

Red Bull on The Mound this weekend



The Mound will be transformed this weekend for Red Bull Hill Chasers 2014

Hundreds of cyclists will descend on Edinburgh this weekend, Saturday 12 April, for Scotland's **Red Bull Hill Chasers 2014** – the UK's only multi-discipline uphill cycling race, which will see the city's historic The Mound transformed into a gruelling race track for one night only.

Once again the race is open to the public, attracting thousands of spectators to cheer on competitors from the sidelines. Last year's epic race saw 5,000 people take to the capital's Grassmarket to support professional and local cycling heroes, and this year is expected to be no different. Big name professionals from the cycling world are set to attend once again including three times World BMX Racing champion Shanaze Reade and three times World Four-X World Champion Michal Prokopp, lined up to take part and ride against some of the country's fastest amateur cyclists.

Now in its fourth year, having previously been held in Bristol and Malaysia, the unique urban event will see cycling enthusiasts from BMX, mountain bike, road cycling and fixed-gear disciplines battle it out in an individual, timed hill sprint to prove that their discipline is the fastest and to qualify for the main event.

The fastest riders from qualifiers will be selected for the main event where they will go up against 10 of World's most elite cycling legends in a bid to be crowned Red Bull Hill Chasers 2014 'King of the Hill' with a chance to win prizes provided by Charge Bikes.

Councillor Steve Cardownie, Festival & Events Champion, City of Edinburgh Council, said: "We were delighted when the Red Bull Hill Chasers challenge decided to make a return to Edinburgh following the huge success of the sprint in the Grassmarket last year. More than 5,000 onlookers took to the streets to watch the 2013 race and I urge cyclists and sport fans from across the Capital to make sure they don't miss the excitement at the Mound this Saturday night."

Red Bull Hill Chasers qualifying rounds will be held from 10am tomorrow morning with the main event setting off at 7pm.

For further information please visit:
www.redbull.co.uk/hillchasers