

OXFORDSHIRE AA ROAD RACE GRAND PRIX SERIES

Series Rules 2016

1. Any club affiliated to the OAA can take part. There will be an entry fee of £15 per club to pay for trophies and administration.
2. The Grand Prix season will run from 1st January to 31st December.
3. 15 races will be included in the Grand Prix Series including all the County Championship races and covering a range of distances. Participating races will be expected to provide results to the series organiser promptly and preferably in electronic format.
4. Only first claim runners will count for the club team.
5. The first 4 men finishing will be the club's team. For women the team will be 3 finishers.
6. Each runner will earn race points according to the formula: one point for turning up and one point for every runner in a Grand Prix club they beat. Men and women will be classified separately. The race points will be added up to calculate the club's score in that race.
7. Since races vary widely in the number of competitors, GP competition points are awarded for each race on the basis that the first team gets 25 points, second 22, third 20, fourth 19 and so on. Tied teams get the points appropriate to the lowest ranking within the tie. Points are awarded even for teams that field no competitors.
8. Grand Prix standings will be based on the accumulated competition points over the team's best 13 races. Permanent trophies are awarded for the first three men's and first three women's club teams. In the event of a tie in the GP standings, the winner will be based on the results in all 15 races, then on the number of team 1st places in individual races, then 2nd places, etc.
9. There is also an award for the best men's and women's teams from small teams, defined as teams in the bottom half of the table when ranked on number of runners competing in GP events the previous year. Winners of the overall trophy are not eligible for the small team's trophy.
10. There are separate individual competitions for men and women, with points awarded according to the percentage of runners you beat in each race. As in the team competition the standings are based on the best 13 races. Trophies are awarded for first, second and third place. Ties are resolved in the same way as in the team competition.
11. Disputes should be referred to the OAA Road Race Secretary in the first instance and, if not resolved, to the Chair of the OAA. Rule changes are decided by the OAA Road Race AGM