

ELITE 5KM CITY-CENTRE ROAD RACE

JUNIOR (UNDER 16) 3KM CITY-CENTRE ROAD RACE

THE BOLT

\$3,000
CASH PRIZE POOL

What is it?

The Bolt - part of the Podium Rotorua Running Festival - is a unique event on the New Zealand road racing calendar. It features a peak-time, multi-lap, city-centre course with \$3,000 cash and prizes on offer, making it the richest 5K race in the country.

When is it?

The races will take place on Saturday, November 21st from 4pm.

Where is it?

The event will take place on Rotorua's very own "Eat Street" – Tutanekai St – on Saturday 21st and will comprise five 1km laps for the elite race and three 1km laps for the junior races. The entire route will be closed to vehicles. Spectators will line both sides of the course and an electric atmosphere will provide some fantastic racing for athletes and supporters.

How Does it Work?

The elite race features an "equaliser" format, meaning that the women's field will be sent off a predetermined time ahead of the men. This is "The Equalizer" and will be announced 5 minutes prior to the event start based on prior results and current form of athletes. In addition to cash prizes for the top 3 by gender, an equalizer bonus of \$500 is awarded to the first person – man or

woman – across the line. We're looking forward to a titanic battle of the sexes! There will also be a Teams Challenge with cash prizes for the top male and female athletics club teams based on the combined time of the first 3 finishers from each club. Note: to be eligible athletes need to be a registered member of club they are competing for.

How Do I Get In?

The Elite Bolt is open to athletes aged 16 years and over. A maximum of 25 males and 25 females will be accepted. The Junior Bolt 3km boys and girls races are open to boys and girls under the age of 16 years as at 31 December 2015. Applications will be available on the event web site - www.runningfestival.co.nz - from 15 October 2015.

Prize Money Breakdown

Elite Bolt

Male & Female FIRST: \$500 CASH
Male & Female SECOND: \$250 CASH
Male & Female THIRD: \$100 CASH
Club Male Team Champion: \$250 CASH
Club Female Team Champion: \$250 CASH
EQUALIZER Champion: \$500 CASH

Junior Bolt Prizes

Boys & Girls FIRST: Prize
Boys & Girls SECOND: Prize
Boys & Girls THIRD: Prize

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