

2018



TOUR OF THE GREAT SOUTH COAST

August 15 - 19

GAMES GOLD MEDALLISTS PUT SHINE ON TOUR FIELD

Gold Coast Commonwealth Games gold medallists Sam Welsford and Kelland O'Brien will contest the Campolina-Visit Victoria Tour of the Great South Coast next week, injecting a huge touch of class into the five-day road cycling classic.

The West Australian Welsford, 22, and the 20-year-old Victorian O'Brien were members of the four-man Australian pursuit line-up which smashed the world record at Brisbane's Anna Meares velodrome, clocking an amazing 3mins 49.804secs in becoming the first team to break the 3mins 50secs barrier for the 4000-metre distance.

Welsford, an eight-time world track champion, also won the 15km scratch race at the Games in April.

The golden duo will race for the Australian Cycling Academy-Ride Sun squad in the 500-kilometre tour, which starts at Mount Gambier's Vansittart Park at 10.45 next Wednesday with a 30-lap closed circuit street race (criterium). The seven-member team will be managed by the Sydney-based Olympian Ben Kersten.

The seventh Great South Coast Tour has attracted a red-hot 103-man field of professional cyclists from all Australian states, New Zealand and Germany. The line-up includes dual Melbourne to Warrnambool Classic winner Nathan Elliott, the German time trial star Raphael Freienstein, the tour's inaugural titleholder in 2012 Anthony Giacoppo,



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the 2017 Cycling Australia National Road Series victor Michael Freiberg, and Cameron Scott – winner of the prestigious Fulton Hogan Criterium Cup at last year's Tasmanian Christmas Sports Carnivals. (Field attached).

"The field reeks with quality," said Cycling Australia's sports director Kipp Kaufmann who will travel from Melbourne to Mount Gambier to watch the opening day's double-stage action. "Having Sammy and Kelland in the tour is a tremendous bonus. They'll certainly liven-up the criteriums with their speed and bike handling skills."

Mr. Kaufmann said the course, which embraces six picturesque stages in South Australia and Victoria, enjoyed widespread appeal with the cyclists and their team managers: "The best rider usually wins this tour, there is nowhere to hide," he asserted. (Course outline attached).

The multi-sponsored tour features five other categories aside from outright honours – the Carlin & Gazzard sprint championship, the CFMEU rising star award, the Scody king of the mountains winner, the Fulton Hogan most aggressive rider challenge, and the Glenelg Shire criterium title.

The tour will conclude with a spectacular waterfront criterium in Portland at 12.30 on Sunday, August 19. Mount Gambier's Blue Lake district, Port MacDonnell, Heywood, Casterton and Cape Bridgewater also figure prominently in the course.



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THE TEAMS

INFORM MAKE NRS DS: Patrick LANE (VIC)

1	Raphael FREIENSTEIN	GER
2	Stuart SMITH	VIC
3	Thomas MCFARLANE	VIC*
4	Kallum PARLEVLIET	VIC*
5	Carter TURNBULL	VIC*
6	David WILLIAMS	VIC*
7	Benjamin JONES	VIC*

BENNELONG SWISS WELLNESS CYCLING TEAM

DS: Andrew CHRISTIE-JOHNSTON (TAS)

11	Ayden TOOVEY	NSW
12	Nathan ELLIOTT	VIC
13	Michael FREIBERG	WA
14	Timothy ROE	SA
15	Anthony GIACOPPO	WA
16	Tristan WARD	NSW
17	Jason LEA	VIC

BRISBANE CONTINENTAL CYCLING DS: Joshua PRETE (QLD)

21	Oliver MARTIN	TAS
22	Tom ROBINSON	TAS
23	Calan WHITE	QLD*
24	Joshua BEKOFF	QLD*
25	Michael VINK	NZL
26	Mitch NEUMANN	QLD

OLIVER'S REAL FOOD RACING DS: Brad DAVIES (SA)

31	Nicholas WHITE	VIC
32	Russell GILL	SA
33	Sean WHITFIELD	ACT
34	Jack SUTTON	SA
35	Callum PEARCE	SA*
36	Benjamin ANDREWS	VIC
37	Thomas BOLTON	NSW

AUSTRALIAN CYCLING ACADEMY- RIDE SUN

DS: Ben KERSTEN (NSW)

41	Cameron SCOTT	NSW
42	Ashley MACKAY	NSW
43	Elliot SCHULTZ	QLD*
44	Jonathon NOBLE	QLD
45	Kelland O'BRIEN	VIC*
46	Toby ORCHARD	NSW
47	Sam WELSFORD	WA

NERO KOM FINANCIAL ADVICE DS: Luke MANION (NSW)

51	Ben VAN DAM	TAS
52	Angus CALDER	NSW
53	Christopher MILLER	NSW
54	Sam BASCOMBE	VIC*
55	Taj JONES	QLD*
56	Chris POWELL	NSW
57	Sebastian MEYER	NSW

GPM-STULZ NRS

DS: Trent WILSON (NSW)

61	Cameron ROBERTS	NSW
62	Cameron IVORY	NSW
63	Tasman NANKERVIS	NSW
64	Aaron WATTS	VIC
65	Thomas GREEN	NSW
66	William HODGES	NSW
67	Riley FLEMING	NSW*

MOBIUS BRIDGELANE

DS: Tom PETTY (NSW)

71	Liam EDWARDS	VIC*
72	Carno GROUBE	NZL*
73	Ben METCALFE	NSW*
74	Craig WIGGINS	NSW*

DRAPAC EF P/B CANNONDALE HOLISTIC

DS: Agostino GIRAMONDO (VIC)

81	Jesse FEATONBY	VIC
82	Thomas KAESLER	SA
83	Liam MAGENNIS	SA
84	Liam WHITE	VIC
85	Alexander SMYTH	VIC
86	Jensen PLOWRIGHT	VIC*
87	Patrick BURT	VIC

AMR RENAULT RACING

DS: Russell MENZIES (NSW)

91	Jack MARRYATT	NZL
92	Connor REARDON	QLD*
93	Blake SUNDE	NZL*
94	Julian THOMSON	VIC
95	Nicholas SHIMPSON	VIC*

PHOENIX CYCLING COLLECTIVE

DS: Scotty THOMPSON (NSW)

101	William BARKER	ACT
102	Nathan BOOTH	ACT
103	Andrew MCCOSKER	ACT
104	Dylan HOPKINS	ACT*
105	Samuel HILL	NSW
106	Daniel SIMPSON	ACT*
107	Toby STEWART	NSW

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SPORTS INSTITUTE

DS: Brett AITKEN (SA)

111	Jarrad DRIZNERS	SA*
112	Cooper SAYERS	SA*
113	Cooper TYE	SA*
114	Kael THOMAS	SA*
115	Jack SYKES	SA*

VAN D'AM RACING P/B BUTTERFIELDS

DS: Lachlan AMBROSE (SA)

121	Ivan BENNETT	TAS
122	Jason THOMASON	SA
123	Lachlan DARCH	SA*
124	Liam LAWLOR	SA*
125	Rylan DOWDELL	SA
126	David RANDALL	VIC
127	Sebastian PRESLEY	VIC*

TIS RACING TEAM

DS: Ron BRYAN (TAS)

131	Zack GILMORE	TAS*
132	Jack OLIVER	TAS*
133	Luke THOMPSON	TAS
134	Conor LEAHEY	WA*
135	Josh DUFFY	TAS*
136	Zachary JOHNSON	TAS*
137	Daniel DI DOMENICO	TAS*

ANCHOR POINT SOUTH COAST

DS: Sam LANE (VIC)

141	Dylan LINDSEY	VIC
142	Nicholas LEONARD	VIC
143	Jordan VILLANI	VIC
144	Alexander HOLDEN	VIC
145	Nicholas CANTERBURY	VIC
146	Jack AITKEN	VIC
147	Jack PATZEL	SA*

MIBUS BROS/KEPPEL PRINCE

151	William GREEN	NZL*
152	Bentley NIQUET-OLDEN	VIC*
153	Shaun FALZARANO	NSW*
154	Allan SATCHELL	VIC
155	Curtis DOWDELL	SA
156	Daniel LUKE	QLD*



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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, Stage 1:

MOUNT GAMBIER

criterium – 30 laps of a 1.2km CBD circuit at Vansittart Park.

Distance: 36kms.

Intermediate Sprints: 11

Hill Climbs: 0

Start: 10.45 a.m.

Finish: 11.30 a.m. (approx).

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, Stage 2:

MOUNT GAMBIER

Road Race – 10 laps of a 6.5km Blue Lake and Reidy Park primary school circuit.

Distance: 65kms.

Intermediate Sprints: 4

Hill Climbs: 4

Start: 1.30 p.m.

Finish: 3 p.m. (approx).

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, Stage 3:

PORT MACDONNELL

Road Race, Five laps of a town and rural circuit, starting and finishing in Port MacDonnell

Distance: 128.5 kms

Intermediate Sprints: 9

Hill Climbs: 3

Start: 11.a.m.

Finish: 2.10 p.m.(approx)

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, Stage 4:

HEYWOOD to CASTERTON

Road Race - via Hotspur, Digby, Merino, Paschendale, Henty, Sandford.

Distance: 92.9kms.

Intermediate sprints: 4

Hill climbs: 5

Start: 12 noon

Finish: 2.20 p.m. (approx).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 18, Stage 5:

CAPE BRIDGEWATER

Road Race - four laps of a 29km bushland-lakes circuit, incorporating Bridgewater Lakes, Portland Airport and Cashmore, with the start-finish line at Portland Surf Lifesaving Club.

Distance: 121.4kms.

Intermediate sprints: 7

Hill climbs: 8

Start: 12 noon

Finish: 3 p.m. (approx).

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19, Stage 6:

PORTLAND

criterium - 30 laps of the 1.6km town and waterfront circuit.

Distance: 48kms.

Intermediate sprints: 11

Hill Climbs: 0

Start: 12.30 p.m.

Finish: 1.45 p.m. (approx).

TOTAL DISTANCE: 491.8kms

TOTAL NUMBER OF INTERMEDIATE SPRINTS: 46

TOTAL NUMBER OF HILL CLIMBS: 20

HOST MUNICIPALITIES:

City of Mount Gambier (SA)

District Council of Grant (SA)

Glenelg Shire (Vic)
