

2016 -17 Triathlon Victoria State Series



Overview

The 2016-17 **Victorian 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 2016-17 season.

Individuals must be either a direct member of Triathlon Australia or 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 2016) -

- 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 thirteen (13);

- Duathlon (1) – State Championships (Race 4)
- Triathlon Sprint Distance (3) – State Championships and two others (equal metro/regional)
- Triathlon Standard Distance (3) – State Championships and two others (equal metro/regional)
- Triathlon Long Course / Half Ironman (3) – State Championships and two others

Note: Aquathlon (1) – State Championships (TBA) and Cross triathlon / Off-road multisport event (1) – State Championships (TBA)

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.

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) and technical official (two points) 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.*
- *Clubs can only earn performance points once in each age group/gender category for an event. If a second club member within that age/gender category finishes in the top 10, then no points are allocated for that place to that, or to any other, individual.*
- *E.g. If Brighton Tri Club (BTC) members place 1st, 2nd and 3rd followed by Docklands Tri Club (DTC) in 4th; BTC will have 12 points awarded (1st place) and DTC 8 points (4th place) to the State Series Shield - no points are awarded for the 2nd & 3rd placegetters.*
- 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 five (5) results with no more than two (2) 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 Shield (Club Champions)

The 2016-17 **Victorian State Series** title is awarded to clubs/squads (*State Series Shield*) based on results from the selected multisport events across the 2015-16 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 2016) -

- 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 thirteen 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 2016-17 State Series Champion logo.

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 the long course and Ironman events and hence be limited to accruing points from the remaining ten (10) events.

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

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 thirteen 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 2015-16 Performance Club of the Year logo.

Schedule of Events

Race	Date	Event	Details
1	11/9	Victorian Duathlon Series (R4)	Duathlon State Championship
2	22/10	Yarrawonga Mulwala Multisport Festival	Standard Triathlon
3	13/11	Challenge Shepparton	Long Course Triathlon
4	8/1	Gatorade Triathlon Series (R2)	Sprint Triathlon
5	14/1	Morley Auto Group Echuca Triathlon	Sprint Triathlon
6	12/2	Active Tri Series (R4)	Sprint State Championships
7	5/3	Warrnambool Sufferfest	Long Course Triathlon
8	19/3	Active Tri Series (R5)	Standard Triathlon
9	26/3	Gatorade Triathlon Series (R5)	Standard State Championships
10	9/4	Challenge Melbourne	Long Course State Championships

FAQ

Why were 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 allocation, will stand.

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

Any issues found with the TV State Series Leader board (club and individual) should be directed to curtis.deboy@vic.triathlon.org.au

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.

How does this differ from the Rural Tri Series?

The Rural Tri Series is conducted by a consortium of clubs based in regional Victoria. It offers a similar points system for competitors across that series (seven events in 2014-15) and in 2015-16 will award a club shield to the champions club across the series (open to all TV affiliated clubs). For more information go to <http://www.ruraltriserries.com.au>

Club/Squad classification*

Agency Name	Club/Squad Size
Albury Wodonga Triathlon Club	Club >100
Ballarat Triathlon Club	Club <100
Bass Coast Triathlon Club	Club <100
Bayside Triathlon Club	Club >100
BCB Multisport	Club <100
Beckworth Racing Triathlon Club	Squad <100
Benalla Triathlon Club	Club <100
Casey Cardinia Triathlon Squad	Club <100
CF Racing	Squad <100
Defence Triathlon Association (VIC)	Squad <100
Echuca Moama Triathlon Club	Club >100
Elite Triathlon Performance Australia	Squad <100
Eltham Tri and Open Water Club	Club <100
EnduranceTeam	Squad <100
ESS Dolphins	Squad <100
Geelong Performance Coaching	Squad <100
Hawthorn Triathlon Club	Club >100
Holistic Endurance	Squad <100
Jarasport Triathlon Club	Club <100
Knox Triathlon Club	Club <100
Latrobe Valley Triathlon Club	Club <100
Manningham Triathlon Multisport	Club <100
Maryborough and District Triathlon Club	Club <100
Melbourne Triathlon Club	Club >100
Mornington Peninsula Triathlon Club	Club >100
No Limits Endurance	Squad <100
Nunawading Triathlon Club	Club <100
Old Haileybury Triathlon Club	Club <100
Ringwood Triathlon Club	Club <100
Riviera Triathlon Club	Club >100
SBRG Performance	Squad <100
Shepparton Triathlon Club	Club <100
Southern X Triathlete	Squad <100
St Leonards College Triathlon Club	Club <100
TEAM Tri Coaching	Squad <100
Tri Alliance	Squad >100
Tri Fitness	Squad <100
Triathlon Response Group	Squad <100
TriSpecify Triathlon Club	Squad <100
TriChicks	Squad <100
Western Suburbs Triathlon Club	Club >100
Wild Dog Triathlon Club	Club >100

Yarra Triathlon Club

Club <100



*Based on membership as at May 2016