



**2020**  
**NSW/ACT State Titles**  
**Lead & Speed**  
8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> February



**Climbers' Handbook**

*This handbook is provided for the information of climbers wishing to participate in the event. The details may change.*

**The NSW/ACT State Titles competition day will decide the NSW/ACT Champion in Lead and Speed for all Open and Youth categories. NSW and ACT Climbers in the top 5 positions for each category will be invited to represent their state at the National Championships.**

### **1. Dates:**

The event will be held over three days:

- Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 – lead climbing for Open A, Open B, Masters and Paraclimbers, at SICG Villawood
- Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 – speed climbing for all categories, at SICG Villawood
- Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 – lead climbing for Juniors, Youth A, B, C and D at Climbfit Kirrawee

### **2. Locations:**

8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020

#### **Sydney Indoor Climbing Gym Villawood**

5/850 Woodville Rd, Villawood

Phone: (02) 97282825

Email: [sicgvillawood@hotmail.com](mailto:sicgvillawood@hotmail.com)

Directions for parking and public transport can be found on their website:

[www.indoorclimbing.com.au/villawood/](http://www.indoorclimbing.com.au/villawood/)

15<sup>th</sup> February 2020

#### **Climbfit Kirrawee**

23 Waratah Street

Kirrawee

Phone : 02 95453407

Email : [info@climbfit.com.au](mailto:info@climbfit.com.au)

Directions can be found on their website: [www.climbfitkirrawee.com](http://www.climbfitkirrawee.com)

### 3. Categories:

There will be male and female categories in:

#### LEAD

- Open A – higher level open climbers
- Open B – climbers born 2000 or earlier climbing up to grade 24 (male) and grade 22 (female)
- Masters – born 1980 or before
- Paraclimbing - all divisions (top rope)
- Junior – born 2001/2002
- Youth A – born 2003/2004
- Youth B – born 2005/2006
- Youth C – born 2007/2008 (top rope)
- Youth D – born 2009 or after (top rope)

#### SPEED

- Open, Junior, Youth A, Youth B (standard international format)
- Masters, Youth C, Youth D (classic format)

#### Youth A and Juniors Competitors in Open A

Youth A and Junior competitors wishing to compete in the Open A category will be required to register and pay for Open A as well as their respective categories. Youth B climbers in the Australian youth climbing team or development team may also climb in Open A. Junior/Youth climbers are not permitted to climb in Open B.

### 4. Registration:

**4.01** All competitors must be current State or National members of Sport Climbing NSW/ACT. This costs only \$20 for State or \$59 for national membership for the calendar year.

Membership allows you to compete in any climbing competition run by SCNSW/ACT throughout the year including Tour de Corde, Sydney Boulder Series and the NSW and ACT State Boulder Titles.

Join at the SCA website. <http://www.sportclimbingaustralia.org.au/join-us>

**4.02** Climbers are required to pre-register on the Sport Climbing Australia website. Registration at the venue on the day is not available. Visit <https://sportclimbingaustralia.org.au/Upcoming-Events>

**Important note:** Youth competitors are required by the venue to complete the [Climbfit waiver form](#). This is a separate process to the competition

registration through SCA. This should be done in advance of the competition to avoid delays on the day.

#### **4.03** Entry fee

- The entry fees are published on the SCA website.
- Early bird discounts apply

**4.04** Climbers who are **colour-blind** need to notify the route setters through The Sydney Indoor Climbing Gym Villawood at least one week prior to the event.

### **5. Lead Format:**

**5.01** Climbers in **Open A, Open B, Masters, Junior, Youth A, and Youth B** categories will **lead** all routes.

The lead event will include 2 flash qualification climbs for each category (i.e. one attempt at each route). This will be followed by an onsight final for the top 8 climbers in each category.

**5.02** **Youth C and Youth D** categories will **top-rope** all routes.

(Refer to [SCA Policy](#) here)

Youth C and Youth D will complete 2 **routes flash format** (i.e. one attempt at each route). This will be followed by an onsight final for the top 8 climbers in each category.

**5.03** Climbers in the **Paraclimbing** category will **top-rope** all routes.

Paraclimbing will include 2 flash heats for each category. This will be followed by an onsight final for the top 8 climbers in each category.

**5.04** NSW/ACT State Champion in each category will be decided by **placing in the onsight final**. Count-back to the heats will be used in the result of a tie in the final.

#### **5.05 Climbing Procedure**

a) An attempt shall be deemed to have started, and measurement of the climbing time shall start, when every part of the competitor's body has left the ground.

b) An attempt on a route shall be considered successful if the route has been climbed in accordance with the rules and if the rope has been clipped into the karabiner on the final quickdraw of the route (or two hands are placed on the final hold of a top rope climb for 3 seconds) within the fixed time period for attempts.

- The fixed length of the climbing period in the **Qualification** round shall be **six (6) minutes** for each route.
- The fixed length of the climbing period in the **Finals** rounds shall be **eight (8) minutes** for each route.

c) The attempt of a competitor on a route shall be considered unsuccessful if the competitor:

- Falls.
- Exceeds the fixed climbing time for the route.
- Returns to the ground with any part of the body after having started their attempt.
- Uses any part of the wall, holds or features that are deemed out of bounds or not allowable.

### 5.06 Finals Procedure

- a) The top 8 climbers from the combined score of the qualifier rounds have an onsight final.
- b) During the final, competitors must remain within a designated Isolation Zone until their turn to climb. Unauthorised personnel are not permitted to enter the Isolation Zone.
- c) A collective observation period for all finalists shall be held immediately prior to the commencement of the finals round.
- d) Climbers are escorted by an official to the Competition Area. Whilst in the Competition Area, competitors are not permitted to seek any information from persons outside the Competition Area (e.g. members of the public, coaches etc.).

NOTE: Full rules and regulations and scoring procedures are available on the SCA website: <https://sportclimbingaustralia.org.au/page-18117>

## 6. Speed Format

- 6.01** All speed routes are attempted on Top-Rope or auto belay.  
The time to complete the route determines a competitor's ranking.
- 6.02** **Open, Youth A, B and Junior** climbers will climb the **standard** (world cup) route.
- 6.03** **Masters, Youth C and Youth D** will climb a **classic route** set specifically for the event (about grade 16).

NOTE: Full rules and regulations and scoring procedures are available on the IFSC website: <https://www.ifsc-climbing.org/index.php/world-competition/event-regulation>

## **7. Event Regulation** [SEP]

**7.01** To compete in this State Competition the climber agrees to follow all rules and regulations outlined in this information pack and follow the rules and procedures of the hosting gym. [SEP]

**7.02** This competition will run in conjunction with the Sport Climbing Australia and IFSC rules. Please find the full rules and regulations at the SCA website.

**7.03** Specific rules and procedures for this event will be detailed in the briefing period before the commencement of each round of competition. Any questions or clarification regarding the rules must be asked during this time.

### **7.04 Event Officials**

Event Organiser: Sport Climbing NSW/ACT

Jury President: Dr Jeffery Crass

Head Judge 8<sup>th</sup> Feb (adults lead): Pepe Newton

Head Judge 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> Feb (all speed and junior lead): Matthew Klein

Head Route Setter: Carlie Le Breton

Any complaints or contests can be directed to the Head Judge on the day. Queries regarding routes and technicalities can be directed to the head route setter.

Questions regarding format, registration and any other queries can be directed to the event organiser.

## **8. Volunteers**

- This event is made possible only through the generous efforts of sponsors and volunteers. We are always looking for volunteers to help as judges, belayers and general helpers.
- Even if you are competing it is possible to volunteer at other times during the weekend

- If you are interested in volunteering for this year's Lead & Speed Climbing Championships please follow [this link to register](#).

## 9. Interim Timetable:

**The following timetable is a draft and subject to change.**

- Times are approximate and will vary depending on the running of the event.
- Climbers are advised to be at the event and ready to climb at all times.
- You can also check our [facebook page](#) for updates, news and run orders on the day of the competition:

### Saturday 8th Feb (Adults Lead Climbing)

GROUP	CATEGORY
1	Paraclimbing 1
2	Paraclimbing 2
3	Open B Female and Masters Female
4	Open B Male & Masters Male
5	Open A Female
6	Open A Male

7:15am Gym opens (SICG Villawood)

7:45am Registration

8.30am Climbing starts, Q1 and Q2 groups 1,2,3,4

12.00pm Climbing starts, Q1 and Q2 groups 5 & 6

3.15pm Isolation opens for finals groups 1, 2, 3, 4

3.30pm Isolation closes

4.00pm Finals for groups 1, 2, 3, 4

5.00pm Isolation opens for finals groups 5 & 6

5.30pm Isolation closes

6.30pm Finals for groups 5 & 6

Medals ceremony for all categories

## **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Feb (Speed Climbing, all categories)**

8:00am Gym opens, registration, free practice time

9:30am Qualifications for Youth C & D (classic format)

10:30am Qualifications for Junior, Youth A & B (standard format)

11:30am Finals for Youth C & D (classic format)

12:30pm Finals for Junior, Youth A & B (standard format)

2:00pm Qualifications for Masters (classic format) and Open (standard format)

3:30pm Finals for Masters (classic format) and Open (standard format)

Awards presentation to follow finals

## **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb (Youth Lead Climbing)**

<b>GROUP</b>	<b>CATEGORY</b>
1	Youth D Male and Youth D Female
2	Youth C Male and Youth C Female
3	Youth B Male and Youth A Female
4	Youth B Female and Junior Female
5	Youth A Male and Junior Male

7:15am Gym opens (Climbfit Kirrawee – [waiver form](#) required for all climbers)

7:45am Registration

8.30am Climbing starts, Q1 and Q2 groups 1 & 2

11:30am Climbing starts, Q1 and Q2 groups 3, 4, 5

3.15pm Isolation opens for finals groups 1 & 2

3.30pm Isolation closes

4.00pm Finals for groups 1 & 2

5.00pm Isolation opens for finals groups 3, 4, 5

5.30pm Isolation closes

6.30pm Finals for groups 3, 4, 5

Medals ceremony for all categories