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Up to the challenge



Dylan Cooper is one of a group of elite cyclists who are extremely excited that the Brindabella Challenge is coming to Canberra.

As one of the main hopes to take out the mountain bike section of the challenge, Dylan is looking forward to racing in his home town of Canberra.

"There are just so many different styles of cycling in the Brindabella Challenge," Dylan said. "Canberra is perfectly positioned to handle these different cycling methods given that we have such good road infrastructure and some fantastic cross country trails. It makes it so much easier for riders and spectators alike."

But Dylan knows he needs to keep on his toes.

"There are some awesome riders coming to compete in the challenge – guys who, like me, are among the top national ranked riders in the country," Dylan said. "Competitors such as James Williamson, Shane Payton, and Sean Lewis coming down from Bowral are going to prove tough come race time."

Dylan works as locally as a freelance web designer but it's bikes which are his main passion.

"I just love cycling – and with a beautiful climate at the time of year in Canberra, the Brindabella Challenge looks set to be a great event in the ACT," Dylan said.