



MANITOBA CYCLING ASSOCIATION

MCA's purpose is to advance athletes along the performance pathway and develop partnerships to promote the growth of cycling in Manitoba. Your membership contributes to the ongoing development of cycling in Manitoba including athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:

- *Individual membership in the association entitles members to all the rights and privileges established by the MCA by-laws, including voting rights.*
- *As a part of your membership, Insurance coverage is provided for activities sanctioned by the MCA (i.e.: events, club rides & activities, clinics, workshops, etc.).*
- *MCA Members have access to optional personal insurance coverage at preferred rates through our national insurance provider as posted on the MCA website.*
- *Athletes participating at events are provided annual race plates/numbers for each race discipline, free of charge.*
- *Athletes are provided a structured point system and seeding for most events. Race results are posted to the MCA website.*
- *Provincial Championships are organized for Road, MTB, and Cyclocross. Podium performers receive recognition at the event, at the annual awards Banquet, and from the province.*
- *Athletes who achieve top points at cup events are presented with awards at our awards annual banquet.*
- *Individuals have access to a wide range of developmental grants that facilitate the growth of athletes, coaches, and officials at the community level.*
- *Coaches are provided standards and ongoing development opportunities from Grassroots to high performance.*
- *Commissaire training and development are provided, including uniforms, and free technical license.*
- *Learning Facilitator development is available for cycling educators.*
- *Youth programming opportunities are available for ages 5+ including Kids of Mud, Summer Camps, multi-sport programs, Development program, Performance program, and High-performance program.*
- *Youth Power smart Summer Games and Canada Summer games (every 4 years).*
- *Cycling safety initiatives are provided for education including the National CAN-Bike program, as well as cycling safety videos developed for the public - free of charge.*
- *Partnership discounts are available through various cycling partners as listed on the MCA website.*
- *Membership Newsletter is forwarded quarterly to keep members up to date.*
- *Bison Butte Mountain Bike Park is maintained for the public and can be accessed free of charge.*
- *The MCA supports our community partners who are focused on cycling advocacy, recreation & transportation initiatives, and trails development to improve cycling for all.*

CLUB BENEFITS:

- *Club membership in the association entitles the club to all rights and privileges established by the MCA by-laws.*
- *Development of a customized club page thru CCN to assist clubs with the collection on online memberships, merchandise, program fees, race registration, special promotions etc. No set-up fees.*
- *One (1) club committee representative (voting seat) on Mountain Bike, Road, Cyclo-cross, and Kids of Mud Committee. A voice in the growth of the sport of cycling in Manitoba!*
- *Clubs have access to MCA's "Club Development Fund Grant" to support the development of Manitoba. \$5.00 per license/membership purchased is contributed to this fund annually to give back to our community clubs.*
- *Club Insurance is provided for approved activities using MCA members. One time club try-outs are supported to help clubs increase their membership.*
- *Clubs have access to Bison Butte Mountain bike trails for training, bike demos, and club activities. Ongoing trail maintenance is provided thru the MCA.*
- *Affiliated clubs have Access to specialty insurance specifically arranged thru our broker for cycling Clubs and Shops (i.e.: Directors and Officers insurance).*
- *Access to rental equipment (AED) Defibrillators, mobile bleachers, flags, cones, etc.*
- *MCA Development Funding for clubs - up to \$500 annually per approved club application.*
- *Clubs have access to many provincial, national, and community funding grants due to their affiliation with the association.*
- *Meeting Room space & presentation equipment for clubs/partners at the Sport for Life Centre. (No room or equipment fee).*
- *Website recognition on the Manitoba Cycling Association website with a link to the club website.*
- *Access to Sport for Life Design and Printing Services, resource materials, discounts & rentals.*
- *Insurance for each club is Included thru each Member's membership.*

EVENT ORGANIZER BENEFITS:

- *Dedicated Race discipline volunteers are available to assist organizers in establishing their event. Guidance, standards, and support are provided for event organizing.*
- *An annual race calendar meeting is organized so that organizers have protected race dates. Race discipline directors help to manage crossover of disciplines/events to optimize event attendance and volunteers.*
- *The MCA promotes sanctioned events on the website and social media pages to help increase participation, attract volunteers, and support registration.*
- *Clubs wishing to organize events do not pay a Sanctioning fee in Manitoba. They retain all revenue from the events that they host. Most provinces charge a base sanctioning fee of \$60-400 plus a fee per participant, including a race deposit.*
- *Provincial Medals and race numbers are provided free of charge.*
- *Trained commissaires provide officiating, race support (rules, regulations, standards)*
- *Organizers have access to Bison Butte Mountain bike trails for events. Ongoing investment is made to maintain and enhance these trails free of charge. Land permits are waived.*
- *Coordination of Annual Birds Hill Permit for KOM training/Road & MTB races (free of charge).*
- *Access to race equipment (no rental fee). Future Inventory needs for your sport can be communicated thru your club representative that sits of each discipline committee.*
- *Access to rental equipment (AED) Defibrillators, mobile bleachers, flags).*
- *The MCA Coordinates insurance for approved races, educational and instructional clinics, and club activities (including liquor liability insurance, track construction, commercial events with non-members, and certificates of insurance for sponsors/landowners).*
- *Clubs organizing events qualify for Annual Club Awards at the Awards Banquet.*
- *Provide opportunities to host National/International events.*