



About the 2011 Oceania Speed Skating Championships

LOCATION: Gold Coast, Queensland, Australia



The Gold Coast features immaculate beaches running almost the entire length of the regions coastline which faces the beautiful blue Pacific Ocean. Match this with a favorable climate, endless attractions, nightlife, dining, friendly people, along with a safe environment, and you have Australias favourite holiday destination that's open to the world.

The Gold Coast region is located 70kms south of Queensland's capital city, Brisbane, and almost 1000km's north of the capital of New South Wales, Sydney. It has an estimated population of 480,000 and is Australia's sixth largest city. At the center of the Gold Coast region is the popular and well known suburb of Surfers Paradise.

Inland from the beaches and behind the city, there are magnificent <u>National Parks</u> - Springbrook, Lamington and Tamborine which feature World Heritage protected areas. These scenic sub-tropical rainforests are visitor friendly with picnic areas, short and long nature walks, amazing natural flora and fauna, and spectacular lookouts that gaze out across the hinterland, the city and out to the expanse of the ocean. The Hinterland and Mt Tamborine is also popular for it's wineries.

The Climate on the Gold Coast is a comfortable sub-tropical climate averaging in the 20's and is enjoyable all year round. Autumn is still warm to hot during the days and slightly cooler at nights. Humidity drops and there is less rain. Autumn in the Gold Coast is similar to Spring - it's a great time to visit. The <u>weather</u> makes it favorable for a vast range of attractions and activities including four big theme parks that provide hours and hours, if not days, of entertainment value with something on offer for everyone. The four theme parks are Movie World, Wet 'n' Wild, Sea World and Dreamworld located between the suburbs of Southport and Coomera.

The Gold Coast hosts it's own International Airport at Coolangatta with direct flights to and from SE Asia and New Zealand however flights can be arranged direct to Brisbane International Airport which is approximately 1.5 hrs train ride from the Gold Coast.

DATES: Training Days 16-17th April
Racing 18-20th April

Racing 18-20" April Marathon 21st April

VENUE:

The 2011 Oceania Speed Championships will be held on a Road Circuit at the Broadwater Parklands, situated at Marine Parade, Southport just north of Surfers Paradise. The track is a smooth bitumen surface 300m in length.

The park offers a wide variety of recreational options including picnics and barbecues, strolling on the rooftop terrace to take in the spectacular views of Surfers Paradise, fishing off the pier, swimming, and lunchtime sports on the Great Lawn.





ACCOMMODATION: There are plenty of accommodation options available to suit all budgets. For further information log on to the following website.

http://www.goldcoastinfo.net/accommodation

AGE DIVISIONS:

Junior Oceania Championships

- The Junior Oceania Championships shall be for inline speed skaters who are over twelve (12) years of age but not yet seventeen (17) years of age as at the 1st January 2011.
- ii. Skaters who have attained a top 5 placing at the Junior World Inline Speed Skating Championships are not eligible to compete in this competition and must be steered towards the "Senior Oceania Inline Speed Skating Championships".
- iii. Each Federation may nominate a maximum of 12 female skaters and a maximum of 12 male skaters. Each skater shall be eligible to compete in every event for the "Oceania Junior Championships".

Senior Oceania Championships

- The competition will be for inline speed skaters who are over seventeen (17) years of age as at the 1st January 2011..
- ii. Skaters who have attained a top 5 placing at the Junior World Inline Speed Skating Championships will also compete in the Senior Oceania Championships.
- Each Federation may nominate an unlimited number of female and male skaters. Each skater shall be eligible to compete in every event scheduled for the 'Oceania Senior Championships'.

Oceania Masters Championships

- The competition will be for in-line speed skaters in two (2) grades.
 A Grade masters will be 30 years but not yet 40 as at the 1st. January in the year of the competition.
 - <u>B Grade masters will be 40 years</u> and over as at the 1st. January in the year of the competition.
- ii. Each Federation may nominate an unlimited number of skaters in each grade. Skaters may skate up a grade but not down. Each skater in each grade shall be eligible to compete in every event scheduled for the Oceania Masters Championships

DISTANCES: All division have a full competition schedule and all competitors may enter in all events. Relays may be skated with 2 or 3 competitors.

Junior and Senior Divisions Masters Divisions Male and Female Male and Female Road Road 200m Time Trial 200m Time Trial 500m Heats/Final 500m Heats/Final 1000m Heats/Final 1000m Heats/Final 10000m Points/Elimination 3000m 20000m Elimination 5000m Points 5000m Relay 3000m Relay

Road Road

42K Marathon 42K Marathon

AWARDS: Appropriate Medals or Trophies will be presented to the first 3 place getters in each event in each division.

Overall Athlete Trophies for each division male and female will be awarded on the basis of 5 points for a 1st place, 3 points for 2nd place and 1 points for 3rd place. Relays are excluded from the Overall Individual Athlete Awards.

Things to do on the Gold Coast (When you're not skating)



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We look forward to meeting you on the Gold Coast in April