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2018 Clif Bar Youth Championships

**May 11th to 13th
2018**

Competitor Handbook

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



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Our Partners

We must start by thanking all our partners and sponsors for helping us put on 2018 Clif Bar Youth Climbing Championships.

Event Organiser and Host



Our Sponsors



The Event – Location, Date, Others

Introduction

This year the Youth Climbing Championships will be held in Villawood, NSW. We're fortunate to have SICG Villawood as the host, so that we are able to run all three disciplines within the one facility.

The Youth Climbing Championships will decide the Australian Youth Champion in Boulder, Lead and Speed categories as well as an overall champion. It is also the selection event for the Australian Youth Team.

Dates

The event will be held from Friday 11th May until Sunday 13th May 2018. Please refer to the event timetable in this handbook for more details.

Location

Sydney Indoor Climbing Gym – Villawood

5/850 Woodville Rd
Villawood, NSW 2163
(02) 9728 2825

Getting There



[Google Maps directions](#)

SICG Villawood is in an entertainment precinct with plenty of free parking on site.

By Car: about 50 min (~28km) from Sydney CBD.

By Train: From the CBD take the T3 Bankstown line towards Liverpool via Bankstown. Check routes and timetables at [Transport NSW](#)



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Sponsor Support - RAFFLE

Due to the generous support of our sponsors, we will have a major raffle during the event. You will also be able to purchase tickets via the SCA website.





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Timetable

FRIDAY

	LEAD		Boulder		Speed
	Youth C & Youth D	Youth B	Youth A	Juniors	
07:30		Registration			
07:45					
08:00	Registration	Brief Judges		Team official Brief (coaches, team manager and captains)	
08:15					
08:30	Brief Judges	Bouderjam YBM, YBF			
08:45					
09:00	Qualification Q1 and Q2				
09:15	(1st Climber at 9:00am)				
09:30					Practice available
09:45			Registration		
10:00					--
10:15			Brief Judges		
10:30				change tags	Practice available
10:45		Results	Bouderjam YAM, YAF		
11:00					--
11:15					Practice available
11:30					
11:45					Practice available
12:00				Registration	
12:15					--
12:30				Brief Judges	Practice available
12:45				change tags	
13:00			Results	Bouderjam JM, JF	--
13:15	Results				Practice available
13:30	Isolation open				
13:45	Isolation closes				
14:00					
14:15					
14:30	Finals (preview then final)				
14:45					
15:00				Results	Reset Boulder
15:15					
15:30					
15:45					
16:00		Iso Open	Iso Open	Iso Open	
16:15	Results Finals	Iso Closes	Iso Closes	Iso Closes	
16:30	Presentation and prize giving				
16:45	End of the competition				
17:00		Final			
17:15					
17:30			Final		
17:45					
18:00					
18:15		Results Finals			
18:30				Final	
18:45					
19:00			Results Finals		
19:15					
19:30					
19:45				Results Finals	





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Saturday				
	LEAD	Boulder		
	Youth B, Youth A and Juniors	Youth D	Youth C	Orga
07:30				
07:45				
08:00				
08:15				
08:30	Registration			
08:45				Team official Brief (coaches, team manager and captains)
09:00	Brief Judges	Registration		
09:15				
09:30	Qualification Q1 and Q2	Brief Judges		
09:45	(1st Climber at 9:30am)			
10:00		Bouderjam		
10:15				
10:30				
10:45				
11:00				
11:15			Registration	
11:30				
11:45			Brief Judges	
12:00				change tags
12:15		Results	Bouderjam	
12:30				
12:45				
13:00				
13:15				
13:30				
13:45				
14:00				
14:15				
14:30			Results	
14:45	Results			
15:00	Presentations Bouldering			
15:15				
15:30	Isolation open			
15:45	Isolation closes			
16:00		Presentations		
16:15			Presentations	
16:30				
16:45				
17:00				
17:15				
17:30	Finals (preview then final)			
17:45				
18:00				
18:15				
18:30				
18:45	Results Finals			
19:00	Presentation			
19:15	End of the competition			
19:30				
19:45				



Sunday				
Speed				
	Youth B, A & Juniors		Youth C & D	
07:30				
07:45				
08:00		Practice		Practice
08:15				
08:30			Registration	
08:45				
09:00	Registration			
09:15				
09:30	Brief Judges		Brief Judges	
09:45				
10:00	Qualifications		Qualifications	
10:15				
10:30				
10:45				
11:00				
11:15				
11:30				
11:45				
12:00				
12:15				
12:30			Finals	
12:45				
13:00	Finals			
13:15				
13:30				
13:45				
14:00				
14:15				
14:30			Presentations	
14:45				
15:00	Presentations			
15:15				
15:30				
15:45	Presentation Overall Championship Podiums All Categories			
16:00				
16:15				

This 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.
- Changes will be announced on the day and shared on social media

Categories and Participation Requirements

- Junior (Born 1999 & 2000)
- Youth A (Born 2001 & 2002)
- Youth B (Born 2003 & 2004)
- Youth C (Born 2005 & 2006)
- Youth D (Born 2007 & later)

Non-citizens Residing in Australia

Foreign citizens who are currently residing in Australia are eligible for an Australian ranking and prizes but not for Australian Titles. Only Australian citizens can receive an official placing. Non-citizens residing in Australia must have a current valid Sport Climbing Australia national membership.



International Guest Competitors

Prizes are to be awarded to overseas guest climbers who earn them; however, places and medals can only be awarded to Australian citizens. Overseas guest competitors must be a current national member of Sport Climbing Australia. Overseas guest competitors who make it to a final or semi-final do so as part of the final or semi-final quota, with no extra places made for resident climbers.

Selection Process

The maximum number of participants per gender per category is 50. In the event a category is full the following selection criteria will apply:

Lead

- **All competitors placing in the top 8 of their category at their 2018 State Youth Lead Competition are automatically selected to compete.** Interstate competitors do not count in the state ranking. Competitors unable to attend their state competition will be selected under the below criteria or must apply in writing to info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au

Boulder

- **All competitors placing in the top 8 of their category at their 2017 State Youth Boulder Competition are automatically selected to compete.** Interstate competitors do not count in the state ranking. Competitors unable to attend their state competition will be selected under the below criteria or must apply in writing to info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au

Speed

- Places will be offered by **date of registration** up to the limit set.
- International competitors are welcome to apply for special consideration. Please contact info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au
- **Extra places** are available until the maximum number of competitors per category is reached. Registration fees will be fully reimbursed for all non-selected applicants. The following criteria will be used in the order stipulated below:
 1. Places offered to 2017 Australian World Youth Championships representatives and to current Australian, New Zealand and New Caledonian Champions in their category
 2. Places offered to those who were denied the chance to qualify at their SCA State Championship due to being a key part of their state's Lead championship; i.e. competition organiser or key route setter.
 3. Remaining places will be offered by date of registration (earliest first)

Special consideration may apply in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Jury President and Sport Climbing Australia.

Selection will be confirmed for all participants on the 28th of April and then registration will remain open until categories are full in order of registration.



Registration

Registration Closing date

Please note that registration for each discipline will be closing two days before the beginning of the competition. Please note carefully the following closing dates:

- Lead and Boulder Wednesday 9th May at 11.59pm AEST
- Speed Thursday 10th May at 11.59pm AEST

There will be no registration on the day.

SCA Membership - National Championship

All competitors must be current National members of Sport Climbing Australia.

This costs \$59 for the calendar year (only \$45 if you already have a state level membership)

Join or upgrade your state membership on the SCA website.

<http://www.sportclimbingaustralia.org.au/join-us>

Entry Fee

Lead Event

The cost for the lead event is as follows:

- Early bird: \$65 (until 1st May)
- Standard: \$80 (until 7th May)
- Late Entry: \$100 (until registration closes)

Speed Event

The cost for the speed event is as follows:

- Standard: \$25 (until registration closes)

Boulder Event

The cost for the boulder event is as follows:

- Early bird: \$65 (until 1st May)
- Standard: \$80 (until 7th May)
- Late Entry: \$100 (until registration closes)

Championship Event

A special price entry is available to compete in all three disciplines:

- Early bird: \$130 (until 1st May)
- Standard: \$160 (until 7th May)
- Late Entry: \$200 (until registration closes)

Where to Register

All registrations will be taken online via [Sport Climbing Australia website](http://www.sportclimbingaustralia.org.au).





Event Regulation

Event Officials

Event Organiser	Naomi Cleary
Jury President	Ingemar Johnsson
Volunteer Coordinator	Mark Hornshaw

Boulder	Head Judge	Jason Gatehouse
	Head Route Setter	Tommy Krauss

Lead	Head Judge	Sian Spencer
	Head Route Setter	Carlie LeBreton

Speed	Head Judge	Rob LeBreton
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Other Officials

Other officials will be selected closer to the event. However, any complaints or contests can be directed to the Head Judge and Jury President 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.

Rules

To compete in this 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.

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>

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.

Lead Competition Format

The Lead event will include 2 flash qualifier climbs for each category. This will be followed by one onsight final climb for the top 8 climbers in each category.

Youth C will lead all their routes.

Youth D will top rope the lead event.





Speed Competition Format

The time to complete the route determines a competitor's ranking. The competition will be on the official IFSC route and IFSC rules will be used as a guideline for Youth B, Youth A and juniors. Youth C and Youth D will compete on a specially designed route.

See timetable for practice session times.

Boulder Competition Format

Youth C and Youth D will compete in a Boulderjam with seven problems. Youth A, Youth B and Junior will compete in a Boulderjam with five problems followed by a five on five off final with four problems.

Overall Championship Format

The winners of the overall championship will be decided by the combination of the rankings from the three events.

The ranking of one individual athlete in each discipline will be taken as the relative ranking amongst the overall participants only (only the competitors participating in the three disciplines).

The score for each participant will be the multiplication of the three rankings.

Tied athletes after the aggregation of their three rankings will be untied by face to face comparisons in each discipline. The winner will be the one with the most number of face to face win.

Athlete	Speed	Bouldering	Lead	TOTAL	Surpassing	
AAA	4	1	3	12	1 time	
BBB	3	4	1	12	2 times	Winner

If following this process competitors are still tied, their best time in speed at the competition will be used to split them.

Important Information

- Climbers who are colour-blind need to notify the route setters via info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au at least one week prior to the event.
- By registering for this competition, the climber authorises SCA to use images/photographs/movies that may be taken at the event. To revoke authorisation of the use of personal photographs taken from the event, the climber must submit in writing no later than the 5th May 2018.





- Official photographers only will be allowed to take photographs at the event. Please only take photographs from the spectator areas and only take photographs of your own children.
- Live streaming of the event will be on the SCA facebook page only.

Event T-Shirts

Competitors may purchase an event t-shirt for \$20 via our website. Limited numbers of shirts will be available so get in early!!

Spectators

Limited space is available at the event for spectators, particularly for the boulder discipline. During the event, we reserve the right to limit spectators to one per child competing. If further restrictions are required, priority will be given to parents who are volunteering at the event.





Volunteers

Join Us

The 2018 Clif Bar Youth Climbing Championships is a big and exciting event 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. Briefing and training sessions will be organised during the week leading to the event where necessary.

In 2018 we will be requiring each state to provide judges and belayers for the event. For each five athletes registered, the state board must send one volunteer. For more information on these requirements please email info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au

If you are interested in volunteering for this year's National Youth Climbing Championships [please register here.](#)





Contact

If you have a question or request, please do not hesitate to contact us:

info@sportclimbingaustralia.org.au

We look forward to seeing you there!

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