2026-27

Victorian Interschools Cycling Series (VICS)

Series Guide

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1. OVERVIEW

This Victorian Interschools Cycling Series (VICS) is racing, just like you can see on TV, but in a more relaxed environment. Riders of all abilities are encouraged to participate, with graded racing to ensure fair, fun and exciting racing for all.

The VICS has been running for over a decade and schools and riders continue to support the Series as it improves health and fitness, skills and tactics, and develops confidence and teamwork.

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

The Victorian Team at AusCycling, host clubs, supporting schools and volunteers look forward to another successful Series of VICS and encouraging more young people to experience the joy and challenge of racing!

2. ROUNDS

- Round 1: Tuesday 13 October 2026, ITT - Sandown (Carnegie Caulfield Cycling Club)
- Round 2: Saturday 24 October 2026, Crit - The Teardrop, Yarra Boulevard (Hawthorn Cycling Club)
- Round 3: Saturday 14 November 2026, Crit - Casey Fields (Blackburn Cycling Club)
- Round 4: Saturday 21 November 2026, Crit – Hoppers Crossing (Footscray Cycling Club)
- Round 5: Saturday 06 February 2027, Crit – Victoria Park, Ballarat (Ballarat Sebastopol Cycling Club)
- Round 6: Saturday 20 February 2027, Crit - The Teardrop, Yarra Boulevard (Hawthorn Cycling Club)
- Round 7: Saturday 27 February 2027, Crit - Belmont (Geelong Cycling Club)
- Round 8: Saturday 20 March 2027, TTT - Casey Fields (Blackburn Cycling Club)

The full series schedule & venue information will be available at the AusCycling and EntryBoss website.

3. SERIES POINTS

Points are awarded to all finishers in each category AND grade, and every rider receives points towards their school for the following placings:

Points System for 2026-27					
Placing	**D Grade**	**C Grade**	**B Grade**	**A Grade**	**Team TT**
1	100	200	300	400	300
2	80	180	280	380	280
3	60	160	260	360	260
4	50	150	250	350	250
5	45	145	245	345	245
6	40	140	240	340	240
7	35	135	235	335	235
8	30	130	230	330	230
9	27	127	227	327	227
10	24	124	224	324	224
11	21	121	221	321	221
12	18	118	218	318	218
13	15	115	215	315	215
14	12	112	212	312	212
15	9	109	209	309	209
16+	**6**	**106**	**206**	**306**	**206**

Points are accumulated throughout the series. Points are allocated to individuals for a maximum of 6 events (Best of 6 out of 8 races) Example – If a rider participates in all 8 races, His/her best points in 6 out of their 8 races will be counted. Riders can miss two events without penalty.

Note: There are different points allocated for the team time trial, which will be detailed on the results for this event.
Results from all 8 rounds count towards the school points.

There may be point adjustments if riders move grades throughout the series. At the conclusion of the series, the winners will be announced for overall School, age group and class

EVENT CATEGORIES

The Event Categories that must be conducted within the series, are as listed below:

Category	Class	Year of Birth
Juniors ABCD	Male/Female	Born on OR After 1st July 2012
Seniors ABCD	Male/Female	Born before 1st July 2012

Each category will be allocated to grades – A to D – for both Juniors and Seniors following the Round 1 Individual Time Trial. This will ensure fair and fun racing.

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

4. ENTRY CONDITIONS

Entry for each Series event will be via EntryBoss. Please refer to the specific event entry portal for specifics on Fees, Entries closure dates & scratchings.

There are bulk entries for schools to be completed by the designated school coordinator i.e. coach or teacher > 2026-27 VICS Event Registration Form School EntriesWEB.xlsx (sharepoint.com) This needs to be completed for each round and provide to vic.info@auscycling.org.au for rest of the rounds prior to Entry Boss closing date.

It is the rider/rider's guardian's responsibility to ensure that their entry is correct.

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, to obtain a refund, riders must submit a medical certificate to vic.info@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.

5. MEMBERSHIP

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

Participants who are not AusCycling members can participate in the Schools Series under the Mass Participation event coverage. If participants wish to participate in other cycling events, they can choose the membership option that best suits their riding.

Participants wishing to race in **Club or Inter-Club (Bronze level) events** can take out **Club Membership** with AusCycling.

Participants wishing to race in **State-level events and above** will require an **AusCycling Race Membership**.

There are a number of closed-circuit criteriums throughout summer (October to March) that cater for juniors participating in the VICS, including Hawthorn Crits on Wednesdays, Coburg Cycling Club Crits on Saturdays at National Boulevard, Campbellfield, and Carnegie Caulfield Cycling Club criteriums at Glenvale on Sundays. Membership requirements may vary depending on the level of competition. Event information is available on EntryBoss.

For more information about AusCycling membership options, visit **Find Your Perfect Ride | Become a Member | AusCycling**.

6. RACE INFORMATION

There are a number of different formats that will constitute races throughout the series:

- Individual Time Trial
- Criterium
- Team Time Trial

Find out more about each discipline here > Road | Our Disciplines | AusCycling | AusCycling

Distances and timing will vary dependent upon the event, in line with AusCycling policies.

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.

Results will be provided via https://results.auscycling.org.au/Road/2026/VICS2026/

Racers must have a suitable 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 AWARDS & PRIZING

The following awards will be provided for all categories:

Prize	Placing
Club Prizing	1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place
Series Prizing – Medals	1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place
Schools Aggregate - Trophy	Best Combined/Overall School (Simon Gerrans Perpetual Trophy) Best Female School (Grace Brown Perpetual Trophy) Best Male School

Presentations will occur as per the published round schedule.

8.EQUIPMENT

Regulations surrounding the suitability of equipment will be in accordance with current AusCycling Technical Regulations with the following exceptions/clarifications:

- Roll out distances (junior gear restrictions) are NOT enforced at VICS events.
- Only UCI or AusCycling approved standard road bicycles for all events [No TT specific bicycles for either ITT or TTT events]
- TT clip on bars will be not be permitted for ITT and TTT events.
- Carbon wheels will be accepted at a maximum rim depth of 45mm for all events
- All helmets must be Australian Standards compliant
- Please see AusCycling Technical Regulations for Road and Track

Under the AusCycling Technical Regulations, junior riders normally adhere to a maximum gear size during racing events. While the roll-out gear restrictions will not be enforced in the Victorian Interschool Cycling Series, the following ratios are strongly recommended: J11/13 - 5.5m, J15 - 7.0m, J17 - 7.0m, J19 - 7.930m.

8.1 HELMETS

A securely fitted approved helmet must be always worn 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.

8.2 RACE NUMBER & TRANSPONDER

- Race numbers need to be worn on the left and right rib cage and must always be clearly visible.
- Please ask at registration if unsure. Riders who fail to wear their numbers correctly may not be listed correctly in the results.
- It is the riders' responsibility to return their transponder after they finish/abandon the race. Transponders that are not returned at the event conclusion need to be posted asap to: AUSCYCLING, 281 DAREBIN RD, THORNBURY, 3071, VIC. Late return fees may apply

9. OTHER INFORMATION

- All rounds are conducted on closed road circuits.
- All rounds will have an external first aid medical services on site.
- All attendees of the VICS 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.
- All events will be conducted in accordance with the AusCycling Technical Regulations:
    a. General
    b. Road
    c. Child Safe

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