



# HAWK TALK

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## **GIRLS STARS OF THE EAST**

Carly Grimes and Tiffany Collins were stars of the Eastern team that beat North & Scotland convincingly 78-41 in the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> play-off of the OneCall British Women & Girls League at Gt.Blakenham. Both were unbeaten and had three 7-3 wins racing together, including one great first-bend manoeuvre when Carly ducked under to take the lead shielded by Tiffany. In the individual event later Carly struggled in a couple of heats but made the B Final in which, despite slightly missing the gate, she drove in on the first corner to race away to victory. Tiffany did one good pass in the heats to make the A Final with 13 points but drew grid 4. Slotting into third place she then passed Lauren Jacobs – good to see her back after a bad fall at Hull – to finish second behind Lucy Whitehead. A good first season for this event and no doubt we will have more girls taking part next year.

## **TOO FAST FOR VETS**

On the same programme as the girls at Blakenham was the British Over-40s Vets Championship. Tim Grimes and I competed but found the racing a bit too fast for us and we finished 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. Steve Harris won his third title with popular Gary Brown from Kesgrave winning a race-off with Mark Griffiths to get second. Gary Colby was a good fourth and former Hawk Mick Skinner joint 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **DAVE KEEPS HOPES ALIVE**

The 8<sup>th</sup> round of the Norfolk Grand Prix took place at Harford Park with 24 riders present – the majority from Hethersett. Dave Martin won the U19s / Seniors / Vets final closely followed by Phil Adams. Roger Carter finished fourth with me 5<sup>th</sup>. In the U16sd / Women category Scott Grimes played it tactically to settle in second behind Danielle Riley on a loose track which he calculates should keep him in line for the title at the end of the final round at Hethersett next Wednesday (22<sup>nd</sup>). Carly Grimes pipped Tiffany Collins on the final bend to take third. Racing was quite exciting in the Novice / U13 event with Charlie Larwood biting the dust a couple of times. Calvin Grimes came through on the last corner to secure second place with Oliver Buxton not far behind in fourth. Other positions were Melissa Carter 7<sup>th</sup>, Charlie Larwood 9<sup>th</sup>, Charlie Bion 10<sup>th</sup>, Jasmin Matthews 11<sup>th</sup> and Tyler Matthews 13<sup>th</sup>. Full updated scores are with this Hawktalk.

## **LEAGUE LEADERS HERE**

On Sunday League leaders Gt.Blakenham are here at the Memorial to race the Hawks at 2.00 followed by a Combination match at 3.30. Let me know if you are available and teams will be announced Friday night – note I am away Thursday and Friday

## **PHIL BURSTS TO A WIN**

Four Hawks went to Kesgrave where 41 others also took part in the South-East Grand Prix Round 5. Tyler Matthews kicked us off in the U8s where he had one good third place before being awarded a win in the C Final. Sister Jasmin followed and again had one really good pass before losing to British U10 Girls Champion Rebekka Gifkins in the D Final. All the older riders were placed together so Phil Adams and I had some tough races. Phil had two good battles with Jordy Stant with honours even and then met in the Senior Final. Jordy had the lead and seemed to be in control, until Phil surprised him a sudden burst of speed around the outside on lap 3 – a brilliant pass – to take the win. I was fourth in the Vets – 10 races over the weekend and didn't beat anyone!!

### **DAVE MAKES IT NINE**

The long-running Hethersett Senior Club Championship can hardly have seen a more dramatic match over the years. The wet conditions early on made for some interesting racing with lots of passes and lots of tension in the pits among old rivals. The five main contenders were taken slightly by surprise by Scott Grimes who almost got under Dan Chambers in heat 4. The next race was critical and holder Dave Martin produced a great pass on Dan early on to make it two wins out of two. Ben Collins and Dave Adams had a battle royal but they also got caught out by Scott who took full advantage this time. Ben gave Dave a good chase in heat 13 and a lively heat 14 brought the Adams brothers and Dan to have a physical and mental battle which Phil got clear of and in popped Oliver Buxton to take second – one of a couple of good passes that earned him the “champagne moment” prize. A safe second place behind David Adams was enough to give Dave Martin the title –

his ninth over the years and equalling the record held by Simon Wilcox. Phil Adams used grid 1 to see off Scott Grimes to secure second overall and put Scott in at least a race-off for third. All depended on heat 19 as Dan and Ben had a cracking race only for Ben to come unstuck and in nipped Roger Carter. So Dan won the race to get a race-off with Scott. He drew inside but Scott went for the big gate, Dan drifted to meet him and Scott went down hard. Views will always vary in these situations but the one that mattered was referee at the time Dave Martin who saw nothing wrong and allowed Dan to race away to chequered flag. A pity that one decisive race and other incidents detracted from some good racing and a great competition but that's racing – never dull!! Full scores – D.Martin 19 P.Adams 18 Dan Chambers 17 S.Grimes 17 B.Collins 16 R.Cater 15 D.Adams 15 O.Buxton 13 T.Grimes 12 Calvin Grimes 10 Dave Chambers 10 M.Perkins 9 A.Grimes 8 Carly Grimes 8 C.Larwood 7 M.Cater 5.

At the same time the youngsters were having Club Night and we welcomed Jack Frosdickl and twins Troy and Tye Bunn for their first taste of action. So 27 were there altogether and no time for Rider of the Night! Bring on the next one – the U19s!

### **BIGGEST MATCH IN AREA**

This Saturday the biggest match in Norfolk this season takes place at Eaton Park so well worth giving it a look and support our boys Dave Martin and Ben Collins in the Grand Prix of Great Britain. Hoping to get some publicity of the road race Tour of Britain which comes to Norwich on Thursday, Norwich are expecting a big crowd for this event. Ben and Dave and in the first semi-final at 12.00 with another at 2.00 and the final at 4.00.

## CLUB U16 CHAMPIONSHIP

Next Tuesday (21<sup>ST</sup>) we stage the U16 Club Championship as part of Club Night. This time the U10s can come into the competition in they want to but not the U8s who will still have normal Club Night along with the Vets, Seniors and U19s at the same time and all can be in Rider of the Night afterwards subject to available time.

The list of 16 eligible to compete is –

Carly Grimes	Tiffany Collins
Calvin Grimes	Oliver Buxton
Scott Grimes	Melissa Carter
Charlie Larwood	Katie Adams
Oliver F-Wilcox	Olivia Nicholas

Jasmin Matthews	Bradley Lewin
Charlie Bion	Ayrin Larter
Theo Hinton	Ben Philpott

If any of the above want to race they will need to be booked in at 6.30 – it will start at 6.45 so if you think you may be a few minutes late let someone know before 6.30 that you are coming. There will be three trophies and a “champagne moment” prize.

### NORFOLK GRAND PRIX SERIES NOVICE/UNDER-13

SURNAME	INITIAL	CLUB	28/4 HARF	12/5 HETH	9/6 EAT	30/6 EAT	4/8 HARF	11/8 EAT	1/9 HETH	8/9 HARF	TOTAL	TOTAL TOP 7
RILEY	O	NOR		20	25	25	25	25	25	25	170	170
BUXTON	O	HET	25	18	16	20	18	20	18	16	151	135
BOCZ	I	NOR	14	14	20	18	16		16	18	116	116
GRIMES	CALVIN	HET	20	25	18				20	20	103	103
MARGITSON	D	NOR	18	16	13	16				14	77	77
GOTHARD	I	NOR	13	12			13		13	11	62	62
EWBANK	R	NOR				13		16	14	13	56	56
LARWOOD	C	HET				14		13	12	9	48	48
MATTHEWS	J	HET				8	11	11	9	7	46	46
CARTER	M	HET				12		9	11	12	44	44
LEWIN	B	HET				11	12	12			35	35
PARKINS	D	NOR					20	14			34	34
PARKINS	M	NOR					14	18			32	32
MATTHEWS	T	HET				9	7.5	7	4	4	31.5	31.5
WELLS	O	NOR					9	6	6	6	27	27
WILSON	D	NOR		13	14						27	27
COLBY	S	NOR					7.5	4	3	3	17.5	17.5
MOUNTAIN	R	NOR	16								16	16
BION	C	HET							7	8	15	15
FORDER- WILCOX	O	HET	12								12	12
JOHNSON	T	NOR						8			8	8
WARMINGER	J	NOR							8		8	8
ALLEN	A	HET						3	2		5	5

