

## **Youth Academy Mission Statement**

Foster the young people in the greater Killarney area with a love for road cycling, while nurturing them to achieve a skill level where they are the best they can be.

## Vision:

Killarney Cycling Club Youth Academy aims to be a leader in the community by working as a team to promote a vibrant youth cycling culture. Youths will become expert cyclists who grow to become lifelong, safety-conscious respectful riders.

We envisage an inclusive, diverse and accepting community where youth of all ages, backgrounds and ability cycle for fun and for health in the greater Killarney area.

## Goals:

- 1. **Education**: To educate the youth of the greater Killarney area on cycling safety and awareness so they learn self-sufficient expert cycling skills, and to cultivate the experience needed for youth cyclists to be peer leaders. Through leisure and competitive style cycling develop an appreciation for the pleasure of cycling.
- 2. **Safe Cycling**: Encourage the safety education of road bike users, and to facilitate road bike racing to compete at all levels.
- 3. **Community Partnership**: To cultivate a community of cyclists and non-cyclists who respect each other on the road or trail and support a broad-based coalition promoting cycling as part of a larger vision of healthy, sustainable, and connected living.
- 4. **Engagement**: To engage more people of all communities and backgrounds to cycle regularly and safely for transportation, fitness, recreation, and daily activities.