



Western Australia Athletes Lead National Junior Series Point Score 2012 Australian Junior Triathlon Series

Western Australia athletes **Jaz Hedgeland** and **Kenji Nener** are currently leading the point score in the **2012 Australian Junior Triathlon Series** after two races. Both athletes are yet to win a race in the series but have had “copy cat” results by finishing 2nd in race 1 (Super Sprint Race Weekend) on the Gold Coast in December and again both finished 3rd in race 2 in Canberra on Saturday.

ITU Junior Women

The race in Canberra was won by 2010 Youth Olympic Games silver medalist and defending series champion **Ellie Salthouse** (QLD) who elected to not compete in race 1 and concentrate on her preparations for a long year of racing in Australia and internationally including a stint with a French division 1 team. **Emily Bevan** (QLD) has been competing for a number of seasons and had her best ever result in the Australian Junior Series by finishing an excellent 2nd in Canberra in a sprint finish with series leader **Jaz Hedgeland** (WA). Bevan is currently 2nd on 14 points with a 6th place finish on the Gold Coast and a 2nd place in Canberra. **Brittany Forster** (QLD) is in equal 3rd place on points with fellow Queensland athlete **Holly Grice**. First year junior **Laura Cook** (NSW) continues to impress sitting in equal 5th place with race 1 winner **Bree Jones** (NSW) & race 2 winner **Ellie Salthouse**. Jones was unable to compete in Canberra after sustaining a wrist injury in training but hopes to return to full fitness in time for the Australian & Oceania ITU Junior Championships in Devonport, Tasmania on Saturday 10th March.

2012 Australian Junior Series Point Score – ITU Junior Women

PI	NAME	State	Age in 2012	Gold Coast QLD	Canberra ACT	TOTAL
1	Jaz HEDGELAND	WA	17	9	8	17
2	Emily BEVAN	QLD	19	5	9	14
3	Brittany FORSTER	QLD	19	8	5	13
3	Holly GRICE	QLD	18	7	6	13
5	Laura COOK	NSW	16	4	7	11
5	Bree JONES	NSW	19	11		11
5	Ellie SALTHOUSE	QLD	19		11	11
8	Jenna FULTON	QLD	18	6		6
9	Meg STEVENSON	VIC	17		4	4
10	Bonnie ATHERTON	QLD	18		3	3
10	Anna COLDHAM	VIC	19	3		3
12	Mikala FALCONER	WA	17		2	2
12	Natalea SMITH	TAS	18	2		2
14	Breony HEATON	QLD	16	1		1
14	Brooke LANGEREIS	NSW	19		1	1



Jaz Hedgeland (WA) leads the 2012 Australian Junior Triathlon Series after 2 races

2012 Australian Junior Series Point Score – ITU Junior Men

PI	NAME	State	Age in 2012	Gold Coast QLD	Canberra ACT	TOTAL
1	Kenji NENER	WA	19	9	8	17
2	Joel TOBIN-WHITE	VIC	18	2	11	13
2	Christian WILSON	QLD	16	8	5	13
2	Declan WILSON	ACT	19	4	9	13
5	Braden LUDLOW	NSW	19	7	4	11
5	Marcel WALKINGTON	VIC	19	11		11
7	Luke WILLIAN	QLD	16		7	7
8	Shane ILGEN	NSW	18		6	6
8	Rodolphe VON BERG	ITA	19	6		6
10	Ben ANDERSON	VIC	17	5		5
11	Kieran ROCHE	NSW	19	1	3	4
12	Luke FARRELL	QLD	19	3		3
13	Ben HUGGETT	VIC	19		2	2
14	Tom RYAN	QLD	19		1	1



Kenji Nener (WA) leads the 2012 Australian Junior Series after 2 races.

ITU Junior Men

Kenji Nener (WA) is leading the series on 17 points followed by a very tight 3 way tussle for 2nd place with Victorian athletes **Joel Tobin-White** (race 2 winner) along with **Declan Wilson** (ACT) and first year junior **Christian Wilson** (QLD) all on 13 points. Only 2 points behind them in equal 5th place is **Braden Ludlow** (NSW) and race 1 winner **Marcel Walkington** (VIC) on 11 points.

Australian Junior Triathlon Series

Athletes best two results out of three races in 2012 Australian Junior Triathlon Series counts towards the overall series point score. The final race in the series is the **2012 Australian Junior Championships and 2012 OTU Oceania Junior Triathlon Championships** to be conducted in Devonport, Tasmania on Saturday 10th March. As the Devonport race holds two championship titles and the opportunity for athletes to receive automatic selection into the Australian Junior Team for the **2012 ITU Auckland World Triathlon Championships** it will be a DOUBLE POINTS race.

Race 3 - 2012 Australian Junior Triathlon Series

- **2012 Australian ITU Junior Triathlon Championships**
- **2012 OTU Oceania Junior Triathlon Championships**
- **Saturday 10 March - Devonport, Tasmania** (www.devonporttasmania.travel)
- **Selection Race** - 2012 ITU World Triathlon Championships – Auckland, New Zealand
- **Annual Trans Tasman Challenge** (ITU Juniors: State v State v NZL)
- **Double Points** for National Junior Series Pointscore
- **ITU Website:** www.triathlon.org/events/event/2012_devonport_otu_triathlon_oceania_championships/
- **LOC Event Website (online entry):** www.devonporttriathlon.com.au
- **NOTE RACE DATES & START TIMES (per LOC website – times are subject to change*)**
 - ITU Junior Uniform Check – Friday 9th March @ 4:30pm*
 - ITU Junior Race Brief – Friday 9th March @ 5pm*
 - ITU Junior Women Race Start - Saturday 10th March @ 10:15am*
 - ITU Junior Men Race Start – Saturday 10th March @ 11.30am*

The 2012 Australian Junior Triathletes of the Year will be officially recognised at the TA Athlete of the Year Awards gala function at the 2012 Dextro Energy ITU Sydney Triathlon World Championships in April.

For more information about the **Australian Junior Triathlon Series** go to series website:

www.triathlon.org.au/Events/Australian_National_Series_and_Championships/The_Australian_Junior_Series.htm

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