

21 February 2022

### **Cycling New Zealand Age Group National Road Championships, 22-24 April 2022 – TEAM NEWSLETTER 1**

**NOTE DUE TO CURRENT COVID 19 REGULATIONS THIS EVENT MAY BE POSTPONED OR CANCELLED. CNZ HAVE ADVISED THAT AT LEAST 4 WEEKS NOTICE WILL BE PROVIDED TO PERMIT CANCELLATION OF TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION. ENTRIES WILL BE NOTIFIED OF PLANS INDIVIDUALLY BY EMAIL FROM CNZ.**

1. The 2022 Championships will be held between 22-24 April 2022 at Hokitika, Westland, with racing based at Cass Square. Once again the event is a 3 day format with the individual time trials on the Friday, followed by 2 days of road races on the Saturday and Sunday.
2. The link to the Event Website, giving full programme information and the site for entries is <https://www.cyclingnewzealand.nz/events-and-results/national-events/vantage-age-group-road-national-championships/>
3. The nearest airport is Hokitika, just minutes from accommodation and Race HQ. Typical air fares from/to Christchurch return are approx \$213 return. Travelling by road from Christchurch allow approximately 3hr20m.
4. As in previous years, entries from holders of CNZ Adult or Youth Memberships will be by individuals on line through the Event website above. Entries are now open and will close strictly 10 April 2022. Entry Fees are set at \$65 (TT) and \$75 (RR) until 20 February 2022. Thereafter entry fees will rise to \$85 (TT) and \$95 (RR), so save money by entering as soon as possible. Withdrawals in writing to me prior to 10 April will be eligible for a full refund, less \$20, per event. Withdrawals after this time will not be eligible for a refund. Remember that entries are binding after the close off date and sanctions may be imposed for withdrawals after this date unless acceptable written evidence is provided (doctors certificates, etc).
5. It is advisable to get your bikes professionally serviced prior to the championships and take the time to ensure that TT bikes (where permitted) conform to current regulations and (for Youth riders) roll outs have been measured and checked. Current CNZ Technical Regulations are at <https://www.cyclingnewzealand.nz/assets/CNZRT/Rules-and-Regulations/CNZ-Technical-Regulations-Version-Jan-2021-v-3.pdf>
6. A reminder that club uniform is compulsory for these Championships. If you are a member of a NZ Trade Team, or have sponsorship showing on your licence then sponsorship may be shown on the shorts or the leg section of the skinsuit. If you do not own club uniform then the club has a limited stock of jerseys and skinsuits for loan. Please advise if you require a uniform.
7. Travel to and from the event is the responsibility of the rider, advising me of arrival and departure details.

8. Accommodation will be the responsibility of the rider, advising me of arrival, departure and accommodation address/contact phone number.
9. Please check in on arrival with me either in person at the Jade Court Motel, 85 Fitzherbert Street, Hokitika, or call me on 022 502 6181. Rider Packs (numbers/timing tags) and uniforms, if required, will be available from my motel after the team managers meeting at approx. 7pm onwards on Thursday 21 April. Otherwise you are to be at the start area and report to me your arrival no later than 1 hour prior to your advertised start time each day.
10. I will be travelling to/from the event by road and am able to transport up to 6 bikes on a first come first served basis. Please advise if you require the club to transport bikes to/from the event. They will need to be dropped off at 41 De Havilland Street, Hornby no later than 1600 Wednesday 20 April 2022, and be available on return from Tuesday 26 April 2022. Please remove pedals, water bottles and computers. Space for larger wind trainers is limited.
11. Enter now and email me your details/requirements as above, remembering to advise full name and events entered. Include in your email any medication you are taking and any TUE's (Therapeutic Use Exemptions) in force. You may check your medication at this site <https://drugfreesport.org.nz/medication-check> Note that some asthma medication is restricted or prohibited in sport – please check beforehand.

Regards

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