



Friendly and competitive cycling for all ages in Sydney's West

DATE: 2004-11-15

RACE: Regatta Centre Criterium

A record turn out of 112 entries tonight. B grade was about 30 strong I think. Grinding headwind down the finishing straight for the first two thirds of the race which abated toward the end.

A GRADE

| PLACE | RIDER |
|-------|-----------------|
| 1st | Eddie Salas |
| 2nd | Sean Brunt |
| 3rd | Pierre Berthier |
| 4th | Mark Falconer |
| 5th | Philip Stokes |

B GRADE

A few serious attacks but no strong counter attacks pretty well nullified the race. A good ride by Skye Armstrong and Frank Moon who escaped during the final lap and very nearly held off the field. This would have been no mean feat as Keith Oliver, who was working for Shaun Hopkins, pulled a mighty turn of speed for half of the finishing straight.

| PLACE | RIDER |
|-------|----------------|
| 1st | Nick Spratt |
| 2nd | Frank Moon |
| 3rd | Shaun Hopkins |
| 4th | Skye Armstrong |
| 5th | Sly Zust |

C GRADE

| Place | Rider |
|-------|-------------------|
| 1st | David McLeod |
| 2nd | Rohan Curtis |
| 3rd | Domenic Caravello |
| 4th | Graeme Spratt |
| 5th | Gordon Wilson |

D GRADE

No hanging around from the gun, a single rider break got out to about 400m, but was reeled in by about the end of the second lap. Going alone into that wind must have hurt! On the 3rd lap (or was it the 4th?) a brief break of 5 riders got away, but also failed, the bunch must have been doing 50kph to catch. From here it was great going east, but no-one wanted to take the wind going west! It came down to a bunch sprint with Steve Burman going from about 300m out and holding off fast finishing Paul Dowley and Peter Dykes.

| Place | Rider |
|-------|----------------|
| 1st | Steve Burman |
| 2nd | Paul Dowley |
| 3rd | Peter Dykes |
| 4th | Chris Pardue |
| 5th | Mark Sheppeard |

No present E grade race results available.

