

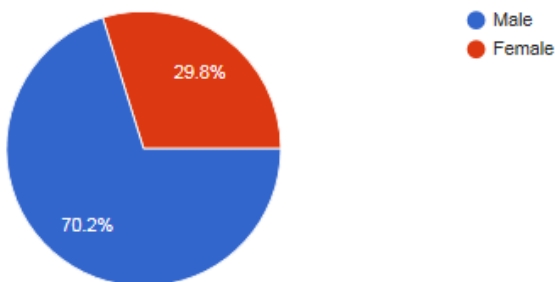


Thank you to everyone who responded to the recent 2016 Cycling Otago track survey. Every piece of feedback is helpful and while we haven't itemised all the responses below, we've picked out a few recurring themes.

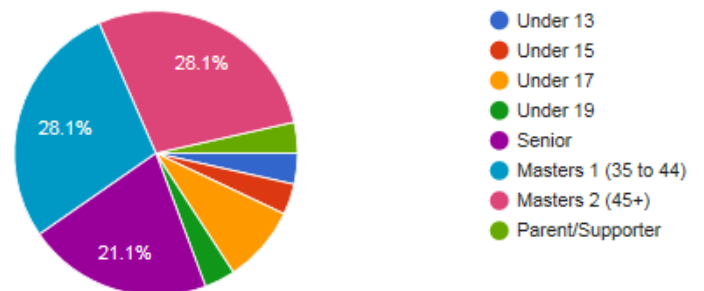
There was an excellent response rate – 57 – which is a good sign our members, and the wider cycling community, cares about the future of track in Otago.

The feedback will now be taken into consideration as we develop the 2016/17 Cycling Otago track programme.

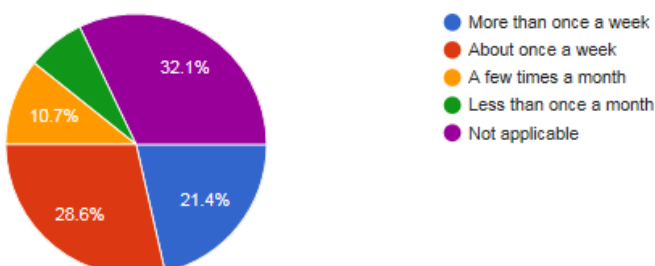
## Gender



## Age Group



## How often do you use the Seddon Park Velodrome?



## Most popular events to race

- 1 Scratch (40.4%)
- 2 Elimination (36.8%)
- 3 Points (29.8%)
- 4 Time Trial (21.1%)
- 5 Keirin (14%)

*Note that respondents were asked for their two most favourite races. Not applicable (ie those respondents who do not currently ride track) accounted for 29.8%, and Handicap and Australian Pursuit Races 5.3% each.*

## Why don't you race more?

- 1 Other commitments (40.4%)
- 2 Doesn't apply (race when and how often I want) (28.1%)
- 3 Not applicable (do not currently ride) (21.1%)
- 4 Current format (7%)
- 5 Other (15.8%)
- 6 Too much other racing on (5.3%)

*These results are in contrast to much of the free text comments, that cite too much back-to-back racing during the week as being an issue, and the strong desire for seniors and juniors to be scheduled separately.*

## What would encourage you to race more?

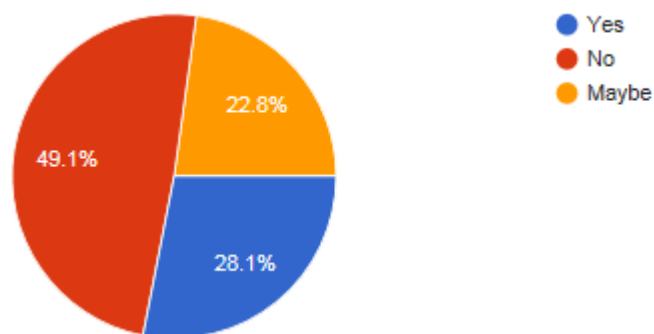
- 1 Event series similar to Monday Night Racing (45.6%)
- 2 Structured senior training sessions (43.9%)
- 3 Motor pacing sessions (38.6%)
- 4 Well defined grades for novice through to competitive age group riders (36.8%)
- 5 Fun races (29.8%)
- 6 Separate senior and junior race nights (10.5%)

*Note that respondents were asked for three factors that would encourage them to race more.*

## Ideas for scheduling and/or structuring track differently

- Junior sessions should be earlier than the senior sessions, or on another day. *Numerous comments reflecting this.*
- Schedule racing on Sundays – relaxed environment, more time for racing, less stress after work.
- Too much back to back racing each week – Monday Night Racing, track, Sam's. *Numerous comments reflecting this, often combined with suggesting track be scheduled to another day.*
- Postponement day could be at the weekend.
- Racing every other week, with structured training on alternate weeks.

## Would you be interested in coaching?



## Any general suggestions or comments regarding track riding and racing in Otago?

- Make it fun and enjoyable, and keep it simple.
- More coaching and structured training sessions.
- Set format for racing, with different events each week (schedule A, B, C etc). Have clear grades. Don't allow critics unless they're willing to help.
- Separate junior and senior racing. Invite younger riders to join the seniors, rather than just allowing them to race.
- Enforce the gear limits for juniors.
- More individual races – TTs, individual pursuits etc.
- Promote the benefits of track to road cyclists (bike handling, speed, sprints etc).

**Cycling Otago Executive Committee**

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