

# New Zealand Grand Prix & New Zealand International

## EVENT MANUAL

UCI Class 2 Event, 7-8 December 2025, Grassroots Trust Velodrome,  
Cambridge, New Zealand

## 1. WELCOME

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### **Nau mai, haere mai and welcome to Cambridge, New Zealand!**

On behalf of the Grassroots Trust Velodrome UCI Oceania Continental Satellite, it is my pleasure to warmly welcome you to this year's competition here in Cambridge.

We extend our sincere thanks to Cycling New Zealand for their support, to the dedicated event organisers, our hardworking officials and Commissaires, and the many volunteers who give their time so generously. Without their commitment, this event would not be possible.

To all riders, we wish you the very best of luck for a safe and successful competition. May you enjoy the exciting racing ahead, create lasting memories, and take pride in representing your teams and nations on this stage.

## 2. KEY CONTACTS

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Event Director:	Craig Rodger
President of the Commissaires Panel:	Brendon Patterson
Commissaire's Secretary:	TBC
Timing and Results:	Sarah Mann

## 3. EVENT SUPPORTERS

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The event organisers would like to thank Cycling New Zealand for the valued and ongoing support. We also would like to thank all those volunteers and staff who put in countless hours and hard work to help make these events successful.

## 4. VENUE

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### **Grassroots Trust Velodrome**

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

**Website:** [www.velodrome.nz](http://www.velodrome.nz)

### **Characteristics of the track:**

The Grassroots Trust Velodrome 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.

### **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.

Parts of the infield will be open access for spectators, where there will be food trucks and seating available. Access to restricted parts of the infield will be via team accreditation only. 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.

The Velodrome will be open for competition access from 8am each morning

Date	Morning Session Start	Evening Session Start
Sunday 7 December	10.00am (track opens at 9.00am)	6.00pm (track opens at 5.00pm)
Monday 8 December	10.00am (track opens at 9.00am)	6.00pm (track opens at 5.00pm)

## 5. PARKING

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Free parking is available in the venue carparks. The venue accepts no liability for any damage to any vehicles parked in or otherwise using the car parking area.

## 6. HEALTH AND SAFETY

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The Grassroots Trust Velodrome is committed to running a professionally executed event which allows all participants (riders, sponsors, spectators, staff, officials, and volunteers) to have a positive experience, and compete under the best conditions possible, with safety being a priority throughout. If you have any concerns or identify any hazards, please contact the Event Director. The event has a comprehensive Health and Safety Plan in place which outlines procedures for different scenarios and identifies potential risks and hazards and strategies to minimize them. All participants are aware that they bare their own responsibility for any injury, accident or loss that may occur during their stay in New Zealand while participating in this event.

## 7. COVID-19 RESPONSE

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The event will comply with any Government imposed requirements that may exist at the time of the event. We will continue to monitor guidelines and update our event website as required.

### KEY REMINDERS

- Stay at home if you are sick.
- If you are told by health authorities to self-isolate, you must do so immediately.
- Stay at home if you are awaiting the results from being tested for COVID-19.
- Maintain good hygiene measures, including washing your hands regularly, cough or sneezing into your elbow.
- If you test positive for Covid-19 following your attendance at the event, please notify the Event Organiser immediately.
- Have a plan if you are required to isolate away from home.

## 8. RACE OFFICE / PERMANENCE

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The Race Office will be located in the infield next to the timing platform. Please see the event director with any questions. You can also email [craig.rodger@velodrome.nz](mailto:craig.rodger@velodrome.nz)

## 9. ELIGIBILITY

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All riders, team managers and officials are required to hold a valid 2025 UCI License with their National Federation. Participants should take out an appropriate insurance policy before leaving their home country, in order to protect themselves against any loss and indemnify themselves against any claims. 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.

## 10. RULES AND REGULATIONS

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Racing will be conducted under [UCI regulations](#). The UCI scale of penalties will apply. Bike and equipment checks will be made at random throughout the competition

## 11. COMPETITION PROGRAMME

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**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME** – updates will be posted to the event website, and a final version of the programme will be confirmed at the managers meeting after confirmation of starters.

### **Sunday 7 December – Morning Session:**

Sprint qualifying – men and women

Women's scratch race

Men's sprint 1/8 finals

Women's keirin first round

B Class 1000m TT

C1-C5 1000m TT

Men's Points race

Men's sprint ¼ finals – race 1

Women's keirin repechage

Women's Points race

Men's Elimination race

Women's Scratch and Points race – victory ceremony

Men's Points and Elimination race – victory ceremony

Para-Cycling time trials – victory ceremony

Men's sprint ¼ finals – race 2

Women's Keirin ½ final

Women's Madison

Men's Sprint Semi-Final – race 1

Women keirin final

Women's Keirin – victory ceremony

Men's Madison race – victory ceremony

## Sunday 7 December – Evening Session:

Women's Team Sprint  
 C1-C3 Individual Pursuit  
 C4-C5 Individual Pursuit  
 Men's scratch race  
 Women's Team Sprint – Semi final  
 Women's Elimination race  
 Men's Sprint Finals – race 1  
 Women's Elimination race – victory ceremony  
 Men's Scratch race – victory ceremony  
 Para-Cycling Individual Pursuits – victory ceremony  
 Women's Team Sprint final  
 Men's sprint finals – race 2  
 Men's Madison race  
 Men's Sprint and Madison – victory ceremony  
 Women's Team Sprint – victory ceremony

## Sunday 10 December – Morning Session:

Women's scratch race  
 Sprint Qualifying Para  
 Men's Keirin 1/8 finals  
 Men's Points race  
 Women's Sprint ¼ round  
 B Class Sprint – race 1  
 C1-C5 Sprint – race 1  
 Men's Keirin race  
 Women's Points race  
 Men's Elimination race  
 Women's Scratch and Points race – victory ceremony  
 Men's Points and Elimination race – victory ceremony  
 B Class Sprint – race 2  
 C1-C5 Sprint – race 2  
 Men's Keirin ½ final  
 Women's Sprint Semi-Final – race 1  
 Men keirin final  
 Women's Madison  
 Women's Keirin and Madison – victory ceremony

## Sunday 10 December – Evening Session:

Men's Team Sprint heats  
 Women's sprint semi-finals – race 2  
 B Class Sprint Final  
 C1-C5 Sprint Final  
 Men's Scratch  
 Men's Team Sprint Semi finals  
 Women's elimination race  
 Women's sprint finals – race 1  
 Men's Scratch – victory ceremony  
 Women's Elimination – victory ceremony  
 Para's Sprint – victory ceremony  
 Men's Team Sprint – Final  
 Women's sprint finals – race 2  
 Men's Madison race  
 Men Team Sprint and Madison - victory ceremony/ Women's Sprint – victory ceremony

## 12. TEAM PITS

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Designated pit areas have been allocated in the infield for each team. Chairs are included in each pit. Please do not uplift furniture or equipment from other team pits. Bike Racks are available to be shared by all teams.

Please ensure the walkways are kept free of equipment to allow un-impeded access at all times.

## 13. TEAM MANAGER'S MEETING AND CONFIRMATION OF STARTERS

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**Confirmation of starters and distribution of race numbers:** Saturday 6th December 2.30pm- 3.30pm in Velo 1 meeting room, level 2, Grassroots Trust Velodrome

**Team Managers meeting:** Saturday 6th December 2025, 3.30pm in Velo 1 meeting room, level 2, Grassroots Trust Velodrome

Attendance at the Team Managers meeting is compulsory and a representative from each club/team will be required to sign in.

## 14. TRAINING

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Open training sessions will be available throughout the day on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December in blocks. A track limit of 24 riders per session will be imposed, and athletes will be able to book into the sessions on a first come, first served basis. Track time is available to be booked on other days, contact the Event Director for details.

## 15. WARMUP SESSION TIMES

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The track will be open for warmup 60 mins prior to racing starting each session. The warmup session will be 50 mins. A commissaire will blow a whistle 10 mins prior to racing starting to signal to riders to exit the track.

## 16. WITHDRAWALS AND CHANGES

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All Changes must be completed on the change request form (see last page of this document) and submitted to the Commissaires Secretary. Additional change forms will be available at the Team Manager's Meeting. Where applicable, a medical certificate should accompany the form.

## 17. MEDICAL

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Medics will be onsite during all training and racing on competition days.

In addition, the following medical centres are located nearby if medical assistance is required while not at the event:

**Cambridge Family Health Medical Centre (weekdays only)**

1913 Cambridge Road, Cambridge  
(07) 827 4234

**Anglesea Clinic Urgent Care (open 24/7)**

3 Thackeray Street, Hamilton  
(07) 858 0800

**Waikato Hospital**

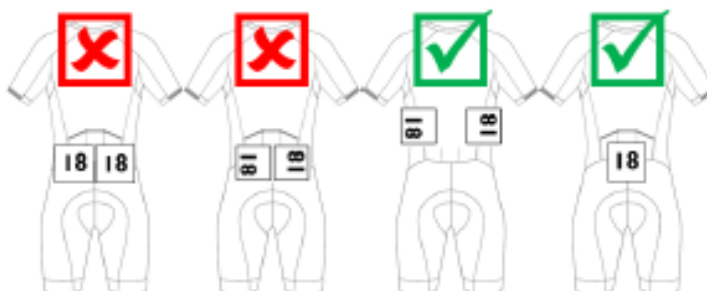
3 Selwyn Street  
(07) 839 8899

**In an Emergency call 111**

**18. RACE NUMBERS**

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Two numbers must be worn for all events, except Para-Cycling Time Trials and Individual Pursuits, where one number in the centre lower back is acceptable. The diagram below shows correct number placement:

**19. MEDAL CEREMONY PROTOCOL**

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The top 3 placed riders in each event must be ready for the award ceremony at the designated times in the competition schedule. Riders should appear on the podium in their racing attire and should leave their medals on until they have left the podium.

**20. SOCIAL MEDIA**

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Regular updates will be posted to the velodrome social media channels throughout the event:

Event Facebook	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/grassrootstrustvelodrome/">https://www.facebook.com/grassrootstrustvelodrome/</a>
Instagram	<a href="https://www.instagram.com/grassrootstrustarena/">https://www.instagram.com/grassrootstrustarena/</a>
Website	<a href="https://www.velodrome.nz/">https://www.velodrome.nz/</a>
Event Hashtag	#grassrootstrustvelodrome #UCI #cyclingnewzealand #NZGrandPrix #NZInternational

**21. SPECTATORS**

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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.

**22. INFIELD GYM**

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The infield is a public gym and will be open to public during competition. The use of the infield gym by cyclists is strictly out of limits unless you are a Grassroots Trust Velo gym member.

# Change Request Form

Team:

Date & Time:

Rider(s) No.	Rider(s) Name	Event Name & No.	Request: E.g. Scratching, addition, reserve, team confirmation etc.	Office Use Only

Team:

Date & Time:

Rider(s) No.	Rider(s) Name	Event Name & No.	Request: E.g. Scratching, addition, reserve, team confirmation etc.	Office Use Only

Team:

Date & Time:

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