

Mathy Victorious Again but Howell Record Safe in Novartis Hill Test



Thierry Mathy powers to victory in Nigel Howell Hill Climb

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Although not the fastest on the steep section of the Novartis Consumer Health-Riyadh Wheelers Nigel Howell Hill Climb, strongman Thierry Mathy had done enough on the flatter section to win again the shortest race on the racing calendar. In second and with the best time for the climb, was diminutive Liam Bek, who used his climbing skills to great effect and by doing so took some notable scalps in his first competitive cycling year, ahead of Gaetan Contrino who revealed his dip in form was due to a two week lay-off.

Alex Carinan help up Pinoy honors to take an impressive 4th, ahead of two exceptional performances from Scott Waight and Steve Jenkins who found their climbing legs and put on their best performances to date. Other notable rides were by Kobus Moolman who after a steady start put in a great finish, David Nichols who found this event more to his liking, Jeff Forrester who would be the first to admit he is not built for climbing, plus newcomers Vince Engel Tony Williams and Kris Ahlin who will all be a force to reckon with in the future.

Cat B went to another first timer and someone who will be challenging for Championship honors, Carola von

Skwarczinsky who finished in the top half of the field and admitted later there was 'more in the tank' at the finish. The course record of 8:58 was safe again for another year, a time which had members wondering if it would ever be beaten, such was the talent of the late Nigel Howell. The next race is the Novartis Consumer Health-Riyadh Wheelers Open 2-Day Event, where riders from all over the Kingdom will come to compete.

RESULTS

1 Thierry Mathy 10:14; 2 Liam Bek 10:36; 3 Gaetan Contrino 11:25; 4 Alex Carinan 11:47; 5 Scott Waight 11:51; 6 Steve Jenkins 11:52; 7 Rob Patrick 12:12; 8 Paul Soycon 12:16; 9 Ian Davies 12:17; 10 George Morete 12:18; 11 Vincent Engel 12:19; 12 Charlie Ryan 12:24; 13 Kristoffer Ahlin 12:39; 14 Anthony Williams 12:56; 15 Jeff Forrester 13:17; 16 David Nichols 13:47; 17 Jiri Kuba 13:48; 18 Arnel Maniago 13:52; 19 Jun Cordial 13:53; 20 Art Cabal 13:55; 21 Carola von Skwarczinsky 14:00; 22 Edwin Seneres 14:02; 23 Kobus Moolman 14:07; 24 Herbert Rom 14:09; 25 Peter Foster 14:18; 26 Philip Green 14:19; 27 Paul McParland 14:21; 28 Cris Morelos 14:27; 29 Rex Fernandez 14:31; 30 Moath Saad Alswaylim 14:32; 31 Gordon Laurie 14:35; 32 Rene Bitong 14:43; 33 Dong Del Rosario 14:57; 34 Jenny Buchanan 15:19; 35 Catalino Laoagan 15:34; 36 Tony Kiernan 15:35; 37 Kath Cogan 15:47; 38 Francis Gregorio 16:08; 39 Fernando Requillo 16:21; 40 Carlo Rillera 16:34; 41 Jana Jaruskova 17:12; 42 Shaun Whitfield 17:33; 43 John Garbutt 18:20

CATEGORIES

Open Liam Bek, VET Thierry Mathy. MASTER Steve Jenkins, SENIOR Catalino Laoagan, CAT B Carola von Skwarczinsky