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Bike Series - Victoria**

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1 EVENT INFORMATION

This is Mountain bike Cross Country (XC) racing, just like you can see on TV, and at the Olympics, but in a more relaxed environment.

You race for points in a series for yourself, as well as your school. Racing is based on Age groups, you can be the only one from your school racing, or you can get some other kids from your school to join you. It's all about having fun, riding your bike, and keeping active.

Event Date	Four Rounds from Sunday 18 June
Host Locations	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Dromana Secondary College2. Lysterfield Park3. You Yangs Regional Park4. To Be Advised
Entries Closing Date & Time	Round specific
More Information	AusCycling Mountain Bike Schools State/Territory Series

2 EVENTS

The following events will be conducted as part of the Series:

- Mountain Bike: XC

3 EVENT SCHEDULE

The full series schedule will be available at [AusCycling | Mountain Bike | Schools State/Territory Series](#)

If subsequent changes are required once published, the most up to date schedule will always be placed at the above links, clearly showing the date last updated.

4 EVENT ENTRIES

4.1 AGE CATEGORIES

The below categories will be run for the 2023 AusCycling Schools Mountain Bike Series – Victoria.

Category	Gender	Eligibility (based on year of birth)
U9*	Male/Female	2015 / 2016
U11	Male/Female	2013 / 2014
U13	Male/Female	2011 / 2012
U15	Male/Female	2009 / 2010
U17	Male/Female	2007 / 2008
U19	Male/Female	2005 / 2006

4.2 EVENT RACE CATEGORIES

There will be a Novice and Racing sub-category in each age category:

- **Novice** - this category is about fun and fitness and suitable for a rider who is new to MTB racing or has limited experience racing before. **Novice** available for all age groups - U11, U13, U15, U17, U19
- **Racing** – this category is suitable for a rider who is for those faster kids who are a little more serious about racing and have experience racing at either Club, State or National levels. They will hold an AusCycling race license. **Racing** available for all age groups - U11, U13, U15, U17, U19

4.3 GRADING

Riders may be promoted or demoted during the series at the discretion of AusCycling (published on the series page after each round).

4.4 ENTRY PROCESS & COST

Entry will be online via EntryBoss only. It is the rider/rider's guardian's responsibility to ensure that their entry is correct.

Event Entries Link	https://entryboss.cc/calendar/vics (available 1 May)
Entry Fees (inc GST) (+ transaction cost) Riders with a UCI License	\$30.00
Entries Close	Round specific
Scratching Cut Off	3 days prior to the event
* <i>There will be no late entries accepted on event days</i>	

Riders who have entered and are no longer able to attend, can use the EntryBoss scratching mechanism prior to the Scratching Cut Off listed above. After this date has passed, in order to obtain a refund, riders must submit a medical certificate to events@auscycling.org.au, in line with the [AusCycling Refund Policy](#).

Cost of entry includes your race plate, a marked-out course with marshals and officials, start and finish, first aid and officials. Note that it is advised that all riders have family ambulance cover, as we will not hesitate to call an ambulance if the First Aid provider deem it necessary.

4.5 MEMBERSHIP

As this is a Mass Participation (Schools) event, AusCycling Personal Accident & Public Liability insurance covers each rider, but only for the duration of the round event.

Non-AusCycling members are encouraged to sign-up for a 4-week Free Trial Membership or Race Membership with their local Club if interested in participating in other MTB events outside of the Schools Series. Click here for further information > <https://www.auscycling.org.au/membership>

4.6 EVENT REGISTRATION

Event Registrations will be confirmed via EntryBoss email and viewed via “Live Entries” on EntryBoss > <https://entryboss.cc/calendar/vics>

Race day registration will be open at 8.30am. Riders must present to registration to be marked off and collect race numbers.

4.7 SERIES POINTS

Points are awarded for the top 10 finishers in each age category AND novice and racing classes, and every rider receives points towards their school for the following placings:

1. 15
2. 12
3. 10
4. 8
5. 6
6. 5
7. 4
8. 3
9. 2
10. 1

These points accumulate throughout the series at both a School and Individual level. At the conclusion of the series, aggregate winners will be announced for overall School and for each agegroup and class. *

* Note that 2022 aggregate individual and school winners will be announced at Round 1 2023.

5 VENUES

The host venues and Clubs for the Series will be:

Round 1 – Sunday 18 June

Location Name	Dromana Secondary College
Host Club	Red Hill Riders Mountain Bike Club
Website	https://www.redhillriders.com.au/
Location Address	Entry off Harrisons Road, Dromana
Map Link	https://goo.gl/maps/PVphZ86Fyv4x4LfDA

Round 2 – Sunday 23 July

Location Name	Lysterfield Park
Host Club	Lysterfield District Trail Riders
Website	https://www.lysterfieldmtb.com/
Location Address	Hallam Road North Carpark, Lysterfield
Map Link	https://goo.gl/maps/CfrMv4cqgjYdLyWi8

Round 3 - Sunday 6 August

Location Name	You Yangs Regional Park
Host Club	Geelong MTB Club
Website	https://gmmbc.com.au/
Location Address	Stockyards MTB Carpark, off Drysdale Road, Little River
Map Link	https://goo.gl/maps/yWFJoxPPYEqCcCsLA

Round 4 – TBA

Location Name	TBA
Host Club	
Website	
Location Address	
Map Link	

6 RACE SPECIFIC INFORMATION

6.1 Mountain Bike

Age categories are decided as at the age you are at the 31st December of the year of the event.

We will be racing on a loop course, completing laps of courses suitable to ride for the age and category of racing. You don't have to complete all your allocated loops, you can stop at any time, just make sure you tell the guys doing the results at the start finish.

Estimated distances are as follows:

- U11 approx. 5kms
- U13 approx. 7kms
- U15 approx. 12kms
- U17 approx. 15kms
- U19 approx. 20kms

* Under 9 age category will be held at the discretion of the Event Organiser, which is the Host Club.

Please note, it may not always be possible to hit the target race time depending on the track, and as the age groups get older, we may have longer race distances for Racing categories.

As we are running these events to a schedule, we may combine categories to make the racing more fun, and it is possible slower riders might not have time to complete their entire number of laps.

Racers must have a suitable mountain bike, with bar end plugs and an Australian standards helmet that fits correctly. This is for the safety of all riders. Volunteers will be on site to assist checking these things prior to race commencement.

7 EQUIPMENT

7.1 Bicycles

Mountain Bike

Bicycles designed for off-road use including Mountain bikes, Cyclo-cross bikes and BMX bicycles may be used (see below for some examples). Off road designed tyres are recommended to increase traction.

All bicycles must have two efficient and independent hand brakes, or one hand brake accompanied with a foot brake. Handlebars must be plugged.

Free (single ratchet/coaster) or variable geared bicycles may be used. Fixed sprockets (fixed wheel/no ability to coast) shall be forbidden from competition.





7.2 Helmets

A securely fitted approved helmet must be worn at all times while riding.

All helmets must be Australian Standards approved (AS/NZ 2063) and carry one of the following stickers.



Any modification to an approved helmet is strictly prohibited.

7.3 Race Numbers and Transponders

Race numbers need to be worn on the left and right rib cage and **must be clearly visible at all times**. Please ask at registration if unsure. Riders who fail to wear their numbers correctly may not be listed correctly in the results.

If a timing system is used, a transponder may be required. All transponders must be returned following racing.

8 AWARDS & PRIZING

The following awards will be provided for all categories:

Prize	Placing
Voucher	1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place

Presentations will occur as per the published round schedule.

Medals for Aggregate winners, 2nd and 3rd place in each race category.

9 FIRST AID / MEDICAL

An external first aid provider will be on-site for each round of the series.

10 CODE OF CONDUCT

All attendees of the 2023 Alpinestars Schools Mountain Bike Series - Victoria are required to adhere to the [AusCycling Code of Conduct](#). Failure to do so, or to follow any reasonable direction provided by AusCycling, or appointed officials at the event, may result in removal from the venue or exclusion from competition.

11 OTHER INFORMATION

All events will be conducted in accordance with the AusCycling Technical Regulations:

- o [General](#)
- o [Mountain Bike](#)
- o [Child Safe](#)

12 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

Email: events@auscycling.org.au

Website:

<https://auscycling.org.au/page/mountain-bike-schools-stateterritory-series>