



HAWK TALK

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DAVE & BEN HELP IRISH

Dave Martin and Ben Collins both represented Ireland in their Celtic Cup clash with Scotland at Harford Park. Dave did some good teamwork and finished with 13 points while Ben's handy 10 points helped Ireland to a 90-84 victory. After that match there was a challenge match between Ireland Select and a Scotland Select. Phil Adams overcame a heavy cold to score 15 points and help them to a 88080 win. Olly Buxton (11) and Calvin Grimes (7) were among the scorers for Scotland.

DAVE STARS AT GP

The Hawks had their best turn-out for a South-East Grand Prix when nine members travelled to Great Blakenham for Round 1. Tyler Matthews settled to the track well in the U8s and gave a solid performance for 11 points and 3rd place in the B Final. Jasmin Matthews was next out in the U13s – a tough call for the 10-year-old but she tried hard and beat a couple of riders. She was unlucky to clip the kerb in the C Final that lost her a place, finishing third. The remaining groups all raced together before splitting out into finals. Dave Martin dropped just one point and went on to win the Senior Final, closely followed by Calvin Grimes. Tiff Collins fell while leading one race so it was her and Carly Grimes contesting an entertaining B Final – Carly gating and holding the tight line all the way to the finish. Melissa

Carter had her first trip to a Suffolk track and did fine in a tough competition. She finished second in the B Final. The Vets was very competitive and Dave Chambers could not capitalise on winning a race and failed to make the A Final. He finished second in the B Final, one place ahead of me. All in all an enjoyable days racing – 56 riders there despite Ipswich being in a Premier League match and Norwich in a friendly. The next round is just two weeks away on Sunday April 10th at Kesgrave"

IPSWICH HERE SUNDAY

The Hawks entertain Ipswich on Sunday with both A and B teams in action, starting at 2 p.m. Teams will be selected and advised later in the week.

HELP REQUIRED

When we stage home matches there are lots of jobs to do and it is hoped we can have a few more volunteers so that we don't see riders in the match doing jobs and some people trying to do three things at once. So step forward please – we need your help. The jobs we need done for most matches are –

- Referee (if not provided)
- Starter
- Flag Marshal
- Pits Marshal
- Team Manager
- Scoreboard
- Track maintenance (2)
- First Aid
- Refreshments

LOOKING AHEAD

On Saturday week April 9th we have the first regional round of the British Yo9uth & Junior League. This is where all riders that take part score points for our team as well as get into Grand Prix finals. So we need as many members to take part. The categories are U8 U10 U12 U14 U16 U18 and 12-17 Girls. So let's get as many taken part as possible. It is being staged at Harford Park in Norwich and we can organise bikes and transport if needed. Racing gets under way at 12.00 with the U8s with the other categories following after each other.. Let me know if you can take part.

GOOD LUCK KATIE

Our Club U13 Champion Katie Adams is off to London this weekend for her long-awaited operation. Best wishes from all of us Katie and we look forward to seeing you back in full competitive action in the not too distant future.

PLAYING FIELD LATEST

Lots of debate last week notably at the Parish Council meeting and the Hawks Committee meeting and we can reassure members that we are doing everything to ensure that racing and club activities carry on as normal. Several e-mails have been flowing from the football club and us and it does seem now that there may be some meaningful discussion with all parties on the horizon.