

# **IGSA Sport**

Cross Country 30<sup>th</sup> Carnival

Friday 16 May 2025

Frensham School Range Rd, Mittagong

Walk the Course 8.30 am Races 9:30 am – 1:30 pm (These times are approximate)



## **Risk Warning**

#### (Under Section 5M of Civil Liability Act 2002) On Behalf of IGSA Sport and participating IGSA Member Schools listed below:

Abbotsleigh Ascham School Brigidine College Canberra Girls Grammar Danebank School Frensham Kambala Kincoppal-Rose Bay Loreto Kirribilli Loreto Normanhurst Meriden School MLC School Monte Sant' Angelo Mount St Benedict NEGS OLMC Parramatta PLC Armidale PLC Sydney Pymble Ladies' College Queenwood Ravenswood Roseville College Santa Sabina College SCEGGS Darlinghurst Stella Maris College St Catherine's School St Scholastica's College St Patrick's College St Vincent's College Tangara School Tara Wenona

#### **Cross Country Carnival 2025**

The Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW trading as Independent Girls' Schools Association (**IGSA**) and its members' schools organises many individual and team sporting activities during the course of a year. Some of these are organised with IGSA Sport, a sub-committee of the Association of Heads of Independent Girls' Schools NSW (AHIGS), now trading as IGSA. Students participating in these sporting activities take part in practice and in competitions.

IGSA and its members' schools expect students to take responsibility for their own safety by wearing compulsory safety equipment, by thinking carefully about the use of safety equipment that is highly recommended and by behaving in a safe and responsible manner towards team members, opponents, spectators, officials, property and grounds.

IGSA and its members' schools Sport also expect parents, spectators and other participants to behave in a safe and responsible manner, to comply with the Codes of Conduct and to set a good example for the students.

While IGSA and its members' schools take measures to make the cross country carnival as safe as reasonably possible for participants, there is a risk that students can be injured and suffer loss (including financial loss) and damage as a result of their participation in these sporting activities, whether at training or in actual events. Parents, spectators and officials could also be injured or suffer loss.

Such injury can occur while the student is engaging in or watching the cross country carnival, or travelling to and from the event. The injury may result from a student's actions, the actions of others, the state of the premises or equipment failure.

In particular, injury at cross country carnivals may result from slipping and falling, collisions with equipment and / or other participants, exposure to weather or being inadequately trained and / or prepared for the event.

On some occasions, an injury can be serious (such as torn ligaments, dislocations, back injuries, concussion or broken bones). In very rare cases an injury can be life threatening or result in permanent disability. If a student has a pre-existing injury, participating in a sporting activity could result in an exacerbation of that injury.

Students could also suffer loss as a result of their personal property being lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed.

It is the responsibility of IGSA members' schools to ensure that all staff and volunteers undertaking duties at any IGSA Sport event have the required "Working with Children" clearance.

### **IGSA Sport Committee**

#### President

Ms Lisa Moloney, MLC School

#### Treasurer

Ms Laetitia Richmond, St Scholastica's College

#### Committee

Mr Andrew Powell, Ascham School Dr Kate Hadwen, Pymble Ladies' College Mrs Lisa Brown, Meriden School Mr David Brock, Loreto Normanhurst Mr Tom Hill, Wenona School Ms Sonia Berry, IGSA Executive Officer Mrs Kate Howitt, IGSA Director of Sport Mr Matt Mulroney, IGSA Director of Sport

#### IGSA Sport Cross Country Convener

Cameron Morrissey (Danebank School)

#### Committee

One representative from each competing school

#### Special Thanks

The IGSA Sport office would like to acknowledge the continued support from Frensham, who again host our Cross Country Carnival.

In particular we would like to mention the support and work done by Ms Erin Gray (Head of Sport) and the Frensham grounds management who along with their staff, students and parents ensure that it is an enjoyable event each year.

We would also like to thank Multisport for their timing services and MediFAST for their medical services.

#### **IGSA Sport Cross Country Point Score**

The first three competitors per school are used to calculate the team's point score. If a school has no runners, or only 1 or 2 runners, they are awarded the last place + one to make up the result. E.g. if there are 60 runners in race, a school with no runners would be allocated 3 x 61 points = 183; a school with 2 runners would get 61 + the place points for the students that finished. The team with the lowest points is the winner for that particular age group. The school with the lowest point totals across the day is the Champion School.

#### Medals and Trophies

#### Medals

Medals will be presented on the day to the following:

- Individuals placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Teams placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> (calculated from the highest 3 individual placings from that school).

#### Trophies

All trophies are to be returned on the day of the carnival – CLEANED and ENGRAVED.

Champion School	Pymble Ladies' College
Most Improved School (Donated by St Catherine's School)	Kincoppal – Rose Bay

Most Improved School:	The school who improves their position in the final point score by the most places. If two schools are equal, then the school who has improved by the most points will be awarded the trophy.
Overall Champion School:	The school who receives the <u>lowest</u> point score based on the results from all age groups will be awarded the Champion School trophy.

## IGSA Sport Cross Country Champion Schools 1995-2024

Year	Champion School	Most Improved
1995	Abbotsleigh	1
1996	Abbotsleigh	
1997	Abbotsleigh	
1998	Abbotsleigh	
1999	Abbotsleigh	
2000	Abbotsleigh	
2001	Pymble Ladies' College	
2002	Abbotsleigh	
2003	Abbotsleigh	
2004	Abbotsleigh	
2005	Abbotsleigh	
2006	Pymble Ladies' College	
2007	Pymble Ladies' College	
2008	Abbotsleigh	
2009	Pymble Ladies' College	
2010	Pymble Ladies' College	
2011	Pymble Ladies' College	
2012	Pymble Ladies' College	
2013	Abbotsleigh	
2014	Pymble Ladies' College	
2015	Pymble Ladies' College	Loreto Normanhurst
2016	Abbotsleigh	Brigidine College
2017	Pymble Ladies' College	Wenona
2018	Abbotsleigh	Loreto Kirribilli
2019	Abbotsleigh	Kambala, Kincoppal – Rose Bay & Wenona
2020	Not Held (COVID)	n/a
2021	Pymble Ladies' College	Meriden School & St Vincent's College
2022	Pymble Ladies' College	MLC School, PLC Sydney & St Catherine's School
2023	Pymble Ladies' College	St Catherine's School
2024	Pymble Ladies' College	Kincoppal – Rose Bay

## **Cross Country Rules & Guidelines**

Venue:	Frensham School, Range Rd, Mittagong.
	Take the Old Hume Highway to Fitzroy St (at the Grand Country Lodge). Turn left into Range Rd, go over the bridge, and at the roundabout, take the 2nd exit (go straight).
Duties:	See duties list at the back of the program
Eligibility:	Athletes may only enter and run in their correct age group.
Age:	As at December 31 of that year.
Sections:	Each school should enter eight (8) students per section. All athletes must run in the correct age group.

#### Approximate Timing:

All times are approximate and may be altered on the day if running ahead or behind schedule.

8.30 am	Walk the Cours	e (8.30 am 3km / 6km, 8.40 a	m 4km)
9.30 am	11 - 12 Years & I	Multiclass (all ages) event	3km
10.00 am	13 Years	3km	
10.30 am	14 Years	4km	
11.00 am	15 Years	4km	
11.30 am	16 Years	4km	
12.00 noon	17 Years	4km	
12.30 pm	18-19 Years	6km	
1.30 pm	Finish		
Entry Changes:	-	only to be submitted on t he week of the carnival. Fro	

**ry Changes**: Team changes only to be submitted on the "In / Out change sheet" by 8am on the Wednesday of the week of the carnival. From then, until the day of the carnival, only one change can be made prior to 8am, accompanied by a letter/email from the Head/Director of Sport (ASAP).

#### **General Information**

- ✓ All students are to compete in their regulation school athletics uniform.
- ✓ Students must report to the start line 10 minutes prior to their event.
- ✓ Each student will be issued with a unique timing bib which she must attach to the front of her running shirt with the included pins.
- ✓ All students must run in their correct age group.
- X No spikes are to be worn.
- × No iPods or similar are to be used during the event.

All competitors are expected to know the IGSA Sport cross country course. Each competitor must walk the course in the morning and speak to school staff if any part of the course appears unclear. No special consideration for the carnival point score, or IGSA Sport representative team, will be given to students who run the wrong course.

#### Start Line Management

Each school is allocated a start line position for each age group. Starting positions are rotated for each age group in each year of competition; some schools may share positions dependent on entry numbers. Please see the end of this document for this year's allocations.

#### Finish Line Management

There will be timing mats at the finish line that officially record the time of the athlete as they pass over the finish line. Their time is not recorded until they pass through the finish line. Official finishing places are determined by the timing system.

A ticket may also be given to each competitor as they finish. This is an unofficial finishing place and a guide only to the athlete as to their placing. Athletes should retain their finishing ticket as a back up to the timing system.

Athletes are to leave the finish area as soon as possible after they have finished the race to keep the finish area free.

#### Results

The first three competitors per school are used to calculate the team's point score. If a school has no runners, or only 1 or 2 runners, they are awarded the last place + one to make up the result. E.g. 60 runners in race then a school with no runners would be allocated 3 X 61 points = 183; a school with 2 runners would get 61 + the place points for the students that finished. The team with the lowest points is the winner for that particular age group.

An overall school point score will be tallied. The school with the <u>lowest</u> point score will be awarded the Champion School trophy.

#### Protests

Any protest must be lodged in writing immediately after the race. Protests may only be lodged by Heads / Directors of Sport. All protests will be heard by the IGSA Sport staff, the IGSA Sport Cross Country Conveners and Head/Director of Sport from the school involved. The decision will be made during the carnival.

#### Representative Team

The IGSA Sport Representative Cross Country team will be selected post event. IGSA Sport can send 15 individual runners and two teams per age group to the CIS Championships.

Placing in the top 15 does not guarantee automatic selection, however IGSA expects that all runners who compete at IGSA are available for selection for CIS, barring those schools who does not use CIS as their pathway.

The top two eligible teams per age group (consisting of four athletes from the same school) will be selected into the IGSA Sport team for the CIS Championships (in addition to the 15 individuals), to compete in the teams event (see IGSA Sport Representative Sport Policy).

#### Multi-Class Athletes

IGSA Sport will hold a 3km multi-class event at the same time as the 11 - 12 years event. Students must be capable runners who can complete the course in under 25 minutes. Runners will be eligible for medals however points will not be allocated for this event.

This is not a pathway event; multi-class runners will need to nominate directly to compete at CIS.

#### Safety

Schools are expected to take precautions to ensure the safety of all competitors.

Each school is expected to bring their own first aid kit and deal with minor injuries.

*All competitors must be fit and well prepared for this event.* This is not a social event that students can just turn up to for fun. It is a selection carnival for the NSWCIS Championships and always attracts a high level of talent within our association.

Students who are carrying significant injuries will not be allowed to compete. Medical officers will not be available to do any sports strapping on pre-existing injuries.

If a competitor has been ill in the week leading up to the carnival, her school should not allow her to compete e.g. viral infection.

Students that use asthma puffers or epi-pens should take them with them when the run. Students should provide their own strapping tape if required. All competitors are responsible for their own pre-race medication.

#### Parking and access

As you are driving into Mittagong, turn left at Fitzroy St (at the Grand Country Lodge).

- Turn left into Range Rd.
- Go over the bridge, and at the roundabout, take the 2<sup>nd</sup> exit (go straight).
- Please do not park or drop off students on Range Road. Please park on the side streets around the Frensham Campus.

#### <u>Large Buses</u>

For large buses, at the Range Rd roundabout, take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit (turn right) onto Railway Parade, turn left into Stanley St and continue to the parking area inside the school grounds (a parking official from Frensham Ground Staff will guide drivers).

#### Mini buses and official cars (only) prior to 8am

- Enter via Range Rd entrance to Frensham Pool.
- Do not park at the Pool use designated sport parking area on far side of courts.

#### Parents and spectators

- There is no access to any school property for parent / spectator parking.
- Please park on the streets around the school (not Range Road).

## 2025 Cross Country Duties

School	Duty	Checkpoint
Abbotsleigh	Check Point marshal (1)	1
Abbotsleigh	Walk the course (1)	
Ascham School	Check Point marshal (1)	2
Ascham School	Timekeeper (1)	
Brigidine	Check Point marshal (1)	3
Canberra Girls Grammar	Check Point marshal (1)	3
Danebank	Check Point marshal (1)	4
Danebank	IGSA Sport Convener	
Frensham	Course set up	
Frensham	Venue Coordinator	
Frensham	Walk the Course (2)	
Kambala	Check Point marshal (1)	4
Kincoppal - Rose Bay	Check Point marshal (1)	5
Loreto Kirribilli	No Duty	
Loreto Normanhurst	First Aid Recorder (1)	
Loreto Normanhurst	Track marshal (1)	
Meriden School	Finish marshal (1)	
Meriden School	Recorder (1)	
MLC School	Check Point marshal (1)	6
Monte Sant' Angelo	Starter (1)	
Monte Sant' Angelo	Walk the Course (1)	
New England Girls School	No Duty	
PLC Armidale	No Duty	
PLC Sydney	Check Point marshal (1)	6
PLC Sydney	Finish marshal (1)	
Pymble Ladies' College	Check Point marshal (1)	7
Pymble Ladies' College	Walk the course (back) (1)	
Queenwood	Finish marshal (1)	
Queenwood	First Aid Recorder (1)	
Ravenswood	Check Point marshal (1)	8
Ravenswood	Start marshal (1)	
Roseville College	Check Point marshal (1)	9
Roseville College	Finish marshal (1)	
SCEGGS Darlinghurst	Finish marshal (1)	
St Catherine's School	Check Point marshal (1)	10
St Catherine's School	Walk the course (back) (1)	
St Scholastica's	No Duty	
St Vincent's College	Check Point marshal (1)	11
Stella Maris College	Check Point marshal (1)	12
Tara	Start marshal (1)	
Wenona School	Check Point marshal (1)	12
Wenona School	Track marshal (1)	

School	2025 Start Section							
	M/C	11-12 Years	13 Years	14 Years	15 Years	16 Years	17 Years	18-19 Years
Abbotsleigh		15	11	7	3	23	19	17
Ascham School		16	12	8	4	24	20	18
Brigidine College		17	13	9	5	1	21	19
Canberra Girls Grammar		18	14	10	6	2	22	20
Danebank & PLC Armidale	12	19	15	11	7	3	23	21
Frensham		20	16	12	8	4	24	22
Kambala		21	17	13	9	5	1	23
Kincoppal - Rose Bay		22	18	14	10	6	2	24
Loreto Normanhurst		23	19	15	11	7	3	1
Meriden School		24	20	16	12	8	4	2
MLC School		1	21	17	13	9	5	3
Monte Sant' Angelo		2	22	18	14	10	6	4
PLC Sydney		3	23	19	15	11	7	5
Pymble Ladies' College	12	4	24	20	16	12	8	6
Queenwood		5	1	21	17	13	9	7
Ravenswood		6	2	22	18	14	10	8
Roseville College		7	3	23	19	15	11	9
SCEGGS Darlinghurst		8	4	24	20	16	12	10
St Catherine's School		9	5	1	21	17	13	11
St Scholastica's & Loreto Kirribilli		10	6	2	22	18	14	12
Stella Maris College		11	7	3	23	19	15	13
St Vincent's & NEGS		12	8	4	24	20	16	14
Tara		13	9	5	1	21	17	15
Wenona School		14	10	6	2	22	18	16