

GENERAL INFORMATION

Cambridge is situated in the heart of rural Waikato, near the centre of the North Island of New Zealand. With a long-standing history of thoroughbred horse racing and high-performance sport, Cambridge boasts the unofficial title of 'Home of Champions'. Cambridge is also fast becoming New Zealand's 'Cycling Central'. It offers the best of track cycling at the Grassroots Trust Velodrome, and a network of top road cycle trails, including the [Te Awa Cycleway](#).

SUPPORTING PARTNERS

A huge thanks to our naming rights sponsor, APL, for their immense support of this event, without which, an international event of this calibre wouldn't be possible.

OFFICIAL SITE OF THE COMPETITION

Grassroots Trust Velodrome

Address: 15 Hanlin Road, Cambridge, 3283, Waikato, New Zealand

Website: www.velodrome.nz

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE TRACK

The Velodrome was opened in February 2014. It is a UCI homologated 250m indoor track, made from Siberian Spruce. It is 7m wide, 43.6 degree banking in the corners, and 13.5 degrees in the straights.

The velodrome has hosted 3 UCI World Cup rounds (December 2015; January 2019, December 2019), as well as the World Masters Games in April 2017; and the Oceania Continental Championships in 2018. The velodrome is equipped with Tissot start gates and lap boards on both straights and a Swiss Timing electronic timing system.

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The New Zealand Grand Prix is organised and hosted by the Grassroots Trust Velodrome

Event director - Craig Rodger

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HOW TO GET TO THE VENUE

Major International airport: Auckland airport - <https://www.aucklandairport.co.nz/>
130km / ~1hour 40min from Cambridge (traffic dependent)

Closest domestic airport: Hamilton airport - <https://www.hamiltonairport.co.nz/>
15km / ~15 min from Cambridge

The organising committee will be available to assist with transfers from Auckland Airport to Cambridge for international athletes.

ACCOMMODATION

The organising committee will make every attempt to provide accommodation for international competitors, please get in touch for more info.

For those travelling domestically for the competition, the organising committee recommends the Podium Lodge <https://www.podiumlodge.co.nz/>. Located less than 1km from the velodrome, an easy 5 min walk or 1 min car ride away; and 3km from Cambridge town centre. The Podium Lodge is an 'Olympic Village' inspired design. With sports teams, school groups, families and independent and business travellers in mind, we have created an affordable and social lodge; one that thrives on the love for our community.

ENTRIES

All riders, team managers and officials are required to hold a valid 2023 UCI License with their National Federation. International riders will be required to email their international insurance details. Where fields are full, priority will be given to international riders to ensure the event meets C2 eligibility criteria. Entry for domestic riders will be on a first come, first served basis. Fields are limited to 24 riders per event for endurance disciplines; 28 riders for Sprint and 28 riders for Keirin. Events must have minimum 3 participating nations to be eligible for C2 UCI points; and the following minimum field sizes apply: Sprint – 8 riders; Keirin – 10 riders; Bunch races – 12 riders; Madison – 8 teams.

SPECTATORS

The event is free for spectators and we would love to welcome as many spectators as possible! Parts of the infield will be open access for spectators, and there will be food trucks and entertainment.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditations will be available for pickup at the Grassroots Trust Velodrome during business hours in the week prior to the event, or at the confirmation of starters meeting.

TRAINING SESSIONS

Open training sessions will be scheduled for Friday 8 December – these can be booked through the velodrome website <https://www.velodrome.nz/track-bookings/> or by phoning the velodrome reception +64 07 823 1421. Contact the race director if you need assistance. Additional track time can be booked through the organisers, contact the event director for more info.

SPORT MEETINGS

Confirmation of starters: Friday 8 December 2:00 – 4:00pm in Velo 1 meeting room, level 2, Grassroots Trust Velodrome

Team Managers meeting and distribution of race numbers: Friday 8 December 2023, 6:00pm in Velo 1 meeting room, level 2, Grassroots Trust Velodrome

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Saturday 9 December – Morning Session:

Men's sprint qualifying
Women's elimination race
Men's sprint 1/8 finals
Women's keirin first round
Men's sprint ¼ finals – race 1
Women's keirin repechage
Para C1-5 Women 500m Time Trial final
Para C1-5 Men 1000m Time Trial final
Men's sprint ¼ finals – race 2
Women's elimination race – victory ceremony
Para-Cycling time trials – victory ceremony
Men's sprint ¼ finals – decider if necessary

Saturday 9 December – Evening Session:

Men's omnium scratch race
Men's sprint ½ finals – race 1
Women's keirin ½ finals
Men's sprint ½ finals – race 2
Men's omnium tempo race
Men's sprint ½ finals – decider if necessary
Women's madison final
Men's omnium elimination race
Women's keirin finals

Men's sprint finals – race 1

Women's madison – victory ceremony

Women's keirin – victory ceremony

Men's sprint finals – race 2

Men's omnium points race

Men's sprint finals – decider if necessary

Men's omnium – victory ceremony

Men's sprint – victory ceremony

Sunday 10 December – Morning Session:

Women's sprint qualifying

Men's elimination race

Women's sprint 1/8 finals

Men's keirin first round

Women's sprint ¼ finals – race 1

Men's keirin repechage

Para C1-5 Women 3000m Individual Pursuit qualifying

Para C1-3 Men 3000m Individual Pursuit qualifying

Para C4-5 Men 4000m Individual Pursuit qualifying

Women's sprint ¼ finals – race 2

Men's elimination race – victory ceremony

Women's sprint ¼ finals – decider if necessary

Sunday 10 December – Evening Session:

Women's omnium scratch race

Women's sprint ½ finals – race 1

Men's keirin ½ finals

Women's sprint ½ finals – race 2

Women's omnium tempo race

Women's sprint ½ finals – decider if necessary

Men's madison final

Women's omnium elimination race

Men's keirin finals

Women's sprint finals – race 1

Men's madison – victory ceremony

Men's keirin – victory ceremony

Women's sprint finals – race 2

Women's omnium points race

Women's sprint finals – decider if necessary

Para C1-5 Women 3000m Individual Pursuit final

Para C1-3 Men 3000m Individual Pursuit final

Para C4-5 Men 4000m Individual Pursuit final

Women's omnium – victory ceremony

Women's sprint – victory ceremony

Para-Cycling Individual Pursuit – victory ceremony

MEDIA

The event will be livestreamed. More details will be provided closer to the time.

Regular race updates will be posted on the Grassroots Trust Velodrome Social media channels.

Results and communiques will be posted on the event website: <https://www.velodrome.nz/results/>