

## North West Sport Developer Report

2023 Season Successes: -

- Road –
  - North West has seen many national level events this year with Lancaster GP, Colne GP, NW Junior and Youth Tour, Junior National Championships and NW Junior Race.
  - Regional Road and Circuit Championships held.
  - NWYL saw 6 rounds across the region including the Regional Championships in Carlisle.
  - Cumberland Cobbler – a new Town Centre Circuit race in Silloth with the support of Cumberland Council. A huge undertaking for organiser Fiona Graham.
  - A massive well done and thank you to all organisers, officials, and volunteers.
  - Systems and ways of working have improved this year thank you to the support of Len Woffindin as RCA and Clive Chatterton as our Accredited Marshal Coordinator. We look to further our progress for next season.
- Track
  - Manchester velodrome reopened for competition in January after a long hiatus.
  - Return of the Monday Night Track League, Manchester Regional Track League First Division, and Manchester Regional Track League Premier Division.
  - The UCI World Master Track Championships 2023 will be hosted at Manchester velodrome from the 30<sup>th</sup> of September.
- Speedway
  - Cycle Speedway continues to have a healthy showing in the region with clubs focusing on both Go-Ride/ entry level events as well as elite events such as Women's Battle of Britain.
- BMX
  - BMX Freestyle National Championships hosted at Junction 4 Skatepark with an inclusive environment offering coaching and games for all levels of riders. The BCX series was also a development in 2023 creating a non-competitive 'jam' environment for riders to get together and develop their skills.
  - North Region BMX concluded with 9 rounds and the Club Championships at Preston.
  - North BMX hosted very successful Talent Development Centre sessions during the summer season. They have been a hit with riders.
- MTB
  - Midweek Madness completed a 5-race series from May to July including one round at a new venue of Wythenshawe Park with thanks to organiser Roy Hunt and NACRO.
  - Two Crank-It Cycling CX events including children's coaching sessions.
  - Three DH events thanks to Borderline Events.
- Cyclocross
  - The 2022/23 cyclocross season saw 10 successful regional events hosted by NWCCA.
  - Last season NWCCA also hosted the 2023 CX National Championships at Milnthorpe – a massive well done for this huge (and wet) event.
  - The 2023/24 season has begun. NWCCA are hosting one National Round in October and a UCI C2 as part of the Hope Series in September.
- Limitless
  - Following the launch of Limitless we have two clubs signed up in the region and a very successful opening event at Seashell Trust.

Developments: -

- Following a recent restructure, as the North West Sport Developer my initial priorities will be analysis of the needs of the region across clubs, groups, and events.
- Data analysis of the 2023 road race season is being carried out to understand our active licence holders. Analysis includes mapping race locations, popularity, and distances athletes travel to compete. Following completion of this analysis the 2024 calendar can be planned and coordinated with neighbouring regions.
- Creation of a clear and concise system for all key regional processes.
- Provide space for volunteer feedback, workshops, and development across all event and club volunteers.

A massive thank you to all Regional Board members for your support, knowledge, and enthusiasm.