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# Corporate Challenge 2025

**Information Pack**

# Corporate Challenge Race Information

The Corporate Challenge is an epic team-building experience combining track cycling, food trucks, music, spot prizes, and a kid's zone. Over the course of seven weeks, our relentless (and accredited) Coaches will, without a doubt, get you in the shape of your life for race day.

For those who haven't ridden the track before the Coaches will teach you all the necessary skills to transform you into a track cycling rock star. The regular riders amongst you will focus on pure speed and executing their plan to perfection.

Accreditation is built into this year's entry cost. Providing all the necessary skills are shown; our coaches will sign you off after seven weeks of training. This will enable you to jump into all our regular velodrome sessions that we have to offer outside of the Velo Corporate Challenge!

Attached is the full information pack with everything you need to know about the 2025 Corporate Challenge (CC) Event.

For all up to date information regarding the 2025 CC event visit our website <https://www.velodrome.nz/corporate-challenge-2025/>

For further enquiries please contact: [mya.anderson@velodrome.nz](mailto:mya.anderson@velodrome.nz)

## 2025 Series Dates

**Entries open:** 28th of February 2025. \*Early bird pricing until 11:59pm on the 17<sup>th</sup> of March. Standard entry fee applies thereafter.

**Entries Close:** 11:59pm 6th of April

**Team Price:** \$1000 Early Bird, \$1250 Late entries.

**Trainings Start:** 27<sup>th</sup> of April (6 weeks of training)

**Race Day:** 7<sup>th</sup> of June

**Entry Link** <https://www.velodrome.nz/corporate-challenge-2025/>

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## Event Composition and Training

### ITALIAN PURSUIT - 1km

Best suited to riders who have never ridden the track before or don't regularly ride on the velodrome. Teams of 4 or 5 riders (4 riders in each race, completing one lap each).

An Italian Pursuit is a 1km team race where each team drops a rider at the completion of each lap until only one rider per team is left to race in the final lap. The winner is the team with the fastest time.

This provides the opportunity for novices to ride anywhere from 1 to 4 laps with their team, depending on the start order and your Grassroots Trust Velodrome Coach will guide you through this process and the necessary skills to participate. It really is a race anyone can do.

Grassroots Trust Velodrome bikes and helmets are included in the entry fee and riders are encouraged to make use of these. The minimum number of riders required per team is four.

### Italian Pursuit Categories

- ITALIAN PURSUIT MIXED  
Each team is composed of four or five members, both male and female; four riders will be engaged in the race. Riders may be substituted to ensure everyone has the opportunity to participate on race day. Each race must also have a woman in the racing team.
- ITALIAN PURSUIT MEN'S  
Each team is composed of four or five members; four riders will be engaged in the race. Riders may be substituted to ensure everyone has the opportunity to participate on race day.
- ITALIAN PURSUIT WOMEN'S\*  
Each team is composed of four or five members; four riders will be engaged in the race. Riders may be substituted to ensure everyone has the opportunity to participate on race day. \*Subject to a minimum of four teams entered.

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## TEAM PURSUIT - 2km

This is a great event for riders who are more experienced and are looking to take on a greater challenge. Teams of 4 or 5 (4 riders in each race competing together to complete the 2km distance). Teams must finish with at least 3 riders and the time will be taken from the 3<sup>rd</sup> rider across the line.

Unlike the Italian Pursuit, the Team pursuit is considered an endurance event. Riders work together lapping on and off to ride the distance as fast as possible. To ensure riders keep a high speed and conserve energy, they change position every lap or half lap. To do this the rider on the front moves up the track on the bends and joins the back of the team. The time of the third rider across the line is taken as the finishing time. Teams must finish the race with three riders but may start with four.

## Team Pursuit Categories

- TEAM PURSUIT MIXED  
Each team is composed of 4 or 5 members, both male and female. Each team must comprise at least one female. Each race must also have a woman in the racing team. Three riders must finish the race together.
- TEAM PURSUIT MEN'S  
Each team is composed of 4 or 5 members with three riders having to complete the race together.
- TEAM PURSUIT WOMEN'S\*  
Each team is composed of 4 or 5 members with three riders having to complete the race together. \*Subject to a minimum of four teams entered.

## Equipment and Gearing Reminder

If you have your own bike, you are welcome to use it for training and race day. The bike must have standard spoked wheels this may include carbon deep section spoked wheels (no disc or 5 spoke wheels). **Gearing for the Team pursuit is 90" (50x15) and 81" (48x16) for the Italian Pursuit.** Grassroots Trust Velodrome bikes and helmets are included in the entry fee and riders are encouraged to make use of these.

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Eligible Riders

Each team member must be employed by (or be a member of) the company, organisation, or club that they are representing. As such they should be able to show proof of employment (or membership) on request.

Riders must also complete a minimum of 4 training sessions to be able to race, and have gained their accreditation

### Awards

The awards ceremony will be at the conclusion of racing on race day. All team members in the top three teams in each division will receive medals.

### Team Supporters

Race Day is the perfect time to show your team spirit and get behind your riders! We've got spot prizes for the best dressed and loudest supporters so go wild! Spectator entry is free so the more the merrier! We've also got food trucks and a kid's zone - there's something for everyone.

### Corporate Branding

Each corporate team is invited to display a free-standing company banner in their pit area in the infield on race day. Make sure you get your supporters some signs to hold up!

### Team Entry Costs

Early bird pricing: \$1000.00 per team

Standard pricing: \$1250.00 per team

Your entry fee includes:

- 6 weeks of training with our Grassroots trust Velodrome accredited coaches.
- Entry into the final of the 2025 Corporate Challenge
- Completed accreditation for each rider (worth \$100)
- Velodrome bike and helmet hire

Payment is required when entering the event and you are only confirmed in the competition once payment is complete. Invoices will be sent to team captains after entries have closed. Your invoice must be paid in full before Wednesday 23rd of April 2025.

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## Training Times Information

As part of your registration, you will be asked to indicate your preferred Team training time. We will do our very best to accommodate all requests.

## Communication

All Communication will be via your Team Captains email address

## Cancellation and Team Changes

Person-to-person transfers can be made between teams if the new team member is able to complete a minimum of 4 training sessions. All changes must be made in writing to [mya.anderson@velodrome.nz](mailto:mya.anderson@velodrome.nz) with the new rider's registration form attached.

## Team Withdrawals

- Team withdrawals before entries close (6<sup>th</sup> April) are entitled to a full refund.
- Withdrawals before Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May are entitled to a 50% refund less an admin fee of \$100.
- Team withdrawals after the 12<sup>th</sup> of May will not be eligible for a refund.

## To Enter

To enter your team into the 2025 Corporate Challenge Event please complete the entry form by 11:59pm 6th of April 2025. <https://www.velodrome.nz/corporate-challenge-2025/>

Please make sure you have ranked your preferred training days and times, and any previous experience on the track (if applicable). If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to email [mya.anderson@velodrome.nz](mailto:mya.anderson@velodrome.nz)

## More info/Contact

For more information, please keep an eye on our website [www.velodrome.nz](http://www.velodrome.nz) If you have any questions, please contact [mya.anderson@velodrome.nz](mailto:mya.anderson@velodrome.nz)