

Port Adelaide Cycling Club Pedla CrossFire Cup 2023 Series Guide

Acknowledgement of Country

Port Adelaide Cycling Club acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains and pays respect to Elders past and present and recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.

A Kurna translation: Port Adelaide Cycling Club tampinhi, ngadlu Kurna yartangka panpapanpalyarninhi (inparrinhi). Kurna miyurna yaiya mathanya Wama Tarntanyaku. Parnaku yailtya, parnaku tapa purruna, parnaku yarta ngadlu tampinhi. Yalaka Kurna miyurna itu yailtya, tapa purruna, yarta kuma puru martinhi, puru warri-apinhi, puru tangka martulayinhi.



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1. Introduction

Port Adelaide Cycling Club has been hosting cyclo-cross events since 2010 with the CrossFire Cup being on the calendar since 2013.

We have hosted National Championships and rounds of the National Cyclo-Cross Series since it first commenced in 2013.

CrossFire Cup is welcoming of riders of all ages and abilities and we will find a category for you! Events are very family friendly, with racing on offer for riders on any bike.

CrossFire Cup is supported by a number of skills sessions during the winter months. Juniors who have taken part in the Junior Dirt Skills Program are able to hone their skills on race day.

We are fortunate to have such spaces available to us and ask you to appreciate our location – please keep the parks tidy and respect the native areas. Warm up on the nearby access roads, use paths and keep off the lawn and native replanted areas. Take your rubbish home with you.

2. Calendar

The following rounds will make up the 2023 CrossFire Cup. Locations will be included as they are confirmed. Locations will be published on our website, EntryBoss and social media closer to race day to ensure parklands are maintained in good condition.

Round	Date
Round 1	7 May 2023
Round 2	2 July 2023
Round 3	23 July 2023
Round 4	27 August 2023

These dates compliment the National Cyclo-Cross Series and State Championships which are not covered in this document:

Event	Date
National Cylo-Cross Series Rounds 3 and 4	3 & 4 June 2023
2023 SA Cyclo-Cross State Championships	17 August 2023

3. Regulations

The CrossFire Cup will be held according to the [UCI Cyclo-Cross Regulations](#) and the [AusCycling Technical Regulations: Cyclo-Cross](#).



4. Series Structure

The CrossFire Cup is contested over a number of events where points are allocated to riders based on their finishing position.

All races are counted towards a rider's point score.

The overall winner in each category at the conclusion of Round 4 will be declared the series winner of that category.

If at the end of the series, riders are of equal points, the rider with the highest points allocated in the most recent event will be declared the winner.

Riders who are re-graded during the series will carry 50% of their points allocation to the new category.

5. Teams Classification

Teams will consist of three riders across any CX grade. Teams nominations must be made before the start of Round 1 of the CrossFire Cup.

Team points will be the sum of the team members' points at the conclusion of each round. The team with the most points at the conclusion of the CrossFire Cup (Round 4) will be declared the winner.

If, at the end of the series, teams are of equal points, the team with the highest points allocated in the most recent event will be declared the winner.

6. Series Points

Points will be allocated in each series category as per below

Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
1	100	11	59	21	35	31	20	41	10
2	95	12	56	22	33	32	19	42	9
3	90	13	53	23	31	33	18	43	8
4	85	14	50	24	29	34	17	44	7
5	80	15	47	25	27	35	16	45	6
6	76	16	45	26	25	36	15	46	5
7	72	17	43	27	24	37	14	47	4
8	68	18	41	28	23	38	13	48	3
9	64	19	39	29	22	39	12	49	2
10	62	20	37	30	21	40	11	50+	1



7. Categories and Equipment Requirements

The following Categories will be contested at each round of the CrossFire Cup.

Notwithstanding the equipment restrictions noted below, all bicycles must be human powered, have at least one working brake (unicycles / strider bikes exempt) and bar ends must be capped.

Grade	Series	Eligibility / Equipment Restrictions
A Grade	Yes	Riders born in 2006 or earlier (U19, U23, Elite & Masters). Cyclo-cross bikes only. Max tyre width 33mm*
B and C Grade	Yes	Riders born in 2006 or earlier (U19, U23, Elite & Masters). Cyclo-cross bikes only. Max tyre width 35mm*
Chonklocross	No	Riders born in 2006 or earlier (U19, U23, Elite & Masters). Minimum tyre width greater than 38mm*. Drop bars only.
Open	No	Combined men and women. Riders born in 2006 or earlier (U19, U23, Elite & Masters). No equipment or bicycle restrictions – mountain bikes, uni-cycles.
J17 Men	No	Riders born in 2007 or 2008. Riders will race in a separate wave with C Grade Men. No bike restrictions.
J17 Women	No	Riders born in 2007 or 2008. Riders will race in a separate wave with C Grade Women. No bike restrictions.
Junior A and Junior B	No	Combined girls and boys. Riders born in 2011 or later (up to U15) will be graded based on ability. Riders will do a set number of laps of the course which may be modified based on on-the-day conditions. Riders are able to be assisted at barriers. No bike restrictions.
Little Crossers	No	A fun event for the youngest of riders who will ride on a modified short course. Riders may be accompanied by a support person on foot. Strider bike friendly.

8. Licence Requirements

All entrants (including Juniors and Little Crossers) must have a valid AusCycling Race All Discipline or Race Off-Road Membership.

4-week free trial memberships are available to anyone who has not held an AusCycling membership in the past 3 years.

International Riders must hold a current UCI international licence.



9. Grading

Refer to details in EntryBoss for grading advice.

Riders may be regraded during the series based on results.

Any rider who is regraded during the season will retain half of the series points to the next category.

Riders must check their category on the provisional start list which will be published in EntryBoss after entries have closed.

Any grading queries need to be emailed to committee@pacc.org.au no later than 5:00pm the day before the event

10. Entry and Scratching

Entries for all events will be taken via EntryBoss.

It is expected that entries will open 4 weeks prior to each event.

Early Bird pricing will be on offer for 2 weeks, with prices increasing at the end of that period.

Entries will close at 8:00pm on the Wednesday prior to each event.

Riders who fail to register online are able to enter the event on the day. Riders will pay a late entry fee of \$10 and MUST register at the sign-on tent no later than 45 minutes prior to your scheduled race start time.

Riders may self-scratch and obtain a full refund using EntryBoss at any time until entries close. A refund after the cut-off *may* be granted by emailing committee@pacc.org.au

All riders will be refunded entry fees if races are cancelled due to extreme weather or other reasons.

11. Race Day Schedule

Event times will be posted on EntryBoss. These times may change each round, so please check the listing prior to race day. An email confirming timing will be sent to all competitors prior to the event.

Note that categories may be combined if rider numbers are low. Where categories are combined, results will be generated separately for each grade with series points being awarded in the entered category.



12. Training on Course and Warm Up areas

Riders may warm up on course prior to Race 1 once it has been declared open for practice by the PCP. A short warm up session will be held during the day and will be open for riders to familiarise themselves with the course.

Riders are prohibited from warming up on course outside of any declared time or while a race is in progress. Riders must have signed on and have a race number visible during the warm-up sessions.

Any rider found to be warming up on course while another event is in progress will be disqualified and ineligible to compete in their event.

The courses on which we race are a valued community asset, so please keep to formed paths and paddock graded areas. Stay off mulched native vegetation plantings, playing fields and sports pitches. Penalties may be applied to riders who show negligence with respect to land on which a race is being conducted.

13. Rider Call-ups (Start Order)

Men's and Women's A, B and C Grade will be called up as outlined below:

Round 1:

- Final 2022 CrossFire Cup Series standings (top 20)
- Time of Entry

Subsequent rounds:

- 2023 CrossFire Cup Series standings (top 20)
- Time of Entry

All other categories of racing will be called up based on time of entry.

Unseeded riders competing in Men's and Women's A Grade and Men's B Grade may be called up at the discretion of the PCP independently from series points for safety reasons.

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

14. Race Numbers and Timing Tags

All riders will receive a NEW race number at their first CrossFire Cup race this season.

Race numbers are yours to keep for future rounds and other events hosted by Port Adelaide Cycling Club.

Both race numbers are to be worn and must be clearly visible at all times. They are to be affixed to rider jerseys at the back and (generally) on the left-hand flank.



If you lose your number, you may purchase another when you enter your next race on EntryBoss for \$10.

If you turn up to an event and forget your number, you will be charged an additional \$15 payable on the day.

All riders will use their PACC timing tag. If you have not been issued with one previously, you will receive one as you sign on for your first race.

Any rider who loses their tag can purchase another at when they enter the race on EntryBoss for \$6.

If you turn up at an event and forget your timing tag, you will be charged an additional \$10 payable on the day.

