

2nd Annual Ronde Ohop Circuit Race

Eatonville, Washington USA

February 25, 2006

Emde Stamps Authority on Muddy Ohop

Michael Emde (AxleyUSA.com/Spoke&Sprocket) of Spokane, WA soloed away from breakaway companion Derik Archibald (The Valley Athletic Club) of Olympia, WA with 16 miles to go to win the first race of the 2006 Washington State road season. Archibald finished 40 seconds back with team-mate Rob Campbell taking 3rd place, another 30 seconds back. For the rest of the field it was an epic day in the saddle as the normally dry course was overwhelmed by the recent rains and freezing temperatures to produce a mudfest many likened to cyclocross. It became a battle Archibald summed up neatly, "Just to finish the race you have to be pretty committed."

Results Category 1/2/3 – 20 laps (40 miles)

1. Michael Emde (AxleyUSA.com/Spoke&Sprocket)
2. Derik Archibald (The Valley Athletic Club)
3. Rob Campbell (The Valley Athletic Club)
4. Andrew Lathrop (The Valley Athletic Club)
5. Michael Gallagher (The Valley-U.S.Armed Forces)
6. Anthony Ogden (Broadmark Capitol)
7. Mark Knokey (AxleyUSA.com/Spoke&Sprocket)
8. Erik Scheller (AxleyUSA.com/Spoke&Sprocket)
9. Michael Rea (Bike Doctor / Cannondale)
10. Patrick Grey (Excel Sports)
11. Eric Kapfhammer (AxleyUSA.com/Spoke&Sprocket)
12. Bart Sanderson (Avanti-TiCycles)

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