directly involved in a team or combine, it's recommended parents take a seat in the stands and enjoy the experience.

Past experience shows that a split between family and race day activities has many positive benefits for the athletes.

Creating and Registering a Club/Combine

Team Creation

The State Coordinator determines the formation (makeup) of teams for the NJTS.

Team Registration

1. Appoint a Team (Club/Combine) Coordinator and provide their name and contact details to both the NJTS Coordinator and the State Coordinator (SC). The Team Coordinator will be the key contact for the club/combine for all communication regarding the series.
2. Team Coordinators should contact the State Coordinator with an *Expression of Interest* requesting to be included in the NJTS for the 2020-21 season. Where possible teams are required to identify the person that will be accompanying the team (**Note:** changes to staff are permitted but please advise the SC prior to each round if there are any changes).

All staff members who accompany the team must be current members of AusCycling and all coaches must hold current coach accreditation including a valid **Working with Children Check (or equivalent)**.

All staff and Commissaires working on the event must have a current **Working with Children Check (or equivalent)** clearance relevant to their State/Territory.

3. Once the SC approves the team, the SC will forward the form to the NJTS Coordinator.

Entry Information

1. For each round of racing, the Team Coordinator enters the riders selected to race the round emailing the SC who will enter the riders via the Cycling Australia EntryBoss Portal.
2. All riders will automatically be entered in all events.
3. Riders in the Team Sprint, Team Pursuit and Madison will be determined by the State Coordinator.
4. Entries for all rounds will close 10 days before the round commences.

Schedule of Events (Full Resumption of Activities)

The events for this season will change to mirror the key events in the Olympic Track program. The program will also be the same within each round.

Day 1			Day 2		
		Laps			Laps
Under 15 Girls	Scratch Race	12	Under 17 Girls	Scratch Race	20
Under 15 Boys	Scratch Race	12	Under 17 Boys	Scratch Race	20
Under 17 Girls	Tempo Race	20	Under 15 Girls	Tempo Race	12
Under 17 Boys	Tempo Race	20	Under 15 Boys	Tempo Race	12
Under 15 Girls	Keirin Heats	6	Under 17 Girls	Keirin Heats	6
Under 15 Boys	Keirin Heats	6	Under 17 Boys	Keirin Heats	6
Under 17 Girls	Scratch Race	20	Under 15 Girls	Scratch Race	12
Under 17 Boys	Scratch Race	20	Under 15 Boys	Scratch Race	12
Under 15 Girls	Keirin Final	6	Under 17 Girls	Keirin Final	6
Under 15 Boys	Keirin Final	6	Under 17 Boys	Keirin Final	6
Under 17 Girls	Madison	40	Under 15 Girls	Elimination	
Under 17 Boys	Madison	40	Under 15 Boys	Elimination	
Under 15 Girls	Tempo Race	12	Under 17 Girls	Tempo Race	20
Under 15 Boys	Tempo Race	12	Under 17 Boys	Tempo Race	20
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Girls	Team Sprint	3	Girls	Team Pursuit	12
Boys	Team Sprint	3	Boys	Team Pursuit	12
Under 15 Girls	Elimination	24	Under 17 Girls	Elimination	
Under 15 Boys	Elimination	24	Under 17 Boys	Elimination	

Under 17 Girls	Elimination	24	Under 15 Girls	Points Race	20
Under 17 Boys	Elimination	24	Under 15 Boys	Points Race	20
Under 15 Girls	Points Race	20	Under 17 Girls	Points Race	30
Under 15 Boys	Points Race	20	Under 17 Boys	Points Race	30
Under 17 Girls	Points Race	20			
Under 17 Boys	Points Race	20			

The Team Pursuit (3000 m) and Team Sprint (750 m) will be conducted as timed finals.

Schedule of Events (Virtual)

All virtual rounds will be conducted with the follows:

- Pursuit
- Flying 200
- Time Trial
- Team Pursuit (3000 m)
- Team Sprint (750 m)

Host Locations of virtual rounds may choose to also hold other events on the day. These additional events will not be included in the NJTS standings.

NOTE: Virtual rounds may also include other age groups of riders. These groups will not be allocated points in the NJTS.

Team Sprint and Team Pursuit Composition

Teams may include any combination of J15 and J17 riders in the Team Sprint and Team Pursuit. Teams can be mixed gender however will be placed in the male category.

Team Travel Subsidy

Travel subsidies will be made available to all teams when the event is not in their home State/Territory. Subsidies will not be provided when the round is held in a club/combine's home State/Territory. Subsidies are to be used towards the cost of travel, accommodation and ground transport to participate in the round. Country teams travelling more than 250 kilometers to the venue are eligible for the subsidy when in a home state (excluding virtual rounds).

Teams will receive their subsidy payment after completing and submitting the *NJTS Subsidy Form* no later than 7 days after the round is held. Forms should be submitted to the SC for approval who will submit them to the NJTS Coordinator no later than 14 days of the round being held.

Team Travel Subsidy Process

1. At the completion of the round, the Team Coordinator should complete the *NJTS Travel Subsidy*

Form available for download on the AC website.

2. Scan and email the form to the State Coordinator **within 7 days** of the round, ensuring that the form is completed in full.
3. Complete *NJTS Subsidy Forms*, to be sent to the SC for approval, then the SC will forward to the NJTS Coordinator for processing.
4. Subsidies will be paid to the Team Coordinator's bank details listed on the form (please note that all AC payments are processed once a month). Please allow 4 weeks for the payment to be deposited in the nominated account.
5. Enquiries on payments should be made to the Team Coordinator in the first instance before contacting the NJTS Series Coordinator.

2020-21 NJTS Ranking Points & Rules and Regulations

Points for each round will be allocated as follows:

- Omnium – 40,38,36 ...1 (each day)
- Madison – 12,10,8,6,4,2 (per rider)
- Keirin – 12,11,10, 9...1
- Team Sprint – 25, 20,15,10,5 (Team Points only)
- Team Pursuit – 25,20,15,10,5 (Team Points only)
- Team – All Team Points added together and divided by the number of riders on the team (min 3 riders)

Rankings and Awards

- **Overall Individuals:** The points system will apply to overall rankings for individual riders. In the U17 (Men & Women) Madison both riders will be awarded points.
- **Overall Club:** The above points system will apply to the highest ranked club throughout the series. Team Pursuit and Team Sprint points will be allocated to the club total. In the case of a combined team club points will not be awarded in the Team Pursuit and Team Sprint.
- **Overall Round winner:** Using the points system the winners in U15 and U17 will be awarded in each round.
- **Ties:** In the event two or more riders/clubs are tied on points the rider with the most first place will be the round leader. This process will flow down – most second, most third and so on as required to break any other ties.

2020-21 Rules & Regulations

1. NJTS participating teams include:
 1. (a) Affiliated clubs with AusCycling
 2. (b) Combines of members of AC who do not have enough members to enter a club. These must be from the same state.
2. All riders, team management and staff must be current financial members of CA. Riders must hold a current AC all discipline membership. Teams will be allowed to up four (4) staff members (Manager, Coach, Chaperone and Mechanic).
3. All riders must be Under 17 and Under 15 to be eligible to compete in this series. Restricted age group gearing will apply. Under 19 riders may participate in Virtual Rounds.
4. Riders will be required to wear their club registered jersey or skin-suits when racing in the NJTS. SIS/SAS clothing is not permitted. Any uniform changes following the commencement of the NJTS must be approved by the state or territory at least 14 days prior to the next event.
5. Clubs/combines must register for each NJTS round they wish to enter. Teams are required to enter riders. Riders do not enter individually. Team Coordinators are to nominate and confirm riders through their relevant State Coordinators (SC).
6. Teams must have a minimum of two (2) riders (there is no maximum). Clubs will be allowed to change the makeup of their teams from round to round. It is not necessary for riders to contest every round. Each rider entered will be presented with two race numbers. Riders will carry the same number for the entire series. The team manager will be responsible for these numbers. No numbers, no start.
7. International clubs or riders may be allowed to compete in the NJTS however must race as an independent rider.
8. State Coordinators will determine how combines will be formed. In the spirit of this series we require that club teams are created in the first instance, with combines created only if there are not sufficient riders to make a club team.
9. The transfer of riders during the NJTS is not permitted at any time. Once a rider is registered with the NJTS team from they will be required to compete for that teams for the three (3) rounds of the series. AC and the NJTS Coordinator will consider written applications for individual transfers in extreme cases of hardship or family relocations. It is not in the interest or spirit of this series for clubs to set up powerhouse teams.
10. CA has the right to refuse an entry if a rider has been suspended or has failed to adhere to the Rules and Regulation of AC.
11. Teams and parents are responsible for their children while travelling and competing in this series. AC will not be responsible for accommodating or the management of athletes before or after each event.
12. As part of the NJTS a rider can only be a member of a NJTS team or combine in their state of residence.
13. This series and its events will be conducted under the AC Rules and Technical Regulations. Some modifications may be required to events within the series at the discretion of the Series Coordinator.

14. Any breach of the AC and NJTS regulations will be investigated and warranted, riders may be warned, fined, disqualified and/or have ranking points deducted.
15. Under 17 (Men & Women) Madison, the two (2) riders must be from the same State. This is to allow riders to obtain experience before the National Championships. The winning teams and place getters will be allocated points on an individual basis for their team.

Team Subsidy Program

The purpose of the subsidy program is support the travelling athlete. It is not in permissible for teams to keep the subsidy payments and not reimburse its riders.

State	WA	SA	VIC	NSW	ACT	QLD	TAS	NT
Per Rider per Round	\$240.83	\$136.66	\$136.66	\$136.66	\$136.66	\$136.66	\$136.66	\$240.83

On the Day

Registration

Registration or sign on is not be necessary. State Coordinators will be required to confirm if there is any rider who is a DNS.

Warm-up

The track will be available for warm up for 60 minutes prior to racing commencing.

Warm-up Equipment

Each Host Location will provide access to warm-up equipment where possible. Please contact the State Coordinator for more information and availability.

Roll Out

Rollouts will be in line with the CA regulations.

Managers' Meeting

Prior to the commencement of racing, the Chief Commissaire and Race Director will hold a brief meeting with all Club/Combine managers and coaches. This will be held in the track centre and will be announced over the PA system.

Infield Access

A AC Membership is will be required to enter the velodrome infield at each venue for support staff. **No membership NO entry**. At the first round, it will be the responsibility of the Club/Combine Coordinator or Manager to collect race numbers from the Race Director and distribute to riders. For each round, thereafter **(Team Coordinators are responsible for race numbers for the series)**. **Teams will be allowed a maximum of four support staff members including Coaches, Managers and Chaperones who must all hold a current WWCC.**

Prizes

No prize money will be awarded during the 2020-21 NJTS apart from category Leader's jersey. The Leaders Jerseys are to be worn by the leading rider in each category.

Sport Integrity Australia

The NJTS may be subject to attendance by Sport Integrity Australia. Please ensure all riders are aware of their responsibilities. For more information please contact the **SIA Hotline: 1800 020 506**

Events at the 2020-21 National Junior Race Series:

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Tempo Race: Roll out from the back straight or front depending on track protocol, 2 laps to settle the field. A whistle will be blown to start the race after 2 Laps, riders must stay together. Sprint every lap with the winner getting 1 point. Any rider lapping the field will be awarded 10 points. (16 Laps). No double points for the winner of the last lap.

Points Race: Standard points endurance race with sprint points awarded every four (4) laps. A maximum of 24 starters in each race. Roll out from the back straight or front depending on track protocol. Whistle blown to start race. No double points for the winner of the last lap.

Elimination: 1 Free lap then one rider out every lap until 2 riders are left to contest the finish. In the case of a fall the race may be neutralised. If a rider does not leave the race when eliminated they will be DSQ and a green flag will be shown to indicate no sprint on that lap.

Scratch Race: Standard scratch race with a maximum of 24 starters in each race. Roll out from the back straight. Whistle blown to start race. Laps between 12 and 25 depending on age group.

Keirin Race: 6 laps behind a motor bike at set speeds with the motor bike retiring at the start- finish line with three (3) laps to go. Riders are held from behind and released by the handler when the whistle is blown.

Motor Bike Speeds:

- Under 17 Men - 25k to 45kph / Under 17 Women – 25 to 45kph
- Under 15 Men - 25 to 40kph / Under 15 Women – 25 to 40kph

Madison Race: The modified Madison is for Under 17 Men and Women only. It will be 40 laps for both age groups with four sprints. Ranking points will be available this season. The winning teams and place getters will be allocated points on an Individual basis. Riders must be from the same state.

The events mentioned in this document are always subject to change and may be modified prior to the first round of the NJTS, during a round or after the completion of a round.

Team Sprint This is raced by teams of three over three laps of the track (750m). Two teams start on opposite sides of the track, with each rider leading for a lap before peeling off. The final remaining rider for each team sprints for the finish to establish the team's time. Teams can consist of all ages and genders.

Team Pursuit Two teams of four riders start on opposite sides of the track and compete over 3000m. The winning team is the one that manages to catch its opponents or that records the fastest time. Teams can consist of all ages and genders.

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