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MILESTONE CENTRAL COAST CUP PRODUCES QUALITY ACTION

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The 20th staging of the Splitfire Spark Plugs Central Coast Cup long track meeting last weekend (June 20 & 21) was a milestone in itself and fans who witnessed the racing were left with good memories of two days of close and dramatic action.

The Central Coast Cup races for seniors and juniors (13 to Under 16s) wrapped up the big programme on Sunday afternoon with both eight lap finals only resolved after close encounters for either the race lead or for minor placings.

There will not be a new name added to the honour roll of Senior Cup winners as 2024 winner Cody Lewis added another victory to his record but only after what he acknowledged did not come easy.

At least early in the final Lewis was pressured by four-time winner David Smith who later said he was simply pleased to be back on the track after suffering some serious injuries in the corresponding meeting last year.

The very experienced Grant Charnock finished third despite not enjoying the eight lap journey, but he did enjoy the one-lap dash of the Shootout where he scored the win.

Defending Cup champion Luke Bush did well to finish fourth, ahead of impressive teenagers Thomas Gotts and Jayden Holder, after being forced to ride a 250cc machine after his 450cc machine had expired at the end of the earlier Pro 450 final.

Lewis also won that Pro 450 final ahead of David Smith and Thomas Gotts, but Gotts was an impressive winner of the MX Open final beating Lewis and Bush in one of the highlights of the meeting.

Bush had success in the 250cc class claiming the John Wilkes Memorial Trophy with a dominant display while the rest of the field turned on their own stirring battles for the minor placings, while David Smith overcome Josh McCosker to again win the Over 35s class.

The Junior Central Coast Cup had no previous winners among its line-up and it emerged that host club rider Levi Meyn triumphed after holding last year's runner-up Tahj Edwards at bay for the entire journey with Hayden Duggan coming home third.

All the junior racing took on an added perspective with many visiting riders, who travelled from as far away as Townsville, Albury and Griffith, taking the opportunity of getting some experience on the track in preparation for the Australian Junior Track Championship meeting at the venue on October 3 & 4.

Levi Meyn also won the supporting 4-stroke class as well as the junior Shootout.

Of the nine junior classes covering the various age brackets Gold Coast rider Cooper Quinn was the only dual winner while there were also wins for Forbes riders Hayden Duggan and Taylah Duggan, host club riders Cade Finn and Cohen McCosker, Oscar Ryan from Albury-Wodonga and Kruze Anderson from Kurri Kurri.

The quality of the racing turned on by the juniors augers well for the national title meeting in October when an even bigger line-up of young talent is expected to compete.

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