

Fulton Flyers Race Report
29 October 2006
Georgia Cross Series Race #3 – Fort Yargo State Park, GA

Results

Elite (Men A) - 23 riders

8th Ty Magner
14th Oscar Clark

Category 3 (Men B) – 35 riders

21st Kyle Cochran

Juniors A – 11 riders

1st Kyle Cochran

Masters 45+ - 14 riders

5th Lamar Mauney

Race Summary:

A beautiful fall day hosted the third round of the Georgia Cross Series, held in historic Fort Yargo State Park. The park was a perfect setting for this athletic event, with two paved sections mixed intermixed with grass, dirt and a 150 feet of deep lake front beach sand. The northern Georgia location attracted a significant number of talented NC and SC riders.

With school fall break, our team again fielded a smaller squad. Flyers entered four riders over four events on their Blue Competition Cycles CX bikes, Panaracer Cross Blaster tires & Neuvation wheels. As usual our equipment performed perfectly and all riders finished without incident – except for a few exciting moments and non-critical crashes common in cyclo-cross.

Ty “Tiger” Magner finished his first cross race, placing an outstanding 8th in the Elite event dominated by ex-MTB National Champion Michael Cumming. Team mainstay Oscar Clark made the front group as expected, but dropped back to 14th place after struggling with stomach problems. We are looking forward to these two junior riders being in the mix again next weekend.

Kyle Cochran won Juniors A with a strong attack at the bell lap, and held on for the win again. With only a 10 minute rest he was back on the course for Men B, and made the front group in the early going. Unable to dodge a fallen rider entering the beach, Kyle took a fall and long slide before recovering to 21st place. Lamar Mauney rode up front in Masters 45+ to 5th.

Technical Notes:

The course was loose dirt, grass and pavement, with the soil being mixed with fine gravel in some areas. The team rode Panaracer Cross Blasters at 40 pounds front and 45 pounds rear, and the tires performed well at these pressures. Good traction in the wet grass turns and short power hills, and fast on the pavement. Round 4 is Monroe, northeast of Atlanta on November 5. This course will feature pavement and a significant amount of grass.



Kyle Cochran & PowerBar Endurance



Oscar Clark contemplates pre-race



Ty Magner on the move mid-race



Christian Parrett – 2007 Flyers recruit