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2017 TAB/CANTERBURY SPORTS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FOR JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT

KATE SMITH

Kate is 18 years old and has shown great promise as a competitive track and road cyclist.

In 2015 and 2016 she won the Under 15 to Under 17 age group in Le Race.

In her first year of competition at the Cycling New Zealand Under 19 and Elite Championship in February 2016, she finished 4th in the U19 500m teams sprint, 5th in the U19 Points Race, 6th in the U19 Individual Pursuit and 9th in the U19 Time Trial.

She was then selected in the Cycling U19 Junior Track Team at the conclusion of the Championships.

On the road in 2016 she won Gold in the Canterbury Road Race Championships and silver in the Canterbury Time Trial Championships.

Selected for the World Junior Cycling Track Championships in Switzerland in 2016 she won a silver medal in the team pursuit behind the World record holders Italy. She also rode a world class time for a Junior woman in July in the individual pursuit.

In a very busy year she won the Canterbury Secondary School's Litolff Cup Team Time Trial with the ChCh Girl's High team, won the Most Outstanding Female in one sport at the Canterbury Secondary Schools Zonta Awards; was 3rd in the National Elite Road Series U19 individual and 2nd in the elite Women's team Championships, together with top 8 placings at the Cycling NZ Road Nationals in U 19 Individual Time Trial and U19 Road Race.

She was selected in the New Zealand Junior Track Team in Melbourne in December 2016 and is aiming for the New Zealand Junior Track team for the World junior Championships in 2017.

She has also been awarded a sports scholarship to Lincoln University in 2017.

TAB and Canterbury Sports Foundation are proud to assist this very promising young rower.

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