



Tracey's Radiators Dirt Crit Club Champs

Race Report – 1/2/09

To say it was a very hot night for racing would be the understatement of the century!!! It was possibly the hottest night Albury has experienced on record as a small field of strong hearted mountain bikers gathered to pit themselves against each other in the first ever Dirt Crit Club Champs. The racing was frantic and skilled as captain serious regularly showed his competitive face and riders strived for perfection around the short 1.5 minute course. There were copious thrills and spills and action wherever you looked on course.

Christopher Boyall set the course alight first up taking out the Sub Jnr event. Right from the opening bounce he gapped his nemesis Dolen Vogel and managed to hold the lead start to finish. Dolen finished second with Aaron Boyall rounding out the podium.

C Grade was an exciting event. Chris Daley got things started at a frenetic pace with Single Speed Harra not too far behind. Harra made a charge when the \$5 lap was announced but it was all in vain as Daley proved too strong in the early stages. A rear flat spoiled the Daley Party and the Crazy German Ingo put the hammer down and it remained down for the duration of the event. Ingo was followed home by newcomer Stuart Mason and Mrs Harrington's Boy in third.

The Highlight in B grade was an incredible stack from Millzy on the big jump. I missed it but from what I could gather it was a cross between a superman and a seal launch as the front wheel dug in and speed and gravity took care of the rest. On first inspection of the crash site I thought the Westpac helicopter might be required but instead Mighty Millzy dragged himself off the canvas, dusted himself off and continued to race. The group started frantically with Millzy taking the lead, Shelley setting a fast pace early and the rest just hanging on!!! Once Millzy wiped himself out Andrew Edwards took over the pace setting and was not challenged for the rest of the race. Vogel took control of second place and a shaken but not stirred Millzy finished third after enduring yet another spill. This time only minor.

The main event was a cracker. Geoff Schilg and Sean Maloney were crowd favourites from the start and the fans were not disappointed. Maloney set the early pace with Geoff just sitting a little behind keeping the pace and biding his time. After a while the gap closed and Geoff made a move up the fire road and took the lead for a few laps. Sean hustled his way past with a few laps to go and managed to hold Geoff off to take the win. The battle for third was waged between Ric Kamevaar and Pete





Carter. Ric had the early running before Pete took over, made a gap and was never challenged again. Sean and Geoff managed to lap the entire field except for Pete.

Congratulations to all place getters in the inaugural **Traceys Radiators Dirt Crit Club Champs**

A Grade

- 1st – Sean Maloney
- 2nd – Geoff Schilg
- 3rd – Pete Carter

C Grade

- 1st – Ingo Zacharias
- 2nd – Stuart Mason
- 3rd – Matt Harrington

B Grade

- 1st – Andrew Edwards
- 2nd – Mathew Vogel
- 3rd – Aaron Mills

Sub Jnr

- 1st – Chris Boyal
- 2nd – Dolen Vogel
- 3rd – Aaron Boyal

Huge thanks to all those that turned up early and helped set the course. There were too many to mention. I would also like to thank the Brad'n Bren Show for doing rego and logistics. Many hands, light work, more giggles.

Cheers

Dan

