



Hawkesbury Triathlon Club Race Policy

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Rationale

Club triathlon and duathlon races are conducted on a monthly basis as scheduled (usually the last Sunday of the month) and are based at Deerubbun Park Windsor.

Club races are held for the benefit of Hawkesbury Triathlon Club (HTC) members, with members of Triathlon NSW (TRINSW) affiliated clubs also invited to participate.

Club Races are sanctioned as such by TRINSW in accordance with Triathlon Australia (TA) National Sanctioning Policy.

Training rides are held each Saturday morning as posted on the club website. These are training events only. Participants are encouraged to be members of HTC, but as these are training events non-club members are eligible to participate, providing them with an introduction to the sport of triathlon and the HTC.

The club and all participants owe a duty of care to all race participants and the public.

Aim

To provide the opportunity for financial members of HTC and financial affiliated TRINSW club members to race and train in a safe and supportive environment in the spirit of friendly competition. Club races emphasise participation and the achievement of individual personal best. Participation by non-Hawkesbury Triathlon Members is by invitation.

Administration

1. Public Liability and Personal Insurance Cover

- i) HTC will take out the appropriate public liability insurance through TRINSW which covers the public liability of the race organisers and club committee only.
- ii) All HTC members and participants in club races are encouraged to be members of TRINSW & hence Triathlon Australia. These participants are then covered for personal injury and public liability as defined in the appropriate policies.
- iii) Where race participants are not members of TriNSW they must purchase a one-day race licence, currently at a cost of \$3.00. Participants will not be able to participate who decline to race without adequate insurance.

Club Triathlons and Duathlons

2. Race Rules

- i) All participants are to abide by the Race Rules and appropriate By Laws as determined by TA.
- ii) Participants are also to abide by all road and traffic rules and all local rules as may be required by local council.
- iii) Race participants who are members of HTC will have signed the participant's agreement as part of their club membership. Non HTC race participants will be required to sign the participant's agreement in accordance with the TA National Sanctioning Document.

3. Eligibility

Club Triathlon and Duathlon Participants are required to be financial members of HTC or a financial member of a club affiliated with TRINSW. Non-club members are eligible to participate in two races in the initial season with the club, but will be required to join Hawkesbury Triathlon Club, or a TRINSW affiliated club, to be eligible to participate in subsequent races. Participation by non-Hawkesbury Triathlon Members is by invitation. Participants are bound by Triathlon Australia Race Rules and Triathlon Australia Member Protection By-Law. Where breaches occur a person may be excluded from competing or participating in any activity conducted by the club. The participation of a person in a club race shall be at the discretion of the Race Director and that decision shall be final.

4. Race Organisation

i) Club races shall be conducted in accordance with the sanctioning guidelines as stipulated by TRINSW and the Special Event requirements as determined by Hawkesbury City Council where relevant.

ii) HTC will appoint a Race Director who has responsibility for the safe conduct of the club race.

iii) Participants will be briefed before a club race regarding the nature of the race as well as the conditions by which they are required to participate. The briefing will cover areas such as:

- a Normal road and aquatic rules apply during the race.
- b A general description of the course and any hazards which may jeopardise the well-being of participants.
- c Describe the location of all marshalls on the course.
- d Describe the location of all drink and first aid stations on the course.
- e Advise participants that, if they breach any road or aquatic rules, then they may be penalised by the Club, as well as the Police, etc.
- f Advise participants that they are responsible for their own safety and well-being during the race and that they should withdraw from the race if they don't feel well.
- g That all participants adhere to the RCR (Race Competitions Rules).

iv) A map of the course and the above notice will be available for participants to peruse prior to the commencement of the race.

v) The above conditions will be issued in writing to all Club members when joining the Club and published in the club newsletter issued to Club members.

vi) In the case of minors (under 18 years), the Club will advise the parents or guardians of Club Race rules.

vii) All marshalls will wear a bright vest provided by the Club to assist in warning competitors and the public.

viii) A medical kit will be located at the race venue to enable people to administer first aid.

ix) Mobile phones or walkie talkers will be carried by key marshalls so they can communicate with emergency services (000) and the transition area.

5. Club Triathlon & Duathlon Race Awards

Club Champion

The Club Champion Award is determined on a handicap basis, with points awarded for places 1-5, for participation and for achieving a PB within a race season. Participants who choose the option of a short course race (i.e. half the designated distance) receive race entry points and are eligible for PB points. Other participants receive race entry points only. To be eligible for an award all participants are required to marshall at least once in a season, which attracts points towards the award. (Refer to the club Race Marshalling Policy)

Club Athlete

The Club Athlete Award is determined on a first across the line basis, with points awarded for places 1-3. To be eligible for an award all participants are required to marshall at least once in a season. (Refer to the club Race Marshalling Policy)

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