

## EDWARDSTOWN TRACK

### *General Information*

**WARM UP** -Riders position on the track during warm up – faster riders, down the bottom of the track and slow riders at the top of the track

**NOVICE RIDERS** – to wear yellow high visible jacket

Volunteers are always welcome to help on and off the track – with jobs such as judging, lap scoring, bbq cook, sweeping the track – please see Ken or Catherine from South Coast Cycling if you are able to assist.

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**Scratch Race** -a mass start event, it is a race in which riders start from scratch (on equal terms) and all riders cover the same distance. Scratch races can be over various distances with the winner being the first rider to cross the finish line at the end of the distance.

**Points Race** - is a mass start event, points are awarded to the top placing riders in a series of sprints contested at various intervals during the race on designated laps. The race distance varies from 5 km to 40 km depending on the competition and age group. Sprint laps are indicated by a whistle being blown on the proceeding lap. The winner of a Points race is not necessarily the first to cross the finish line, but rather the rider who has accumulated the most points during the race.

**Handicap** -usual run over 2000 metres (at Edwardstown events vary from 1 - 3 laps). Depending on the grading and past performances riders are allocated a handicap mark around the track. At Edwardstown riders take up their handicap mark position and start from holding on to the fence with one hand on pushing off when the whistle is blown.

**Elimination**- this event is a mass start race sometimes the event is called miss - and - out because the last rider to cross the line after each lap at Edwardstown is taken out of the race. The field diminishes rapidly until there are only a few riders left to contest the final sprint. This is always an exciting event where the crowd like to get involved.

**Madison** -a track event where two riders (one racing at a time) compete as a team. Similar to a relay but the riders make multiple changes throughout the event, which can be over various distances.

**Motor Pace** - mass start event, riders taking turns behind a derney until the derney pulls off the track. Races can be over various distances with the winner being the first rider to cross the finish line at the end of the distance. Edwardstown -At Edwardstown riders to sit behind the scooter for a Maximum ½ lap, scooter will pull off on to the oval with 1 lap to go.

**Time Trial**- This event is an individual race against the clock over 500 or 1000 metres.( at Edwardstown often a 1 lap 485mt TT)

**Individual Pursuit** - Two riders start on opposite sides of the track and attempt to catch one another and to record the best time they can, the pursuit is held over distances from 2000 - 4000 metres.

**Team pursuit**-Same as the individual pursuit but races in teams of 4 riders (number of riders may vary at Edwardstown club racing). Through the advantage of sitting on behind another rider and each rider doing a turn of pace at the front, a team will travel faster than an individual. The team time is based on the third rider to cross the finish line (this may differ at Edwardstown club racing depending on the number of riders and ability of riders in the teams)

**Kerin**- held on the Edwardstown track - Max 8 riders, jockey for position behind a motorcycle and with 1 lap to go the motorcycle pulls off the track and the riders sprint to the line.

**Team Sprint/ Olympic Sprint** -timed sprint event, 3 riders line up one behind the other, each rider does a ½ lap and then pulls up allowing the following rider to do their effort until the last rider finishes and a team time is recorded. The number of riders per team may differ at Edwardstown Club racing due to nominations.

**Sprint** - The event is between 2 riders (one on one) over 1 & ½ laps of Edwardstown velodrome. Riders often play a tactical game of "cat and mouse" over the first part of the event in an attempt to keep the actual sprint down to 200 - 300 metres.