



Audax Australia Riding Awards

Introduction

The Club's Riding Awards are intended primarily to recognise riding achievements by Audax Australia Cycling Club Members.

Rides ridden as participants in Audax Australia events or as participants in events conducted by other randonneuring clubs may be recognised. However, the contribution of overseas rides varies between awards. Some are restricted to Australian riding only, while others allow a non-Australian component.

Applications for awards are checked by the Awards Secretary who may also seek independent verification of achievement.

In addition to the Audax Australia Riding Awards which are applied for seasonally, a rider can request recognition for completing individual rides at the time of entering the ride. Cloth badges are available for completing 50, 100, 150 and 200 km rides. Medallions are available for 200, 300, 400, 600 and 1000 km rides. This Riding Awards policy deals with seasonal and lifetime awards.

The Awards

There are five Riding Award categories:

- Single Season – defined rides
- Single Season – cumulative distance
- Consecutive months – defined rides
- Multi-Season – defined rides
- Multi-Season – cumulative distance

An Audax riding season is between 1 November and 31 October.



Single Season Awards – Defined Rides

Australian Super Randonneur

1,500 km minimum, comprising one ride each of the following distances:

- 200 km
- 300 km
- 400 km
- 600 km

The rides must be completed within a single season and 3 of the 4 rides must be completed within Australia. Riders may substitute a longer ride for a shorter ride for any of the distances.

Australian Interstate Super Randonneur

1,500 km minimum, comprising of each of the following distances ridden in a different State or Territory of Australia:

- 200 km
- 300 km
- 400 km
- 600 km

The rides must be completed within a single season within Australia. Riders may substitute a longer ride for a shorter ride for any of the distances.

Gran Turismo Super Randonneur

1,500 km comprising the Gran Turismo Super Series which is a specific series of Audax Australia calendared events and ridden within a 9 day period. This designated series is not necessarily held every year. No substitution of rides or distances permitted.

- 200 km
- 300 km
- 400 km
- 600 km

Dirt Series

205 km minimum comprising one Brevet Dirt ride of each of the following distances:

- 35 km
- 70 km
- 100 km

The rides must be completed within a single season and within Australia. Riders may substitute a longer ride for a shorter ride for any of the distances.

Nouveau Randonneur

300 km minimum comprising one ride of any brevet type (with the exception of Brevet Raid and rides greater than 200 km) of each of the following distances:

- 50 km
- 100 km
- 150 km



The rides must be completed within a single season and within Australia. Riders may substitute one longer ride up to a maximum distance of 200 km for any of the distances. This award can be claimed once only per riding season.

Single Season Awards – Cumulative Distance

Audax Australia Annual Award (AAA Award)

This award recognises the cumulative total of Audax kilometres ridden in a single season. Award distances are as follows:

- 1,000 km
- 2,500 km
- 5,000 km
- 7,500 km
- 10,000 km

As these awards recognise total riding achievement, the actual distance of a completed ride counts towards the cumulative distance and all brevet types (with the exception of Brevet Raid) are accepted. Up to 50% of the kilometres claimed may have been ridden overseas as part of events homologated or recognised by LRM, ACP or UAF affiliated clubs.

One award per season only (e.g. 8,500 km total earns the 7,500 km award only). Riders may only apply for the highest award for which they are eligible.

Consecutive Months – Defined Rides

Year Round Randonneur

One ride of at least 200 km each calendar month (excluding Brevet Raid) for 12 consecutive months. This award encourages consistent riding throughout the year. Nine of the 12 rides required must have been completed in Australia. Riders must apply for this award. This award can be claimed once only per riding season in which the last month falls and may not be claimed in the same season as a Petit Year Round Randonneur.

Petit Year Round Randonneur

One ride of at least 50 km each calendar month (excluding Brevet Raid) for 12 consecutive months, with an overall total of at least 600 km. This award encourages consistent riding throughout the year. Nine of the 12 rides required must have been completed in Australia. Riders must apply for this award. This award can be claimed once only per riding season in which the last month falls and may not be claimed in the same season as a Year Round Randonneur.



Multi-Season Awards – Defined Rides

Woodrup 5000 Award

The Woodrup Award recognises the achievements of long distance record-holding Audax Australia member, Graham Woodrup.

5,000 km minimum of road rides within 4 continuous seasons, ridden in Australia. These must comprise:

- Fleche Opperman All Day Trial (nominal distance of 360 km only counted)
- Super Randonneur (200 km, 300 km, 400 km and 600 km rides in a single season)
- 1,000 km ride
- 1,200 km ride (Paris-Brest-Paris not permitted)
- 950 km (nominal) of other road rides homologated by the Audax Club Parisien. For clarity, this award does not include BA, BP, Dirt Series or Brevet UAF rides.

Ultra Randonneur

Fifty road rides without time limit. These must comprise the following:

- 10 × Super Randonneur (200 km, 300 km, 400 km and 600 km rides in a single season. The full award description is above for each of the different types of Super Randonneur available)
- 10 × rides of at least 1,000 km

In recognition of outstanding ultra randonneuring achievements over time and distance, up to 25 of the 50 required rides may have been ridden overseas as part of events homologated or recognised by LRM, ACP or UAF affiliated clubs. Consistent with the requirements for all Audax Australia awards, the rides must not have been used for similar cumulative awards given by other clubs.

Notes:

- the onus is on the rider to prove their tally. In some cases, a rider's brevet history may go back before there were records kept by Audax Australia.
- if a Super Randonneur has been achieved, but not claimed, the rides may be used towards the award providing the rider can show evidence.

Multi-Season Awards – Cumulative Distance

Australian Randonneur Award

This award recognises a minimum of 25,000 km in lifetime riding achievements. No time limit applies. Awards will be given for:

- 25,000 km
- 50,000 km
- 75,000 km
- 100,000 km
- 125,000 km
- 150,000 km
- 175,000 km
- 200,000 km

As these awards recognise total riding achievement, the actual distance of a completed ride counts towards the cumulative distance and all brevet types (with the exception of Brevet Raid) are accepted.



In recognition of a lifetime of randonneuring achievements, up to 50% of the kilometres claimed may have been ridden overseas as part of events homologated or recognised by LRM, ACP or UAF affiliated clubs.

Riders should apply for the award distance that is currently applicable. An additional 25,000 km of homologated rides is required to apply for the next level.

Note:

- the onus is on the rider to prove their lifetime tally. In some cases, a rider's brevet history may go back before there were records kept by Audax Australia.

Who can apply for awards?

1. Current Members of Audax Australia are eligible for all awards. In this context, a "Member" does not include a temporary Member.
2. It is not necessary for the rider to have been a Member at the time each ride was undertaken as long as they became a Member before the end of the season. However, a rider must be a Member for all the seasons covered by a Consecutive Month or Multi-Season Award to be eligible for that award.

Which rides can be counted?

Ride Types

1. All awards are for road rides, unless otherwise stated.
2. Both Calendar and Permanent rides may be used for awards, unless otherwise stated.
3. All Les Randonneurs Mondiaux (LRM), Brevet Randonneur Mondiaux (BRM), Brevet Union des Audax Francais (Brevet UAF), Brevet Australia (BA), Brevet Gravel (BG) and their Permanent equivalent (BP/BPG) events, subject to the relevant ride, distance or award requirements, can be counted towards road riding awards.
4. The Fleche Opperman All Day Trial (FOADT) , the Petit Flèche Opperman 14 Hour Trial, and Brevet Dirt (BD) events can each be counted towards:
 - Audax Australia Annual Award (annual riding achievement)
 - Australian Randonneur Award (lifetime riding achievement)
5. The Fleche Opperman All Day Trial can also be counted towards the Woodrup 5000.
6. Brevet Dirt rides can also be counted towards the Dirt Series and Nouveau Randonneur awards



Eligibility of a particular ride for Audax Australia awards

7. Subject to any distance or ride type restrictions in the description of the award, a ride may be counted for an award in each of the following categories:
 - Single season, for rides of defined distances
 - Single season, for accumulated riding distances
 - Consecutive months, for rides of defined distances
 - Multi-Season, for rides of defined distances
 - Multi-Season, for accumulated riding distances

Example:

A 400 km ride can be used in the following way:

- once in a single season defined ride award, e.g. part of a Super Randonneur,
 - once in a single season cumulative distance award, e.g. part of an Audax Australia Annual 2,500,
 - once in a consecutive 12 month period as part of a Year Round Randonneur Award
 - once in a multi-season defined ride award, e.g. part of a Woodrup 5000, and
 - once in a multi-season cumulative distance award, e.g. part of an Australian Randonneur 25,000.
8. In addition to the preceding paragraph, rides used for Super Randonneur and Woodrup 5000 awards may also be used for the Ultra Randonneur Award.
 9. The Australian Randonneur Awards are cumulative. Recipients of one level of the award must accumulate an additional 25,000 km of homologated rides to claim the next level.
 10. There is no starting date for rides which count towards the Australian Randonneur Award and Ultra Randonneur Award. If evidence is not available from Audax Australia records, riders must provide appropriate evidence such as copies of homologated brevets. The Awards Secretary retains discretion to accept or reject the evidence proffered.

Australian content

11. Exceptions are summarised in Clause 12 below and set out in the Award descriptions, rides must be completed in Australia. In this context, for rides completed before 1 November 2011, Australia includes New Zealand.
12. The following summarises the minimum Australian content:
 - Australian Super Randonneur Award: at least 3 of the 4 rides
 - Audax Australia Annual Award: at least 50% of the award distance claimed
 - Year Round Randonneur: at least 9 of the 12 rides
 - Petit Year Round Randonneur: at least 9 of the 12 rides
 - Ultra Randonneur: at least 25 of the 50 rides claimed
 - Australian Randonneur Award: at least 12,500 of any 25,000 km for each level of the award (See Award Descriptions for details.)



Ride Lengths

13. Unless indicated in the description of the award, a longer ride may not be substituted for a shorter one.
14. The actual distance of a completed ride counts towards any single or multi-season cumulative distance award, whereas the nominal distance of a completed ride counts towards any single or multi-season defined ride distance award.
By way of example:
 - 200 km BRM which is 250 kms long has the value of 250 km for a cumulative distance award, but counts as a 200 km nominal distance for a defined ride distance award
 - 150 km BA which is 156 km long has the value of 156 km for a cumulative distance award, but counts as a 150 km nominal distance for a defined ride distance award
 - A 500 km Fleche Opperman All Day Trial has the value of 500 km for a cumulative distance award, but counts as a 360 km nominal distance for a defined ride distance award (including the multi season Woodrup 5000).
 - A 200 km Petit Flèche Opperman 14 Hour Trial has the value of 200 km for a cumulative distance award, but counts as a 180 km nominal distance for a defined ride distance award
15. There is no minimum distance ride for cumulative distance awards (single or multi-season). However, it must be a distance defined by Audax Australia – the shortest ride available is a 35 km Brevet Dirt ride.

Which rides cannot be counted?

“Double dipping” –Audax Australia Riding Awards and overseas awards

1. To avoid “double dipping”, the same ride cannot be used to claim both Audax Australia Riding Awards and any seasonal or cumulative awards given by another club. For clarity:
 - An event ridden in Australia cannot be used to claim a seasonal or cumulative overseas or international award as well as an Audax Australia Riding Award.
 - An event ridden overseas and for which a seasonal or cumulative overseas or international award has been or will be claimed cannot be used to claim an Audax Australia Riding Award.
 - This does not include recognition for completing an individual ride, for example – a rider may receive a medallion for completing an international LRM 1,200 event and still claim that ride as part of an Audax Australia Riding Award provided it is not also used to claim a seasonal or cumulative overseas or international award.Further examples:
 - Audax Australia Super Randonneur Award and Audax Club Parisien Super Randonneur award have the same riding requirements. However, a Member must not use the same rides to claim both awards.
 - Except for the 1,200 km brevet, the Woodrup 5000 and the ACP Randonneur 5000 awards have the same riding requirements. However, a Member must not use the same series of shorter rides to claim both awards.
2. Brevet Raid events do not count toward any awards.



Applying for an Award

1. The method and opening and closing dates for award applications at the end of the Audax season will be published to members via email and on the Audax Australia website in the awards section. Single season member awards must be applied for online, whereas multi-season awards still require submission of the appropriate application form. This may change from time to time as award application processes are updated.
2. There is no fee for Members of Audax Australia.
3. Subject to any restriction set out in the Award descriptions, a rider may apply for as many awards as their riding record entitles them.
4. The Awards Secretary retains absolute discretion to accept or reject an application for an award, including whether to accept evidence proffered or to determine whether claimed rides are eligible. This may particularly be the case when considering applications from Members with a long history of rides completed when they were living outside Australia.

International Awards

Audax Club Parisien Super Randonneur Award

1,500 km minimum, comprising one ride each of the following distances:

- 200 km
- 300 km
- 400 km
- 600 km

The rides must be completed within a single season and all rides must be BRM. No longer for shorter ride substitutions (although for the purposes of PBP qualification this is allowed). For Members of Audax Australia, the ACP Super Randonneur award can be applied for via the Audax Australia Awards application process. ACP also allow non-members to apply for this award via the Audax Australia International Brevet Secretary (email brevets@audax.org.au).

Audax Club Parisien Randonneur 5000 and Randonneur 10000 Awards

The Randonneur 5000 and Randonneur 10000 awards offered by Audax Club Parisien (refer <http://www.audax-club-parisien.com/EN/>) must be applied for on the appropriate application form by 31st October each year via the Audax Australia International Brevet Secretary (email brevets@audax.org.au).

International Super Randonneur Award

The International Super Randonneur (ISR) award can be applied for directly at any time via the Les Randonneurs Mondiaux website (refer <http://www.randonneursmondiaux.org/>).