

The Hawaii Cycling Club (HCC) is initiating a Club Championship series of races. The races will be free to all cyclists but only HCC members will receive points towards the Club Championship. The HCC 2012 membership is free.

HCC's Board of Directors will be meeting to finalize the rules for the series and the locations, dates and times of the races. The following have been proposed but are subject to change.

There will be at least seven (7) races. The races will be at various locations around the Big Island.

A member must compete in four (4) of the races to qualify for the Club Championship. If a member competes in more than four races, the member's best four finishes will be used to determine the member's standing.

There will be a separate Club Championship for each racing/age group. The groups are Men/Women, Pro/Elite, and age groups 13-17, 18-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79.

At the end of the racing season there will be an awards event.

The first free race is a 10 mile time trial beginning at 8 a.m. Feb.18, starting at the Queen Kaahumanu Highway and Kaiminani Drive. Registration will be held from 7:15 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. Riders will start at 8 a.m. on 30 second intervals.

The second free race is on March 17. It is a 12-mile time trial starting at Waikoloa. Registration will be held from 7:15 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. at Bike Works Beach & Sport in the Queens Marketplace Waikoloa Beach Resort.