



HAWK TALK

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GREAT CLIMAX TO GP

The Norfolk Grand Prix series concluded at its 8th round at Hethersett and there was some good racing under the lights, so much more enjoyable without the generator! Dan Chambers duly won the U16 title for the season but not before he suffered another defeat at the hands of Harley Hamill in the A Final. Carly Grimes, only one of two riders (Ben Collins the other) who took part in all 8 GPs, got the reward by getting the runners-up trophy in the series. She tied on points with Josh Colby but the Norwich rider was not present to have a race-off. The older age group covering U19s a, Seniors and Vets has been competitive all season and with Ian Grange back on a bike it had an added edge. Phil Adams, by virtue of getting into the A Final where he finished fourth, got enough points to tie with Ben Collins in third place. A race-off was required and it was a fitting climax to the series – Phil leading from the gate, Ben pulling off a great pass only for Phil to summon up one last drive to the line to pip his club rival – terrific stuff. Other hawks taking part were Katie Adams (5th), David Adams (6th) me (8th) and Dave Chambers (9th). Final standings will be issued shortly.

YOUTHS DESERVE CREDIT

The Hawks could not field full teams for the final South-east U10 and U14 League match at Blakenham but you could not fault the few Hawks for their dedication and spirit, despite finding the track and the opposition difficult. Oliver Forder-Wilcox gained one third place in the U10s and Scott Grimes was outstanding in the U14s just dropping one point. Katie Adams was unlucky to fall and get excluded when well-placed in her third ride.

U10 - Kesgrave 58 Ipswich 49 Gt.Blakenham 46 Colchester 30 Hethersett 13
(O.Forder-Wilcox 5 N.Hamill 4 W.Forder-Wilcox 4)

U14 - Ipswich 51 Kesgrave 46 Colchester 41 Gt.Blakenham 28 Hethersett 19
(S.Grimes 15 K.Adams 4)

HARLEY'S 1ST TITLE

After being unlucky to lose out in a race-off for the Norfolk title earlier in the year, the ever-improving Harley Hamill used all his track-craft and sheer determination to defeat Dan Chambers in one of the heats and then hold on to an early lead in the race-off for the Club U16 title. Scott Grimes eased into third place and the “champagne” moment was won by Katie Adams.

H.Hamill 15 D.Chambers 15 S.Grimes 12 C.Grimes 10 K.Adams 8 N.Hamill 6
O.Nicholas 4

The Rider of the Night afterwards was very competitive but they couldn't stop me getting my third victory with 14 points. Will anyone catch me while I am on holiday??

U10s NEXT WEEK

This week the U13s have their Club Championship and next week (Sep.29) it is the U10s' turn. It will be part of at Club Night from 6.45. Vets, Seniors U19s U16s and U13s will have normal club night. Those eligible to compete in the U10s are

Oliver Forder-Wilcox
Norton Hamill
Evan Syer
Olivia Nicholas
William Forder-Wilcox

SHEFFIELD SATURDAY

Some of the Hawks' juniors will be in action at Sheffield this Saturday for the final National Round of the British Youth & Junior League Grand Prix. Scott Grimes and Dan Chambers are just outside the medal positions so need to win the GP to have a chance of honours.

TITLE DECIDER

This Sunday sees the first of the much-awaited title deciders against Norwich in South-East Division 1. Maths seem to suggest that both teams need to win both encounters to win the League and prevent Blakenham taking the title. This Sunday action is at Hethersett (2.00) and should be a classic. The match will be followed by a South-East Youth League match at 3.30. Team announced shortly.

HOLIDAY TIME

This will be the last Hawktalk before the end of October as I am busy preparing to go away next Wednesday and not back until October 24th. A separate note will be issued about all the racing and plans while I am away but any general Club queries should be directed to John Nelson (810123)