

2014 Women's Series Goals and Rules

The goals of the NCNA Women's Committee are to:

- Increase the number of new women racers
- Increase retention of women racers -- esp. W3/4
- Increase quantity of racing among established racers

In 2013 the Women's Committee sponsored its inaugural Women's Race Series. In an end-of-year survey, NCNA women suggested changes to the series including eliminating the W1/2 category (as there are already other incentive series in place), reducing the length of the series calendar, and increasing the number of series events for W35+. The Committee used this feedback to improve the Women's Series for 2014.

The Women's Committee proposes the following race calendar for W3, W4, and W1/2/3 masters (W35+) racers in 2014:

Bariani Road Race	3-16-14	
Turlock Road Race	3-29-14	
Red Kite Criterium	4-13-14	(W3 and W4 only)
Wente Road Race	4-26-14	
Golden State Circuit Race	5-4-14	(W3 and W4 only)
Berkeley Hills Road Race	5-10-14	
Dunlap Time Trial	6-8-14	
Davis 4 th of July Criterium	7-4-14	
Foothill Circuit Race	7-13-14	(W3 and W4 only)
Dunnigan Hills Road Race	8-9-14	

RIDER ELIGIBILITY

Riders must have a USAC license. One-day license holders will accumulate points and are eligible for year-end awards.

RULES

This is an individual rider competition. At the conclusion of the series, the rider with the highest number of points will receive Individual Points winner designation. Individual Points winner awards will be presented at a year-end award ceremony.

In the case of a tie, the fastest time at Dunlap TT, in their category, will act as the tiebreaker. If you do not attend Dunlap, you will be given the slowest time for that day in your category. If the tied racers' times at the Dunlap TT are the same, then ties will be broken by the number of first place finishes, if those are the same then by the number of second place finishes. If the racers are still tied - they will be considered tied in the results and share any prizes or awards.

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 Women's Series results must be made before August 21st. All results will be final on September 1st.

Points accumulated in different categories will not be combined (e.g., W35+ points will not count towards W3 series totals). Riders who upgrade during the season will leave their points behind and start accumulating points in their new category.

SCORING

All races will be scored, regardless of field size, and will accumulate points 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

Extra points accumulation opportunities exist throughout the series as follows:

- Individual racers who start every race in the series will receive a series-end bonus of 1 point per race, for a total of 10 points for W3 and W4, and 7 points for W35+.
- Berkeley Hills Road Race and Dunnigan Hills Road Race will be considered special emphasis races, with additional points awarded as follows:
 - 1st place: additional 5 points
 - 2nd place: additional 4 points

- 3rd place: additional 3 points
 - 4th place: additional 2 points
 - 5th place: additional 1 point
 - 6th place: additional 0.5 points
- At Foothill Circuit Race, Golden State Circuit Race, Red Kite Criterium, and Davis 4th of July Criterium, there will be one prime lap with Women's Series points offered.
 - 1st place: 2 points
 - 2nd place: 1 point
- At Foothill Circuit Race, Golden State Circuit Race, Red Kite Criterium, and Davis 4th of July Criterium, if you choose to race more than once that day, you will receive 1 point for completing the "second race" (the race other than your Women's Series category race). Your placing in the second race does not matter. Your second race may be any race you are qualified to race in, such as another Masters race, or a Men's E4 race, etc. You must start and finish the race.