

# Event Handbook



## 2019 QLD OPENS BOULDERING STATE TITLES

**14<sup>th</sup> September**  
**Urban Climb Newstead**  
Ella Street



# Event Info

2019 QLD Opens Bouldering Titles is the event in which the Queensland State Champion for Bouldering will be decided for the Open, Master, and Paraclimbing categories. The championship is also the qualifying event for the Australian 2019 Boulder Nationals on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019 (Opens).

## 1. Dates

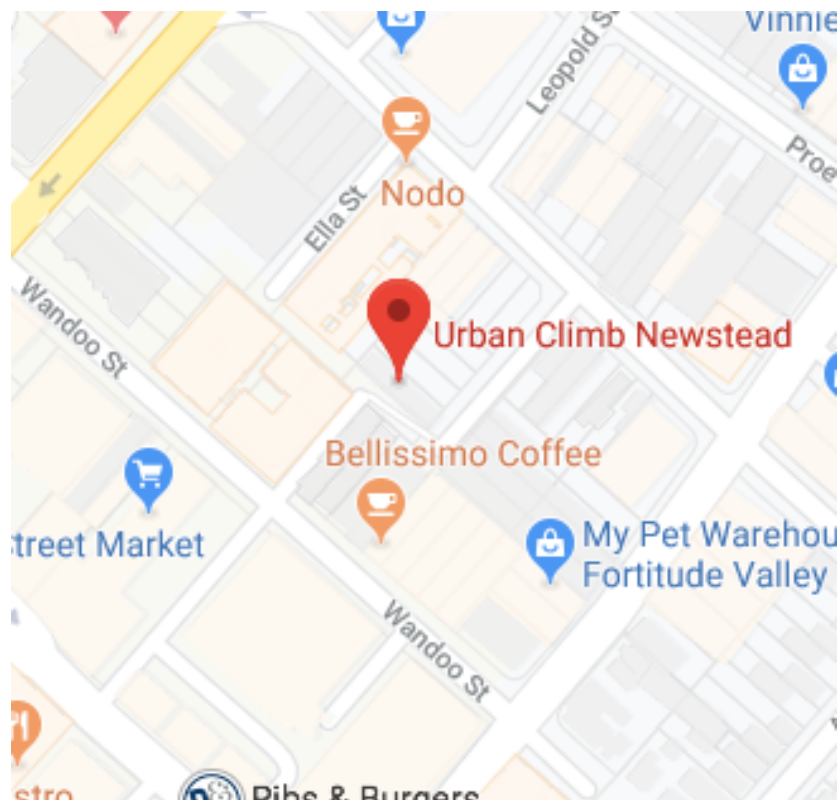
Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019

## 2. Location

**Urban Climb, Newstead, Ella Street**

5 Morse Street  
Newstead, QLD, 4006

Phone: 1300 001 203  
[www.urbanclimb.com.au](http://www.urbanclimb.com.au)





### 3. Categories

Information is taken from SCA's competition policy, which can be found [here](#).

There will be male and female categories in:

- **Masters:** Born 1979 or before
- **Open A, Open B & Paraclimbing:** Born 2003 or before

#### 3.1 Open A/Open B cut offs

The following refer to your hardest climbing (ewbank) and bouldering (Vermin) grade completed by the participant in the last 12 months. Open A competitors must also be born in 2002 or before (Youth A or older). Youth B competitors wanting to compete in open A must be approved by the Jury President.

	<i>Male</i>		<i>Female</i>	
	<b>Climbing</b>	<b>Bouldering</b>	<b>Climbing</b>	<b>Boulder</b>
<i>Open A</i>	25 +	V5+	24+	V4 +
<i>Open B</i>	24 -	V4 -	23 -	V3 -

#### 3.2 Interstate competitors

Interstate competitors are allowed to compete and are eligible for ranking points and potential prizes. Interstate competitors are not eligible for the Titles status.

#### 3.3 Oversea guest competitors

An overseas guest competitor is defined as someone who is not living in Australia. Overseas guest competitors are allowed to compete and are eligible for potential prizes however, will not be entitled to Titles, Ranking points, and Medals.

### 4. Photography

By registering for this competition, the climber authorizes SCQ & SCA to the use of images/photographs/movies that may be taken at the event. To revoke authorization of the use of personal photographs taken from the event, the climber must submit in writing no later than the 1st of September 2018.



## 5. Registrations

All competitors must be a current State or National member of Sport Climbing Australia. A membership runs from Jan 1<sup>st</sup> - Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. A state membership is \$20 and a national membership is \$59.

You can join at the SCA website [here](#) or at

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

### 5.1 Pre-register

It is a requirement to **pre-register** for the competition on the Sport Climbing Australia website. You can register [here](#) or at

<https://www.sportclimbingaustralia.org.au/event-3437593>

### 5.2 Entry Fee

- **Early Bird:** \$50 until midnight 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019
- **Early Bird + T-Shirt:** \$75 until midnight 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019
- **Standard:** \$60 until midnight 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019
- **Late Rego Fee:** \$75 after midnight 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019

### 5.3 Category restrictions/capping

Due to the capacity of the venue categories will be capped. Open A will be capped at 40 competitors per division (etc 40 females/ 40 males) while all other categories will be capped at 60 competitors per session.

### 5.4 Competition Shirt

A competition shirt can be purchased at the registration portal for \$25 until the 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

### 5.5 Colour-blind

Climbers who are **colour-blind** need to notify the event team during [registration](#).

# Competition Format

The following format is only a summary of the complete set of rules. For the complete set of rules please read SCA's competition policy, which can be found [here](#).

## 6. Climbing format

### 6.1 World Cup Format

Climbers in Open A will compete in a World Cup format. The entire event will include 5 on-sight boulders for the qualifying round. The qualifying round will be followed by an on-sight final of four boulders for the top 6 climbers in each category of the qualifying round.

### 6.2 BoulderJam Format

Climbers in Masters, Open B, and Paraclimbing will compete in a BoulderJam format. The entire event will include 7 boulders and will determine the state champion for that category. There is no final round for these categories.

### 6.3 Placing

The State Champion in each category will be decided by placing in the on-sight final for Open A. Count-back to the heats will be used in the situation of a tie in the finals. If there is a tie in the count-back a tie-breaker boulder will be set. Placing in other categories will be determined by the totals in the 7 boulders.

### 6.4 Climbing Procedure (Qualifications – World Cup)

- Climbers will attempt 5 different boulders on-sight, rotating from a boulder to designated, isolated rest areas.
- An attempt has begun when every part of the competitor's body has left the ground.
- An attempt on a route shall be considered successful if:
  - The boulder has been climbed in accordance with the rules
  - An attempt shall be considered successful when the judge of the station determines that the competitor has held and controlled the finishing hold of the boulder with two hands.
  - The fixed length of time has not succeeded **five (5) minutes**

- An attempt on a route shall be considered unsuccessful if:
  - The competitor falls
  - Doesn't start on the indicated start holds
  - Exceeds the fixed climbing time of **five (5) minutes**
  - Returns to the ground with any part of their body after starting their attempt
  - Uses any part of the wall, holds, or features that are deemed out of bounds of not allowed

### 6.5 Finals Procedure (World Cup)

- The top 6 climbers from the combined score of the qualifier rounds will compete in an on-sight final
- During the final competitors must remain within a designate Isolation zone until it is their turn to climb. Unauthorized personnel are not permitted to enter the Isolation Zone.
- A collective observation period for all finalists shall be held immediately prior to the commencement of the final round. The observation period is for 2 minutes per boulder.
- Climbers have **four (4) minutes** per boulder to attempt.
- Climbers are escorted by an official to the Competition area. Whilst in the Competition area, competitors are no permitted to seek any information from persons outside the Competition Area other than the Head Judge or Judge.

### 6.6 Climbing Procedure (BoulderJam)

- Climbers will attempt 7 different boulders in a designated time frame.
- An attempt on a route shall be considered successful if:
  - The boulder has been climbed in accordance with the rules
  - An attempt shall be considered successful when the judge of the station determines that the competitor has held and controlled the finishing hold of the boulder with two hands.
- An attempt on a route shall be considered unsuccessful if:
  - The competitor falls
  - Doesn't start on the indicated start holds
  - Returns to the ground with any part of their body after starting their attempt
  - Uses any part of the wall, holds, or features that are deemed out of bounds of not allowed

### 6.7 Appeals

As of the 13<sup>th</sup> April 2016, SCQ has introduced a \$50 appeal. It will cost competitors a \$50 deposit to make a claim either after their qualifying round or



their final round. If the competitor's appeal is successful they will receive the \$50 deposit back.

## 6.8 Rules

Rules for the event will be detailed in the briefing period before the commencement of each climbing round. Any questions or clarification regarding the rules must be asked during this time.

## 7. Event Regulation

To compete in this State Titles, 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 runs in conjunction with Sport Climbing Australia rules. The full rules of the competition can be accessed [here](#).

## 8. Event Officials

### 8.1 Event Organiser: Sport Climbing Queensland

Questions regarding formatting, registration and any other queries can be directed to the event organizer. Please contact [info@sportclimbingqueensland.com](mailto:info@sportclimbingqueensland.com)

### 8.2 Jury President: Paige Erpf

Any questions regarding route setting and technicalities can be directed to the Jury President.

### 8.3 Head Judge: Sian Spencer

Any complaints or contests can be directed to the Head Judge on the day of the event. Appeals will be dealt with in accordance to Sport Climbing Australia Rules.

### 8.5 Head Route Setter: TBC



# Volunteers

Only SCQ designated volunteers will judge and belay at the event.

- Such events are only made possible through the generous efforts of sponsors and volunteers. We are always looking for volunteers to help with judging, BBQing, registering, and isolation officials.
- Competitors are allowed to volunteer.
- All volunteers are required to undergo training prior to the event and are briefed on their role. Food and drinks are provided during the competition.
- If you would like to volunteer, you can register upon registration or through the following ways

Email: [president@sportclimbingqueensland.com](mailto:president@sportclimbingqueensland.com)

Website: <http://www.sportclimbingqueensland.com/events/>





# Schedule

This is a draft and subject to change.

Please check SCQ's Facebook and website for updates.

<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September</b>	
<b>6.30 am</b>	Registration opens (Open A)
<b>7.00 am</b>	Isolation opens
<b>7.15 am</b>	Isolation closes/Briefing
<b>7.30 am</b>	Qualification (Open A)
<b>11.30 am</b>	Qualifications finish/ Reset begins
<b>11.45 am</b>	Registration opens (Open B/Masters/Para) Session 1
<b>12.15 pm</b>	Briefing (Open B/Masters/Para)
<b>12.30 pm</b>	Session 1 BoulderJam begins
<b>2.00 pm</b>	Registration opens (Open B/Masters/Para) Session 2
<b>2.30 pm</b>	Session 1 BoulderJam finishes/ Session 2 Briefing
<b>2.45 pm</b>	Session 2 BoulderJam begins
<b>4.45 pm</b>	BoulderJam finishes/rest for final begins
<b>5.00 pm</b>	Master/Open B/Para podiums and presentations
<b>5.30 pm</b>	Open A isolation opens
<b>5.45 pm</b>	Open A isolation closes
<b>6.00 pm</b>	Viewing
<b>6.15 pm</b>	Finals commence
<b>9.00 pm</b>	Podiums and Presentations