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## CENTRAL COAST CUP HISTORY MADE

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Host cub member David Smith became the most successful rider in the history of the Central Coast Cup long track meeting when he won the Senior Cup for a record-breaking fourth time last Sunday, September 10.

The Allen Park track at Somersby was the scene of two days of quality closefought action with tense finales in all classes to resolve the outcomes.

The Central Coast Cup events for juniors and seniors came at the end of the Sunday programme, but there was plenty of excitement in the races decided before then.

The MX Open final was won by defending Senior Cup winner Luke Bush ahead of fellow young guns Blake Wilby and Cody Lewis and that result fired up David Smith after he copped a few severe checks in running.

Next up Smith won the Pro 450 final, with Wilby and Lewis again in the minor placings.

The 8-lap Senior Cup final was dominated by Smith who scored an emphatic victory while most eyes were fixed on the battle for the minor placings which was only resolved at the last corner when Brayden Gay pulled off a stunning pass to grab second place ahead of Bush, Lewis, Jayden Rodgers and Angus Hutchinson

The Pro 250 class had earlier produced a win for Angus Hutchinson.

The Over 35s again turned on their shares of thrills with Anthony Farrell outpointing Josh McCosker after close battles in all five rounds.

Sharnelle Sipple was the only entrant for the Pro Womens class and she actually raced among the Over 35s and clearly enjoyed some of her battles.

There was always going to be a new name inscribed on the honour roll for the Junior Cup and it was always going to be one of a number of very promising young talents.

Gold Coast rider Bodie Paige got to the lead early in the 8-lap Junior Cup race and although Lachlan Russell stayed close to him for several laps Paige was ultimately a clear winner. Jayden Holder, Max Earl, James Wood and Hugh Hope-Hodgetts followed Paige and Russell home.

Bodie Paige had earlier won the 4-stroke class for the 13 – Under 16s while Jayden Holder won the 2-stroke class.

The most dominant rider on the weekend was recently crowned Australian champion Cohen McCosker (7-U/9s) who won all three classes he entered, winning in all five rounds in each of those classes despite a few close battles.

Even with a small field the junior girls' races were as good as any action on the weekend and it took an overtaking move by Holly Hope-Hodgetts late in the last round to get the better of Amelia Kotze and recent Australian champion Romee Flewell-Smith.

Other junior class winners were Jake Paige, Hayden Duggan, Jed Fyffe and Zac Brady meaning there were plenty of long-distance travelers to the meeting who were taking home some more luggage in the form of trophies.

Saturday' programme wrapped up with a series of Shoot-Out one lap dashes for both seniors and juniors which were well received as a variety from longer races. The winners were David Smith and Bodie Paige in what was an omen for bigger successes for both on Sunday.

The local St Johns First Aid benefited from the gate takings from the meeting and most pleasingly had only a few racing incidents to attend to.

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