

The Huddersfield Star Wheelers Doreen Miller Fund

Doreen Miller was a competitive cyclist who made her debut with the Huddersfield Star Wheelers in 1957. Doreen specialised in time trials, of varying lengths but 10 miles was her focus. Her achievements included beating Beryl Burton in one event, clocking up 15 miles in just 40 minutes to win. This was a stunning result, given that Beryl dominated women's cycle racing in the UK at the time and won seven world titles.

Doreen sadly passed away in 2021 and the fund continues in her memory and in recognition of her achievements.

The Huddersfield Star Wheelers' Doreen Miller fund was established by the Club to provide financial support for young riders racing in British Cycling or Cycling Time Trials National events.

The Fund is supported from a combination of the Club's income for the year and existing reserves. The Committee sets eligibility requirements and monitors the use of the Fund each year to ensure that it provides suitable support for the current riders, whilst being sustainable in the medium to long term.

All eligible riders are encouraged to apply for support from the Doreen Miller Fund.

Eligibility Criteria

Financial support from the fund will be provided to riders who meet the following criteria:

1. Riders competing up to 2nd year junior level (inclusive) in National BC or CTT events;
2. Be first claim members of the Huddersfield Star Wheelers;
3. Riders must pre-register for the Fund at the start of the relevant season. Claims for the CX season (events Oct-Feb) must be submitted before the end of March and claims for the Road Season (Mar-Sep) must be submitted before the end of October;
4. Riders must race National events in appropriately registered Club kit;
5. Riders must hold a full BC race licence if completing in BC events; and
6. Riders should regularly attend Club coach-led activities and support Club race events for their appropriate age capacity.

All riders are expected to uphold sporting conduct, personal safety and represent the Club appropriately.

Scope of Financial Assistance

The Fund provides the following level of support:

1. National event race entry fees;
2. Mileage at a rate of 25p per mile;
3. Individual riders can claim a maximum of £500 for events in any rolling 12-month period; and
4. The Fund value shall have an annual cap of £2,000 for the 12 months beginning at the start of the 2024 road season.

Should the spend exceed or is expected to exceed the Fund's cap amount during the year, this shall be brought to the attention of the Committee to determine appropriate action and address any outstanding claims. The Fund rules can be amended by the Committee at any point in time to ensure that the Fund is being appropriately and fairly used, whilst being sustainable in the longer term.