

May 12, 2005, Thursday night track results

Ironically I heard a radio commercial yesterday that mentioned Thursday night as the "best night to watch TV". Our velodrome had its own drama last night and it went like this:

Great weather (mid 70's down to high 60's), beer and brownie primes, a great rider turnout with forty-seven athletes, and sprints every 5 laps in each of the three separate 40+ minute points races. The C's race was fun race to watch and very competitive setting us up for "primetime" viewing. The drama part came into the picture during the B's race when we had our first crash of the Thursday night track season (no serious injuries) halfway through the race. The B's race conclusion was followed shortly by two A riders almost coming to blows, lots of swearing, and then being kicked out of the race. The A's are there to set an example to the new riders of their skills, tactics and good behavior. This was not a great night for track cycling. I'm hopeful that riders see these two incidents as isolated events and continue to see the value of racing at the track (leg speed, tactical smarts, specificity, coaching and fun). We have two more Thursday nights of racing before Friday's start... we hope to see you out there!

Thanks go out to Libby for baking the brownies for primes, and to all the various lap card turning and bell ringing. Thanks to Dave and Joe for the commute to the track! Also, I can use more help out there so that results are available earlier! Lastly, thanks to the riders for racing so hard and being so competitive. Oh, and we still have beer for next week!

A Group Results- 100 laps

1st - 59 points- Gen Kogue (Velo Europa/ Cyfac)- even laps, 6 victories
2nd - 47 points- Horace McFarlane (RH Villa.com)- even laps, 4 victories
3rd - 3 points- Tom Fahey (Webcor/ Alto Velo)- down one lap
4th - -1 point- Mike Matthews (Village Peddler)- down one lap
DQ- 38 points- James Hibbard (Healthnet)- profanity (24 laps to go)
DQ- 25 points- Tinga Turner (RH Villa.com)- profanity (24 laps to go)
DNF- 19 points- Tim Granshaw (Lombardi's)
DNF- 0 points- Giovanni Rey (Velo Europa/ Cyfac)
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DNF- Rob Evans (Village Peddler)
DNF- Marc Franklin (Webcor/ Alto Velo)
DNF- Carl Hekkert (LGBRC)
DNS- Bob Muzzy (Bezerkeley)
DNS- Mike Audley (McGuire)
DNS- Robin Valkenburgh (McGuire)

B Group Results- 55 laps (intermission for crash)

1st - 30 points- Roger Marquis (East Bay Velo Club)- 5 victories
2nd - 19 points- Steven Wu (Pegasus Bicycle Works)- 1 victory
3rd - 14 points- Kim Lafleur (Webcor/ Alto Velo)- 1 victory

4th - 8 points- Steven Woo (LGBRC)
5th - 7 points- MB Novak (CycleSports)
6th - 7 points- Jerry Ridge (unattached)
7th - 6 points- Tim Carey (Webcor/ Alto Velo)
8th - 4 points- Matt Willenger (RH Villa.com)
9th - - 17 points- Joe Fineman (Penn State)
10th - - 40 points- Michelle Lafleur (Webcor/ Alto Velo)
10th - - 40 points- Kelly Lafleur (Webcor/ Alto Velo)
DNF- 16 points- Douglas Northcott (Team Taylor)
DNF- 8 points- Richard DiGennaro (Solo Velo/ Clif Bar)
DNF- 7 points- Eliot Logan (Webcor/ Alto Velo)
DNF- 3 points- Bob Parker (Webcor/ Alto Velo)
DNF- Dave Ohst (Southbay Wheelmen)
DNF- Fred Proudman (Mako)

C Group Results- 70 laps

1st - 36 points- Dave Puglia (LGBRC)- 2 victories
2nd - 24 points- Radboud Bruinsma (Alto Velo/ Webcor)- 4 victories
3rd - 23 points- Jun Aishima (LGBRC)- 2 victories
4th - 19 points- Steve McFarland (LGBRC)- 2 victories
5th - 17 points- Mike O'Dell (unattached)- 1 victory
6th - 10 points- Hillary Daniels (unattached)- 1 victory
7th - 6 points- Ivan Lee (unattached)
8th - 5 points- Erik Gaze (Alto Velo/ Webcor)
9th - 2 points- Bridget May (DFL)
10th - 1 point- Kevin Torbett (Pegasus)
11th - 1 point- Martin Thompson (RH Villa.com)
12th - Larry Rosa (Roaring Mouse)
13th - -10 points- Tim Bergston (Specialized)- 2 victories
14th - -20 points- Dave Tabor (unattached)
DNF- Ray Storm (Roaring Mouse)
Jumped in late- Bob McIntire (Village Peddler)

Until next Thursday night... be safe and have fun. Larry Nolan, AMD Masters Cycling Team