

NHMS Training Series 2011 Schedule

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All events are Thursday evening – 6 pm to dark. Warm-up is from 5:15 pm to 6 pm. **No Entry to the NHMS infield before 5:15 pm.** Junior Races (under 16 yrs.) start at 5:30 pm. All races start at 6:00 p.m.

April 7	-	Road Course	April 14	-	Road Course
April 21	-	Road Course	April 28	-	Road Course
May 5	-	Road Course	May 12	-	Road Course
May 19	-	Frontier	May 26	-	Oval
June 2	-	Road Course	June 9	-	Road Course
June 16	-	Road Course	June 23	-	Oval
June 30	-	Road Course	July 7	-	Road Course
July 21	-	Road Course	July 28	-	Frontier
Aug. 4	-	Oval	August 18	-	Road Course
August 25	-	Oval	Sept. 1	-	Road Course
Sept. 8	-	Road Course	Sept. 15	-	Road Course
Sept. 29	-	Oval			

Visit our Website: www.nhcyclingclub.com for updated race information and cancellation notices due to weather. September 1st, Sept. 8th, and Sept. 15th races will start at 5:45 p.m. The Sept. 29th race will start at 5:30 p.m.

Day of registration fee is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for junior riders. A gate fee of \$5.00 must be paid to NHMS to race.

All USA Cycling Rules Apply. ANSI/SNELL Approved Helmets Required. No Aero Bars. Please see reverse side for important race information.

Cancellation Policy: In the event of inclement weather, notice of cancellation will be posted on our website (www.nhcyclingclub.com) by **3:30 pm**. The notice is final regardless of improvements in the weather. Contact S&W Sports at 228-1441 for cancellation updates.

Question 1: What is the NHMS series and how are the series winners determined?

- The NHMS series runs from April through August and series winners are determined based upon the total points accumulated during the season.
- Races are run as point races with every third lap counting as a point lap. Points are awarded to the top three racers to cross the line on a points lap, with 3 points to the top finisher, 2 to the second place rider, and 1 to the third place rider. Double points are awarded to the top three finishers in the midpoint sprint and the final lap.
- Point totals in the A group are determined based upon applying a seven place ranking system to each race, and point totals in the B, C and D groups are determined by adding the total number of points accumulated in each race.
- The top three riders based upon series point totals in each group receive a series prize at the annual awards ceremony in August.
- Races in September are not part of the NHIS points series, but are included in the series pass.

Question 2: What rules apply to the NHMS races?

- All USA Cycling rules apply to the series. You may not use aero bars and you must wear a helmet at all times when riding at the track. This includes riding in the parking lot.
- In addition to the USA Cycling rules, other rules also apply to the series. It is important that you understand these rules before participating in a race.
- **Rule No. 1:** When a faster field passes a slower field, the slower field is neutralized and no rider in that field may join or draft the faster field. If a rider fails to neutralize during a passing event, that rider will be disqualified and no points will be awarded to that rider.
- **Rule No. 2:** Riders dropped from the A and B fields should attempt to join the field below the field that they started in a safe manner. Once dropped a rider may not contest the points laps by sprinting for finish points, nor may a dropped rider assist another rider in obtaining points. Riders dropped from the A field shall join the B field, and riders dropped from the B field shall join the C field. Riders dropped from the C and D fields may rejoin their starting fields..
- **Rule No. 3:** Slower riders must stay on the outside of the track when the road course is being used. When the oval is being used, slower riders must stay on the inside of the track.
- **Rule No. 4:** Aggressive or unsafe riding is not permitted. This is a training series and rider courtesy is expected. Riders who engage in aggressive or unsafe riding or who behave rudely will not be allowed to participate in the series.
- **The Promoter reserves the right to discipline riders who engage in unsafe riding or inappropriate behavior. In addition, the promoter may assign a rider to a specific group if in the opinion of the promoter the rider should be riding in a different group.**

Question 3: What is the registration process?

- NHCC offers a series pass for the NHMS series. To purchase a series pass, a rider must sign a series release. Riders who have not completed all the required paperwork will not be issued a series number.
- Series pass holders who have completed the required paperwork must check in at each event and sign a day-of release. A check-in list for series pass holders is maintained at registration. Riders who fail to check in will not receive any points for that race event.
- Series pass holders are issued a number for each group that they wish to race in at the beginning of the season. The number or numbers should be maintained throughout the season. If the number is lost or misplaced, the rider should obtain a new number at registration, which will then be the permanent number for the remainder of the season. **Please try not to lose your number.**
- Riders who are not series pass holders must register for each race. To register for a race, a rider must fill out a release. A rider who does not have his or her license with them at registration will be required to purchase a one day license in order to participate in the race. **Riders who anticipate racing in more than one race**

during the series should maintain the number that is issued to them and will use that number for subsequent races.

Question 4: What field should I register for?

There are five fields: A, B, C, D and Juniors. Juniors who are 16 years old or younger are required to ride in the junior field until they obtain permission from the junior program directors to ride in the C field or higher. No one under the age of 18 may register for the D field. The A field is intended primarily for riders in Categories 3 or above. Category 5 riders are not permitted to register for the A field. The B field is recommended for experienced riders with considerable strength. The C field is recommended for riders who are experienced, but want a somewhat slower pace and the D field is for entry-level riders. Riders are permitted to race in different fields, but riders shall not be allowed to change their field for the oval course. A rider shall remain in the field that the rider has been racing for nights when the racing is on the oval.