

2026 Mountain Bike XCO State Series Guide

**New South Wales & Australian Capital
Territory**



Introduction

The 2026 AusCycling State Mountain Bike Cross Country Series – NSW/ACT is a competition which includes State level MTB Cross Country events which occur throughout the year. The Series is designed to encourage participation and recognise individual rider and club achievement. The series and championship events also provides an important pathway to National level events and National Team representation.

Series Rounds

Round 1 | 31st May | Nowra | South Coast United Mountain Bikers
Round 2 | 21st June | Wingello - Southern Highlands | Highlands Trails
Round 3 | 5th July | Yarramundi | Western Sydney Mountain Bike Club
Round 4 | 2nd August | Awaba | Hunter Mountain Bike Association
Round 5 | 10th August | Tamworth MTB Park | Tamworth Mountain Bikers
Round 6 | 17th/18th October | NSW XCO Championships | Pomingalarna | Mountain Bike Wagga
Round 7 | 31st/1st November | ACT XCO Championships & Series/Finals | Majura Pines | CORC

Series Qualification

Either a Full Race License or Off-Road license is required to be eligible for Series Points. Day licences holders are not permitted to start these events.

Race Categories

The Series categories are open to riders of the categories U13, J15, J17, J19, U23, Elite and Masters (age based on a riders age as at the 31 December 2025). The Series will recognise categories on UCI age categories as outlined in the table below.

Please Note: Individual event organisers may choose to include U9 and or U11 races at these events. In accordance with the AusCycling junior policy series points for these two participation categories will not be collated or awarded at the final event of the year. AusCycling Junior policy can be found here:

[auscycling-junior-policy.pdf](#)



Series Points

The points for the Series will be awarded based on the finishing place at each event in accordance with the following table:

Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
1st	80	11th	20	21st	10	31st	4	41st	2
2nd	65	12th	19	22nd	9	32nd	4	42nd	2
3rd	55	13th	18	23rd	8	33rd	4	43rd	2
4th	48	14th	17	24th	7	34th	4	44th	2
5th	43	15th	16	25th	6	35th	4	45th	1
6th	38	16th	15	26th	5	36th	3	46th	1
7th	33	17th	14	27th	5	37th	3	47th	1
8th	29	18th	13	28th	5	38th	3	48th	1
9th	25	19th	12	29th	5	39th	3	49th	1
10th	22	20th	11	30th	5	40th	3	50th	1

**Riders who are a DNF/Crash are given the lowest number of points*

SERIES POINTS CALCULATION

Series points will be calculated by adding the total points for individual races.

Riding Up

Riding up is not permitted in these series events for all Junior age categories.

Combined Categories

In the scenario where categories have been combined at an event (for whatever reason), points will be awarded separately.



Tie Break

Should any riders finish on the same number of points at the end of the series, the tie will be broken by way of countback as follows:

- The number of 1st places achieved.
- The number of 2nd places achieved.
- The number of 3rd places achieved.
- The higher placed rider at the ACT Championships/Series Finals

Should the tie remain after the countback, the riders will receive the same placing in the Series.

Call Up

Riders will be called to the start line at the first race of the series based on,

1. World Champion
2. Australian Champion in the respective age category
3. Top 10 of final finishing order from the NSW/ACT 2025 series rankings
4. Remaining competitors

Subsequent call ups will be based on,

1. Current series rankings top 10
2. World Champion
3. Remaining competitors

Please Note: 'Elite' riders in Women's & Men's Elite categories who haven't raced in previous rounds may be seeded and called up at the discretion of AusCycling independently from series points for safety reason.

Riders need to be ready for call-ups at least 10 minutes before their start time. Riders who turn up late will lose their call-up position.

Series Awards

To be eligible for series awards riders must have entered for a minimum of three events.

Final places in the NSW/ACT MTB Cross Country Series will be awarded as follows:

*Awards will be presented at the 2026 ACT MTB Cross Country Territory Championships/Series Finals



Prize	Placing
Medals	1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place (Final Placings only)

Event Awards

Specific event awards may be provided by and set by the event host.

Winning Club Trophy - New

For 2026 AusCycling and the host clubs have introduced a new perpetual trophy to reward club member participation and results.

Each club will be awarded 1. point towards their club. Further points will be awarded to the riders club based on the top 4 finishing results in each category.

1st Place – 5 points

2nd Place – 3 points

3rd Place – 2 points

4th Place – 1 point

At the final event of the year the winning club will be presented with the NSW/ACT Mountain Bike Cross Country winner's trophy.

Other Information

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

1. [2026-auscycling-general-technical-regulations.pdf](#)
2. [2026-auscycling-mtb-technical-regulations-v2.pdf](#)