

2018 MTBA Gravity Enduro Cup Round 2 | WA Gravity Enduro Series Round 6

Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th August 2018

Rider and Event Brief

Schedule

- Please refer to the website for the (www.wagravityenduro.org/project/2018-6) latest revision of the schedule
- Registrations close Tuesday 21st August 2018 @ midnight. Late registrations incur a \$15 late fee and close Friday @ 9pm. No on the day registrations permitted.
- Competitors will select their WAGE category and will be automatically assigned their MTBA category.
- Live start list is also available on the page. Please email steve@wagravityenduro.org immediately if there are any discrepancies.

Course and Venue

- The Gravity Enduro course of 7 stages is 21.5km in length with 7.8km of racing and 9.5km of transition. There is approximately 700m of climbing.
- Stages will vary depending on category.
- A summary of the course, including estimate times is below and does not take into account rest times or possible queuing.

Course	Description	Distance (km)	Course Rating	Elevation change / grade	Estimated Transition / Race Times
Start	Event Venue (York Carriage Diner) to Mt Brown crossing the Avon River on a 'single' width Suspension Bridge, joining Pool Street and arriving at the bottom of Mt Brown. If there are too many pedestrians on the bridge at end of race briefing, competitors will cross the bridge on Glebe Street and turn left onto Janet Millett Lane to reconnect to Pool Street.	1.1	Road	+25m	Elite/expert times shown and approx. 0:10:00
Transition Stage 1		1.3		+125m	0:20:00
Stage 1	This Stage is shared with Stage 7. Long descent with a challenging flat/incline midway. Great views at the top!	1.7	Black/Blue	-108m / -6%	0:06:00

Course	Description	Distance (km)	Course Rating	Elevation change / grade	Estimated Transition / Race Times
Transition Stage 2		0.75			0:012:00
Stage 2	A concrete staircase at the top of the stage	0.8	Black/Blue	-68m / -10%	0:02:30
Transition Stage 3		1.8			0:20:00
Stage 3	Quarry drop to gap jump towards the bottom of the stage	1.2	Black/Blue	-68m / -6%	0:04:00
Transition Stage 4		1.1			0:15:00
Stage 4	Very fast descent weaving through trees	0.8	Green	-67m / -9%	0:01:30
Transition Stage 5		1.2			0:16:00
Stage 5	Plenty of rocks and technical challenges	0.8	Blue	-82m / -10%	0:02:30
Transition Stage 6		1.1			0:15:00
Stage 6	Challenging short descent with rare moss where competitors and spectators must stay clear. Quarry gap jump at bottom of trail. Very technical.	0.7	Black / Blue	5m / 120m	0:01:30
Transition Stage 7		1.0			0:20:00
Stage 7	This stage is shared with Stage 1 and limited to certain categories. Stage 7 timing beacons will only be active when competitors start this stage.	1.7	Black / Blue	-108m / -6%	0:06:00
Finish	Leave Mt Brown and make way to Pool Street and return via Avon Suspension Bridge. This will be monitored. If pedestrians and tourists are using the bridge, we will direct competitors straight to Race Village.	1.1	Road	-20m	0:08:00

- The Event Village is located at the York Carriage Diner, South Street, York
- Ample parking available at the York Carriage Diner.
- Toilets are available at the Race Village and 4 portables available at the top of Mt Brown.
- An Official Assistance Zone will be setup at the top of Mt Brown.

- Water will be available here
- Mechanical Assistance is provided by Bike Collect and fees may apply for parts and repair.
- You may only get outside assistance for bike repair in the Official Assistance Zone. However, other riders are permitted to assist mechanically out on course.
- You can change parts on your bike, but the below cannot be changed at any time:
 - Fork Crown
 - Swingarm / Rear Triangle
 - Front triangle (main frame)
 - Both wheel rims
- Full face helmet must be worn during all Special Stages. Helmets with detachable chinguard must have the chinguard engaged during the Special Stage.
- Medical Assistance will be available at the top of Mt Brown with ambulance.
- No shuttling is permitted at anytime during racing on Sunday. When caught, you will be immediately disqualified.
- Vehicles are not permitted to ascend higher than the Mt Brown Picnic Area on Sunday. Road closure signs will be in place. Do not park on firetracks at anytime. Park only in the allocated areas indicated on the Course Map.
- Parking is permitted at the York Carriage Diner with overflow available on the otherside of the Avon River at the Tennis Courts.

Registration

- Premium Registrations (personalized raceplate) will close Tuesday 21st August at midnight
- Late Registrations (no personalized raceplate) and a \$15 late fee applies up to Friday 24th August at 9pm. On the day registrations are not available.
- You will need to have your race plate attached for official Practice on Saturday. The raceplate is the normal WA Gravity Enduro Series plate. If you are an existing 2018 competitor with your raceplate, there is no need to come to the Race Village. New competitors – please head to the Race Village at the York Carriage Diner between 9am and 2pm to collect your plate. Alternatively, it can be collected during check-in Sunday morning.
- Saturday Official Practice is between 11am and 2pm. Medical services will only be available during this time. You are permitted to ride recreationally on the trails outside this timeslot but do so entirely at your own risk.
- Sunday Raceday – all competitors must check-in at Race Village and be present for the Mandatory Race Briefing at 9:30am (exc. Whippets U13 who will have a briefing, SIAC and start from the top of Mt Brown at 8:15am). Race Village will open at 7:30am. All competitors will be issued their SIAC (Timing Wristband) which must be worn on the right-wrist. Do not wear any electronic devices or watches on the right-wrist. Loss or damage to a SIAC incurs a \$120 replacement fee.

Start Times

- Saturday Official Practice 11am – 2pm.
- Sunday Whippets U13 meet at top of Mt Brown at 8:15am
- Main Event Race Village opens at York Carriage Diner at 7:30am.
- Check-in must be complete before 9:30am
- Mandatory Race Briefing at 9:30am

- Competitors will leave Race Village in a staggered format to assist with transition and event times.
- Stages will not have designated start-times, however please follow the below stage ordering as best as possible as a guide. This should offer the best race experience with minimal overtaking/catchup's.

Categories

This event is Round 6 of the Chain Reaction Cycles WA Gravity Enduro Series and Round 2 of the MTBA National GE Cup.

Both series have excellent category comparisons. However, the Male Expert and Male/Female Sport categories have some division. You will be required to select your WAGE Category during registration. WA Gravity Enduro will then assign you your MTBA Category. The Start List will be published Wednesday 22nd August 2018 for review. If there are any discrepancies, EMAIL steve@wagravityenduro.org immediately.

WA Gravity Enduro	MTBA National GE Cup	Stages to complete
Male Elite	Elite Men	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Female Elite	Elite Female	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Male Expert (and if 19 – 29)	Expert Men	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Male Expert (and if 30 – 39)	Masters 1&2 Men	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Male Sport 19 - 39	n/a	1 2 3 4 5 6
Female Sport 19 – 39 (and if 19 – 29)	Expert Women	1 2 3 4 5 6
Female Sport 19 – 39 (and if 30 – 39)	Masters 1&2 Women	1 2 3 4 5 6
Male Masters 40 - 49	Masters 3&4 Men	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Female Masters 40 - 49	Masters 3&4 Women	1 2 3 4 5 6
Male Super Masters 50 – 59	Masters 5&6 Men	1 2 3 4 5 6
Female Super Masters 50+	Masters 5&6 Women	1 2 3 4 5
Male Grand Masters 60+	Masters 7&8 Men	1 2 3 4 5 6
U19	Junior	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
U17	Under 17	1 2 3 4 5 6
Male U15	Under 15 Men	1 2 3 4 5 6
Female U15	Under 15 Women	1 2 3 4 5
Whippets U13	n/a	4 6 1
e-Bike Open	n/a	1 2 3 4 5 6

We have carefully considered the WAGE Categories and the MTBA Category comparisons. Due to the major reason of creating a challenging course for the MTBA National GE Cup, it is not appropriate for the WAGE Male Sport to move into MTBA Expert or 3&4.

Where to begin

Categories	Stage Order (only complete what is required)
Elite Men Expert Men Male U19	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Male Masters 40 – 49 Female Elite Followed by all other Female Competitors self-seeding	6 1 2 3 4 5 7
Male Super Masters 50+ Male Grand Masters 60+	3 4 5 6 1 2
Male U17 Male U15	4 5 6 1 2
WAGE Male Sport (this is usually the largest group – please spread across stages keeping clear of top tier riders where possible)	

- **Important:** It is highly recommended all stages be completed in the order of the group you are assigned to but is not mandatory. Most importantly, allow faster riders in front or faster riders should leave greater than 30 seconds if following a 'slower' rider. Please and thank you go a long way. If you are catching a rider, give them plenty of notice by yelling 'rider' and the caught rider should yield/move to the side where possible.

Timing

- Race Timing is provided by WA Gravity Enduro using the Sportident Air+ System. SIAC's (wristbands) are to be worn tight on the right-wrist. All timing beacons on course are located on the right side of the track.
- You must come to a COMPLETE STOP when signposted at the Stage Starting area. Failure to come to a complete stop will incur a 10second penalty (no appeal).
- A recommended minimum of 30 seconds should be left between riders and is self-seeding.
- All finishes will be marked with a Stage Flying Finish sign. Your time will be recorded as you pass the timing unit.
- Please ensure you keep away from all exclusion zones near the start and finishes which are designated with red and white bunting.
- All course bunting is black and yellow bunting (contrary to the blue and white on the Competitors Information Page)

[Competitor Information Page](#)

Safety and Equipment

- Medical assistance will be at the top of Mt Brown. Medical assistance is mobile to attend to serious incidents.
- All riders must wear a full face helmet while racing the Special Stage.
- Helmets must also be worn during transition, noting that open face and helmets with detachable chin piece are permitted.

- A reminder for Under 15 and Under 17 riders to wear the additional mandatory safety gear, which includes full finger gloves, knee pads and elbow pads.
- Riders are reminded to look after each other during the day. Riders who stop to assist anyone who is injured, will receive either a re-run or have a time calculated for an impacted stage.
- An Official Assistance Zone will be setup at the top of Mt Brown.
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Rules and Penalties

- Three MTBA Commissaires will be present at this event.
- Penalties will be applied for infringements to rules. These will reference the MTBA Gravity Enduro Rulebook.
- You must complete the event using the same frame and set of wheels. If you need to change wheels, this will need to be approved and incur a 5 minute penalty.
- **Food / drink / kit stashing is not permitted. A 5 minute penalty will apply.**

Podium and Results

- Podiums placings have significant overlap in categories with WAGE and MTBA. As such, two medals may be awarded for a single competitor during presentations.
- Results will be generated for the MTBA National Series and the WA Gravity Enduro Series.
- All riders placed 1st to 3rd during presentations must be present. Prizes not collected at presentations will not be available after the event.
- Whippets presentation are likely to take place immediately following their return to race village at approximately 10am
- Presentations for the main event will occur at approximately 2:30pm in the following order:

Presentation Order	WA Gravity Enduro Medal	MTBA National GE Cup Medal
1	e-Bike Open (mentioned only, no medal, prize or podium in 2018)	n/a
2	U15	U15
3	U17	U17
4	U19	Junior

5	Male Grand Masters 60+	Masters 7&8 Men
6	Male Super Masters 50 – 59	Masters 5&6 Men
7	Female Masters 50+	Masters 5&6 Women
8	Female Masters 40 - 49	Masters 5&6 Women
9	Male Masters 40 - 49	Masters 3&4 Men
10	WAGE Female Sport 19 – 39	n/a
11	WAGE Female Sport 19 – 39 (and if 19 – 29)	Expert Women
12	WAGE Female Sport 19 – 39 (and if 30 – 39)	Masters 1&2 Women
13	WAGE Male Sport 19 – 39	n/a
14	WAGE Male Expert	n/a
15	WAGE Male Expert (and if 19 – 29)	Expert Men
16	WAGE Male Expert (and if 30 – 39)	Masters 1&2 Men
17	Female Elite	Elite Women
18	Male Elite	Elite Men

Elite winners 1 \$150 2 \$120 3 \$100 cash

All else 1 WAGE free entry for final round 7 only

2 WAGE 50% off entry for final round 7 only

3 WAGE 25% off entry for final round 7 only

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