



British Schools Success

April saw a busy month in the BSCA racing calendar with both the National Time Trial and Hard Track Championships taking place. Both events saw good representation from Eastland Riders with some great results.

The Time Trail took place at Bruntingthorpe Testing Ground in Leicestershire. The circuit included the two mile runway, which with a headwind proved to be a tough ride. In the U8 category Alexander Braybrooke secured a Gold Medal with a time of 9.56 for the 2 mile trial. In the U10 Girls, Jessica Anderson rode well to gain a silver medal with Christian Braybrooke riding to a Silver medal in the U10 boy's event. The U10 rode a 3 mile course including the runway. In the U12 boys event Daniel Whelan rode to a very credible 6th place over a 5 mile course.

The Hard Track Championships took place in Portsmouth at the Mountbatten Centre and followed on from the 2nd round of the National Youth Omnium League in which all riders participated with Chris Latham achieving 8th place and Jessica Anderson 12th.

In the BSCA Omnium (Time Trial, Sprint, and Scratch Race) Jessica Anderson gained a hard fought Silver Medal in the U10G Comp with Christian and Alexander Braybrooke both achieving 4th places in their categories. In the U12 boys event Chris Latham achieved a very credible 7th place even after loosing a pedal in the sprint.

The final two rounds (Grass Track (4th June @ Bromsgrove) and Circuit Race (now 26th June @ Darley Moore) will conclude the 2004/5 overall National Championships. Eastland's riders are well placed to gain medals in the overall BAR comp.

Entry details for the remaining events and the 2005/6 calendar can be found on the BSCA web site www.bsca.org.uk.

Phil Braybrooke

Aimee's Triathlon Success

Aimee Backhouse recently achieved First Female (13/14) in the Manx Junior Triathlon, part of the Northwest Junior Triathlon Series. The race took place at the National Sports Centre, Isle of Man, on 22nd May 2005.

The event was a continual race comprising:
300m swim.
8000m cycle (10 laps of an 800m course).
2400m run.

Aimee completed the event in 31minutes 27 seconds, and was 3rd overall in the mixed 13/14 year old boys / girls race. Most of the boys competing were members of the Ellan Vannin Cycling Club. Aimee has won the first two races of the four Northwest Triathlon Series and is the current leader in the series (best 3 from 4). Well done Aimee!

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ON THE BLUE LINE

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Olympic Dream for biker Steven



Nelson and Colne College student Steven Burke has just heard that he is now an official member of the Great Britain Olympic cycling team.

After his outstanding achievement last year – being nominated as the Under-16s GB Champion – Steven has returned from a training and selection week in Wales.

His previous successes, gold medals for the 2000m individual pursuit, the 10km scratch race, the 15km points race and a silver medal for the 500m time trial, ensured that Steven was a strong candidate for the Olympic team.

He will be representing GB in the Paris-Roubaix road race in April, followed by the European Track Championships in Italy in July. If all goes well, this will lead to the World Championships in Austria in August.

Steven, a former Park High School student, is studying A levels in Sport/PE. He is very appreciative of the support provided by college sports staff.

Steven also acknowledges the support given by his parents and brother and sister.

-Nelson Leader

Track Sessions

There are interruptions to our programme in July, there are no sessions on Saturdays 2nd & 9th July, Monday 4th July and Wednesday 6th July, due to essential Velodrome floor maintenance. Updates courtesy of Alan



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