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NSW/ACT State Titles

Lead & Speed

25/26 February, 2017

Climbers' Handbook

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



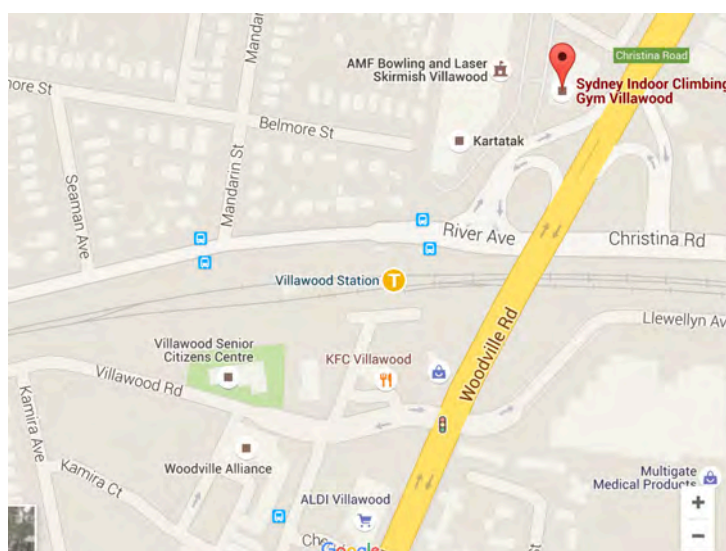
The NSW/ACT State Titles competition day will decide the NSW/ACT Champion in Lead in all Open and Youth categories. NSW and ACT Climbers in the top 5 positions for each category will be invited to represent their state at the National Championships.

1. Dates:

- The event will be held on the **25th/26th February, 2017**

2. Location:

Sydney Indoor Climbing Gym Villawood
5/850 Woodville Rd, Villawood



SICG Villawood is a 5 minute walk from Villawood Train Station: Walk over the overpass, cross River Ave and straight down into the car park. Sydney Indoor Climbing Gym is on the right.

The gym is only a 10 minute drive from both the M4 to the north and the M5 to the south, making it easy to get to from all over Sydney.

AT THE EVENT

FOOD AND DRINK

Food and drink will be available for purchase from the Sport Climbing NSW/ACT BBQ stall with funds raised going towards future NSW/ACT climbing events and supporting climbers teams representing the states at national and international events.

3. Categories:

There will be male and female categories in:

LEAD

- Open A – higher level open climbers
- Open B – climbers climbing up to grade 24 (male) and grade 22 (female)
- Masters – born 1977 or before
- Paraclimbing - all divisions (top rope)
- Junior – born 1998/1999
- Youth A – born 2000/2001
- Youth B – born 2002/2003
- Youth C – born 2004/2005 (top rope)
- Youth D – born 2006 or after (top rope)

SPEED

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

4. Registration:

4.01 All competitors must be current State or National members of Sport Climbing Australia. This costs only \$16 for State or \$59 for nationals for the calendar year.

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.

4.03 Entry fee for all events: \$50
- \$40 early bird discount - before 11th Feb
- \$65 late registration - after 24th Feb and on the day

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 heats 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.

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: <http://www.sportclimbingaustralia.org.au/page-18117>

6. Speed Format

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

6. Event Regulation

- 6.01** 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.
- 6.02** This competition will run in conjunction with the Sport Climbing Australia rules. Please find the full rules and regulations at the SCA website: <http://www.sportclimbingaustralia.org.au/page-18117>
- 6.03** Rules for the 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.

6.04 Event Officials

Event Organiser: Sport Climbing NSW/ACT

Jury President: Pepe Newton

Head Judge: TBC

Head Route Setter: Carlie Le Breton

6.05 Other Officials

Officials will be selected closer to the event. However, 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.

7. Volunteers

- This event is made possible only thru 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 contact sportclimbingnswact@outlook.com

Follow the link to register your interest as a volunteer.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

<https://goo.gl/forms/ewWreynZuN2ENfKg1>

8. 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.

GROUP	CATEGORY
1	Youth D Female & Male
2	Youth C Female & Male
3	Youth B Female & Male
4	Youth A Female & Junior Female
5	Youth A Male & Junior Male
6	Masters Female & Open B Female
7	Masters Male & Open B Male
8	Paraclimbing
9	Open A Female
10	Open A Male

Saturday 25th Feb – draft timetable	
8:00 am	Registration and warm-up (youth categories)
8.45am	Forerunning 1 st Qualification for group 1 to 5
9.00am	1 st Qualification for group 1 to 5 (Flash)
11.00am	Forerunning 2 nd Qualification for group 1 to 5
11.15am	2 nd Qualification for group 1 to 5 (Flash)
NOTE	FINALS for YOUTH categories are on SUNDAY 26th
12.30pm	Registration and warm ups (adult categories)
1.15pm	Forerunning Q1 for groups 6 to 10
1.30pm	1 st Qualification for group 6 to 10 (Flash)
3.15pm	Forerunning Q2 for groups 6 to 10
3.30pm	2 nd Qualification for group 6 to 10 (Flash)
5.15pm	Isolation opens for groups 6 to 10
5.45pm	Isolation closes for groups 6 to 10
6.15pm	Observation and Start of the Finals for groups 6 to 10
9.30pm	Ceremony for groups 6 to 10

Sunday 26th Feb – draft timetable	
8.00am	LEAD FINALS Isolation opens for groups 1 to 3
8.45am	Isolation closes for groups 1 to 3
9.00am	Observation and Start of the Finals for groups 1 to 3
10.00am	Isolation Opens for groups 4 & 5
10.45am	Isolation closes for groups 4 & 5
11.00am	Observation and Start of the Finals for groups 4 & 5
12.15pm	SPEED COMP Group 6, 7, 9, 10 (adults)
1.00pm	Ceremony for YOUTH LEAD Categories
1.30pm	SPEED COMP Group 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (youth)
3.00pm	Ceremony for ALL SPEED Categories