

2014 NZ AGE GROUP & OMNIUM NATIONALS

5TH – 9TH March 2014



NEWSLETTER



Cycling Southland and Invercargill extend a warm welcome to all participants in the upcoming 2014 New Zealand Age Group and Omnium Track Championships. Cycling Southland looks forward to receiving your entries and hosting the country's champions for this exciting competition.

AGE GROUP INFORMATION FOR CENTRES

Your assistance with the distribution of this information to the appropriate people is greatly appreciated.

Key Dates and Times

The Age Group Championships and Elite/U19 Omnium Championships will commence on Wednesday 5th March at the SIT Zero Fees Velodrome, 22 Surrey Park Road Invercargill, with an evening-only session, commencing at 6.30pm, followed by daily sessions starting at 10:00am and 6:30pm through to Sunday March 9th.

Meetings and Registration

The New Zealand Age Group and Omnium Championship Managers meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Tuesday 4th March in the Sarah Ulmer Lounge, upstairs at the SIT Zero Fees Velodrome. All Team Managers are required to attend this meeting. Confirmation of starters and scratchings for the opening sessions should be made at this meeting.

Programme

The programme for the 2014 New Zealand Age Group and Omnium Track Championships has been distributed. Please note this is provisional and subject to revision after the close of entries.

Entry Process

Please send completed entry forms and team detail sheets, along with entry fees to the Cycling Southland office before 5pm on 18 February.

Email: office@cyclingsouth.org.nz or Fax: 03 2170685

Training

Training sessions will be allocated in 2-hour blocks on Tuesday 4th March. Contact the Cycling Southland office (office@cyclingsouth.org.nz) to request your preferred times. There will be no charge for these training sessions.

Additional times are available prior to these dates, subject to the normal charge, and bookings should be made through the office.

Events

The following events will be conducted at the Age Group Championships:

Event	ME	WE	19M	19W	17B	17G	15B	15G	MM1	MM2	MM3	WM1	WM2
Sprint					Y	Y							
TT					500m	500m	500m	500m	750m	500m	500m	500m	500m
Keirin									Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
T Sprint					750m	500m			750m	750m	750m	500m	500m
IP					2km	2km			3km	2km	2km	2km	2km
TP					3km	3km							
Points					10km	7.5km	7.5km	5km	20km	15km	10km		
Scratch					7.5km	5km	2km	1.5km	10km	7.5km	5km	5km	5km
Derby							Y	Y					
Omnium	Y	Y	Y	Y									

Entry Criteria

- These Championships are open to Centre team entries only.
- The 2014 New Zealand Age Group and Omnium championship entries close no later than 5pm 18 February 2014 and no late entries shall be accepted.
- All entries are to be completed on the official entry form.
- Entries are binding on the Centre and the riders.
- Entrants are obliged to ride in the events for which they are entered, and any resultant recharge, semi-final or final, unless prevented by injury or illness. Withdrawn riders may be replaced by another rider entered in any event in the same category.
- Each entry must have the approval of the entrant.
- Riders should be seeded in all events (i.e. 1, 2, 3, etc) and Centre Champions must also be noted, **(C)**.

- A “pool” system will operate for those riders who are unable to represent their centre in the team events. Composite teams will be made up by the Commissaires’ Panel (or their delegated authority) from entries submitted by Team Managers in order to create evenly matched teams.
- Reserve riders may be entered for Age Group championship bunch events only, but should have no expectation of riding. Reserves will be entered at the sole discretion of the Commissaires’ Panel and only if additional heats are not required. In the event of scratchings, riders from the withdrawn rider’s Centre will have first rights. Centres may enter a maximum of one reserve rider per bunch event.
- The entry form must have all particulars completed. Incomplete entries will be declined.
- There is a maximum number of entries for team officials

Further Entry criteria – Master’s Events

- In the Master’s events, a maximum of 6 riders per event is permitted
- If fields of 12 or more are not achieved, the event will be reduced in distance.
- If an event has less than 8 riders, the event may be combined with another age group.
- A minimum of 5 entries, representing 3 centres, are required for medals to be awarded.

Please note the following entry eligibility changes:

- In the MU17 and WU17 500m time trial, all riders who have ridden under the respective qualifying times, are eligible to be selected for their Centre. If a Centre has no time qualifiers, a maximum of 4 non-qualifiers may be entered. If a Centre has two riders who have met the qualifying time, a further two non-qualifiers may be added to make a maximum of 4 riders. If more than 4 have met the qualifying time, all are eligible for Centre selection but no non-qualifiers can obviously be entered. This is for the time trial only and does not apply to Master’s events.
- The same applies to the Individual Pursuits, with all riders who have met the agreed qualifying times, being eligible for selection. In the event of only one or two time qualifiers, a further non qualifier can be added to make a maximum of three selections.
- WU17 Scratch race – an increase to 6 riders per Centre
- WU17 Team Pursuit will now consist of 4 riders who will ride over a distance of 3km
Elite and U19 Omniums – an increase to 4 riders per Centre

Entry Fees

- U17, U15 - Individual Entries - \$20
- U17, U15 - Team Entries - \$20 per rider
- Masters Riders – Individual Entries - \$25
- Masters Riders – Team Entries - \$25 per rider
- Omnium Riders - \$100 per rider

Entry Limits:

U17 Boys

Sprint - Unlimited

Scratch - 6

Points - 4

500m TT – 4 Refer above

Individual Pursuit – 3 “ “

Team Sprint - 2 + Pool

Team Pursuit - 2 + Pool

U17 Girls

Sprint - Unlimited

Scratch - 6

Points - 4

500m TT – 4 Refer above

Individual Pursuit – 3 “ “

Team Sprint - 2 + Pool

Team Pursuit - 2 + Pool

U15 Boys & Girls

All events - 4

Masters Men & Women

All events - 6

Elite & U19 Men & Women

Omnium - 4

MU17 500m Time Trial qualifying time is 37.5 seconds

WU17 500m Time Trial qualifying time is 41 seconds

MU17 Individual Pursuit qualifying time is 2 minutes 32 seconds

WU17 Individual Pursuit qualifying time is 2 minutes 53.6 seconds

Enquires

For assistance or entry enquiries please contact Gina at BikeNZ at Gina.Benge@bikenz.org.nz or Melissa at Cycling Southland at office@cyclingsouth.org.nz

Admission Charges for Spectators

Season tickets admit to all Age Group & Omnium Championship sessions at a cost of \$40 per adult or \$20 per student, children under 12 free. Evening sessions are \$10 per adult, \$5 per student, children under 12 free. Morning sessions are \$5 at the door, with students free. Official programmes will be on sale at the Championships.