



ZABRISKIE HOLDS OFF PATE TO DEFEND USA CYCLING PROFESSIONAL INDIVIDUAL TIME TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP

THE CLIFFS VALLEY PROVIDES EXCITING FINISH FOR COMPETITION FOR STARS AND STRIPES JERSEY

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TRAVELERS REST, S.C. (September 1, 2007) – David Zabriskie (Team CSC) successfully defended his title for the USA Cycling Professional Individual Time Trial Championship. Zabriskie had a winning time of 39 minutes and 34 seconds over the 18.7-mile course. Only one second defined the gap for second place, taken by Danny Pate of Team Slipstream/Chipotle, who finished at 39'35". The podium was completed by Pate's teammate, Tim Duggan, who finished third at 39'42".

"Coming to the finish I heard (someone say) 'he's got to finish in two seconds', and I started sprinting. It's exciting. I think I see good things for the team (Slipstream/Chipotle) after today," said Zabriskie, a 28-year-old resident of Salt Lake City, UT, who will be riding for Team Slipstream/Chipotle in 2008.

Colorado Springs native Danny Pate finished third last year in the USA Cycling Professional Road Race Championship. A member of Team Slipstream presented by Chipotle, the seven-year veteran was expected to do well again in the time trial discipline, having won the 2001 Under-23 Time Trial World Championship. His teammate, Duggan, was the third rider to start today's time trial course out of a field of 33. A two-year pro from Boulder, CO, Duggan held on to the best time of the day until Pate crossed the line 25 riders later.

Other notables in the Top 10 included Bobby Julich (Team CSC) in 5th (40'23"23), Tyler Hamilton (Tinkov Credit System) in 6th (40'23"34), and 2006 ITT runner-up Chris Baldwin (Toyota-United) in 8th (40'33"). Hamilton won the gold medal in the ITT at the 2004 Olympic Games, and Julich captured the bronze that same year.

The USA Cycling Professional Individual Time Trial Championship marked the return to pro racing for Saul Raisin. The Credit Agricole rider has missed competition for 16 months due to severe head injuries sustained

from a crash in the Circuit de la Sarthe in France last year. While Raisin finished four minutes behind Zabriskie in 33rd position, the dozens of friends and family members who traveled to The Cliffs Valley finish line from his home in Dalton, Ga. were not disappointed.

“After my accident, my first goal, and goal for my team and my family and all my loved ones, was just for me to live a normal life again, and you know, I have that. And after that, my goal was to get back to racing... About halfway through the race it hit me, ‘Oh my gosh, I’m racing,’” stated Raisin at the post-race press conference.

Like last year, the USA Cycling Professional Individual Time Trial, presented by the Cliffs, took riders on a rolling course from The Cliffs at Mountain Park to The Cliffs Valley, both located in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Huge crowds lined the finish line area, located at the community soccer fields of The Cliffs Valley, near the scenic Ben Wright-designed Cliffs Valley golf course.

At the awards ceremony, the event host, The Cliffs Communities, donated a \$10,000 check in the name of the Time Trial winner to Zest Quest, a not-for-profit children's health initiative in the Upstate of South Carolina. The presentation was made to Rick Fisher, executive director of Zest Quest, by Scott Beville, president of sales and marketing for The Cliffs Communities, and Zabriskie. The Zest Quest program will be implemented in 13 elementary schools during the 2007-2008 school year.

The USA Cycling Professional Time Trial Championship presented by The Cliffs is part of the Greenville Hospital System USA Cycling Professional Championships and a full weekend of activities for Labor Day weekend in Greenville. Saturday night following the Time Trial, the Championship Block Party will be held in downtown Greenville from 6-10 p.m. On Sunday a fundraiser bicycle ride for recreational cyclists, the “Stars and Stripes Challenge”, will begin at 7:00 a.m. The main event for the day, the USA Cycling Professional Road Race Championship, will begin at 1:00 p.m. at Broad and Main streets, and expected to finish between 4:15-5:30 p.m. The USA Cycling Professional Road Race Championship will consist of a total of 10 circuits - three short start laps in the downtown area, four longer laps over Paris Mountain, and conclude with three finish laps in the downtown area. Maps, information about road closures and live race streaming video are available at the official event website, www.usacyclingchampionships.com.

Position Classement	No. No.	Rider Coureur	Team Équipe	Time Temps	Gap Écart
1.	1	ZABRISKE David	CSC	.39'34"	
2.	7	PATE Danny	TSL	.39'35"	1"
3.	31	DUGGAN Timothy	TSL	.39'42"	8"
4.	5	ZIRBEL Tom	PHB	.39'49"	15"
5.	8	JULICH Bobby	CSC	.40'23"	49"
6.	9	HAMILTON Tyler	TCS	.40'23"	49"
7.	12	CREED Michael	TSL	.40'30"	56"
8.	2	BALDWIN Christopher	TUT	.40'33"	59"
9.	3	FRIEDMAN Michael	TSL	.40'36"	1'02"
10.	13	JACQUES-MAYNES Ben	PHB	.40'46"	1'12"

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license holder for the USA Cycling Professional Individual Time Trial Championships and USA Cycling Professional Road Race Championships. For more information visit www.usacycling.org, or contact USA Cycling Director of Communications, Andy Lee at 719-866-4867.

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