2017 -18 State Series

Overview

The 2017-18 **Victorian Triathlon State Series** (*State Series*) title is awarded to both individuals (*State Series Award*) and clubs/squads (*State Series Shield*) based on results from selected multisport events across the 2017-18 season.

Individuals must be a member of a Victorian affiliated triathlon club/squad and hence a Triathlon Australia member to be eligible. *State Series Award* winners will be ranked in age groups and accrue points from the designated 'state series' events.

Organisations must be recognised as an affiliated club/squad (referred to as clubs) to be eligible for the *State Series Shield* and will be classified according to their size/type (classification confirmed using membership taken at 31 March 2017) -

- Small Club – less than 100 members
- Large Club – over 101 members

In addition, there will be a single Performance Club Award details of which can be found at the end of this document.

The events

The following event disciplines (seven) will form the *State Series*, and hence the maximum number of events is eleven (14);

- Aquathlon (1) – State Championships
- Cross Duathlon (1) – State Championships
- Cross Triathlon (1) – State Championships
- Duathlon (2) – State Championships and one other event
- Triathlon Sprint Distance (4) – State Championships and three others
- Triathlon Standard Distance (3) – State Championships and two others
- Triathlon Long Course / Half Ironman (2) – State Championships and one other

The state championships in each event category is automatically a *State Series* event. There is no minimum number of events for an athlete to be eligible and similarly there is no limit to the number of events that an athlete competes in.

For athletes in age categories 14-15 and 16-19 years there will be additional racing opportunities as racing rules restrict the distance you can race over as follows:

> *For age 14-15 years (maximum sprint distance) where the standard distance 'state series event' has a sprint event on the program this shall be awarded state series status for the 14-15 age group.*

> *For age 16-19 years (maximum standard distance) where the long distance 'state series event' has a standard distance event on the program this shall be awarded state series status for the 16-19 age group.*

How it works

Points will be awarded at each event that forms part of the **Victorian State Series**;

- For individuals to be awarded points (both individually and towards the club award) they must be a member of an affiliated club/squad (and Triathlon Australia) and hold membership on the date of competing in the event.
- Participation points will be awarded to the club for each competitor (one point) that compete/officiate at *State Series* events.
- Performance points will be awarded for each age group/gender category from 12 points for 1st, 10 points for 2nd ...... down to 2 points for 10th place (*).
    - *Individuals earn performance points in their age group/gender category for an event.*
- State championship races (refer to schedule of events below) accrue a multiplier of 2 for both individual and club points (i.e. 1st = 24 points, 2nd = 20 points, ... down to 10th = 4 points; and similarly, for participation points which will be 2 for each competitor.

State Series Awards (Individual Champions)

Overall season *State Series Awards* will be awarded in each age group taken from an athlete's **best seven (7) results with no more than three (3) results being from the same event discipline** (seven disciplines as listed under 'The events' on page 1. See FAQ for an example of how this applies.

Best results refer to the basis of points accrual; i.e. results with the highest points value counted towards the overall score. (E.g. An athlete may receive more points for a lower placing in a state championship event than a higher placing in a non-championship event and hence the higher points will be counted rather than the higher placing).

Races that are cancelled or postponed may not count towards points accrual (TV discretion)

State Series Categories

The age categories for the *State Series* start at 14-15 years, 16-19 years and then progress in five (5) yr. age groups starting from 20 (i.e. 20 – 24 etc.) upwards. All ages are based on the 31st of December 2016.

Points accrual for athletes in the 14-15 years and 16-19 years' group **will not** include events which are beyond the maximum allowable distances and hence there may be additional events for these age groups.

Please note there is a separate *Victorian All Schools Series*.

State Series Shield (Club Champions)

The 2017-18 **Victorian Triathlon State Series** title is awarded to clubs/squads (*State Series Shield*) based on results from the selected multisport events across the 2017-18 season.

Organisations must be recognised as an affiliated club/squad (referred to as clubs) to be eligible for the *State Series Shield* and will be classified according to their size/type (classification confirmed using membership taken at 31 March 2017) -

- Small Club – less than 100 members
- Large Club – over 101 members

Clubs/squads accrue points from the performances and participation of their members calculated from the eleven State Series events with points accumulated by club members (as described in 'How it works').

The champions clubs (small and large) will receive the State Series Shield and have the rights to use the State Series Champion logo.

Performance Club Award

To recognise the role clubs and squads play in supporting and developing high performance athletes across junior, youth, elite and age group racing.

The Performance Club Award will be calculated from the eleven State Series events with points accumulated by club members.

Points are awarded to the first three placegetters (podium finishers) across junior, youth, elite and age group racing on a 3,2,1 basis.

The club with the highest accumulated points total across all State Series events will receive the Performance Club Award and have the rights to use the 2016-17 Performance Club of the Year logo.

Schedule of Events

Date:	Event	Aqua	Dua	Xdua	Xtri	Sprint	Stnd	Long	Event Organiser
3-Sep	Vic Duathlon Series - R2		SC						Yarra Tri / TV
17-Sep	Dirty Duathlon			SC					PB Events
24-Sep	Vic Duathlon Series - R3		X						WSTC
21-Oct	YMMF					X			Splash & Dash
12-Nov	Challenge Shepparton							X	McPherson Media
19-Nov	Active Tri Series						X		Sole Motive
25-Nov	TreX Victoria				SC				In2Adventure
10-Dec	Sufferfest Mt Martha						X		The Event People
28-Jan	AWTC	SC							AWTC
28-Jan	AWTC					X			AWTC
4-Feb	SME360 Triathlon Series					X			SME360
18-Mar	Active Tri Series					SC			Sole Motive
25-Mar	SME360 Triathlon Series						SC		SME360
8-Apr	Challenge Melbourne							SC	SME360

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FAQ

Why where these races selected?

These races were selected to ensure a variety of options across the disciplines of multisport, to support races providing high quality racing experiences and to encourage athletes to compete across disciplines.

Do I need to compete in five races to be eligible to win my Age Group State Series Award?

No. Whilst up to five (5) results may be included in an individual's points score, you do NOT need to compete in five (5) races to be eligible. The highest overall point score from a maximum of five (5) events will be awarded the title.

The rules state that I can only accrue points from a maximum of two (2) disciplines ... what does this mean?

It means that of the seven 'disciplines' listed under the 'Events' no more than two results can be taken from any single discipline. This means that should an individual race all three eligible sprint races only their best two (2) results would count in their point score final.

Do I need to let TV know which races I am competing in?

No, TV will be working with the race directors to ensure all TV member results are provided to TV for points allocation.

How long after a race will the point score come out?

Race directors will work towards providing results to TV within 7 days of an event. TV will then aim to have the point score updated within a further 7 days (14 days after the event).

If there is an issue with my result or placing who do I contact?

All results/timing issues must go to the race director. Once the results have been received by Triathlon Victoria the places, and hence points allocated, the results are final.

If there is an issues with my point allocation on the TV State Series website who to I contact?

Any issues found with the TV State Series Leader board (club and individual) should be directed to grant.cosgriff@vic.triathlon.org.au *Issues do arise if your entry into an event does not match your TA name (e.g. You are Thomas Smith in the membership database, but enter as Tom Smith) so we encourage you to enter as per your TA membership.*

What happens if an event is cancelled?

If an event is cancelled and not able to be rescheduled no points will be awarded to any athlete.

Is there a series registration?

No, all TV members are automatically included in the TV State Series and entry to each event is made through the respective event site.

Club/Squad classification*

Agency Name	Club/Squad	2016-17 (30 MAR 17)
Albury Wodonga Triathlon Club	Club >100	102
Ballarat Triathlon Club	Club <100	53
Bass Coast Triathlon Club	Club <100	21
Bayside Triathlon Club	Club >100	302
BCB Multisport	Club <100	48
Beckworth Racing Triathlon Club	Squad <100	20
Benalla Triathlon Club	Club <100	18
Casey Cardinia Triathlon Squad	Club <100	26
Davey Black Triathlon	Squad <100	New Club
Defence Triathlon Association (VIC)	Squad <100	7
Echuca Moama Triathlon Club	Club >100	128
Elite Triathlon Performance Australia	Squad <100	79
Eltham Tri and Open Water Club	Club <100	73
Fast Lane Coaching	Squad <100	3
Geelong Performance Coaching	Squad <100	70
Hawthorn Triathlon Club	Club >100	115
Hill Top Coaching	Squad <100	New Club
Holistic Endurance	Squad <100	9
i4 Coaching	Squad <10	New Club
Inclusive Sports Training	Squad <100	63
Jarasport Triathlon Club	Club <100	27
Karbon Sports	Squad < 100	New Club
Knox Triathlon Club	Club <100	41
Latrobe Valley Triathlon Club	Club <100	21
Maryborough and District Triathlon Club	Club <100	31
Melbourne Triathlon Club	Club >100	145
Momentum Endurance Coaching	Squad <100	11
Mornington Peninsula Triathlon Club	Club >100	174
No Limits Endurance	Squad <100	22
Nunawading Triathlon Club	Club >100	115
Old Haileybury Triathlon Club	Squad <100	6
Optimal Strength Triathlon Coaching	Squad <100	2
PossibiliTTy Race Team	Squad <100	6
Ringwood Triathlon Club	Club <100	53
Riviera Triathlon Club	Club >100	124
SBRG Performance	Squad <100	24
Shepparton Triathlon Club	Club >100	98
St Leonards College Triathlon Club	Club <100	7

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TEAM Tri Coaching	Squad <100	47
Tempo Systems	Squad <100	6
Tri Alliance	Squad >100	154
Tri Fitness	Squad <100	21
Triathlon Response Group	Squad <100	53
TriChicks	Squad <100	33
TriSpecify Triathlon Club	Squad <100	49
Western Suburbs Triathlon Club	Club >100	149
Wild Dog Triathlon Club	Club <100	92
Yarra Triathlon Club	Club <100	72

*Based on membership as at March 2017

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