## CITY OF DURHAM DUATHLO

### Meadowfield Leisure Centre





SUDDAY 18TH APRIL 2010

## NICKY McGEE WINS "CITY OF DURHAM DUATHLON" 2010

Nicky McGee of Black Hawk Bikes powered to victory in the City of Durham Duathlon in a time of 1h 18m 23s. Nicky was in 3<sup>rd</sup> place entering the bike leg where he showed his cycling pedigree, to post the fastest bike split of the day (41m 36s). Gary Grounds of Bike Tracks Tri, a previous winner of the event, put in a storming final lap on the run to overhaul Ben Howard of Durham University Tri and take 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 35s behind Nicky.

The Women's race was won by evergreen Hilary Ross, racing for the host club Durham Tri, in a time of 1h 35m 52s. The race was ideal preparation for the European Age Group championships in France where Hilary will compete next month.

Durham University Tri Club showed the strength and quality of their young athletes to take the team prize. Ben Howard 3rd, Sam Hatfield 6th & James Wildgoose 12th were well clear of the trio from Durham Tri.

Good spring weather conditions, ideal for racing, greeted a capacity field for the first 5km (3 mile), 3 lap run. The duathletes soon got in to a good rhythm on the fast sections of each lap after climbing a short sharp hill in the first 500m. The first half of the 25km (15 mile) bike leg was "challenging" especially the one mile climb out of Esh Winning and the second half was "fast" on the descent back to transition. On the second 5km (3 mile) run, only the strongest runners posted positive run splits.

The race action was not only confined to the front of the field. Some of the closest battles were seen further down the field where every place was hard fought and where every competitor raced against the clock to achieve the best time possible. The event was successful in attracting a good number of competitors new to the sport and the positive, friendly, supportive atmosphere helped all entrants enjoy the challenge of the event.

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### Prize List.

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| 2 <sup>nd</sup>       | Gary Grounds, Bike Tracks Tri.     | 1h 19m 8s     |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>       | Ben Howard, Durham University Tri. | 1h 19m 11s    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Woman | Hilary Ross, Durham Tri.           | 1h 35m 52s    |
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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Woman | Rachel Walmsley, Ryton Tri | 1h 38m 7s |
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| M40 | lan Walton, Total Racing. | 1h 24m 27s |
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| M50 | Graham Bradshaw, Durham Tri. | 1h 29m 24s |
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M60 Alan Smith, Elvet Striders. 2h 2m 14s

Dianne Chaney, Ryton Tri. F40 1h 46m 24s

Club Team Prize. Durham University Tri.

Relay Team Prize. Waterston/Scott.

#### Attached

Race Results

Race logo.

Photo

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