



# NORTHERN CALIFORNIA NEVADA Cycling Association

## 2018 Junior Race Series Rules and Information

The goals of the NCNCA Junior Race Series are to:

- Increase the number of new junior racers and the retention of junior racers
- Promote and support juniors racers throughout Northern California and Nevada

This is an individual rider competition. The top three finishers in the series are invited to be recognized at the Annual NCNCA Road Awards Banquet in October.

### NCNCA Junior Race Series Schedule (last updated 3/4/2018)

Date	Event	Notes
2/19	Cherry Pie Criterium	Cat 3 boys race E3. Cat 3 girls race Women's P/1/2/3.
2/24	Snelling Road Race	All U14 racers can enter Jr 13-14 race field.
3/17	Cal Cycling Road Race	15-18 cat 3 and 4/5 girls race together, picked separately in F 15-18 field.
3/31	Copperopolis Road Race	15-18 cat 3 and 4/5 girls race together, picked separately in F 15-18 field.
4/28	Cat's Hill Classic Criterium	15-18 cat 3 and 4/5 girls race together, picked separately in F 15-18 field U14 based race with 15-16, picked separately
4/29	Wente Road Race	TBD
7/04	Davis 4 <sup>th</sup> of July Criterium	Cat 3 boys race E3. Cat 3 girls race Women's 3.
7/15	Calaveras Time Trial	Assuming Calaveras Road reopens in time. Merckx field for 15-18 Cat 4/5 girls and boys. Cat 3 boys race E3. Cat 3 girls race Women's 3.

#### RIDER ELIGIBILITY:

The age and racing categories to be contested in the Juniors Race Series are:

- Under 14 (U14), boys and girls
- 15-18 cat 3, boys and girls
- 15-18 cat 4/5, boys and girls

Each category will have a boys and girls option for a total of six categories in the series.

All racers are eligible in their appropriate category so long as they have a USAC license. One-day license holders will accumulate points and are eligible for year-end awards.

#### RULES:

Junior racers can always race into a higher age group for the general purpose of participation. At some events the U14 racers may be notified ahead of time to register in a higher age group (eg. 15-16) for the purpose of creating a U14 field, even when there isn't a U14 field on the flyer. If this is the case, the U14 racers will be picked separately for the Juniors Series scoring (will NOT be picked separately for the specific race). In the event where a U14 racer is "doubling up" in a higher age group, they will only earn Bonus Points for doing a "second race", see below.

Riders MUST finish the designated Series race in order to receive Individual Points for the Junior Race Series winner designation. Whether you get a flat tire during the race or if you crash, etc., you must cross the finish line and receive a result on USAC other than DNF/DNP to receive points for the Series.

It is the rider's responsibility to verify their placing on the Official Results posted at each event within the published USAC protest period. Results cannot be changed once they are final.

Any protests or requests for corrections or modifications to the Series results must be made so as to allow for processing before the awards ceremony. Every effort will be made to address scoring questions in a timely fashion.

In the case of a tie, the fastest time at the Calaveras Time Trial will be used to break the tie. In the case of further unbroken ties, or if the Calaveras Time Trial does not take place, the racer with the highest number of 1st place finishes, followed by 2nd place finishes etc., will be utilized until the tie is broken. Following that, the racer attending the most Series races will be placed higher. If ties still exist, then the placings will be left tied.

### **SCORING:**

Up to seven races will be scored. If a racer does all 8 events, their lowest race score will be discarded. Points will be allocated as follows:

1st place: 10 points  
2nd place: 8 points  
3rd place: 6 points  
4th place: 4 points  
5th place: 2 points  
6th place: 1 point  
Placings beyond: 1 point

**Bonus points** accumulation opportunities exist throughout the series as follows:

- Individual racers who race every race in the series will receive a series-end bonus of 1 point per race, for a total of 8 points.
- At all Criteriums contained within the series, if you choose to race more than once that day, then you will receive 2 points for completing the "second race" (the race other than your Series category race). Your second race may be any race you are qualified to race in, such as another Junior's race or an E3 or W4 race, etc. Your placing in the second race does not matter; however, you must finish the race.