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2009 - EUROPEAN MASTERS TRACK CYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

DAY 4 – THURSDAY 30th JULY

RESULTS

Men 30 – 34 Years Pursuit

2008 medallists Simon Coughlan of Ireland and Stuart Dodd of Great Britain again filled the Gold and Silver positions when they battled out Thursday night's final. The event was so similar to last year that Coughlan's 3:34.643 was 4 hundredths of a second slower than 2008 while Dodds was 7 hundredths slower!

Boyd Roberts of Great Britain took the Bronze when he beat Italy's Sandro Di Renzo 3.42.859 to 3.45.566.

GOLD	Simon Coughlan	Ireland
SILVER	Stuart Dodd	Great Britain
BRONZE	Boyd Roberts	Great Britain

Men 35 – 39 Years Pursuit

Joel Stewart of Great Britain scored his first win in this age category when he added the 35-39 pursuit title to last year's 30-34 championship as he beat Ian O'Hara 3.36.618 to 3.43.428. Steven Roe took the Bronze against Adam Roberts 3.41.098 to 3.44.343 to complete an all British podium.

GOLD	Joel Stewart	Great Britain
SILVER	Ian O'Hara	Great Britain
BRONZE	Steven Roe	Great Britain

Men 50 – 54 Years Sprint

Mark Zashke moved up from Bronze last year to claim the Gold in a closely fought out final that went to 3 rides. Zashke took the first in 12.707, then Steve Cronshaw countered, winning the second round in 12.962, before the 2008 Champion had to admit defeat in the final ride as Zashke took the honours with 12.966. Welshman Keith Williams took bronze from Frenchman Eric Morel.

GOLD	Mark Zashke	Great Britain
SILVER	Steve Cronshaw	Great Britain
BRONZE	Keith Williams	Great Britain

Men 55 – 59 Years Sprint

Steve Davies of Great Britain was hoping that he could add the Sprint Gold to his Pursuit win but was thwarted by 2008 Bronze medallist Marc Dangleterre of France who took the medal in straight riders. 12.558 and 12.540. Andy Laing of Great Britain took his first ever medal in Masters sprint events when he beat Ireland's Terry Cromer to the Bronze 12.992 and 12.788.

GOLD	Marc Dangleterre	France
SILVER	Steve Davies	Great Britain
BRONZE	Andy Lang	Great Britain

Men 65 – 69 Years Points Race

Masters newcomer Lance Ravenhill of Great Britain ensured the Gold medal when he bravely took a solo lap. With only 3 points on his score card and lying fourth, Ravenhill went off the front after the second sprint, amassing a total of 18 points, leaving Geoff Cooke to take the Silver medal with 13 points ahead of 2008 Champion Guido Lupo of Italy who finished with 9.

GOLD	Lance Ravenhill	Great Britain
SILVER	Geoff Cooke	Great Britain
BRONZE	Guido Lupo	Italy

Men 70 Plus Years Points Race

Former World Masters Champion Otto Altweck made a triumphant first appearance in the Euro Championships when he beat Great Britain's Brian Dacey by 15 points to 9, taking the first 3 of the four sprints the German could afford to sit the last one out. However third place in the final charge to the line and the 2 points on offer were enough to give Peter Tranberg of Denmark the Bronze medal.

GOLD	Otto Altweck	Germany
SILVER	Brian Dacey	Great Britain
BRONZE	Peter Tranberg	Denmark

Women 40 Years Plus Sprint

Janet Birkmyre stood at the top of an all British podium when she beat Jeanette Baxter in two straight rides to retain her 2008 European title 13.824 and 13.866. Cheryl Owens secured her second Bronze in European events and indeed the week when she beat Heather Sanderson 14.780 14.171

GOLD	Janet Birkmyre	Great Britain
SILVER	Jeanette Baxter	Great Britain
BRONZE	Cheryl Owens	Great Britain

Medal Standings after Day 4

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Great Britain	16	22	19
France	11	4	5
Germany	3	3	2
Ireland	2	1	
Denmark	2	-	2
Austria	1	-	-
Italy	-	3	3
Finland	-	-	1
Greece	-	-	1

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